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Radiating gratefulness: state Poet Laureate

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"The world will be nothing like you expected it to be and I promise it will be something beautiful,"
—Melody Dalili

This isn't a story about Melody Dalili. This is a story about the people who got her where she is.

Where she is, in a small, comfortably lit, dorm room on the campus of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill on a FaceTime interview Tuesday, May 21, is where loads of encouraging hands lovingly helped

guide and bolster her — like those of Allison Comer, executive director of Muse Knoxville, and other former co-workers there; her present English professor at UNC, Nicole Berland; and Robin Thady and Robin

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Seniors-peat + junior clutch arm, again

Goalie's 'golden goal' after pk stop: state title



Photos by Alan Sloan

(Above) Farragut baseball celebrates the program's third straight TSSAA Division I Class 4A state championship after slipping past Nolensville 3-1 Friday night, May 24, in Middle Tennessee State University's Reece Smith Jr. Stadium. (Right) Bearden goalkeeper Logan Nelson, right, gets a big hug following his huge roll in helping the BHS SoccerDawgs capture the Division I-AAA state crown in dramatic fashion Friday afternoon, May 24. (Stories and more photos in Sports, pages 1B-2B),



Sgt. Stout 'gave all,' March '70

U.S. Army Sgt. Mitchell W. Stout was among the brave troops during overseas combat to sacrifice his life to save many fellow servicemen, purposely falling on a live grenade to absorb the impact and avoid more casualties during the Vietnam Conflict on March 12, 1970.

A Medal of Honor recipient, this native of Lenoir City is honored in the Town of Farragut: Sgt. Mitchell W. Stout Medal of Honor Memorial Virtue Cemetery is located along Evans Road, just to the west of Virtue Road.

This monument (right) pays tribute, in detail, to Sgt. Stout's sacrifice, which came to light in a much brighter fashion on Memorial Day, with Farragut and the nation celebrating all heroes who sacrificed their lives in combat.



Alan Sloan

Despite Neal, BOMA nods greenway fund

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As Farragut Board of Mayor and Aldermen approved on first reading its Fiscal Year 2025 budget, which includes some amendments to the draft budget, during its meeting Thursday, May 23, it approved a \$500,000 expenditure for the Turkey Creek greenway and road improvement project despite a request not to fund the project for this fiscal year.

"I've been asked to express my clients' opposition to the \$500,000 provided for right-of-way acquisition," said Knoxville attorney John Neal of The Neal Law Firm, which represents three of the six households affected by the Turkey Creek Greenway extension project. He represents Shirley Harkins, David Gailbraith and Howard and Bobbi Tipton.

He pointed out another resident, Dustin Anderson, was denied a building permit for a house on his property because he was told the property was not properly subdivided.

"I don't see how you can acquire right-of-way when you don't even know who owns the property that you're acquiring the right-of-way from," Neal said.

Additionally, he said Galbraith has a "particular serious problem with the city."

In 2005, Neal said as a part of approving Sheffield subdivision, the Town agreed there would not be any sidewalk in front of Galbraith's house.

"That provision was incorporated into the recorded plat in

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happening today

• **Town of Farragut Community Development Department will host two property maintenance workshops**, one beginning at 10 a.m. and the other starting at 6 p.m., both Wednesday, May 29, in Farragut Community Center.

The workshops will be presented by Holley Marlowe. As Farragut's Codes/Zoning enforcement officer, it is part of her job to maintain the Town's

property maintenance standards," a Town press release stated.

"Addressing property maintenance issues isn't just about aesthetics," she stated. "It's also about keeping our neighborhoods more safe and secure. This is information that can make all of Farragut's neighborhoods better."

The workshops will cover what codes enforcement

is and why it's important, Farragut's codes enforcement process (what happens when a violation is reported), the top four citizen complaints and the role of owners associations in addressing property maintenance issues. She will answer any topical questions.

Each workshop is expected to last about an hour. For more information visit townoffarragut.org/propertymaintenance.



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Melody Dalili (center), FHS Class of 2023, with Robin Thady (left) and Robin Blanton, a.k.a. “Big Sister Robin and Mother Robin,” her academic coaches at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.

Dalili

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Blanton (a.k.a. Big Sister Robin and Mother Robin), her academic coaches, among many more, who matter so much in her life.

But this story can't revolve without orbiting Dalili.

“The community that I found here is unmatched,” she said. “I am so in debt to what these people have given me.”

In 2022, Dalili, a 2023 graduate of Farragut High School, received the prestigious title of the City of Knoxville's inaugural Youth Poet Laureate. She recently, though, dwarfed that remarkable accomplishment, garnering the honorable distinction as Tennessee's 2024 Youth Poet Laureate.

“I still don't believe it,” she incredulously said. “To be the youth poet laureate representing the entire state is a big deal, you know? And I think the best part of it,” she humbly continued, “has just been ... hearing about other people's stories, which I think is one of the biggest privileges of leadership that I had learned during the latter portion of my term as Youth Poet Laureate of Knoxville.”

Having earned first runner up for the title in 2023 and 19 years old still, the program's cutoff age, Dalili figured, having received notice there was time left to apply, “Well, this is my last year; I may as well just do it.” So she sent in her “stuff,” as she called it, meaning her nationally-recognized, pre-eminent, poetry to the rest of us.

In the dining hall at UNC with her roommate and a suite mate the day of the youth poet laureate announcements, which she was live-streaming on her phone with bated breath over a bowl of pasta,

cooled by anticipation and a hope, they watched as state recipients were honored. Finally, runners up were called for Tennessee. No mention of Dalili.

“My roommate was, like, ‘It's you, it's you,’” she said.

Dalili laughed about how when her nerves kick in, so does a little angry streak. “I was, like, ‘Shut up, shut up. It's not me.’”

It was her. “And I threw my phone on to the counter,” she recalled. “I was, like, ‘No way. No way. No way.’” And her roommate, as with any good friend, attempted to incite applause from the Carolina crowd, which had no clue why. “I was literally just running around the dining hall for probably 10 minutes afterward, freaking out.”

She said of the contemplative moments leading up to the announcement, thinking, “You may not know that everything in your life is going to change after this live-stream.”

And it has.

