

Sunshine Law violation admitted by Alderman Cain

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North Ward Alderman Alex Cain acknowledged a recent misstep with the Tennessee Sunshine Law, admitting it during Farragut Board of Mayor and Aldermen’s meeting Thursday, July 24.

“I want to comment (that) I had a really good discussion with Mr. (Tom) Hale (Town attorney) the last couple of days in regard to the question of the Sunshine Law,” Cain said. “I appreciated his insight ... it revolved around a 15-second conversation I had with Alderman (David) White (privately) about an item that was on the (Farragut Municipal) Planning

Commission agenda, and it was a discussion item with the Planning Commission.

“But, Mr. Hale, I tell you, I appreciate the conversation we had and the insight you gave and the candidness you gave,” the alderman added.

“Alderman Cain, we appreciate you coming forward,” Mayor Ron Williams said.

The Sunshine Law, officially known as the Tennessee Open Meetings Act, “generally requires that meetings of



Cain

public bodies be open to the public,” according to Tennessee Comptroller of the Treasury’s website. “This law aims to ensure transparency in the formation of public policy and decision-making.

“The Tennessee Open Meetings Act declares that the formation of public policy and public business must be transacted transparently and not in secret,” according to the counsel for Tennessee Comptroller of the Treasury’s website.

“If two officials from a governing body meet to discuss or deliberate toward a decision on public business, this could be considered a meeting subject to

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Mrs. Petite TN is ‘People’s Choice’ in USA

Photos submitted

Christina Nguyen, owner of Angel Nails, 11110 Kingston Pike Suite 155 in Farragut, recently was named Mrs. Petite Tennessee, the pageant of which was done virtually, before being named “People’s Choice” winner during the Mrs. Petite USA competition in Chicago earlier this month. Overall, Nguyen finished 11th while vying for Mrs. Petite USA. A native of Vietnam who came to the Farragut area because it was the home of her husband, Hien Pham, they have been residents of Concord for about 20 years. *(Read the complete story about Nguyen, and see many more photos, in next week’s issue of farragutpress)*

Underappreciated state heroes is first Museum Series topic

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Introducing its new monthly “History Hour” Speaker Series, Farragut Museum’s featured speaker offered insight into lesser-known but influential Tennesseans with its first installment in the Museum, in Farragut Town Hall, Tuesday morning, July 22.

With featured speaker Ben Collins being “a favorite teacher at Farragut High School” according to Historic Resources coordinator Kristi Vining, this Tennessee and U.S. history teacher said he was oblivious as a boy to the

background of the historic sites and people, such as Davy Crockett and Andrew Johnson, who once made Greeneville — Collins’ home town — their home.

“I don’t want my students to do what I did,” he lamented. “To have things around them and not know (the history).”

However, instead of talking about the more famous, therefore historical, figures of Tennessee, Collins chose people rarely mentioned.

He related the history of such figures as

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Contentious Citizens Forum over Evans Road

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Citizens living along Evans Road spoke against prospective road and pedestrian upgrades during the Citizen Forum segment of Farragut Board of Mayor and Aldermen’s meeting Thursday, July 24.

The Board already had heard from residents who spoke about Evans Road at the Farragut Municipal Planning Commission’s meeting Thursday, July 17.

Three more residents voiced their objections before the Board — one of which did not want to quit talking after his three-minute time limit expired.

Evans Road resident Greg Wiberley said regarding the Town’s plans to improve widen Evans Road and add a sidewalk: “The Town certainly has enough right-of-way as it exists now — 25 feet — to widen the road without any problem and to actually have a sidewalk that would match the existing sidewalk on the other end of Evans Road.



Williams

As a result, “why you need additional room (by taking his property) is beyond us,” he added.

“The Town (Engineering) staff — and these are their words — (said) ‘the route chosen under consideration now ... is not a safe and constructible alternative. The other ones are feasible but have safety and additional impacts,’” Wiberly said. “So it seems to me that the Town has really failed to recognize that end of Evans Road is largely agricultural.

“It’s a legacy property,” he added about his property, as well as Pryse farm. “To try to make Evans Road and that area into a suburbia does not fit the character of that particular neighborhood.

“So, when you have all the residents in that area say, ‘we don’t want this,’ and you have, from what I can tell, nobody coming out here and saying ‘this is a great idea and I really want this,’ I would think, in a democracy, that people opposed would win over no voices at all. Please, somebody meet with me; somebody talk to me. There are a lot more issues there that I don’t have time to discuss in three minutes.”

“I’m more than happy to meet with you,” said Alderman Drew Burnette, representing South Ward (Evans Road area).

Wiberley said he would send out some e-mails for anyone who wants to meet.

“It would have to be separate (meetings with an alderman),” Burnette said about complying with the Sunshine Law.

Mayor Ron Williams explained only one Board member at a time can meet with him because of the Sunshine Law. He also urged Wiberley to sign up for Town e-mail notices it sends out

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New Town Agenda Portal

• **Viewing Town of Farragut meeting agendas is easier than ever with a new Agenda Portal on the Town’s website:** townoffarragut.org,” a Town press release stated. “To access the new portal, click the Agendas button on the homepage. Once inside the portal, users can find a specific agenda by choosing a date on the calendar, choosing a particular board or committee on a dropdown menu or searching for content by subject. *(Only meetings held June 12 and*

later are searchable on the portal).

“Once a meeting agenda has been selected, users can navigate through the agenda or view and download associated files through a menu located at the top of the screen on mobile or on the left side of a computer screen,” the release further stated. “Meeting agendas are typically posted the week before a meeting is scheduled.

“Live-streamed video of Farragut Board of Mayor

and Aldermen and Municipal Planning Commission meetings are available on the portal, as well as recordings of previous meetings dating back to Jan. 1, 2025.

“Beginning with the July 24 BOMA meeting, recorded videos are time-stamped to allow viewers to easily view discussion of a particular agenda item. *(Recordings of meetings held before 2025 are available on the Town of Farragut’s YouTube channel.)*”



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No Town work needed on, along Evans Road

Sixty years ago when I was a child, our family bought the Evans Farm on Evans Road. Our historic home is over 100 years old. For decades I have run Tee Mar Stables, which was built in 1966.

It's where we raised and showed American Saddlebred horses and ran Brangus cattle on what is now the Sheffield subdivision and the Williams property. I also raised American Quarter horses in the Williams' historic Red barn on Virtue Road in the 70's. And for the past 14 years have successfully ran a beginner horse riding school and boarding facility, bringing joy and purpose to multiple children and adults in the Farragut area. Farming and horses have been my life, my siblings, our children, our grandchildren and my mother's life.

