

# National grocery chain eyeing Watt-K.Pike location

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A development being planned at the intersection of North Watt Road and Kingston Pike near Dixie Lee Junction likely will have a national grocery chain as its focal point.

Budd Cullom, CHM, LLC/Cullom Properties Inc. partner/president, and architects for Schaad Companies revealed plans for the grocery chain on

the 10.3-acre tract property, as well as parking for the store, along with two out parcels, Farragut Community Development director Mark Shipley said during a Staff-Developer meeting Tuesday, May 30.

However, Cullom said he could not identify the national chain.

“The grocery store has a policy for developers, such as my role in this and (Schaad Company senior project manager) Rodney (Phillips) role in this

that we don’t make any kind of a formal press release until there’s a signed lease and they have had the opportunity to do their own internal press release,” he said. “I’m having to toe the line, if you will, even though I don’t work for the company.”

“We’d only be ready for a workshop discussion at the Farragut Municipal Planning Commission meeting Thursday, June 15,” Shipley said.

“It looks like a right-in, right-out on

the easternmost access (to the development) and a full access west,” he added about the plans. “There’s a lot going on with this property. We’ve had quite a few comments on it, which is understandable.”

The development will be located beside Rural Metro, which would be affected.

“When Rural Metro (fire station)

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Photo courtesy of Rural Metro Fire

A boat caught fire at Concord Marina in Fort Loudoun Lake Saturday, June 3, injuring four passengers — three reportedly with serious burns. Rural Metro Fire and Knox County Rescue Squad responded to the emergency call.

# Marina boat fire, explosion sends 3 to Vanderbilt: ‘serious burns’

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A boat fire and explosion at Concord Marina boat ramp in Fort Loudoun Lake wounded four Saturday, June 3 — three of whom reportedly are being treated at Vanderbilt Burn Center in Nashville “with what appeared to be serious injuries,” stated Jeff Bagwell, Rural Metro Fire Public Information officer.

Knox County Rescue Squad joined RMF and the fire investigation unit of Knox County Sheriff’s Office in responding to the incident, which occurred around 7:30 p.m.

Bagwell reported RMF crews arrived at 7:35 p.m. “to find the boat fully engulfed by flames and three patients suffering from serious burn injuries.

“The burning boat was pushed away from the dock and marina and the three patients

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# Mormon regional event center planned for Town gets site plan approval

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The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints received unanimous site plan approval to build Knoxville Tennessee Temple, a regional event center for church members, from Farragut Municipal Planning Commission during FMPC’s meeting Thursday, May 18.

The temple will be located on 5.26 acres at 13001 Kingston Pike, according to Town Community Development director Mark Shipley.

“This is going to be a heck of an architectural piece in the Town of Farragut,” Commissioner Noah Myers said. “... It’s pretty awesome. ...You only have one other one in the state.”

“It’s pretty much all masonry building,” Shipley said.

“It is a 100-year building,” said Daniel Boutte, senior landscape architect with Lose Design. “It’s all-granite veneer (with) steel studding.”

“It’s not open to the general public,” Shipley said. “... They are providing walking trails along the full length of its Kingston Pike’s frontage and Fleenor Road frontage and connections into the site with sidewalks and walking trails.”

Farragut resident Mary Ellen Branan said while she is not opposed to the design or construction of the temple, she had concerns for the applicant’s request for a variance regarding the distance between its access and that of Fast Pace Urgent Care.



Alan Sloan

Several family members were on hand to celebrate Frank Galbraith (wearing red tie in back) for his 50th anniversary as choir director at Union Cumberland Presbyterian Church during a ceremony in the UCPC gym Sunday, June 4. Most notably among them was Frank’s wife, Cheryl Galbraith (in front, second from left). Others on hand, in front from left, were Ginny Wendel, Cheryl’s daughter-in-law; Cody Galbraith Wise, Frank’s daughter; and Jane Smartt Stroud, the honoree’s cousin. Back row, from left, were the Rev. Leonard Turner, UCPC senior pastor; George Smartt, Frank’s cousin, with his wife, Tammy Smartt; Mark Wendel, Cheryl’s son; Robert Galbraith, Frank’s brother; Randy Wise, his son-in-law; Lynn Galbraith, Frank’s brother; and Casey Galbraith, the honoree’s son.

# Golden boy Galbraith now ‘50’ at UCPC

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The guy once dubbed as “the dummy” in the early 1970s — having trouble processing

some surprising information — has now been honored for a half-century of service at a highly respected Farragut church.

Frank Galbraith got to know

the Rev. Leonard Turner, senior pastor at Union Cumberland Presbyterian Church, and having worked with the

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## business

“We thought the Knoxville market would support it. ... We franchised (the Farragut location) to Chris and Sonja. This is their store, and we’re just overseeing the brand,”

- Brian Trainor, co-owner of a special area store soon to open in Town. (Read the story on page 5A)

## community

“She ... was the first to volunteer to do anything extra, whether it’s helping her peers, teachers or making positive contributions in the classroom,”

- Ashli Beeler, a high school instructional coach who presented a special award to a graduate. (Read story starting on page 3B)

## sports

“I used to be a cyclist. I was a bike racer. In the off-season I would run ... then someone said, ‘If you could learn to swim, you could do a triathlon,’”

- Dr. Joseph Hicks, 53, who is headed to Finland in late August to compete in a world event. (Read story starting on page 1B)



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# Strategic plan processes worked out by BOMA at recent workshop retreat

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After five-and-a-half hours, Farragut Board of Mayor and Aldermen worked out a strategic plan going forward during a workshop retreat in a classroom of Turkey Creek Medical Center Tuesday, May 9.

“Productive,” “collaborative,” “enjoyable,” “successful,” and “engaging” were some of the words the Board and Town staff used in describing the process.

Among the priorities for this year, the Board and Town staff discussed the following:

- “Helping guide the development of the Town Center and community visioning for the Town Center;”
- “Finishing Future Land Use map amendments for Boring Road, Smith Road and Kingston Pike areas;”
- Adding a roundabout at the entrance of Mayor Bob Leonard Park on Watt Road;
- Acquiring funding to improve Loop Road and Woody Drive;
- Finding solutions to traffic issues; and
- Completing Town Hall renovations.

The retreat was facilitated by Julia Novak, ex-

ecutive vice president with Raftelis, a consulting firm that worked with the Board on strategic planning in 2017. She had been garnering citizens’ comments on the Farragut Forward website, where about 570 residents visited, and public meetings where five to seven people attended.