Dalili has authored two books of poetry, “Make It Out Alive” and “Thank You For Staying.” Utilizing her merit scholarship to UNC, where she's majoring in biology and double minoring in painting and poetry with aspirations to perhaps go to dental school, she is soaking it all in.

“I still look at life as a privilege,” she said, “and I still look at everything as a gift.”

But to Vols fans out there, she confessed with a smile, “I look better in light blue.” Redemptively, for you Volunteers, she added, “I like to believe that I get to perform my poetry with the heart of Knoxville and Chapel Hill combined.”

In closing, Dalili simply reiterated, “My goal at the end of this is illuminate the people who got me here.”

KCSOreports

No Knox County Sheriff's Office Reports were received, despite being requested early Monday morning, May 27, by farragutpress as of our deadline at 8 a.m., Tuesday, May 28.

Look for KCSO reports — a popular page for many in our readership — to be published in our Wednesday, June 5, issue.

We regret this week's omission.

Jones brings his talents to farragutpress; ‘fresh start’ expressed in his own words

Brandon L. Jones, newest addition to the farragutpress staff as a general assignment reporter whose focuses will be feature stories, schools and Town government, gives the following self introduction about “fresh starts.”

“He's a talented writer who can take a subject and paint quite an impressive picture in words, yet he's sharp in getting the necessary facts and important details,” said Alan Sloan, farragutpress editor.

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It can be absolutely terrifying to begin anew. It can be painful; it can be healing; it can be the cause of so much anxiety; it can be what instills relief; it can be some much more. Going back to Square One can saddle you with any number of emotions and ride you hard back to the proverbial stalls where nothing in this world short of death and taxes, as they say, is certain.

But where in this world would you be if you didn't reset once in a while?

Some still would be struggling with any kind of personal conflict; they'd be white-knuckled gripping the wheel in traffic; they'd be reminiscing, looking at old pictures wondering what happened; they'd be staring at the backyard thinking of all the things that would've looked pretty if already planted; they'd be standing in an office or wherever they work, hating every moment of it all; there would be servers, gas station clerks, bank tellers, sales representatives — there would be any number of people in any number of roles and fields dreaming of anywhere they'd rather not be.

Others then, following some contemplative breaths, find it time finally to say, “One . . .

Two . . . Three . . . Reset.”

Poof!

Now, reread paragraph one and replace “It can be” with “It's going to be.”



Jones

And it's necessary depending of course on one's circumstance. So to that end, here I am, writing to you now. I started at farragutpress Saturday, May 18, feeling all the aforementioned things after resigning from a company for which I'd worked to these past 10-plus years (on and off for the better part of two decades). Terrifying? You bet your sweet life.

Am I anxious? More than you could know. Am I relieved? Don't know yet.

This isn't my first foray into writing for a living. I was a journalist many moons ago before the economy, I like to say, wet its britches back in 2008, and I was laid off with beaucoup other journalists the country over in January 2009, and I let my foot slide with time out of the ever-tightening doors and moved on, brushing myself off and starting a series of random things before coming back to the company I just left, again, for a new opportunity back in the news business all these years later.

What I do know is that I simply couldn't do it any longer. I knew it for far too long, really. I knew, and I can't recall from where I heard, that to pick something up I first had to put something down. So I did. I foreshadowed my concerns (do the math) to editor Alan Sloan and got back the following: “The creative juices will start flowing again.” I exhaled a trembling breath; anxiousness subsided and a general sense of relief began to overtake the terror of taking The Big Step.

I picked up my pen again, saying to myself, through all the fear and angst, “This will be my fresh start.” I try and remind myself whenever I see a snakeskin in the wild there's a bigger snake nearby. It's growth. It's life. That bigger snake nearby, too, may be something of a scare or worry, but it's just living its life the best it can . . . while it can.

And I let whatever feeling I'm up against quietly slither away. You just can't be what you were after you've decided to be what you aren't any more. And further rambling about, whether you've willingly poked your nose in or had it shoved into the bushes, stopping to smell the roses is a brilliant opportunity to take stock and make a subsequent fresh start, so long as you mind the thorns.

towncalendar

Children and adults of all ages are invited to McFee Park (917 McFee Road in Farragut) for Chalk the Park. This free event takes place near the rectangular field and restroom from 10 a.m. to noon, Saturday, June 8.

“Chalk the Park offers participants the chance to leave their artistic marks on a Farragut park,” a Town press release stated. “Chalk is provided, and yard games and crafts are also part of the fun. Ice cream will be available. . . .”

Participants are encouraged to register at townoffarragut.org/register. This is a weather-dependent event.

In case of rain, check Farragut Parks & Recreation on social media for status of the event.



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Town budget, FY '25, passes 1st reading

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A proposed Fiscal Year 2025 Town budget passed its first hurdle as Farragut Board of Mayor and Aldermen voted unanimously to approve the draft budget on first reading, but included a couple of amendments to its Capital Investment Program budget during its meeting Thursday, May 23.

The Board amended the budget by pushing forward funding for proposed tennis courts at McFee Park and a proposed underpass greenway project along Kingston Pike to a future fiscal year.

"I thought we had already removed those from this budget," Vice Mayor Louise Povlin said, and Aldermen Drew Burnette drew the same conclusion about the proposed underpass walkway.

The budget process starts in January, when the department directors develop a list of pri-

orities for the next fiscal year, according to Town administrator David Smoak.

"These priorities get sent to the Board of Mayor and Aldermen for them to reprioritize those things during our annual Strategic Planning process and retreat before we turn in our base budgets in February," he said.

A series of workshops take place before the final draft is completed. The budget must be approved on final reading before July 1.

"The budget is also required to be balanced and remitted to the State of Tennessee Comptroller for review once it has been approved by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen," Smoak said.

"The proposed year-end FY 2024 General Fund revenues are estimated at \$17,474,546, with expenditures of \$10,158,310," Smoak said. "This year-end estimate accounts for a 6.0 percent increase in sales tax revenue from the FY '24

budget, as well as additional revenue increases in the state sales tax, wholesale liquor taxes, building permits and interest earnings.

