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Expert to address health/5G

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A University of Maryland professor will discuss FCC regulations on small wireless facilities and the adequacy of those regulations to protect the public from exposures to radiofrequency waves generated by 5G antenna at an on-line workshop starting at 5:30 p.m., Thursday, July 16, in Town Hall.

Christopher Davis, Ph.D., the Minta Martin professor of Engineering at the University of Maryland’s Electrical and Computer Engineering department, will conduct the workshop for Farragut Municipal Planning Commission and Board of Mayor and Aldermen.

The virtual workshop will take place just prior to the regularly scheduled FMPC meeting, which begins at 7 p.m. Both will be broadcast live on Charter Channel 193 and TDS channel 3, public access.

Davis is a physicist and engineer specializing in electromagnetic theory and has lectured at the university for 44 years.

“Electromagnetic theory is the study of electromagnetic waves, like RF waves, their propagation characteristics and how they interact with various structures and organisms, including humans,” according to a Town of Farragut press release. “Davis is an expert in the field of understanding exposures and impacts of RF waves on people from the various sources of RF waves present in modern society.”

David Smoak, Town administrator, told the Farragut Board at its July 9 meeting that Davis was recommended by the Cellular Telecommunications Industry Association



Briggs: ‘almost an insult to ET,’ as Joslin, Chambers organize protest on bust removal vote

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Having learned the way state politics works in Nashville in recent years, state Sen. Dr. Richard Briggs (R-District 7) didn’t hold back when pondering why the bust of Civil War Union hero Adm. David Glasgow Farragut was voted to be removed from the State Capitol.

“I almost consider it an insult to East Tennessee,” said Briggs, adding Adm. Farragut “was not a racist” in response to the vote taken by Tennessee State Capital Commission, by

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Photos by Alan Sloan

(Top) Protestors against the removal of Adm. David Glasgow Farragut’s bust from the State Capitol in Nashville gathered Saturday morning, July 11, in front of the famed Civil War hero’s statue in Adm. Farragut Plaza. (Above) Protestor Charles Doty, left, a retired Vietnam Veteran combat pilot who, among his other numerous accomplishments, helped train the first U.S. astronauts, is interviewed by Jeff Joslin, protest co-organizer.

But Williams said bust to Museum ‘a wise move’

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Farragut Mayor Ron Williams said he supports the moving of Adm. David Glasgow Farragut’s bust from the State Capitol in Nashville to Tennessee State Museum, as expressed in an e-mail to Jeff Joslin, Farragut High School Class of 1980 graduate who was a co-organizer of Saturday’s protest (see story on this page) over the voted move.

“Removing the Admiral Farragut bust from the State Capital Building and moving it to the Museum was a very wise move,” Williams wrote. “You typically have protesters from time to time outside

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Horn’s 5th-District feedback on school-opening plan

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With an in-person option, a virtual option and a hybrid option of the first two as choices on how Knox County Schools would resume Monday, Aug. 10, which was offered by Knox County Schools superintendent Bob Thomas, Knox County Board of Education Chair Susan Horn, who represents 5th District, said she supports the in-person

option — with an online option for parents still afraid to send their children to mingle with scores of other children.

Thomas was expected to present a full plan to the Board at its regular session meeting Wednesday, July 15, which was streamed on BOE’s website at knoxschools.org/kcstv

In discussions among task force members at a meeting when district level staff talked about the three plans, Horn noted, “... I really feel like that’s

the best strategy — to have the ability for kids to come to school full time, as normal, and then if parents are not comfortable with that, then they can take advantage of that online option.”

As Knox County Board of Education prepared to unveil the school district’s re-opening plan, Thomas asked for patience during the Board’s workshop Wednesday, July 8.

“As I have said before, our hope is to return to an in-person school setting

this fall ‘if’ we can do so by reasonably protecting the health and safety of our students and staff,” he said. “At the same time, we will provide a virtual option for students who are not comfortable returning to school.”

In talking with the core groups most affected by the school re-opening, she noted parents “are anxious for kids to go back to school, and they were happy

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business

“They have the best attitude, and they’re so happy. They’re precious. We can’t imagine life without these kids. It’s so refreshing in our society. I can’t say enough good about them,”

- **Debbie Todd, an administrator at a Farragut business about some special interns. (Read story beginning on page 7A.)**

community

“It really makes you feel good to think that somebody realizes that you want to do the right thing in life. ... People really did try to present themselves to help me to feel better ...,”

- **James Oscar “J.O.” Gates, a special veteran who recently celebrated a special birthday. (Read story beginning on page 3B)**

sports

“Talking to him, you knew he was more interested in professional baseball than your average kid. He always knew everything about professional baseball ... about the Cleveland Indians,”

- **Tommy Pharr, CAK baseball head coach, about one of the most talented players he’s coached over the decades. (Read story beginning on page 1B)**



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• **At 8:43 p.m., Sunday, July 12,** a complainant called Knox County Sheriff's Office Teleserve Unit to report a theft from the Walgreens at 10701 Kingston Pike. Complainant said the suspect purchased a fruit cup worth \$2.99 and paid with a \$100 bill. Once the cashier rang up the fruit cup and printed the receipt, the suspect asked for the bill back stating he has smaller change. Cashier gave the suspect the bill back when the suspect started talking to the cashier and other employees trying to distract the cashier. Suspect then pointed to the receipt saying he did not receive his change. Cashier gave the suspect \$95 dollars after the suspect told the cashier to keep the coins.

• **At 5:57 p.m., Friday, July 10**, an officer was dispatched to a disturbance at Walgreens, 11927 Kingston Pike. Officer reported coming in contact with a male and a female in the back parking lot sitting in a white Lexus that was stalled in the middle of the parking lot. Officer began speaking to both parties, and both of them provided Knox County Probation cards. While conducting a records check he requested consent to search that vehicle. The male consented, but the female would not. While he was waiting for LEIDS to return, officer deployed a K9 to sniff the outside of the vehicle, which he alerted. Inside the vehicle, officer reported locating female's purse with a wallet that contained her ID. Inside the wallet were two baggies weighing about 1.85 grams allegedly containing crystal meth. LEIDS advised female suspect had eight previous failure-to-appears in Knox County Court. She was taken into custody while the male took control of the vehicle.



Photo submitted

Holding her baby, Emily Long of Sedgewild subdivision is June TOWN SAMPLER winner. In front of contest sponsor Clean Eat3's West End shopping center location, she is joined by husband, Casey Long, behind her, and other children, John, 7, and Granville, 5. Representing Clean Eat3 is Zach Gartrell, general manager, and Daiani Dos Santos Felipe, au pair from Brazil. Their winning prize package, worth \$250, represents \$25 gift cards from Clean Eat3, Water Into Wine bistro & lounge, Zaxby's Turkey Creek, Kohl's, Dickey's Barbecue Pit, Turkey Creek, Starbucks | Farragut, Buffalo Wild Wings of Turkey Creek and Mario's Pizza & Grill (The Farragut Table), plus an adult/infant CPR resuscitator mask for home and office from Actfast, Inc.



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By - Leading Physical Therapist, Dr. John-Mark Chesney



Farragut- Over the last 4 weeks, we've shared a lot of information related to what factors control your balance and ultimately help you stay upright and avoid falling. This included information related to your 3 Balance Systems, avoiding the downward spiral of a fall, and how you can improve your balance with the right help.

Hopefully that information has been helpful. Or maybe you've been able to share this information with a friend or loved one who's been struggling with the fear of falling and who would like to take back control of their life.

If this sounds like you or a loved one, and you'd like even more information about how to avoid another fall, improve your balance, and ultimately improve your ability to enjoy the activities you love, I have even more valuable information I want to share with you today!

Over the last 13 years, I've worked with literally hundreds of clients who've experienced a fall (or several falls), and I've had the opportunity to help them get their lives back. In working with so many patients, I've been able to put together all of my best tips and information into an 12-page report titled **"8 Ways to Improve Your Balance and Prevent Another Fall... Helpful Tips To Keep You On Your Feet"**.

Inside this special report, I share detailed information, including some of the following:

- How to strengthen your ankle, hip and core muscles to keep your muscles strong
- How to eliminate dizziness by taking a hard look at medications
- Exercise videos you can perform at home to improve your strength, flexibility and bone density
- The top 3 bathroom modifications to make sure you have made
- And much more...

Those are just a few of the points that I discuss in detail inside the report. There's also a **bonus section** that explains precisely how to “fall proof”

your entire house. Towards the end of the report, I also give you details on how you or a loved one might qualify for a **free balance consultation** with one of our specially trained physical therapists.

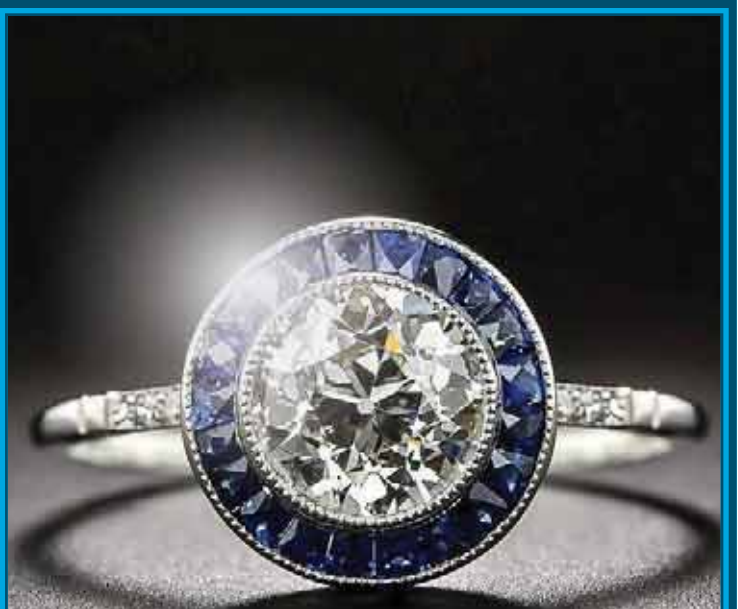
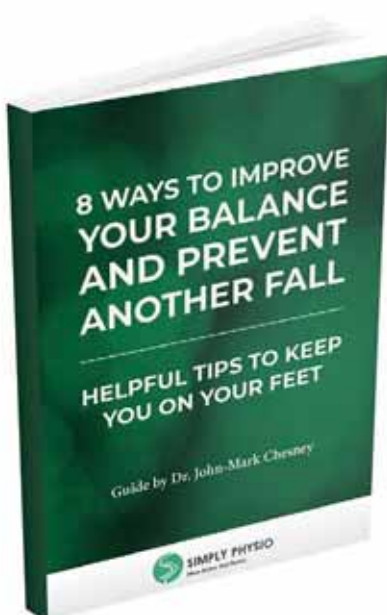
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We only have 11 copies available- so claim yours before they are gone!