The Board came up with the following mission going into the 2023-24 fiscal year: “Farragut — an appealing and engaged community, is set apart by a dedicated team committed to adaptability and friendly service.”

The Board and staff also looked at the Town’s critical success factors and statements regarding those factors. They broke into groups and tackled each one.

The factors, for which the Town wants to achieve, included: supporting and caring for a committed workforce; connecting our community with excellent parks, greenways, trails and recreation programs; collaborating at a local, regional and state level; ensuring the Town’s financial position; and advancing a high-quality and well-maintained built environment. “The Town of Farragut sets high standards for community planning and engineering to establish a distinct sense of place,” a Town release stated.

## Boat injuries

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were transported,” he added.

Later reports indicated those seriously injured had been transported first to a local hospital, then to Vanderbilt, while the fourth individual also injured was able to drive to a local hospital for treatment.

Additionally, “the marina suffered minor damage where the burning fuel got underneath (it),” Bagwell added.

Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency, which is in charge of the investigation, reported in an e-mail the boat in question “had just finished fueling at the marina gas dock when it

exploded and caught fire.

“The boat eventually burned to the waterline and sank,” the e-mail further stated.

KCRS helped extinguish the flames.

No additional information, including the names of the victims, had been released as of press deadline Tuesday, June 6.

Bagwell took the opportunity to offer a safety reminder as summertime recreation season is under way.

“Please use caution while enjoying the lake this summer,” he said. “Emergencies happen when we least expect them.”

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# KCSOreports

- **At 6:15 p.m., Thursday, June 1, a complainant called Knox County Sheriff’s Office Teleserve Unit to report a theft** at Adorable Child, 11525 Kingston Pike. Complainant said a suspect filled a shopping cart with various clothes and shoes “and ran out of the store fleeing” in a Chevrolet Equinox without paying for the items, a KCHS report stated. Total value of loss was listed at \$250.
- **At 3:06 p.m., June 1, a complainant called KCSO Teleserve Unit** to report a lost license plate from an RV of a Hickory Woods Lane resident. Total value of loss was listed at \$65.
- **At 3:09 p.m., Wednesday, May 31, a complainant called KCSO Teleserve Unit to report a burglary** from Walgreen’s, 11927 Kingston Pike. Complainant said she “arrived to work and discovered the lock to the back door had been cut and 80 brown totes were missing from the back,” the report stated. Total value of loss was listed at \$3,200.
- **At 2:53 p.m., Tuesday, May 30, a complainant called KCSO Teleserve Unit to report a trailer stolen** from U-Haul, 10833 Kingston Pike. Complainant said “the business waited after discovery of trailer missing to report, hoping someone would turn it in to another U-Haul,” the report stated. Total value of loss was listed at \$7,000.
- **At 2:01 p.m., Monday, May 29, a complainant called KCSO Teleserve Unit to report a burglary** to the shed on his boat dock at a Virtue Road address. Total value of loss was listed at \$1,250, including “various tools” (\$500) and a fishing rod (\$400). He advised “an unknown suspect attempted to pry open the deadbolted door to the shed, and when it failed they kicked a hole in the wooden side to gain entry,” the report stated.

# towncalendar

- **The community is invited to a free concert and cookout beginning at 5 p.m., Saturday, June 17,** featuring the teen-led xPerience band — 15 youth and five adults — at Faith Lutheran Church, 225 Jamestowne Blvd. This youth-led touring concert group is from Christ Lutheran Church in Charlotte, North Carolina.
- **Celebrate the longest day of the summer with live bluegrass at a free community concert, Bluegrass Summer Solstice,** from 6

to 9 p.m., Wednesday, June 21, at Founders Park at Campbell Station, 405 N. Campbell Station Road.

Brand New Box of Matches opens the show at 6 p.m. Outta the Blue takes the stage from 7 to 9 p.m. Food truck concessions will be available from Smith’s End Zone, Hot Dog Hut and Kona Ice. Additional parking is available at Farragut Community Center, 239 Jamestowne Blvd. Visit Farragut is event sponsor.



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Galbraith 50

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church’s youth as a non-member for several months in the early 1970s, he was surprised to find out one fact about UCPC.

Being told by Turner in a phone conversation that UCPC didn’t have a choir at that time, Turner said Galbraith kept asking, ““You don’t have a choir?”

“I said, ‘no you dummy, I told you we didn’t have a choir,’” Turner recalled — getting big laughs — during a special ceremony earlier this week honoring Galbraith’s 50 years as UCPC choir director.

“He said, ‘you’ve got a choir director now,’” the long-time pastor recalled about Galbraith taking the job, and re-establishing the choir, in 1973.

A popular history teacher for almost 40 years at Farragut Middle School (and a World War II historian) who has used his musical talents to both entertain and help spread God’s message — not to mention his athletic skills as one of the nation’s top senior badminton players — Galbraith, 82, was honored alongside many family members in the church’s gym Sunday, June 4.

Early during the ceremony, Galbraith honored his wife, Cheryl Galbraith, with the



Alan Sloan

Frank Galbraith tells a light-hearted story during a celebration honoring his 50 years as choir director at Union Cumberland Presbyterian Church Sunday afternoon, June 4.

popular song “Through the Years” he sang while playing the piano. “Next Sunday is our 45th anniversary, and I’ve been wanting to sing a song to her for a long time,” he said.

Several UCPC and family members shared their feelings and stories about Galbraith, both serious and humorous — including one member who said the honoree helped lead him to become a Christian, while another said the choir director helped her rededicate her life to Jesus — during an “open mic” session.

“God put this man and I together,” Galbraith said to the gathering about Turner. “I came down here and did a show for Valentine’s (Day) on

a Thursday night.”

While telling a few small stories to the gathering, Galbraith recalled meeting Turner for the first time. “I liked him right then,” the honoree said. “So, I had him up to school on the next Tuesday; I had a Bible class after school.

“I started working down here — we worked with the kids — and for one solid year I came down early in the mornings (on Sundays), and I would leave the services and go back to (my church in) Concord. ... And then come back Sunday nights here,” he added.

From that beginning point, “Leonard and I, we started doing revivals,” Galbraith said about using his singing talents to go with Turner’s preaching. “... A lot of churches then were small. They needed reviving.