On July 17, my 98-year-old mother and I, my sister, Tandy Lacy, and husband, Richard, along with my nephew, Trey Pryse and his girlfriend, Sydney Viox, went to the Farragut Planning Commission to ask them to spare our farm. It's my understanding that there is not enough right-of-way for the Town to build a greenway on our property.

I told them a greenway would put people right into my front door and up to the fence where my horses and my tenant's horses are. I cannot have people feeding my horse carrots and sugar cubes and trying to pet them or having their dogs torment my and my tenant's horses. It is dangerous and will interfere with my business and would be a huge liability.

My friends and neighbors have fought this greenway on Evans Road for years. The Town changed its plans to do the greenway on the

north side of Evans Road and now want to force this greenway on the south side on our family land. None of the residents on Evans want the greenway and we do not want the road widened.

A greenway on Evans is utterly ridiculous. My mother and I sit on the porch most of the day and evenings, weather permitting. Her favorite thing is to count the cars and yell at the ones that are going too fast — and the foot traffic is nothing. Most of the people around here wanting to go to McFee Park get in their car and drive there. That's what the parking lots are for. The residents here have told the Town this over and over.

To protect my business and our way of life, I am now faced with having to hire an attorney to protect us from the Town. I am frustrated, upset and sick to my stomach. All of us on Evans Road have heard over and over again that there is no plan and no design to build a greenway on Evans Road. We have found many documents from the Municipal Planning Commission and the Board of Mayor and Aldermen that show this is not true.

Money in various Town Capital Investment Plans over the years has been allocated and approved for an Evans Road greenway.

Money has been approved and spent for design services, and actual engineering plans have been contracted for in past years and actually produced by the Town's hired engineering firm.

I am asking publicly for the Town to stop this. It requires eminent domain and it is not right.

Tegwyn Pryse, Farragut

Cain, White at least need to be censured

Two Farragut Aldermen — Alex Cain and David White — violated the Tennessee Open Meetings Act (Sunshine Law) by privately discussing and agreeing on a vote outside of public view. This violation was first disclosed in an Open Letter published by Alderman Cain in the farragutpress on July 23, 2025, and later confirmed by Cain himself during the Board of Mayor and Aldermen meeting on July 24, 2025.

This admission has sparked serious concern among residents. The law is clear: deliberations by elected officials must occur in public. The Town has yet to take formal action — aside from comments by Town attorney Tom Hale during the July 24 meeting, reminding officials of their legal obligations under the Act.

We urge media outlets to review the second-to-last paragraph of Alderman Cain's letter, which references the private agreement to vote in unison. Additionally, the YouTube recording of the July 24 BOMA meeting includes Cain's

verbal confirmation of the conversation with Alderman White. If you rewind approximately five minutes from his remarks, you'll also hear Mr. Hale's legal summary regarding the Open Meetings Act and its implications.

As concerned citizens, we are actively considering next steps, including FOIA requests for all communications between the Aldermen and a potential civil complaint in Knox County Chancery Court.

At minimum, we seek a formal resolution of public censure by the Board for both aldermen involved. The next Board of Mayor and Aldermen meeting is scheduled on Aug. 14, 2025, and we hope that an agenda item for a censure resolution will be included.

Thank you for your attention to this matter and for helping to ensure transparency and accountability in our local government.

Jay S. Povlin, Farragut

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KCSOreports

- **At 6:16 p.m., Friday, July 25, a complainant called KCSO Teleserve Unit to report theft from Costco, 10745 Kingston Pike.** Complainant reported she was shopping “when she realized her phone was stolen by an unknown suspect. Complainant called back at 7:45 p.m. to report the phone was located in her shopping cart,” the report stated. “Complainant believes the suspect returned it after her son sent messages to the phone in an attempt to get it back.”
- **At 10:37 a.m., Wednesday, July 23, a complainant came to the KCSO Public Records window to report theft from Farragut Post Office, 11409 Municipal Center Drive.** Complainant said she mailed a check payment from the parking lot mailbox on June 28. Complainant said she “was notified by the business they never received the payment,” the report stated. “The complainant contacted the bank, received a copy of the check and discovered the payee name was changed to the ... suspect. The complainant (said) the check was mobile-deposited into a JP Morgan Chase bank account. The complainant informed the bank of the situation and they requested a police report for their claim. The complainant stated she has not been refunded at time of report.”
- **On July 23, a KCSO detective spoke to a victim who said “he met the suspect ... on Facebook and she told him she was attempting to get out of an abusive relationship,”** the report stated. “The victim (said) he began sending the suspect money totaling \$150,000. The suspect told the victim she was located in France and that she had money tied up in a court case and would pay the victim back after the case was resolved. The case was also referred to Adult Protective Services. ...”
- **At 12:48 p.m., Monday, July 21, a KCSO detective received an APS referral for the victim.** “The report states the victim's nephew/suspect holds power of attorney for the victim,” the report states. “It is alleged the suspect may be misusing the victim's government and retirement funds. Since January 2024, there have been 55 ATM withdrawals totaling \$17,623 and 26 Venmo transactions totaling \$9,159, all reportedly made” using the debit card in question.

“Additionally, the account has been overdrawn at least 44 times,” the report further stated.

Towncalendar

- **“Boyd Station Road will be closed to through traffic for approximately two months, (which began) Monday, July 28, from McFee Road to Willow Cove Way,”** according to a Town of Farragut press release from Wendy Smith, Communications manager, concerning road construction. “Through traffic will be detoured via Evans Road and McFee Road.

“This road closure is for construction of roadway improvements as part of the development of The Grove at Boyd Station subdivision,” she added.

- **Many of the world's top distance diving dogs will, once again, be back in Farragut, as Dock Dogs International features Dog Daze IX @ Village Green Presented by TDS** — once again in mid-August and once again to be located in Village Green shopping center parking lot, 11435 Kingston Pike. in front of Planet Fitness. Dates are Friday, Aug. 15, through Sunday, Aug. 17.

“There will be over 400 jumps with 150 competitors — and new this year will be ‘Dueling Dogs,’” which replaces the former “Pooch Plunge” with “Canine Water Racing” Aug. 15, a press release stated from Shop Farragut/Farragut Business Alliance, event coordinator, in cooperation with Smoky Mountain Dock Dogs and Ricki's Pet Depot.

