

## Special moment



Tammy Cheek

## Despite pandemic, Bob Watt Fishing Rodeo draws 100 kids

Rylin Curtis and her dad, Ryan Curtis, of Farragut share a special moment as she displays a 1.8-pound fish she caught during Town of Farragut's 36th Annual Bob Watt Fishing Rodeo in Anchor Park Saturday, July 25. Rylin was among 100 children who signed up for the event. This catch was her second of the day, the first being .83 pounds. (See related photos in *West Side Faces*, page 8B)

## BOMA listens to 5G opposition

*Board puts into record several residents' e-mails at meeting*

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Farragut Board of Mayor and Aldermen continues to hear from residents opposing the 5G deployments.

During the Board's "second Thursday" meeting July 23, Town recorder Allison Myers read into record several residents' e-mails opposing

the 5G deployments throughout Town.

In one such e-mail to the Board, Theodora Scarato, executive director of Environmental Health Trust, asked for equal time at Farragut Municipal Planning Commission's Aug. 20 meeting to contest Professor Christopher Davis' earlier presentation to FMPC.

"In this e-mail the Environmental Health Trust asked for equal time in the Aug. 20 Planning Commission meeting and correct six major scientific errors in Professor Christopher

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## 'Very large influx' from other states to Farragut: SF/FBA

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People from across the United States, especially New York, are moving to Farragut as observed by a few Town business leaders.

"I've noticed, at the restaurant every weekend, there seems to be a very large influx of people from other states. People are moving here," said Candace Viox, chair of Shop Farragut/Farragut Business Alliance, about a trend at Water into Wine bistro & lounge, 607 N. Campbell Station Road, which she owns.

She and other Alliance members spoke about this influx into Town during the SF/FBA virtual meeting Thursday morning, July 16.

Concerning the intensity of influx, "Houses are selling within hours of going up for sale," Viox said. "I've met many, many couples from New York state, I've met a couple of couples from California.

"So, this COVID thing is bringing a whole different kind of group of people to our community, and I've seen it first-hand at the restaurant," she added.

As for "one particular couple" moving here, "They're leaving their \$2 million, two bedroom, one bath apartment in New York City and they're moving here because they can both work from home now," Viox told Alliance members. "They want to be in an area with parks, and they love our sidewalks and they love all the things (Vice Mayor) Louise (Povlin) and our Mayor (Ron Williams) and everybody have fought for.

"They're looking for that small, hometown, safe feel," she added. "So, hold on to your hats and glasses, 'cause there's a lot of people that are flooding to Farragut right now.

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Viox

## 'Emotions running high' as KCS '20-21 school year to start

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Susan Horn summed up Farragut and Knox County parent COVID-19-era frustrations in four words: "emotions are running high."

Horn, chair of Knox County Board of Education representing District 5 (including Farragut), acknowledged the difficulty of Knox County Schools attempting to create a successful in-person/on campus return to school Monday, Aug 17, while also accommodating a little more than 25 percent of families and students choosing the new KCS Virtual Learning Program. (See our Back to School section inside this issue)

"I see a lot of people judging one another about the decisions they're making," she added. "... From the e-mails that I've received and from the people I've spoken with, it's a really stressful time for a lot of people.

"... I think it's sad for so many students who don't know if they're going to get to play their senior season sport."

About the final plan hammered out by KCS and superintendent Robert Thomas, "I've

heard very mixed reviews," the KCBE chair said. "I've heard some parents say that they think it's a great plan, they're very pleased with it.

"I've heard a lot of questions from parents about what Virtual school will be like," she added.

"It's difficult to present a plan that will really work with everyone's individual situation ... work situation, health situation."

All Farragut and Knox student schedules, KCS announced, will be released Friday, Aug. 14.

As for in-person/on campus school, "I'm hearing from teachers who are concerned coming back because they're concerned about health issues,"

Horn said.

In total, "What we've seen in the school system is how important it is for students be with teachers in person as much as possible," she said.

"... We know in-person is preferred." However, the district's Virtual Learning "is a good second option," Horn said, because in-person/on-campus learning "is not a good option for some people who are not comfortable with it for health reasons."

**Primary level concerns**

With parents of the district's youngest students, "They were concerned about the state mandate, which is for

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### business

"I have a son, Mark, that works in the business with me. My daughter, Ember, is a high school teacher ... but in the summers she works here in the office,"

- Kyle Lundy, owner of a Farragut family business he said is fairly rare in the Knox County area. (Read story beginning on page 6A)

### community

"We have great conversations and enjoy each other's company. We are always putting each other first, and we never let a day go by without saying, 'I love you,'"

- Audrey Barrowclough, whose special relationship spans decades, and includes a bonding hobby. (Read story beginning on page 2B)

### sports

"Tia has been a joy to coach these past four years. Her love for the game and her teammates is unmatched. ... A great addition for Maryville's softball program,"

- Whitney Hickam-Cruze, HVA softball head coach, about a special former player with a new opportunity at the next level. (See photo and all information on page 1B)



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# Gibson-McFee zoning change fails BOMA 3-2

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Farragut Board of Mayor and Aldermen votes were split, 3-2, on allowing the rezoning of the Gibson farm property along McFee Road, with the motion for approval failing on first reading during its virtual meeting Thursday, July 23.

While Vice Mayor Louise Povlin and Alderman Scott Meyer voted in favor of the motion, made by Povlin, to rezone, Mayor Ron Williams and Aldermen Drew Burnette and Ron Pinchok voted against.

“... If we do this, and we set a precedent along that power line for this, for attached, then we’ve got quite a bit of land on the other side of McFee ... there are power lines that go through there,” Williams said. “It’s not like this power line happens on this one particular piece of property.”

The developer, Russ Rackley, with Rackley Engineering, was asking the Board to approve a request to rezone 24.85 acres at 1013 McFee Road, from Agricultural to Open Space Mixed Residential Overlay.

“We have made an appropriate request,” he said. “... Why then are we being treated differently?”

Rackley said during a workshop earlier in the month he was given “two possible solutions.”

“If the (OSMR zoning) was unacceptable, why wasn’t it made clear?” Rackley asked.

Farragut Community Development director Mark Shipley said the property is two parcels south of McFee Park.