If you're sick and tired of living in fear of another fall, and you're finally ready to start taking some positive steps towards regaining your balance and your active lifestyle, the 8 tips in this free report will allow you to start this process with confidence.

Regaining your balance is no easy task, so make sure you claim your free copy of the report before we run out! I hope that these various tips and strategies help you get the ball rolling!

The author, John-Mark Chesney, is a Doctor of Physical Therapy and Owner of Simply Physio. He's happy to answer any questions about balance and fall prevention by phone or text at (865) 351-0615 or by email at john-mark@simplypt.com



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Fight still ongoing to nix Ivey-Pecos connector road

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Tim Sayers and his wife, Joyce Sayers, are hoping their dead-end street stays that way, and they are not alone.

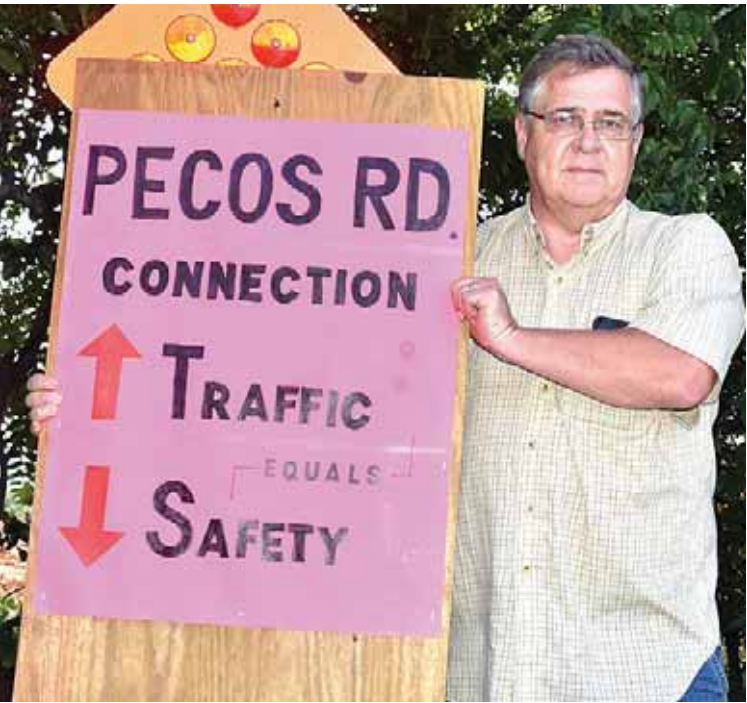
The couple are 17-year residents of Pecos Road in Saddle Ridge subdivision, and Tim has led the charge for nearly two years, asking Town officials and developers with the next-door Ivey Farm property not to connect the two developments.

Even though a site plan was approved by Farragut Municip-

pal Planning Commission in March 2019 — with a change at that time appearing to be a compromise for homeowners (Pecos will connect to a road in the new neighborhood that has a cul-de-sac on one end and connects to the main road on the other) — Sayers along with fellow Pecos Road residents, including Jeff and Ashley Kendall, are still hoping to revisit the issue.

Saddle Ridge residents have appeared before FMPC numerous times, making the request.

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Holding up a sign indicating a rise in traffic along Pecos Road means a drop in safety, Tim Sayers of Saddle Ridge Subdivision — along with several of his neighbors living along this road — has long been opposed to his dead-end street being extended into to the adjoining neighborhood, which is currently under construction in the Ivey Farm development.

Michelle Hollenhead

Learning paper ballots for early voting July 17

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Early voting for the Thursday, Aug. 6, County General Election/Town of Farragut Election and federal/state primaries starts Friday, July 17, and those planning to hit the polls will see a brand new voting method in paper balloting.

Instead of rotating a small electronic wheel and clicking their choices, voters will physically mark their selections with a pen on a paper ballot inside the booth, then take it to an electronic scanner, which will record the vote.

Chris Davis, Knox County administrator of elections, said poll volunteers and staff have been training for several weeks on how to guide voters through the process, and are ready as early voting begins Friday at Farragut Town Hall and nine other Knox County locations through Saturday, Aug. 1.

Early voting hours will be from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday; and from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturdays. Hours will be extended one hour the first three days of the

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‘Honor to be chosen by your peers:’ Williams new TML VP

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Farragut Mayor Ron Williams was elected a vice president of the Tennessee Municipal League during the League’s annual business meeting recently held via video conferencing.

Mike Werner, Gatlinburg mayor, was elected president.

TML elects three vice presidents, one representing each grand division of Tennessee. Williams was nominated by a five-member nominating committee composed of municipal officials statewide. He was then elected for a one-year term by a majority vote of the TML membership.

“It is a honor to be chosen by your peers,” Williams said, adding he already was heavily involved with the organization — five years as a non-active member, then five years as an

active member — and noted one change “will be more meetings to attend.”

TML’s vice presidents are traditionally in line to succeed the president, and Williams said if it follows suit, he possibly could be in line to be president of the organization in the future “if the Committee discusses it and votes accordingly.”

As a member of the TML board of directors, Williams will propose and help determine legislation municipalities need for passage into law, and will establish policy priorities for the League. The other



Williams

vice presidents are Mayor Ken Moore of Franklin and Mayor Bobby King of Hendersonville.

Founded in 1940 and based in Nashville, TML is a nonprofit organization founded by cities and towns for mutual assistance and improvement.

Representing 99 percent of Tennessee’s municipal citizens, the organization advocates for needed legislative action by the General Assembly, represents municipal interests before state departments and agencies, and — working through the National League of Cities in Washington — seeks to influence federal legislation and policies affecting municipal governments.

The TML board also includes past TML presidents, mayors of Tennessee’s largest cities, eight district directors and eight at-large directors.

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- As the 5G cell towers are so big and so controversial, the Town of Farragut, not citizens, need to have expert, all-purpose information. This is why it’s important for Dr. Devra Davis of the Environmental Health Trust be allowed to speak this Thursday, July 16, at the (Board of Mayor and Aldermen) workshop (begins 5:30 p.m.). This honest communication is important not only to maintain good community relationships, but to help our community be able to trust our local elected officials. If our Town Board does not agree with my (inaudible) question statement, I would like to know why?
- So, I’m hoping that you all will do some investigative work and try to find out how many times the new steps across from Admiral’s Corner (Campbell Station Plaza) have been built and torn down and rebuilt. I’m betting three, but it could be only two, though.

We respectfully ask our readers to follow the following Presstalk rules when submitting their opinions:

- Please keep calls to a 90-second maximum (call 671-8255 24 hours a day, seven days a week);
- Please keep e-mailed Presstalks to 250 words maximum (editor@farragutpress.com);
- Libelous and malicious comments will not be published;
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- Names of individuals or businesses may not be published (including public figures) depending on the issue.

letterstotheeditor

Need a 2nd Davis to balance 5G safety discussion before FMPC

My name is Jerry Guthrie and I live (along) Weathervane Drive in (Farragut), Village Green.

The Farragut (Municipal) Planning Commission workshop meeting to be held at 5:30 p.m., July 16, is being held virtually, and the Town of Farragut has (invited) a cellular industry paid speaker, Christopher Davis, to discuss health impacts of 5G at the workshop.

I’m being directly affected by deployment of 4G and 5G, as U.S. Cellular has printed in the farragutpress a Public Notice that they intend to locate a 38-foot small cell tower on the (right-of-way) of my property!

I will lose 21 percent value of my property plus I will spend money trying to protect my family from the dangerous electromagnetic frequency radiation that will be emitted by this cell tower.

I’ve lived in Farragut since 1979 and feel privileged to call it my home. But now I’m concerned about the future health and well-being of our community with the deployment of 4G and 5G. Locating this tower in my yard is very intrusive and damaging to me and my family!

I was at the Dec. 19, 2019, Farragut Planning Commission meeting and heard some committee members say they didn’t know what 5G is, but one member didn’t want an antenna in

the front yard! Each Planning Commission Member should ask themselves if they are now willing to have a 5G antenna in their yard without independent health studies on 5G being completed before installing 5G in Farragut.

It is only fair at the July 16 meeting that both sides of the 5G issue be able to make their case as to the safety of the deployment in our community. As our local government officials, you live here and should want a safe environment to raise your families. Equal time should be afforded to both views!

Dr. Devra Davis the Founder and President of Environmental Human Trust has committed to speaking at the July 16, Farragut Planning Commission Workshop. Dr. Davis is one of the preeminent worldwide experts on cellular radiation and its effect on humans and animals.

At the workshop, the Mayor and the Planning Commission should give Dr. Davis equal opportunity to share her view on the Health impacts of 5G on humans and animals!

