THE FLAGSHIP



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Look What's Coming Up!!!

Sept. 15: TBI Agent Rick Stout, "Human Trafficking"

Sept. 22: Stan Johnson & J.D. Jackson, The SEED Project

Sept. 25: Free Flu Shot Saturday — 7 a.m. @ Farragut High & Hardin Valley Middle School

Sept. 29: Isabell Senft-Daniel, Executive Director, Pj Parkinson's Support Group

(All meetings begin at 12:15 — unless noted otherwise)





Same Song, Second Verse We Need Vols for Free Flu Shot Saturday

Sept. 25 is only 13 days off and we still do not have enough Farragut Rotary volunteers signed up to staff our sites at Farragut High School and Hardin Valley Middle School for the **29th Annual Free Flu Shot Saturday.**



We have 18 signed up for Farragut High and only 8 for Hardin Valley. We need a minimum of 20 volunteers per site.

And it's soooo easy to sign up with the Sign-Up Genius. All you have to do is click on this LINK and select which site you want.

Our online marketing poster you see here was created by one of our newest members — Kim Frazier. Thanks to Kim!!

Augmenting our Rotarians will be members of the Hardin Valley Academy Interact Club and the new Christian Academy of Knoxville (CAK) Interact Club.

Everyone needs to be at both sites by 7 a.m. Based on years past, we should be done by 12 noon.

Shots will be administered using the "drive-by plan" and all volunteers must have masks in place. We will be giving the basic flu vaccine and the vaccine for seniors (65-over) at both locations. As usual, nursing students from the UT College of Nursing will be giving the injections.

"If anyone comes down with both the seasonal flu and Covid it would be a rather nasty double whammy and for that reason we expect a rather high traffic volume," said Bill Rice, our coordinator for the Hardin Valley site. "We have Mark Bialik's big shoes to fill running this event."

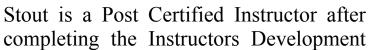
Mark led this project for 15 years and tragically passed away earlier this year. His widow, BJ Swineheart, will be working with us at the Farragut location.

TBI Agent To Talk Human Trafficking

Human trafficking is a major issue in our world and our speaker Wednesday will be Tennessee Bureau of Investigation (TBI) **Special Agent Rick Stout.**

He's a 36-year TBI veteran and before joining the TBI he was with the

Murfreesboro Police Department for five years. He was one of the founders and president of the Tennessee Gang Investigators Association from September 1998 through December 2002.





course at the Tennessee Law Enforcement Training Academy in December 1997. He has actively been instructing new agents at the TBI academy in surveillance, gangs and death investigations and has assisted in teaching death investigations to investigators at TLETA - City/County School for Investigators.

Four-Way Test

Rotary's Four-Way Test of the things we think, say or do:

1) Is it the TRUTH?
2) Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3) Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4) Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

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If you have not visited our Facebook page, give it a try!

Denise Bash does a great job of keeping the page updated. If you have not visited our page, we invite you to do so and to also LIKE the page!

Here is a <u>LINK</u> to our page.



Tom Marsh has Jimmy Hyams thinking as they chat after our meeting

Jimmy Hyams Predicts 6-6 Season for UT Vols

Jimmy Hyams of The Sports Animal 99.1 FM was ready to talk Tennessee football Wednesday, but he also tossed in some men's and women's basketball commentary.

"I don't think we should overreact after one game (when the Vols beat Bowling Green, one of the worst teams in college football)," he said. "Playing Pitt is another thing altogether."

But the Vols held their own against the Panthers, losing yesterday 41-34.

As for the big UT quarterback, Joe Milton, Hyams said he's not an accurate passer, puts no touch on the ball and has questionable decision making skills. Milton missed most of yesterday's loss with

a lower leg injury. Backup QB Hendon Hooker came in and played pretty good football. UT also lost its two top running backs to injury — Tiyon Evans and Jabari Small. True freshman Jaylen Wright came on strong in relief.

His prediction is a 6-6 season. "They'll beat the three FCS teams on the schedule and maybe Pitt and Kentucky, or South Carolina, and maybe one more game for six wins," he said. Pitt's off the table now. Beating either Alabama, Georgia and Florida probably won't happen. That leaves Ole Miss and Missouri.

Hyams said of UT basketball: "They'll be really good, a lot better than last year. They have two good real point guards and better inside players. Last year's team had no chemistry. This could be a Final Four team."