“It does have a (100-foot-wide) transmission line easement that runs through the property in a horizontal manner,” he said, adding the developer is asking for the same zoning district as the Cottages at Pryse Farm, which also lies along McFee Road.

“OSMR provides for detached single family and attached single family, just like the Cottages,” Shipley added. “Whereas the regular Open Space Residential only provides for detached.

“Based on the acreage of this tract, they would be permitted potentially up to 54 house lots.”

The objective “... was so they could cluster the attached part on part of the property and detached on the other part to kind of work around that large transmission line easement,” Shipley said. “Either of those zoning districts — OSR or OSMR — would be consistent with the open space cluster residential land use. Really, it becomes of question of what you want to see out there.

“It’s a pretty rural area,” he added, noting most areas along McFee Road are zoned Agricultural or Low Density Residential.

A meeting was held with residents before the Farragut Municipal Planning Commission, which voted 8-1 in favor of the rezoning at its July 16 meeting.

“When I went through the meeting with all the residents out there, they all seemed to like the single-family (detached),” said Williams, who was the lone vote against the rezoning at the Commission meeting. “That’s what they all conveyed to me and what they marked up on the maps that we had.”

“The property is compromised,” Povlin said. While at the previous meeting with McFee residents, she said the residents wanted to keep the area zoned Agricultural, which she thought was unreasonable.

Povlin maintained the Board is treating the developer and landowner unfairly and that the OSMR would create less traffic than an OSR zone. “When we’re talking about someone’s property, we’re supposed to be fair,” she said. “We’re not doing that right now, I’m very sad about what I hear right now.”

“The density is less in the OSMR, and it appears the attached (dwellings) would not front (McFee Road),” Meyer said.

Williams pointed out the Cottages at Pryce Farm had a large sinkhole, thus the reason for allowing an OSMR zoning.



Burnette

# KCSO policereports

• **At 2:40 p.m., Sunday, July 26,** a complainant called Knox County Sheriff’s Office Teleserve Unit to report her items stolen from Campbell Station Mini Warehouse, 11825 Snyder Road. Complainant advised the witness opened her storage unit with permission at 4 p.m., Wednesday, July 22, for the suspect. Suspect was buying items from the complainant and was advised to send a picture of the items she wanted to purchase. Complainant advised the picture was sent and she agreed to accept \$10 dollars for the items in the picture only.

Complainant advised the witness sent her a picture at 6:15 p.m., July 22, questioning the low dollar amount of money requested for the amount of items in her vehicle. Complainant advised the picture he had sent did not match the picture sent by the suspect. Complainant advised she told the suspect she needed to pay her more or bring back the listed items. Value of items taken was listed at \$330, which included an air conditioner valued at \$200. Complainant advised she had only agreed to the items in the first picture, and said the suspect messaged the witness advising she had “ripped her off,” and they should not call the police.

• **At 4:10 a.m., Friday, July 24,** officers responded to a Crown Point Drive residence regarding an assault,

and made contact with victim, who said the eventual arrestee approached him from behind, in an upstairs room, and wrapped a rope around his neck. Officers observed redness around the victim’s neck, which was consistent with the account given, and the victim said he was having difficulty breathing.

He was treated by AMR at the scene but refused transport to the hospital. Officers spoke to witness, who confirmed the account given by the victim. Arrestee was taken into custody and transported to the detention facility without incident. The rope was collected and placed into property by KCSO. Victim was given a domestic violence blue card and advised of his rights.

• **At 1:37 p.m., Monday, July 20,** a KCSO unit was dispatched to a Parkside Drive address regarding a victim receiving threats by phone. Upon arrival, officer made contact with victim, who stated an unknown person has been calling her intermittently for several years, always asking for a “Gary.” The victim said the suspect has called from numerous numbers and that she just blocks each one. At one point, in 2018, the victim was able to determine one of the numbers was from Peninsula Hospital, and she was able to speak with an employee who stated she was unable to give any identifying information. Victim said

she decided to report the most recent occurrence because the suspect threatened to slit her throat and “find and beat” her.

Victim said she is in fear the suspect will follow through with her threats. During our interview, the suspect called the victim but would not respond when officer spoke with her. On calling the number back, it went straight to an answering service for “The Gateway Inn of Knoxville.” Victim was given the report number and advised that a detective would be following up with her.

• **At 8:47 a.m., Sunday, July 19,** a complainant called KCSO Teleserve Unit to report her 2005 Chevrolet Silverado stolen from Hilton Inn Express, 816 N. Campbell Station Road. Complainant advised she last physically saw her vehicle at 9 p.m., Saturday, July 18, and discovered it stolen at 8 a.m. July 19. Value of loss was listed at \$50,000.

Complainant advised the vehicle had been locked during the time of the incident and advised the keys were still in her possession. Complainant advised the unknown suspect entered the vehicle and took it without her permission. She advised the vehicle has an honorable discharge tag, paint chipping around the handles and a fifth wheel-towing apparatus on the bed of the truck. Value of apparatus was listed at \$1,000.

## correction

Local author Brooks Clark was misidentified in the Thunder Road West Side Story article in our July 23 issue.

We regret the error. If you spot an error in a farragutpress story, caption, headline or anywhere in a given issue, let us know: e-mail editor@farragutpress.com

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Looking forward to seeing you there!

P.S. If you can’t attend the workshop- then be sure to request our “Balance and Falls Prevention Guide” by giving us a call (865) 789-8617



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](mailto:john-mark@simplypt.com)**

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5G comments

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Davis’s testimony,” Scarato stated in the e-mail forwarded by Brixworth Boulevard resident Mike Mitchell.

“Professor Christopher Davis’s testimony contained many serious errors as you can read in the e-mail below to the Planning Commission,” Mitchell stated in an e-mail. “Professor Davis is not a doctor, toxicologist or epidemiologist; he is an engineer. He has no training on how cellular radiation affects the human body.”

“Why won’t you let environmental health trust come in and speak to you?” Bill Hardin of Glen Willow Drive asked in an e-mail. “The guy (with) the

cell tower company who has already spoken to y’all has been wrong in so many ways and that’s already been proven.

“You wouldn’t let something be built without only getting one bid.” Hardin added. “So why not hear from the other side?”