“And when God put us together, we could come into a place” to where, led by the Holy Spirit, “we saved many people — and then the word spread,” the honoree added. “We have done 116 revivals all over the place.”

Summing up 50-plus years at UCPC, “It’s been an honor to be here,” Galbraith said. “... Thank you so much and God Bless you.”

A plaque honoring Galbraith, which was made by Sandra and Rick Hill, was presented to the honoree.

Grocery chain

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was built here several years ago, the plan was for that to be used as an access in the future,” Shipley said. “One thing we have to make sure about, in an emergency situation, these (emergency) vehicles can get out without competing with customers going in and out of the commercial development.

“And these two out parcels would have to access the existing access point,” he added. “It’s too close to the intersection here for an additional curb cut.”

Regarding the store, Shipley said, “It’s a very nice-looking building, almost mostly brick.”

He also pointed out a need for more connectivity.

“One thing we want to explore is at least a walking trail connection,” Shipley said. “So, if you’re over here at (Mayor Bob Leonard) Park and you want to (get to the store) ... you can just walk over there.

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# lettertotheeditor

## Reader wants to ‘clarify’ his Hy-Vee comments at FMPC

In response to the May 24 (farragutpress) article, “Hy-Vee back on Town radar,” I want to clarify what the article fails to state regarding my comments at the (Farragut Municipal) Planning Commission meeting. First, I did state that the Town should ensure that Hy-Vee gets the same due process rights as the developer for Biddle Farm.

My comments were directed toward the tone of the Town Staff’s comments advising that the Town complete the upcoming Significant Public Outreach prior to approving the Hy-Vee proposal.

During the Biddle Farm discussion, 244 people wrote into the Board of Mayor and Alderman and over 1,400 signed a petition asking the Board of Mayor and Aldermen (BOMA) to pause their vote and conduct the appropriate Significant Public Outreach to discuss the entire Mixed-Use Town Center (MUTC) area. Town officials have repeatedly said that part of the reason for not delaying their vote on the Biddle Farm project is the developer had a right to due process on their request.

Hy-Vee is in a similar situation, as they, too, have been working with the Town and residents regarding their request for

months now. Yet, as the article states, this time the Town is advocating that the Significant Public Outreach should be conducted first. This is exactly what I and others requested two-and-a-half years ago. We asked to stop and let’s discuss the entire MUTC area before making major changes to the area.

So, what is the difference between the two? BOMA wanted the Biddle Farm project and they don’t want Hy-Vee. Neither was compliant with Zoning Ordinance at the time they were brought to the Town for discussion. In the Biddle Farm case, BOMA changed the C-1 Zoning Ordinance to allow for horizontal mixed-use (i.e., freestanding apartments). In Hy-Vee’s case, they advocate for what they denied residents in 2021.

Second, the article failed to state my other major point at the Planning Commission meeting. Namely, I said, “I believe that removing the Mixed-Use Town Center Overlay to allow a 115,000-square foot grocery store is a major update as defined in the Comprehensive Land Use Plan.”

I further said, “I ask that the Planning Commission discuss MUTC Overlay re-

moval and vote to determine if there is consensus that this removal is indeed considered a ‘major update.’” That decision is critical to the remainder of the discussion on this proposal.

If you agree that the removal is a major update, then the Hy-Vee proposal should be voted down as a 115,000 square foot commercial building is not consistent with the C-1 Zoning Ordinance.”

This is a simple case of determining if the change constitutes a “major update.” Yet, the Planning Commission had no discussion or agreement that this removal is or isn’t.

So, while the farragutpress article insinuates that I was advocating for approval of the Hy-Vee plan; in actuality, I was advocating the Town hear their case and vote appropriately. To me, the appropriate vote would be to deny the request as it is not consistent with the zoning ordinance.

The needed changes are, in my opinion, a “major update” and requires significant public outreach with the community prior to making any changes. This is the exact same position I held on the Biddle Farm vote.

- Michael Wilson, Farragut

# press talk

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• After reading the Letter to the Editor last week (May 31 issue), I have a question. If there is no plan on file to build the park (along McFee Road), why are we spending millions on the property? Does the Town not have other projects that are more pressing, such as improving traffic at Kingston Pike and Campbell Station (Road) with the additional turn lanes recommended in the Biddle Farm traffic study?

• People need to know about this new sports complex. The \$9 million dollar estimate is from (a Town official) who has a construction background. The \$10,000 to \$12,000 an acre to remove the trees is from (this official) also.

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Hurst

• Mountain Commerce Bancorp Inc., has announced the recent promotion of Brice Chapman to senior vice president and relationship manager.



Chapman

Chapman is responsible for building and managing loan and deposit relationships in the Knoxville market.

Riverdog Bakery coming to Town

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Chris and Sonja Hawk are bringing the Riverdog Bakery franchise to 11422 Kingston Pike in Farragut.

The Hawks, who live in the Choto area, said they are hoping to open June 9 or June 15.

“That’s when we’ll have a soft opening,” Chris said. “Then we’ll have a grand opening sometime two or three weeks later.”

“We’re really excited, a little nervous,” Sonja said. “Our kids are really excited.”

The store carries assorted fresh-baked treats: soft, crunchy, individual, bulk and seasonal. It also carries birthday cakes — all for dogs.

“Birthday cakes are a really big deal,” said Pam Trainor, co-owner of the original Riverdog Bakery in Bearden with husband, Brian.

Riverdog Bakery Farragut also has leashes, collars, toys, grooming and outdoor supplies for the lake, such as life jackets and floatie toys.

The Farragut location is the second Riverdog Bakery store in Knox County, with the original located at 5201 Kingston Pike in old Bearden, owned by the Trainors.

“We opened that (Bearden store) in 2005,” Brian said. “We’re coming up on 18 years in November.”

Looking back, “we had been



Tammy Cheek

From left, Pam and Brian Trainor, owners of the Riverdog Bakery in Bearden, welcome Chris and Sonja Hawk as owners of Riverdog Bakery Farragut, 11422 Kingston Pike.

to other cities that had stores like that for dogs,” he said. “We thought the Knoxville market would support it. Here we are almost 18 years later.”

Additionally, Pam said, “We had a dog that had allergies, and we always made treats for him. It just seemed like a natural fit.”

“We kind of created our original recipe (for treats),” Brian

said. “We simplified the ingredients.”

“We franchised (the Farragut location) to Chris and Sonja,” he added. “This is their store, and we’re just overseeing the brand.”

