

Virtue Road closed next ‘60-90’ days; detours told

STAFF REPORTS
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Effective this week, and on-going for the next 60 to 90 days according to Town of Farragut officials, Virtue Road is closed to through traffic around-the-clock from Broadwood Drive to Vista Brook Lane while developers for the under-construction Brookmere subdivision construct a roundabout at its entrance.

Motorists entering Virtue Road from Kingston Pike will only be able to travel as far as Broadwood Drive in Sugarwood. Those needing to access the far side of Virtue will need to take Old Stage Road to McFee Road to Evans Road as a detour.

Orange “Detour” signs are posted to direct traffic, starting at the intersection of Kingston Pike and Old Stage Road.

The road closed Monday, July 8, according to Wendy Smith, Town Public Relations and Marketing coordinator, who noted the closing was first publicized on an electronic sign alongside Kingston Pike.

“The roundabout was recommended by the Municipal Planning Commission as part of the Virtue Road improvement project,” Smith further stated.



Michelle Hollenhead

Veteran, wife celebrate

Korean War veteran Jack Slaughter is joined by his wife, Vivian Slaughter, as they both have a prime seating position along Kingston Pike to enjoy 32nd Annual Town of Farragut Independence Day Parade Thursday, July 4.

Compromise

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Mark Shipley, Town Community Development director, said he and the rest of the Community Development staff would work on the ordinance changes, and send them out sometime this week.

The proposed new zoning district “establishes what we are doing, and how it is defined,” he added. “And this seems to work better for what (TopGolf and Price) are wanting to do.”

Town officials have discussed for some time possibly creating this new designation, not only for TopGolf’s purposes, but also to help guide development along Outlet Drive, which currently has a hodge-podge of businesses along with open land that has yet to be developed.

“The proposed regional recreational and entertainment facility (proposed designation) in the new zoning district would not just be for TopGolf’s use, but for a large multi-use type facility that targets

a regional market,” Shipley said.

Robin Askew, one of TopGolf’s attorneys on the call, said she wanted to “commend you and the Town for taking this approach.”

“It definitely covers the category perfectly,” Price said.

Together, the group discussed nearly 40 different comments TopGolf representatives had made to the ordinance draft shared in advance of the July 2 meeting.

The group also talked about which parcels along Outlet Drive would be considered for the new designation

if the district is approved.

Two items placed on the July 18 FMPC agenda for discussion and public hearings are the new Outlet Drive District designation and parcels that could effectively be rezoned along Outlet Drive.

Among those also attending the meeting were Farragut Mayor Ron Williams, Alderman Ron Pinchok, Town administrator David Smoak, assistant administrator Trevor Hobbs and Municipal Planning Commission members Jon Greene and recent appointee Scott Russ.

police reports

- At 9:37 p.m., Thursday, July 4, a Ferret Road complainant called Knox County Sheriff’s Office Teleserve Unit to report the theft of his 2001 Honda Accord from his residence. He advised on July 4 he had allowed the suspect into his residence. Value of vehicle was listed at \$350. He advised he went to bed around 6:30 a.m. and found his vehicle and the suspect were both gone when he woke up. Victim said he never gave the suspect permission to use his vehicle and has attempted to contact him but received no answer.
- At 10:46 a.m., Wednesday, July 3, a Village Green Parkway complainant came to KCSO West Precinct to report an incident at her residence. She advised the suspect would do odd jobs for her around her residence and watch a family member. Victim said the suspect had access to her checkbook inside the residence. Prior to calling KCSO she noticed checks were missing and contacted her bank. Suspect signed the victim’s name to them and cashed them at ORNL Federal Credit Union in Lenoir City. No value of loss was listed in report.
- At 9:24 p.m., Tuesday, July 2, a KCSO unit responded to a Kingston Pike address in regard to a vandalism at the intersection of Kingston Pike and Lovell Road. Victim/complainant and witness advised while traveling East on Kingston Pike, they came into contact with a maroon 2003 Toyota Corolla sedan driving erratically. Victim also advised its

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Saturate
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“asking local churches to participate in getting this to everyone,” he said.

Church members added a card with information about UCPC.

“They allowed us, as any church that does (Saturate USA), to put in a piece of our literature about the church,” Turner said. “They gave us plastic bag door hangers to put (the packet) in there.

“There’s no confrontation to anyone. We simply hang it on the door, if there’s a doorknob, or we put it on the door-step. We do not walk across anyone’s yard. We are very considerate of their properties,” the senior pastor added.



Peach

The harvest of their efforts has been more guests attending — some even joining the church — and a calling for UCPC members.

One member who discovered a calling was Peach’s daughter, Tracey Seyler, 58, who was born with cerebral palsy and is confined to a wheelchair.

“She has found her calling. ... She packed 2,500 Jesus Film DVDs (packets) while sitting at home in her wheelchair,” Peach said. “She has single-handedly packed 25 percent of the 10,000 of the items to be distributed to each of those in the 37934 ZIP code.

“She’ll get up at 3 in the morn-

ing and pack,” he added.

Peach remembered Tracey told him, “I want to do something for God, and I don’t know what to do.”

Peach said this ministry has changed Tracey’s life.

“She said, ‘This is my ministry, and anything else the church wants packaged, I want to do it,’” her father recalled. “She is so delighted to be able to participate ... she’s a part of the team; she’s not just a sideline.

“God has given her a ministry, and that’s the main thing that touches hearts.”

Meanwhile, “The (other) ladies of the church have stuffed probably 6,000 of them during Bible study, Sunday school and just as it had to happen,” Turner said.

One of the packers who took home packages “had just come out of surgery,” he said.

Even the elders have rolled up their sleeves to take part in the ministry.

“Our elders have just stepped up and all of them have just done fantastic,” Peach said.

Peach found out about the ministry after a recent mission trip to Israel. He was looking for a new ministry and came across Saturate USA in the church’s e-mails.

Turner said Peach—who leads UCPC’s Truck Stop ministry with services at the Pilot truck stop-convenience store, 722 Watt Road, each Sunday morning—has been the church’s point man on Saturate Farragut.

“He’s been captain of (the mission) all the way through,” Turner said.

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driver, the suspect, was braking recklessly in front of him before throwing an object out of the driver's side window, striking the driver's side quarter panel of the victim's 2005 Toyota Land Cruiser. Value of damage was listed at \$1,000. Victim and witness did relocate to 10512 Kingston Pike to meet with officers. Suspect vehicle was observed traveling on Parkside Drive. A traffic stop was initiated and officers made contact with suspect, who was confronted regarding the vandalism and did admit to throwing a soda can out of his driver's side window at the victim. Suspect was given a report number for reference. A citation was not issued because the misdemeanor did not occur in officer's presence, the report stated.

- At 1:10 p.m., July 1, a complainant called KCSO West Precinct to report a burglary to her 2015 Chrysler Town & Country in the parking lot of a Campbell Lakes Drive address. An estimated \$4,000 worth of compact disc, \$1,000 in clothes and \$500 in cash represented most of what was stolen. She advised her vehicle was locked and no damage was done to gain entry. Complainant advised she last saw her vehicle, before the burglary, around 11 p.m., Sunday, June 30, and noticed the burglary around 11:30 a.m. the next morning. She did not know, or speculate, about the suspect's identity.



Photos by Alan Sloan/Tammy Cheek

Town of Farragut elected officials, employees and volunteers all were out in full force as thousands of families lined the north and south sides of Kingston Pike to enjoy 32nd Annual Town of Farragut Independence Day Parade Thursday morning, July 4. **(Top left)** Gordon Michaels, a member of Farragut Museum Committee members, portrayed Admiral Farragut on this year's museum parade float. **(Top right)** Joining Farragut Mayor Ron Williams, right, are Alderman Scott Meyer and his wife, Dr. Melissa Meyer. **(Above left)** David Smoak, Town administrator, with daughter, Olivia, left,

and son, Evan. **(Above right)** Aldermen in back waving to the crowd, from left, are Ron Pinchok, Drew Burnette and Vice Mayor Louise Povlin. In front wearing her crown is Pinchok's wife, Debbie Pinchok, who is a member of Town's Parks and Athletics Council. With all the success of this annual parade, should the Town attempt another holiday parade — even if on a smaller scale? A Christmas or Thanksgiving parade? What about a New Year's Day parade? Tell us what you think about this or any other local, state, regional or national issue by calling 671-TALK (8255).

Submitted Page 1A Independence Day Parade photo of Grand Marshal Dr. Tom Kim courtesy of Gary Pease; submitted Page 1A Parade photo of Owen McGranaghan courtesy of Cindy Wilfert; other Page 1A Parade photos by Michelle Hollenhead and Tammy Cheek

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Farragut real estate scene redefined

Vose purchases West End Avenue EXIT Real Estate

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Jesse Vose, real estate agent at EXIT Real Estate Professionals Network and owner of KNOX Graphics & Designs in Farragut, has known the benefits of hard work most of his life.

Now at age 35, he has become the new owner of Exit Real Estate at 165 West End Ave., located in West End Center, effective July 1.

"I have a lot of great things set for the future here," Vose said. "We are hosting a career night from 5 to 8 p.m., Monday, July 29. "We're going to be implementing team building within the office, and we're starting a monthly community (event to) help with different projects and be part of the local community."

Vose brings to the agency his graphics background in branding and marketing, which he said "has never been done here."

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Tammy Cheek
Jesse Vose, real estate agent at EXIT Real Estate Professionals Network and owner of KNOX Graphics & Designs in Farragut, is the new owner of the Farragut EXIT agency as of Monday, July 1.

The Knox Fox team goes out on its own

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Husband-and-wife team Eric Whitener and Teri Jo Fox have ventured out to open their own real estate office, The Knox Fox Real Estate Group, in Farragut.