“I’m very grateful to The Town of Farragut for passing a resolution,” Woodland Trace resident Laura Squires stated. “However, it does no one any good if it is a piece of paper that was sent and is allowed to lay toothless and dormant in the ‘read’ stack.

“Will the Mayor (Ron Williams and Town administrator (David Smoak) immediately request an in-person meeting with (Gov.) Bill Lee to review

the resolution and ask for an executive order to halt work in Farragut until additional information can be presented to the Planning Commission and BOMA regarding the overall plan for Farragut?”

“I respectfully request a full and in-depth analysis of 5G’s impact on the people of the Farragut community from a health standpoint, a property value standpoint and an aesthetics standpoint,” Caravel Lane resident Kevin Desmond



Williams

stated in his e-mail.

“The Environmental Health Trust notified you, the mayor and Vice Mayor (Louise Povlin). of serious errors in Professor Christopher Davis’s 5G testimony at the July 16 (FMPC) meeting,” Weathervane Drive resident Jerry Guthrie stated. “I’m very concerned that you didn’t allow Dr. Devra Davis equal time to rebut Christopher Davis’s testimony! It is only fair that both sides of the 5G issue be heard!”

“First and foremost, my family and many residents DO NOT WANT 5G towers in our backyards, front yards or near our schools,” Woodland Trace resident Robert Gleason stated.

Following Citizen Forum,

Smoak said Town staff is working on identifying a speaker for a Board meeting “that could give all of us further viewpoints on small cell development around the country.”

“I think the citizens can address their respective senators and representatives. ... They can talk to them about what can be changed,” Mayor Ron Williams said. “We have been asked to stop the 5G poles from being installed in residential areas. By law, we do not have the power to do so.

“I have made that clear many, many times, and we still get Citizen Forum requests to stop them,” he added. “I want to make sure everyone is aware that we will not break the law and try to forcibly stop them.”

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Keep electing, don’t appoint Law Director

I would like to update the 5th District, which includes the Town of Farragut, per me serving as its citizen representative to the 2020 Knox County Charter Review Committee. There will be a meeting this Thursday (tonight, July 30) at 5:30 p.m. at the City/County Building (you will have to go through security and there is a mask mandate) and there is a public forum.

The biggest issue to be alarmed about is a move to transition from an “elected” Knox County Law Director to a “mayoral appointed” Law Director. This is being driven by the Knox County Mayor’s appointees of the KC-CRC and a few Knox County Commissioners with ties to the public sector. The manner in how this was put on the agenda is highly questionable from a procedural/public administration perspective.

Transitioning from a Law Director that serves “all the people” and is “independent” to one that “serves the Mayor” and is an “employee” brings many challenges. Not only does it take a vote and voice away from ALL of Knox County voters, it could be very detrimental to those with a minority voice. Likewise, it removes a “check and balance” from the executive branch, and most importantly I see it also removing a “safe guard / barrier” to any future moves towards of a “metro government / bigger bureaucracy.”

Knox County has competitive advantage to other communities by having an elected Law Director. I have had experience in Knox

County over the years dealing with various elected Law Directors and also the City of Knoxville’s appointed Law Director, and from those experiences I can tell you there definitely is a different mindset (it is the same mindset you see in having an elected Sheriff versus an appointed Chief of Police). In my opinion, the preference is to have someone who serves “we the people.”

I have updated Town of Farragut’s Mayor Ron Williams of this issue and informed the media and many outside community / political groups, too, of the business of the KCCRC and especially with this move against the election of the Law Director. From the Knox County and Town of Farragut resident, public administration and being a fiscal conservative perspectives, I am going to support the election of the Law Director.

Switching topics, I would like to congratulate the following: 1) Town of Farragut for its recent “Freedom Ranking” from The Beacon Center, 2) The Farragut West Knox Chamber of Commerce and their entire team on their new branding effort (as it was a home run), and 3) The Shrimp Dock for not only being an asset to our community on so many fronts, but to showcase a “level of humor” in advertising that is not often seen in this market.

Bravo Zulu to all these organizations.

Bill Johns, MBA, MPA  
Farragut

5G health issues need more voices for Town leaders to hear

As a 30-year resident of Farragut I am very concerned about the lack of representation over the health concerns that the residents of Farragut have voiced over the installation of 5G towers in our neighborhoods and on our schools and workplaces.

It has been requested to have experts in the field who have documented these grave health concerns present these concerns at Town meetings. Our concerns need to be taken seriously.

From my perspective, you would have to be living under a rock not to be aware of these serious threats to our health and the health of our children. Please dig in and do your research before you allow these harmful towers to be installed.

Go watch the movie “Dark Waters” because it is the same kind of situation.

Nellaine Sutton, Farragut

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HAVE YOU HEARD?

Shop Farragut has organized the cities 1st Annual Farragut Health & Wellness Expo hosted at the Town of Farragut’s new Community Center. The big event is coming Saturday, August 8th from 10am to 3pm. Tennessee Pledge Compliant. OsteoStrong Farragut will be there providing complimentary bone density screenings for participants. Would you like to know more about bone density scores?

In 1987 dual-energy X-ray absorptiometry was introduced (better known now as a DEXA scan) and bone mass density became clearly measurable. Prior to DEXA, XRAY was used but loss couldn’t be seen until 30-40% of bone was already gone. Often people had already experienced a fracture by that point, so it wasn’t a good tool for preventative care.

DEXA also opened up the doors to more research in the area of bone health. In order to have a uniform way to report research statistics from all over the globe, T-Scores and Z-scores were established by the World Health Organization in 1992. The Z-Score compares bone density to a person of the same age and gender. If your Z-score is below average, your bone loss may have contributing factors other than aging. The T-Score compares your bone to the peak bone health of an average 30 year old. That is the ideal. Some loss is expected with aging. T-Scores are expressed in standard deviation from a mean of zero.

T-SCORE	RANGE OF LOSS	FRACTURE RISK
-1.0 and higher +	Normal Density	Lower than average
0	Standard Deviation	Equal to the Norm
-1.0 to -2.5	Osteopenia	Moderate
-2.5	Osteoporosis	Higher than average

DEXA T-scores are not a perfect predictor of fracture risk. They are part of the picture that roughly indicates the percentage of loss since age 30. Your peak bone density may not have been that of the average person. Especially in the osteopenia range, other factors such as fall risk and quality of structure can have a bearing on fracture risk.