“We’re going to continue to make the treats in our (Bearden) store.”

Like the Trainors, the Hawks were inspired by their pet, as

they shopped at the Bearden store for treats and later decided to open a Riverdog Bakery in Farragut.

The Farragut store will be open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Tuesday through Friday; from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday; and closed Sunday and Monday.

Besides walking in the store, customers can order online at riverdogbakeryfarragut.com

Parkside Drive surge

Pinnacle at Turkey Creek welcomes new businesses

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Three new retailers will be opening in the coming months in Phase Four of Pinnacle at Turkey Creek — including a PGA Tour Superstore in the building left vacant earlier this year when Best Buy closed its doors.

Also coming to Pinnacle will be the relocation of Burlington Coat Factory from Cedar Bluff, and Sono Bello, a cosmetic surgery center.

“These highly anticipated additions are set to enhance the shopping experience and bring a wide range of products to the local community,” Pinnacle Turkey Creek marketing associate Gabi Walsh said.

“We are ecstatic to welcome these retailers to our Turkey Creek family,” she added. “We believe these additions will fit in perfectly with our mix of

tenants and elevate the shopping experience in Pinnacle at Turkey Creek.”

PGA Tour Superstore is described in a press release as “a leading destination for golf enthusiasts, renowned for its extensive selection of golf equipment, apparel and accessories.”

“The new store will provide golfers of all skill levels with access to top-of-the-line brands and cutting-edge technology,” the release further stated. “Whether customers are searching for golf clubs, clothing, shoes, or expert advice, PGA Tour Superstore will offer an unparalleled shopping experience.”

Burlington is described in the same release as “a recognized national retailer, known for its exceptional value and a diverse selection of merchandise. The new store at Pinnacle Turkey Creek will provide shoppers with an extensive

assortment of stylish apparel, home decor, accessories and more.”

Burlington will be located in the former Off Broadway Shoes store.

Sono Bello, which will be located in the former Charming Charlie site, is described in the press release as “a leading cosmetic surgery company ... announcing the opening of its newest location at Pinnacle at Turkey Creek.”

“This expansion brings Sono Bello’s renowned services to the vibrant community of Knoxville, offering residents access to personalized cosmetic treatments and enhancing the already diverse offerings at Pinnacle at Turkey Creek.”

“Each one of these tenants are amazing to add to any property but all together shows how strong Turkey Creek is, and continues to grow,” Pinnacle at Turkey Creek general



Michelle Hollenhead

PGA Tour Superstore has signed the lease to occupy the former Pinnacle at Turkey Creek Best Buy location, with plans to open later this year.

manager Darryl Whitehead said.

Walsh said build-out of the sites currently is taking place, and no opening dates have yet been announced.

Pinnacle at Turkey Creek is an open-air lifestyle center located at 11251 Parkside Drive and home to more than 50 stores, including many retailers exclusive to the mar-

ket, such as Ulta, Nike, Altar’d State, World Market, LOFT, J.Crew Factory and Smoky Mountain Brewery. In addition to its shopping opportunities, Pinnacle at Turkey Creek plays hosts to several events and workshops each year.

For more information, visit Pinnacleatturkeycreek.com or follow the shopping center on Facebook and Instagram.

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# IRONMAN 70.3 World next for Hicks, 53



Photo submitted  
Joseph Hicks of Farragut ran in the Chattanooga Half IRONMAN May 21 to qualify for the World Championship.

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Farragut's Dr. Joseph Hicks, 53, an orthodontist with Epic Orthodontics in Farragut and Lenoir City, recently qualified to compete in the IRONMAN 70.3 World Championship.

Hicks will face the elements as he runs, cycles and swims to win the half IRONMAN event Aug. 27 in Lahti, Finland.

He qualified after competing in the Chattanooga 70.3 (half) IRONMAN event Sunday, May 21, where he finished first in his division.

"So I accepted the slot for the World Championship," Hicks said.

"I'm super excited," he added about heading to Finland. "Anytime you make to the world championship — for the half or full — it is a huge accomplishment.

"I am very honored to be able to go."

For Hicks, competing in IRONMAN events is "an addiction.

"There are a lot of people who will do an IRONMAN event one-and-done," he said. "They don't have the desire to do more.

"But then, there are those of us who it becomes a lifestyle," Hicks added. "It becomes an addiction, and we do several races a year.

"This year, on my calendar, I have six IRONMAN events."

He explained the full IRONMAN is 140.6 miles.

"It consists of a 2.4-mile swim, 112-mile bike and 26.2-mile run," Hicks said.

The half IRONMAN in Finland he is preparing for is a 70.3-mile event: 1.2-mile swim, 56-

mile bike and 13.1-mile run.

"You don't stop," he said. "Qualifying is based upon your finish in your division.

"It's unlike a Boston Marathon, where you have a time qualification," Hicks added. "So, if you're 50 years old you have to run faster than three hours and 25 minutes."

In an IRONMAN competition, "At each race they may have 50 total qualifying slots available, and they give one or two slots per age group," he said.

"There may be several hundred competitors in your division, but there are only one to two spots available in each division," Hicks added.

"You only get those qualifying slots in an IRONMAN event. You can't do a triathlon on a local level and qualify for the world championship."

While Hicks is competing in the half event, he competed in the full event in Kona, Hawaii, in 2019.

"I qualified for that one when I did IRONMAN Germany," he said.

At present, Hicks has done 11 full IRONMANs and about 36 half IRONMANs.

"I used to be a cyclist. I was a bike racer," he recalled. "In the off-season I would run ... then someone said, 'If you could learn to swim, you could do a triathlon.'

"So, I jokingly said, 'Sure, I can swim. I'll do a triathlon,'" Hicks added. "I signed up. It was a sprint (a very short triathlon) — not an IRONMAN.

"Well, I was the last one out of the pool, but



Photo submitted  
Joseph Hicks of Farragut races his bike as part of the Chattanooga Half IRONMAN May 21.

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## Tennis, track-field top season finishes



Photo courtesy of Seth Rayman  
Holding the Region 2-AA title plaque they earned after a 4-1 win versus Knoxville West, Hardin Valley Academy boys tennis team members, from left, are Garrett Anderson, Cael Chakales, Ryan Leckrone, Lucas Wilson and Billy Bennett.

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Here's a look at high-level state tournament (Murfreesboro) and regular season accomplishments by Farragut-area high school athletes and teams in track and field and tennis during the spring that weren't detailed in our May 31 issue.