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Qualifying Duel # 2 5:00 pm
Qualifying Duel # 3 5:30 pm
Dueling Dogs Finals 7:00 pm


Sat Aug 16, 2025
Onsite Registration/Practice 9:00 am
Big Air WAVE # 1 10:00 am
Big Air WAVE # 2 12:00 pm
Big Air WAVE # 3 2:00 pm
Speed Retrieve Competition 4:00 pm

Sun Aug 17, 2025
Onsite Registration/Practice 10:00 am
Extreme Vertical Competition 11:00 am
Big Air WAVE # 4 1:00 pm
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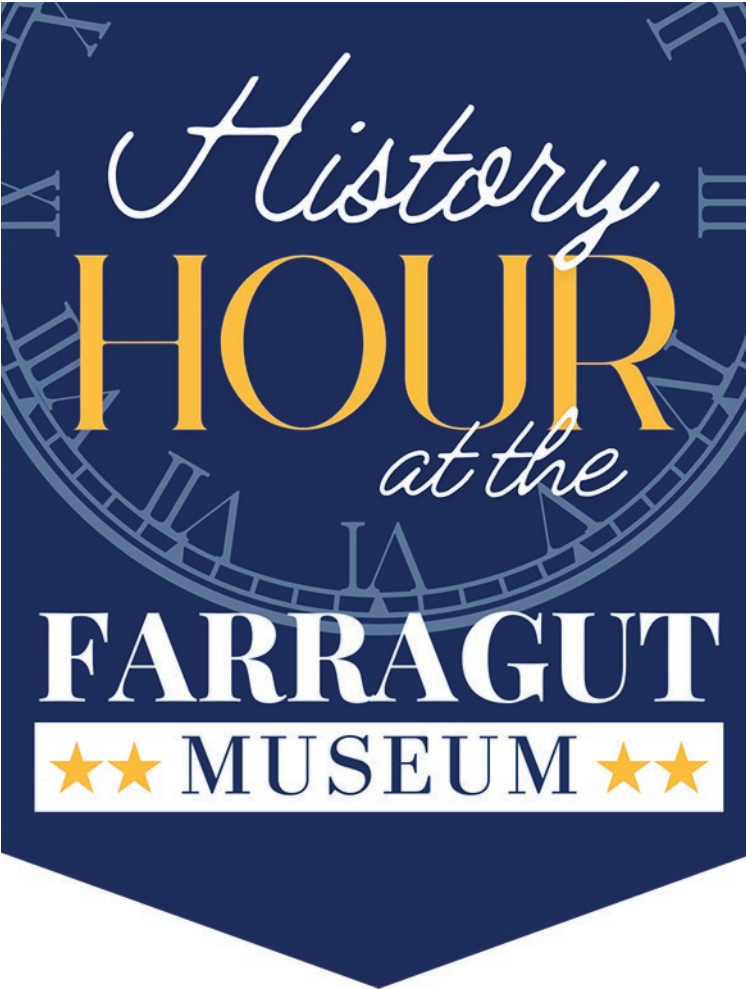


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Museum Series

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Clarence Saunders, founder of the Piggly Wiggly stores; the murder of U.S. Sen. Edward Carmack; former slave Dolly Johnson of Greeneville — who was freed from slavery — Gen. Robert Neyland, the legendary University of Tennessee football coach in the 1920s, '30s, '40s and early '50s, and aviator Cornelia Fort, who was the first U.S. pilot to encounter the Japanese air fleet, witnessing the Pearl Harbor attack by air.

Collins also addressed the 1890s' Anderson County's Coal Creek coal mining clash with state militia, which used prisoners from Brushy Mountain to work in the mines.

Detailed backgrounds

Saunders founded the original Piggly Wiggly Sept. 11, 1916, in Memphis and changed the way people shopped for groceries with an innovative self-service store.

Carmack was an attorney, newspaperman and politician who, while a U.S. senator, was killed in a street shootout in 1908 in Nashville by an old friend-turned political rival.

Dolly Johnson was a slave of President Andrew Johnson who later opened a bakery in Greeneville.

Neyland would later be immortalized as the namesake of UT's Neyland Stadium. He held the record for the most wins in Tennessee Volunteers Football history with 173, winning the 1951 national championship and seven SEC titles while compiling six undefeated regular seasons.

Inspired by witnessing Pearl Harbor, Fort joined the Women's Airforce Service Pilots. However she died in a mid-air collision while flying in formation near Merkel, Texas, on March 21, 1943.

The series is "an opportunity for people to learn about history and to visit the Museum," Vining said. "There is so much rich history in our area and in Tennessee.

"There are a lot of topics to explore, and we want to continue to bring in speakers we think people are interested in," she added

The speaker series is free and open to the public.

"People can hear a great presentation, visit the museum and Memorial Plaza and then, perhaps, grab lunch at a nearby restaurant," Vining said. "We want to do these monthly, so please stay tuned for more announcements. In November, we will have a Veterans Day event."

Sunshine Law

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the Open Meetings Act," the website further stated. "The crucial element is whether the discussion involves deliberation toward a decision or recommendation on public policy or administration.

"Actions taken at a meeting in violation of the Open Meetings Act are void, except for those related to public debt."

"I sent out an updated memo that generally discusses the Sunshine Law, the Open Meetings Act and how it applies," Hale said during the meeting. "As you all probably know, but don't think about, this is a statutory law that is interpreted by courts on a regular basis, and they issue decisions frequently that interpret terms within the law (and) how it applies to certain situations."

Not only do Board members have to abide by the Sunshine Law, but Hale said every mem-

ber of every Town committee must abide by it as well, as they also are governing bodies of the Town.

"The law sounds simple; but as you might imagine, like all serious litigation, the facts change with every case," he said. "So, every time you have to think about how to apply the Sunshine Law in the setting in which you were in.

"It's not intuitive always," Hale added. "You have to really think about the purposes behind the law and how it applies to the situation that you were in.

"It's not always clear whether there's been a Sunshine Law violation or not. The one thing



Hale

you need to remember: That is, if the Sunshine Law has been violated, that doesn't mean that on the issue about which it's violated, the government can never act."

About censoring a violator, "Usually the way it works, if there's a violation of the Sunshine Law, then there is a vote later on the matter, then that later matter is not a valid decision because it was made in violation of the Sunshine Law," Hale said. "But that doesn't mean that the body can't then take up the matter at a later time and — with clear compliance of the Sunshine Law — act on whatever it was in the original matter.