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margin of error. It should be noted however that DEXA T-scores can be significantly lower than QUS and therefore DEXA sets the standard for determining an actual diagnosis of osteopenia or osteoporosis. Your body will withdraw minerals from the hip and spine before resorting to the heel, so bone loss may simply not have reached the heel yet. However, if the heel does show a low reading, it is good reason to have your practitioner order a DEXA scan. Also, high impact activities like running, basketball, gymnastics, etc. significantly increase bone density in the heel, so a high QUS T-Score may be masking bone loss elsewhere.

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• I’m very disappointed that the Town of Farragut will allow an ... expert to come and say 5G is safe, and they refuse to grant equal time to the Environmental Health Trust, which has evidence that 5G is not safe. The people of Farragut have been asking since February to have the Environmental Health Trust speak to the (Farragut Municipal) Planning Commission. Sensorship is wrong. *(Editor’s Note: David Smoak, Town administrator, said in a July 16 farragutpress 5G story: “I think if we could get others to come in as well, and give their takes on it, if they are different from Dr. (Christopher) Davis (downplaying 5G health concerns), we would welcome that, too.”*

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I know everybody is seeing that.”

“A fellow from an hour west of Chicago reached out to me, and I met him and his family for lunch — of course we sat outside — and he runs his business basically out of his home, and he’s looking to relocate down here,” Povlin, also an Alliance member, said. “They were studying the area. “They did not want to move to Nashville because, obviously, there’s so much going on there — and it’s very expensive,” she added.

Instead, Farragut/Knoxville “was a natural fit for him,” Povlin said.

Saying she talked to a prominent area realtor, “They are up 60 percent in business from this same time last year,” Povlin said.

“They’re seeing a lot of people moving to this area. Farragut is sitting pretty with all the things that people are looking for.”

“And they’re pushing the price of houses up, by the way,” Stephen Krempasky, Alliance executive director, said.

As for the Town keeping



Povlin

up with economic growth, “Hopefully we can see that old Kroger area filled out and see the heart of our Town removed of its old scars of empty buildings,” Povlin said about the proposed location for a Town center. “And we can start activity.”

“We’re in a good position,” she added. “It still takes a lot of work to make sure our Land Use Plan is well-suited for what we’d like to see.

“And to make sure that, as we continue to grow out, we’re not negatively impacting the quality of life that we all very much value in the Town of Farragut.”

Overall, “It’s interesting, it’s exciting — it sounds overwhelming,” Povlin said.

Emotions

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kindergarten students to be actively engaged in Virtual school for four hours a day,” the KCBE chair said. “And the concerns that I had heard were around questioning what that would look like, with the four hours,”

“And concern that could be very difficult for students who are that young,” she added. “I think that it will be challenging for those parents and those students.

“Hopefully, the kindergarten parents are able to really engage in the process in a big way.”

While staggered kindergarten days begin Tuesday, Aug.

18, the first full day for kindergarten students will be Monday, Aug. 31. (Parents will be allowed to walk these students to the classroom only on the student’s first assigned staggered day).

Meanwhile, with in-person/on campus learning, teachers at the primary school level may fear being consumed with making sure their young students aren’t pulling off their masks — or pulling off other children’s masks.

“That will be difficult also,” Horn said.

**Long-range feedback**

As for her feedback, “A lot of the e-mails I’ve received are from around the county,” Horn said.



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Farragut High School alumna Tessa Williams has set forth with her own business, Legacy Images, creating heirloom-quality photographic images for families, couples and individuals.

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Farragut High School Class of 2015 graduate Tessa Williams opened Legacy Images Photography Monday, July 1, to offer photographs as a work of art to families, individuals and couples. Williams said she wanted to offer more than the typical method, known as “shoot and burn,” where clients have photos taken in a studio and then get digital images.

“I really struggled with that because photography, for me, has always been an art above everything else,” she said. “I don’t want to just go out there and give people all these (image) files and have them not know what to do with them.” As such, Williams’ boutique business, which she operates out of her West Knox County home, provides a more involved experience for her clients, from the consultation

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businessbriefs

• **Jeremy Payne, Deana Holt and Danny Wilholt** recently joined EXIT Real Estate Professionals Network, 9821 Cogdill Road, Knoxville.  
• **Susannah Dunn, Don Pastor and Marilyn Varnes** with Weichert, Realtors-Advantage Plus in Knoxville recently achieved top agent status for June. Overall Top Agent of the Month honors went to Dunn while Pastor was named Top Selling Agent and Varnes was named Top Listing Agent for that month.  
• **Weichert, Realtors-Advantage Plus**, 221 W. Young High



Dunn

**Pike** in Knoxville, announced Weichert Career recently joined its Knoxville office. Career joins a dedicated team of knowledgeable agents at Weichert, Realtors - Advantage Plus, who bring many years of combined real estate expertise to their clients.  
• **Alhasan Darboe** recently joined EXIT Realty Momentum at 127 W. Jackson Ave. in Knoxville.  
• **Tennova Healthcare** recently welcomed **Dr. Siva Maran** to Tennova Gastroenterology, 705 N. High St. in Morristown. Ma-



Maran

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Tammy Cheek

Pest-Ops technician Drew Hurst, left, points at trouble spots at a client’s home to Kyle Lundy, the company’s owner, board-certified entomologist and indoor environmentalist. Lundy started the business in 1995, when he moved his family to Knoxville before moving to Farragut.