**Track 2nd-, 3rd-place at state**

Trevor Coggin, Farragut, second in state Thursday, May 25, in Division I-AA boys 1600-meter run; FHS boys 4 X 800 relay, second; Maddie Archdale, Hardin Valley Academy, second in girls 800; and McKale Hayes, HVA, third in boys 300 hurdles.

Maggie Frana, Knoxville Catholic, second in Division II-AA girls discus; Jazzlyn Garmer and twin Calysta Garmer, Webb School, second and third, respectively, in 800; KCHS girls, second in 4 X 200 relay and third in 4 X 400; Elly Jones, Catholic, second in 200; and Michael Conley, Webb, third in boys long jump.

Antiya McAlister, CAK, second in Division II-A girls 100 dash and second in 200 dash; Maddie Braden, CAK, third in 400 run; Lilyana Helton, Concord Christian School, third in pole vault; Austin Delp, CAK, third in boys shot put; and Joshua Cross, CAK, third in 1600.

**HVA tennis dominance**

Completing a school record 19-match winning streak while finishing undefeated in District 4-AA, the Hardin Valley Academy boys tennis team won the District 4-AA team championship match versus Farragut in dramatic come-from-behind fashion before going one step further.

"Down 0-3, we won 5-4 in a great come-from-behind win," said HVA head coach Seth Rayman, the longest-serving boys varsity sports head coach in any school sport who dates back to the program's first season in 2009. Tied 4-4, "the final match was doubles, with Garrett Anderson/Billy Bennett down 4-6 and love-30

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## Undefeated



Photo submitted  
Farragut Middle School 2023 boys soccer team members, standing from left, are co-head coach Derek Wright, Christian Westin, Jackson Hinks, Jake Rotan, Eric Bukovitz, Parker Fuller, Will Criner, Uday Sujithkumar, Aiden Wu, Declan Crecy, Uday Doddi, Nathan Chi and co-head coach Drew Burnette. Kneeling, from left, are Isaiah Burnette, Logan Wright, Ben Brettin, Ashby Scott, Brody Dickerson, Chase Swaggerty, Lukas Maier and Grant Wittschen.

## FMS boys soccer region champs X 2 after tourney shootout victory

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Drew Burnette and Derek Wright, co-head coaches of the undefeated Knox area Goal Soccer League A Division regular season and tourney champion Farragut Middle School boys soccer team, have come full circle in 30 years.

"Drew and I played for FMS soccer (and later, FHS) 30 years ago," Wright said. "Our team in 1994 was also undefeated in regular season and won the tournament. We can't say for certain, but we wonder how many coaches have experienced that result as a player/coach at their former school?"

As for this season's FMS Admirals, finishing 9-0-1 overall in 2023 with a 28-11 advantage in goals versus the opposition, "We had an excellent season: undefeated regular season champs and tournament champions," Wright said.

"This team was very special. We never trailed in a game all season. (Program's) first regular season and tournament championships in many years," he added.

"With a minimal practice schedule because

the majority of our players are with club teams during the week, the team bonded together and played at a high level to defeat (all but one) opponent on the schedule (one ended in a tie)."

Leading scorers were seventh-grade strikers Ashby Scott with 10 goals, followed by Logan Wright with seven.

Top eighth-graders were goalkeeper Parker Fuller (four shutouts), defenders Declan Crecy, Aiden Wu and Jackson Hinks, and midfielders Uday Sujithkumar, Brody Dickerson and Chase Swaggerty.

Other top seventh-graders were midfielders Lukas Maier and Isaiah Burnette, and midfielder/defender Eric Bukovitz.

Other key contributors were Jake Rotan, Nathan Chi, Grant Wittschen, Ben Brettin, Uday Doddi, Christian Westin and Will Criner.

Having beaten Hardin Valley, Halls, West Valley, Oak Ridge, Jefferson County, Bearden and Maryville among its victims during the season, FMS faced Maryville in the tourney title match Thursday, May 4.

Tied 1-1 at end of regulation, the Admirals won 4-2 in a penalty kick shootout.

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Joseph Hicks is all smiles after finishing the Vega IRONMAN World Championship Oct. 19, 2019, in Kona, Hawaii.

### Ironman Hicks

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with my cycling and running background, I actually finished that race second overall,” he said.

That was 2014 — “my first triathlon,” Hicks said.

Then he learned the hardest triathlon is the IRONMAN and decided to do one.

“My first full IRONMAN was in October 2015, and that was IRONMAN Maryland,” he recalled.

To get ready for such a feat, “you train a lot,” Hicks added. “It is a commitment to train for an endurance race of that magnitude.

“So I exercise before work and after work every day.”

### Solid seasons

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before winning 9-7.”

The Hawks captured the Region 2-AA team title by beating Knoxville West 4-1 before losing in sectional play to eventual state No. 2 Science Hill.

Individually, “Ryan Leckrone won District 4-AA Boys Singles championship ... (and) also won the Region 2-AA Singles title,” Rayman said, earning the sophomore a trip to Murfreesboro for the Division 1-AA state tournament.

#### Farragut tennis highlights

Though the Farragut boys tennis team started with a 1-3 record, a 6-3 victory against William Blount started a 10-match win streak — but that was ended in the tough 5-A loss to HVA for the District 4-AA tourney championship.

“Next year we will be in a rebuilding season, as we lost three of our top six players that won several matches,” FHS head coach Gordon Cassidy said.

“Will Patterson (No. 2 singles) will move to Florida, No. 3 (singles) Robin Klaffke is an exchange student and No. 4/5 Josh Tesar graduated.”

However, “I will have five players with a lot of match play: Benji Cho, Leyton Lu, Derek Diaz, Parker Fitzgerald and Nick Yan, along with three

freshman that played several matches this year,” he added.

The FHS girls, on the other hand, “were solid from the start of the season and several players improved with match play,” Cassidy said about the team’s final 15-2 record. “In fact, the girls have not lost a district or regional match in the past two years and won both the district and region titles the past two years.

“I did loose two girls that played a very important part of the wins the past two years,” he added. “Bekah Graham played (No.) 2-4 singles and several matches at No. 1 doubles. Alyssa Thomas played (No.) 5-6 singles as well as (No.) 2-3 doubles. She signed to play for LMU.”