Mankind should be building on God’s Kingdom on this earth instead of trying to continue to build on the Tower of Babel (5G), which is bringing harm to the human race!

Jerry Guthrie
Farragut (Village Green)

Should not vote on 5G until Dr. Devra Davis gets FMPC ‘equal time’

The (Farragut Municipal) Planning Commission should not vote on item 4, which is a new MasTec application to install more fiberoptic cable for 5G cell towers, without the residents being able to fully represent themselves.

Sending e-mails with questions is not full representation.

There also should be no vote until Dr. Devra Davis of the Environmental Health Trust is allowed equal time. You can see that here: https://www.townoffarragut.org/AgendaCenter/View-File/Agenda/_07162020-1041

There should be no vote on fiberoptic cable for 5G, item 4, on the Planning Commission agenda until the residents can attend meetings in person to defend themselves.

There should be no vote until Dr. Devra Davis of the Environmental Health Trust has equal time to testify to the Planning Commission.

Scott Adams
Farragut

Rules on submitted views of candidates after July 23 issue

All opinions about candidates running in the upcoming Thursday, Aug. 6, Elections and Primaries, which take the form of a Letter to the Editor or as a Presstalk, must be submitted by noon, Monday, July 20, for publication in our Thursday, July 23 issue.

No such opinions will be published in our July 30 or Aug. 6 issues, unless it is a rebuttal to a July 23 opinion.

The rebuttal must be from the candidate himself/herself, and can only answer points made in the July 23 issue. No post-July 23 rebuttals will be accepted if opposing view was expressed in an issue before July 23.

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Paper ballots

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last week.

“We had a lot of complaints after the 2016 Republican Primary Election, when we were still using the electronic wheel to record votes,” Davis said. “We had a lot of people telling us they didn’t want to be turning that wheel.”

Officials decided at that time to begin looking at other methods of ballot casting, he added, and Knox County Election Commission voted in December 2019 on the new paper balloting process.

“Each voting system is unique to each county,” Davis said. “Loudon County has a hybrid, between electronic

balloting and the paper ballots, while Blount has decided on the same system we will be using.”

He said one benefit will be the lessening chances of election fraud.

“The voter can actually see their choices on the paper, then that paper is literally stored in case it ever needs to be re-checked,” he said. “Of Tennessee’s 95 counties there are about 15 different systems, so that, too, would ensure there wouldn’t be any type of successful hacking.”

“The biggest challenge will be the lines,” Davis added. “With COVID-19 restrictions, voters should expect the possibilities of long wait times.”

Pecos

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Safety has been the key factor driving the request, especially for the Kendalls, who have young children and have voiced concerns about how increased traffic flow could put residents’ lives in danger, as that portion of the neighborhood lacks sidewalks or any type of traffic-calming measures.

“Pedestrian and bicycle safety is a piece of it, although my children no longer live here,” Sayers said during an interview.

“My other concern is that once we are no longer a one-way-in, one-way-out neighborhood, it lends additional access

for criminals.”

If the road can’t remain as a dead end, Sayers suggested as a compromise allowing the road to be an emergency vehicle access-only throughway.

Sayers said he had been told by Town officials the developer could ask for a site-plan change, and Sayers also said the project’s original developer, Travis Fuller, “was agreeable” to the residents’ request.

However, Fuller is no longer attached to the residential portion of the project, and Sayers said he has not heard back from the current contractor, Goodall Homes.

In a July 1 e-mail to Saddle Ridge homeowners, Farragut Vice Mayor Louise Povlin, who is also an FMPC Commissioner,

stated in regard to the March 2019 FMPC site plan approval, “with this action, the concept plan was considered finalized by the planning commission. There are no outstanding issues to be resolved with regard to the concept plan.

“If any changes of merit are deemed necessary by the applicant, they would have to return to the planning commission for approval,” she added.

Povlin went on to note that Town regulations require subdivisions “to have more than one public street vehicular access to provide connecting to abutting properties.”

(See the Sayers-Kendalls advertisement in this issue of farragutpress)

5G Health

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as a speaker and expert.

“During the last few months a lot of our citizen comments and requests have been about 5G, and the small cell nodes that (will be) coming into our community shortly,” Smoak said. “One of the things we have tried to do is to reach out to our wireless carriers on who could be experts to come in and to educate, planning commission, BOMA, myself, the public on what this stuff does and what it means.

“They put us in touch with the CTIA, which represent the U.S. wireless communications industry, and they put us in touch with Dr. Davis. We think

it will be helpful information, to help us be more knowledgeable on what this is,” he added. “I think if we could get others to come in as well, and give their takes on it, if they are different from Dr. Davis, we would welcome that, too.”

Concerning citizens who would have e-mailed questions to Davis in advance (deadline was Wednesday, July 15), “We will ... get them to Dr. Davis,” Smoak said last week.

However, citizens wishing to comment on the FMPC meeting or other matters may do so by e-mailing no later than noon, Thursday, July 16.

A recording of the workshop will be available on the Town’s YouTube channel Monday, July 20, a press release stated.

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Protest

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a 9-2 count Thursday July 9, to remove the bust of Adm. Farragut along with the busts of Confederate Lt. Gen. Nathan Bedford Forrest — the target of protest groups saying he was among the founders of the Ku Klux Klan — and Adm. Albert Gleaves, who served during the Spanish American War and World War I.

State Comptroller Justin Wilson made the motion to include the relocation of the Admirals along with Nathan Bedford Forrest “for the purposes of creating an exhibit at the Tennessee State Museum to honor military heroes,” stated John Dunn, director of communications for the Comptroller’s office, in a press release.

Briggs said Confederate sympathies in Middle Tennessee, though somewhat underground in the current political climate, remain strong.

“I think them removing the Farragut (bust) was nothing but revenge because Nathan Bedford Forrest got moved and, ‘by golly, we removed the Confederate general, so we’re going to get you by removing that Union Admiral,’” he said.

In the 1970s, “The reason (the Forrest’ bust) was put there in the first place is because there was a Union flag officer there, and this was to balance it,” the state senator added.

Tennessee State Historical Commission — currently not scheduled to meet until October — could confirm or override any or all of last week’s

bust removal votes.

Town Hall protest

A protest late Saturday morning, July 11, co-organized by Farragut High School graduates Jeff Joslin and Tissie Chambers, drew about 25 to the Admiral Farragut Plaza next to Town Hall.

To be lumped in with Nathan Bedford Forrest “tarnishes (Adm. Farragut’s) reputation,” Chambers said. “He has no bad reputation.

“... I understand the controversy of Nathan Bedford Forrest, even though in the later years of his life he tried to amend what all he did.”

About the protest, “I wanted to get some Farragut people out here behind Adm. Farragut,” Joslin said.

Retired U.S. Air Force Col. Charles Doty of Farragut, 89, who among many accomplishments flew several bombing missions during the Vietnam Conflict, played a major role in training the first U.S. astronauts and did groundbreaking work at Oak Ridge National Laboratory on how to measure uranium, also showed up to support keeping Adm. Farragut’s bust in the Capitol.

Historical review

Malcolm Shell, highly respected local historian and FHS graduate, said he doesn’t know of any controversies involving Adm. Farragut versus African-Americans or any other people of color.

While pointing out the Civil War hero’s Hispanic heritage, “He was commissioned at 9 years old and spent his whole life in the Navy,” Shell added.

Bust move

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the Senate & House chambers. As you have seen, they could very easily be the target from dissidents who do not know our country’s history. Folks who pay to visit the Museum to look at what they have displayed are not protesters but actually very educated history buffs. So I consider all of the busts in the Museum to be safe. “The only bust that will stay in the Capital Building will be that of elected officials.”

In a follow up e-mail to farragutpress, Williams stated, “I chose not to attend the Saturday (protest) gathering due to my differing opinion. I think the news media should have

included that all non-elected bust will be relocated to the new museum with only the bust of elected officials to remain in the building. The Nathan Bedford Forrest (bust), which was no one’s hero, was the real issue, but the local media made more out of the Adm. Farragut bust.”

Background

In addition to Adm. Farragut’s bust, Tennessee State Capital Commission voted 9-2 Thursday July 9, to remove a bust of Confederate Lt. Gen. Nathan Bedford Forrest — the target of protest groups saying he was among the founders of the Ku Klux Klan — and Adm. Albert Gleaves, who served during the Spanish American War and World War I.

State Comptroller Justin Wilson, an ex-officio member of the commission, made the motion to include the relocation of the Admirals along with that of Forrest.

“Comptroller Wilson moved to amend the motion to remove the bust of General Forrest to include Admiral Farragut and Admiral Gleaves for the purposes of creating an exhibit at the Tennessee State Museum to honor military heroes,” stated John Dunn, director of communications for the Comptroller’s office, in a press release.

In order to finalize the vote, the State Historical Commission — currently not scheduled to meet until October — would also need to vote in favor of moving the busts.



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The Eye Group rewards its heroes

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Three Farragut High School students and a Powell High School student recently were chosen as “heroes” while serving as interns at The Eye Group, 11124 Kingston Pike Suite 127 in Farragut’s Aspen Square.

Lily Ledgerwood, Connor Quinlan, Tyson Jackson and Lexee Collins, were chosen as heroes as part of a promotion by Maui Jim, which makes and distributes sunglasses to The Eye Group.

“They have the best attitude and they’re so happy,” The Eye Group administrator Debbie Todd said. “It’s so refreshing in our society.

“I can’t say enough good about them,” she added. “They’re precious. We can’t imagine life without these kids.”

“They kids have been great, always willing to help,” said Dr. Joe Manning, optometrist and one of two owners of The Eye Group. “They’re a real plus, and they keep us on our toes. If anything needs to be done, they’re on top of it.”