Pest-Ops: ‘Where science meets service’

Business celebrates 25 years serving community

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Pest-Ops, a locally owned company at 108-3 Glenleigh Court, which provides pest control, mold, wildlife and bird exclusion services on commercial and residential properties, celebrated 25 years in business Monday, July 1. “I enjoy it as much today as I ever have,” Pest-Ops owner, Kyle Lundy, a board-certified entomologist and certified indoor environmentalist, said about his business. “We continue to grow, and that’s a great thing.” Although he has seen many pest control businesses in the area sell to larger national and international firms, Lundy has continued to remain independent. “Our local competitors are changing very much in this market,” he observed. “There’s only a handful of local businesses in pest control for East Tennessee now. I feel some pride in that” he still is local. “Pest-Ops isn’t a franchise

or a national operation,” Lundy added. “We’ve just got this office.” Another source of pride came about when two of his three children joined his business. “I have a son, Mark, that works in the business with me,” Lundy said. “My daughter, Ember, is a high school teacher at West High School, but in the summers she works here in the office. “So it’s very much a family business,” he added, noting their older brother, Anthony Lundy, is employed at Y-12 as a chemist. A Farragut resident, Lundy has been in the industry 28 years but started the company in 1995, when he and his family moved to Knoxville, later moving to Farragut. “I just started from scratch,” he recalled. Lundy grew up in Kentucky and moved to New Mexico, as his wife has family there. “We were getting help with our (three) small children” while he attended college, he said. Lundy’s career started with a summer job with Terminex in New Mexico. “I developed a real like for (the pest control industry,” he recalled. “Nobody grows up and says, ‘I want to be a bug man or exterminator or whatever,’ but I enjoyed it very much — the science, all of the ecology that’s involved. “When I started the busi-

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# Twins open TN Valley Pool-Spas

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Tennessee Valley Pool & Spas has opened at 10806 Kingston Pike in The Concord shopping center, making the Farragut area its latest store.

“Soft openings began Monday, (July 20), through the week, but I think we’re going to do a grand opening the beginning part of August, if everything plays out where we can,” general manager Andrew Craig said.

However, he noted the customer service department has

already been up and running since February.

Chase Decker and his twin brother, Shane Decker, own Tennessee Valley Pool and Spas, with Chase running the shop’s retail side of things with Craig and Shane managing the service department. About the business locating at The Concord, next to Gina’s Bernina Sewing Center and Smoothie King, Craig said, “I’m excited. Everyone’s been really nice.

“I’d like to say ‘thank you,’ he added about the communi-

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Photo submitted

Tennessee Valley Pool & Spas’s crew, from left, Christian Cook, service technician; co-owner Shane Decker; general manager Andrew Craig; and co-owner Chase Decker, welcome the community to its store near Farragut, 10806 Kingston Pike in The Concord shopping center next to Smoothie King.

## Pest-Ops

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ness, I thought, ‘I have to have a logo, a slogan,’ because you hear slogans and mottos all the time,” Lundy added. “What came to me was ‘where science meets service.’

“That’s been the heart of our business all the way through. I’m an entomologist, and we employ the science of insects to perfect that service. The flip side of that is caring for customers and having that personal touch.”

During training, Lundy discovered he was sensitive to the chemicals used.

So, when he started his own company, “I had to find ways to treat that were green — that did not have pesticides,” he said. “I looked at every home remedy, wife’s tale, everything that was based on plant oils, boric acid or things like that.”

However, Lundy recalled in the early 1990s, East Tennesseans were not interested in green service, so he served hospitals and nursing homes.

“That’s a very demanding task, and we did that with green products,” he said. “We really honed and perfected getting results with green products, and we took all that knowledge, training and experience and (eventually) we brought that to the residential market.”

Through the years, Lundy has seen advances in technology and green products in his profession.

“In 1995, hardly anyone knew what a web browser was,” Lundy said. “We didn’t have e-mail. Not many people had cell phones, and if they did, it was the big brick.

“Technology has changed for all of us,” he added, noting it changed the way he communicates with customers, as well as the technologies of some of the products Pest-Ops has available.

Now, Lundy said there are “target-specific” pesticides he uses that kill certain species.

“So it would be harmful to ants, yet protect spiders and honeybees,” he added. “Non-chemical pesticides have gone a long way. None of that kind of thing was around in the past.”

Pest-Ops’ office is open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, but Lundy said his employees are available for emergencies.

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she helps the clients choose a custom frame, which is included in the price.

Williams’s office hours are from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. To book an appointment or for more information, visit Williams’ website at www.legacyimages.photo, call 865-456-8066 or e-mail to twilliams@legacyimages.photo

## Legacy

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stage to the framing of their photo. “I actually sit down with my clients, and we talk about what their needs are, what are they looking for, what are they looking to do with the images and where do they want to hang them on their walls,” she said.

“Then I shoot to fit their need, and we sit down and actually order large wall prints,” Williams added. “For me, photography being such a high art form, I really want that to be something that they see every day.

“I want them to love that image as much as they do the first time they’ve see it and get to love that image every single

day that they wake up because it’s right there on their walls.”

As for what is most popular, “I do a lot of individual portraits, private sessions, anniversaries and engagements,” she said. “I haven’t quite reached into the wedding realm yet, mostly because I like to keep things on an individual, personal session rather than doing big events — but that is an area I’m willing

to talk to people about.”

For typical family sessions, “I like to do it on location,” Williams said. “We’ll either go to a park, or if they have a particular location (the children) would like to play at, then we’ll shoot there.

Williams also offers boudoir photos, which are more intimate.

After the photos are chosen,

she helps the clients choose a custom frame, which is included in the price.

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- **Big Brothers Big Sisters of America** recently named Big Brothers Big Sisters of East Tennessee the National Agency of the Year, and board president Diana Salesky received the Irvin W. Westheimer Award for Visionary Leadership, one of BBB-SA’s highest individual honors.

## THE WINNERS ARE HERE!

For the past two weeks The Shrimp Dock has requested FARRAGUT’S RESPONSE to the now infamous e-mail sent to us concerning wearing masks. Here is the original e-mail:

★ The website post seafood to eat or to go. We called in an order to pick up at Farragut and the sign on the front door says “NO MASK NO ENTRY” There is nothing on the web site about mandatory mask and they didn’t tell us this when we called in the order. MORONS!

Below are what we judged as the 4 best responses...If you did not win, please do not be upset, remember we are MORONS!

**Here are the four winners!**

- Enjoy your hospital stay, and make sure to let us know how their shrimp tasted! *submitted by Kerry Meier*
- Maybe instead of reading one line stating “no mask no service, having a temper tantrum and firing off a post you could try reading to the end of the page. Maybe you could try to be respectful of people trying to accommodate you. I know this is a big concept for you. *Beth Bostrom*
- Morons can learn, but jerks just go on forever. *Joe and Evelyn Jackson*
- Hi Karen...Thank you for choosing a to go order. You might have also chosen to read the sign posted on our door. Instead you decided to go off the rails and send a nasty message which made you look like a raving lunatic...it’s a pity they don’t make masks to cover up rude behavior. *Nathan Smith*

**Runner up....** Jeff Coppock: we cannot print yours for fear of alienating many people, but we liked it!

**Here is what the Shrimp Dock actually replied:**

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**Thank you to all who participated...all 45 responses were read and enjoyed. ~ The Morons!**

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# Chamber welcomes Rocky Top K9 with ribbon cutting



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Photo submitted

## Pool

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ty's response. "We hadn't even opened yet, and people were stopping by and welcoming us and being super friendly. We really appreciate it.

