

# Town's latest 'Admiral' retail plans told at FMPC

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Farragut's current construction boom will include a new commercial/retail development at the corner of Kingston Pike and Admiral Road in

the not-too-distant future.

Farragut Municipal Planning Commission approved the site plan, submitted by Urban Engineering for Horizon Plaza, during its Thursday, Feb. 18, meeting.

The project, which would be located

just west of Stonecrest shopping center, will initially offer a 12,000-square foot strip shopping center in the first phase, with a potential second phase offering a 3,750 square foot building.

Access points are proposed along Kingston Pike and one to Admiral

Road directly across from Premier Eye Center. "It is a challenging piece of property," said Mark Shipley, Town Community Development director. "A large part of it is in the flood plain

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## Aesthetics for 5G lights approved by BOMA

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More than a year after Farragut Municipal Planning Commission reluctantly approved 11 small cell support structures proposed by Verizon, the Town now has approved an Aesthetic Plan for Vertical Utility Infrastructure in Public Rights of Ways to help potentially regulate future installations.

Farragut's Board of Mayor and Aldermen approved a resolution adding the fairly comprehensive yet flexible Aesthetic Plan to the Farragut Municipal Code during its regular Thursday, Feb. 11, bi-monthly meeting.

Community Development director Mark Shipley has worked on the parameters of the plan since shortly after the Verizon structures were approved by FMPC in January 2020.

While State law prohibits any municipality from banning small cell support structures outright, it does allow aesthetic considerations to be applied "provided we do it in a manner that is non-discriminatory," Shipley's report to BOMA stated.

While the Town already requires all new utilities be installed underground, that requirement would not pertain to small cell structures, which by design must be above

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# Mardi Gras Farragut

With lots of 'Villagers' showing their colors



Photos by Michelle Hollenhead

Not holding back on style, Villages of Farragut Senior Living community residents and staff celebrated Mardi Gras Tuesday, Feb. 16, in grand style with a parade, crowning a King and Queen with live music. Among those enjoying the festivities were **(top)** Don Olson and Arleen Malcolm and **(left)** parade participant Betty Riley. **(Above)** Voting confirmed Tom Grant, left, as King, and Joanna Link, right, as Queen. Also pictured is Steven Jenks.

## Greenway connections, Town traffic big topics at retreat

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Farragut's Board of Mayor and Aldermen met in-person for the first time in nearly a year Friday, Feb. 19, for its annual Strategic Planning Retreat, evaluating the last year's accomplishments and considering goals in the year ahead as staff works on the Fiscal Year 2022 budget.

Department heads were on hand for any questions arising during the meeting, which was possibly a "dress rehearsal" of what in-person meetings will resemble when they resume.

### Tax boost

David Smoak, Town administrator, reported that while budget cuts were necessary last year after COVID hit, the Town "headed into this year with more of a flat budget" as sales tax revenues are "5 percent head of last year."

### Aldermen, Mayor's goals

BOMA members previously submitted priorities they would like to see in the year ahead, with many having similar choices.

Traffic mitigation was top of mind for the majority of the Board, with Alderman Scott Meyer asking for data concerning both Grigsby Chapel Road traffic and school congestion.

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# \$5 million 'long awaited' high school auditorium breaks ground

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A morning shower cleared just in time for Knoxville Catholic High School and donors, staff and other supporters to break ground on its long-awaited \$5 million St. Gregory the Great Auditorium at the school, 9245 Fox Lonas Road near Cedar Bluff Road late Monday morning, Feb. 22.

"This (auditorium project) has been in progress for 15 years," Bishop Richard F. Stika of the Diocese

of Knoxville said just before the ceremonial ground-breaking.

"This is an exciting time," KCHS president Dickie Sompayrac said.

"The best-in-class auditorium will greatly enhance Catholic's rapidly growing band, theater, choral, digital media, dance and fine arts programs," a press release stated from Pam Rhoades, KCHS director of marketing and communications. "Construction will begin in March with anticipated completion in December 2021."

Designed by Johnson Architecture Inc., the release stated the new auditorium will encompass 13,500 square feet and feature 375 seats, a 1,385-square-foot wide-by 40-foot-deep stage, an audio-video production suite, 4,000-square-foot lobby, 871-square-foot green room, full theatrical lighting and will be fully handicap accessible.

"This day's been a long time coming here for Knoxville Catholic High School," Sompayrac said

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## business

"It really came down to I really just liked the food. It's fresh, it appeals to all kinds of people because of the gluten-free and vegetarian options,"

- Laurie Lowe, a local businesswoman who let her taste buds do her bidding. (Read story beginning on page 5A)

## community

"He spent his time helping others and was always doing things for other people. A lot of kids looked up to him. ... He wanted things to be fair for everybody,"

- Tracy Impellizeri, about a loved one whose memory lives on in a special way. (Read story starting on page 1B)

## sports

"We were able to force them to turn the ball over. We were able to string the turnovers together. ... You don't want to turn the ball over in bunches,"

- Zneyah McLaughlin, a top athlete helping her team roll through a great season. (Read story starting on page 1C)



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# High Town financial marks from auditor

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The Town of Farragut got high marks from its Comprehensive Annual Financial Report presented Thursday, Feb. 11, during the regular Board of Mayor and Aldermen meeting for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020.

Whitlock & Company P.C. of Alcoa conducted the audit for the 2020 fiscal year, and CAFIR data was presented by Steve Horton, a senior manager in the company’s audit department.

Horton began by apologizing for the lateness of the report. “We had problems with COVID that put us behind, so I apologize for that,” he said.

Typically the report would have been completed before the end of the calendar year.

Overall, Horton reported the audit resulted in an “unmodified opinion” indicating there were no irregular audit findings.

“It was a clean opinion, there were no findings and no items of concern,” he added.

“An unmodified opinion is the best option an auditing firm can give,” explained Trevor Hobbs, assistant to the Town administrator, during an interview.

**Audit financial highlights included:**

- Total assets of \$83.7 million as of June 30, 2020 ... and a net position of \$83.1 million;
- Town governmental funds reported a combined ending fund balance of \$38.9 million as of June 30, 2020, with approximately 48 percent (\$18.5 million) in unassigned fund balance available for spending at the government’s discretion; this amount is 277 percent of the total General Fund expenditures of \$6.7 million;
- Other than compensated absences in the amount of \$210,327, the Town has no outstanding long-term debt;
- The Town’s net position increased by \$5.2 million (from \$77.9 million in 2019 to \$83.1 million in 2020);
- Additionally, the Town’s investment in capital assets increased by \$3.075 million (from \$41.3 million as of June 2019 to \$44.4 million as of June 2020), primarily through Town projects (McFee Park, Anchor Park, Campbell Station Inn among them); and ...
- The Town’s revenues increased by \$500,000 (from \$14.1 million in June 2019 to \$14.6 million in June 2020), largely due to increased revenues from sales tax and wholesale beer and liquor tax.

“The Town continues to be in a strong financial position and a very liquid position as well,” Horton said.

“I also want to thank Allison (Myers, Town recorder and treasurer) and her staff — they were a pleasure to work with and very well organized.”

Myers has won many awards and honors through the years for her oversight of the Towns’ finances, including the Government Finance Officer’s Association Certificate of Achievement in Financial Reporting 28 years running.

“In order to be awarded a Certificate of Achievement, a government must publish an easily readable and efficiently organized comprehensive annual financial report,” Hobbs said. “This report must satisfy both generally accepted accounting principles and applicable local requirements.

“What this all kind of boils down to is that, despite the worst months of the pandemic and all that came with it, the Town increased revenues by \$500,000 compared to FY 2019, managed to invest more into capital assets compared to FY 2019 and still ended the year in a better financial position than last year,” he added.

“This is largely due to the Town keeping its expenses low, hav-

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## correction

In a front-page story in the Feb. 18 issue of farragutpress, an incorrect gofundme link was listed to help Carole Turk, whose Choto-area home was destroyed by fire Sunday, Feb. 14.

The correct go fund me address is <https://gofund.me/fa531771> We regret the error.

# KCSOreports

• At 7:15 a.m., Sunday, Feb. 21, Knox County Sheriff’s Office units made contact with a complainant at a Concord Road residence who said there was an unknown male on the property of complainant and victim. Officers observed the suspect on the property near the woodline close to the victim’s house. Victim said the suspect came into his unlocked house, took off his shoes, took a cup and filled it with water to drink, then went to the couch to lay down. Suspect came into the house from the side front door from an unknown direction. “Suspect did not know whose house he entered,” the officer’s report stated. “Victim saw suspect in the living room and asked him to leave — he did cooperatively.” Suspect was placed under arrest, with the officer adding the arrestee “was clearly under the influence of unknown narcotics and/or alcohol,” which he admitted. “Suspect was a danger to himself and others when he was on the victim’s property.”

• At 8:06 p.m., Feb. 21, officers responded to Cotton Eyed Joe, 11220 Outlet Drive, on report of an assault. Victim recalled an incident Friday night, Feb. 19, when he and the suspect got into a verbal altercation. Victim said the suspect struck him in the face five times with a closed fist.

• At 8:39 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 18, officers responded to a possible domestic disturbance at a Campbell Lakes Drive hotel. Victim said she and the male suspect had gotten into an altercation in which the suspect grabbed the victim by the throat, but also advised “that at no point did she feel she was going to pass out or feel that she could not breathe,” the report stated. Complainant advised she was able to strike suspect on the nose, causing his nose to bleed, which caused him to let go of her throat. Suspect then left the scene. Officers observed victim and stated “she did appear to have a visible red marking around her neck.” Victim refused transportation to what the report stated was “a safe location,” advising she would get a ride to a safe location later. A warrant for simple assault was placed against the suspect. Victim was advised of her rights under Domestic Violence Law and given a Family Crimes card.