Whitener, the managing broker, and Fox, affiliate broker and realtor, opened the office at 11304 Station West Drive, beside Hampton Inn & Suites, Tuesday, June 25.

They brought with them realtor Penny Rogers.

The Knox Fox specializes in residential real estate services, helping people buy and sell homes.

"We care," Fox said. "We want to make sure that everyone throughout the transaction is being treated equally, and we try to add additional value to people's lives — not just putting a sign in the yard, not just putting it on the list, but aggressively marketing it with our marketing plan, communication and we're all "hands on."

"There's not one deal in this of-

fice that one of us here does not know about," she added.

The couple was with Crye-Leike of West Knoxville before they decided to open their own office.

"They first were where the Dunkin Donuts used to be, that's where I signed up with them," Fox recalled. "Then they moved next to Burlington Factory on Kingston Pike.

"Crye-Leike is a great company, and we grew there," she said but noted they basically hit a plateau.

"We really weren't growing much more," Fox added. "We were No. 1 agents there for so many years, and we were paying them. We pay a split — a part of our commission — to a brokerage.

"When we hit the five-year mark, we just weighed out how much it cost us; what tools we were getting from (Crye-Leike) that, maybe, we weren't even using; and we realized that opening

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The Casual Pint sold, rebranding as The Admiral's Pub Aug. 1

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Farragut's The Casual Pint has a new owner, Andy Fox, who recently purchased the business — not The Casual Pint franchise — from Pat and Barb O'Brien with plans to rebrand it The Admiral's Pub.

Fox, a Farragut resident, made his plans known Thursday, June 27, before Farragut's Board of Mayor and Aldermen, seated as the Town's Beer Board, as he successfully petitioned for a beer permit.

The chance to purchase the O'Briens' business "was a great opportunity," Fox said.

"I met the owners as a patron," Fox said. "Pat had wanted out of (the business) for some time, and

the couple was ready to retire."

Fox told the Board he has been in the restaurant business for 30 years, and currently operates four restaurants in Tellico Village, including the Tellico Village Yacht Club, Tanasi Bar and Grill and Toqua Bar and Grill.

While not keeping the name, Fox said he does intend to keep much of the specialized beer inventory guests have grown to expect. "I will keep the craft beer and taps, as I am planning to entertain a similar demographic," he said.



Fox

Fox said he sees a "real need" for the spot, and only has to look around at his "40-to-60-year-old neighbors" to realize it.

"There are hundreds of households with families just like mine, who just want to be able to hang out and go grab a beer," he said.

Fox said he also has plans to get a liquor license to enable him to sell wine, but "I definitely don't foresee having a full bar."

He plans to open as The Admiral's Pub Thursday, Aug. 1.

In other business:

- The Beer Board unanimously approved a request from Stephen Krempasky, executive director of Shop Farragut/Farragut Business Alliance, for an on-site beer permit for Dog Daze II, which will be held Aug. 16-18 in Village Green Shopping Center parking lot.



Photo submitted
Teri Jo Fox and husband, Eric Whitener, recently opened their own firm, The Knox Fox Real Estate Group, in Farragut.

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businessbriefs

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• **Computer Systems Plus** has announced the company took home the Fastest Growing New Partner of the Year award at DattoCon19, Datto's seventh annual partner conference, which welcomed more than 2,900 attendees from 24 countries around the globe.

• **Helen Ross McNabb Center** of Knoxville was one of 12 nonprofit organizations to receive a Elizabeth Dole Foundation 2019 Hidden Heroes grant. The foundation recently awarded more



Miller

than \$500,000 to 2019 Hidden Heroes grant recipients, which are organizations serving military and veteran caregivers.

• **Weigel's** has been named the Convenience Store Decisions's 2019 Chain of the Year for convenience retailing. Weigel's is the 30th winner of the award, which is considered the gold standard in convenience retailing.

• **Kindred Healthcare**, Tennova Healthcare and the University of Tennessee Medical Center recently announced the Tennessee Health Services and Development Agency has granted a Certificate of Need approval for a 57-bed inpatient hospital near the corner of Middlebrook Pike and Old Weisgarber Road in Knoxville. Knoxville Rehabilitation Hospital is the result of a partnership between Kindred, Tennova and UT Medical Center.

• **Paws & Badges Inc.** graduated its second class of service dogs Sunday, June 30, at South Knoxville Baptist Church in Knoxville. Paws & Badges is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization pro-

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EXIT

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"We're going to start branding the name, make the community aware we are here, what we offer and help expose all our agents," he added.

EXIT, which has 57 agents in the West End Center office, provides services in residential and commercial real estate and property management.

Vose had been an agent with EXIT for two years before taking the plunge to own the agency.

"I grew up in Maine," he said. "My grandfather was a real estate agent and a property appraiser. I always thought it was really cool.

"It was always something I wanted to do, real estate, but I never pursued it," Vose added.

After he moved to East Tennessee in 1996, Vose and his mother, Sue Boling, operated Cranberry Hollow for five years. It was rebranded CH Interiors then sold while he opened KNOX Graphics & Designs, which led him to call on EXIT Real Estate Professionals Network and to meet owners, Mark and Robyn Kresser.

"We hit it off in the get-go," he said. "I ended up getting my real estate license."

"I always told Mark some day I was going to buy his business, and here we are," Vose added and chuckled.

Also motivating his purchase

was "the culture and the family and the team atmosphere that's here are not like any other real estate company," Vose said.

"All agents work together. There's a very supportive mentorship system here, lots of training ... there's lots of perks that come with EXIT... and obviously the Farragut community," he added.

Vose said another reason he bought he agency is that in all deals that go through EXIT corporation, of every closed transaction, it donates 10 percent to Habitat for Humanity all over the United States and Canada.

Vose has been self-employed, beginning with mowing grass, since he was 16, but he had been working since he was 12, when he started with a family-owned business — a filling station and fire-works stand in Lenoir City.

"Both sides of my family were entrepreneurs," he noted. "(Being an entrepreneur is) in my blood.

"My senior year in high school I was making \$83,000 a year," Vose added, reflecting of what he could have accomplished if "I had known then what I know now."

The office is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, but agents are available 24/7.

For more information about EXIT Real Estate Professionals Network, call 865-393-3948 or visit its website at realestateprofessional.com.

The Eye Group's new territory



The Eye Group team cheered at a ribbon cutting, hosted by Farragut West Knox Chamber of Commerce, for the recent expansion of their office at 11124 Kingston Pike in the Essex Group shopping center. Front row, from left, are Melissa Mann, director; and Drs. Harrison Amburn, Dorian Lain, Joseph Manning (with scissors) and Kevin Cross,

Tammy Cheek

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Knox Fox

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our own firm was going to be definitely cost effective for us.”

“Another aspect comes down to branding and location,” Whitener said. “We obviously do a lot in the Farragut area.”

Both are Farragut West Knox Chamber of Commerce ambassadors. “We’re captain-level sponsors,” Whitener said.

“We wanted to be in a Farragut office,” Fox added. “We want to

be involved in the community and get to know more of the businesses in the community.

“We live close by,” she added. “We have listings in Farragut, but, really, knowing the businesses and helping people who are relocating to the area and knowing what to expect out of the Farragut community — no one really does that.”

Fox was with Crye-Leike for six years while Whitener was with the company for five.

“He joined me back in the real estate world the month after we

got married (April 2014),” Fox said.

The couple chose to use the name Knox Fox because “we like the way it sounds,” Whitener said, adding “Knox” encompasses all of Knox County” and the 12 other counties the office serves.

The office is open from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, but Whitener said, “There will always be someone to answer the phone after hours.”

To contact Knox Fox, visit knox-fox.com or call 865-213-2899.

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viding free service dogs to first responders, veterans and civilians living with Post Traumatic Stress Disorder.

• **The University of Tennessee Medical Center Hospice Services** earned the 2018 Strategic Healthcare Programs’ Best Superior Performer Caregiver Satisfaction Award for achieving an overall caregiver family satisfaction score and ranking in the top 20 percent of all eligible SHP clients for the 2018 calendar year.

• **Rotary Club of Knoxville** recently recognized Kim Isenberg, a broker

with Realty Executive Associates, as its 2019 Four-Way-Test Rotarian of the Year. The award is given each year to newer club members who in their personal and professional life, exemplify the qualities of Rotary’s “Four Way Test of ‘The Things We Think, Say and Do’ and embody the Rotary motto of ‘Service Above Self.’”

• **Ricky McCallum** joined the University of Tennessee Research Park as vice president Monday, July 1. Prior to spending the past five years as associate director for the UT Corporate Industry and Foundation Engagement office, he worked for Tennessee Valley Authority and a number of other private companies in the region.

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Former HVA dean, FHS administrator ‘reacquainting’ as BHS principal

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Bearden High School will have a new leader this fall as Debbie Sayers — with previous ties to BHS, Farragut High School and Hardin Valley Academy — steps up as principal.

Her duties began Tuesday, July 2.

“I am excited, humbled and honored,” said Sayers, most recently an assistant principal at Knoxville Central High School. “It really came as a surprise to me.

“Bearden High School was not even on my radar in terms of a possible option or advancement step for me,” she added.

In her new role, Sayers said she first wants to get acquainted with

the people at BHS.

“Even though my daughter (Leslie) attended Bearden, loved Bearden, got a wonderful educational preparation at Bearden, she graduated in 2010. So, I have not been actively involved in the Bearden community for the last nine years,” she said.

“I think one of the most important things I can do, starting off, is

to just get to know the faculty and staff,” she added. “Bearden really prepared my daughter there, and they have a great tradition of excellence, so that’s something I definitely want to build on.”

An educator for 32 years, Sayers started in 1987 teaching basic biology, chemistry and physiology while coaching volleyball, boys and girls cross country and track

at an inner-city high school in Jackson, Michigan.