The business provides water testing, hot tub sales and pool service.

While they currently are selling the hot tubs in their shop, Craig said, "We would like to eventually get into the pool installs (and sales), but we're going to wait on that for now.

"We're hoping next year to start really hitting the pool installs and sales ... because there's a demand for that as well," he added.

Tennessee Pool and Spas offers an experienced staff and training, Craig said, adding, "We do all the certifications, the yearly trainings.

"We really stay on top of the cutting-edge stuff, going above

and beyond," he added.

Lifetime friends, Craig and the Deckers were familiar with Farragut, as they would vacation at the Decker twins parents' home along Fort Loudoun Lake in Loudon County for about 10 years.

"We saw the area grow, we saw an opportunity because we're all in the same field," Craig said. "We saw a need for this type of place on this side of Town."

Tennessee Pools and Spas is open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday, and from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Saturday, with possible future expanded hours. It will be closed Sundays.

"We do appointments, too," for emergencies, Craig said.

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"Ask for me or Chase and we'll set up an appointment," he added, noting people also can visit online at [tnvalleypools.com](http://tnvalleypools.com)

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TSSAA high school sports in the Farragut area finally got under way — for the first time since being stopped by the coronavirus pandemic March 13 — at Oak Ridge Country Club earlier this week with the annual 5 Star Preps Classic golf tournament. Area teams participating, in addition to Admirals skipper Jon Higgins’ FHS boys and girls teams, included Hardin Valley Academy, Bearden, Knoxville Catholic and Christian Academy of Knoxville. Final tourney results were not available at deadline. Photos are from final round action Tuesday afternoon, July 28. **(Above)** Madilyn Newman, a rising senior at HVA, hits a nice iron shot close to the hole on No. 9 green. **(Photos below, clockwise from top right)** Curious where her iron shot at No. 10 landed is Kennedy Noe, rising senior at KCHS. Owen Queener, rising freshman at FHS, putts on the 10th green. Kate Faulkner, rising sophomore at CAK, plays a left-to-right putt on the 11th green. **(Below far left)** Vivian Wang, rising junior at FHS, studies her putt on the 10th green. **(Far left)** Gabrielle Starling, rising junior at FHS, follows her second shot in the fairway at No. 11. **(Left)** John Meadows, a rising senior at CAK, evaluates his tee shot at No. 11. Look for final results, both team and individually, online at [www.farragutpress.com](http://www.farragutpress.com).



Among supportive teammates, coach, ex-Lady Hawk Walker signs with MC

Tia Walker, (seated in the middle in white top), Hardin Valley Academy Class of 2020 standout softball catcher, recently signed with Maryville College, an NCAA Division III school, as a student/athlete. “Tia has been a joy to coach these past four years. Her love for the game and for her teammates is unmatched,” said Whitney Hickam-Cruze, HVA softball head coach, (standing third from right), who joined Walker and her Lady Hawks teammates during the ceremony. “She will be a great addition for Maryville’s softball program.”

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‘Living Stones: 52 Love Letters’ Anna’s latest

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Anna Arapakos is sharing her faith through the written word yet again. The long-time Farragut High School teacher, who wrote “Connecting the Dots: An Unanticipated Journey of Finding Faith” two years ago, recently released “Living Stones: 52 Love Letters,” both under the pen name Dimitria Christakis. The books are very different topically, as “Connecting the Dots” offered a logical approach to Christianity, while Arapakos’s newest book is much more personal, offering up 52 different heart-felt letters she wrote to family members, friends and others who have made a profound impact on her life. “I knew not even two weeks after completing ‘Connecting the Dots’ came out that I had so much more to do and say,”

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Above photo Michelle Hollenhead  
Right photo submitted  
(Above) Dr. Fred Barrowclough and his wife of 65 years, Audrey Barrowclough, on the front porch of their Glen Abbey neighborhood home. (Right) This is just one of many flower-filled beds in the Barrowclough’s yard.



Vibrant 65 years

Dazzling display of flower garden colors for Barrowcloughs, 86

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Even during summer’s hottest months, one Farragut couple starts almost every day among their flowers and, in turn, share that beauty with all who pass their way. Dr. Fred and Audrey Barrowclough live on a corner lot in the Glen Abbey neighborhood, and while their home is a lovely testament of their 65 years together, their flower beds are a daily dazzling display of vibrant color and magnitude. Roses, petunias, lilies, pansies, hostas, daisies and geraniums are just a few of the colorful blooms lining beds along every side of the red brick house, in addition to the built-in beds bordering their backyard patio — and still more flowers

and shrubs encircling several trees on the lawn. The couple work tirelessly in their flowers and show no signs of slowing down, even at 86. They top off blooms, cut back stems and pinch yesterday’s blossoms to make way for tomorrow’s beauty. “The older we get, it does get harder on our backs,” Audrey said. “I am trying to go for more perennials, just because of my age, but I do like the annuals.” “They are out there every day,” marveled Linda Perry, one of the couple’s five children. “And they have a gorgeous flower garden to show for it.” Neighbors and strangers alike slow down to see the Bar-

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‘Rotary of Year’ honor tops RCF District 6780 awards



Photo courtesy of Tom King  
Staci Wilkerson, The Rotary Club of Farragut 2019-2020 president/current past president, accepts the District 6780 “Rotary Club of the Year” award from Past District Gov. Greg Maciolek during a ceremony in Crowne Plaza Hotel Saturday, July 18.

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The Rotary Club of Farragut brought home 11 awards — highlighted by District 6780 Rotary Club of the Year — for its service to the community and Rotary International while attending the annual 6780 Awards ceremony in Crowne Plaza, downtown Knoxville, Saturday, July 18. This was the first year the club has received the district Club of the Year award. Staci Wilkerson, 2020-21 RCF past president, said it was one of four out of 67 clubs in the district to do so.