"We're going to try to be a little better in getting the word out to the people who are affected by this so we don't have any violations of the Sunshine Law," he added.

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Citizens Forum

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to everyone. "But you have to sign up."

Likewise, Carolyn Wiberley spoke on behalf of the Pryses and their 98-year-old mother, who were unable to attend.

"(A Pryse family member) is very concerned that if (the mother's) yard is taken for this construction, the effect it would have on her," Carolyn said. "She just wanted me to ask if this has to happen, please postpone it so her mother doesn't have to see this.

"She is so very worried about what it would do to her ...not having this being the last memory of her home," Carolyn added, her voice breaking with emotion.

Another Evans Road resident, Jim Petrone, said his property also would be strongly impacted by the road improvements that were discussed at previous meetings.

"I've lived there 30 years and it's a rural area," Petrone said. "The character's changing because of the traffic that's generated ... things do change I guess."

Still, "I'm obviously very opposed to the way you all want to suburbanize our neighbor-

hood by creating walking trails and greenways and all that sort of thing across the front of our property," he added.

"Now, because of the opposition from the people that live on the north side of Evans Road, I understand you're going to shift all that development to the south side and across Mrs. Pryse's property."

However, "I'm still opposed to it," Petrone said. "I live about 1,000 feet from Evans Road, at the top of the hill, and I can see somebody riffling my mailbox that's out there on Evans Road and not be able to do anything about it.

"The No. 1 problem that we have out here in Farragut — and I've been here a long time — is traffic," he added. "The (proposed) improvement is going to create more traffic. The road probably does need improving, but we don't need additional walking traffic across the front of our property."

While the 3-minute speaking timer went off — signaling when a speaker is supposed to be finished — Petrone continued: "People can get to the beautiful parks that we have down there on McFee (Road) by car. That's what they do right now.

"They don't have to walk

through a greenway and a walking trail to get there," he added.

Petrone said he found out about the project by looking at the Town's budget.

"I think it's presumptuous, without first taking a vote on it, to project an end date on something that hadn't even been voted on," he said.

"It's not even been designed yet," Mayor Ron Williams said before reminding Petrone his time to speak was up.


"Look, you're not going to cut me off," Petrone exclaimed. "I didn't have any idea about this meeting until Ted Pryse called me an hour ago. ... We're going to fight this thing in the courts or as hard as we can fight it ..."

At that point, a Knox County Sheriff's officer interjected: "Sir, you're three minutes is up ...

"I don't care," Petrone said. "You don't have an option," the officer said. "You'll either leave or we'll make you leave ... your time's up; you need to leave."

"I don't want to fight you over this, but I am going to fight the Town of Farragut," Petrone said before stepping away from the podium.

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Bruster’s Real Ice Cream owner Robert Allen, fourth from left, joins real estate broker Danny Kirby, far left; Chet Carbaugh, second from left, project manager with RTC General Contractors; Farragut Mayor Ron Williams, third from left; Allen’s daughter, Kiah Shaffer, fourth from right; Stacy Connatser, first vice president relationship manager for Mountain Commerce Bank; Jim Nixon, second from right, with Turkey Creek Land Partners; and Town administrator David Smoak in breaking ground for the new Bruster’s being built behind Home Federal Bank off Parkside Drive.

Groundbreaking

Town leaders, developers welcome Bruster’s Real Ice Cream to Parkside Drive July 24

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Excitement mounted as Bruster’s Real Ice Cream franchise owner Robert Allen, his constituents and Town officials broke ground Thursday afternoon, July 24, on its future store that will be built on 1.57 acres behind Home Federal Bank just off Parkside Drive in Farragut.

This is the last piece of vacant property in Turkey Creek, according to Town officials.

“This is a great corner,” Farragut Mayor Ron Williams said. “We’re going to have a lot of fun here, and we appreciate Robert bringing this brand to us. It’s something that my wife and I enjoy anytime we’re out in Powell. We always stop in (at the Emory Road location) or if we’re down at Cedar Bluff, so having one here ... this is where we’ll be getting ice cream in the future.

“Thirty some-odd years ago, I raised my daughters in Village Green,” said Allen, who now lives in Knoxville.

Now “... Turkey Creek’s here, the growth of Farragut is here and the growth of Farragut is what has inspired me to come here,” he added.

“We’re looking forward to being back engaged in the community, hiring young adults and feeding many adults, children and puppies.”

Danny Kirby, licensed broker, expressed his appreciation to Allen for bringing “his great brand of Bruster’s Real Ice Cream, that’s going to go in this location.

“He provides a great product for families throughout the area, and there’s no doubt this is

going to be a great family hangout in the future in the Town of Farragut,” Kirby added. “When people drive up and down this road, they’re going to see a lot of fun here.”

“I’d like to thank Robert for this particular site. There were a lot of other locations around Town that Robert could have chosen to put his new location — but he chose this.”

Not to forget the featured municipality, “Mayor of Farragut, the Town of Farragut, (Town administrator) David Smoak, all the aldermen, all the staff — engineering, planning, all those guys — this couldn’t happen without you,” Kirby said. “You all were very helpful in the process and we really appreciate it.”

He also applauded developer Jim Nixon “for his efforts on behalf of Turkey Creek Land Partners in working with the Town and working with the staff to title the site so we could get a Bruster’s here at this location.”

Also present for the event were Chet Carbaugh, project manager with RTC General Contractors; representatives from Site Incorporated, a civil engineering firm; R2R Studios, an architectural firm; Farragut West Knox Chamber of Commerce; and Farragut Business Alliance; along with Stacy Connatser, first vice president relationship manager with Mountain Commerce Bank.

Bruster’s Real Ice Cream’s brand started in 1989 with Bruce Reed, based in Bridgewater, Pennsylvania, making ice cream by hand. It now offers 150 ice cream flavors as well as sun-daes, candy blasts, milkshakes and more.

Dullahan’s owners buy Finn’s IR & T

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Dullahan’s Irish Pub in Renaissance | Farragut recently expanded with the purchase of Finn’s Irish Restaurant & Tavern in the historic Baker Peters house, 9000 Kingston Pike.

“(Jon Ferrie), the former owner (of Finn’s), had come to us, in his own way, and asked if we were interested,” said William “Will” Camp, Dullahan’s owner, along with Benjamin “Ben” Harmon. “He lives in the area out here and got to know us early on at Dullahan’s. I think he wanted out of the restaurant industry, kind of retire from that, so we were able to help him with that.