• At 7:17 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 16, officers were dispatched to Grigsby Chapel Road at Deanwood Drive in regards to a wreck involving a possibly impaired driver. Suspect/eventual arrestee was in a 2015 Ford F-150 pick-up truck that drove into trees in the median of Grigsby Cha-

pel Road. Suspect was in the driver’s seat of the vehicle with keys in the ignition. “I immediately observed slurred speech, difficulty maintaining thought and difficulty maintaining balance,” an officer reported. “I asked the suspect if he would perform standardized field sobriety tests, which he complied.” After the tests were concluded, it was determined the suspect was under the influence and he was subsequently taken into custody without incident. The arrestee, after implied consent was explained, refused to provide a blood sample for chemical testing. Arrestee was transported to Roger D. Wilson Detention Facility.

• At 8:26 p.m., Feb. 16, a complainant called KCSO Teleserve Unit to report theft of merchandise from the At Home store, 11501 Parkside Drive. Less than 10 minutes earlier, two suspects were seen loading merchandise (wall art) into a buggy, which they pushed past the point-of-sale and out the store without paying — and without the owner’s permission. Complainant said he attempted to confront the suspects in the parking lot, but they placed the merchandise inside a Toyota Corolla and left the scene heading toward Campbell Station Road. Complainant advised there was video evidence. Value of merchandise was listed at \$100.

• At 10:54 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 13, officers responded to a Turkey Creek Road residence in reference to a domestic incident. Suspect/eventual arrestee was screaming at officers at the front door, asking why they were there. Despite officers’ attempts to explain why, he kept yelling. Victim/complainant, who is the suspect’s mother, was standing behind the suspect as he was yelling. Officers attempted to speak with her because she was shaking and visibly in fear, but suspect continued to yell. When his mother attempted to speak to the officers, suspect pushed her. Officers took control of the suspect, though he began resisting control and attempted to flee.

Officers placed him on the ground and applied wrist restraints. Officers could tell the arrestee was intoxicated be-

cause of his slurred words, his body smelling of alcohol and that he urinated on himself. Arrestee continued yelling at officers despite their attempts to ask him questions. His mother also said her son may have consumed an unknown narcotic. She said the suspect/eventual arrestee “was acting OK” even though he had been drinking — and then suddenly became violent. Complainant said she was attempting to assist her mother into the bathroom when the eventual arrestee got in her face and scared her. Complainant said she tried to calm down her son, but he put his hands on her face and started staring at her, placing her in fear she would be slugged.

Complainant’s mother was still shaking and upset, adding she had just gotten back into bed when the arrestee walked up to her, got in her face and started screaming. He placed one hand on her throat, but did not restrict her breathing.

• At 11:34 p.m., Feb. 13, an officer was finishing up a prior call at a Parkside Drive address when he reported hearing a “loud crashing sound and saw smoke coming from” Tennova Turkey Creek Medical Center, the report quoted. Officer then “ran around the building to observe a white Chevy Aveo had crashed into the wall” of the hospital. The driver “appeared to be slumped over at the wheel and the gas pedal was still pressed to the floor. After getting the attention of the driver and getting him awake we were able to get him pulled from the vehicle,” the report further stated. Suspect said he had no knowledge of this accident.

Officer reported the suspect “had pinpoint pupils and was unsteady on his feet,” further describing him as “mush-mouthed and appeared to be thick-tongued.” Suspect also had trouble following verbal commands. After the officer read suspect his consent advisement, he refused to consent to a blood sample for chemical testing. Suspect was placed into custody and transported to Roger D. Wilson Detention Facility. Arrestee refused medical treatment on scene. Total value of damage was listed at \$1,000.

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Listening closely and taking notes during this Town of Farragut retreat Friday, Feb. 19, are Aldermen Drew Burnette, left, and Ron Pinchok.

New retail

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and it drops off steeply. It will require a lot of fill and a lot of grading work.”

The project also would include a “pretty sizable retaining wall, which will be visible on the back side of the property,” Shipley added.

Two variances are being requested. One, to avoid constructing a sidewalk along the Admiral Road portion of the project, was to be evaluated by the Town Board of Zoning appeals during its regularly-scheduled Wednesday, Feb. 25, meeting.

A second variance of the 400-

foot separation requirement between its planned right-only exit/entrance and the intersection of Admiral and Kingston Pike, will be voted on by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen.

**In other business:**

- Shipley offered six training videos on Form Based Code — three before and three after the meeting, which not only served as an introduction to that style of planning, but also served as a portion of the members’ required annual training.

Farragut’s Board of Mayor and Aldermen also had watched a segment of the series during a January

workshop.

“We aren’t necessarily saying we want to adopt this type of code,” Shipley said. “We are just looking at it, as a different approach. Form-based can really be whatever the Town wants it to be; it could be simple or complex, but it would be up to the Commission to decide if they want to apply it, and what manor it might work.”

“It’s my understanding it works better in urban environments,” Commissioner Noah Myers said. “The City of Knoxville recently implemented it (on Cumberland Avenue and on the South Knoxville waterfront). The verdict is still out

Retreat

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“I would like to see a traffic light or stop sign at the intersection of Fretz and Grigsby Chapel (roads),” Meyer said. “Those people really need some relief and that needs to be a priority.”

One of Vice Mayor Louise Povlin’s top concerns is how best to address pedestrian safety, not only near schools, but also in the Town Center designated areas, which are seeing more development.

She also proposed constructing a sidewalk along Sonja Drive from Admiral Road to Dundee Road to help with student foot traffic.

Increasing connectivity between Town greenways also was singled out as a priority, along with a need for a comprehensive Economic Development Strategic plan and continued focus on the Town’s stormwater infrastructure.

Povlin also successfully lobbied to include establishing Town neighborhood partnerships under a subheading within the Town’s Comprehensive Strategic Planning Framework.

While the grounds and building exterior have been completed, a need to determine

specific uses for the Campbell Station Inn also was selected as a priority.

**A full crew**

Mayor Ron Williams and Aldermen Drew Burnette and Ron Pinchok joined Povlin and Meyer, as each was seated 6 feet apart in the Assembly Room in the Farragut Community Center.

While Smoak facilitated the meeting, others attending included assistant to the Town administrator Trevor Hobbs; director of Parks & Recreation Sue Stuhl; Town engineer Darryl Smith, assistant Town engineer Brannon Tupper, Community Development director Mark Shipley and Public Works director Bud McKelvey..

Williams has previously discussed the probability that BOMA and other public meetings would be taking place in the Community Center rather than the Town Hall Board Room when live meetings resume — although virtual meetings are still permitted under Gov. Bill Lee’s Executive Orders.

The meeting lasted until after 4 p.m., with Burnette suggesting the meeting went so well he would like to see the group meet in strategic planning sessions at least twice a year.

for me. I would like to see how the City of Knoxville could use it, but I am struggling to see how it would be applicable to the Town of Farragut.”

“I would not support this for our Town as a community-wide approach, especially since we are 80 percent built out,” said Vice Mayor Louise Povlin, who also sits on FMPC.

“There might be some way to incorporate it within the Mixed Use Town Center.”

During an interview, Povlin said, “With regard to the form-based code training ... while I am not supportive of adopting form-based code Town-wide, we can develop a new zoning district or update a current

zoning district to include some form-based principles in an effort to protect existing residential neighborhoods from incompatible development.”

- FMPC also unanimously approved the site plan for the Blue Cross-Blue Shield all-inclusive Healthy Places Playground, which will be located behind Town Hall.

Sue Stuhl, Town Parks & Recreation director, applied for the \$750,000 project last year, and Farragut was chosen as one of 10 Blue-Cross/Blue Shield park recipients state-wide. The playground will be built at no cost to the Town.

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lettertotheeditor

Eyesores, increase accidents: red-light cameras

I have been dismayed to see the scourge of red-light cameras appearing along Kingston Pike (now at Smith Road, Concord Road, Lovell Road). I recently moved my family here from the Chicago suburbs largely to avoid bad politics.

But amazingly, one thing most communities there got right was to remove these things. Not only are they an eyesore, it is well documented that they increase accidents at intersections due to nervous and unpredictable behavior in response to changing lights.

University studies in Florida, North Carolina and Virginia have documented this, to name a few — easy to find online. Yet municipalities ignore this and install them as an easy revenue

generator and a means to automate their police force. I won't go into the kickbacks that the private companies managing these systems often receive, or how they are incentivised — you can find that online, too.

Kingston Pike is a race track and should be better patrolled. But the right way to do that is through well-paid, well-trained police officers able to make judgment calls and judiciously issue tickets that attach to individual driving records.

The wrong way is to use a cheap camera box snapping pictures of cars with nameless drivers based on what a sensor tells it to do.

Mike Turner, Farragut



Rendering courtesy of Knoxville Catholic

Rendering of Knoxville Catholic High School's new \$5 million St. Gregory the Great Auditorium.

KCHS auditorium

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following the much-anticipated ceremony.

Father Chris Michelson, KCHS Board of Trustees chairman, added, "We were hoping to do (the groundbreaking) a year ago because that was our 20th anniversary.

However, "We finally got to this day."

"When the school moved a little over 20 years ago (from its Magnolia Avenue campus) to this campus, it was part of the master plan to add an auditorium; so this has been a dream for the

school for a long time," Sompayrac said. "The school's never had an auditorium onsite, so we're just tickled to death."

The KCHS president said fundraising for the project began about a year-and-a-half ago.

"We had some donors step up," he said. "We're still fundraising. This building's going to cost us \$5 million. We've raised just over \$4 million right now, so we're well on our way — but we've still got a way to go to finish it up.

"Bishop (Stika), thankfully, has given us permission to proceed. We hope to have a dedication in December 2021," Sompayrac added.