“It was a tremendous honor to accept the awards on behalf of our club,” she stated, adding the awards were a result of the “hard work, commitment and dedication of our club and our members. “I am very proud of our club’s accomplishments and it was a true honor and privilege to be the president of the Rotary Club of Farragut during 2019-2020,” she added. Along that line, Rotarian Bill Nichols was “surprised with the John Germ Humanitarian Award for his tireless work with the district’s Rotary Youth Exchange program,” RCF public image chairman Tom King

stated in RCF’s weekly newsletter. “Bill put in 1,574 volunteer hours this year for youth exchange, and I don’t know what our Rotary Youth Exchange program would do without him,” 2020-21 Past District Gov. Greg Maciolek stated. “You change kid’s lives.” In accepting the award, Nichols stated, “These are my kids. I love them all and do everything I can to help them.” Nichols is chairman of the D6780 Outbound RYE program but also works with the overall program. Maciolek pointed

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number of positive COVID-19 cases, the college decided it was not safe to move forward with the specially scheduled ceremony.

• **MEDIC Regional Blood Center continues to have a 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, Farragut Donor Center is now open from **8 a.m. to 2 p.m., each Saturday through Aug. 29**. For more information, visit the website at [www.medicblood.org](http://www.medicblood.org).

• **MEDIC Regional Blood Center** is seeing a significant increase in demand for COVID Convalescent Plasma and is encouraging those who have had a positive COVID-19 diagnosis via confirmed lab test to donate as soon as possible. As a reminder, donors must have had the positive lab test and must be symptom-free for 28 days. If a donor has any questions about the deferral changes and time periods, they should call 865-524-3074.

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• **Knoxville Bar Association announce a Virtual Legal Advice Clinic for Veterans** will be held from **noon to 2 p.m., Wednesday, Aug. 12**, in an effort to serve veterans without the potential hazards of an in-person clinic. An assigned attorney will contact the veteran by telephone during this time. This is a general advice clinic with a wide variety of legal issues. Contact Legal Aid of East Tennessee at 865-637-0484 to request a preferred date to be contacted for clinic intake. Available intake dates are **10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Thursday and Friday, Aug. 6-7, and Monday and Tuesday, Aug. 10-11**. At intake, staff will gather information, including information about legal issues on landlord/tenant, veterans benefits, bankruptcy, criminal defense, consumer protection, contract disputes, estate planning, child support, personal injury and general legal issues.

• **Knox County Public Library's Summer Club is finally here** with a whole new look and schedule. This program is a major departure from previous years' activities. "Pilot's Pursuit" is a free adventure game made up of 20 enrichment challenges such as trying out a new recipe inspired by another culture, learning 10 words in a foreign language or identifying trees and plants in the yard. And, of course, reading. The literary challenges include writing poems or letters to authors and reading different genres and formats such as graphic novels. For every challenge met, players scratch off a landmark that reveals an important clue to help decode a secret message. Once all challenges have been met, players can pick up a coupon sheet of prizes comprised of eats, treats and big adventures donated by area businesses. Pilot's Pursuit game cards are available for pick up at all library locations and are appropriate for children, teens and adults. The game may be played until **Dec. 31**.

# Local flavor to DAR Continental Congress



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Members of the Daughters of the American Revolution recently held their Virtual 129th DAR Continental Congress. Knoxville's Cavett Station Chapter received an award for its 60th Chapter Anniversary Celebration, placing third in the Commemorative Events, Southeast Division, Miscellaneous category. Chapter members on hand included Holly Matthews of Farragut, far right, and Amanda Hillard, far left. The chapter also earned the Bronze level for its DAR Magazine participation. Individually, Dr. Charles Faulkner is pictured after being honored as a recipient of the DAR Historic Preservation Medal. Other members on hand, from left, were Cecile Wimberley, Terry Faulkner and Susan Sills.

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65 years-garden  
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rowcloughs’ efforts, or offer a wave when walking by, as their flowers are prominent along the main road feeding into the subdivision.

“We have always had a garden and I have always loved flowers,” said Audrey, who noted Fred also grew vegetables when they had a larger yard. “But people really enjoy our flowers. We have had people stop and have their pictures made with them.”

They have lived in Glen Abby nearly 20 years but have resided in Knoxville twice that long, having followed their two oldest sons who attended the University of Tennessee on scholarships.

Fred, a pharmacist by trade, jokes he “retired at 55 — but I have been working ever since,” as he does work two days a week for a local pharmacy and one day a week at Shannondale Nursing Home.

“I enjoy it, and I enjoy what I do,” he added. “The day I don’t like it any more, I’ll quit.”

Originally from Rhode Island, the couple met as teenagers, and Fred was immediately smitten.

“I was 15, he was 16 when we met,” Audrey said. “Fred happened to be working at his father’s drug store at the newspaper stand when our paths first crossed.”

His father hired her to work the soda fountain.

Fred told the story that when he first met her, he told a friend, “‘I’m going to marry her some day.’ And I did.”

Fred served two years in the Army, then went to the University of Rhode Island to pharmacy school, during which time the couple married. They had four children by the time he graduated.

They lived in Florida for a decade then in Washington, D.C., for a dozen years before coming to Knox County.

The couple has 14 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren, and their three daughters live nearby.



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Audrey Barrowclough cleans out her petunias, a chore she performs daily to ensure continuous blooming.

“We have been all over the world, and this is the best place in the world,” Fred said. “We love it here.”

“This is God’s hidden secret,” Audrey added.

After 65 years, “We have great conversations and enjoy each other’s company,” Audrey said. “We are always putting each other first, and we never let a day go by without saying, ‘I love you.’”

Romance still plays a key role, too, as evidenced by Fred’s gift of 65 roses to Audrey in honor of their 65th wedding anniversary May 14. Audrey is hoping to propagate the roses to add to their ongoing collection.

About maintaining their prolific flower beds, “It does take time,” Audrey said.

“You don’t find a husband and wife who like garden work as much as we do,” Fred added.

“But we are both very healthy for our age,” Audrey said.

