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Director's letter

Welcome to the October edition of "At Your Leisure."

Fall – my favorite time of year for so many reasons. Cooler days and nights and lots of exciting programs and events are happening in the Town of Farragut! One of our biggest events (and one of my favorites) is Freaky Friday Fright Nite, which is Oct. 28 at Mayor Bob Leonard Park. This trick-or-treat event is for kids 12 and younger – see details below. And this year, Shop Farragut (a.k.a. Farragut Business Alliance) will host a Harvest Festival on Sunday, Oct. 30, making this a great weekend to invite friends and relatives to visit.

October is a great time to spend time at our many parks in Farragut: Anchor, Founders at Campbell Station, Mayor Bob Leonard, McFee, McGill Plaza and the BlueCross Healthy Place playground at Town Hall. Speaking of parks, if you haven't visited McFee Park lately, you need to check out the Great Lawn, tennis, pickleball and basketball courts and extended walk trails. The courts are open from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. but lights are only on if there is a reservation. Call us at 865-218-3376 (before 3:30 p.m. on day of rental) or go online to farragutparksandrec.org/tennis to reserve courts for pickleball or tennis and farragutparksandrec.org/mcfee-basketball for basketball. Cost is \$10 per hour for tennis and basketball and \$5 per hour for pickleball. Courts are free if there are no reservations (but again, lights will not be on).

Have a great October – one of the best months of the year!

Sue Stuhl



Farragut hosts fall fun

Mark your calendar for these annual fall favorites!

Freaky Friday Fright Nite

Experience family-friendly chills and thrills at the 26th annual Freaky Friday Fright Nite from 5-7 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 28, at Mayor Bob Leonard Park. Children ages 12 and under can “trick or treat,” play games and decorate cookies. Participants are asked to bring items to benefit the local Ronald McDonald House.

See farragutparksandrec.org/freakyfriday for more info.



Shop Farragut Harvest Fest

This spooktakular event is 2-6 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 30, at Village Green Shopping Center. Food trucks, adult beverages, live entertainment, treats for kids and a Halloween costume contest are all part of the fun! Learn more at farragutbusiness.com.

Celebrate the Season

Get in the holiday spirit at Celebrate the Season from 4:30-7 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 1, at the Farragut Community Center. Kids can have photos taken with Santa and enjoy cookie decorating, crafts and a holiday-themed movie during this free evening of family fun.

Light the Park

From dusk to 10 p.m. nightly from Tuesday, Nov. 22, through Monday, Jan. 2, thousands of holiday lights will twinkle along Campbell Station Road during Light the Park. Santa kicks off this holiday spectacle by flipping the switch for the lights at the Countdown to Light the Park event at Founders Park at Campbell Station on Monday, Nov. 21. (Learn more at farragutbusiness.com.)

Children can drop wish lists for Santa in the giant mailbox at the park through Monday, Dec. 19. Be sure to include a return address! There will be giveaways, food trucks and caroling scheduled throughout Light the Park. Learn more at farragutparksandrec.org/lightthepark.



Field use requests now available for spring/summer 2023

Application packets for athletic organizations requesting field use at any Farragut park for spring and summer 2023 are now on the Farragut Parks & Recreation website (farragutparksandrec.org/fielduse). Tournament applications are also available and can be requested through the winter of 2023. Town fields will open for the spring season on Wednesday, March 1, 2023.

The deadline to return completed field use packets is noon on Wednesday, Jan. 4. One representative from each group requesting field use for spring/summer 2023 is required to attend a meeting of all

user groups at 6 p.m. **and** the Parks and Athletics Council field allocation meeting at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 10. For more information or to request a packet, please email the Parks & Recreation office [here](#) or call 865-218-3376.



Ready, set, go see the Veterans Salute Race

This year's Veterans Salute Race takes place at 7:30 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 12. The race starts at the Farragut Community Center and offers 1 mile fun run, 5K and 10K options for participants.

This event honors military personnel with signs displayed along Founders Park at Campbell Station. A portion of proceeds are donated to the Wreaths Across America program. For more information: runsignup.com/veteransaluteraces.



New fall programs and events

Visit farragutparksandrec.org to see and register for new programs and events provided by the Farragut Community Center.



Save the date: A Day in Infamy

Learn more about events leading up to World War II on Monday, Dec. 5, at Farragut Town Hall. For more info, contact Historic Resources Coordinator Julia Barham at 865-218-3377 or jbarham@townoffarragut.org.



Community Center event space rental

The Farragut Community Center has all the space and amenities necessary to host parties, conferences, business meetings and more. Learn more at farragutparksandrec.org/community-center