"Local sales tax revenue is estimated to increase 2 percent from the FY '24 estimated end-of-year projection at \$10,101,798," he added. "This revenue source accounts for 59.3 percent of the Town's total General Fund revenue.

A second major revenue source "is State Sales Tax," Smoak said, adding that tax is distributed from the state to local governments and is based on Farragut's population base, which currently is 23,506 according to the 2020 Census.

He added the total FY '25 proposed revenue in State Sales Tax is \$2,910,000.

On the other side of the coin, Smoak said FY 2024 General Fund expenditures are proposed at \$11,033,366, "which is a 7.5 percent increase over the FY 2024 end-of-year estimate."

wouldn't be any property acquisition expense and my clients think that's a much better approach," Neal added.

"... For the moment the Planning Commission has tabled this proposal because of legal issues, and I would just suggest to you all that until those legal issues have been resolved, there's no point and no benefit in allocating \$500,000 toward acquisition of property at the moment you can't acquire."

However, Vice Mayor Louise Povlin said budgeting the money is not the same as appropriating it. As such, the Board agreed to keep the \$500,000 in the budget.

But at the same time, it also voted to amend the budget by pushing forward funding for proposed tennis courts at McFee Park and a proposed underpass greenway project along Kingston Pike to a future fiscal year.

BOMA-greenway

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Knox County Register (of Deeds) office," he said. "Mr. Galbraith intends to file suit ... to keep (Town of) Farragut from building a sidewalk in front of his house. That would, of course, block the greenway.

"We think the Town already has a right-of-way for the greenway, and there wouldn't be any opposition to it, there

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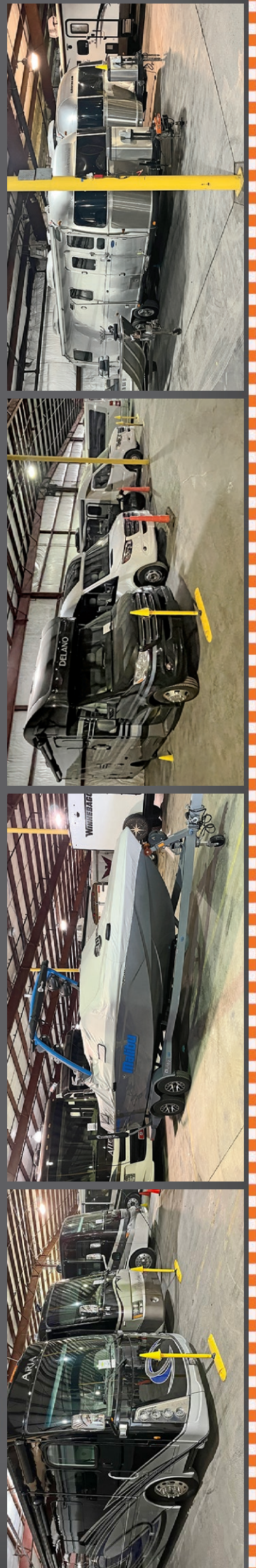


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business briefs

• Jerry Harnish, previously Rural Metro fire chief in Farragut, has taken on a new role as chief for both fire and Emergency Medical Services.

“This summer, we will transition, and I will do strictly EMS, and we’ll have a new fire chief,” Harnish said.

Currently, Jeff Devlin is in the role of interim fire chief.

“I think there was a need to have better coordination with EMS and fire, and certainly, with the new EMS contract, we’ve had a lot of improvements to make,” Harnish said.



Harnish

He has been fire chief in Farragut since 2007.

About the change in roles, “It’s a lot of work but very rewarding, so I’ve got to meet a lot of marvelous people. That’s the best part,” Harnish said.

His announcement about the role change took place during a Farragut West Knox Chamber of Commerce networking hosted by Rural Metro in Farragut Community Center to observe EMS Week (May 20-24).

• For the second year in a row, T3 “Ace in the Hole” vodka recently was awarded a medal at the prestigious TAG Global Spirits Awards 2024.

Spirits experts from four continents presented more than 400 medals during the four-day competition March 5-8 in Las Vegas. The TAG Global Spirits Awards recognizes the world’s finest spirits and the talented distillers and blenders who create them.

T3 Vodka, a hand-crafted vodka from Knoxville, won gold in the vodka category for its exceptional quality and unique taste, achieved through a unique, 10-time filtering process.

Farragut Pointe: ‘high-end’ affordable home choices

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Farragut has more housing options with the opening of Farragut Pointe Apartments, which had a ribbon cutting Wednesday, May 15, at the new complex, 11225 Farragut Pointe Way.

With tenants already moving in to the apartments, “we’re still in the lease-up phase, but there aren’t many empty units left,” said Stacey McDonald, financial analyst with Hopeful Housing, which owns the development entity, Farragut Pointe Developers, and office manager with Huber Properties, LLC.

“This is a wonderful turnout,” said developer John Huber, owner of Huber Properties, LLC. “There’s no way we could have gotten here without a bunch of partners ... to build a Class A facility” with affordable housing.

“This is not just a ribbon cutting,” Knox County Mayor Glenn Jacobs said, adding it shows “what the county can achieve when we support one another.

“People can have decent, affordable places to live. It’s a model of what is possible when there is cooperation,” he added.

Located just off Loop Road, the 124-unit complex contains one-, two- and three-bedroom units in six buildings.

“Our one-bedroom units are 903 square feet, two-bedroom units are 1,074 square feet, and three-bedroom units are 1,261 square feet,” McDonald said. “The total square footage of the entire development, including breezeways, etc., is 164,288 square feet.”

Huber defined the complex as affordable “workforce hous-



Photo submitted

Developer John Huber (with scissors), owner of Huber Properties, LLC, cuts the ribbon for Farragut Pointe Apartments, 11225 Farragut Pointe Way, on Wednesday, May 15. He was joined by his wife, Addie Huber (to Huber’s right), Knox County Mayor Glenn Jacobs (to Huber’s left), David Reynolds (second from right), president of Home Federal Bank, and Larsen Jay, Knox County Commissioner At-Large Seat 10 (far right) among other stakeholders.

ing” in a “high-end luxury facility.