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**New Anna book**  
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said Arapakos, who retired last year after 30 years teaching Russian and English, but continues at FHS teaching English part-time. Already a prolific writer, she was inspired through extensive e-mails she regularly wrote to family members and friends. “A theme emerged of a deep need I have to share love,” Arapakos said. “But, more than that is a need to show how others have left their footprints on my life.” She decided to write a letter a week for a year, and received permission from the recipients for inclusion in the book. “Each letter reflects the sacred only, in that they only were written to reveal good, and were designed to bring out where (the recipients) shine,” Arapakos said. Arapakos said one of her main criteria was the person be alive. “It was paramount to me that I be able to share with them what they have done for me,” she said. “Some I may not be as close to, or it may seem they have not done much, but what they have done has been

monumental to me. “I tried to be intentional, and let them know how awesome they are, not just to me, but in general,” Arapakos added. She said initially “it was a challenge, wondering if I could write a letter a week for a year. Everyone has their own unique talents, but I know that Christ has made me an encourager, so ultimately, it was not a difficult task. “I discovered you don’t have to be a good writer, you just have to let your heart out,” Arapakos added. While the book is a “deeply personal one,” she said it is not really a religious book, and believes it has across-the-board appeal to readers. “Someone might wonder about reading about someone else that they don’t even know, but they might know someone like the person I am writing to,” she said. “That is why I included an introduction to each person I wrote to. My goal is that the reader will find similarities and maybe be inspired to write their own letters.” “Living Stones” is available through Amazon and at Barnes & Noble Booksellers, where Arapakos hopes to hold a book signing later this fall.

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**'Club of Year'**

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out Nichols even used his own credit card to help this past year's students get home in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic.

King received the Lacy Bomar Award of Excellence for Best Electronic Club Bulletin — his 10th such award.

Other awards included: Rotary Citation with Three Presidential Distinctions, District Governor Citation, Super Star Club +6, Globe Club, Youth Event Service - Level 5, \$250 Club (22 members), Polio Eradicator Club and Community Service Award.

Past president Bob Parker was recognized as a District Leadership Academy class graduate, while RCF member Tom Marsh was recognized for his hard work at the recent 6780 golf tourney for Polio Plus.



Rotary District 6780 Past Gov. Greg Maciolek, left, presented Bill Nichols, The Rotary Club of Farragut chairman of D6780 Out-bound RYE program, with the John Germ Humanitarian Award for Nichols' "tireless work" with the district's Rotary Youth Exchange program during annual District 6780 Awards ceremony in Crowne Plaza, downtown Knoxville, Saturday, July 18.

Photo submitted

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One hundred youngsters, divided into two sessions, took part in 36th Annual Bob Watt Fishing Rodeo at Farragut’s Anchor Park Saturday morning, July 25.

Joined by their families, adding up to between 250 and 300 people on hand who lined the bank of Fort Loudoun Lake, children tried their luck at catching one or more of the 1,200 pounds of catfish supplied by Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency.

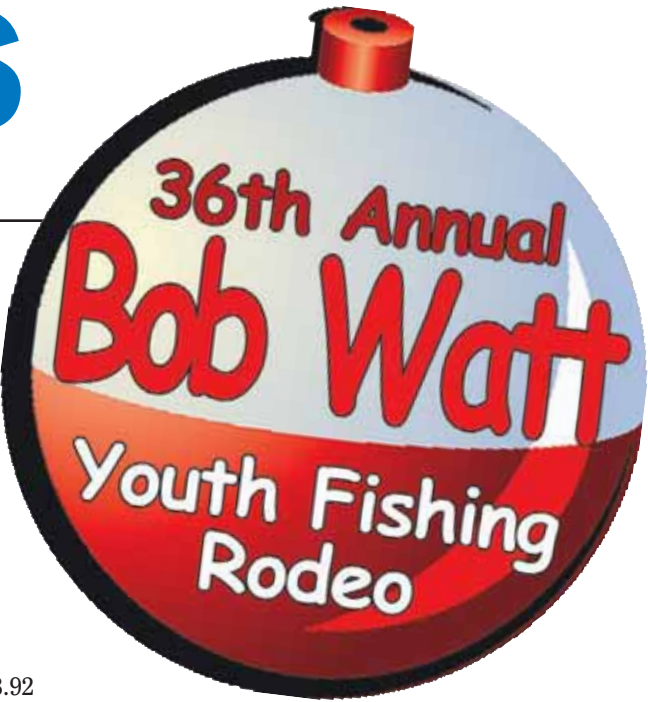
Watt family members, meanwhile, generously supplied T-shirts for participants. “I especially enjoyed the watching the families who maybe haven’t fished before, but just wanted to give it a try,” Wendy Smith, Town of Farragut Public Relations coordinator, said about the rodeo, annually sponsored by the Town and run by Brittany Spencer, Special Events and Programs coordinator.

“This is always a popular event, but this year was special because so many other things were canceled this year,” Smith added. “I think everyone was just glad to be a part of a fun event.”

This year’s Fishing Rodeo prize winners are: Boys divisions; ages 6 & under, Asher Gault, 6, with 1.85 pounds of fish; 7-to-9, Hudson Gault, 9, with 2.76 pounds; and 10-to-12, Max Hilton, 10, with 3.92 pounds. Girls divisions; ages 6 & under, Raigan Curtis, 6, with 2.81 pounds; 7-to-9, Rylin Curtis, 9, with 3.35 pounds; and 10-to-12, Cassidy Stickley, 12, with .20 pounds.

Max Hilton caught the Biggest Fish of the day, 3.92 pounds, while Reid Vining led in Most Fish Caught with 12.

Prizes to the winners are being mailed this year, in respect for COVID-19. The event, initially scheduled for May, was postponed because of the pandemic.



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Robert Meece with a fish he caught



Wyatt Fleming with his 0.5-pound fish



Sutton family, from left: mom, Keisha, with children, Zoe, 6, Brantley, 4, and their dad, Josh.



John Thomas Lucas, 7



Ryker Harmon, 5, and dad, Danny Harmon



Hannah Kate Long, 9, and brother, Henry, 5



Robert Meece, 6, and dad, Jack Meece



Justin Hamilton with sons, Ethan, 8 (gray T-shirt), Oliver, 5 (orange) and Tucker, 3 (blue)



Chris Simmons and daughter, Hannah, 6



Todd Mulder with sons, Andrew, 8 (left), and Jack, 6

Photos by Tammy Cheek