She and her husband, Kendall Sayers, a Knoxville native, later moved to Knoxville, where she took a two-year break to raise their two children. In addition to Leslie is son, Tyler, a 2009 West High School graduate.

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Persistence paves the way

Italy next competitive stop for KCHS gymnast Boder

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Though barely more than half over, 2019 has been an outstanding year for gymnast Ethan Boder.

After winning third place regionally with his team in the Elite Team Cup in February, then successfully taking second, third and 10th-place honors in the Men’s Junior Olympic National Championships in May, the rising Knoxville Catholic High School senior is headed to Italy next week as part of the Region 8 gymnastic delegation that will train and compete against the Italian Junior National Team.

“It’s the hardest sport in the world,” Boder said. “You can’t just be good at one thing, you have to be well-rounded, and you have to learn to trust yourself.”

As a gymnast, his repertoire includes the pommel horse, still rings, parallel bars, floor exercises and horizontal bars.

Boder’s work ethic sees him through endless hours of practice — upwards of nearly 30 hours a week during the summer months.

“You have to see yourself where you want to go,” he said in acknowledging the relentless path he has chosen, hoping one day it will lead him to Olympic

glory. “I’m not always excited to be (at GymTek),” he added. “It’s hard to do all summer, every summer, but it’s worth it.”

Now 17, Boder has built up to that schedule over the last 15 years. He followed his big sister, Josie Boder, into the sport.

“He was under 2 when he started,” said his mother, Marti Boder. “His sister did classes and he just loved it from day one.”

While Josie moved on from gymnastics — she earned her own high marks as a member of the Tennessee Children’s Dance Ensemble, as has their younger sister, Rose — Ethan remains entrenched in the sport.

While Ethan has been a competitive gymnast since age 7, both he and his long-time coach, Matt Henry, said he “wasn’t always the best.”

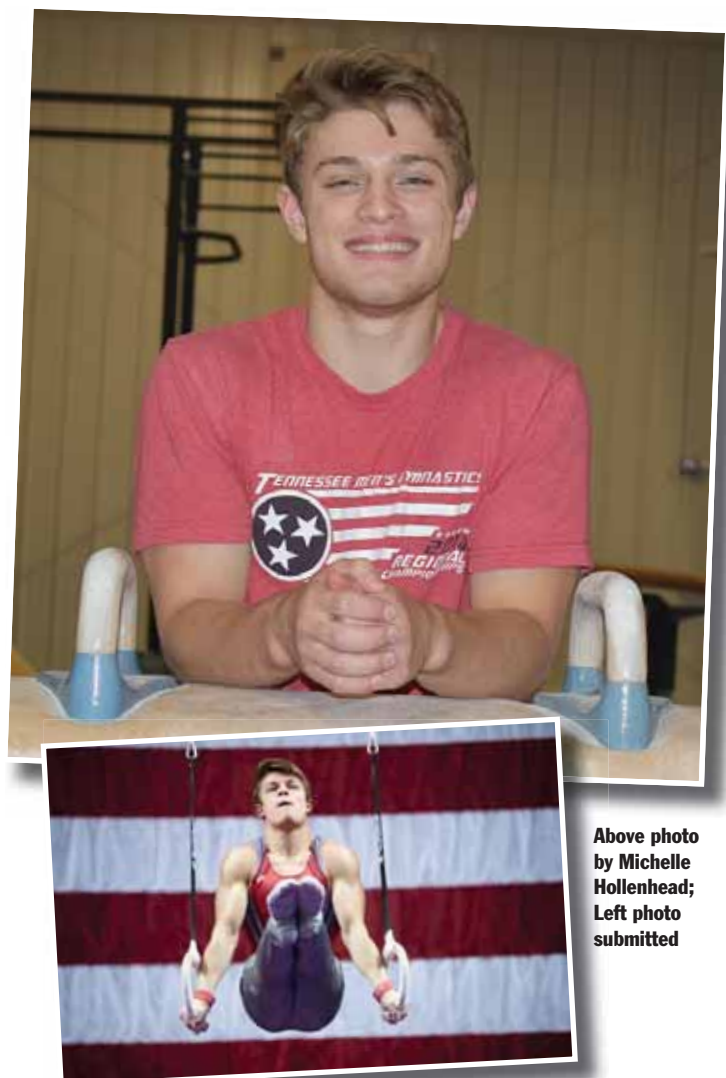
“But I kept at it,” Ethan said.

“It’s not just about natural talent,” Marti added. “You have to be a hard worker, too.”

He has only had two coaches — the other, Brian Jones, only coached him briefly yet recognized Ethan’s potential before Henry took over.

While Ethan has been making strides and setting

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Above photo by Michelle Hollenhead; Left photo submitted

(Top) Rising Knoxville Catholic High School senior and gymnast Ethan Boder is headed for Italy next week as part of a contingent that will train with and compete against the Italian Junior National Team. **(Above)** Ethan Boder in action during the Elite Team Cup competition in March, in which his team placed third overall.

Third in U.S. for FHS’s Lui

Rena Lui, representing Farragut High School, was one of two Tennessee students who medaled at the 2019 National History Day competition, with the theme of “Triumph and Tragedy in History,” held at the University of Maryland, College Park, June 9-13.

With FHS teacher Angela Breeding credited, Lui earned

third-place for Senior Individual Paper, “The My Lai Massacre: The Tragedy and Its Triumphs.”

Fifty-six Tennessee students, working either individual or in groups, submitted 36 entries. The students earned the right to compete at National History Day by winning medals at the recent state contest, Tennessee History Day.

Air Force veteran tells of Home’s rehab effort

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Richard Johnson said childhood lessons and military experience have helped him in his role as executive director of Tennessee Children’s Home, which offers treatment for displaced families and residential care for boys ages 13 to 18.

He shared the non-profit organization’s story as The Rotary Club

of Farragut’s featured speaker during its weekly meeting in Fox Den Country Club Wednesday, June 19.

When Johnson retired from the Air Force in 2009 and later was looking for a way to give back, he came across the TCH and was hired as a principal of the on-site school and a house parent at its West Tennessee campus (boys only).

He became the director of the

East Tennessee campus, in Karns, in 2011.

“Tennessee Children’s Home is committed to serving abused, neglected, wayward, orphaned children and youths, as well as their families, in a Christian manner,” Johnson said. “We provide physical, social, emotional, spiritual and educational needs of children and youths.

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Owning a pet a human health benefit, studies from last 20 to 25 years say

Q: My friend (she's a nurse) was telling me all the health benefits of having a pet. I couldn't believe what she was telling me and all the ways that pets are being used in the hospitals and nursing homes to help the patients. I thought you might want to share with your readers. P.L., Farragut

A: Your friend is absolutely right. Over the last 20 to 25 years, researchers at places like the Centers of Disease of Control and the National Institute of Health

have been studying how pet ownership and companionship have many human health benefits. For children, pet ownership has shown to increase self-esteem, empathy and self-responsibility. Pets can help children cope with serious family situations, such as illness or divorce. With pets present, many children have less stress and anxiety during doctor's visits. My pediatrician often has her dog with her at work, and it certainly works with my kids. For adults, many studies show

better overall health and psychological well-being as compared to non-pet owners. The health benefits are even more for those owners who regularly walk his/her pet. Since walking the dog often involves



Stephanie Myers
Ask the Vet

the whole family, the benefits include increased physical activity and quality family time. Studies consistently show lower blood pressure, cholesterol and triglyceride levels as additional benefits of pet ownership. Trained dogs and cats can now be found across the country in many different settings. You may see a dog at the hospital waiting with a patient for test results or sitting with a child reading at school. You may see another sitting with a physical therapy patient

at a rehabilitation center or a cat sitting in the lap of a senior at a nursing home. Studies consistently show less anxiety in the above situations. I believe we will continue to see pets more often in these settings — and likely in additional ways in the future. *If you have questions about pet ownership or animal assisted therapy programs in our area, e-mail Dr. Myers at lenoir-cityac@gmail.com for more information.*

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 - **Farragut West Knox Chamber of Commerce has updated the time** for its second installment of FWKCC Focus, Unite, Engage, Lead. It will begin at **5 p.m. and run until 7 p.m., Thursday, July 11**, in Calhoun's-Turkey Creek, 625 Turkey Cove Lane. FWKCC F.U.E.L. is the Chamber's new networking series/program intended specifically to help up-and-coming young professionals make connections.
 - **Knox County Health Department's next Diabetes Management Series is from 1 to 2 p.m., Friday, July 12, July 19 and July 26**, at KCHD, 140 Dameron Ave. Parking is free. Those interested should call 865-215-5170 or visit the link at surveymonkey.com/r/July2019DMC to register.
 - **Town of Farragut and Shop**

Farragut announce the new MUSICFEST at West End presented by SouthEast Bank for two days in mid-July. Farragut merchants and local vendors will move outside to showcase their products and services to crowds, who will enjoy the performances of more than two dozen musicians playing Country and Blues music. MUSICFEST at West End is scheduled from **6 to 10 p.m., Friday, July 12** (featuring Country music), and from **3 to 10 p.m., Saturday, July 13**, (featuring Blues), in West End shopping center parking lot just south of Farragut High School. For more information, contact Stephen F. Krempasky, executive director of Shop Farragut/Farragut Business Alliance, at steve@farragutbusiness.com or www.farragutbusiness.com/.

- **Young actors are being sought for a faith-based play focusing on suicide prevention.** "Worth It" will be presented by Vet to Vet Tennessee **Nov. 10** in Knoxville. Auditions are set to run from **10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday, July 13**, at Fourth Presbyterian Church, the home of Carpetbag Theatre, 1323 N. Broadway. Actors who can portray characters ages 15 to 19 are asked to bring a recent photo and prepare a song no more than 90 seconds in length. Audition lines will be provided. The

topic is dealt with using both drama and comedy. For more information, visit <https://suicideprevention.tnvhc.org/> or call 865-336-2624.