He also said center John Fulkerson, 6-9, suffered with Covid throughout last season. "He's a whole different John Fulkerson now," he added. He said last year's point guard, Santiago Vescovi, will be coming off the bench this year as a backup.

Other Hyams' observations:

- "UT Lady Vols will be good, not great. They're one great player short."
- He has no idea when the NCAA will conclude its expensive investigation of UT football during the last year of Jeremy Pruitt's time as head coach. "About all I can say is that this makes no sense to me at all.
- Someone asked what he thinks about UT Coach Josh Huepel. "He's a good man, wants his players to have fun and I also like his staff."

Wednesday's Guests & Visitors Report



- The club welcomed a pair of guests **Stan Johnson** and **J.D. Jackson** of The SEED Project. They will be our speakers on Sept. 22. They are pictured here with Past Presidents Leah Berry and Becky Duncan.
- Bill Nichols introduced (again) his guest **Monica Kinson**, who was with her husband Tory when he spoke two weeks ago.
- **Jeff Gerkins** was the guest of Stephanie Myers.
- Farragut Alderman **Drew Burnette** was the guest of PP David Smoak.
- Editor Alan Sloan of the Farragut Press was with us as well.

Thanks for joining us!

A Little Humorville "Hmmmm?" Humor

Have you ever wondered.....

- Why do we buy hot dogs in packages of 10 and buns in packages of 8?
- Why is "abbreviated" such a long word?
- Why didn't Noah swat those two mosquitoes?
- Why don't sheep shrink when it rains?
- Why are they called apartments when they are all stuck together?

OK, we tried! Smile!!

This Week's Family of Rotary Report

Bettye Sisco is home from Duke Medical Center and she's exhausted. Here's what she said: "I'm feeling good but exhausted. The whole thing is exhausting and it's just a tough thing to go through. I get there around 7 and leave at 5. They are draining me literally, taking blood every hour. But I am



doing well with the new medicine and it's not making me sick. My energy level is way down and I'm sleeping a lot." She will be returning to Duke on Sept. 21. Also, Bettye may be needing a little help before she returns to Duke. Be ready!

Doc Pratt is taking meds to battle and break up a pulmonary embolism in his lungs. He is on week three of a six-week

supply of Augmentin. "I hope this knocks out the infection in my lung that is causing me to cough all the time," Doc says. "So I guess that I will know how I am doing in three weeks."

Judith Bradbury's report about **Phill**: "I am happy to report no change. Just jogging along. Phill is still sleeping a lot and has very low energy most days. But this lovely weather has been a real plus and we have at least been able to take him out in the sunshine."

If you know of someone we need to support, please let us know!

Please keep our Rotarians in your thoughts and prayers!

Zoom Zooms Back to Farragut Rotary

We're **ZOOMING** again!!!!!!

Some of our members have been wondering when we will be offering our weekly meetings at Fox Den County Club on Zoom again. You can click on this <u>LINK</u> on Wednesday at 12 noon to join the meeting.

You also can go to the Home page of our <u>website</u> and click on the little green camera circle under the heading of "Club Zoom Meeting." We even included the logo for you!

Club Secretary Mary Ann Imgram says those attending on Zoom will be marked as attending that meeting.

If you can't make it to Fox Den — which we would prefer — then Zoom is an option again.

News & Notes: CAK's Busy & Much More



The Interact Club at Christian Academy of Knoxville (CAK) that we sponsor had its first volunteer work-day fundraiser last week at the World's Fair Park downtown at Wing Fest. The club helped sell roughly 2,900 tickets. Club member Luke Myers said about 25 Interact

members helped with the cleanup, selling tickets, and putting up tents and chairs. He said they should know Monday how much money was raised. Great job CAK Interact!!!

As far as we know and have heard, only two members attended the **Pack the Park for Polio** Tennessee Smokies game on Sept. 7 — President David Bluford and PP Leah Berry and family. The original date before school began was rained out and no doubt this game on a school night hurt attendance.

We have a number of smart "techies" in our club, yet no one has volunteered for our new "member-less" **Tech Support Committee**. Let's go techies. How about some help here, Rotarians! Step it up!!!!!

Make a note: **Purple Pinkie Donut Day** is coming up on Wednesday, Oct. 20. This is a major fundraiser for our Dist. 6780 Polio Plus campaign!