5G aesthetics

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ground. "We have tried to get ahead of the curve regarding (future) small cell issues," Shipley said. "Basically, we want to minimize the number of any new poles in Town, and if one is proposed for it to be as discreet as possible."

Helping hone the new policy was an Aesthetic Plan committee comprised of several Farragut homeowners, a BOMA member, an FMPC member and a Lenoir City Utilities Board representative, which met twice virtually then presented the Plan to the FMPC for review in December.

Ongoing discussions among the committee members expanded the topic to include all

vertical utility components, not just small cell structures.

"Since the plan will address all new vertical utilities and not just telecommunications structures, a question for the committee has been whether the Town should have light fixture and mounting styles specified for different street-light applications," Shipley's BOMA report stated.

"One of the things we spent a fair amount of time on dealt with lighting, and what kind of lighting does the town want to see over time, and in specific locations," he added.

One firm decision made was that any new future poles would be composed of galvanized steel.

After making a few small changes recommended by

Town attorney Tom Hale, FMPC workshopped the Plan at its Dec. 17 meeting, then approved it at the Jan. 21 meeting. The plan was then forwarded to BOMA for further consideration and final approval.

Alderman Scott Meyer asked about the difference between the Plan being approved as a resolution as opposed to an ordinance.

"It just required one meeting to approve a resolution, as opposed to two meetings for an ordinance," Shipley said. "It's just a little quicker (to pass) and easier to make modifications."

"State law allows Towns to do either an ordinance or a resolution, but they both have the same impact," Town administrator David Smoak added.

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• **Dawn Kienzl, also known as "Mama K," is a mover and shaker behind the scenes at Concord Christian School.** She is truly a servant for our Lions athletics. I remember when she came on board with the CCS volleyball team. She was the Volley-Write bookkeeper. She never missed a match or a tournament. Then she helped with our CCS football team. She carried water, washed uniforms and saw that every detail got done to perfection.

We see her help with our CCS basketball teams. Not only does she keep book for them, she buys meals, drinks and helps reconfigure the gym after every home game. The list goes on and on what "Mama K" does, and has done, for our school and athletics. Thank you Dawn Kienzl for your faithfulness at Concord Christian School. We love and appreciate everything you do!

• **(In reference to a page 1A story in the Feb. 18 issue of farragutpress) This is the second time** in February that Rural Metro (Fire) has complained that drivers have run over fire hoses. How many times has this happened in the past year?

Rural Metro needs to buy some protective ramps and deploy them after laying the hose, have a traffic manager or something else. Rural Metro needs to implement some simple fixes to this problem instead of blaming drivers for Rural Metro's inattention to the problem.

• **This is in reply to the suggestion in the Feb. 11 Presstalk.** What a wonderful idea to have a family-oriented multi-use complex in Farragut instead of more apartments, stores, etc. We can certainly use a place where families, and especially teenagers, can go for different activities. Whomever sent in that suggestion should be on the Board! Thank you for having plain old common sense!

• **I have lived in Farragut for over 25 years and have seen significant growth** in the residential and commercial sectors. I am concerned that the growth appears to be accelerating with little or no limitations.

While many residents have expressed concern with traffic, schools and overall quality of life in our community, which are all valid, I have a question that I have not heard anything about. What is our current capacity to deal with the water and sewer increased demand?

What plans are in place to insure that the system is able to handle the demand? What plans, if any, are set to increase the current facilities to meet the ever growing growth?

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- Comments will remain anonymous;
- Names of individuals or businesses may not be published (including public figures) depending on the issue.

Good audit

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ing professional financial management and having a strong retail economy."

• In other business, BOMA unanimously approved awarding the Smith Road sidewalk construction project to Whaley Construction LLC, which was the low bidder among seven

bids received, at \$622,664.90.

The project will construct a 5-foot concrete sidewalk and various roadway improvements along the northern side of Smith Road from Everett Road to Andover Boulevard.

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## Get ‘balanced, aligned’ at TC Good Feet Store

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The Good Feet Store, 11389 Parkside Drive in Turkey Creek, opened Tuesday, Feb. 10, to help improve the quality of people’s comfort.

“We’ve already got people calling and setting appointments, so things are looking very well so far,” district manager Rick O’dneal said. “We are America’s No. 1 arch support company. We help people get balanced and aligned.”

The Good Feet is a retail shop that carries orthotics products designed “to give people support through their arches, specifically in their feet,” he said.

O’dneal explained the products exercise and align the feet so they are in their ideal position, relieving joint pressure and pain.

“Everyone has four arches in their foot,” O’dneal said. “They have an inner longitudinal arch, outer longitudinal, metatarsal and a transverse arch. The arches are the body’s natural shock absorbers.

“Everybody’s weight should be right in the center of the arch,” he added. “If it’s not in the center of the arch, it can certainly cause pain in other extremities of their bodies.”



Tammy Cheek

The Good Feet Store manager Serina Pugh and sales associate Austin Meadows welcome customers to its new location, 11389 Parkside Drive in Turkey Creek. It opened Tuesday, Feb. 10.

Feet “are the foundation, even though they only make up 2 percent of the body’s map,” O’dneal said. “It takes up the weight of the other 98 percent, so when the feet are not aligned ... you can get pain

in your feet, in your ankles, your knees and your back.

“We can take a picture of people’s feet” to see where the weight is distributed, he added.

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## businessbriefs

• **Tennova Healthcare recently welcomed Darryl S. Weiman, M.D., J.D.,** cardiothoracic surgeon, to his new medical practice at Tennova Heart – Cardiothoracic Surgery. Weiman is accepting new patients at his office in Suite 208, on the campus of Tennova Turkey Creek Medical Center, 10810 Parkside Drive.



Weiman

Weiman specializes in surgical treatments of diseases of the chest and heart. Prior to joining Tennova, he was a professor of cardiothoracic surgery at The University of Tennessee Health Science Center in Memphis.

• **Advantage Plus recently added agent Tracy Lauder-milk** to its team of real estate professionals.



Laudermilk

She has been assisting home buyers and sellers in Knoxville and surrounding areas with all their real estate needs.

• **Joan Bienvenue recently was selected as the first executive director** of the Oak Ridge Institute at the University of Tennessee, established last year

to align the expertise and infrastructure of Oak Ridge National Laboratory and UT in support of world-leading research and talent development. As director, Bienvenue also will serve as a vice provost at UT. She begins her new position Monday, March 8.



Bienvenue

• **Lisa Sinclair, a 14-year real estate veteran from Northern Virginia,** recently joined Slyman Real Estate as a licensed agent.



Sinclair

Sinclair holds a Bachelor of Science degree in accounting from Virginia Tech and worked in the IT and management consulting fields before finding her passion in real estate. She is a certified pricing strategy advisor and accredited staging professional.

• **Covenant Health is taking registrations for its 17th Annual Knoxville Marathon Race,** slated for Oct. 2-3. Online registration for all races may be done online at [www.knoxvillemarathon.com](http://www.knoxvillemarathon.com). The Kids Run and 5k

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## Love of product drives buy-out of Uncle Maddio’s

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Laurie Lowe loved the pizza at Uncle Maddio’s Pizza Joint so much, she bought the local franchise.

“I used to come down here and eat all the time, and I really liked the food,” Lowe recalled about the restaurant, 2052 Town Center Blvd. just off Northshore Drive. “I love hamburgers and I love pizza, and I like the option of a salad now and then to get my veggies.

“It really came down to I really just liked the food,” she added about the reason to purchase this Uncle Maddio’s. “It’s fresh, it appeals to all kinds of people because of the gluten-free and vegetarian options.”

The new owner of this Uncle Maddio’s already owned a franchise for seven Five Guys Burgers and Fries in Knox County, Pigeon Forge and Gatlinburg, but “I really enjoyed this concept because I can have some salads.”

She took over ownership of the restaurant Monday, Feb. 1, adding some new management but retaining the team and the menu. Before that, the business had been operating about eight years.

“They had a good team in here, so it was an easy transition,” Lowe said, adding her focus is keeping the food quality and good

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Tammy Cheek

## Ribbon cut for Phillips

Jessica Phillips, CPA, (with scissors) prepared to cut the ribbon for her new business location, Jessica Phillips, CPA, Accounting & Consulting Services, 102 Chaho Road, during a Farragut West Knox Chamber of Commerce-hosted event Tuesday, Feb. 16. Joining her are Kyle Phillips, her husband (behind her, powder blue shirt); her daughters, Kylie (redhead, fourth from left); Katie (redhead in back behind Kylie); and son, Bryce (boy in the front).

## Looking back, Farragut, Hardin Valley scientists find current solution

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**OAK RIDGE** — Two development engineers — one a Farragut resident and the other from Hardin Valley—looked to the past to bring back technology that had not been used on reactor components at Y-12 plant in Oak Ridge since the 1960s.

Jason Steward of Hardin Valley and Jonathan Peak of Farragut, both with Consolidated Nuclear Security, LLC., which operates the Y-12 plant in

Oak Ridge, created a corrosion protective coating for reactor components at White Sands Missile Range project under a contract for the U.S. National Nuclear Security Administration.

When their tight delivery schedule ruled out other methods, Steward and Peak went back to the past, Peak said.

Normally, a research project might take three to five years, Peak said, but these two engineers only had a month-and-a-half to find the coating.

“Although thin film and coatings were not why we were hired or what we

normally work on — Jonathan’s dissertation focused on thin films and physical vapor deposition processing, and my thesis was on corrosion protection coatings/films and subsequent heat treating,” Stewart said. “As luck would have it, the both of us combined had the experience to fully develop and execute the project.”