Todd explained the company started a program to reward a hero in the community, and



Tammy Cheek

The Eye Group’s interns, from left, Tyson Jackson, Lily Ledgerwood and Connor Quinlan, all Farragut High School students, check in patient Debbie Moye before her appointment.

the person or persons chosen would receive a pair of sunglasses.

“We were trying to decide how to promote it,” Todd said. “When we looked at those kids, we said, ‘We have heroes right here,’ and we decided to honor them.”

“It’s amazing,” said Quinlan, 17, a FHS rising senior and son of Janice and Mike Quinlan. “I never would have expected to have been labeled a hero. I was just doing my part.

“At the same time, I’m grateful,” he added. “I love the fact that people saw me that way.

“It gives me more and more drive to continue doing what I do to the best of my ability.”

For Ledgerwood, 17, a rising FHS senior and daughter of Scott and Rhonda Ledgerwood, it’s all in a day’s work.

“I come in, I help out. I’m glad to help,” she said. “I’m glad to be here, and hey, I get paid, so that’s a plus.”

“Pretty cool,” remarked Jackson, 14, a rising FHS sophomore and son of Vaughn and Nicole Jackson of Farragut.

In addition to each intern

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businessbriefs

• **Holly Messer** recently joined Weichert, Realtors-Advantage Plus of Knoxville, serving Farragut and surrounding areas. She will assist home buyers and sellers with their real estate needs.



Messer

• **Krista Bean** and **Andy Naler** recently joined Merit Construction Inc. of Knoxville as accounting manager and project manager respectively. **Melanie Harris**, who has been with Merit for 16 years, was promoted to human resources coordinator.



Harris

Bean has more than 15 years in accounting, purchasing and administration while Naler is an Auburn University civil engineering graduate who received an MBA from the University of Tennessee.

• **East Tennessee Children’s Hospital** recently announced the addition of four new members to its board of directors, each of whom will serve a three-year term. The new members are: **Bob Baskerville**, executive

vice president with Creative & Production Services at Discovery Inc.; **Bryan Daniels**, president/CEO at Blount Partnership; **Victoria Niederhauser**, Dr.PH, RN, PPCNP-BC, FAAN, dean, professor and chief academic officer at the University of Tennessee College of Nursing; and **Nikitia Thompson**, owner and real estate broker at Realty Executives Associates-Nikitia Thompson Realty.



Baskerville

• **Knoxville attorney Glen A. Kyle** recently successfully completed certification in the area of elder law by the National Elder Law Foundation, the only organization approved by the American Bar Association to offer the certification. Kyle is one of only 14 attorneys certified in elder law in Tennessee.

• **The Christmas Company**, with a regional office in Knoxville, has advanced to No. 88 on Engineering News-Record’s 2020 “ENR 400” ranking of the top 40 contractors nationally based on 2019 construction revenue. Projects include Tennessee Technological University’s science lab in Cookeville, \$80 million; Tennessee State Veterans’ Home in Athens, \$39 million; the University of Tennessee’s Neyland

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Ten years for His S & T



Tammy Cheek

His Security & Technology, 11426 Kingston Pike in Farragut, celebrated 10 years in business with a ribbon cutting Friday, June 26. Hosted by Farragut West Knox Chamber of Commerce, owners Doug Fraker, left, and Scott Brockamp (with scissors) are joined by Farragut Alderman Ron Pinchok (between the owners); Christine Dean, second from left in front, marketing and business development manager; Jonathan Jackson, third from left in front, consultant; Micah Roberts, Fraker’s grandson; Lisa Simmons, third from right in front, consultant; and supporters.

Walker’s need for her daughter inspires SnugSuit pajamas

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As the mother of two, Choto resident Shelly Walker needed a creative way to keep her infant daughter from scratching her face with her fingernails.

She found one — and that led to a business, SnugSuit, which she started in her garage in early June, designing pajamas that have cuffs to go over the hands and feet.

“I have kids, and my daughter always would scratch her face,” Walker said.

“On the newborn (pajamas), to 3 months, you’d always find the cuffs or the mittens, but they weren’t on the larger

ones,” she added.

“I wanted something in the bigger sizes that would allow you to have the mittens. So, that was always the idea. I wanted something that would cover her hands, that wasn’t a mitten or a sock, that was just going to fall off.”

Walker showed how the cuffs on the pajamas simply fold

over on the child’s hands.

The sizes are newborn to 3 months, 3 to 6 months, 6 to 12 months, 12 to 18 months, 2 Toddler and 3 Toddler.

“The other thing that is wonderful about them is that they have a double zipper ... they are more accessible,” she said.

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Heroes

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receiving a pair of Maui Jim sunglasses, a photo of Quinlan will be featured on the company’s website.

After being told of the selection, Todd recalled, “You would have thought we gave them gold. They were just beside themselves.

Snugsuit

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If the baby is sleeping “you can get to the diaper, do a diaper change pretty much without waking the baby up,”

“They thanked us for letting them work here,” she added.

When school starts back up, she exclaimed, “I don’t know what we’re going to do without them.”

Todd said the interns started when The Eye Group reopened April 30.

“When we re-opened, we knew we would just have to have more constant cleaning,

Walker added. “I like the functionality of that.”

The garment also has a “zipper garage,” a piece of fabric by the neck that folds over on the zipper so it does not catch the baby’s neck.

disinfecting and everything,” she said. “We decided we needed people specifically dedicated to the constant cleaning, the COVID questionnaires, the temp checks.”

Todd indicated the interns made themselves indispensable in those tasks.

“They’re happy, they’re motivated, they get close to our patients,” she said.

“I’ve done a lot of research on the fabric,” a cotton-span-dex blend, she said, “It’s very durable, very soft. It will shrink that first wash, just like any cotton material, but it pretty much stays very true to

“Everyone here is a family and have treated me like an adult employee while also taking care of me like one of their kids,” said Collins, a rising Powell High School junior and daughter of Michael and Tiffany Collins.

“I love this job, everything about it,” Quinlan said. “I love the people, the relationship I develop with patients, too.

size after that. It doesn’t fade. Just regular wash and dry.”

While Walker started the documentation in October, she got her inventory in late May.

She has been looking for a place to manufacture her

Briefs

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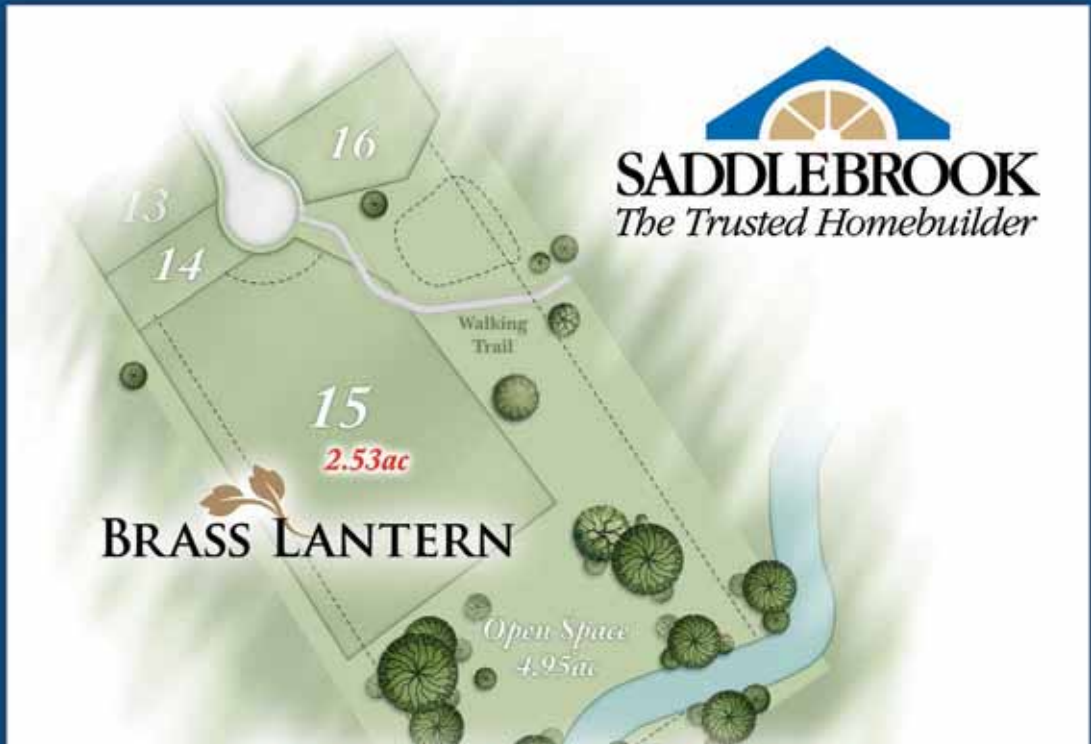
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Horn

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with the fact that we're offering a virtual option if they're not comfortable with in-person (classes)."

Students have told Horn they are eager to return to the classroom. "Without question, that's the overwhelming response of any students I have spoken with, and many of their parents, are (eager) to get back in school," she said.

However, teachers and administrators have concerns.

"I think a lot of that concern

probably stems from not knowing what the details will be and what school days will actually look like," Horn said.

"The fact the COVID numbers in Knox County have been going up have been a concern for a lot of teachers," she added.

However, "I'm encouraged that over the last three days, the new case count numbers have actually dropped, so I'm hopeful that trend will continue, which I think would be a big comfort to teachers," Horne said.

At the same time, Horn said

administrators "feel the weight

of knowing that it will be on them to make sure that all of the safety measures that the district expects for them to put in place, that it will be on them to make sure all that happens.

"So, I think that they're anxious to know details because,



Horn

of course, they can make sure that they're planning in a way that they can actually accomplish those goals — the new safety protocols — that the district will have for them," she added.