“Farragut Pointe is a good example of how quality, affordable housing can be created through a public/private partnership in Tennessee, and we are extremely happy with the final product,” Huber said. “We are excited to provide 124 families new, clean, safe and affordable housing in an excellent west Knoxville location.

“We were able build a high-quality, affordable housing complex through a public/private partnership with (Tennessee Housing Development Agency),” he added. “It involves a creative, but complicated financial model utilizing

a one-time issuance of federal tax credits.

“With the inclusion of the tax credits, Farragut Pointe was able to lower its permanent debt on the project, hence lowering its monthly mortgage payment and passing those savings on to its residents.”

“Affordable is defined as serving tenants who earn less than 60 percent of the area median income, which varies by county as well as family size,” McDonald explained. “For this year in Knox County, the four-person AMI is \$91,000, so a family of four could not make more than \$54,600 (60 percent of \$91,000) and qualify to live at Farragut Pointe.

“This limit changes annually and is calculated by the Department of Housing and Urban Development,” she added.

Farragut Pointe features a handicapped-accessible in-ground pool, a fitness center; a community center with a full kitchen and complimentary coffee, a cyber bar with tenant-accessible computers and printers a playground for children and a dog park for residents’ furry friends.

“Each unit has granite countertops, stainless-steel appliances, washer and dryer hookups, 9-foot ceilings and balconies, plus vinyl plank flooring in all common areas of the units,” Huber said.

Mellow Mushroom Farragut approaches 25 years

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As the Mellow Mushroom brand celebrates 50 years, Farragut’s Mellow Mushroom closes in on 25 years of its own existence.

“We couldn’t be more excited to celebrate 50 years (of the brand),” said Scott Mathis, owner of Mellow Mushroom Farragut franchise at 635 N. Campbell Station Road.

“Our team here in Farragut is incredible and looking forward to sharing the celebratory menu with our guests.

“We are so grateful for all of our guests’ support over the years and can’t wait for many more,” he added.

Mellow Mushroom Farragut opened in July 2000.

According to a press release, “Mellow Mushroom Farragut has poured over 5,000 varieties of beer in its 24 years of operation.

“They added their own online ordering channel in 2018 and new catering program,” the release stated. Additionally, it has employed more than 500 locals. Nationally, Mellow Mushroom officially celebrates 50 years of business this year and is set to mark the golden anniversary with a kaleidoscope of celebratory events across locations now through November 2024.

“We love that we’re 50 years old,” said Anne Mejia, senior vice president of brand development at Mellow Mushroom. “Sixty percent of all restaurants fail within the first year. “And, another 20 percent



Photo submitted

Mellow Mushroom Farragut staff member Seth Bell prepares to serve a beverage to a customer at the Farragut location, 635 N. Campbell Station Road.

fail in the first decade, so we’ve made it five decades,” she said. “Three things have helped us get there.

“First, we sell primarily pizza, delicious pizza, and we use the same recipe to make our crust that we started with in

1974,” Mejia said.

“And, we’re fanatical about the quality of ingredients that go on our pizzas,” she added. “And we believe our guests have always understood the difference between a Mellow Mushroom pizza and any other pizza.

“Second, each one of our restaurants is unique in its design,” Mejia said, noting the Farragut restaurant has “this cool, trippy kind of vibe.”

And, “our staff wears really fun T-shirts and creates a really relaxing, inviting environment for people.”

She said the third success factor is Mellow Mushroom’s guests.

“As the commemoration of this 50th milestone begins, we want to thank the Mellow Mushroom guests who have recognized our unwavering commitment to quality pizzas, munchies, salads and more for a half century,” Mejia said. “With each Mellow Mushroom restaurant, Mellow owners

have created a truly unique and very Mellow experience where guests have celebrated countless first dates, birthdays, anniversaries and other occasions throughout the last 50 years.”

Founded in 1974 by three college graduates in Atlanta, Georgia — and still privately held by one of the original founders — the brand currently operates 160-plus locations nationwide, the press release said.

“In 1987, (the owners) started franchising, and the unit in Farragut is owned by a franchisee,” Mejia said.

Beginning in June, Mellow Mushroom will commemorate the five decades with the launch of a company-wide, limited-time-only anniversary menu.

Farragut’s Mellow Mushroom is open from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m., Monday through Sunday.

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(Above) Farragut senior shortstop Lukas Buckner with his parents, Admirals skipper Matt Buckner and his wife, Robyn. (Above right) Junior pitcher Cole Draper (facing camera), state-title game winning pitcher, hugs his catcher, senior Gavin Brewer. (Right) All smiles as one of the 17 FHS seniors, Brennon Seigler, center fielder, gets a hug from a teammate.



From bases-loaded 3 RBIs to barehanded putout

'Best team that's ever played in TN' led by FHS Class of '24, 17 strong; end careers with state title 3-peat, edge Nolensville

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MURFREESBORO — The first big blow that put Farragut's ultra-talented and huge Class of 2024-led baseball team on the state map was Eli Evans' two-out, three-RBI triple down the left-field line in the top of the seventh inning, breaking a 1-1 tie versus Houston in 2022.

The result: state title No. 1 of this new era.

The last big play that capped a TSSAA Division I-4A state title threepeat for this class, and the entire Admirals program, was Evans doing his best Brooks Robinson imitation to charge a slow tapper, make a barehand grab and fire an off-balance, yet accurate, throw to first base.

This final out, which if not recorded would have brought the go-ahead run to the plate for Nolensville (34-10), secured a nerve-wracking 3-1 state title game win Friday night, May 24, at MTSU's Reese Smith Jr. Field.

"I trust myself to make that play," said this Class 4-A Mr. Baseball state finalist.

"He's done that five or six times this year," Admirals skipper Matt Buckner said about barehanded putouts from Evans, one of 17 seniors, most of whom have been huge contributors to the program's success the past three seasons, with all eight position players from this class.

How good is this team, and this senior class?

"I don't mean this to be disrespectful to any team in the past, but I think this is the best (high school) team that's played in Tennessee," said Buckner, who announced his retirement from coaching early this week after 699 wins and seven state titles in 15 FHS seasons.

