
THE FLAGSHIP



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Coming Up

Sept. 6: Board of Directors, 11 a.m.

Sept. 6: Club Assembly

Sept. 9: Rotary Leadership Institute I, Crossville, Stone Memorial High School, 8 a.m.

Sept. 13: Lt. Col. Travers Hurst, 134th Air Refueling Wing, McGhee Tyson Air Force Base

Sept. 20: Knox County Mayor Glen Jacobs

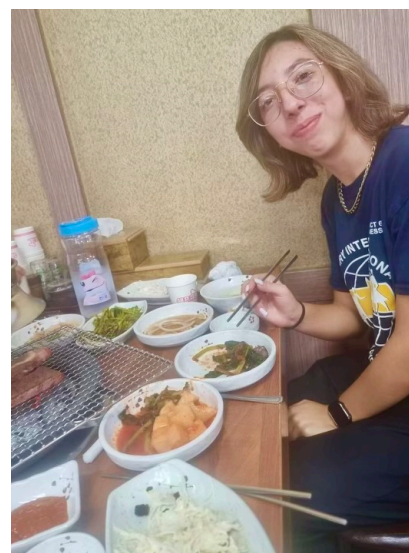
(All meetings begin at 12:15 unless noted otherwise)

Our RYE Outbound Student Valerie Kinson Now in South Korea

Valerie Kinson is beginning to settle into her new home and family as she begins her year as a Rotary Youth Exchange (RYE) to South Korea. She left Knoxville at 6 a.m. this past Friday morning and landed in Incheon on Saturday at 2:30 p.m. Korean time.

On Saturday evening her host family took her to a restaurant in Ansan and she was treated to her first taste of Korean BBQ. It appears she's enjoying it!

Valerie, now 18, is our outbound RYE student and she will



live in Ansan, about an hour and 15-minute train ride from Seoul between Seoul and Incheon. “Please ask for everyone to pray for her safety, and a life-transforming experience,” Tory said. Valerie has already graduated from Bearden and once home in 2024 she will begin her studies at the University of Tennessee. She has been studying Korean this year as she prepared for this major adventure.



Mom Monica had to say goodbye to Valerie on August 16 (pictured here). She had planned a trip a year ago before they knew when Valerie was leaving.

“She is in northern Spain to see a cousin and then she walked the Camino de Santiago. She is doing 100 miles of it. It’s a Catholic pilgrimage that takes you across northern Spain to the place where the disciple St. James is buried. She’s doing about 10 miles a day with members from our parish at All Saints Catholic Church in Cedar Bluff,” Tory explained.

No doubt our inbound RYE student from Seoul, South Korea, Choi Junoo, has helped prepare Valerie for her stay in his native country. He is living with the Kinson family this year and attending Bearden High School. With Valerie and Monica both gone it’s Tory and three boys at the Kinson home.

We will be updating you on Valerie’s experiences that we hope she will be sharing with us in word and pictures.

Lady Vols Boost(Her) Club Is Growing

NIL – Name, Image & Likeness. And like it or not, it's here, real, and it's not going away. Big business and money, like never before, are driving college athletics. The **Lady Vol Booster(Her) Club** is working hard to make certain that Lady Vols athletes playing on the nine women's teams get their fair share.

On Wednesday **Terri Holder**, the President of the Lady Vol Boost(Her) Club, spoke to the Rotary Club of Farragut at the Farragut Community Center. With her was Danielle Baird, the club's new Director of Operations. Holder was introduced by her good friend PE Teri Jo Fox. They're pictured here.



If you are unfamiliar with NIL, here's a brief description: it is a new development in college athletics that allows student-athletes to generate income in a variety of ways.

Today 40 Lady Vol athletes have signed NIL deals with a variety of companies and organizations. Eleven basketball Lady Vols have signed deals, 12 from softball, five from soccer, three each from volleyball and golf, two each from swimming and diving and track and field and one each from rowing and tennis. Of those 40, 22 Lady Vols are not on full scholarships, Holder said.

This year the Boost(Her) Club had \$420,000 in scholarship money to use in all of the nine women's sports teams.

One thing Holder and UT are proud of is special – the UT Lady Vols are the only Division 1 school with its own logo for their women's teams.

Holder is Lady Vols sports through and through. She began working with the late Lady Vols basketball Coach Pat Summitt in 2007, the same year she founded and ran Orange Mountain Designs in Alcoa. She sold sportswear focused on one team – the Lady Vols. Now the store is at 7240 Kingston Pike, Suite 192 in The Gallery Shopping Center. In 2022 Holder sold the store to Alumni Hall but remains a part-owner.

Two members of our club and their businesses are corporate sponsors – Scott Brockamp and His Security and Technology Co. and PE Teri Jo Fox's The KnoxFox Real Estate Group.

If you are interested in becoming a member or in sponsorships, click on this www.ladyvolboostherclub.com for their website or call Holder at (865) 414-6255 or Danielle Baird at (865) 415-7000.

Visitors and Guests of the Day

Three Rotarians had guests with them Wednesday. Let's meet them.



- Julie Blaylock introduced **Tyler Hunsaker (at right)**, a Regional Field Marketing Manager for TDS Telecom and a former Rotarian. He is a Prospective Member. Julie's other guest was **Dr. Tom Rosseel**, who has had a distinguished career at ORNL of more than 30 years.



- Joining Sam Mishu as his guests were **Robyn Vaughn (at right)** and **Debbie Bonds**. Debbie works at the Walgreen's on Campbell Station Road and Robyn at Walgreen's in Oak Ridge.
- **Ethan Wolfe**, a friend of the Barnwell clan, was Alex's guest.