During the July 8 workshop, Horn said, "For the most part, our principals would really like to be able to carry out the wishes of the superintendent, so I know that they are anxious about getting those details and making sure that they can actually implement the protocols effectively. I think it will be challenging.

"I think they are probably ready for it, but I think, at the same time, it's going to be a big job," she added. "I know people are very anxious ... (but) these are very complex issues that the school system is dealing with."

Terry Hill, 6th District Board member (Hardin Valley area), said people watching July 8 "may be disappointed that more issues were not addressed. ... Please know that as soon as one issue is addressed, it creates two more."



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12725 EDGEBROOK WAY. Master on the Main Plan, Two car side entry Garage, Brick foundation and Fiber cement siding, 9' ceilings on Floor 1, 8' ceilings on Floor 2, 30 Year Roof, 4 Baths, 3 Bedrooms, Large Laundry, Hardwood Flooring in on Floor 1 except for Master Bedroom, WIC, Master Bedroom, and Laundry, Ceramic Tile Flooring in Master Bath, Bath 2, Bath 3, Laundry, Carpet Flooring in bedrooms, closets, staircase and bonus room., Hardwood Steps, Gas fireplace, Built ins, Shiplap Fireplace, Tray ceiling in Master Bedroom, His and Her Master Closets, High ceiling in Great Room, Bedroom 2 and 3 have WIC, Granite Kitchen Tops, Granite Bath Tops, Breakfast area, Sentricon Pest Control System, Natural Gas Heat, Natural Gas Water Heater, Electric Range, Electric Dryer, Crown molding on Floor 1 except for vaulted ceiling areas and closets, 2-10 Home Warranty, Covered Porch. **\$549,900** (1114081)

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12721 EDGEBROOK WAY. Master on the Main Plan, Two car side entry Garage, All Brick except for gables, 9' ceilings on Floor 1, 8' ceilings on Floor 2, 30 Year Roof, 2 1/2 Baths, 3 Bedrooms, Large Laundry, Hardwood Flooring in on Floor 1 except for Master Bedroom, WIC, Master Bedroom and Laundry, Ceramic Tile Flooring in Master Bath, Bath 2, Bath 3, Laundry, Carpet Flooring in bedrooms, closets, Hardwood Steps, Gas fireplace, Tray ceiling in Master Bedroom, Vaulted ceiling in Great Room, Storage area in attic. Bedroom 2 and 3 have WIC, Granite Kitchen Tops, Granite Bath Tops, Breakfast area, Sentricon Pest Control System, Natural Gas Heat, Natural Gas Water Heater, Electric Range, Electric Dryer, Crown molding on Floor 1 except for vaulted ceiling areas and closets, 2-10 Home Warranty, Large Covered Porch. **\$539,400** (1114164)

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CONKINNON LAKEFRONT LOT



435 CONKINNON DRIVE. Fabulous level Ft Loudon lakefront lot with a permit for two covered docks. One large dock is built, the other now has a fire pit. Lot has a sea wall. Electric and water on site including a 30 amp supply for a houseboat. Irrigation trunks installed for 8-10 zones. Upscale architecturally restricted. Convenient to west Knoxville and Turkey Creek shopping. **\$550,000** (1084704)

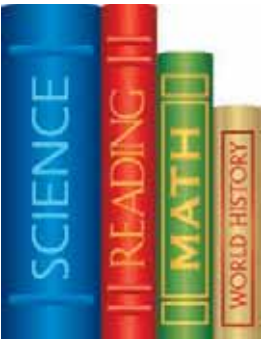


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‘Cash’ing in hole-in-one

Cash Fuller, 11, drained a hole-in-one on the 115-yard No. 9 par 3 hole at Concord Park Golf Course Saturday, June 27. “While the green sits next to a large hill that slopes from right to left, Cash played the shot to the right so the ball would get a kick off the hill onto the green, which it did. It rolled slowly onto the green and towards the hole,” Cash’s father, Bryan Fuller, said. “I have been playing golf for 44 years and have never gotten a hole-in-one, but I am elated that he got his first at just 11 years old.” Other witnesses on hand who saw Cash’s hole-in-one were his mom, Jeanette Fuller, and his older brother, Cole Fuller.

Keep full-playoff format, Courtney said about season-altering choices

Coaches weigh in about plans for ’20 season

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While TSSAA brass work with state of Tennessee officials connected with Gov. Bill Lee, the goal is seeing if there’s any chance — with safety first and the latest coronavirus pandemic numbers in hand — for a full high school football season.

If not, three Farragut area head coaches whose teams play in Division I Class 6A weighed in on which shortened-season TSSAA option they would prefer (all tentatively set to begin Friday, Sept.

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Alan Sloan

Enjoying a lighter moment during annual KFOA Media Day at Three Ridges Golf Club Friday morning, July 10, were Farragut High School senior defensive end Trey Nesbitt, left, and senior linebacker Eli Purcell. They were joined by Eddie Courtney (not pictured), who will begin his 25th season as Admirals football skipper in 2020, speaking about the outlook for this year’s FHS team.

Strider’s strides from CAK toward pro baseball

KEN LAY
Correspondent

KNOXVILLE — Christian Academy of Knoxville baseball head coach Tommy Pharr has coached some of Knox County’s top high school baseball players, both with the Warriors and at Farragut High School, combining to capture nine state championships.

And in 2020, Pharr had hopes of coaching some of his latest talent in quest of a fourth consecutive Division II-A state championship, but those aspirations were halted when the COVID-19 pandemic brought a premature end to the baseball season and the school year.

Pharr and the Warriors were robbed of their season, so there wasn’t much joy on the diamond last spring.

But Pharr did experience some good times during last month’s Major League Baseball Draft when one of his former players, Spencer Strider, was drafted by the Atlanta Braves in the fourth round.

Strider, a right-handed pitcher for Clemson the past three years, was selected by the Atlanta Braves with the 125th overall pick.

Pharr couldn’t have been happier for Strider, who couldn’t be reached for comment. “It’s just great to see a kid like that get to chase his dream of playing professional baseball,” Pharr said. “He’s always had that dream and he’s such a great kid, and he works hard.

“Talking to him, you knew he was more interested in professional baseball than your average kid,” the coach added. “He always knew everything about professional baseball, and he knew everything about the Cleveland Indians.”

Strider was drafted by the Indians out of high school in 2017, taken in the 35th round, but opted to play for the Tigers in the Atlantic Coast Conference.

During his time with the Warriors, Strider was instrumental to CAK’s success on the diamond, according to Pharr.

A high school All-American in 2017, Strider was named

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Still winning: Hardin Valley team blanks Clinton

Improving to 7-1-1 in the 2020 East Tennessee High School Baseball League in Smokies Stadium at Kodak, the Knox Hawks — mostly comprised of HVA upper-classmen players — blanked the Clinton Riverdogs 4-0 Thursday, July 9. (Right) Hawk Jackson Adkisson makes solid contact with a long drive to center field. (Far right) Parker Long takes a long lead off second base for the Hardin Valley team.

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Strider

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Gatorade Player of the Year after helping the Warriors win the 2017 Division I Class AA state Championship before the program, and all CAK sports, moved to Division II.

“He’s a hard worker and

“Talking to him, you knew he was more interested in professional baseball than your average kid,”

- CAK coach Tommy Pharr on ex-Warrior Spencer Strider

he had a hand in the success that we’ve had here. He had a hand in a state championship for us,” Pharr said. “And then he went to Clemson and had some success there.”

Things worked out well early at Clemson on the mound, as Strider earned freshman All-American honors while also a member of the ACC All-Freshman Team.

The former CAK star went 5-2 his first season with the Tigers with a 4.76 earned-run average. He made 22 appearances, including six starts. He posted 70 strikeouts in 51 innings.

“Then, his sophomore year, he had an injury,” Pharr said.

Strider was red-shirted in 2019 while recovering from Tommy John surgery, but he returned in 2020 and made four appearances (no decisions in any of those games) for the Tigers (all starts) before the pandemic also shut down college baseball.

“But he worked hard and he came back from that and I’m just really happy for him because he a great player and an even better young man,” Pharr said.

Sporting a 4.50 ERA during the abbreviated season, Strider struck out 19 while walking only three in 12 innings of work.



Hardin Valley Academy seniors Braden Schoff, left, a wide receiver, and Michael Spurgeon, a linebacker/wide receiver, speak to a reporter during KFOA Media Day Friday, July 10, at Three Ridges Golf Club.

Best plan

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18); a seven-game regular season with a full 32-team playoff format; an eight-game regular season and 16-team playoff (top two teams statewide from each of the eight regions) or a nine-game regular season taking only the eight region champions for the playoffs.

Eddie Courtney, FHS

“Right now I like the one with the seven-game (regular season), with four teams going into the playoffs from each

region,” Farragut High School head coach Eddie Courtney said about his 25th season as FHS skipper. “Every day, every year, our goal is to win our region. But if you can’t win your region, qualify for the playoffs.

“There’s more than two teams in our region that deserve to be in the playoffs every year,” he added.

Mike Potter, HVA

“I lean towards the eight (regular season games), taking the top two teams” from each region for the playoffs, said Mike Potter, second-year



Photos by Alan Sloan

Morgan Shinlever, left, Bearden High School varsity football head coach, at KFOA Media Day Friday, July 10, at Three Ridges Golf Club with Bulldogs senior Makai Williams, center, running back/defensive back, and BHS senior Christian Spining, linebacker.

Hardin Valley Academy head coach. “Part of the reason is it will give you, or at least I think it will give you, an opportunity for at least four home games, which obviously is going to help you financially.

“I like the idea of at least two teams having the opportunity to make the playoffs,” he added.

About a new TSSAA feature promising to fill out more teams’ schedules, Potter said, “If you don’t make the playoffs, you have the opportunity to play a couple more (regular

season) games” whenever the playoffs would begin.