- **Knox County Extension Master Gardeners will present a class** on "Tomatoes 9-1-1!" from **1 to 2 p.m., Monday, July 15**, at Davis Family YMCA along Northshore Drive. Class is free. For more information, call 865-777-9622 or visit online at ymcaknoxville.org/
- **Town of Farragut will host a free class on Making Medicare Easier** from **6 to 7 p.m., Monday, July 15**, in Town Hall, 11408 Municipal Center Drive. Instructor Bruce Landis of Providence Advisors Group will provide an overview of parts A, B, C and D and discuss enrollment periods and supplements. Registration deadline is **Friday, July 12**. Register at townoffarragut.org/register, in person at Town Hall or by phone at 865-218-3375.
- **Newcomers Club will meet** beginning at **noon, Wednesday, July 17**, in Bearden Banquet Hall, 5806 Kingston Pike. Women who are new to the area, or who just want to make new friends, are invited for lunch and a program. Marie Larue Baker will speak about Care Cuts, a Hair Dresser charity aiding the homeless and poor. For reservations, which

must be made before **Friday, July 12**, call 865-681-9989.

- **Join instructor Kristi Hulsey of Tennessee Thyme** from **6 to 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, July 17**, for the Succulent Garden Make & Take class in Farragut Town Hall, 11408 Municipal Center Drive, and create a fun, modern dish garden. Register by **Monday, July 15**, at townoffarragut.org/register, in person at Town Hall or by phone at 865-218-3375.
- **Morning Pointe of Lenoir City and The Lantern of Lenoir City**, 198 Morning Pointe Drive, are hosting a question-and-answer session regarding veterans benefits featuring Alvin Wagner from Loudon County Veterans Affairs Office, which begins at **3:30 p.m., Thursday, July 18**. Event is free and open to the public. For more information, 865-988-7373.
- **Summer Songwriter Showcase** is from **6:30 to 8:30 p.m., Friday, July 19**, at West Hills Presbyterian Church Family Activity Center, 7600 Bennington Drive, Knoxville. An evening of original Christian, Gospel and Inspirational music from award-winning local songwriters Mitch Townley, Scott Parker, Karen Bowles and Edgar Allen Lee is featured. Admission is free. This is a concert in support of Child Evangelism Fellowship of Knoxville, which

operates After School Good News Bible Clubs in Knox and surrounding counties. Donations for CEFK are appreciated. Contact Mitch Townley for more information by calling 865-660-3792 or e-mailing townleymitch@gmail.com

- **Enjoy a nighttime opportunity to attract, collect and attempt to identify moths** for a nationwide citizen science effort. Meet Nick Stahlman at the lower parking lot/restroom at McFee Park and embark on this adventure from **9 to 11:30 p.m., Saturday, July 20**. Cost is \$5 for individuals, \$10 for families (up to two adults and four children under 18 years of age). Program is designed for ages 8 and up. Register by **5 p.m., Thursday, July 18**; call 865-577-4717 ext. 127; or visit online at ljams.org/.
- **Town of Farragut will host a free Lunch and Learn "Can We Talk? End of Life Issues Conversation"** from **12:30 to 2 p.m., Monday, July 22**. Instructor Maureen Willis of Choices in Senior Care will discuss important end-of-life questions. A light lunch will be provided for those who pre-register by **Friday, July 19**, at townoffarragut.org/register, at Town Hall, 11408 Municipal Center Drive, or by phone at 865-218-3375.

Sayers

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Sayers joined Knox County Schools as a biology teacher at West in 2002 and later taught chemistry there. She was promoted in August 2008 to newly-opened HVA as

STEM dean while teaching honors physical world concepts, honors chemistry and AP chemistry. Sayers also mentored senior portfolio students at HVA, was a lead teacher, facilitated the chemistry and AP honors Professional Learning Communities program, was a test item reviewer

and writer — which she also did at West High School — and an Advanced Placement reader for chemistry. Sayers was at Hardin Valley for five years before she went to FHS as curriculum principal in the fall of 2013. She was transferred to Knox-

ville Central in the fall of 2015. Sayers holds a bachelor's degree in chemistry and biology from Spring Arbor College, Michigan, and a master's degree in administration and supervision from Lincoln Memorial University. **Four promoted at FHS** Knox County Schools also

promoted Brad White to new assistant administrator (training program for assistant principals) at FHS, where he previously was a business teacher. Also promoted to positions at FHS were Laicee Hatfield, to curriculum principal, and Ryan Milani and Karey Lowdermilk as assistant principals.

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NO MORE DELAYS; TIME FOR ACTION

Farragut Community Group decides its time to begin incorporation plans with a pair of new leaders

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Enough with agenda delays, insults and turning a blind eye to illegal developer activity from Knox County government — a handful of southwest Knox Countians were ready to do something that, looking back, even amazes some of them 40 years later.

With the majority of these Farragut Community Group activists in their 30s, some admit, “We were too young to know any better” when deciding to take government into their own hands.

In the fall of 1979, after roughly six months of failure dealing with Knox County government, “We said, ‘Let’s go and incorporate,’” said FCG member Eric Johnson, a retired engineer at what is now ORNL and who served as one of the Town’s first aldermen. He has lived in Kingsgate subdivision since 1974.

One of the more amazing aspects of incorporating what is now the Town of Farragut, “The whole thing came together in 26 days,” said FCG member Betty Dick, an alderman from 1981 to 1987 who currently is a member of Farragut Municipal Planning Commission.

With the first two FCG meetings at the home of members George and Julie Dorsey, “George and Julie and (the late) Jess (Campbell, an attorney) had already been talking somewhat about incorporation for about a year off and on,” Dick said.

Another motivating factor: “They had heard Knoxville was getting ready to annex a bunch of land,” said FCG member Ron Simandl, a semi-retired chemist at Y-12 in Oak Ridge after moving to what is now Farragut from Wisconsin in 1977.

“I have to say, the group of us who worked to incorporate the town, and the many people who helped with that effort, we didn’t agree on everything — but we agreed on most things,” Johnson said.

“Betty was a real driver on this,” Simandl said. “I have tremendous respect for Betty, a very bright lady. Very driven.”

However, for all the talent representing FCG, “We didn’t have

anybody to head it up,” Johnson said.

Dick said none of most active FCG members — herself, Jess, Simandl, Johnson, the Dorseys or Gene McNalley — “wanted to head up the group and organize what needed to be done. We were all willing to work and follow a leader, but we didn’t have a leader.”

Recalling the late Dr. Ralph McGill’s boiling anger after being told he wasn’t supposed to speak, while attempting to air grievances concerning the flooding in his yard, by Knox County “Court” (now Knox County Commission), Dick said she wanted to tap into the anger — for leadership.

Following a church service, “I said, ‘Ralph, I have a job for you,’” Dick recalled with a laugh.

“He came home and he said, ‘You’re not going to believe this ... but they’re trying to incorporate and they want me to lead it,’” his widow, Marianne McGill, recalled about his first reaction to that fateful meeting. “And I went, ‘Ok, this ought to be interesting.’”

After also speaking with a few other FCG members, and his wife, “He agreed to be our leader,” she said.

“We knew it was going to be a battle — we didn’t know how much of a battle,” Marianne said. “And I said, ‘I’m game if you’re game.’”

“... Ralph organized us, gave us special assignments about what needed to be done. We all went to work and did what we had to do,” Dick said.

About Ralph McGill, “He was driven also,” Simandl said. “Somebody in Knox County made the mistake of slighting the wrong person.

“... Ralph stepped up and the rest of us followed.”

However, another leader was needed — for the legal aspect of incorporation.

With Jess’s role as the group’s

early legal arm coming to an end, “we had to find an attorney,” Dick said.

The late David Rodgers, a corporate attorney with Kramer Rayson LLP in Knoxville, “was on the (Village Green) homeowners board with me,” she added. “... He was just a wonderful man. And I also regret I never wrote down all his little, special sayings.”

Dick said she called Rodgers “to see if he would consider being the legal person of (the group) for incorporation. ... He hesitated quite a while. He said, ‘Well, let me think about it.’”

Dick said she asked David “to represent Village Green homeowners at a second FCG meeting at the Dorseys’ home” in attempt to get him on the incorporation bandwagon.

However, “He had never done municipal law,” said David’s widow, Marty Rodgers, still living in Village Green where the couple had lived for decades.

In fact, with a similar incorporation effort in the early 1970s having failed,

HIGHLIGHTS

- Get going before Knoxville can annex much of the area
- Group leader chosen after impressive face-off against county
- Attorney, chosen to lead the group on legal matter, has serious doubts
- Profiles of a few group leaders

“He thought initially, quite frankly, that it was not going to fly,” David’s widow said. “... It would be a nearly impossible task to raise the necessary support, because a lot of people in this area were happy with the way things were.”

Moreover, Marianne McGill recalled David saying early on, “There is no way this is going to

happen.’ He really poo-pooed it.”

But after that second FCG meeting “he agreed” to be the group’s new legal advisor, Dick said.

“I’ve never done that, but I guess I could learn,” Marty recalled David saying. “Ok, I’ll try to guide this ship where it’s going.”



David Rodgers



(Above right) A Farragut Community Group meeting featuring, from left, Dr. Ralph McGill and his wife, Marianne McGill; Eric Johnson; and Ron Simandl and his wife, Wanda Simandl.

(Right) A retired engineer from what is now Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Eric Johnson was on board early on as a Farragut Community Group member. Having moved to Kingsgate subdivision in 1974, which remains his home, Johnson was among residents there dealing with various topographical issues — some dangerous — in the mid-to-late 1970s based on poor developer planning and alleged county indifference.