PP Ron Lawrence's Tennessee Walking horse **In Ted's Image** won his second consecutive World Grand Championship recently at the annual Tennessee Walking Horse Celebration in Shelbyville. During this 10- day show, he won the Grand Championship and the Reserve World Championship. Congrats to Ron!!!!

The Rotary Club of Knoxville on Tuesday, Sept. 28, will have Tennessee House Speaker Cameron Sexton speaking. This meeting is open to all Rotarians in the Knoxville area. They meet at noon at the Crowne Plaza Hotel. If you would like to attend, please click on this <u>LINK</u>. Lunch is \$15 for guests/visiting Rotarians, and is payable by cash or check to the Rotary Club of Knoxville at the door. They will stream the meeting via Zoom, and any who wish to attend in that format may include their email address when they RSVP. The Rotary office will send the Zoom link on Monday 9/27.

Virtual District Workshops in October

The **District 6780 Vibrant Clubs** workshops will now be held virtually on the evenings of Tuesday, October 5, and Thursday, October 7. The sessions will be two hours in length and cover two topics each evening.

Workshops both evenings will begin at 6 p.m.

On Tuesday, October 5, the topics will be Membership and Public Image. On Thursday, October 7, the topics will be The Rotary Foundation and Youth Services.

These workshops are an opportunity for clubs to learn about ways to make their clubs vibrant and attractive to prospective members.

The workshops are open to all members of the District. You need to register to attend. Please register on the Tuesday October 5 event for both or either session. You will receive a Zoom link with your registration.

Here is the registration <u>LINK</u>. Once you are signed in click on the District tab at the top of the page and then scroll down.

1st Harvest Fest Festival Will Be Oct. 3

A new autumn tradition in Farragut is just around the corner — the **Harvest Fest Festival.** It will debut on Sunday, October 3, at the Village Green Shopping Center. Shop Farragut, in partnership with the Town of Farragut, is inviting the community to join in this first Harvest Fest. The Presenting Sponsor is SouthEast Bank.



It will be held between the hours of 3 and 7 p.m. And the best news — it's free.

The festival will feature some four dozen retail and promotional booths including food and beverage vendors from the Farragut business community. There also will be "live" entertainment.

Participating businesses include a wide variety of retailers, food vendors and personal services. Patrons can get food and drink from The Admiral Pub, Water Into Wine, the Farragut Table, Kiki's Hawaiian Shave Ice, Mucho Gusto, Lulu's Liquor Cakes, Cruisin' Cuisine, and Toney's Italian Ice. Patrons will also be able to get information, discounts, or merchandise from these Farragut area businesses:

"The festival is a new Fall tradition for our community that basically fills a calendar gap in Shop Farragut's favorite annual activities," says Farragut Business Alliance Executive Director Steve Krempasky, "This will be a celebration of Farragut community life here in East Tennessee."

Shop Farragut will have a large Festival Tent providing seating for patrons to enjoy food and drinks. The stage will feature continuous live entertainment. The musical entertainment includes Common Interest at 3 p.m., Solstice at 4, and Mighty Blue at 5:30.

You can visit booths by Gold sponsors TDS Telecom and The Angie Cody Group, plus Silver sponsor MLILLY Mattress. The Community sponsors include Knoxville TVA Employee Credit Union and Junk Bee Gone. Media sponsors include B97.5 FM, The Farragut Press, and WFIV 105.3 FM.

Our Mystery Character Remains in Hiding

This character who is our **September Mystery Rotarian** is quite a character. The first four clues drew a slew of wrong guesses. Too bad! Perhaps today's second set of four clues will assist one and all.

- Was swindled financially by a "friend" who ended up on the FBI's Most Wanted List.
- Once owned tree trimming equipment and trucks. Unfortunately, the trucks were stolen and later found totally demolished.
- Their Most Embarrassing Moment ever: "When out parking with my girlfriend, my father came knocking on the steamed-up windows of his car telling me it was time to come home."
- Married "two gals with the same first name."



A character? You bet!

The first correct guess emailed to <u>TOM KING</u> will win a bottle of great wine from **Dixie Lee Wines & Liquor.** If no one unmasks this character, they win the wine!!!!

A Thought for Your Week

"Be careful with your words and judgments. Those things can last a lifetime." – **Anon**