Morgan Shinlever, BHS

Trying to keep his team “focused on something that’s not guaranteed,” Morgan Shinlever, Bearden High School head coach, said about his choice, “I guess my preference is which ever system allows us to play the most games.

“I feel with our kids, with the amount of time and work they put in, they should have the opportunity to display their talents and efforts as many times as possible,” he added.

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‘Drive-by’ celebration

Church, family celebrate WWII vet’s milestone 99th birthday

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James Oscar “J.O.” Gates, a Knox County World War II veteran, had his own “drive-by” parade Monday, July 6, when fellow Calvary Baptist Church members drove past his house for his 99th birthday.

“The church has been good to us,” he observed.

At least 50 vehicles circled his neighborhood, displaying signs, waving and calling out to wish him a “happy birthday.”

“We didn’t know what to think,” said Alma Sue Gates, his wife of 78 years.

“(Family members) put up a tent so he could sit in the front yard,” said Calvary Baptist senior pastor, the Rev. Dr. Dan Riley, who organized the parade.

“It really makes you feel good to think that somebody realizes that you want to do the right thing in life,” J.O.

J.O. Gates, 99, second from right, joins family in his West Knoxville home. Seated from left are Marilyn Moore and husband, James Moore, J.O.’s nephew; J.O.’s wife, Alma Sue; and grand-niece, Jenny Somerville. Kneeling are great-grand-niece, Sadie Somerville, 13, and great-grand-nephew, Daniel James Moore, 13.



Tammy Cheek
Friends and fellow Calvary Baptist Church members, such as Mike and Sue Pappas, drove by the home of J.O. Gates to help celebrate his 99th birthday Monday, July 6.

said. “So, I feel like the parade was good, and people really did try to present themselves to help me to feel better and live another good year, maybe — if it’s the Lord’s will.”

Riley said J.O., a member of Calvary Baptist since November 1990, has been a faithful, beloved member for many years, always ready to volunteer, whether it be as a deacon or teacher.

“He’s the oldest member in our church,” the pastor noted. “He’s just a unique guy. It’s

kind of rare that people reach out to all denominations. He’s just so appealing to all ages — both he and his wife, Alma Sue.

“Anytime we call for volunteers, he was always going to be there,” Riley added. “Alma Sue is the same way. She’s a few years younger (than J.O.) and she still volunteered in the preschool here (until the COVID-19 restrictions).”

J.O. has been an active man,

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To the final goodbye, Shipleys, Ben enjoyed lifelong friendship



File photo
Accepting their “Lifelong Service Award” plaque from Virtue Cumberland Presbyterian Church were life-long Concord residents and VCPC members Anne McFee Shipley and her husband, Bill Shipley, who also were honored by having the church’s Family Life Center renamed “Shipley Hall” during its 131-Year Homecoming celebration at the church July 15, 2018. The couple recently passed away just three weeks apart.

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It was a special goodbye among close friends from Farragut, both of whom would have their rich, fruitful lives come to an end within a few weeks of each other.

“It was the sweetest thing,” said Benna Boring of Farragut, about how Anne McFee Shipley came by the home of Benna’s father and Anne’s best friend since childhood, Ben Boring, who in his early 90s was in hospice last spring.

“We brought him home (from the hospital) and we put his hospital bed in the living room so he could look out the window over the farm,” the daughter added.

Anne “wanted to drive by” because “they didn’t know how much longer she had, either. But she was at least able to get up and get in the car,” Benna Boring said.

Being coronavirus pandemic-aware, the plan was for the Shipleys’ son, Ed Shipley, to drive their car “to the front window” and “I will raise dad’s bed up and get him awake, be-

cause I know he wanted to see her,” she said.

“The two of them waved at each other ... dad’s eye just lit up. It meant the world just being able to look out the window to her,” Benna Boring added. “It was a real precious moment.”

“It was the last time they saw each other.”

While Mr. Boring died in May, Anne — a popular Farragut schoolteacher — passed away June 13. Her husband of 68 years, Bill Shipley — a highly respected long-time employee of the Concord Telephone Company — passed away just three weeks later, July 6.

Close from first grade

Having known each other since first grade at Farragut school, Ben “always called Anne, basically, his longest friend. He had known her longer than anybody he’d known in his life,” Benna Boring said. “They were born less than a month apart and died less than a month apart.”

“And lived around the corner from each other their

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Inside Farragut

- Students planning to take the ACT test at Farragut High School this weekend must arrive sometime between 7:30 and 8 a.m., Saturday, July 18, at the main school entrance, 11237 Kingston Pike. Brenda McGrath, testing supervisor, advises all students must wear a mask, answer a series of medical questions and have their temperature taken by a “touchless” devise before entering. Everyone needs to bring their own pencils and calculators “because we do not want to have any sharing of objects,” McGrath said.
- While masks may be removed during testing — all students will be seated at least 6 feet apart — masks must be worn at all times elsewhere, the testing supervisor said. While hand-sanitizer stations will be set up “in all the hallways” according to McGrath, she said students also could bring their own hand sanitizer. She also advised all public areas, especially commonly touched areas such as doorknobs, would be regularly disinfected. For more information, call McGrath at 865-250-7447 or e-mail brenda.mcgrath@knoxschools.org.
- **Free Yoga class at Founders Park at Campbell Station from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m., each Thursday July 16, Aug. 6 and Aug. 13.** Bring your mat and water. Sessions will be led by registered yoga teacher Caroline Locke.

All skill levels welcome. Pre-registration is required at townoffarragut.org/register or by calling 865-966-7057. Each session is limited to 50 participants. Class is in grassy area next to the stage.

- **Farragut Community Center is offering yoga classes designed for children.** Youthful Yogis is from **9:30 to 10 a.m., Saturday, July 18**, for ages 7-12. Buddy & Me Yoga is from **4:30 to 5 p.m., Monday, July 20 and July 27**, for ages 2-6. All sessions are free, but preregistration and adult supervision is required. Parents or supervising adults can choose to participate or observe. To register, visit <http://ow.ly/Xpa50AtRrt>. Town of Farragut is dedicated to offering safe program options for kids and adults.
- **Annual Bob Watt Youth Fishing Rodeo will be Saturday, July 25**, at Anchor Park along Fort Loudoun Lake. The event will include two rounds of fishing from **8 to 9 a.m.** and from **10 to 11 a.m.** Pre-registration is required, and families will be assigned a location upon arrival. Register for one session only at townoffarragut.org/register. Participants need to bring their own poles. Bait will be provided or participants can bring their own.
- **Town’s Health & Wellness Fair is from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 8**, in Farragut Community Center, 254 Jamestowne Blvd.
- **Town of Farragut officials**

stated “our plan now is” to open Farragut Museum from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., each Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday beginning Tuesday, Aug. 11, according to a Town press release. A special exhibit, “The Making of a Town Celebrating 40 years,” will feature artifacts and photos “from the early years.”

- **Town of Farragut officials want to advise that its facilities “are reopening**, and classes, programs and limited events are planned for the summer,” a Town press release stated. “... With the exception of the playgrounds and splash-pad (closed per the Tennessee Pledge), the parks are fully open. This includes athletic fields, although all club/group use of the fields must be done with a reservation and with lots of regulations. To reserve a field, call 865-218-3376 or e-mail AthleticFieldReservations@townoffarragut.org. The updated plan can be found on both the Town’s website (townoffarragut.org) and Farragut Parks & Recreation (farragutparksandrec.org).
- **Faith Lutheran Church, 225 Jamestowne Blvd. in Farragut, goes virtual for Vacation Bible School.** Click on the church webpage, www.faithloves.org, to find links to Vacation Bible School. Craft boxes are available for free outside the church doors at the west entrance. For more information, call 865-966-9626.

- **DOG DAZE IV presented by TDS Telecomm returns to Farragut** this year bigger and better. This stop has been given the “Wildcard” designation, which is expected to attract more than 40 Dock Dog jumping team from all across the country **Friday through Sunday, Aug. 14-16**, in Village Green Shopping Center parking lot. From **4 to 7 p.m., Friday, Aug. 14**, is a time for dog owners to bring their dogs to the Village Green jumping pool for a free Dock Dive.
- **Taste of Farragut is from 4 to 7 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 4** (location still undetermined).
- Other local happenings**
- **To promote MEDIC Regional Blood Center’s continued critical need for A-negative, A-positive and O-positive blood types**, along with a need for COVID Convalescent Plasma donors who had a positive lab test from a healthcare facility and who are 28 days recovered, it will host a Summer Cookout Promotion at its Farragut location, 11000 Kingston Pike Suite 4, and Ailor Avenue location from **11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Thursday, July 23, and Friday, July 24**. It will include a special edition T-shirt, donor incentives and several giveaway items including a grill. “During the summer months we typically see fewer donors and the pandemic has had a huge impact,” said Kristy Alt-

Spring Honor Rolls told

The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, President’s List featured Jonathan Buchanan and Matthew Fisher of Farragut with an academic record of 4.0 (all A’s) for Spring semester, while the Dean’s List featured Kathleen Brothers, Mitchell Deeson and Frank

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Three local teachers recognized

To recognize the entrepreneurial spirit driving teachers to meet their students’ distance-learning needs during this difficult time, SONIC Drive-In matched all donations to DonorsChoose on Teacher Appreciation Day May 5, supporting their endeavors to provide students with essential education resources.

In Knox County, three of the seven teachers honored were in, or near, Farragut, sharing a total donation of \$1,138:

- Lauren Mack at Farragut Primary School for the project “Gear Up For Growth;”
- Sarah Kerstetter at FPS for the project “Flexible Seating, Flexible Learning;” and ...
- Alison Thompson at Northshore Elementary School for the project “Table This Project!”