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Bringing ‘a wealth of knowledge,’ Gibson named CAK K-12 CAO

STAFF REPORTS

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Christian Academy of Knoxville announced Terry Gibson has accepted an offer to become Chief Administrative Officer of the kindergarten-through-12th grade school of about 900 students.

“Gibson brings a wealth of knowledge with a background in business to help the school align

goals with operational policies and procedures,” a CAK press release stated. “This leadership position reports to Head of School Dan Perryman.”

“I am excited about the experience that Terry brings to CAK,” Perryman said. “His ability to analyze operations and provide viable solutions to problems is an invaluable skill. I look forward to working with Terry.”

Gibson is retired from Smiths

Detection, where he worked for five years as president of U.S. Operations and vice president for Global Services.

Since retirement, he has served on CAK’s Board of



Gibson

Trustees and is often seen volunteering around campus and working with the middle school robotics team.

“The opportunity to serve God and support the CAK community is exciting to me,” Gibson said.

“I am eager to work with our faculty, staff and families as we seek God’s guidance and implement His visions for the school,” he added.

As a CAK grandparent, Gibson has a heart for the Warriors’ mission and vision.

He and his wife, Betsy, have been married for 45 years and attend Fellowship Church.

They have two daughters, Jennifer and Amber, and five grandchildren – Emma (16) and Ethan (14) both who attend CAK — and Olivia (11), Kalbe (12) and Ryley (21), who reside in Florida.



Tammy Cheek

Richard Johnson, left, Tennessee Children’s Home executive director, chatted with new Rotary Club of Farragut member Josh Hornberger, Edward Jones financial advisor, following a program Johnson presented to RCF during its meeting in Fox Den Country Club Wednesday, June 19.

Rotary

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“We serve in a safe and secure environment,” he added. “What we do in our organization is not just catered to one specific group.”

A faith-based organization, Johnson said it is not run by the state, as it is a non-profit agency and is predominately supported by Churches of Christ and businesses, but it works with Tennessee Department of Children’s Services to take children into DCS custody.

“We also do private placements,” he added. “We work with families on costs.”

The program started in 1907 as an orphanage, then changed

its name in 1982 and merged in 1988 with Tennessee Children’s Homes. In 2000, he said it merged with Happy Hills in Ashland City, which later was moved to Clarksville.

The other TCH campus, for females, is located in Clarksville.

All three campuses have on-site schools, Johnson said.

He explained the boys placed in on-site homes in residential care are in a group environment with house parents/residential counselors.

Johnson said the residential care is structured to help the boys be successful by offering the school, tutoring services, church attendance, counseling services and substance abuse counseling.

Boder

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himself apart, he also is part of a well-trained GymTek team Henry has been coaching over the years, which include fellow KCHS alum Adler Bain (who recently earned a scholarship as a student/athlete cheerleader at the University of Tennessee) and rising junior Jacob Foster.

In addition to Marti, who teaches gymnastics herself to very young budding athletes at GymTek, Ethan’s father, Eric Boder, also supports not only his son, but his teammates and their coach.

“Matt is probably one of the best coaches in the country,” Marti said. “And I love watching the entire team when they perform. I feel like they are all my sons, I have watched them for so long.”

While Henry said at this point his role is more of guidance and counseling, he played a big part in challenging Ethan this year to improve on what the coach said has been his weakest event: the pommel horse.

As a result, Ethan’s pommel horse performances have cinched his biggest wins.

“One of the really cool things



Michelle Hollenhead

Gymnast Ethan Boder, left, and his long-time coach, Matt Henry, work together at GymTek along Western Avenue, where Boder trains upwards of 30 hours a week.

is how well he did on the pommel horse, since, typically, that (has been) the one event he is least naturally gifted at,” he said.

“During practices, he had to do the pommel three times in a row before he was allowed to do anything else, and it paid off — he qualified for the U.S. Championships,” Henry added, noting that competition will take place in Au-

gust, and Ethan is the first from GymTek to qualify.

While looking ahead to college, Ethan soon will be eligible for Olympic competition.

Currently, however, there are only 15 collegiate Division I gymnastic programs, which includes the three service academies, he said, adding he had not yet committed to a university.

ADVERTORIAL

Back Pain & Sciatica: Have You Tried Everything?



The other week I went on a bit of a rant about how injections were not a good solution for lower back and sciatic pain, or at least not a good starting point. After I thought about it for a while, it dawned on me that many of you who suffer from this kind of pain probably didn’t

start with an injection. Rather, many of you have probably tried just about everything you can think of to eliminate your pain. And then when you were running out of options, and all you had left to choose from was injections or surgery, you chose injections.

If this sounds like you, let me first tell you that you’ve done the right thing. If you’ve already tried things like physical therapy, chiropractic, massage therapy, acupuncture, yoga, etc. and you still couldn’t find pain relief, it makes perfect sense that an injection then became your next best option.

Injections and surgery should be your absolute last resort when it comes to eliminating lower back and sciatic pain. And there are certainly situations where you need surgery immediately, especially if you have instability in your spine (such as a fracture or “spondylolisthesis”) or a disc rupture that cannot be healed.

But let me challenge you a bit today, because I’m not trying to let you off the hook just yet. Are you ready? If you’ve been considering having an injection or surgery, I want to ask you a tough question: “Have you tried everything you can think of to get rid of this pain?” And when I say everything, I mean EVERYTHING.

Have you exhausted all of your conservative options? If you’ve tried physical therapy (or chiropractic), did you stick with the advice you were given? Keeping in mind that not all healthcare providers are created equally, did you seek a second opinion? You’d be surprised by how many of our patients tell us “I’ve tried physical therapy before and it didn’t work for me.” My next question goes like this: “What did you do with your PT?” At the very least, we now have a good idea of what doesn’t work for you, which brings us one step closer to finding a solution. (And as an aside, these people were very often given generic exercises with little to no hands-on treatment. So it’s understandable why so many of them drop out of PT early, especially when the exercises are making them feel worse.)

If you’re nodding your head at this point, and

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

you’ve tried everything I’ve mentioned, have you considered aquatic therapy? Or here’s a fun question for you: Have you considered changing your diet, or prioritizing stress management? These are all difficult questions to ask, but often times I think the quality of the solution you get is dependent on the quality of the questions you ask.

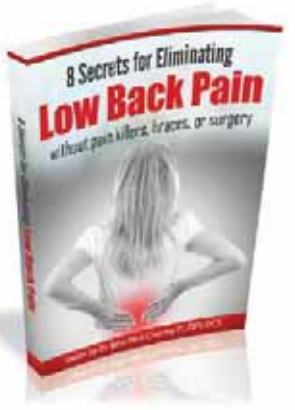
That may be a bit philosophical for some of you, but I think it’s the simple truth. Now, if you’re still scratching your head and trying to think of everything you can possibly do to start feeling better, I have one more resource I want to share with you today: my FREE REPORT on how to eliminate back pain.

The report is titled “8 Secrets for Eliminating Back Pain without Pain Killers, Injections, or Surgery”. As the title implies, this report includes 8 tips that you can use to start reducing your back pain right away.

I designed this report as a starting point for people who are looking for ways to naturally experience pain relief, without having to rely on pain medications. The 8 tips won’t be an end-all solution to your back pain, but it’s very likely they’ll help you get the ball rolling and ultimately give you hope that there is a solution to your pain. For most people, 2-3 of the tips will be relevant and useful and will help them feel better. It’s just a matter of figuring out what will work best for you. To claim your copy of this FREE report, simply call the office at (865) 351-0615 or visit <http://simplypt.com/pain-guide>.

I hope today’s article has inspired you to explore every possible solution to help you relieve your pain and avoid having injections or surgery. If you have any specific questions you’d like to run by me, please don’t hesitate to call or email. Talk to you again next week!

The author, John-Mark Chesney, is a Doctor of Physical Therapy, owner of Simply Physio. He’s happy to answer your questions about back pain and sciatica. Call Simply Physio at (865) 351-0615 or email Dr. John-Mark at john-mark@simplypt.com



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‘Rings’ of truth

Wormsley, offensive brain helping Webb football capture seven state titles, retires; also 2 rings as Hall of Fame baseball coach

KEN LAY
Correspondent

KNOXVILLE — When the 2019 high school football season begins, one of Knox County’s longtime and most successful assistant coaches won’t be there.

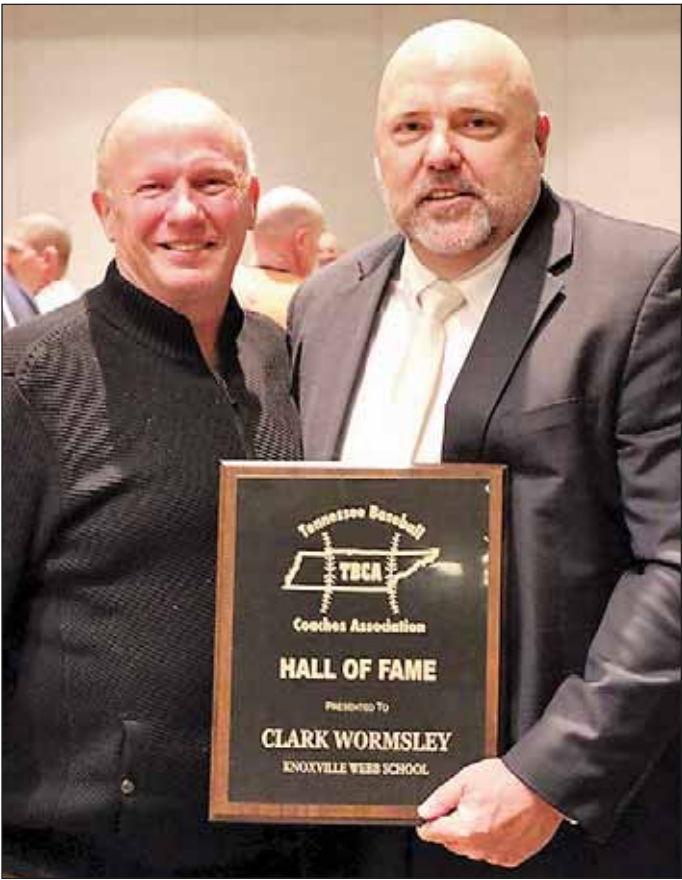
Webb School of Knoxville offensive coordinator Clark Wormsley announced recently he is stepping away from the game after 35 seasons — helping produce seven Spartans state championships — as a fixture with his powerful winged-T offense.