He said the technology for coatings had progressed a lot since the 1960s, but current technology focused on smooth, flat parts instead of three-dimensional. “The only real application (for the

current coating) was hard coating for tools or something like that — put it in a metal basket and spin it (to get the coating),” Peak added. “That just doesn’t work for anything high tech.

“So, we really had to go back and talk to people who had been at this in the past, to try to come to a solution because the technology had not progressed in this manner for three-dimensional geometry objects,” Stewart said.

“We actually met with the man who


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Maddio’s

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customer service, as well as reach out and support the local schools.

Like Five Guys, she said all the ingredients are fresh, from the meats to the vegetables. Potential customers can see the ingredients on the serving line when they walk inside.

“We make own dough, we make our own sauces,” she said. “(The freshness) is a very important thing to me. (The menu) is also very friendly to vegetarians.

“We have tofu, which is very unusual for places, gluten-free crusts ...,” Lowe added.

Good Feet

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“We also measure the foot’s length and, of course, we are able to fit (the people with the supports) based on what their needs are ... to what the ideal foot looks like.”

With more than 25 designs and 300 sizes, the Good Feet Shop uses a three-step method of products to get people’s feet aligned, said Serina Pugh, store manager. That includes strengthener, maintainer and relaxer.

The store also sells Brooks athletic and Revere shoes and socks.

“We’re also going to bring in our own line (of shoes) very soon as well,” O’rneal said.

He noted the supports will work in any shoe.

They stretch the muscles, ligaments and tendons within the foot, O’rneal said, which gets “people balanced and aligned.”

He added the products have a lifetime warranty.

“We have been doing this for 30 years; from a retail perspective since 1992,” O’rneal said. “It’s proven that it works because it was scientifically tested. That’s why we feel very comfortable giving our warranty on our product.”

The store is open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Saturday. While customers can simply walk into the store, they also can book an appointment online at [www.goodfeet.com](http://www.goodfeet.com) or call the store at 865-671-0265.

About dealing with COVID-19, “We’ve got masks, clean everything, got rolling screens,” he said. “We were doing all these sorts of things before COVID.”

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invented and patented this technology, I believe, in 1967,” he added. “He gave us a lot of good ideas.”

“It paid off in that we actually hit our target film thickness on the very first run,” Peak said.

“These are the kinds of projects that are exciting, with high stakes and high relevancy,” he added. “We got to see the output, the results of our development work.”

The duo said they probably worked 90 hours during the week of the first production run, but working together was a good experience, Peak said.

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are scheduled at 4:30 and 6 p.m., respectively, Saturday, Oct. 2. The marathon, half marathon and relay events are set to start at 7:30 a.m., Sunday, Oct. 3. The fall event will feature in-person races, starting at the Sun-sphere on the Clinch Avenue Viaduct and ending in World’s Fair Park, with various routes featuring downtown Knoxville, its surrounding neighborhoods and the University of Tennessee campus. Virtual options also will be available for those who wish to participate remotely. Everyone who deferred registration from 2020 to the 2021 marathon will be able to participate in the October events as planned. Current registration fees include \$65 for the full marathon; \$50 for half-marathon and two-person relay; \$40 for four-person relay; \$25 for 5k; and \$10 for Covenant Kids Run. Price increases for entry fees will go into effect later this spring.

Customers have a choice of the signature pizzas created by a chef — such as The Big Max with tons of sausage, bacon and meat — or a mushroom truffle pizza.

They can create their own with three choices of crust, 42 choices of toppings, nine types of cheese and seven types of sauces. Sizes are kid’s, individual, large and extra large.

Other signature pizzas include barbecue chicken, supreme, “The Italian,” steak and blue and Buffalo chicken.

Hours are from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., Monday through Sunday. Customers also can call in an order at 865-692-2426 or order online at [unclemaddios.com](http://unclemaddios.com)



Uncle Maddio’s Piz-za Joint team, from left, Ally Buckner, crew member; Seth Cooper, general manager; and crew members Haley Bruce and Tyler Hiltbran show two of the many options available in the restaurant, which is now under new ownership and management at 2052 Town Center Blvd, just off Northshore Drive.

Tammy Cheek

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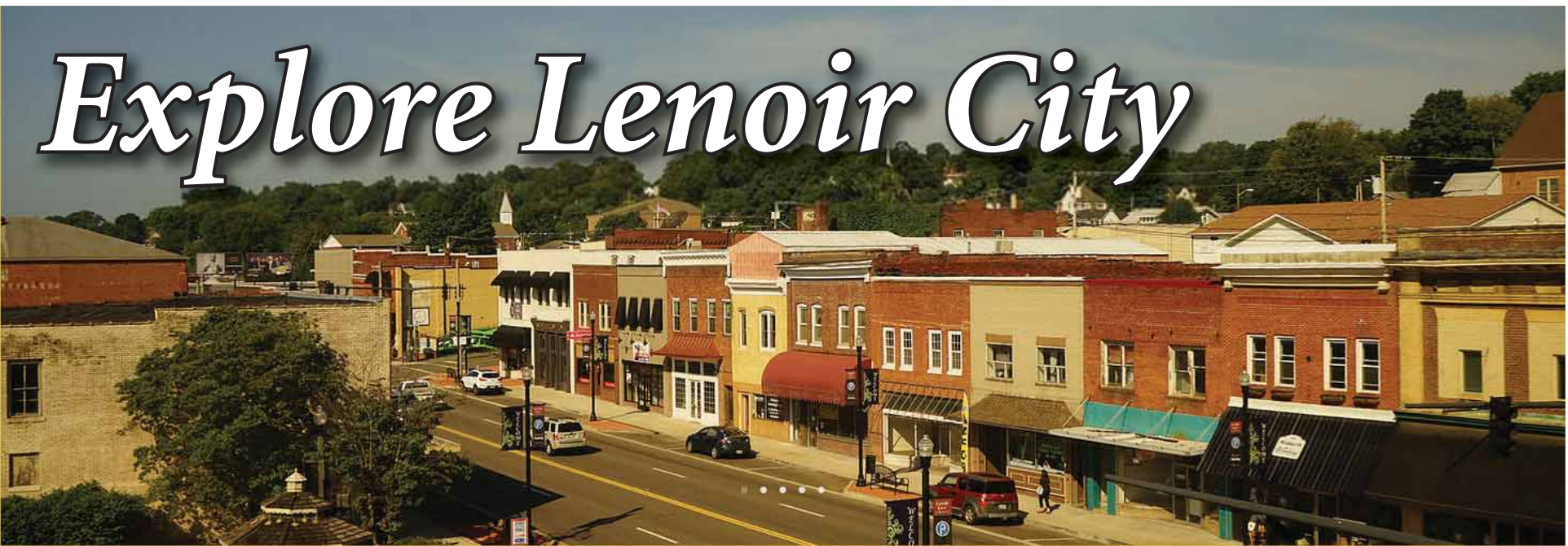


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# 2021 FARRAGUT HALL OF FAME INDUCTION

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**Similar to most every event at Farragut High School during the past year of dealing with COVID-19, the 2021 FHS Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony will be different — meaning virtual.**

The festivities, which will be taped in its entirety — not available in a live broadcast — will first be available at the FHS home page, [knoxschools.org/farraguths](http://knoxschools.org/farraguths), Saturday, March 6, said David Moore, an FHS Hall of Fame coach and H of F Committee member.

Though the Class of 2021 features only two inductees, there's plenty of quality:

- Cara Gregg Bledsoe, a 2009 FHS graduate, is a former star outside hitter for Lady Admirals volleyball (2005-2008 seasons) before earning All-conference honors at North Alabama University (2009-2012).
- Curt Powell, also a 2009 FHS grad who starred as an Admirals baseball shortstop (2006-2009 seasons) before enjoying special success in SEC Baseball at Georgia for three seasons, then playing Minor League Baseball in the Detroit Tigers organizations for almost four years.
- This year's Hall of Fame Athletic Service Award honoree is the late Ray Watson, beloved and respected former FHS softball assistant coach for 23 years.
- Erik Gerhardt, 2020 Athletic Service Award honoree and Voice of the Admirals and Lady Admirals in football and basketball, once again will serve as emcee.
- As for those working behind the scenes to make this virtual production come off flawlessly is Farragut resident Mark Packer, well-known WVLT-TV 8 personality as a sports anchor and high school football play-by-play announcer.
- FHS Hall of Fame Committee, many of whom have been helping produce this annual event since its inaugural Class of 2013 was inducted, are, in addition to Moore, Hall of Fame coaches Bill Parker, Lynn E. Sexton, Natalie Sisk, John Heatherly, Donald Dodgen (FHS athletic director) and Susan Davidson, along with teacher Michelle Brossett, former coach/teacher Ben Lyle and assistant AD/teacher Ben Collins.

## The late RAY WATSON SERVICE AWARD HONOREE

(Coaching, Lady Admirals softball, and a former substitute teacher at the school)

A man of many talents, the late Ray Watson was a principal, superintendent, teacher, ordained Baptist preacher and fastpitch softball star — also widely known in the Knox County area for his spot-on Santa Claus roles — before serving as Lady Admirals scorekeeper and volunteer assistant coach for 23 years, specializing as a pitching coach.

“Ray wore many hats in that very full life he lived,” an FHS Hall of Fame press release stated.