"I think it's the deepest," as his 2024 team has been ranked among the top 10 programs in the United States by many leading high school polls. With a final 40-5 record, these Ads finished per-

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Radcliffe's 3rd pk happy ending: 'no goals allowed' BHS wins state

Nelson MVP in three shutouts, critical pk stop, clinching tally

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MURFREESBORO — It wasn't enough that Logan Nelson stopped a Ravenwood penalty kick that opened the door for his Bearden SoccerDawgs to be one more successful pk from the program's sixth TSSAA state crown.

Nelson also stepped up to boot home the championship-winning pk, then was repeatedly "attacked" in joy by numerous elated teammates in the 5-3 pk win after 100 scoreless minutes versus state power Ravenwood (18-3-4) in Richard Siegel Soccer Complex Stadium Friday afternoon, May 24.

"I wanted it," Nelson, Division I Class AAA state title game MVP, said about taking the clinching kick.

As for the critical pk stop on the Raptors' fourth try, "I knew in my mind where the kids have gone from past pk shootouts," the junior keeper



Alan Sloan

Winning his sixth state title as a Bearden Bulldogs head coach, seventh overall counting 2006 as an ex-Bulldogs standout player, Ryan Radcliffe (far left) and his SoccerDawgs are all smiles after winning the state title thanks to a 5-3 edge in penalty kicks versus state power Ravenwood in the TSSAA Division I-AAA state title match Friday afternoon, May 24, at Richard Siegel Soccer Complex in Murfreesboro. Three of Radcliffe's state title game wins, two as coach and his one as a player, have come on penalty kicks.

said. "But for that pk, I was like, 'I knew he was going that way.' So as soon as I did, I dove that way (to his left), saved it, and then I got up for that pk, for the one that I had to take. I knew I just had to put it in the back of the net.

"It's a fairytale ending," he added. "There's not much more I could ask for. These are nights that you dream about.

Saving a pk and then going up and finishing out the game as a goalkeeper, you don't see that a lot, so it's perfect."

"He just seems to have a knack," BHS head coach Ryan Radcliffe said of Nelson. "Of course, that's probably just being a great goalkeeper.

"He's confident; he's got that mentality that he can do whatever he puts his mind to," the

coach added. "I've had a lot of fantastic keepers in my career here. I've been blessed with great keeper coaches. But I've never had a keeper that is determined and confident like that kid over there."

Other Bearden pk tallies came from seniors Jack Raulston and Dillon Sims plus junior Noah Price and senior James Lee, as the state cham-

pions end 2024 at 21-3-1.

"I guess right now we're in a habit of winning state championships on pks on this field," Radcliffe said. "I did it as a player in 2006, and in 2019 we did it. And now (five) years later, we did it again. But it's not a coach's preference.

"What else can you say

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Webb girls nab II-AA state title in track; shot put title repeat; Ebbert 3200 #1

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MURFREESBORO — Making a huge splash in Division II-AA with its first team state title at the private schools' top level, Webb School of Knoxville girls track and field edged past runner-up Harpeth Hall 103 versus 100.50 Wednesday evening, May 22, in Middle Tennessee State University's Dean Hayes Stadium.

Six individual state champions led the way: Lennox Langham, junior, long jump (18-feet-03.25) and triple jump, (37-11.75); 4 X 800 relay (9:23:78); Carolina Areheart, sophomore, 1600 (4:53.28) and 800 (2:16.17); and Jazzlyn Garmer, sophomore, 3200 (10:44.47).

Other Division II-AA and A champs listed later in story.

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Left photo Alan Sloan/right photo courtesy of Jeremy Wiggs/Jeremy Wiggs Photography (Above left) Braden Ebbert, Farragut senior standout distance runner, gives his mother, Tristi Ebbert, a hug after he won the 3200-meter Division I-AAA state meet run. (Above right) Bryce Thompson, FHS junior, repeated as 1-AAA shot put state champ.



Murphy-led KCHS girls tennis 3-peat, singles; Faulkner's 4th

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MURFREESBORO — Playing side-by-side at Adams Tennis Complex in search of girls state singles crowns, Knoxville Catholic's Lillie Murphy remained unbeaten in her high school tennis career while Christian Academy of Knoxville's Allie Faulkner won her fourth straight Division II-A singles state championship.

Murphy single No. 1, KCHS girls state threepeat

For Murphy, 2024 was a transition from being a doubles player who had won back-to-back Division II-AA titles with Eleni Liakonis as a freshman and sophomore. But the junior wrapped up her first II-AA singles state title Friday morning, May 24, by beating Melanie Woodbury of Hutchison (Memphis) 6-4, 6-3.

"I'm really happy, especially following up Maeve (Thornton)," Murphy said about her former star teammate, a career unbeaten three-time state singles champ. "She's definitely a great example to to follow up on."

A Furman University commitment, Murphy said about her

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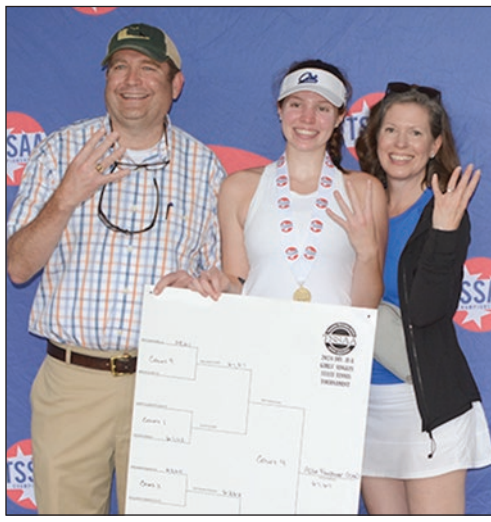
Murphy-Faulkner

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summer plans, "I'm going to take a few days off, go to the beach. But then after that, I have a bunch of tournaments coming up."

What's more, Murphy and her younger sister, sophomore Lauren Murphy, contributed three team triumphs, combining in doubles to win 8-6 while each was victorious in singles, to capture the II-AA state crown versus Baylor 4-3 Wednesday, May 22, the program's third straight team state title.

"She's never lost a high school match," KCHS head coach Rusty Morris said of Lillie. "She's just a great fighter. She motivates herself through the positive energy she gives herself," he added. "She never quits running for a ball, plays incredible de-



Photos by Alan Sloan

fense when she's put in those situations. A very smart player, works great shot patterns." Other KCHS victories in the team competition versus Baylor came from Liakonis in singles and she and No. 1 doubles partner Payton Carroll (8-4).