“Ben and I had always wanted to expand our restaurant ventures,” he added. “We weren’t thinking it would happen this quickly after just opening Dullahan’s this year, but when opportunity knocks ... and we have a strong support system with our family and friends.

“And, when not a single person tells you it’s a bad idea, you kind of think you’re on the right track. The good thing is Ben and I are strong partners and good friends, so we’re able to divide and conquer in a sense.”

And now, Finn’s is open for lunch. Its hours are 11 a.m. to midnight Monday through Sunday.

Patrons will find the restaurant’s name will remain the same.

“(Ferrie) had built a pretty good brand and pretty good reputation as far as an Irish restaurant with nightlife and musical entertainment on the weekends,” Camp said. “That’s right in line with what we’re building here with Dullahan’s, is an Irish restaurant, Irish pub, great food ... so it was a no-brainer to kind of keep the name and the concept the same.”

With the Irish roots, he added, “we’re going to integrate and blend the Southern roots of East Tennessee into the cuisine.”

In addition, “You’ll have a guy that takes you back to the history and ghost stories,” he said. “HGTV, I think, had a special with the Baker Peters house as one of the top 50 most haunted restaurants in the United States.”



Photo submitted

Dullahan’s Irish Pub co-owners William “Will” Camp, left, and Benjamin “Ben” Harmon are proud new owners of Finn’s Irish Restaurant & Tavern in historic Baker Peters house, 9000 Kingston Pike.



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This time King is Queen of 18-Hole Ladies Championship

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Adding to her Knox Area Women's Golf Association championship effort in the spring, Jillian King (above, left and right) also took home the Fox Den County Club 18-Hole Ladies Club Championship early Thursday afternoon, July 24, edging 2024 Club champ Stephanie Haywood (below right photo) 2 Up. King defeated Donna Farinella (7 & 6) in quarterfinal play Tuesday, July 22, then was victorious versus Lynna Rader (also 7 & 6) in the semifinals Wednesday, July 23. King, who drank her favorite brew out of her title cup (**left**), acknowledged her fellow club members' applause (**right**). She received her awards (**above**) from Danny Ackerman, left, FDCC PGA head professional, and from Andrew Thimjon, FDCC first assistant golf professional.

... Acknowledging Club members' applause in respect



Curtis, Stacey Club are tops in Flights; Haywood is Championship No. 2



(Above left) Brenda Curtis was Fox Den County Club's 18-Hole Ladies Club Handicapped Flight 1 champion as crowned Thursday, July 24, after slipping past Sue Oh 2 & 1. Curtis defeated Betty MacDonald in the quarterfinals 7 & 6 Tuesday, July 22, then won a dramatic 3-hole playoff against Annette Stevens, needing 21 holes to win 1 Up Wednesday, July 23. She was presented her awards by Andrew Thimjon, FDCC first assistant golf professional. **(Above middle)** Pam Stacey also was awarded by Thimjon after capturing the 18-Hole Ladies Handicapped Flight 2 crown. Stacey also needed extra holes to claim her championship, edging runner-up Angie Toftey 1 Up after 19 holes July 24. Stacey began the quarterfinals by defeating Grace Mutz 5 & 3 July 22, then edged past Chamie Riley 2 & 1 July 23. Consolation Round winners (not pictured) were Catherine Manning (Championship level), Debbie Siddons (Handicapped Flight 1) and Jill Tomlinson (Handicapped Flight 2). Other quarterfinal winners were Carol Hornstra (Championship level), Kathy Jackson (Handicapped Flight 1) and Lia McClain (Handicapped Flight 2)

Though not able to defend her Fox Den County Club 18-Hole Ladies Club Championship and once again drink from the ultimate victory cup, Stephanie Haywood (**above right**) was all smiles while claiming her runner-up trophy as presented by Danny Ackerman, FDCC PGA head professional, Thursday, July 24. Haywood defeated Traci Smith in the quarterfinals Tuesday, July 22, then beat Carol Hornstra 6 & 4 in the semifinals Wednesday, July 23.

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Palace Players prepare ‘Newsies’ performance

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A lifelong Farragut resident in his 20s is combining forces with his sister to gather talented teens and adults alike to create special performances — many are musicals — to audiences across the Knoxville metro area.

In its fourth full season and the brainchild of Xandria Cross and Remington Stavros, The Palace Players performers “have a mixture of high school kids — around 26 of the 36 total Players — and young adults and some full-on adults as well” from Farragut and around the immediate area, said Stavros, artistic director for The Palace Players.

Doing about three shows per season, their next is the musical “Newsies,” to be performed in Knoxville Catholic High School’s St. Gregory the Great Auditorium starting at 7 p.m., Thursday and Friday, Aug. 7-8; at 2 and 7 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 9, and at 2 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 10.

Tickets are \$25 each per night, or four tickets bought together for \$80 (go to palaceplayers.com)

“So the story is based on the newsboys’ strike from the 1890s and the story of the newsies and how it got started and all that,” Stavros said. “(Matthew Sensing) is playing the leader of the newsies, Jack Kelly.

“We also have one of the teachers from Concord Christian School performing in it, Abigail Sensing; she is one of their high school drama teachers,” he added. “Her husband is Matthew Sensing.

“Abigail is playing Katherine Plummer, who is a female reporter who is covering the story. She’s trying to get her big break in the reporting world because, obviously in the 1890s, women were more told to do the entertainment side of things, and so she wanted to do a real story.”

As a result, “she helps the newsboys, and then she learns about their cause and wants to start helping them,” Stavros said.

For Newsies, “I am co-director (with Cross),

and then I’m helping with some of the sets and I’m helping with fight choreography,” he said.

“The main part of the cast is (age) 15 and up, but we have one younger cast member who is 12,” Stavros added.

“We have kids from Bearden, CAK, Concord (Christian) some Farragut kids, homeschoolers. We have a range from all over.”

Overall, “We primarily do musicals,” Stavros said. “And for this show in particular, since it’s Newsies, it’s a rock-ish musical theater. It’s written by Alan Menkan, who did a lot of the Disney shows. So he did “Little Mermaid,” “Beauty and the Beast,” but it’s a lot more like a lot of anthem-type music.

“So for this show, it’s a lot of dance, a lot of singing — and all of that is at the same time,” he added. “Every song brings its own challenges, but it’s definitely a fun one. It was a fun one to go into and figure out how are we going to do this.”

As for ambition, “We have some actors who are leaning more toward being dancers because what the show presents; like you need some gymnastics background, you need some tap-dancing background,” Stavros said. “Then we have some more who are more primarily actors who are having to learn dance in this.

