
THE FLAGSHIP



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What's Next!

Sept. 25: Capt. Greg
Faulkner, KCSO,
Domestic Violence

Sept. 28: Free Flu Shot
Saturday, 7 a.m., Farragut
High School

Oct. 2: Board of
Directors, 11 a.m.

Oct. 2: Club Assembly

Oct. 9: Meeting at
Milestones; Perfect
Attendance Awards

Oct. 16: Michael Jordan,
Blount Mansion
Marketing Director

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

IT'S FREE FLU SHOT TIME ON SATURDAY! WE NEED YOU!!!!

This Saturday will be the 28th of September and we will be very busy working at the **28th Annual Free Flu Shot Saturday** at Farragut High School. This event was born within our club. The word is that we will have around 950 flu shot vaccine shots available for anyone 5 and up.

Approximately 20 Rotarians signed up Wednesday and the signup sheet will be passed

around again on Wednesday. We'd like to have around 30 volunteers there to work this major community event. Coordinator Mark Bialik needs all hands on deck at the school by 7 a.m.



This year we'll have three new things going on:

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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does a great job of
keeping the page
updated. If you have
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and to also **LIKE** the
page!

Here is a [LINK](#) to
our page.

First, and this a major first, members of the Interact Club at Hardin Valley Academy will be helping us out and working alongside our adviser to the club, PP Leah Berry. Meet and greet the HVA Interactors and make them welcome as part of our family of Rotary. We'll also have Girl Scout Troop 20114 helping us. That is Orly Berry's troop and Orly is Leah's daughter.

Second, Walgreen's is joining this event at all six locations around town with a team that will be providing the "High Dose Senior's Shots" this year and administering the actual shots and taking insurance information (if they have it). "However, if the person does not have Medicare, or insurance, they can still get their shot. We will be working with Walgreen's to provide the 'drive-by' shots also," Mark said. Mark added that we will have 250 doses available at Farragut for the seniors.

Third, The News Sentinel, for the first time, will let people use their credit/debit cards to make donations to the News Sentinel's Empty Stocking Fund.

To our newer members who have never been to this event — you'll enjoy it more than you think. It's a Farragut Rotary team event and a great public relations event to showcase our club. Wear your Farragut Rotary shirts and hats if you have them.

We will need our team to arrive at 7 a.m. to set up the FHS cafeteria, prepare the paperwork and clipboards for those wanting flu shots. We also will have Rotarians helping outside with parking and with administering "drive-by" flu shots to those too elderly or physically unable to come inside for the injections.

KCSO Family Crimes Unit Supervisor, Capt. Greg Faulkner, Speaks Wednesday

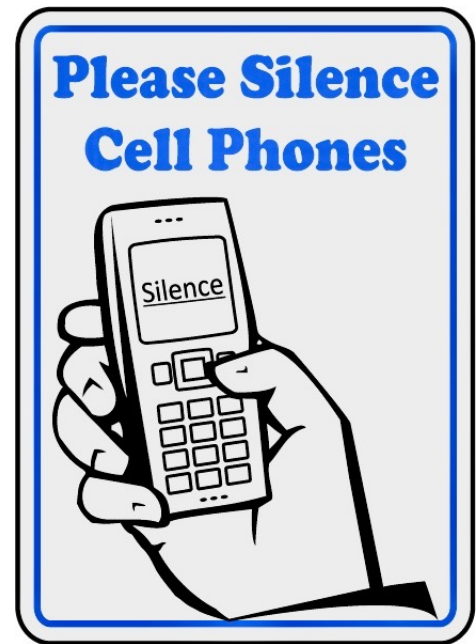
Wednesday's speaker will be **Capt. Greg Faulkner**, head of the Knox County Sheriff's Office's (KCSO) Family Crimes Unit, which was established in 1995 and is responsible for investigating incidents of domestic violence, child abuse, and elder abuse.

In addition to investigating these incidents, the unit also provides immediate safety crisis counseling information and support to victims of these crimes. The Family Crimes Unit investigates more than 5,000 cases annually.

The investigating body of the unit is comprised of eight detectives, four Victim Advocates, and one Case Manager. An assigned detective is on call 24 hours a day.

The Family Crimes Unit is located at the Family Justice Center, which is the hub of more than 60 partnering agencies working together to provide assistance and education pertaining to domestic violence, child abuse, and elder abuse. These agencies include, but are not limited to: The District Attorney General's Office, Knoxville Police Department, Adult Protective Services, State Department of Children's Services, Knox County Schools, Legal Aid, YWCA, and the Helen Ross McNabb Center.