Faulkner's fourth straight

"I had been in this situation three times before, so I knew what the pressure was going to be, and she had never experienced it," Faulkner, a junior, said about freshman foe Noor Sandhu of Lausanne (Mem-

(Far left) Lillie Murphy, KCHS junior, rolled to her first Division II-AA singles state title Friday morning, May 24. (Left) Allie Faulkner, CAK junior, and her parents, Eric and Sharon Faulkner, signal '4,' as Allie won her fourth straight Division II-A singles state crown Friday.

phis, winning 6-1, 6-1).

"Allie just keeps getting better and better. She's got amazing concentration," CAK head coach Michael Davis said. "... She's so laser-focused on winning. She's just driven to win every point."

FHS threepart

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fect versus in-state opponents this season.

Non-senior Draper

However, one non-member of the Class of 2024 has put state title game pitching duties entirely on his shoulders the past two seasons. Junior Cole Draper scattered seven hits in going the full seven innings (two walks, three strikeouts), with the only run scoring on a bobbled ball after a put-out in the top of the second inning.

"Cole Draper, what are you going to say? The guy's thrown two complete games in back-to-back state championships," coach Buckner said. "He was unreal today. ... Just a tough-minded kid. He's who you want to have the ball when it's on the line."

A first-inning single by Lukas Buckner, a double from Jake Merrick and an RBI single from Evans (three hits total) plus a passed ball, scored two runs. Buckner walked and scored on Merrick's second-inning RBI single.

"It's a blessing to have this team and just have all these friends and just be able to compete with each other for these last four years," Merrick said.

About coaching his son — with Lukas a former TBCA Player of the Year as a four-year starting shortstop who became the career hits leader in program history — "It's pretty awesome," the coach said. "Proud of him and proud of his teammates. A lot of emotions here, trying to keep it under control, but it's a pretty special day, and I'm proud of these guys. They're tough-minded and they're just hard to beat, man."

Playing for dad "was special, man," Lukas said. "There's been a lot of pressure building on us every single year, and it's been hard to get through it sometimes, but we've always found a way through."

The state titles illustrate "all the work we put in day in, day out," said Landis Davila, senior right fielder and District 4-4A MVP who made a sliding shoestring catch in this game. "Just to see it all work out is amazing, a dream come true."

"I just want to give all glory to my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ," pitcher/first baseman Michael Delph said. "It's such a blessing to be out here. This group of guys, man, so emotional leaving these guys, growing up with them since we were 2. ... But we went out with a bang."

"Praise God. I'm so blessed to be a part of this team," said senior center fielder Brennon Seigler, who collected his 200th career hit during the tourney. "Statistically, we're one of the best teams that ever came through here, man."

"It's been a great four years with these guys. I grew up with them," senior catcher Gavin Brewer said. "They're my brothers. We love each other like no other, so it's awesome."

Soccer crown

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about this group and the way that they battled, and especially the way Logan stepped up there," he added. "I mean, what a fairy tale ending to save the (fourth) pk and then score the winning pk. It gives credit to a kid that pulled saves out of nowhere there late and then in overtime. What an ending."

The one time Nelson wasn't in front of the net during a scoring chance, teammate and junior defender Cole Stopka stopped a certain Raptors goal on the right side of the net in the eighth minute.

"My defense has been saving me whenever I screw up or whenever I'm out of position," Nelson said. "We know we have a lot of chemistry between each other. There's a lot of love between each other, too. We're a brotherhood back there."

"I mean, it's awesome," said Raulston, a senior midfielder and team captain. "Our mentality was really high coming in this game because of Wednesday's game against Hendersonville (1-0 win).

"We came out flying, and we knew we had to do that today. Everyone wanted it, not only

the starters, but one through 42," he added. "The bench was in it. Everyone was in it, and that's really what helped us get to win."

"It all started with Logan Nelson holding us in the back line," Sims, a forward, said. "Our defense was awesome. Didn't let in a whole goal all state tournament."

"And then Logan's just outstanding. I love that dude. He saved us," he added.

"It started with our goalie. Logan saved us so many times," senior defender Nic Prins said. "... We've waited four years for this, and we left everything out on the field, and it feels so good to win, man. So good. So many finals we've been through, and we've lost. But this one is different. "This one we won because we wanted it more."

Track No. 1 state

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Ebbert's main helper

Becoming a distance runner as a fifth-grader, Braden Ebbert recalled, "I almost quit in middle school."

But his mother, Tristi Ebbert, "kept me on the path of running," he added. "I'm so grateful for her."

After what was probably his biggest athletic accomplishment, this Farragut High School senior standout distance runner gave mom a big hug just a few minutes after leaving the entire 3200-meter field behind by almost a half-track length (9:11.04) to win his first state title during the Class AAA state meet at MTSU Thursday evening, May 23.

Further credit for his success went to, "My brother and my sister (Joshua and Madelin) and my coach, (Chelsea) Osborne, and Matteo Tonno and Trevor Coggin, two incredible teammates I've had the opportunity to run with — they all deserve credit."

Thompson repeats

Bryce Thompson, an FHS junior, repeated as shot put state champion (61-feet-05.75) while taking second in discus. **Other private state champs** Boys-AA: Colin Eckerman, Webb senior, 1600 run (4:04.55) and 3200 run (9:12.93).

Boys-A: Christian Academy of Knoxville's boys team earned second place (82.50 points) behind its 4 X 800 relay state champs (8:19.01) and with senior Joshua Cross, winning state in the 1600 (4:25.21) and 3200 (9:55.64).

Other girls II-AA champs were Maggie Frana, Knoxville Catholic junior, discus (110-05); Chloe Truss, KCHS sophomore, 100 dash (:12.07) and KCHS 4 X 200 relay (1:43.28).




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GS Gold Awards to locals

Two Farragut High School and two Hardin Valley Academy students recently received 2024 Gold Awards from Girl Scouts of the Southern Appalachians as four of 25 girls honored across the region at a recent gala dinner/awards ceremony.