“So there’s a learning curve for basically everyone in the show, which is really cool,” he added. “Just help people grow in their talents and skills.”

On average, “We tend to do about three shows a year,” Stavros said. “We do a spring show and then our summer show, which this is our summer show, and then we usually do a fall show.

“What we do with our show is we have auditions, and so we do have some people that return and come back and work with us again — but it’s not like we’re a troupe, per se,” he added. “It’s more like we bring in new people to work with. Our spring show was ‘The Fantastics’ at Farragut Church of Christ (along Smith Road



Photo submitted
Jack Kelly, played by Matthew Sensing, and Katherine Plummer, played by Abigail Sensing (playing love interests in the show and married in real life)



Photos submitted
(Above) Steve “Slim” Stilts, right, founder of Slim Fest in Maryville and an outdoor salesman at Patterson’s Home Appliances just outside of Farragut, with family members and performers at the 2024 Slim Fest. From left are Andy Stilts (son), Natalia Taylar (singer), Ame Stilts (grandson) and Joe Enich (singer). (Above right) a SllimFest logo display.



Slim Fest has local connect

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Steve “Slim” Stilts, an outside salesman at Pattersons Home Appliances just beyond Farragut town limits, has done quite a sales job spanning 19 years in giving birth to the now highly popular Slim

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Bluegrass tunes, fun and games highlighted Town of Farragut’s Bluegrass Summer Solstice concert on the grounds of Mayor Ralph McGill Plaza Friday, June 20.

While adults enjoyed the sounds of live music, such as Big Creek Bluegrass Band, youngsters enjoyed playing yard games nearby.

Photos by Tammy Cheek

Right: Big Creek Bluegrass Band



Ku Adams



Bob and Jill Martin, seated, with Jim and Kris Still



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DISCOVER LOUDON COUNTY



Randy Boyd

to speak at the Chamber series

Loudon County Chamber of Commerce invites its members and the community to the Chamber's 2025 speaker series featuring University of Tennessee president Randy Boyd.

"Speaking at the Loudon County Chamber's Speaker Series is a great opportunity to connect with community and business leaders who are helping move Tennessee forward," Boyd said. "I'll be sharing thoughts on leadership, public service and how we are shaping the greatest decade in UT history."

The series will take place from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 19, at The Venue, 7690 Creekwood Park Blvd., Lenoir City. Open to the public, tickets, which include lunch, are \$30 for Chamber members and \$40 for non-members, paid online at loudoncountychamberofcommerce.com

The cost for a table of 10 is \$300 for members, \$400 for non-members and \$500 for Premium tables for 10.

For more information on the

speaker series, contact Christy Fitzgerald, 865-458-2067.

The Aug. 19 speaker series is the second since the Chamber brought it back in 2023, according to LCCC president Rodney Grugin.

"We used to do these every year, years ago, with the Chamber, and they just fell by the wayside," he said. "That was one of the things we wanted to resurrect."

"I think it's awesome," Grugin said about holding the event. "I think it's a great value added to our Chamber membership. I think it's great for Loudon County."

Following a simple phone call, Boyd was eager to speak to Chamber members, according to Grugin.

"We called over there and asked," he said. "We thought (Boyd) would be a great speaker to come down to Loudon County and tell us everything that's going on with the University of Tennessee."

"There's a lot going on there, and, of course, he's got the Knoxville Smokies, just



Photo submitted

University of Tennessee president Randy Boyd

brought that back," he added. "I thought it would be a great time to bring him down here."

Hearing Boyd speak, Grugin said he hopes attendees will learn more about Boyd's leadership.

"He's been a great asset, not only to Knoxville but also for Tennessee for many, many years, and he's the leader of a great university," Grugin said. "I'm sure he has some words of wisdom to tell us."

According to the Chamber, Boyd has served as UT's 26th president since November 2018, and he currently serves

as chief executive officer of the statewide university system.

The UT System also manages Oak Ridge National Laboratory through its UT-Battelle partnership, where Boyd serves as co-chairman.

In 1991, Boyd founded Knoxville-based Radio Systems Corporation, which produces more than 4,000 pet-related products under the brand names Pet-Safe, Invisible Fence, Scoop-Free and SportDOG, employing more than 1,400 people with offices in six countries

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YP Networking Mixer

Young professionals from around the East Tennessee region found like-minded individuals with whom to mingle and gain resources during the 4th Annual Regional YP Networking Mixer in Tri-Hop Brewery, 205 S. Court St., Maryville, Tuesday evening, July 22.

While the mixer was new to some, others attend such events regularly.

The event allows members to "make some more meaningful connections," said Nathan Faddis, a Loudon County Chamber of Commerce member with Granite Business Solutions in Lenoir City.

While the mixer is not Faddis' first Chamber Young Professionals event, it is his first regional YP event.

"I've gotten a lot out of networking through Loudon County and all across Knox County," he said. "I've been in a lot of networking groups. I've been doing it for a long time."

"I've been forming connections and meaningful relationships with people for referrals and just sending people business, growing each other's businesses," Faddis said. "That's kind of what I'm looking for here (at the mixer), just more people to connect and hopefully do business with each other."

Faddis is part of a home-based business. "We are local payments provider, so all things credit card processing, payments acceptance, point of sales, invoicing, QR codes, ACH, all that kind of stuff," he said.

He recently became an ambassador with the Chamber when President Rodney Grugin and Kristy Fitzgerald, director of membership, asked him to fill that role.

"I've been to some of these events in the past," said Brandon Miller with Modern Woodmen of America in Loudon



Luke Hornsby of Junk Galaxy and hair stylist Megann Gaylord enjoy mingling.

County. "I've been associated with the Loudon (County) Young Professionals for a long time, and every now and then, they do these regional mixers."

The mixers help members "connect with other like-minded people," he said. "Being a young professional, a lot of times, it's just good to connect with people who are going through the same things,

trying to start their careers, their businesses and getting advice, also just sharing ideas and what's working out there."

"We're here to really get our name out for all of the (five) Chambers here: Knoxville, Farragut West Knox, Anderson County, Blount County and Loudon County," said Abby Lane, marketing director with Farragut-based McGuire Roofing & Construction, which covers all of East Tennessee. "Our goal is to be one of the top roofers in the Eastern region, so making sure we connect with the audience, as we are residential and commercial roofing, we want to make sure we support those who support us."