The Knoxville Family Justice Center is one of the first centers established in the nation and has become a model for other agencies in the development of their own Family Justice Center.



‘Wreaths Across America’ Locally Needs \$6,000 To Put Wreaths on All Vets’ Graves

Chris Albrecht introduced the wonderful **Wreaths Across America** program to the Rotary Club of Farragut at Fox Den Country Club on Wednesday. He is the United Veterans Council of East Tennessee’s Wreath Program Ambassador. He’s also a U.S. Navy veteran of the Vietnam Conflict.



L-R, Chris Albrecht, Wayne Davis, and Bill Nichols’ guest, Snapper Morgan

This national organization works every year to place an evergreen wreath on the grave of veterans on the “National Wreaths Across America Day.” This year it will be on Saturday, December 14, during the holiday season and Christmas and the ceremonies will begin at noon.

Here in Knoxville the Veterans Council works to make sure that the approximately 18,000 veteran’s graves have wreaths. Last year they had the funds to place just more than 13,000 wreaths, thus leaving 6,000 or so graves without wreaths.

There are ceremonies at three cemeteries locally – the East Tennessee State Veterans cemeteries on Lyons View Pike with its 5,292 graves and on John Sevier Highway with its 2,900 graves, and the U.S National Cemetery on Tyson Street with 9,246 graves (including the grave of the great University of Tennessee coach, Army Brig. Gen. Robert R. Neyland).

The ceremonies around the country are done in coordination with the wreath-laying ceremonies at Arlington National Cemetery, as well as at more than 1,600 additional locations in all 50 U.S. states, at sea and abroad. At Arlington wreaths will adorn the 226,525 graves by that Saturday afternoon in December.

Making Up, Maybe!

Monday: Lenoir City, Noon,
First Baptist Church, 2805
Simpson Rd East; Oak Ridge
Sunset, Holiday Inn Express.

Tuesday: Knoxville, Noon,
Crowne Plaza; Clinton,
Noon, Clinton Community
Center; Loudon, Noon, First
Baptist Church; Morristown
A.M., 7:30 a.m., Morristown
Country Club.

Wednesday: Knoxville
Breakfast, 7 a.m., Gettysvue;
Maryville, Noon, Blount
County Public Library,
Maryville; Morristown, Noon,
Morristown Country Club;
Oak Ridge Breakfast, 7:15
am, Tech 20/20, 1020
Commerce Park Drive.

Thursday: North Knox,
Noon, Litton's Restaurant;
Oak Ridge, Noon,
Doubletree Hotel, 215 S
Illinois Ave; Tellico Lake,
Noon, First Baptist Church,
Tellico Village.

Friday: Knoxville Volunteer,
Noon, Knoxville Marriott;
Bearden, 12:15 p.m.,
Bearden Banquet Hall.

Albrecht says the East Tennessee State vets cemetery on John Sevier Highway is adding graves fast, averaging 15 funerals a week this year to date. The cemetery began this year with approximately 2,500 graves and will end this year at some 2,900.

"We are really hoping that we can have enough donations this year to take care of the 6,000 veterans' graves headstones we had to bypass last year," he said. "We are hoping people will join us in honoring these veterans with a wreath for the holidays."

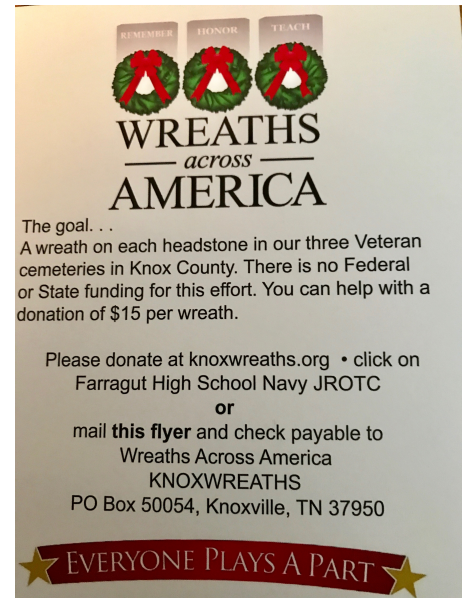
The local website is <http://knoxwreaths.org/>

There are two ways you can donate:

1. You can go to the Knox Wreaths website above and click on the link for the Farragut High School Navy JROTC to donate. That link is at the bottom of the page.
2. You also can make checks payable to: Wreaths Across America
KNOXWREATHS
PO Box 50054 Knoxville, TN 37950

And Knox Wreaths is a 501(c)(3).