Among five girls returning next year is rising senior Riley Cassity, two-time Class AA state singles champ — and the coach’s granddaughter — as well as Michelle Lin, Iris Ye, Isha Patel and Sophia Chen.

“I have two other girls with a lot of match play: Ananya Suresh and Shelby Smith, and a few freshman that played several matches this year.”

### State runner-up relay, coach



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This Farragut Middle School 4 X 200-meter relay foursome finished second in the state during the recent TMSAA State Championship Meet at Austin-Peay State University in Clarksville, From left are Darrien Hensley, Christian Westin, coach Chris Cavalaris, Jake Mink and Johnny Jacobs. Cavalaris’ Admirals finished ninth in state as a team, with his 4 X 400 relay quartet taking third.

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Larry Trotter, Concord United Methodist Church senior pastor who is semi-retiring at the end of this month, is pictured leading contemporary worship services at CUMC on Christmas Eve 2022. He will carry on this passion as part-time associate pastor, while leading contemporary worship, at Middlebrook Pike UMC later this year.

# Trotter: goodbyes soon after 20+ CUMC years

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After serving Concord United Methodist Church for more than two decades, the Rev. Larry Trotter will preach his final services as CUMC senior pastor this month as he moves into semi-retirement.

To thank him for his contributions, the church is hosting a reception in his honor starting at 4 p.m., Sunday, June 11, in its worship center.

Trotter, who began his ministry at Dutch Valley UMC and served at Martel UMC, came to CUMC in 2001 and served as associate pastor for 14 years before taking the reigns as senior pastor.

“When I came to Concord, I was the only full-time associate pastor — there was a part-time pastor of visitation,” he said. “We had

two traditional services (8:30 and 11 a.m.) and one contemporary (8:30 a.m.) — in the gym.

“The contemporary service began to grow to the point that we needed to add another service,” he added.

When a Sunday night service in the church gym didn’t “get traction,” Trotter said, “We transitioned the time to Sunday morning at 11. Our worship leader at the time was also the director of music and directed the Chancel Choir.

“Since he couldn’t be in two places at once, and I was already playing guitar and singing on the Sundays (two out of three) I was in contemporary, I became the de facto worship leader,” he added.

“The additional service created a growth spurt, which resulted in the decision to build

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Tammy Cheek

Hardin Valley Academy instructional coach Ashli Beeler, left, presented the school’s most prestigious individual award, the Hawk Award, to Class of 2023 graduate Valeria Covarrubias for “going above and beyond” during HVA’s Commencement Ceremony.

# ‘Hard work’ leads to 442 HVA grads

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Four years of “hard work, dedication and commitment” led 442 Hardin Valley Academy graduates across the stage during the school’s Commencement Ceremony in Hardin Valley Stadium Friday, May 26.

“You’ve accomplished so much,” HVA interim principal Michael Reynolds said. “But you’re just getting started.”

As graduate Emma Grace Oliver read in her poem, “The Library in My Mind,” she pointed out the graduates are “waiting for the next page.”

Daisy Arnwine talked about “Courageous Attempts” and urged fellow graduates to “try — go out into the world and do what you can.”

In her speech “Metamorphosis,” fellow speaker Ali Bloomer advised, “Where there is life, there is hope,” which she

quoted from Stephen Hawking.

Eleni Johnson, in “Conscientious Drivers,” observed the “biggest challenge today is making it through the parking lot.”

But she challenged classmates. “Whichever direction you choose to go ... make a conscious effort not to push past those who support you,” Johnson advised.

The event also was an opportunity to recognize graduates’ achievements.

As such, “the Hawk Award is the highest award voted on by the Hardin Valley Academy faculty bestowed upon a graduating senior,” HVA instructional coach Ashli Beeler said as she presented the award to Valeria Covarrubias.

“The award is presented to a student who has exemplified the finest qualities of HVA ...

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# Rainbows, records for BHS grads; top 2 recognized

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BEARDEN — While having to deal with the onset of the COVID-19 world crisis as freshmen, Bearden High School’s Class of 2023 weathered “the rain” and storms of COVID and other adversities — and earned a special “rainbow” after four years.

That rainbow: a school record \$36,255,176 in total scholarship dollars.

“This year, our senior quote was taken from Tennessee’s beloved Dolly Parton, who

once said, “The way I see it, if you want the rainbow you’ve got to put up with the rain,” announced graduate Ranya Joshi, Class of 2023 president, to kick off BHS Commencement Ceremony among a packed John H. Burnette Stadium Wednesday, May 31.

“... We have won six state championships, we have earned (three straight) national dance (team) titles. ... While also showcasing our choral talent at Carnegie Hall.”

In closing, “... We are in the

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Kathleen Hartono

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Dedication and hard work led Kathleen Hartono to be chosen valedictorian for Bearden High School Class of 2023, while close behind was Nathan Brusseau, chosen as salutatorian.

“There are several other qualified Bearden students who have also dedicated their time and efforts to change their community, to achieve great accomplishments in their lives,” Hartono said.

Among her many BHS ex-

tracurricular activities, “the ones most significant to me are: Science Olympiad, Environmental Club and Science Bowl,” she said.

About her time at BHS, “I made memories and learned lessons,” Hartono said. “Personally, I most enjoyed the course material that I have encountered. However, I believe that Bearden should promote their advanced STEM classes more frequently, especially to women.

“I encourage those who are

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• **Knox County government and Tennessee Wildlife Resource Agency** will sponsor **Free Fishing Day** from 8 a.m. to noon, Saturday, June 10, at The Cove at Concord Park, 11808 S. Northshore Drive.

“This event is geared toward families and children and allows those who participate to fish without a license for the day,” a media release from Knox County Mayor Glenn Jacobs’ office stated. “TWRA will stock the pond with catfish. ... The pond also contains bluegill and bass.”

• **Tim O’Brien** will kick-

off **ORNL Federal Credit Union’s free Summer Sessions concert series** from 6 to 9 p.m., Saturday, June 10, at the amphitheater in Bissell Park, 1401 Oak Ridge Turnpike in Oak Ridge.

• **Knoxville Bar Association and Legal Aid of East Tennessee** are offering an **in-person** and free Veterans Legal Advice Clinic from noon to 2 p.m., Wednesday, June 14, in Knox County Public Defender’s Community Law Office, 1101 Liberty St., Knoxville.

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# 4th in state: HVA Scholars Bowl team

**TAMMY CHEEK**  
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Hardin Valley Academy’s Team 1 placed fourth in the state Science Bowl in Hilton hotel, Alcoa, earlier this year.