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With a 'passion for underserved,' Grant selected as 'Student Leader'

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Recognized for her "passion for underserved children" who "mentors dozens of students weekly in the after-school program at nonprofit THRIVE in East Knoxville," Riona Grant, a Class of 2020 graduate of Farragut High School, has been

selected by Bank of America as a "Student Leader" who has started her "paid summer internship experience of leadership, civic engagement and workforce skills-building in light of the health concerns that remain in local communities," a bank press release stated.

Grant plans to attend the

University of Tennessee Knoxville in the fall and study pediatric nursing.

"The program has been adapted to a virtual format, through which students will have the opportunity to participate in sessions that will expose them to the vital role nonprofits play in advancing community health, the

importance of public-private partnerships to advance social change and a focus on building financial acumen," the press release further stated.

Grant and other Youth Leaders "will participate in a collaborative, mentoring-focused project working closely with



Riona Grant

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Morning Pointe strong

(Above right) In a celebration of Morning Pointe of Knoxville employees' willingness to serve despite health risks — while also enjoying helping senior adults — are nurses, from left, Trish Werner, Laura Harden and Caitlyn Manning. (Above) Working closely with community volunteers is Meadow Silger, left, Morning Pointe of Lenoir City resident assistant, with volunteer Helen Tammaro of Amedysis Home Health.



Photos submitted

FHS receives \$7k boost from PTSO

STAFF REPORTS

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Farragut High School has at least \$7,000 more than expected after its Parent-Teacher-Student Organization decided to give the funds to the school.

"We're thrilled. This enables me to spend as we need," said FHS principal Dr. John Bartlett, who just finished his first school year at Farragut, "... We haven't decided how we're going to spend it yet.

"Normally after our PTSO has granted our teacher's wish list items, supported Graduation Celebration, hosted a

huge end of the year Teacher Luncheon, etc., we are able to provide a gift to FHS of around \$1,000," said Susan Horn, PTSO chairman in charge of the organization's "Bypass the Backpack" newsletter, stated in the newsletter.

"This year, because of your generosity and since we weren't able to hold our normal events, the PTSO is able to give a Gifts to Schools check of over \$7,000," added Horn, also chair of Knox County Board of Education as its 5th District representative. "Of course,

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Webb Class of 2020 graduation



Webb School of Knoxville's 62nd Annual Commencement ceremony Friday, June 5 — held inside the school's David Meske Stadium — featured Class of 2020 graduates “who received 380 offers of admission from 148 different higher education institutions, and will matriculate at 50-plus unique universities and colleges across the country,” a school press release stated. Clockwise from upper left, are Class of 2020 graduates Jasmine Jefferson. Grissom Anderson, carrying the class banner during the processional, and Luke Burnett. Michael McBrien, left, Webb president, addressed the Class of 2020 and their parents. The Class also received “more than \$8 million in scholarship offers and merit awards,” the release further stated. Sydney Vafaie-Partin was Class of 2020 valedictorian. She will attend Northeastern University this fall. Meryl Ye was Class Salutatorian, and she will be attending Cornell. Ye and Lucas Farr, who will attend the United States Air Force Academy this fall, received Webb's highest awards – the Margaret and Leonhard Scheuermann Trophy and the Dr. S.J. Chapman Memorial Award, respectively.



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Planner

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man, director of Communications and Donor Engagement. MEDIC continues to follow social distancing guidelines and is requiring masks for all donors, staff and visitors in their donor centers and community drives/mobile buses. MEDIC staff will be grilling hot dogs and will serve those individually as well as offering chips and drinks. Farragut Donor Center is now open from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. each Saturdays through Aug. 29. For more information, visit the website at www.medicblood.org.

• **Knox County Health Department has launched a COVID-19 Public Information Line**, 865-215-5555, or call toll-free at 888-288-6022, from

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• **Learn how our ancestors preserved food during a workshop** at Marble Springs State Historic Site, 1220 West Gov. John Sevier Hwy., from **10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday, July 18.** Board Member Jim Buckenmyer leads the workshop. For questions or help to purchase tickets online, call Marble Springs at 865-573-5508. which is labeled a “hands-on experience,” covering food smoking, salting, pickling, drying and many other preservation techniques. Bring your favorite dish to share with everyone for the community lunch. Admission is \$25 for members and \$30 for non-members. Tickets are available via Facebook or Eventbrite.

FHS PTSO

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we're very sad we weren't able to finish the school year as

expected but really happy to provide these funds to help the administration as they continue to update our campus and make it look as lovely as possi-

ble.” Bartlett, who has spurred improvements to the school's appearance, said there is still work to be done — such as more painting.



I am the owner of The Shrimp Dock in Farragut. A small business that has stayed open everyday through this difficult period. I thought we should all have some fun so I am printing an e mail I received Sunday afternoon. The sender's name has been removed.



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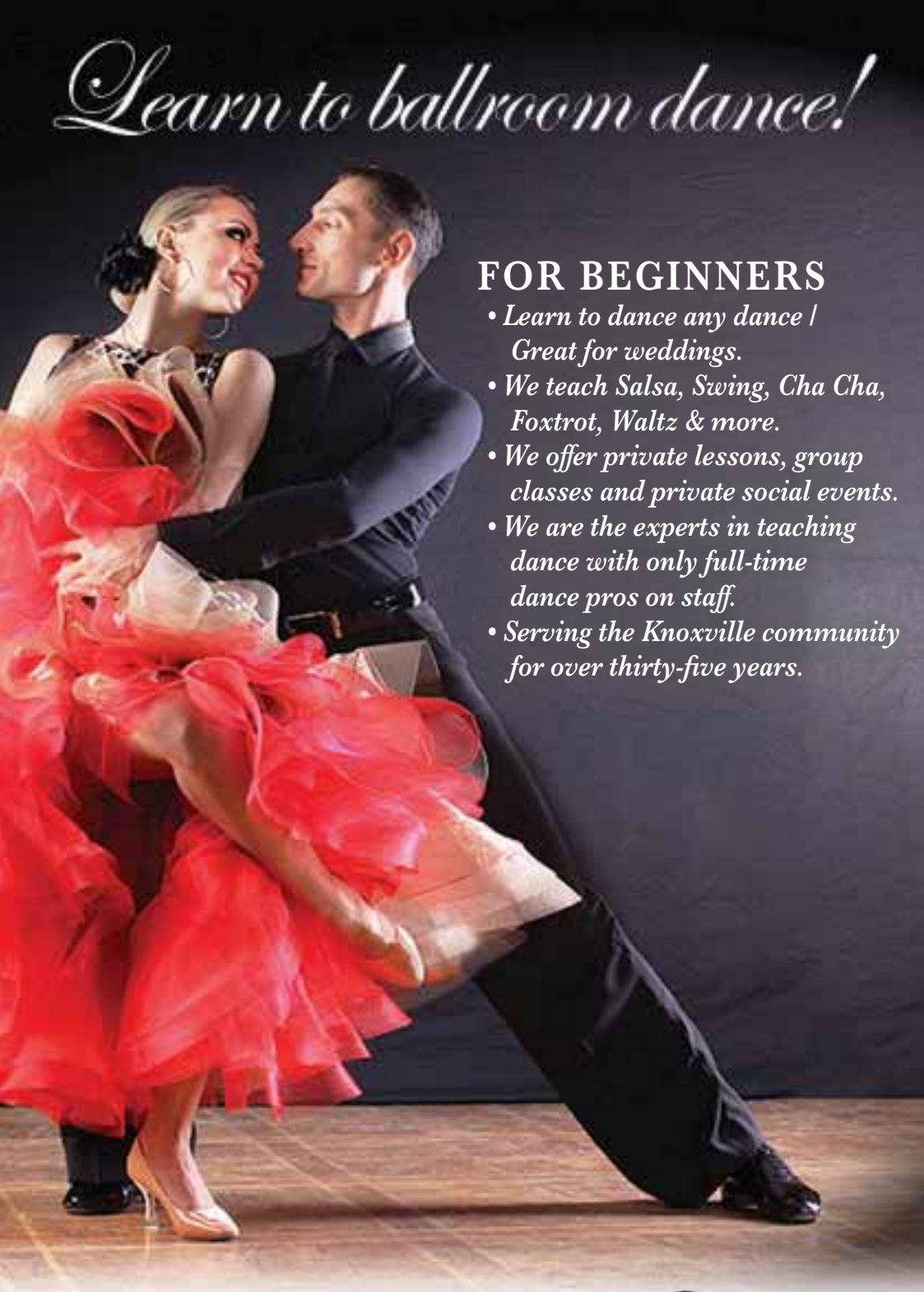
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Friendships

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whole lives,” she added.
(Read more details about Ben Boring’s life in a page 2B memorial story in our May 28 issue)

Respected in community
Bill and Anne received a “Lifelong Service Award” plaque from their home church, Virtue Cumberland Presbyterian Church, while also being honored by having the VCPC Family Life Center renamed “Shipley Hall” during a special 131-Year Homecoming celebration at the church July 15, 2018.

Bill and Anne “have given tirelessly of their time, treasure and talent,” Cindy Winchester, church secretary, said during the celebration.

“That family, in particular, has an especially interesting story with names that (are) recognizable to everyone in Farragut,” Winchester added. “... Anne’s father, Fred McFee, started Concord Phone Company (now TDS), and Bill Shipley worked there his entire adult life, bringing telephone to this then-rural community.”

Working relationship
With all three graduating together in the Farragut High School Class of 1946, this three-way friendship also was a working relationship.

“They grew up hauling hay together,” Benna Boring said. “She would drive the tractor, and Bill would come down to the barn and make sure everything was safe and sound once the hay got up in the hay loft.”

Nelle’s memories
Added to this life-long friendship circle has been Nelle Irwin Strange, also from the FHS Class of 1946.