Lane, who is a Farragut West Knox Chamber member, has been to several such events, which helps her "give back to those around us and see how we can be most beneficial."

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Fork & Vine ribbon cutting

Will McGarry (with scissors), managing partner of Fork & Vine, 131 Kelsey Lane, Suite 106, in Lenoir City, cut the ribbon for this new business Thursday, July 17. He is joined by Fork & Vine employees and Loudon County Chamber of Commerce members.

Glen Coleman

Tennessee Valley Regional Chamber networking

CertaPro Painters representatives, from left, Amy See Devin Taylor and Ashley Lynch, were on hand to talk shop during the Tennessee Valley Regional Chamber networking in The Venue in Lenoir City, Tuesday, June 24.

Tammy Cheek



Annual Non-Profit Showcase



Almost 40 Loudon County and other area non-profit organizations had an opportunity to tell the community about the services they provide during Loudon County Chamber of Commerce's 6th Annual Non-Profit Showcase in The Venue, 7690 Creekwood Park, Tuesday evening, July 8. **Above:** Loudon County Road Superintendent Billy Pickle, left, with Loudon County Shrine Club member George Bove

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Boyd
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around the world.

He also owns Boyd Sports, LLC, which owns six minor league baseball teams, including the Double A Knoxville Smokies and half of the Appalachian League teams.

“In 2007, Boyd began a journey transitioning from entrepreneur and businessman to full-time public servant,” the Chamber website stated. “Boyd is a founder and chairman of tnAchieves, a nonprofit

which has helped send more than 133,000 students to community colleges free of tuition and fees.

“This success led then-Gov. Bill Haslam to invite (Boyd) to serve as special advisor on higher education in 2013,” the website stated. “During his tenure, he is credited with being the architect of the Drive to 55 and the Tennessee Promise.”

In 2015, Haslam recruited Boyd back to serve as Commissioner of Economic and Community Development.

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“Being in the community is our top priority,” she said. “We also sponsor the Halls Red Devils basketball team, volleyball team and wrestling team, but we want to make sure that we come to as many events as possible, again, to see more faces and have that recognizable name.”

Attending the mixer, Lane has an opportunity to meet people face to face. Seeing a face “makes us trust the com-

pany even more,” she said.

Abby’s husband, Ollie Lane, human resource manager with Blalock Construction in Sevierville, which is affiliated with the Sevier County Chamber, said that while he has been to other Chamber events, the mixer is his first networking event.

Ollie said he hoped to “meet people and just get some more connections out there, inform people more about Blalock Construction and what we do.”

His company covers East Tennessee but also North Car-

olina and roadwork in Tennessee.

“We see a lot of returns on these (events),” said Blake Gibson, national sales director and partner with True Metal Supply in Knoxville, which is in the Knoxville Chamber, Blount County Chamber and FWKCC. “We manufacture residential metal roofing, and whenever we interact with everyone, we get a lot of relationships that are beneficial for us.

“We go to a lot of different events. We find a lot of value in them.”



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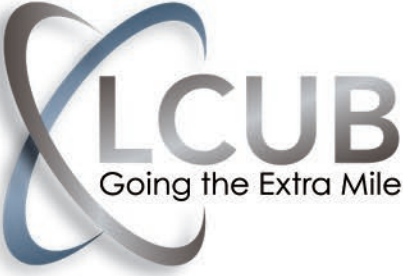
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“This will be a massive yard sale, and all proceeds benefit the FHS band program and its students. There will also be a car wash on the FHS grounds,” she added.

• **Farragut High School’s Class of 1985 will hold its 40th Reunion in Avalon Country Club** from 6 to 10 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 2. Spouses are welcome; cost is \$65 per person/\$120 per couple. “Casual dress — school colors would be great,” a Class of 1985 representative’s press release stated. “No band, but good ole’ ’80s music will be played. Hors d’oeuvres, tea and water; cash bar available.”

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• **Knoxville Bar Association and Legal Aid of East Tennessee are offering an In-Person Free Legal Advice Clinic** from noon to 2 p.m., Wednesday, Aug. 13, at Knox County Public Defender’s Community Law Office. Any veteran seeking legal help is encouraged to attend.

Veterans who are not able to attend the clinic in person are encouraged to continue to use the telephone clinic option. Pre-registration is required for telephone clinic and veterans are asked to call Legal Aid of East Tennessee at 865-637-0484 to pre-register.

This is a general advice clinic with a wide variety of legal issues, including family law, landlord/tenant, bankruptcy, criminal defense, consumer protection, contract disputes, child support and personal injury, among other issues.

This is an advice-only clinic. Clients can expect legal advice, but no wills are drafted at this clinic nor legal work performed.

In 2025, the clinics are held every other month, with the next ones Oct. 8, and Dec. 10.

• **The annual application for student scholarships through Roane State Foundation has reopened through Friday, Aug. 1.** “Students must have all information submitted by the deadline to qualify for awards that apply to the 2025-2026 academic year,” a RSF press release stated. By applying for a scholarship with Roane State Foundation, students can com-

pete for hundreds of scholarships available each year.

Any part-time or full-time RSCC student with a minimum 2.5 GPA is eligible to apply. A summary of available scholarships, as well as a link to start the application, is available at roanestate.edu/foundationsscholarships. More than \$500,000 in aid was awarded this past year.

• **One of the most sought after of the “vanishing birds” was the mysterious Ivory-bill Woodpecker.** The Allen team found and photographed the bird in the swamps of Louisiana in 1935.

Join the UT Arboretum Society via Zoom at 7 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 7, as Michelle Campanis, education coordinator at the University of Tennessee Arboretum, and naturalist/author Stephen Lyn Bales as they give us an overview of “The Ghost Bird.” You can watch this virtual presentation from the comfort of your own home. To register for this free program, visit utarboretumsociety.org under Programs. If you are unable to watch at the scheduled time, the program will be recorded and sent to all who register. Closed captions are available.

Troop gardening at FHS



Photo submitted

Girl Scout Troop 22165 spent Saturday morning, July 26, planting flowers for a butterfly garden at the Farragut High School Outdoor Classroom. This is all a part of their goal to earn a Bronze Award, which they have been working hard as a team to obtain. Above, from left, are Athena Cameron, Judy Tiarks, Anne Lewis and Hannah Tiarks. Below are Erica Powell, left, and Lucy Book. Not pictured include Troop leader Sara Cameron.

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Slim

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Fest annual fundraiser in Maryville.