### Quotes from former Lady Admirals players, coaches and parents:

- “Coach Watson was many things to many different people. I am glad God brought him to Farragut High School to help be a part of the FHS softball program. He made an impact on so many lives along the way, young and old. We are truly blessed to have had him at Farragut. I am most grateful to have called him my friend. Thank you Ray Watson for all your time and service to Farragut High School”  
— *former Lady Admirals head coach David Moore*
- “I spent many game days and road trips to tournaments with coach Watson listening to his stories. He had a special

place in his heart for children, which he put on display every Christmas as Santa Claus to so many children, including my own”  
— *FHS head coach Nick Green*

- “Coach Watson was consistent and kind-hearted. His devotion to the game was strong, as he gave his time and talents for many years. Most importantly he led by example. ... He was always happy to hear about the triumphs in my life and genuinely concerned for the tough moments. He was a strong grandfather figure for those who didn't have that in their lives. ... As a high schooler I don't think I truly understood your impact, but as an adult you are truly a legend”  
— *Leah Seffernick Bucklin*
- “Coach Watson was someone



you could always rely on to make you smile. He was there day-in-and-day-out doing all that he could for the rest of us”  
— *Bailey Young*

- “Coach Watson gave me my first pitching lesson when I started at 11 years old. I used to go through a whole bucket of wild pitches in an hour, but by the end of our time together he had me down to one. I'm grateful he was still a

significant part of our program when I was at FHS a few years later”  
— *Emily Smith*

- “Bellamy Field never felt complete until I saw coach Watson's smiling face in the pressbox. I adore that man and his genuine love for the players and the program”  
— *Hannah Stephenson*


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# Cara Gregg Bledsoe,

A large, close-up image of a white soccer ball with black stitching. In the top-left corner, there is a small, tilted inset photograph showing a baby wearing a bright orange tutu and blue socks, sitting on grass.

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(Clockwise from top left):

Curt Powell in action in the Detroit Tigers’ AA organization.

Curt and wife, Kerri Powell, with children, Henry, left, and Olive.

A Curt Powell base hit as a Georgia Bulldog.

Curt celebrates one of his three Class AAA state titles at FHS.

# Curt Powell,

(Baseball star at FHS, an All-SEC third baseman at the University of Georgia before almost four years in the Detroit Tigers organization, reaching AA level)

**Farragut High School career (2006-2009):**

A 2009 graduate of Farragut where he played for East Tennessee legendary head coach Tommy Pharr.

• Having started every game in his four-year career, except one, as the Admirals’ lead-off hitter, from the first game of his freshman season — all but about a dozen at shortstop — he helped lead the Admirals to Class AAA state titles in 2006, 2008 and 2009.

• Named 2009 Gatorade State Player of the Year after batting .504 — and despite being the team’s leadoff hitter still hit eight home runs and produced 39 RBI — with 79 runs scored and 21 stolen bases in helping FHS go 39-5. “He had all the tools. He was a great player and started as a freshman, which was very unusual at Farragut High School, especially to start at shortstop,” Pharr said of Powell. “But also was a great young man and an extremely hard worker. “I have a soft spot for him and his family, they were always supportive of the program,” he added. “He was obviously a special player for us.”

• Key member of the 2008 squad that went 43-3 and finished the year ranked sixth nationally by ESPN/USA Today. Batted .493

with eight home runs, 56 RBI, nine doubles and five triples as a junior in 2008.

• Named Prep Xtra Player of the Year in 2008 and 2009. “I had a fantastic experience at Farragut,” said Powell, vice president of sales with Capital-Plus Construction Services in Hardin Valley. “... Had some great teachers, they supported me on the academic side. Supported me on the athletic side as well.”

As for a special influence on his life from FHS, “There were several teachers and coach Pharr,” he said. Specifically about Pharr, who led Farragut to five Class AAA state titles and three runner-up finishes in 12 seasons, “He was just a fantastic coach,” Powell said. “He really stressed competition, which is the part I think I enjoyed the most. “I would say coach Pharr definitely had the biggest influence,” he added.

**2010 (freshman at Volunteer State Community College):**

• Good enough to sign with SEC power Vanderbilt, he transferred to Volunteer State Community College in Gallatin.

• One of the nation’s top junior college hitters in 2010, he batted .489 with 34 stolen bases in 38 games started — leading his

team in both categories.

• He tallied 56 runs scored, drew 28 walks and smacked 15 doubles.

**Georgia Bulldogs career (2011-2013):**

• A three-year letterman and two-time All-Southeastern Conference Second Team selection, all but a few at third base, who started 163 of his 169 games. • He posted a .341 career average (212-for-622) with 25 doubles, two triples, three home runs, 54 RBI and was 22-for-32 in stolen base attempts.

• In 477 total chances, he registered a .931 career fielding percentage.

**2011, sophomore UGA season:**

• Played in 60 games with 55 starts (53 at third base, one in right field and one at second base) in helping Georgia advance to the NCAA Tournament Corvallis Regional Final.

• He batted .289 with one home run and 13 RBI, and hit .296 in SEC action.

**2012, junior Bulldogs season:**

• He ranked fifth in SEC batting with a team-best .355 average.

• Appeared in 56 games, with 55 starts at third base, hitting .355 with two homers and 20 RBI.

• He led team with 45 runs scored, managed a .434 on-base percentage and tied for team-high with 20 multiple-hit games.

• While he ended that season on a seven-game hitting streak, his longest streak during the year was 14 games.

• The ex-Farragut star went 12-for-16 in stolen base attempts and had six three-hit games.

• He batted .345 with a .948 fielding percentage in SEC action.

**2013, senior UGA season:**

• Appeared in all 53 games with 52 starts at third base and one at shortstop.

• Team MVP who batted a team-best .376 with 82 hits in 218 at bats, ranking among SEC leaders at the end of the regular season.

• Posted a team-high .425 on-base percentage.



• Registered a team-best 25 multiple-hit games, including a four-hit game versus then No. 20-ranked Georgia Tech and a five-hit game versus Belmont.

• Posted a 13-game hitting streak during the season, along with a stretch of reaching base in 20 consecutive contests.

**2013 Major League Baseball Draft:**

Drafted by Detroit Tigers in the 21st round. “My ultimate goal was to be a professional baseball player,” Powell said. “... I made it to AA, which was great. I didn’t quite make my ultimate dream of making it to the Big Leagues. “I was glad I had some academics to fall back on,” he added.

Curt and wife, Kerri Powell, have two children: Henry, turning 3 in April, and Olive, 18 months.



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Watson

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- “I remember coach Watson especially when we were doing summer camp, and he would line us all up and teach all us to run on our toes around the bases. He was always encouraging, and taught me the love and passion for the game like he had”  
— *Avery Blankenburg*
- “Coach Watson was always one of our biggest supporters and fans, and always had a story to tell”  
— *Delaney Weller*
- “I remember coach Watson’s contagious positive attitude and his kind way of imparting wisdom on the players. He always made everyone smile, and he was the Best Santa”  
— *Shannon Evans Harrington*
- “No matter how big the game or difficult the situation, coach Watson always had been there to give players confidence and support. I felt beyond blessed to have him at all the games, and he truly made a positive difference

- with my softball career”  
— *Andrea Sarhatt*
- “I can dedicate my love for pitching and many other pitchers to him. He was a light on the field. My change-up (pitch) will forever be dedicated to him because he was the master of them”  
— *Callie Moore*
- “Coach Watson was always very supportive of each individual and the team as a whole, and he helped each one of us grow both as a person and ballplayer to reach and exceed our potential”  
— *Kelsie Tuggle*
- “Coach Watson was always at every game, no matter the weather, no matter the team — he was always there. I will always be so grateful for him”  
— *Bailey Myers*
- “Coach Watson instilled in his bullpens a sense of consistency: in our pitches, our love of the game and protection of our most important asset, our throwing arms. Thanks coach Watson”  
— *Margret Morris Baudendistel*

- “Coach Watson was a legend, and many of my greatest softball memories are with him”  
— *Abby Rose Martin Yates*
- “I have the sweetest memories with Coach Watson. I will treasure them always”  
— *Jill O’Mealy Frost*
- “He was wonderful and loved the game. So many memories with FHS softball and coach Watson. He was always smiling and cheering us up. I was blessed to know him”  
— *Jessica Koch Odum*
- “I worked with him in the press box at home games. He was a very kind man. He wouldn’t even say bad things about the umpire”  
— *Steve Murr, parent of former players Kaci and Kristen Murr*
- “Coach Watson obviously loved his time with players and students. His friendly spirit will be missed”  
— *former FHS coach Ben Lyle*
- “I loved coach Watson. A very special man for sure”  
— *Danielle Spetar Ashley*

- “I loved him so much,”  
— *Hannah Leavell*
- “We loved coach Watson”  
— *Sarah Jackson*
- “He truly made an impact at Farragut” — *LaShae Wallace*

Ray’s timeline at FHS, Knox area

His love of softball was life-long, having played fastpitch softball for 47 years.

“He was a pitcher who loved the game,” the release stated. “When he moved to Knoxville and found out that there was no men’s fastpitch in the area, he was discouraged.”

In his ministerial role, “He actually performed the marriage ceremony for one of our assistant coaches one year,” the released further stated.

As for how he got to FHS, “Ray started substitute teaching at Farragut — and one day, toward the end of a season, he came by the softball field as the team was leaving on the bus for an away game,” the release stated. “Ray introduced himself to then head coach David Moore and asked if he could help with softball.” The next season coach Watson

started helping as an unpaid assistant coach working with the FHS pitchers.

A substitute teacher at the school for 21 years, “The students loved when he would sub, because another one of his talents was he was a great storyteller,” the release stated.

During the Christmas holidays, “Most of his closest friends feel he really was Santa Claus because he was the best Santa,” the release stated. “He enjoyed coming to school and handing out candy to the high school students every December, and he worked around Town doing photo shoots with kids. So a lot of students and teachers knew coach Watson as Santa. He did this for 20-plus years.”

**Coach Watson died Jan. 22.**

“He was honored to be receiving this award, and being his humble self said, ‘I don’t know why I am receiving this award,’” coach Moore said.

“... Well done, good and faithful servant (Matthew 25:23).” Coach Watson’s daughter, Cathy Riessen, will be receiving the award on his behalf.