Great program, Chris!



Our Visitors & Guests

- Julie Blaylock's guest was her mother, **Agnes Predny**.
- **Rev. Randy Dodge** was the guest of Judith and Phill Bradbury
- **Snapper Morgan** was the guest of Bill Nichols
- **Ron Nesbitt**, who has been proposed as a new member, was President Staci Wilkerson's guest.
- **Denise Defenderfer** from Toastmasters was the guest of David Freudenberg.
- We had one Visiting Rotarian — **Joe Johnson** from the Rotary Club of Knoxville.

Glad you all joined us!

Vicki Sponge Inducted as Our 102nd Member

The membership roster today numbers 102 after we inducted our newest Farragut Rotarian on Wednesday — **Vicki Sponge**. Her sponsor is President Staci Wilkerson and Staci enjoyed the honor of handling the induction along with Arlene Weinstein, Co-Chair of Membership. They are pictured here.



“Becoming a Rotarian means so much to me because my mother had polio.” Vicki told us. “Seeing her with polio was devastating. She had one leg that was smaller than her other leg. She died when I was 12.”

And she may be the only LSU fan in our club.

She is the Director of Sales with The Nine Group for The Hampton By Hilton Inn at Cedar Bluff. Vicki

has been in the Hospitality/Event Meeting Planning industry for 36 years. She is a Certified Meeting Professional (CMP) and is currently in the Introduction Knoxville Leadership class. She studied at the University of Tennessee, the

University of New Orleans and LSU. Her hospitality career started at the New Orleans Hilton Riverside for 10 1/2 years and also worked at the New Orleans Convention & Visitors Bureau.

She and her family relocated to Knoxville in 1994 and live in Maryville.

She worked with the Knoxville Convention & Visitors Bureau for five years and from 2010-2019 was the senior planner with Integrated Solutions & Services, Inc.

Welcome to our Family of Rotary Vicki!

Dining on the Dock – Oct. 25

Our **19th Annual Wine Tasting & Hors d'ouvres** will be from 6 to 9 p.m. at Concord Marina on Friday Oct. 25. The theme for this fun event is “Dining on the Dock.”

Tickets are \$75 per person and each club member is strongly encouraged to purchase at least two tickets. You can get your tickets through our Facebook page, Eventbrite, or see Megan Belcher.

Please consider donating an auction item as well for the fun and popular Silent Auction.

We will be circulating a clipboard soon for additional volunteers to assist with set up and take down.

Sam Mishu is again donating the food and the **Sam Taylor Family at Dixie Lee Wines & Liquors** is donating all of the wine for us!

Let's make this our biggest fundraiser ever!!!!!!

Derek Wright Honored as BP of the Quarter

On Wednesday our club honored **Derek Wright**, the owner of Graham & Cook Insurance of Farragut, as its Business Person of the Quarter. He was nominated by Brian Elton and they are pictured here.

“When I moved to Farragut six years ago, I chose them as my insurance company simply because they were the local Safeco agent. Since that time, the owner, Tommy Cook has retired and Derek Wright took over the business,” Brian said. “I have gotten to know Derek as my agent and he has always gone the extra mile to manage my policies.”



Brian had been chair of a program at Farragut Primary School called the All Pro Day program. When his kid moved to Farragut Intermediate School he asked Derek to take over the program at Farragut Primary.

All Pro Dad is a national, non-profit organization founded by for NFL Coach Tony Dungy. It provides the structure and curriculum for leading a father/child breakfast at the school. “While Dads have breakfast with their child, I briefly discuss a character trait such as ‘Respect, Responsibility, Initiative’ and we watch a video that gives an example of the character trait. We also go around the room and each Dad tells the group why he is proud of his son or daughter.”