This year's concert/block party, Slim Fest 2025, is being held about 2 miles east of Blount Memorial Hospital at 2805 E. Lamar Alexander Parkway starting at 4 p.m. (when gates open) to 11 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 9. "It's on the left side of the road (going toward Townsend); just follow the signs," Slim said.

Beginnings

In 2006 "for my 50th birthday, I was wanting to have a party — but I wanted to not just make it about me, but make it about the community," he said. "So I researched and found a charity with a (City of Maryville) cop. So we sold tickets for a reverse raffle — instead of the first one drawn out winning, it's the last one in that wins — and did a parking lot party.

"And the gentleman that won the car ended up donating it back, so it made it a \$40,000 win for the charity," Slim added, "After that, I ended up having quite a few other charities reaching out and wanting to partner up. So I've worked with 'Shop with the Cops' for 15 years — it's where the officers, at Christmas time, they take the underprivileged kids shopping.

"So the Saturday morning before Christmas, some 200 officers will take 200 kids. And behind that — what I liked about it and what I think works — is they're bonding for a couple of hours, a police officer with a kid shopping. And so I'm hoping that when those kids become young adults or teenagers, when they see a police officer, they'll have a posi-



Photo submitted

Slim Fest features colorful and bright stage productions in addition to top area and regional bands each year in Maryville.

tive thought about them."

A key point: "They wouldn't have had a Christmas if it hadn't been for that officer taking them shopping," Slim said. "The Maryville Chief of Police (Tony Crisp) started Shop with the Cops."

Slim Fest also has benefited Children's Advocacy Center for six years, and t Maryville and Alcoa Booster Clubs (high school) for six years.

Entertainment

Providing local entertainment, "This year, we have two local entertainers: Coveralls, who specialize in '70s, '80s and '90s hits. "They will play from 8 to 11 (p.m.)," Slim said.

Starting things off from 6 to 8 p.m. is "a special guest, a young lady and her band, Ayca," he added. "... She's an amazing lady. She has sung with the Knoxville Symphony Orchestra. She sings in three different languages. ... She sings cover songs for stars from Pat Bena-

tar to Fleetwood Mac."

Other details

"I get a 40-by-100-foot tent and 700 chairs, 70 60-inch tables so the VIP people, when they come, they're sitting at a table," Slim said. "They can reserve a table for their office or friends. Then there's a general admission site where they just bring their pop-up chairs."

Mortgage Investment Group will be hosting a \$50,000 Hole-In-One contest from 6 to 8 p.m. on site.

For tickets, "You can get it online (VIP for \$50 each and regular tickets \$20 each) at slimfest.org or you can buy them on-site," he said. "And the VIP area, some of the add-ons that they wouldn't have in the general area is there are port-a-cools. They're big 5-foot fans, like with a radiator in it. So it's blowing up a mist of cool air instead of just a fan.

"We also have the air-conditioned porta-Johns that the

ladies enjoy," Slim added. "I don't know if you've seen those at ball games. ... It's more like a trailer, but it's air-conditioned instead of going into a construction-type porta-John."

Parking, which will be directed by event officials, is free. Though alcohol will be sold on site along with food, "Don't bring any food or drinks," Slim said.

Maryville Police Department "will have officers out there directing traffic in, and they'll have illuminated signs to slow down (traffic) in congested areas," he said.

The event's founder said this year's fundraising goal is "about \$20,000 after expenses."

The event also raises money for Legends of Tennessee, "where previous University of Tennessee football players go to schools and they work with the kids on their life skills, reading, mental skills, illness skills — not just teach them

football, but also teach them how to be a young adult," Slim said. "This is our second year working with them."

In its first 18 years, "I'd say a million dollars have been generated in revenue for the charities," the founder said.

Looking back — and ahead

Looking back to that first year in 2006, "There was probably a couple of hundred people that attended," he said. "It was a concert. Every year, it's always been a concert."

Also part of Slim Fest, "we had a block party out in a parking lot in Alcoa," Slim said. "Later, I moved it over to Midland Shopping Center (in Maryville) for a larger footprint and had it there for about 14 years."

However, "We just had outgrown that venue, so I found this 10-acre venue just outside of Maryville that we'll be hosting the party this year," he said.

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near Kingston Pike) in April. That one was a much smaller cast.”

Looking ahead, “I think this year we’re thinking more that it’ll be November,” Stavros said about the next production. “In the past we’ve done

October, but I think we’re going to do November.

“That way we have some good time to really plan ahead and make sure it’s the best it can be,” he added.

As for the November show, “We’re still working on securing licensing for that one, so we’re not at liberty to announce that one yet,” he said.

Background

As an artistic director, “I have a hand in both the business and then also the creative side,” Stavros said. “So when we’re going into a show, it’s like, ‘Ok, how are we going to go forward and how are we going to present this show?’”

“When we first started, we did a lot of classes and work-

shops for teens and stuff to help them grow in their skills,” Stavros added. “And then we then did the show ‘The Magician’s Nephew’ by C. S. Lewis. And then from there, we started doing more musicals and full shows just to see what we can do because both me and (Xandria) were younger. “We’ve been working in the-

ater our entire lives. I did my first audition when I was 6 years old.”

As a result, “we have gotten so much training from all these wonderful directors that we had worked with that we wondered if we had learned so much that we wanted to see what we could bring to the theater scene in the area,” he said.

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Tuesday, August 5, 2025 at 9:00 AM

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- I) Discussion Items
- A) 9:00 A.M. - 9:30 A.M. - Discussion and public hearing on approval of a site plan for achildren's wing addition at the Concord United Methodist Church, 11020 Roane Drive, Zoned General Single-Family Residential (R-2) (Cannon & Cannon, Applicant)
- B) 9:30 A.M. - 10:00 A.M. - Discussion and public hearing on approval of a site plan for Horizon Plaza Phase 2, 11011 Kingston Pike, Zoned General Commercial (C-1) and Floodplain District (FPD), (Urban Engineering, Applicant)
- C) 10:00 A.M. - 10:30 A.M. - Discussion and public hearing on approval of a site plan for four commercial buildings associated with the Kingston Pike Village - Phase 2 Planned Commercial Development, 13104-13124 Kingston Pike, Zoned Planned Commercial Development (PCD), (Kingston Pike Properties 2, LLC, Applicant)
- D) 10:30 A.M. - 11:00 A.M. - Discussion and public hearing on approval of a site plan for 7 Brew Coffee, 11495 Parkside Drive, Zoned Regional Commercial (C-2), (Black Design Architecture, Applicant)

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