Wormsley, who first coached the Spartans under Ron Gratz, had been with current head coach David Meske since the latter arrived at Webb in 1985.

“Dave is my best friend, although we haven’t always agreed,” Wormsley said. “He wants his program run a certain way, but he always gives you the freedom to do things the way you want to do them. He remains my best friend and I’ve been fortunate to coach with him.

“And I’ve been fortunate enough to spend all of my coaching career at Webb School,” he added. “I think Dave and I have been together longer than any head coach and assistant.”

As for his decision, “I started thinking about this at the end of last season,” said Wormsley, who will continue as Dean of Students at Webb Middle School. “Every year, Dave sends out the times that we’re going to get started. Every



(Above) Dave Meske, left, Webb athletic director and football head coach, was on hand when Clark Wormsley, former Spartans Baseball head coach, was elected into Tennessee Baseball Coaches Association Hall of Fame in 2018. (Right) Seven football and two baseball state title rings Wormsley helped earn.



year, it gets earlier and earlier.

“We used to start on Aug. 1, and now we’re starting in July. For the first time, I wasn’t excited about it. If I’m not excited about getting started this year, it’s not fair to the kids and it’s not fair to Dave. For Dave and me, it’s always been

about the kids,” he added.

Wormsley also led Webb baseball to a state crown in 2010, as head coach for 25 years (assisted by Meske in 1987), while the assistant coach on the other baseball state title team in 1985.

Another personal highlight was his induction into Tennessee Baseball Coaches Association Hall of Fame in 2018.

His son, Jordan Wormsley, took over the Spartans’ baseball program and currently is head coach. Both Jordan and his brother, Parker, played baseball and football under their father at Webb.

“With baseball, I knew that it was time because I wanted to get the chance to see Parker play when he was at Tennessee,” Clark said. “I never got the chance to see Jordan play (college baseball) because I was busy coaching.

“Now, Jordan has a daughter and I want to spend time with her and I want to spend time with my family. I also live on the Clinch

River, so I’m going to fish as much as I possibly can,” he added.

Despite seeing his passion for football wane a bit, Clark said he’ll still be in attendance on Friday nights.

“We’ve had some great players that I’ve coached and I’ve had a chance to coach both of my sons in both football and baseball — and that was special,” he said. “I’m sure that I’ll miss the game, especially on Friday nights.

“I’ll miss coaching the great kids and I’ll miss the competition. I’ll still come to the games on Friday nights,” Clark added.

Also being part of three football state runner-up seasons, the elder Wormsley will be missed alongside the Spartans’ sideline.

“He’s been unbelievable and he’s been with me the whole time I’ve been at Webb School,” Meske said. “He’s my best friend and we grew up as coaches together.

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Clark Wormsley gives instruction concerning his winged-T offense during a Webb practice. This upcoming season will be the first in 50 years he’s neither played nor coached a sport.



During a regular season Webb football game in 1989, Clark Wormsley shouts instruction from the sideline.

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Wormsley

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“He’s a great football coach and he’s someone who loves kids, and he loves working with kids. He’s a great teacher,” Meske added.

“There’s not many times that you can say that someone has coached with you for 35 years.”

Photo submitted

Clark Wormsley and sons, Parker Wormsley, left, and Jordan Wormsley, currently Webb varsity baseball head coach.



Approaching GKAIISA ‘City Meet,’ Farragut swim teams seek strong regular season close

Approaching the final few meets of the Greater Knoxville Area Inter-club Swimming Association regular season, Farragut’s four teams also are preparing for the season-ending “City Meet” later this month.

In League 1, the Village Green Gators sported an unblemished 2-0 record heading into a home meet against unbeaten Knoxville Racquet Club (3-0) Tuesday evening, July 9 (after press deadline).

Among League 2 Farragut teams, the Sugarwood Stingrays were undefeated at 2-0 before hosting the Gettysview Gliders (1-2) July 9.

Also in League 2, the Fox Den Red Foxes (2-1) hit the road to Cedar Bluff to battle Gulf Park (0-2) July 9, the same day the Concord Hills Pirahnas (1-2) hosted Jefferson City Swim Club (1-0).



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Independence Day Parade

With energetic toddlers and smiling children found everywhere — not to mention hundreds of teenagers, parents and grandparents — they all added up to a few thousand who lined the north and south sides of Kingston Pike to enjoy 32nd Annual Town of Farragut Independence Day Parade.

Presenting its usual varied cast of 95 entries and featuring Dr. Tom Kim as grand marshal and fly-overs from a Knox County Sheriff's Office helicopter, the roughly two-hour Parade took its usual westward route down Kingston Pike.

Beginning this year at West Pointe Drive due to road and parking lot repaving at Farragut High School, the Parade ended at the entrance to Farragut Towne Center (former Ingles location) on a sunny Thursday morning, July 4.

Dennis Beal and his wife, Shannon, man the couple's Mayberry police car replica, complete with "The Andy Griffith Show" theme music.



Back row, from left, are Maci Brown, Mary Ella Wendell, and Ainsley Brown. In front are Emmaline Wendell, left, and Blakely Brown.



Mom, Wena Ellsworth, and daughters, Raeanne, left, and Rose

From left, Rob, Caitlyn and Cassidy Stickley



Kira Brockamp



Britney Jones and daughter, Piper



Above: Mom, Lindsay Fly, with children, Lucy and Liam

Left: Jessica Tregrea with Dahlia, and Jerry Tregrea with Daisy

Right: Wilson siblings, in front from left, Alexandra, Lewis and Josephine. In back are Maxwell, left, and Madeleine



Concord Christian School Marching Band

Staff photos by Michelle Hollenhead, Tammy Cheek and Alan Sloan



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Hands-Free



Tips for Dealing with Tennessee's New Driving Laws

Smartphones and technology-on-the-go have become essential threads in the fabric of our daily business life. Increased popularity of flexible schedules or working remotely often requires that calls and messages be responded to before the end of business day, which means while traveling. Even the Occupational Health and Safety Administration (OSHA) admits on their website that "More time on the road means less time at home or at work, but 'drive time' can never mean 'down time.'"

However, distracted driving not only puts lives at risk; it exposes businesses to legal liability and lost productivity when employees are the ones texting, taking calls using their handset, taking photos or selfies, using social media or engaging in other risky activity behind the wheel. OSHA's website says that, "Drivers make more than 200 decisions during every mile traveled." Add the coordination of using technology while focusing on the road, and the stage is set for potential disaster.

The new Hands Free Tennessee law that went into effect earlier this month aims to cut down on distracted driving collisions. In early 2019, Tennessee ranked highest in distracted driving fatalities and was among the

top five states (Delaware, Wyoming, Texas and Montana) responsible for 31% of all distracted driving fatalities from 2015 to 2017 (1,400 lives lost).

For anyone still unsure of just what the new laws means, the rules and exceptions are as follows:

Drivers can incur a fine up to \$200 plus 3 points on their license for:

- Holding their mobile device with any part of their body
- Writing, sending or reading any text-based communication
- Reaching for their mobile device in a way that makes them no longer seated in the driver's seat and restrained by a seat-belt
- Watching a video or movie on their mobile device
- Recording video on their mobile device

Drivers can still:

- Use GPS to navigate
- Use hands-free devices
- Use voice-to-speech
- Use ONE tap/swipe to turn a feature on or off (device must be mounted to dashboard, windshield or center console)



- Call/speak to authorities like 911 in a legitimate emergency

Aside from knowing the rules and adhering to them, many are taking this as an opportunity to use their phone's "Do Not Disturb" feature or to download apps that will block or minimize the distraction of incoming messages while driving. We've compiled a few options from across the web here. Drive safely!

iPhones: For models running the current iOS 11 software, the "Do Not Disturb while driving feature" is already built into iPhones, which suppresses notifications and only shows turn-by-turn navigation on the lock screen. Users should have gotten a prompt to enable the option the first time your iPhone detected motion akin to driving. If you ignored it, you can still activate it.

In the Settings app, tap "Do Not Disturb" and scroll down to change the feature's activation options. "Automatically" turns it on if iPhone's motion sensors pick up auto-like acceleration (it will work if you're in a rented or borrowed car), while "When Connected to Car Bluetooth" relies on the phone pairing to

your car's Bluetooth wireless (which avoids it being confused by non-car movement). "Manually" requires you to activate do not disturb-while-driving from the Control Center. By default, iOS' Control Center doesn't show an icon for this mode. To fix that, go to the Settings app, select "Control Center" and then "Customize Controls."

Driving Detective: This free Android app lets you automatically flip on "Do Not Disturb" while you're driving for any Android smartphone. It's based on the same "Do Not Disturb While Driving" software Google developed for their Pixel 2 and 3 (any older device will not have it). It also works with any device running Android 4.1 or up, and setting it up is easy. Download the app. Open it. You'll get a prompt asking for "Do Not Disturb" access. That's it.

Driving Detective assumes when you're in your car by taking measurements of your current speed. You choose whether to block all notifications or let through priority alerts (Reminders, Events, Alarms, and messages from a select group of contacts)

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Member Briefs

Looking for more details on a specific event, special or job?