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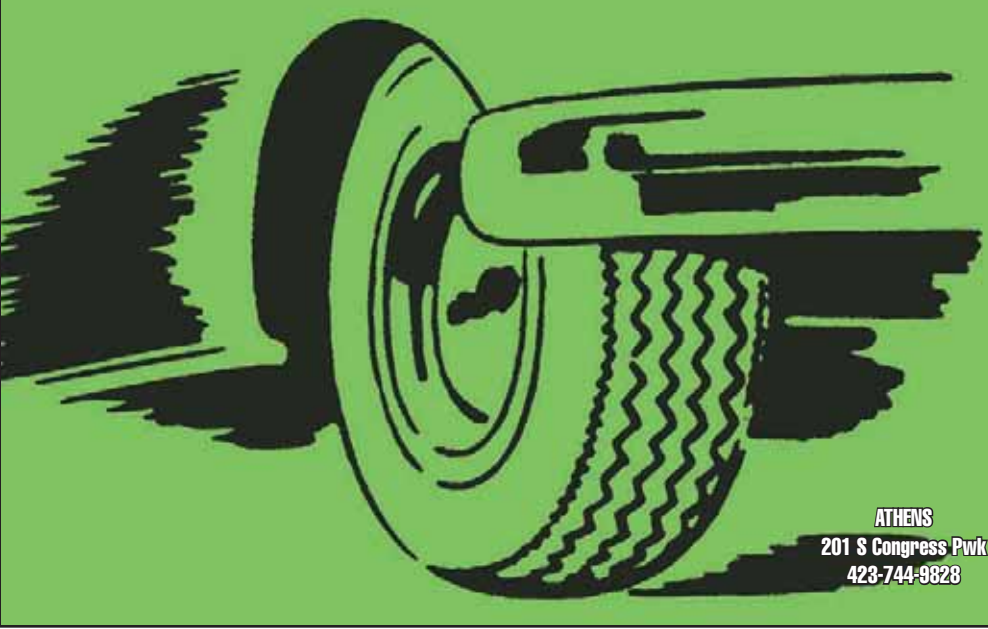
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## Still 4-AAA perfect in Maroon

Lady Ads fall to BHS for 3rd time in 2020-21

**KEN LAY**

Correspondent

**KNOXVILLE** — For the third time this season, the Bearden High School girls basketball team had to come from behind to beat Kingston Pike rival Farragut.

The top-seeded Lady Bulldogs, still unbeaten in District 4-AAA this season, overcame an early deficit to defeat the FHS Lady Admirals 65-53 in the 4-AAA Tournament semifinals Friday night, Feb. 19, at BHS.

Bearden (26-1) won in overtime in Farragut after trailing most of the game, then notched another comeback victory — trailing at halftime — late in the regular-season in West Knoxville.

The Lady Admirals, the No. 4 seed, opened an early 12-9 lead, which forced Bearden head coach Justin Underwood to change his squad's defensive tactics. He employed a full-court press in the second quarter, which would change the complexion of the contest.

After the Lady Bulldogs turned up the heat, things went downhill quickly for the Lady Admirals (16-7).

"We were able to force them to turn the ball over," Zneyah



Photo courtesy of Luther Simmons

McCall Willis, Farragut junior post (32), looks for a shot over Bearden Lady Bulldog Maddie Brillhart, junior post (in back), and senior guard Reagan Ruth Friday night, Feb. 19, at BHS.

McLaughlin, BHS All-District senior guard, said. "We were able to string the turnovers together and (as an opponent), you don't want to turn the ball over in bunches."

"They're so good and they

have so many shooters. You can't just do one thing against them," Underwood said.

A balanced scoring attack paced the Lady Bulldogs.

**See FHS-LADY DAWGS, Page 7C**

District dominant Dawgs, Underwood's Bearden girls, deliver tournament title

**KEN LAY**

Correspondent

**KNOXVILLE** — Head coach Justin Underwood was breathing a sigh of relief after watching his Bearden High School girls basketball team win the District 4-AAA Tournament championship and improve to 16-0 in district games.

Early on it looked like the top-seeded Lady Bulldogs were going to cruise to victory. Not surprisingly, however, winning the title didn't come easily.

"I knew it wasn't going to be easy," Underwood said after Bearden notched a 57-46 win versus No. 2 seed Maryville before a spirited crowd at BHS Monday night, Feb. 22. "It's never easy when you have to play a good team three times."

"I guess I'm just glad that we got out ahead as far as we did."

The top-five state-ranked Lady Bulldogs (26-1) darted to a fast start and opened an early 17-7 advantage before extending their lead to 29-17 by halftime.

But the second half would be a different story. Even though the Lady Red Rebels (23-5) would never manage to grab the lead in the contest, they would create some anxious moments.

Maryville trimmed Bearden's lead to one point several times. The last time it was that close, Lady Red Rebel Denae Fritz, District 4-AAA MVP and a Class AAA Miss Basketball Finalist, knocked down a pair of free throws trimming the lead to 41-40 with 6:27 remaining in the fourth quarter.

**See GIRLS CHAMPS on Page 7C**

*Parrott's Bearden boys hoops sought to match girls' perfection in title tilt*

Seeking to match Bearden girls hoop's unblemished success in District 4-AAA, the Bulldog boys of Jeremy Parrott — recently named District Coach of the Year — played Maryville for the 4-AAA tourney title at BHS Tuesday, Feb. 23 (after deadline).

Led by District MVP A.J. Pruitt, a senior guard, and All-District teammates Izaiha Bredwood (senior guard), Hayden Treadwell (senior wing) and Walker Kyle (junior post), top-seeded Bearden — ranked among the top-3 statewide in Class AAA — sought to go 16-0 in 4-AAA, 26-3 overall with a win versus No. 2-seed MHS. Honorable mention Dawg was junior guard Elijah Bredwood.

## Macy's 'parade' 1,000-plus pts

Macy Barnes (with ball), Farragut senior All-District 4-AAA guard, was honored for reaching and surpassing the 1,000-points-scored career mark during halftime of the HVA Hawks at FHS boys 4-AAA tourney quarterfinal game Thursday night, Feb. 18. Barnes is joined by teammates, head coach Jason Mayfield, back row far left, principal Dr. John Bartlett, back row far right, and athletic director Donald Dodgen, unseen behind players.



Photo made possible courtesy of Jason Mayfield/FHS Lady Admirals head coach

Though led by Bearden, All-District 4-AAA hoops features five FHS on first teams, four H-Mention

Hardin Valley Academy has two All-4-AAA, two Honorable Mention

While Bearden dominated both the girls and boys All-District 4-AAA teams — led by boys MVP A.J. Pruitt, a senior guard, and Coach of the Year Jeremy Parrott — Farragut teams had five All-District honorees and four Honorable Mentions.

Hardin Valley Academy teams had two All-4-AAA and two Honorable Mention. (BHS honorees in "Parrott" and BHS-Lady Ads stories above).

**Farragut honorees**

Lady Admirals earning All-District honors were senior guard Macy Barnes, junior wing Avery "Ace" Strickland and junior guard Keeleigh Rogers. Honorable Mention choices were junior

wing Ashlyn Sheridan and junior post McCall Willis.

Boys All-District were junior guard Ryan Neal and sophomore wing/post Dallas Carbaugh. Honorable mention choices were junior guards Dillon Atwell and Carter Mayfield.

**Hardin Valley honorees**

HVA Lady Hawk Gracie Waite, a freshman guard, joined Hawk junior guard Jaelyn Pannell as All-District. Honorable Mention were junior guards Hudson Stokes and Evelyn Hess.



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Six locals earn TFCA Div. II All-state

Six Farragut-area high school football players recently earned high honors statewide.

Three Christian Academy of Knoxville Warriors, two Knoxville Catholic Fighting Irish and one Webb School of Knoxville Spartan were named to the 2020 Tennessee Football Coaches Association Division II All-state teams in Division II-AAA (Catholic) and Division II-AA (CAK, Webb).

Division II-AAA All-state local honorees: **OFFENSE**/Knoxville Catholic — **Hayden Todd**, junior, "athlete;" **DEFENSE**/KCHS — **Javis Mynatt**, junior, defensive back.

Division II-AA All-state local honorees: **OFFENSE**/Christian Academy of Knoxville — **J.D. Dunn**, junior, running back; **Grant Sterchi**, junior, wide receiver; **Ross Badgett V**, senior, kicker; **DEFENSE**/CAK — **Chi McNeil-Harrison**, junior, linebacker.

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‘Impy’ Scholarship building on 37 recipients

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Hardin Valley Academy 2011 graduate Scott “Impy” Impellizeri dreamed of college and becoming a Knoxville Police Department SWAT officer, but a tragic accident cut his plans and life short just before he was set to attend Middle Tennessee State University. In the wake of his untimely death, his parents, Tracy and John Impellizeri, have helped 37 college-bound high school seniors achieve their own dreams by providing scholarships in Scott’s memory since 2012. Known by his father’s nickname “Impy” as he got older, Scott made his

mark in the world through “a true passion for helping others,” Tracy recalled, describing him as a “leader and mentor” with a personality “that drew people to him.” Applications for this year’s Scott “Impy” Impellizeri Memorial Scholarship currently are being taken. The effort has grown to include two \$1,000 scholarships, which are earmarked for books, supplies or other miscellaneous school-related expenses.