3 Comedians Take the Stage!

First up was **Tory Kinson**, who shared a funny story that President Ronald Reagan always enjoyed telling: “This is the story about a politician and a pastor who arrive together at Heaven's gate. St. Peter took them to their quarters. The pastor gets a sparse one-room with a bed, table and chairs, whereas the politician gets a huge wonderful mansion with servants and the works. When the politician asks about his humble abode, St. Peter told him he was the first politician who ever made it to Heaven, while there were plenty of clergy to go around.”



Then up steps **Bill Rice**, our greeter for the day. Bill clears his throat and smiles: “My brother just started dating a girl named Rosemary. I don’t know what he season her.” Bombs away! Could this be a re-tell of a Bill Nichols joke?

And we can’t leave out **Alex Barnwell** and his personal brand of humor. Here it is: “I got a job at the bank as a teller. It only lasted one day. A lady asked me if I could check her balance. So, I walked around the counter and pushed her over. I was really depressed afterward, so I went to the pub and started fishing in the mud puddle outside. A guy came up to me and said, “Poor old guy, come in and let me buy you a drink.” While we were partaking, he asked me how many I had caught today. I told him that he was the eighth one.”

Our Family of Rotary Updates

Jeanne and Dr. Jack Faber have been in Holland MI for a family wedding for Jack's grandson. "The wedding was absolutely beautiful. Jack was so happy that he got to walk down the aisle with David without a walker," Jeanne says. But it was not without a price. "Unfortunately, the trip was very taxing for him and he now has lost a lot of his strength. I believe he's been set back at least a month." Their son David drove them roundtrip for the approximately 1,100 mile trip.

And **Judith Bradbury** is doing fine as well and loving our weather!

Prayers for the Fabers one and all.

NEWS & NOTES

Julie Will Work at KUB; We Need Books For Our Little Libraries; DACdb Training

Julie Tryukhan, our former Rotary Youth Exchange (RYE) student and our Ukrainian refugee, begins her first job in Knoxville on Monday, Sept. 18. She will work in the Human Resources Dept. at KUB. She is excited and getting ready. Her son Mark is in kindergarten this year and she has day-care lined up for pretty Polly. Her salary is perfect she says and KUB also provides health benefits. We wish her the best in this new chapter of her life. Her husband Dima continues in his job with the Ukraine military fighting the Russians. What a year she has had!



Howard Fass is our volunteer who watches over our two “**Little Libraries**” in Farragut — at the Senior Citizens Center near where we meet now and in McFee Park on McFee Road. If you have any children’s books you’d like to donate, please bring them with to a meeting and leave them with Howard. If you don’t have books leave a few bucks and we can buy books for the libraries. We need your help!!!



The music and songs were raising the roof at the **Buckethead Tavern** Friday night on Ray Mears Boulevard. The band known as “**Solstice**” was entertaining a big and loud crowd. The four young men in the group are **Maddox Frazier, Jackson Frazier, Marty Gee and Jacob Greene** (left to right in the picture). On Friday night they added a wandering veteran sax jammer to their band. Yep, in the middle of the boys is our own **Larry Sheumaker**. The Frazier boys are the sons of Knox County Commissioner and former Farragut Rotarian Kim Frazier, and Jacob’s mother is also a former member of our club, Julie Greene, who today serves as the CEO of Knox County Rescue.

DACdb is the online platform that hosts our club’s website — www.farragutrotary.org Many in our club use this site almost daily and every member has the opportunity to use it to update your personal information and stay abreast of things in our club. Every Tuesday evening **PDG Greg Maciolek**, the Dist. 6780 DACdb chair and guru, is conducting weekly training sessions from 7 to 8 p.m. The first 10-15 minutes will be a training session on a specific subject with the rest of the hour spent answering questions. Here is the [LINK](#) to join the meeting. The meeting ID is 831 8374 9089 and the passcode 3700865



RLI Part 1 Class Is Saturday in Crossville

The Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) is a great learning opportunity for new members, or those who have been a member awhile but want to know more about Rotary and leadership in a volunteer organization.

It's also perfect for those members who are on the track to club leadership!

This coming Saturday — Sept. 9 — in Crossville the RLI will present its Part 1 course. Class size for each level is limited to 30, so members should register ASAP. The Part 1 course is the first of three fast-paced, interactive, one-day courses designed to build knowledge of Rotary. Among others, topics include Membership, Service Projects, and the Rotary Foundation. Courses are fun, topical, hands-on, and class members learn from each other — no lectures!

The program is designed for busy business professionals who want to be more effective leaders in their vocation and in their Rotary Club. Participants return to their clubs with new friends, enthusiasm, fresh ideas, and valuable leadership skills.

The day begins at 8 a.m. (ET) with registration at Stone Memorial High School. 2800 Cook Rd Crossville TN 38571. It will end at 3:30 p.m.

The cost for attending RLI is \$60 per person per course, which includes all materials as well as a continental breakfast and lunch. Our club will pay the cost for our members. Pay online by credit card or check onsite made to HOA-RLI. Here is the [LINK](#) to register directly.

Sleuthing in September Is On!!!!

The Sleuths of September have a tall order ahead in trying to uncover the identity of our **September Mystery Rotarian**. This one is so tough we may have to join hands and pray for them. So, here are the first four clues:

- Has lived in 4 different states
- Grew up in a divorced family
- Is an only child
- All-time favorite food is lobster



The first correct guess emailed to TOM KING will be presented with a superb bottle of wine. If the Sleuths can't unmask our Mystery member, then that Rotarian wins the wine!

And away we goooooooooo????

A Thought for The Season

"It's not the will to win that matters.....everyone has that. It's the will to prepare to win that matters." — **Coach Paul "Bear" Bryant**, late University of Alabama football coach