Go to www.farragutchamber.com to see these and other member items!

Saratoga Technologies will be hosting a Networking & Product Demo Event on Friday, July 26th from 12:00 noon – 2p at 10645 Dutchtown Rd., Knoxville, TN 37932. There will be free food, giveaways, a special gift for each attendee, and a Sharp printer demonstration. Come network with like-minded business individuals from the local Knoxville area. For more information, contact Jaycie Kelly at (423) 722-3513 or visit <http://www.saratogatech.com>

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2019 Breakfast Speaker Series Continues with Two Events

The Chamber's popular Breakfast Speaker Series moves forward into the latter half of 2019 with two events lined up for July and September respectively. The series occurs several times throughout the year and features a variety of speakers, elected officials and entertaining guests. Past speakers have included Candidate Forums, Active Shooter panels, Senators, County and City Mayors, and local authors such Dr. Bill Bass and Jon Jefferson.

The July 30 Breakfast Speaker Series will take place at Rothchild Catering and Conference Center at 7:30 a.m. with the speakers to begin at 8:00 a.m. The topic will be a Sports Season Preview featuring popular



Jarnigan

local media legends Jeff Jarnigan and Jimmy Hyams, designed to entertain and get attendees excited for what the 2019/20 season of Vols sports will bring. Questions are encouraged!

Jarnigan was tapped by Cumulus Media/Knoxville in 2016 as Operations Manager for its three-station cluster, which includes Country WIVK, News-Talk WOKI, and Sports Talk WNML-A/F. He has spent over 25 seasons as PA announcer for the University of TN including, UT Football, Men's Basketball & The Pride of the Southland Marching Band. He also brings to his role at Cumulus over 30 years in radio broadcasting experience across the KNOXVILLE market and more than 20 years' experience in programming



Hyams

management.

Hyams has been breaking the top sports stories in Knoxville since 1985 after spending 16 years in Louisiana where he began his career. The four-time Tennessee Sports Writer of the Year and two-time Tennessee Broadcaster of the Year is a registered Heisman voter and wrote for the Knoxville News-Sentinel from 1985-1998 before transitioning into talk radio. The acting Sports Director for Cumulus Knoxville, Hyams also covers SEC football for Lindy's Magazine. The former collegiate baseball player has been with WNML for 20 years.

On September 17, the Chamber will



Boyd

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Knoxville gets first organic mattress store! **Simply Bed'r - Organic Mattress Gallery** opened Monday, July 1st in West Town Mall with a ribbon cutting. This store is dedicated to healthy sleep for all ages by offering natural and certified (free of toxins and chemicals) organic mattresses, pillows, sheets, crib mattresses, and pet beds! A family and employee owned company founded in East Tennessee in 1992, CEO Chad Cunningham explained they've been hearing a lot about health problems, chemical sensitivities, and allergies- they wanted to bring products to the community that they felt could really make a difference in people's lives. Visit <http://www.bedrmattress.com> or call (865) 333-5727 for more information.

Computer Systems Plus takes home Golden Datto Award for Fastest Growing New Partner of the Year! Computer Systems Plus (CSP) was founded in 1983 in Knoxville with a simple goal: run a business where customers, family, and faith could all win. Even in an ever-changing industry, two things have remained the same at CSP: a comprehensive approach to IT and an unwavering dedication to customer service. Today, Computer Systems Plus supports over 130 businesses in the greater Knoxville area with IT services ranging from the Cloud to Screen and Everything in-between. Visit <http://www.compsysplus.com> or call (865) 573-5303 for more information. Congratulations!

Congratulations to the 2019 farragutpress Readers' Choice Award Winners: **Amara Wellness & Spa, Beltone Hearing, Bill Jones Music, Buddy's BBQ, Chick-fil-A, Clean Juice, Click Funeral Home, Concord Veterinary Hospital, Connor's, Dairy Queen, David's Abbey Carpet & Floors, Fox Den Country Club, His Security, Jet's Pizza, Kroger, Mansour Hasan – State Farm, Matlock Tire Service & Auto Repair, Mortgage Investors Group, Nancy Westerling, NHC Farragut, Planet Fitness, Pure Magic Full Service Carwash, Regions Bank, Rick Terry Jewelry Designs, The Eye Group, The UPS Store #2381, Tropical Smoothie, TVA Credit Union, and Water into Wine.**

The 8th Annual Don Sproles Memorial Evening "WINE AND SHINE" will be held Friday, July 19, 2019 benefiting **Volunteer Ministry Center (VMC)**. An evening featuring a tasting and presentation of several premium moonshines through Sugarlands Distillery as well as a collection of spectacular wines awaits you! Guests will enjoy delicious gourmet food, a live band, a silent and live auction- led by Auctioneer Bear Stephenson, will provide you the opportunity to bid on some of the most fabulous and unique items in Knoxville! VMC is honored to have storyteller extraordinaire Sam Venable. Tickets are \$70. For more information visit www.vmcinc.org.

Burns Mailing & Printing welcomes Suzanne McCarter August 5th to the Burns team as an account representative. She will be working with customers in graphic design, printing, direct mail and promotional products. Suzanne comes from a sales background and we are sure that she will be great at this new position. You can reach her at (865) 584-2265 or email at suzanne@burnsmp.com.

The **Town of Farragut** and **SHOP FARRAGUT** are delighted to announce the new MUSICFEST at West End presented by SouthEast Bank, (replacing the former RED WHITE & BLUES JAM). It will take place Friday July 12 and Saturday July 13, in the West End Shopping Center parking lot just south of Farragut High School. Farragut merchants and local vendors will move outside to showcase their products and services to crowds who will enjoy the performances of over 2 dozen musicians playing Country and Blues music. Visit <http://www.farragutbusiness.com/musicfest-west-end.html> for more information.

BarberMcMurtry Architects recently made two new hires: Abby Farr as an interior designer and Kati Grostefon as an architectural intern. Farr graduated from Auburn University with a degree in interior design and a minor in business administration. Grostefon is pursuing her Bachelor of Architecture at the University of Tennessee College of Architecture + Design. Congratulations Abby and Kati!

Josh Hemphill State Farm has achieved membership in the prestigious MDRT organization, a career milestone that offers the opportunity to share innovative ideas and best practices with other leading financial professional members. This is the fourth year Hemphill has achieved MDRT membership. Congratulations Josh!

Whitney Mitchell, General Manager of **Pipe Wrench Plumbing, Heating & Cooling**, was honored in the May issue of national magazine, Water & Wastes Digest, as one of the top 10 young professionals in the US under 40 in the water and wastewater industry. This competition highlights the next generation of leaders and innovators who have demonstrated exemplary performance in a water or wastewater-related field. Congratulation Whitney!

Networkings

IMS, Inc. – May 23, 2019



Pictured are networking hosts Debbie Petrolina, President, Polly Matherly, Director of Property Management, and Matthew Fentress, Senior Advisor-Investment Sales & Office Leasing-NAI-Koella RM Moore.



Stephanie Scott (R) and FWKCC Board Member Robin Biggs-Hilton Garden Inn Cedar Bluff enjoy themselves at the networking.

Nautical Boat Club – May 30, 2019



The evening cruised along delightfully with first-time networking hosts Alicia Bauman, Chris Harris, Scott Payne, Ben Mundy, Becca Payne and David Holler.



Investing their time wisely by attending the event are Kit Frederick and Chase Kerby-Rather & Kittrell Capital Management.

PCS, Inc. – June 6, 2019



Gracious hosts Ryan Byrd, Cathy Young, Crystal Burnes, Dan Spear and Andy Hungate pause prior to their guests' arrival.



Chamber member Wayne Warner-Valinor Media, Inc. and financial coach Scott Williams get acquainted.

AMR/Rural Metro – June 13, 2019



First responders Taylor Monroe, Matt Kinney, Alex Kennedy and Matthew McNally, collectively from C-shift, Station 41, stayed briefly to network with attendees.



Carla Werner-Smoky Mountain Service Dogs, Inc. holds a prototype of a proposed specialty license plate.

Mercedes Benz of Knoxville – June 20, 2019



Lorena Hubbard-Second Harvest Food Bank of East Tennessee and Dawn Lassiter-Candlewood Suites Knoxville enjoy networking together.



Networking host Kimberly Minix, Sales Liaison, smiles radiantly for the camera.

Planet Fitness-Farragut – June 27, 2019



First time hosts Cambrie Gagliardi, Marketing Director, Adam Green, Certified Trainer and Amanda Mitchell, General Manager stand in front of their Judgement Free Zone® club.



Chamber member Viren Lalka-Lalka Tax Services, LLC and Mayor Ron Williams-Town of Farragut were a few of the evening's attendees.

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Cyan Insurance Solutions – June 7, 2019



In front of their new office are owners April (holding scissors) and Ken Finster (April's left), Ken's brother, Joe Finster (Ken's left), Chamber members, neighbors, and in no particular order Jackson and Lincoln Jacobs; Don, Karen, Hadley and Macklin Janous; Braden, Clara and Ellie Rosa; and Walt and Gwen Zackowitz.

RiteRug Flooring – June 11, 2019



Smiles abound as Manager of Realtor and Retail Sales Division Melissa Major (center with scissors) cuts the ceremonial ribbon. Also pictured is Regional Manager Chris Bontrager (fifth from left), fellow Chamber members, ambassadors, and friends.

Sitel Tennessee – June 12, 2019



Celebrating with CEO Mike Small (holding scissors) is (from right) Commissioner John Schoonmaker-Knox County, COO Rhonda Rice Clayton-Knoxville Chamber, Sitel Vice President of Operations Hernan Quintanilla (behind Rhonda); Mayor Ron Williams-Town of Farragut, Sitel Site Manager Kelin Mock; Vice Mayor Louise Povlin-Town of Farragut, Commission Chair Hugh Nystrom-Knox County, Alderman Ron Pinchok-Town of Farragut, Members of the Farragut West Knox Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors Brenda Herron-Copper Cellar Family of Restaurants and Frankie Ballew-Sitel Talent Acquisition Specialist, Jim Nixon-Kodak Properties, and Commissioner Carson Dailey-Knox County.