Scott Impellizeri

The first is available to seniors at Hardin Valley Academy planning to attend a two- or four-year college/university with a demonstrated passion for helping others. The second is available to seniors within all Knox County schools planning to attend a two- or four-year college/university on the criminal justice path. They also must have demonstrated a passion for helping others. Recipients for both are chosen based on community/volunteer service, essays and letters of recommendation from teachers or school counselors. Applications must be postmarked by Friday, March 19. Scott “spent his time helping others

and was always doing things for other people,” his mother said. “A lot of kids looked up to him, and he liked helping other people. He wanted things to be fair for everybody.” He volunteered with Special Olympics, Habitat for Humanity and Music City Quarter Midget Racing Association for children and teenagers ages 5 to 16 — a program in which he participated, then remained a part of to help other youth. Scott’s contributions were recognized by school staff and fellow students, receiving the Humanitarian Award for Outstanding Service as a peer tutor.

See “IMPY” on Page 4C

Church renovation caps Scouting joy

Abbott spells out Boy Scout lessons learned

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Farragut Boy Scout Evan Abbott recently earned the rank of Eagle Scout after helping renovate the youth area of his church, Robertsville Baptist Church in Oak Ridge, as an Eagle Scout project. Abbott, son of Jack and Darlene Abbott of Farragut, is a member of the Great Smoky Mountain Council Toqua District Troop 444, sponsored by Farragut Presbyterian Church. As part of the project, he designed and constructed a cabinet and countertop in the youth area, installed new flooring in the food service room and painted the game room. “Our youth group used the area frequently (until the pandemic), and I thought giving back to my church would be a gift to our youth groups for years to come,” Abbott said. “I started visualizing and planning the project in 2018, but the project began at

the church on May 4, 2019.” He completed the remodel May 27, 2019, and earned his Eagle Scout award in December 2020. Abbott was presented his Eagle Scout award at Farragut Presbyterian Church Tuesday, Feb. 23. From completing the project, Abbott said, “I learned the value of planning, communication and teamwork. “We had teams of people helping, from building the cabinets and painting the walls and cabinets to installing vinyl flooring and installing the counter tops,” he said. “It was really great to see how everything came together.” Abbott has been in scouting since he was 7 years old. “Scouting has provided me with friendships, experiences and goals toward personal achievement,” he said. “Scouting encouraged me to always be and do my very best.” “We are very proud of Evan’s hard work and his sincere heart to serve God, others and his community,” his



Photo submitted

While travel has been an important part of Boy Scout Evan Abbott’s learning experiences, such as this family trip to Yosemite National Park in California last summer, this Farragut High School junior worked with youth in his church, Robertsville Baptist in Oak Ridge, to complete his Eagle Scout project of renovating the church’s youth area, food service room and game room.

father said. “This project has provided a welcoming space for the youth of our church to enjoy. “Our prayer is that Evan continues to seek God’s direction in his life and continues to enjoy serving others in creative ways,” Jack added. “Evan believes that Scouting has helped him develop leader-

ship skills and find solutions to challenging tasks.” The Boy Scout said his favorite part of scouting was an activity at the waterfront of camp, and his favorite trip was climbing Castle Rock at Frozen Head State Park. This summer, he toured in Sequoia, Kings Canyon and Yosemite National Parks with his family.

The Abbots have gotten feedback about the project. “The youth were part of the team on this project,” Jack said. “The project brought the youth group together to serve each other and to work together for a common goal: it’s what we’re all about. By

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Career Expo virtual for Knox 8th-graders

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Knox County Schools’s eighth-graders will be able to learn about area career opportunities with a virtual Career Expo, taking place the week of Monday, March 1, through Friday, March 5. Hosted by Knox County Schools Career and Technical Education and presented by Pellissippi State Community College, students will be able to interact with speakers, take part in live events and visit a virtual exhibit hall. Other sponsors include Trane, Industry Sector sponsor in the area of Architecture, Design and Construction, as well as Knox County and City of Knoxville governments. “Students will participate through their Knox County middle school, and the plans developed at the school level,” said Dr. Keith Wilson, Career and Technical Education director for Knox County Schools. “Students will have an individual log-in that they will use for the Virtual Exhibit Hall, and schools will manage the schedule for the week regarding which live events will be available during the day for student participation.” He noted there is no registration process other than the student access information, which will be handled at the school level. “Each day during the week

of March 1-5, there will be several live events available throughout the day to students through Microsoft Teams,” Wilson added. “Each middle school will be building a plan for student engagement in these live events based upon the master schedule for eighth-grade students. Live sessions “will be provided by business partners, post-secondary institutions and programs, Knox County Schools employees and Junior Achievement of East

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International students share cultures at CCS

Concord Christian School recently hosted International Fest. Mackenzie Snider, director of the CCS International Program, describes it as “an incredible opportunity for our international students to showcase their home countries and cultures.” CCS students pictured with their home countries named are, from left, Jaewon Lee (South Korea), Vivian Chen (China), Anna Bergner (Germany) and Antonia Lopez (Colombia).

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Contact Legal Aid of East Tennessee at 865-637-0484 to request clinic intake. Be sure to identify yourself as a veteran so your call may be routed appropriately. At intake, staff will gather information, including information about the legal issue. This information will be provided to the assigned attorney, who will contact the veteran by telephone during the above-listed two-hour window **March 10**.

• **A virtual Debt Relief Legal Advice Clinic** for pre-screened individuals begins at **9 a.m., Saturday, March 13**, by Zoom. The advice clinic will be available to qualified individuals who live in counties in the Eastern District that are within the territory of LAET. Attorneys will volunteer to conduct initial meetings with the clients to discuss their situations and options. Qualification for the free services will be income-based, with

pre-screening by LAET in the various court divisions of the Eastern District of Tennessee. The clinic clients may also be eligible for free bankruptcy services. Individuals who seek assistance may sign up, or seek more information, by contacting LAET at 865-637-0484 if you live in Blount, Knox, Loudon or Sevier County.

• **Knoxville Writers' Guild is sponsoring a poetry contest** to be judged by Knoxville's two-time poet laureate, Marilyn Kallet. First prize is \$200 and second prize is \$100. The contest is open to ages 18 and older. The first entry is free for members and \$15 for non-members. Deadline for submission is **midnight, Saturday, Feb. 27**. For more details, visit [knoxvillewritersguild.org/kwg-2021poetrycontest](http://knoxvillewritersguild.org/kwg-2021poetrycontest).

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• **Farragut Parks & Recreation Department classes** at [townoffarragut.org/register](http://townoffarragut.org/register). -Family Yoga: from **5 to 5:30 p.m., Mondays in February and March** in the Assembly Hall. Free of charge. Registration deadline is the **Friday** before the session at **5 p.m.** -Making Medicare Easier, from **6 to 7 p.m., Tuesday, March 16**, in the Assembly Hall. Registration deadline is **Friday, March 12**. Free of charge.

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## Expo

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Tennessee," Wilson said. "They will focus on careers in different industries in our region, local opportunities for college and technical training after graduation, early post-secondary opportunities, CTE elective choices at the high school level and soft skills for success in high school, college and beyond."

**Live event details**

"During these live events, students will have the ability to interact with the speakers through a moderated chat feature that will allow them to answer questions from teachers and students from across the county," he added. "We know that students won't be able to participate in all the available sessions during the school day. Therefore, the sessions will also be recorded so students or parents can replay them after the event."

Recorded sessions and virtual exhibit hall "will be available outside of the typical school day schedule, and students could revisit by themselves or with parents after hours during the week," Wilson said.

He said the department is working with Knoxville Chamber of Commerce to provide students with a virtual exhibit hall, which would feature a number of local business and post-secondary partners.

"The exhibit hall will exist in an online digital platform that will allow students to explore virtual booths, where they will watch short videos and have access to graphics, flyers, documents, etc., that will provide information related to that business or edu-

cational partner," Wilson said. "Students will be using at least one class period during the week to explore the booths and access the information from those partners."

"The virtual exhibit hall through the 6Connex platform can be accessed after school hours, as well, with the student's login information if they want more time with the booths or if parents would like to explore with their students," he added.

Wilson said the expo previously was an annual event.

"Until a couple of years ago, Knox County held an annual evening (in-person) career fair for eighth-grade students. I believe that event last occurred in the spring of 2019."

"... Those who had previously planned and led the event were also looking for opportunities to make the event more aligned with the district goals for student career exploration activities," he added.

**All about the plans**

Due to COVID-19, "We had to shift our plans to a virtual event to ensure that we could move forward during this school year as planned," Wilson said.

"... We spent a good portion of last year looking at other models for these types of events in other school communities, and we were planning to do an in-person event this past December," he added.

"The design and planning has been a collaborative effort among the two of us, members of our Secondary Supervision team and key partners, like the Knoxville Chamber (of Commerce), Knox Education Foundation and Junior Achievement of East Tennessee."

## "Impy"

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Scott's life was taken Aug. 7, 2011, by a "reckless driver," Tracy said.

"After he passed, my husband's cousin gave us a check and asked us to start a scholarship," she added. "We had eight applications that first year, and were able to give one to each of the eight."

"We were so glad to be able to do it and help kids while also carrying on Scott's name."

She said the purpose of the scholarships are to "encourage and promote the attainment

of higher education goals for students who are dedicated to helping others."

The scholarships' website can be found at [www.scott-imp-y.org](http://www.scott-imp-y.org), which also includes the acronym IMPY to further describe Scott's qualities as reflected in the eventual recipients: Integrity, Mentor, Perseverance and Youthful exuberance.

"People have been very generous in contributing to the scholarship efforts over the years, and John and I are extremely grateful," Tracy said.

For more information, e-mail [info@scottimp-y.com](mailto:info@scottimp-y.com).

## Scout

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participating in the project, the youth were able to take some ownership in the outcome," he said. "So, the youth love it."

"The church was and is very supportive of all of our youth projects," the father added. "So, we had other church members participate in the remodel as well. It's a wonderful asset to our youth area."

A junior at Farragut High School, Evan Abbott also is a member of the Order of the Arrow and the Honor Society for Scouting.