Dating back to the first grade at Farragut school, Anne “was my best friend, and I know I was her best friend,” Nelle said.

“Anne was very kind, laid-back, easy going and quiet,” Nelle added.

As for what she remembered most about Bill, “He had this great big laugh, and a big grin from ear to ear,” Nelle said. “And he liked to joke; he liked to tell tales. Very out-going, and a happy person.

“I never would have dreamed, way back in high school, of him and Anne ever getting married,” she added. “Then, all at once — I guess we were juniors or something like that — they started dating, and that was it.

“They made a wonderful couple.”

Though separated for a few years after graduating from FHS — Nelle attended the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, while Anne went to East Tennessee State Univer-

Grant

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The Restoration House of East Tennessee,” the release stated. “The Student Leaders are collecting and documenting interviews and materials Restoration House can use for fundraising, social media and advocacy.”

“The Knoxville Student Leaders from Bank of America are innovative, passionate and disciplined and have become an integral part of our team over the past three summers,” said Daniel Watson, executive director of The Restoration House of East Tennessee.

Honors told

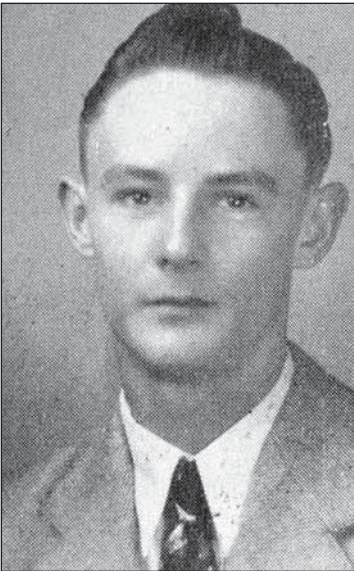
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Standaert. all of Farragut, earning a minimum 3.5 grade-point average.

Roane State recognition
Roane State Community College announced President’s List honorees for Spring 2020 from Farragut were LaShae Hooper and Antonio Ruiz. To be eligible, a student must attain a minimum 4.0 GPA while attempting 12 or more semester hours of college-level courses; or earn a minimum 4.0 as a student in the college’s nursing or health science program during a semester in which the required course schedule is fewer than 12 hours.



Bill Shipley, FHS Class of ‘46



Ben Boring, FHS Class of ‘46

sity — when they returned to Farragut “we all started going out to dinner together once a month.”

This lasted for decades “until a few years ago,” Nelle said.

Also in this friendship circle were the late Joe Bacon and the late W. C. Franse.

(Right) Anne McFee Shipley was crowned the 1945-46 Farragut High School Basketball Queen. She, her husband, Bill Shipley, Ben Boring and Nelle Irwin Strange were all close as FHS classmates, each graduating in 1946, and remained lifelong friends.



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Second Saturday Concert at the Cove

Hundreds flocked to The Cove at Concord Park to enjoy the sun, recreation on and near Fort Loudoun Lake and the free Second Saturday Concert at The Cove, 11808 S. Northshore Drive, featuring the RockinFellerz of Knoxville.

Balloons decorated areas where families and friends celebrated birthdays, such as that of Dave Clark, who turned 70.

He had special cause to celebrate: "When I was 50, I almost died," Clark said.

This was the first of a three-part concert series. It will continue from 6 to 8 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 8, featuring Left Food Dave and the Magic Hats, and then from 6 to 8 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 12, featuring Kudzu.

The series initially was supposed to start in June and end in August, but was postponed because of the coronavirus pandemic, and was extended into September according to the Knox County Parks and Rec website.



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J.O.
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not just in his church, but also in his everyday life, but “I’ve slowed down in the last year,” J.O. said. “Up to then, I mowed the yard and everything else.” But, now, battling cancer in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic, J.O. has not been able to attend church.

“It’s been a real struggle,” Riley said. “So, I thought if he can’t come to us, then we’ll go to him.”

About turning 99, J.O. remarked, “I’ve had a lot of them.”

J.O. attributed his longevity to his faith.

“I belong to the Lord,” he said. “I’ve been a Christian ever since I was 16 years old, and I have been blessed by the Lord for all these years, through World War II and all.

“He took care of me, and that’s what counts.”

“I think (his becoming a Christian at 16) just changed the trajectory of his life,” Riley said. “It just had a profound impact on him.”

Born and reared in Cleveland, in Bradley County, J.O. was saved at a revival

“I just got the impression that the Lord wanted me to serve Him,” he said. “So, I laid down on that platform and told Him; there I was and just do

what He wanted with me.

“He’s done a pretty good job, I think,” he added with a chuckle.

J.O. met Alma Sue, now 96, at church.

“We did start dating when I was a junior in high school,” Alma Sue recalled. “He graduated two years before I did.”

When J.O. got drafted, then 23, in 1942, he and Alma Sue got married just before he left for training in New England, then went to France in 1944. He also would see Germany and Belgium during his service.

He served three years in the 903rd Ordinance of the U.S. Army as a staff sergeant, in charge of making sure the men got their food and other supplies.

“I was on a ship four days after D-Day,” he said, recalling arriving on the beach in Normandy.

“You couldn’t dream what it looked like on that beach,” he said. “There were bodies everywhere.”

Likewise driving through a nearby town, he recalled bodies were lined up on each side of the road — Germans on one side and Americans on the other.

He recalled one instance when he was traveling by Jeep and stopped on a bank to get some rest.

But, “the Lord just woke me

up and told me to move.”

Reluctantly, he did move and found another place to sleep. The next morning, he drove by the bank where he was about to sleep the night before.

When he got there, all he found was a hole 15-foot deep where a bomb hit.

“I would have been dead if He hadn’t woke me up,” J.O. said. “People can’t believe, but when I was in trouble I knew right where to go, and I went to the Lord.”

Riley recalled J.O. telling him that he had gotten lost behind enemy lines but “(J.O.) felt the Lord guided him back.”

He returned home in 1945.

Alma Sue noted J.O. then went to work, helping her father in his lime business

before working at Cleveland Stove Company until he retired in 1986. They later moved to Knoxville to help take care of her widowed father.

J.O. Gates was about 23 when he was drafted into the U.S. Army in 1942. He would become a staff sergeant, making sure the men received their supplies and food, during his three years of service.



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Mason says goodbye to CCS



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Marketing director at Concord Christian School for the past seven years, Stephanie Mason, second from left, has said goodbye to CSS. “I have been blessed to work with you in a variety of areas and appreciate your expert help and service,” Mason stated in an address to fellow CCS colleagues. With her last day at CCS Tuesday, June 30, “In early July, our family will be moving to Houston, Texas because of new

responsibilities in Mike (Mason, husband’s) job with Dow (Chemical). ... I have loved my time at Concord, and I was not in a hurry for it to end with (son) William (Mason’s) graduation, but God’s plan was different. Alongside Stephanie, from left, are her husband, Mike Mason; son, William Mason; daughter, Madeleine Mason; Zac Carnill, son-in-law; and daughter, Abigayle Mason Camill.



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CUMC Citizenship Class honorees



Photo submitted

Students and teachers from Concord United Methodist Church’s Citizenship Preparation Class celebrated their last day of “school” Saturday, June 27. Six students were awarded certificates of completion by Tennessee Immigrant Empowerment Solutions president Geri Mulligan, including, from left, Daniel Perez, Sandra Sparks, Miguel Trejo plus Anabel and Carlos Pinilla.

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1. Approval of Minutes for the March 27, 2019 meeting
2. Election of Officers
3. Public hearing on a request for an administrative review related to terminal island landscaping provisions in the Farragut Zoning Ordinance (Josh Holden, Applicant)

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FARRAGUT MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION AGENDA

July 16, 2020

5:30 p.m. Workshop Review – Wireless Communication Science and Issues by Christopher Davis, PhD from the University of Maryland Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering
7:00 p.m. Regular Meeting

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1. Approval of agenda
2. Election of Officers
3. Approval of minutes – June 18, 2020
4. Discussion and public hearing on a new application and schedule for MCImetro 2020 Fiber Build, along portions of N. Campbell Station Road, Herron Road, West End Avenue, and portions of the Cove at Turkey Creek, Stonecrest, and Sweet Briar Subdivisions (Mastec, Applicant)
5. Discussion and public hearing on a conceptual master plan for the redevelopment of the old Kroger property – Farragut Town Center at Biddle Farms, Parcels 3.02, 3.03, a portion of 3.18, and a portion of 3.19, Tax Map 143, 45 Acres (SITE Incorporated, Applicant)
6. Discussion and public hearing on a request for a variance from the number of access points permitted on a local street as provided for in the Driveways and Other Accessways Ordinance in relation to the property at 11740 Weatherlane Drive (Jon-David and Allison Deeson, Applicant)
7. Discussion on a request to amend Appendix A – Zoning, Chapter 3., Specific District Regulations, Section XII., General Commercial District (C-1), B., 3., as it relates to the outdoor display and or storage of general farm implements and lawn care equipment, riding lawn mowers, and related accessories (Farragut Lawn and Tractor, Applicant)
8. Discussion on a request to rezone the property at 11824 Kingston Pike, Parcel 025, Tax Map 152C, Group J., 1.81 Acres from Office (O-1) to General Single-Family Residential (R-2) (Troy and Evangella Stavros, Applicant)
9. Discussion on a request to rezone Parcel 021.03, Tax Map 153 (end of Spring Branch Lane), from Rural Residential (R-1) to General Single-Family Residential (R-2), 6.84 Acres (Rackley Engineering, Applicant)
10. Discussion on a request to amend the Farragut Zoning Ordinance to permit a microbrewery and brewpub (Carlos Cortez, Applicant)
11. Approval of utilities
12. Citizen Forum

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