Farragut's Helen Liulevicius helped restore a children's play space after Catholic Charities of East Tennessee's building was destroyed by arson. "(Liulevicius) partnered with the organization to design and build developmentally appropriate play centers," a GSSA press release stated. "She also established low-cost, easy-to-make toy designs for parents to take home, along with information on the types of play essential for early childhood development."

Bailey Redmond of Farragut created a music festival to showcase young talent.

"As a young musician, Redmond had been turned away

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Tammy Cheek

Farragut High School Anchor Award winners, front row from left, are Class of 2024 honorees Kailey Scheafnock, Katelyn Bruce and Laura Cunningham. Back row, from left, are Class of 2024 honorees Pete Clower, William DeFranco and William Cabaniss. They received these awards during the school's annual Senior Awards Ceremony in Vicky B. Wells Auditorium Thursday, May 16.

Scholarships, Anchor Awards highlight FHS Senior Day honorees

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Anchor Awards, scholarships and other honors were bestowed on Farragut High School's seniors in FHS's Vickie B. Wells' Auditorium Thursday morning, May 16.

"This is a special group of kids," principal Dr. John Bartlett said. "They are a superbly talented group of young men and women."

"I'm proud to hand the baton on to the next generation," he added. "We have a reason to celebrate."

The highest honor, the Anchor Awards, went to six seniors: William Cabaniss, Kate Bruce, William DeFranco, Laura Cunningham, Kailey Scheafnock and Pete Clower.

Along that line, Megan Ramsey and Austin Hankins earned the Beacon Award.

Additionally, students earned scholarships because of their kindness hard work. Among the scholarships were the Michael David Greene Scholarship, which went to Anna Kauffman and Andrew Duhaime; Charlotte and Lendon Welch Scholarship to Roger McNeer; the Lafayette and Pearl Hubbs Memorial Scholarship, presented by FHS Education Foundation, to Andrea Callaway; the Commercial Bank Scholarship to Michelle Lin; and Prudential Spirit of Community Award to William Cabaniss.

Additionally, students received awards as National Merit Finalists and National Merit Commended Students.

National Merit Finalists were: Karrie An (Elynn), Iris Chen, Elaina Conger, Grace Feng, Audrey Fey, Madeline Gao, Caleb Han, Jesse Hao, Danial Khan, Michelle Lin, Elliot Mandl, Vivian Singhvi, Reuben Soans, Channing Tan,

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HVA graduates 465; BHS grads to seek 'true joy'

Brown wins Hawk Award at May 22 ceremony

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HARDIN VALLEY — With an announced graduating class of 465, Hardin Valley Academy's Class of 2024 graduates were advised to "remember your roots," to "trust the process," "value the future" and "see beyond the way things are" during its commencement ceremony on the HVA athletic field Wednesday evening, May 22.

Among five nominees, Tinsley Kate Brown was presented the Hawk Award, "the highest award voted on by the Hardin Valley faculty and is bestowed upon a graduating senior," HVA principal Mitchell Cox announced. "The Hawk Award is presented annually to a student who exhibits high standards of dependability, responsibility, citizenship, cheerfulness and moral character," he added.

Emphasizing her heritage goes



Alan Sloan

HVA's Nasir Ibanez Bone receives his ceremonial diploma from Betsy Henderson, Knox County Board of Education chair (6th District).

well beyond the borders of the United States — and to pay tribute to those in her family, along with

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Brandon Jones

Reagan Wells, Bearden High School senior class president, got an assist from Knox County Schools Superintendent Dr. Jon Rysewyk during a graduation ceremony downpour Thursday, May 23, at BHS's Bill Young Field.

May 23 ceremony presses on despite heavy rain at field

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BEARDEN — You would have thought on the evening of Thursday, May 23, you were getting a jumpstart on Memorial Day weekend hitting the Bearden 50-Yard Line Swimming Hole, and a graduation broke out.

Yes, it was a night for Bearden High School's Class of 2024.

One must remember, as recalled a couple times during the night's speeches, the Class of 2024 had one heck of a time even before the onset of their freshmen year. Remember that global pandemic? They had to wear masks. They had to completely change the environment in which they'd already grown, adapted,

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Tuesday, June 4, 2024

Medium Classroom – Farragut Community Center

9:00 a.m. Discussion and public hearing on a site plan for a new hotel concept for the property at 11320 Outlet Drive (formerly approved as a Skore Hotel), 4.34 Acres, Zoned OD-RE/E (Land Development Solutions, Applicant)

9:30 a.m. Discussion and public hearing on approval of the Mixed-Use Town Center Vision Plan (Town of Farragut, Applicant)

10:00 a.m. Discussion and public hearing on amendments to the Future Land Use Map in the Comprehensive Land Use Plan Update involving the following locations: 1) Updating the land purchased by Knox County Schools off Boring Road to reflect a Civic/Institutional land use designation, 2) Updating the land purchased by the Town of Farragut off McFee Road to reflect a Parks and Recreation land use designation, 3) Updating the areas that are currently shown as Medium Density Residential and Low Density Residential south and east of the Ford property and the Park Place Subdivision to reflect a Very Low Density Residential land use designation, and 4) Updating the areas that are currently shown as Medium Density Residential along a portion of Concord Road to reflect a Low Density Residential land use designation in the northern portion and a Civic/Institutional land use designation for the Pleasant Forest Cemetery and the area abutting the cemetery to the north (Town of Farragut, Applicant)

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Appointments are from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the following dates in June: 3-7, 10-14, 17-18, 20-21, and 24-28. Interpreters will be available. Call 865-215-5131 to make an appointment.

• The real estate team of Cooper Group with Keller Williams will host a free "lunch and learn" event "Unlocking Home Sale Success: Strategies For Maximizing Your Profit" starting at noon, Thursday, June 6, in Farragut Community Center. Lunch is free if participants RSVP (see below).

This meeting also would allow anyone who is considering the sale of a home to ask industry

pros what buyers are looking for, how to make the most from a sale, how appraisals work, learn about new lending solutions and how they can negotiate rates with Realtors.

On hand will be Realtors, a lender, a stager and appraiser available for an open question-and-answer session at the end of the presentation.