“We’re the only school from Knox County that placed in the top four,” said Kerri Kissinger, HVA chemistry teacher/Science Bowl team coach. “They come from all over the state.”

While two HVA teams went to the state Science Bowl, Team 1 earned the top four honor. The fourth-place team consisted of Class of 2023 seniors Benjamin Fanikos (captain), Nathan Fawver, Peyton Jones and Finley Copland, and junior David Hart.

Hardin Valley competed against 58 teams statewide.

“As far as we know, there is no national competition,” Kissinger said.

Science Bowl, hosted by Oak Ridge National Laboratories, is a “competition for students to show off their skills in all areas of science and in math,” she said about the Jeopardy-style platform, in which a team of five students competes against another team of five.

Earning the program’s highest finish, “They also won \$250 for the school,” Kissinger said.



Photo submitted

Hardin Valley Academy’s Science Bowl team with its 4th-place state trophy. From left are David Hart, co-coach Nancy Busch (in front), Nathan Fawver, Peyton Jones, Finley Copland and captain Benjamin Fanikos.

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Bearden grads

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midst of our very own rainbow,” Joshi said.

However, while BHS principal Deborah K. Sayers praised the Class of 2023 for its many four-year accomplishments, she reminded the roughly 450 graduates, “While there will certainly be more rainbows to come, there will absolutely be more storms.”

Donald Balcom, Senior Class principal, said 32 percent of the Class of 2023 earned a minimum 4.0 grade-point average.

Balcom announced, “The class includes two National Merit Semifinalists, one National Merit Finalist, five National Merit Commended Students, two National Hispanic Scholars, four Ned McWhorter Scholars, One National Merit Scholarship winner, 13 Seal of Bilingualism awardees and two students with World Language Honor Seals, several Eagle Scout and Girl Scout Gold Awardees, Five National Achievers Society Scholars, one student with a perfect 36 ACT score, the state of Tennessee Winner of the High School

Heisman, the Gatorade Player of the Year (soccer) and a community recipient of the Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizen Award.

“This class also includes members of the National Distinguished Unit with Academic Honors for (Navy) JROTC (and) first-place champions in the Tennessee NJROTC Drill Competition, the first Virtual Enterprise National Championship team, 516 National Industry Certifications ... (and) 2022 Girls United Soccer Coaches & Prep No. 1 team in the nation ...,” he added.

Also earned included “125 Advanced Placement Student Recognitions, including 88 Scholars, 34 AP Scholars with Distinction, 12 AP Scholars with Honors ... and 30 Capstone Diplomas,” Balcom said.

The Class of 2023 also helped BHS earn “a Silver Level Award” among US News & World Report’s “Best American High Schools Ranking, (placing) in the top 11 percent of all high schools in the United States,” he announced.

Alumni of the Year awardee was Les Johnston, Class of 1972.

Top 2 at BHS

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in need of help to reach out to their grade counselors, teachers and friends, she added.

After graduation, Hartono plans to attend college but has not decided on which college.

However, “my declared major is chemical engineering,” she said. “STEM has been a constant throughout my high school career and life since a young age.

Brusseau said being salutatorian “represents the consistent effort and dedication to academics. It is an honor to hold this title.”

At BHS, Brusseau was a member of HOSA, American Red Cross, Science Olympiad, National Honor Society and the varsity golf team.

“The teachers are passionate about what they teach and encourage us to challenge ourselves,” he said. “The rest of the faculty did an amazing job making school a safe and fun place for learning.”

Looking back, though, “I’d say my mom inspired me the most,” Brusseau said about Carrie Brussard. “From the



Nathan Brusseau

beginning, she instilled the importance of academics.

“She embodied that message as well, he added. “Any event or ceremony that involved

my name, she was there. She works so hard at everything that she does and that inspired me to work harder.”

Brusseau plans to attend the University of Florida.

“The major I have been set on for awhile is neuroscience with a minor in psychology or mathematics,” he said. “However, I have a very analytical and logical mind and my interests change like the weather, so areas like engineering or chemistry always remain in the picture.”

As a career, “I am thinking about anesthesiology or surgery,” Brusseau said.

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HVA grads  
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dependability, responsibility citizenship, cheerfulness and moral character,” Beeler said. Covarrubias, one of five nominees, “went above and beyond,” the instructional coach said. “She ... was the first to volunteer to do anything extra, whether it’s helping her peers, teachers or making

positive contributions in the classroom.” Administrators recognized valedictorian Grace Deckard, salutatorian Eli Johnson and five military enlistees: Abigail Barnes, Andrew Carroll and Joshua Richard Morrison, all Army National Guard; Carter Rogers, U.S. Marine Corps; and Alena Corinne Nawrocki, U.S. Naval Academy. Three hundred and fifty-

three graduates earned Tennessee Achieves scholarships, more than 200 received Hope Scholarships and 43 earned additional Tennessee Lottery General Assembly Merit scholarships. “This year, the total amount of scholarships offered to the Class of 2023 is \$23,514,478,” assistant administrator Ryan McDonnough announced.

Trotter  
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a new facility (Worship Center) or contemporary worship with space for Student Ministries.” Additionally, “the church has a history of being welcoming to visitors and passionate about missions,” the retiring senior pastor added. The church began transitioning for Trotter’s semi-retirement last year, when he asked the denomination’s bishop if Wil Cantrell, long-time assistant pastor, could be named as senior associate pastor in anticipation of being named senior pastor, a request that was granted. The church has moved ahead with Cantrell taking on more responsibilities.

Trotter will continue to serve as senior pastor through Friday, June 30, and will preach June 11 in both services, then preach contemporary only June 18. He will be moving to Middlebrook Pike UMC — where Trotter and his family were members when he began his career in the ministry 30 years ago following 20 years in radio — as part-time associate pastor, and will be leading contemporary worship. “It is a perfect scenario for me to continue doing the things I love without the weight of responsibility for a congregation and staff,” he said. That includes following Trotter’s love of music, which started with learning piano at age 5, trombone at 11 and gui-

tar at 14 — the latter of which has been at the forefront of his leading contemporary worship at CUMC. While he and his wife, Lynn Trotter, will be leaving CUMC, “I think we will eventually make our way back here,” the pastor added. “I would also like to say Lynn is and has been a co-partner in my ministry, as she filled in for me as both mother and father when I commuted to Atlanta for seminary for three years. She also listened and supported me through every season of ministry.” Trotter said one additional administrative pastor, Sabine Collins, will be added to the CUMC staff, as she recently completed seminary and will soon be ordained.