He is considering studying psychology after high school.

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# Puppy love at CCS



Photos submitted

Concord Christian School seniors recently were treated to "Puppies and Pizza," including Mikayla Profeta, above left; Tali Beeler, above; Rachel Harris, below left; and Antonia Lopez, below. "The puppies were provided by Croft's Furry Friends Animal Rescue Service and our seniors loved snuggling them," said Lorna Keeton, CCS's director of marketing and development.



# Frazier shares H-Valley growth update with RCF

TAMMY CHEEK

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The Hardin Valley community continues to grow with business and residential developments, seeing more economic success — but also experiencing growth pains of infrastructure needs and traffic.

Hardin Valley community activist Kim Frazier, a 25-year resident of "The Valley," addressed that growth and community needs as Rotary Club of Farragut's featured speaker during its Wednesday, Feb. 10, virtual meeting.

"As you know, our area continues to be the fastest growing in all of Knox County," said Frazier, director and founder of Hardin Valley Planning Advocates. "We continue to advocate for intentional growth with coordinated infrastructure, and have brought much attention to the needs of our community."

She said while Knox County's growth is 1.2 percent, Hardin Valley's growth is 3.8 percent. "We have had 400 new dwellings in one year," she noted, adding the area saw 7,000 more jobs in 2015.



Frazier

In contact with Town of Farragut leaders to tackle a joint transportation issue, "We want to be good neighbors to you (in) Farragut. Mayor (Ron) Williams and Vice Mayor (Louise) Povlin and (HVPA) have had so many conversations about being good stewards to each other," Frazier said. "And Campbell Station is really the in and out — the connection — between our communities."

"So we're working with (Tennessee Department of Transportation) and we're working with the Department of Engineering in Knox County to try to get Campbell Station moved up on the list of priorities."

Campbell Station Road is an example of how growth has brought about transportation challenges. "The road conditions are declining and the need for improvements, both to safety and general mobility, have increased," Frazier said.

However, several projects were identified in traffic mobility studies, of which HVPA was instrumental in getting approved, funded, supported — and some completed.

Frazier joined other like-minded individuals in Hardin Valley to form HVPA in 2018.

"Our focus really is on bringing attention to the needs of the citizens who have been there for two and three generations and also all of the new families that are coming into Hardin Valley," she said.

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# Challenging HVA season reviewed

**ALAN SLOAN**  
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After rival Farragut completed a 3-0 season sweep of Hardin Valley Academy — while ending the Hawks’ season, 67-52, in the District 4-AAA boys tourney quarter-finals — it was time for HVA head coach Shane Wells to reflect on a tough 6-13 season.

“We had a lot of adversity. We missed 40 to 50 days of the season with COVID stuff,” Wells said after the season-ending loss Thursday, Feb. 18, at FHS. “We missed everything in December pretty much. ... We hadn’t practiced between Nov. 28 and Dec. 28.”

Proud of his team’s no-quit attitude that helped trim big deficits down to almost victories at points throughout the season, “They never quit all year,” the coach said.

Saying they are “great kids,” Wells said goodbye to senior guards Tanner Grantham and Justin Sharp, along with senior forwards Jaylen Jones and Jake Hubbard.



Jack Carasso of Farragut (15), a senior post, goes up for a short jumper against Maryville’s Josh Seiler during this District 4-AAA Tournament semifinal at MHS Saturday night, Feb. 20.

Alan Sloan

# Grabbing control quickly, MHS avenges loss to Ads

**ALAN SLOAN**  
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**MARYVILLE** — Coming off one of its most impressive wins, 66-62 at Maryville during the final week of the regular season, Farragut looked to repeat that feat 11 days later.

But in the District 4-AAA semifinals Saturday, “I thought tonight, defensively, we were really good,” Red Rebels head coach Mark Eldridge said about his team’s man-to-man defense. “I thought everything they did was tough.”

Jumping ahead 16-6 after one frame and 30-16 at the half, “We wanted to stick it in the paint tonight (on offense) and we did,” Eldridge added, as his No. 2-seeded Red Rebels (19-8)


claimed a 62-41 win versus the No. 3-seed Ads (12-12) at MHS Feb. 20. “... Or we kicked it out and found shooters all night.”

Scoring all 10 of FHS’s second quarter points, All-4-AAA junior guard Dillon Atwell led all scorers with 26, including five 3-point baskets. “I thought Dillon played well offensively,” Ads skipper Jon Higgins said.

However, as a team, “We didn’t make a lot of shots tonight,” Higgins said. “We made quite a few shots the last time.”


“We didn’t grab many rebounds tonight. We grabbed a ton of them the last time,” he added. “Maryville played a lot harder than we did tonight.”

Jack Brown, All-4-AAA senior post, scored a team-high 21 for the Red Rebels.




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### STAFF/DEVELOPER AGENDA


Tuesday, March 2, 2021 • March 18, 2021 FMPC Items

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**9:00 a.m.** Discussion and public hearing on a preliminary plat for the Meadows on McFee, 933 and 1013 McFee Road, Parcels 019 and 01404, Tax Map 162, 32 Acres, 68 Lots, Zoned R-1/OSR (Rackley Engineering, Applicant)

**10:00 a.m.** Discussion on a request to amend the Farragut Zoning Ordinance, Section XXIII., Site Plan Regulations, Paragraph C (6)(r) to address below grade refuse collection and recycling systems (Binova, LLC, Applicant)

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### FARRAGUT BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN AGENDA

February 25, 2021 • BMA MEETING 7:00 PM

**I. Roll Call II. Approval of Agenda III. Approval of Minutes** A. February 11, 2021 **IV. Mayor's Report V. Business Items** A. Approval of 2021 Forget Me Not 5K B. Approval of contract with Madden Media for Visit Farragut website development C. Approval of Memorandum of Agreement with Knoxville-Knox County Planning Commission for Development of Planning Reports along Interstate 40/75 in West Knox County D. Resolution R-21-03, a resolution to accept public streets and street names located within the Town of Farragut **VI. Ordinances** A. Public Hearing and Second Reading 1. Ordinance 21-04, ordinance to rezone the property situated around the eastern intersection of McFee Road and Boyd Station Road, Parcels 50, 50.01, 54.01, and 9.01, Tax Map 162, 12611 Boyd Station Road, from General Single-Family Residential (R-2) to Open Space Mixed Residential Overlay (R /OSMR), 131.25 Acres (OBO Homestead Land Holdings, Applicant) B. First Reading 1. Ordinance 21-05, Ordinance to Amend the Capital Investment Program for the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 budget, passed by Ordinance 20-07 VII. Town Administrator's Report **VIII. Town Attorney's Report IX. Citizens Forum**

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## FHS-Lady Dawgs

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Junior Jennifer Sullivan, also an All-District guard, and McLaughlin each had 17 points. Sophomore Avery Treadwell, a 6-foot-3 All-District post, scored nine points and grabbed 10 rebounds.

Honorable Mention district honorees Maddie Brillhart (junior wing/post, 10 points) and Emily Gonzalez (junior point/wing, nine points) also highlighted the Bearden offense.

Despite his team's double-digit victory, "We didn't have our best game, but it's post-season," Underwood said. "It's about getting a victory, advancing and moving on."

### Farragut's perspective

"We felt really good in the first quarter. We were focused and we were locking down defensively," FHS head coach Jason Mayfield said. "But when they put on the press they reached in from behind and took the ball from us."

"We weren't strong enough with the basketball, and that press really made us lose focus," he added.

The Lady Bulldogs outscored Farragut 19-5 in the frame and took a 28-17 lead into the locker room at halftime.

The Lady Ads never really recovered, but they hung around thanks to the efforts of junior wings Avery "Ace"



Photo courtesy of Luther Simmons

Bearden senior guard Zneyah McLaughlin (12) drives to the basket as FHS defenders, from left, junior Avery "Ace" Strickland, senior Saige Carbaugh and junior Keeleigh Rogers, react. The Lady Bulldogs (26-1) took control in the second quarter and won 65-53 in this District 4-AAA semifinal at BHS Friday, Feb. 19.

Strickland and Ashlyn Sheridan.

Strickland scored 17 points and made three long-range jumpers before fouling out with 2:45 remaining in the

fourth quarter. Ten of those points came in the third quarter.

Sheridan finished the game with 15 points, including 11 in the second half.

## Girls champs

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But Fritz, who finished with 17 points, would foul out at the 2:38 mark of the final frame, as the Lady Bulldogs closed the game out on a 16-6 run.

Bearden had its usual balanced offensive attack, with senior guard Zneyah McLaughlin leading the way with 17 points, scoring nine over the final eight minutes.

Junior wing Emily Gonzalez added 12 points and junior guard Jennifer Sullivan scored 10 for the Lady Dawgs. Sophomore center Avery Treadwell finished with seven points. "We have five girls in our starting lineup that always play hard," Underwood said. "I'm proud of all of our girls."

"We got a big lift from (Brinley Murphy) off the bench," the coach added about his sophomore wing, who scored four clutch points and grabbed a pair of big late rebounds.

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# SNOWFLAKE BALL

at The Villages of Farragut Senior Living community

It’s always a fun time at The Villages of Farragut Senior Living community, even in the middle of a pandemic. Residents and staff dressed up in their finest at a recent “Snowflake Ball,” held complete with a “snowman” and fun pictures capturing their evening.



Anne Marie Harwell



Aleen Malcolm and Don Olson



Billie Zimny



Brad and Shirley Mitchell



New Villages residents Fred and Nancy Day



Geraldine Watson and Tom Monroe



Jean and Jack Sicard



Marion Franks



Villages Activities director Sandi Simpson, left, bestows the “Best Dressed” honors to Bill Pitkin Jr.

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