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• West Young Professionals, Farragut West Knox Chamber of Commerce's YP committee, has now opened applications for its team.

WYPs strive to provide programs throughout the entire year to fulfill its goal "to provide young professionals in the Chamber and the greater Farragut West Knox community with opportunities to grow, connect and give back to our community," a FWKCC press release stated. Visit docs.google.com Applications will close Friday, May 31.

HVA grads

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other graduates' families, who immigrated to this country in recent years — graduate Brisa Villatoro's address, "Remember Your Roots" ("Recurred Tus Raices"), was delivered in both English and Spanish.

"I want to thank the people that helped me become the person that I am today," she said. "... As you strive to reach new heights and achieve your goals, it is important to remember your roots, for they are the foundation on which you build your success.

"... We will always carry a piece of all the relationships we've built with teachers, friends and acquaintances that will help define who we are and where we came from," she added. "All the paths we've traveled, all the experiences we've been through, either negative or positive, all the decisions we've made have led us to this moment."

Graduate Cooper Delamain's address was titled "Trust the Process." With his own "passion" for art, Delamain said, "Like many of you, I have worried about what my canvas will turn out like. Instead of focusing on what you want the end product to look like, I urge you to remind yourself to take each step of the process as it comes. Trusting the process means appreciating where you are in the present moment.

"... As I take a step back from my easel, I can see that each and every one of you has left a brush stroke on my canvas," he added. "... We are all a part of each other's paintings in some way, and I urge



Alan Sloan

The top of this HVA graduation cap has a strong Christian message Wednesday, May 22.

you to remember Hardin Valley Academy, because we all know that beautiful paintings can't exist without a messy sketch underneath."

With his address titled "The Value of Future," graduate Brand Salsbury said, "Strength is the person who fell 20 times and got up 21," he added. "... I have fallen short of several goals I set for myself. ... I've decided that the lessons I've learned from striving to reach these goals may be just as important as the goals I was striving for themselves."

In his address to the graduate, Cox said about the process toward making an impact, "Each and every one of you has the power to be that spark to ignite positive transformation in your communities, your workplaces and beyond."

Military Recognitions were presented by Dr. Amber Roberts, while Scholarship Recognitions were presented by Ryan McDonough.

HVA Choral Ensemble, directed by John McMeen, and HVA Orchestra, directed by Preston Davis, performed.

FHS senior winners

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Thomas Williamson, Nicholas Yan and Iris Ye.

National Merit Commended Students were William Cabiness, Benjamin Cho, Leo Davis, Kameron Hanson, Bhargav Kamujula, Chris Keum, Alice Liu, Audrey Loudon, Adarsh Muralidharan, Anand Patel, Yogi Patel, Shashank Ramu-

halli, Brevin Swartzentruber, Boyu Tan, Vaishnavi Tathineni and Alysa Zhao.

Rising Tide Award winners, who each received a computer, included Justice Gonzalez, Melina Herrera, Sama Kado, Danial Khan and Leo Davis.

The National Merit Battelle Scholarship went to Morgan Albany and Iris Chin, while National Merit Siemens Scholarship went to Nicholas Yan,

Reuben Soans and Grace Feng.

Students also received awards for best representing their ethnic background. The National African-American Recognition Award went to Emma Cunningham and Laura Cunningham, the National Hispanic Recognition Award to David Broda, John Tiernan and Sara Camacho Comez, and the National Indigenous Award to Margaret Raines.

Gold Awards

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from events because of her age," the release stated. "... She recruited volunteers, advertised the event and planned a 12-hour festival with more than 60 musicians and hundreds of people in attendance," the release added.

Catherine Gergel, a Class of 2024 Hardin Valley Academy graduate, worked to help victims of racially driven attacks with a website featuring videos and classes on self-defense and conflict resolution. "After experiencing anti-Asian racism, Gergel created a website to help people find help and learn self-defense basics, and for potential bystanders to learn strategies to safely intervene," the press release stated.

Nirvikta Osti of Hardin Valley established music education for special education students after learning the curriculum doesn't always include it. "A passionate musician, Osti worked with local elementary school teachers to develop the curriculum and wrote a music book, including songs that help students learn about shapes and numbers and skills," the release stated.



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BHS grads

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learned and studied most their lives. They had to navigate ever-changing regulations and methods of educational operation. And, that was before even leaving the house.

In the resonant words of senior class president Reagan Wells, "Our class entered high school with uncertainty, wondering if we would have a normal high school experience," going on to say the one thing that was certain was "we have not been scared to take risks,"

such as speaking through electrical equipment as Knox County Schools Superintendent Dr. Jon Rysewyk held an umbrella over her whilst she spoke, thunder rumbling in the distance.

It was brilliant. Every graduating student sat as respectfully as possible in their wet plastic seats prior to all they were there to do — graduate. Most, if not every single capped and gowned Bulldog, just accepted the torrential moment as though they were getting their hands wet checking the temperature of

drawing bath water. Several simply rose their heads to the heavens and let the pouring rain wash away whatever needed cleansing.

Encouragingly, Scott Dunlap, salutatorian of Bearden's Class of 2024, asked his peers to raise their right hands — as high as they could. He then asked for them to raise them a little higher. The crowd obeyed. "I don't know if everybody saw what I just did," he said, remarking on how when asked to raise their hands a little higher, "everyone was able to give just a little bit more."

But as the pandemic moved along, so did the rains, and everybody is stronger (or will be more prepared later in life) for it.

Beneath clearer skies, Valectorian Avigail Laing relayed a fundamental message to her class: "True joy in life is unlocked by the heart, not the ego. Accomplishments don't make you happy, love does."

Overseeing the moving of tassels, Mustafa Akawazi and Lydia Cruze addressed the graduating ensemble.

"We have crossed this stage in a symbol of our journey,"

Akawazi said, "from childhood to adulthood."

Cruze, instructing for tassels to be moved from right to left, said, "Class of 2024 graduates, it's time to enter the next chapter." Airhorns, applause, little bursts of confetti, made up the congratulatory air as family and friends of graduates, and grads themselves, of course, hugged, cried, cheered and celebrated, possibly the last time they'd ... who really knows from here.

Look for a future West Side Faces page in June featuring BHS and HVA graduates.

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