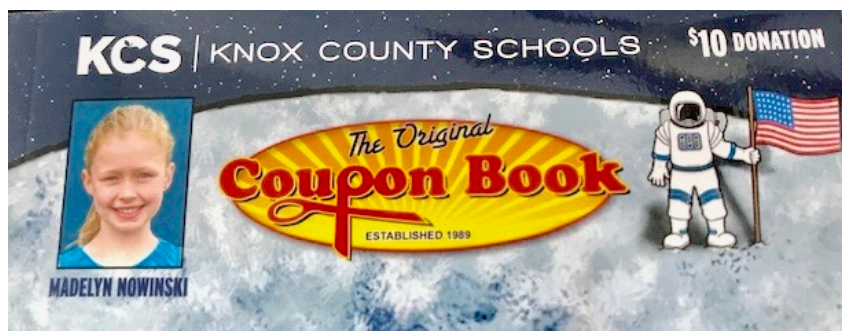
Brian added: “Derek is doing a great job and I know he upholds the Rotary principles in the Four Way Test every day.”

Congrats to Derek!

Hear Ye, Hear Ye....Get Your Coupon Books

Farragut Rotarians bought 43 coupon books from **Ridgedale Alternative School** this past Wednesday. As our Partner In Education school, we're

working hard to help the school with its fundraising. Service Projects Co-Chair Teri Jo Fox says we know that a lot of children throughout Knox County are selling these coupon books and that makes it tough for all of us.



“Just know we are doing this for a school in need of our support, a school that doesn't get a lot of participation from the families because it has no PTA,” she said.

This year \$9 of the \$10 price for each book stays at the school. Our goal this year is to sell at least 100 books, so please consider purchasing a book or two or even 5 if you wish. “I have listed a few great coupons within this year's book below,” Teri Jo says.

- Aubrey's \$5 off of \$25
- Calhoun's \$5 off \$30
- Chick-Fil-A special deals
- Copper Cellar \$5 off \$30
- Culver's free 2 Scoop Sundae
- Elliott Boots 10% off of purchase
- Parkside Grill \$5 off \$25
- Putt-Putt Golf & Games 4 coupons, perfect for a full day of fun.
- Lady Vols basketball buy 1 get 1 for a regular-game ticket

Teri Jo says they will be selling books again on Wednesday.

Our Family of Rotary News & Updates



PP Peggy Wilson is home following back surgery Friday at UT. “I’m in a lot of pain even with the pain meds....I have a walker....but I’m not going to use it much for a while.” Her surgery lasted about 75 minutes. She hopes to see us in about a month.

PP Chris Camp says that things are going well at NHC Farragut. “I’m especially happy to have my sister Laurie here from California and I’m making progress. I am getting stronger but it’s gonna take a while but they have great therapy folks here and also lots of equipment.” She added that she’s not up to having visitors yet.

Bettye Sisco has to be feeling better. She was spotted shopping at Steinmart yesterday. “I can stumble around for a little while but I still don’t have my meds straightened out,” she said. “And I’m going to the doctor. I think I have an ear infection now and I’m not breathing too good either.” She said she hopes to be at Wednesday’s meeting.

Please keep this trio of great Rotarians in your thoughts and prayers!

Rotary Foundation Receives Highest Rating From Charity Navigator for 11th Straight Year



For the 11th consecutive year, **The Rotary Foundation** has received the highest rating — four stars — from Charity Navigator, an independent evaluator of charities in the U.S.

The Foundation earned the recognition for demonstrating both strong financial health and commitment to accountability and transparency.

“We are extremely honored to be recognized,” says Foundation Trustee Chair Ron Burton, for RI President. “It represents the hard work and dedication of countless Rotarians throughout the world. They know their gifts will be used for the purpose for which they were given and that they will, indeed, make a real difference.”

September’s Mystery Is a Real Riddle

Do we have a major mystery on our hands — OR WHAT?

This **September Mystery Rotarian** is proving to be very challenging for the sleuths amongst us. Take it from the Administrator — they’re all working hard on this one along with a lot of other Rotarians. We have had guesses galore!

Here are your four new clues. Can anyone figure this out? We’ll see!

- Was recruited to play football at Arizona State University
- Favorite all-time movie is “Second Hand Lion”
- Bought their first house from Madison Guaranty of James and Susan McDougal fame in Arkansas who were involved with the Clintons.
- Attended survival school, recon school, and leadership school at Maxwell Air Force Base in Montgomery, AL but was never in the military



The first correct guess emailed to TOM KING wins the wine from the Taylors at **Dixie Lee Wines & Liquors**. One guess per week per Rotarian. If no one wins, the Mystery Rotarian wins.

A Thought for Your Week

“I would rather have a mind opened by wonder than one closed by belief.” —
Gerry Spence