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The Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the Town of Farragut will hold a public hearing on June 22, 2023, at 6:00 PM, at the Farragut Town Hall, 11408 Municipal Center Drive, to hear citizen's comments on the following ordinance:

**Ordinance 23-08**, Ordinance to amend the Farragut Municipal Code, Chapter 2, Article 6-Finance, Section 2-299, Authorization of Purchases, by deleting in its entirety and substituting new language for purchasing authorization.

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**AGENDA • June 8, 2023 • 6:00 PM**

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| <p><b>I.</b> Roll Call<br/><b>II.</b> Approval of Agenda<br/><b>III.</b> Approval of Minutes<br/><b>A.</b> May 25, 2023<br/><b>IV.</b> Mayor's Report<br/><b>V.</b> Ordinances<br/><b>A.</b> Public Hearing and Second Reading<br/><b>1.</b> Ordinance 23-05, an ordinance to amend the Farragut Zoning Map for 630 Everett Road, 2.3 Acres, from R-2, General Single-Family Residential, to R-1, Rural Single-Family Residential (Michael Reina, Applicant)<br/><b>2.</b> Ordinance 23-07, Ordinance of The Town of Farragut, Tennessee Adopting the Annual Budget for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2023, and Ending June 30, 2024<br/><b>B.</b> First Reading<br/><b>1.</b> Ordinance 23-08, Ordinance to amend the Farragut Municipal Code, Chapter 2, Article 6-Finance, Section 2-299, Authorization of Purchases, by deleting in its entirety and substituting new language for purchasing</p> | <p>authorization.<br/><b>VI.</b> Business Items<br/><b>A.</b> Approval of Professional Services Agreement with Cannon &amp; Cannon, Inc. for Engineering Services for Design of Pedestrian Crossings at Grigsby Chapel Road and McFee Road.<br/><b>B.</b> Approval of Contract 2024-01, On-Call Road Maintenance<br/><b>C.</b> Approval of Contract 2024-02, On-Call Pavement Markings<br/><b>D.</b> Approval of Contract 2024-03, On-Call Guardrail Maintenance<br/><b>E.</b> Approval of Contract 2024-04, On-Call Traffic Signal Maintenance<br/><b>F.</b> Approval of State of Tennessee Contract No. 00719 to Purchase Fuel<br/><b>G.</b> Approval of request for re-appointment to Visual Resources Review Board<br/><b>VII.</b> Town Administrator's Report<br/><b>VIII.</b> Town Attorney's Report<br/><b>IX.</b> Citizens Forum</p> |
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This meeting can be viewed live on the Farragut YouTube Channel and the Town of Farragut website [www.townoffarragut.org/livestream](http://www.townoffarragut.org/livestream). The meeting will be held at the Farragut Town Hall, 11408 Municipal Center Drive

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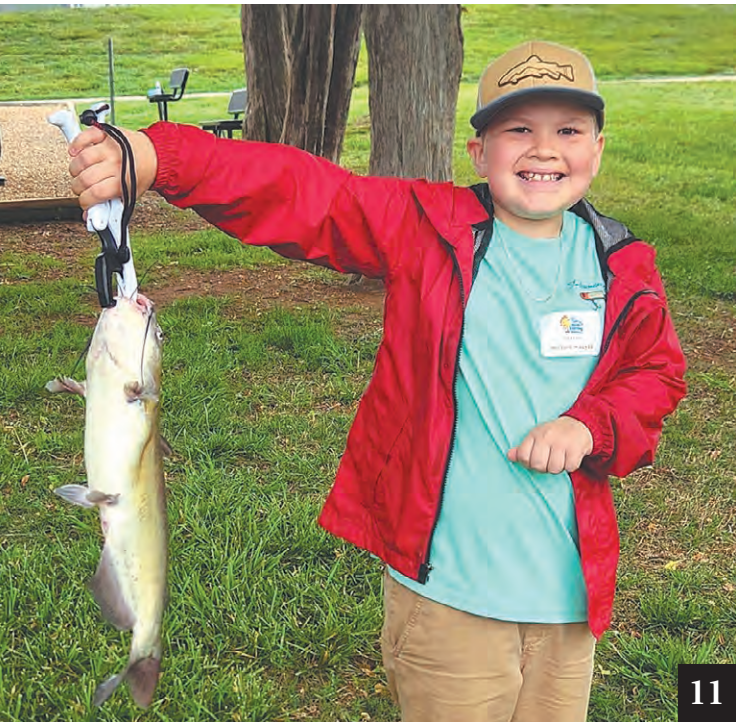
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Bob Watt Fishing Rodeo

The 38th Annual Bob Watt Fishing Rodeo was held Saturday, May 13, in Anchor Park, with around 150 area youth participating in two rounds of fun and competition along Ft. Loudoun Lake. Winners included: Session 1, heaviest fish, ages 6 and under, Liam Walker and Aubry Fisher; 7-9, Asher Gault and Frey Therrin; 10 to 12, Hudson Gault and Anna Thompson; and most fish caught, Mason Walker with 15 fish. Second session winners were: heaviest fish, ages 6 and under Hanna Ogle; 7-9, Kylan Percer and Arianna Caswell; and 10 to 12, Lakin Lammonte. The event was sponsored by Town of Farragut, and overseen by the Town’s Park and Recreation Department, which thanked the Watt family for its continued support, along with Farragut Storm-water Matters, East Tennessee Scale Works for the use of the scales, and Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency for stocking the lake.

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- 1. Rick and Sydney Meyer with their daughter, Scottie, and son, Wells
- 2. Clarke Pettigrew
- 3. Sisters, from left, Sydney, Amelia and Lillian Glasby, made it a family affair.
- 4. Bear Williams with his 2.3-pound catfish
- 5. Imani Garces
- 6. Brytin Fowler
- 7. Jane Pettigrew with her grandfather, Tim Pettigrew
- 8. Craig “Papa” Brogan and his grandson, Andrew Gage
- 9. Reagan Fowler with her father, Jeremy Fowler
- 10. Diane Brogan and her granddaughter, Annalee Gage
- 11. Session 1 “most fish caught” winner Mason Walker shows off just one of the 15 he managed to catch. (Photo courtesy of Town of Farragut)