The Eye Group, P.C. – June 17, 2019



From left are (in white coats) Drs. Harrison Amburn, Dorian Lain, Joseph Manning (holding scissors) and Kevin Cross along with their staff, family, friends and fellow Chamber members who jubilantly raised their hands high. (Not pictured: Drs. Randy Dutton and John Pino.)

Earth Fare – Turkey Creek - Remodel & Reopening – June 22, 2019



The "Earth Fare" Princess (employee's daughter) helps Tom Bahl, Senior Director of New Store Openings & Special Projects (center, with scissors) as (L-R) Ashley Nelson, Customer Service & Systems Specialist, Julie Blaylock, President/CEO-Farragut West Knox Chamber of Commerce, Rob Hurst, Store Manager and Russel Friend, Vice President of Operations steady the ribbon.

MLILY USA – June 26, 2019



Gathering on a beautiful morning to celebrate include Jenny Christensen, Yuhao Fu, Trevor Hobbs-Town of Farragut, Gabby Russell, Cemone Paul, Alderman Ron Pinchok-Town of Farragut, State Representative Jason Zackary, Mayor Ron Williams-Town of Farragut, Commissioner John Schoonmaker-Knox County, Stephen Chen, President (with scissors), Matthew Smith, James Cureton, Daryl Simmons, Angela Poulson, Rose Abrams, David Camp, Randal Matson, Alicia Griego-First Tennessee-Campbell Station Financial Center, Joey Wohlford, Patty Chen, and Lillian Chen. Behind them include Monica Savage, Vice Mayor Louise Povlin-Town of Farragut, Chamber members, ambassadors, neighbors, family and friends.

Meet the Board



Angela Harvey

Board Member/Role:
Angela Harvey/ Board Director

Member Business:
First Tennessee

Title:
Vice President/
Financial Center Manager

How you benefit from our Chamber?

The business networking and personal relationships gained would not be possible without the opportunities provided by the Chamber. I also gain knowledge about the needs of business members, community development and business trends.

Greatest business success?

Being with the same company for 26 years has afforded me the opportunity to help so many clients meet their financial goals and provide solutions to meet their financial needs. In some cases, I have clients from three generations that have placed their trust in me. There is no greater compliment.

Greatest business frustration?

All of the financial crimes, fraud, counterfeit checks, scams and credit/debit card is frustrating and costly. The losses in the US are staggering. The losses of course impact everyone in increased costs along with more controlled processes that prevent an ease of doing business.

Most positive trend facing businesses today?

The economy is good and entrepreneurship is on the rise. A business can really be creative with advertising and reaching new customers via online and social media channels like never before.

Most negative trend facing businesses today?

I think it's trying to stay ahead in the technology space, keeping up with the rapid pace of change and being able to be "forward thinking" in order to maintain relevance over time. It is an exhausting and costly process for many businesses.

Job/career you wanted when you were 10 years old?

I wanted to be a nurse.

Last book you enjoyed?

Why Should I Do Business With You? by local author Curtis Webb

Favorite genre of music?

Anything from the 70's & 80's, Country & Dance

Favorite hobby/activity?

Interior decorating, going junkin', travel & genealogy

Favorite movie?

Steel Magnolias

Favorite place to visit?

New York City or any beach

Most influential person in your life?

My mother

Greatest lesson you have learned?

Life is full of joys and challenges. Always keep persevering and enjoy the journey!

Greatest lesson you teach:

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Fee: No Cost
Speaker(s): TSBDC Staff
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Government Contracting Basics: Sub-contracts & Contract Administration

Get ready to understand the unique characteristics and key elements of federal contracts. Learn the roles and responsibilities of principal players and how to identify the applicable regulations guiding the federal contracting process from application through closeout.

Thursday, August 7
11:00AM to 1:00PM
Fee: No Cost
Speaker(s): Jimmie Strong, Associate with Baker, Donelson, Bearman, Caldwell & Berkowitz, PC

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Wednesday, August 7
1:30PM to 3:30PM
Fee: No Cost
Speaker(s): Paul Middlebrooks, UT Procurement Technical Assistance Center
17 Market Square #201,
Knoxville, TN 37902

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and whether it should trigger on weekdays or weekends. You can also toggle the app off by opening it and tapping the switch in the top right corner.

Cellcontrol: Designed for parents, Cell-control is a subscription-based service that features a device inserted under the dashboard and an accompanying app that blocks your teen from sending or receiving texts while driving. It also disables other phone features while the car is in motion, such as using email or accessing the camera. You'll get a text or e-mail alert if Cellcontrol is deactivated or removed. (For Android™ and iOS).

Drive Safe Mode: Also designed with parents in mind, this app prevents texting and emailing while driving. It can notify a parent or guardian when the phone is in use and if the driver shuts off the app while on the road. Signup takes only a few minutes. (For Android and iOS)

SafeDrive: SafeDrive rewards you for not texting while driving. Just open the app whenever you're behind the wheel, and it will automatically start rewarding you with points you can use toward discounts at participating stores if you're traveling at least 6 mph. The app tracks the number of points based on driving speed, time spent in traffic, and distance traveled. (For Android and iOS)



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Independence Day Fun!



The Chamber's group, including FWKCC staff and members Shop Farragut and Promo Depo, prepares to enter the parade route (photo courtesy of member Sam Mishu, M & M Development)!



The parade staging area always affords a chance to visit with businesses like member Clean Bins (pictured with Town of Farragut Alderman Ron Pinchok and wife, Debbie).

Welcome to our new Farragut West Knoxville Chamber Members!

*The Chamber welcomes these businesses who joined us recently in the month of June!
Did you know businesses/organizations can submit an application & payment online?
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Amy Thompson
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Knoxville, TN 37922
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Greg Franklin
101 Sherlake Lane
Knoxville, TN 37922
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Southern Safety Supply, LLC
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207 Center Park Drive
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Welcome NEW Enterprise Member:



Anchor Level

Knoxville Utilities Board
Ed Medford
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Welcome Back Renewing Members!

The Farragut/West Knoxville Chamber welcomes back these businesses who have renewed their investment in the Chamber as of this past June. We are privileged to count them as Farragut/West Knoxville Chamber of Commerce members! We urge members to patronize one another when the goods or services a member can provide are needed. It is also our hope that area residents recognize the commitment a business makes to its community when it becomes part of its local chamber of commerce and reward that commitment with their patronage.

A special thank you goes to these renewing members who are continuing their support of our chamber and the businesses it serves through their above and beyond Enterprise Membership:



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Tocara, Inc.
Turkey Creek Land Partners
Village Veterinary Medical Center
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West Bicycles
Work Space Solutions
YMCA @ Jefferson Park:
The Davis Family

Breakfast

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welcome back Randy Boyd, the first in his family to graduate college and now in his role as University of Tennessee Interim President. Boyd took office Nov. 22 following the retirement of UT President Joe DiPietro. As interim president, Boyd serves as the chief executive officer of a statewide university system that includes the flagship campus in Knoxville, campuses in Chattanooga and Martin, the Health Science Center in Memphis, the Space Institute in Tullahoma, and statewide institutes of agriculture and public service.

Boyd is also the founder and chairman of Radio Systems Corp., a Knoxville-based

business with over 800 employees in six countries. He also serves as chairman of Boyd Sports and is the owner of the Tennessee Smokies, Johnson City Cardinals, Greeneville Reds and Elizabethton Twins.

Boyd served as chair of the Tennessee Higher Education Commission and as commissioner of the Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development. He is founder and co-chair of the Governor's Rural Taskforce, which exists to help state government and industry leaders find solutions to the biggest challenges facing rural Tennessee.

Boyd also served as Gov. Bill Haslam's adviser for higher education and was the architect for Tennessee Promise, Drive to 55

and Tennessee Achieves—initiatives aimed at increasing the number of Tennesseans with post-secondary degrees to 55 percent by 2025 and decreasing financial hardship for those Tennesseans pursuing degrees.

Sponsorships are available at Presenting, Event and Community levels for BOTH of these events. Contact Julie@farragutchamber.com or visit our website at farragutchamber.com > Events > Breakfast Speaker Series for information. Registrations for members are \$30, non-members are \$40, and tables of 10 seats are \$275. A special student price is available for \$15. The Chamber thanks Presenting Sponsors Town of Farragut and Knox County for their support.

Calendar of Events

Members can quickly RSVP for events in their Member Portal at <http://members.farragutchamber.com/login>.

Call 675-7057 or email info@farragutchamber.com for a link to create your account! Visitors/Guests can register by clicking the links on the Chamber Calendar (www.farragutchamber.com > "Events") and registering under "Not a Member?"

July 11, 2019

5:00pm – 7:00pm

**F.U.E.L. (Focus. Unite. Engage. Lead.)
Young Professionals' Networking**

Calhoun's - Turkey Creek
625 Turkey Cove Lane,
Knoxville, TN 37934

July 25, 2019

5:00pm – 6:30pm

Networking

Y-12 Federal Credit Union
(Hardin Valley Branch)
2377 Cherochala Blvd., Knoxville 37932

July 18, 2019

8:00am – 9:30am

Double-Hosted Networking

Shangri-La Therapeutic Academy of Riding (STAR) and Brain Balance Achievement Centers
11800 Highway 11E, Lenoir City 37772

August 1, 2019

8:00am – 9:30am

Networking

Salon Biyoshi
10412 Kingston Pike, Suite 102,
Knoxville 37922