

Dee Haslam to speak at Chamber Breakfast



The Chamber is pleased to welcome as the next speaker for our Breakfast Series, Dee Bagwell Haslam. Haslam was named Executive Producer and Chief Executive Officer in 1999 of the RIVR Media companies (formerly Bagwell Entertainment). Dee's first project as Executive Producer was spearheading the creation of "Trading Spaces" for TLC. She has since headed the RIVR Media team in the production of thirty series and twelve documentaries. In addition

Dee, along with Rob Lundgren, founded RIVR's internet content company, Rivr Media Interactive. Before her current position, she worked in various production roles with the Bagwell companies for over 20 years.

You will not want to miss this dynamic speaker. The breakfast will be held at Fox Den Country Club on April 10th, 7:30 am. Reservations are required and can be obtained on line at www.farragutchamber.com or by calling 675-7057 - members \$25, non-members \$30. A full breakfast buffet will be served. Thanks to our sponsors - Event: Simply Skin; Community: Pellissippi State, and Point West Dance.

Dee's Bio...

- Awards & Honors: 2002, Emmy Nomination for "Outstanding Special Class Series"; Fifteen Telly Awards for Documentary and Series Production; 2004, Platinum Aurora Award (Best of Show); 1998, YWCA Tribute to Women Community Service Award; 1998 Sustainer Award, Junior League of Knoxville; 2000, Delta Delta Delta Community Volunteer Award
- Professional Associations: Executive Women's Association; National Association of Broadcasters; National Association of Producers and Television Executives; Women's Business Enterprise
- Civic: United Way of Knoxville Board of Directors Past Chairman; Knoxville Zoo Board of Directors; Emerald Avenue Youth Foundation Board of Directors; UT College of Education Board of Visitors; University of Tennessee Development Council Chair, UT Chancellor's Associate; UT Alliance of Women Philanthropists.; Leadership Knoxville
- Husband: James A. Haslam III, (Jimmy) President, Pilot Travel Centers, LLC, Children: James Oakley, Roger Films, New York; Whitney Haslam, Pilot Travel Centers, LLC. Knoxville; Cynthia Haslam Armholt, Paddington Day School, Denver

"Roaring Twenties Auction" Underway



Plans are moving along for the 2007 Annual Silent and Live Auction and Dinner. This is one of the largest fund raising events the Chamber has each year. The theme this year is "Roaring Twenties" in celebration of our 20th anniversary.

The auction will be held on May 4, 2007, at Rothchild's Catering. If you would like to serve on the committee call Emily at 470-7841 or Tonya at 251-1241. You may also email Emily at emily.cox@jamesoninns.com or Tonya at tvest@fsgbank.com. Auction committee meetings will be held at the Chamber office from 8:00 AM - 9:00 AM, April 4th and April 18th.

The Chamber is looking for this event to be bigger and better than ever! Our event sponsor this year is TDS Telecom and First Tennessee Bank is serving as a community sponsor. If you are interested in being a sponsor at any level, please call for more information. Mark your calendar NOW for the 20th Anniversary Celebration...May 4, 2007 at 6:30 p.m.! Reservations are required and may be made online or by calling 675-7057. Cost for members is \$50, for non-members \$60.

Mark Your Calendars!

New Member Orientation - April 3

Baptist Hospital for Women, on Parkside Drive will be the location for a New Member orientation to be held on Tuesday, April 3, 2007 from 8:00 a.m. until 9:30 a.m. The orientation will take place in Classroom 3 on the ground floor of Baptist Hospital for Women. All members who have joined the Chamber and have not had an opportunity to attend an orientation and are interested in learning more about the Chamber are welcome to attend. Coffee and pastries will be served, and drawings for door prizes will be held throughout the event. For more information, call the Chamber office at 675-7057. This promises to be a fun and informative event. We look forward to your participation.



member briefs...

First Tennessee Bank is offering you a chance to win more than 1,000 prizes in a Web-based game with a spinner and car that moves around the board, possibly landing on a prize-winning space that could, for instance, pay for daycare or taxes. The Game of Life is being played at the same time First Tennessee is conducting a sweepstakes that will award one winner \$1,000 a month for life. You can receive sweepstakes entries by opening a new account, applying for a home loan or other type of loan, applying for a credit card and attending a financial planning session or an insurance or investment consultation. To play First Tennessee's Game of Life, you must have a code that will be printed on First Tennessee ATM receipts, statement stuffers and instant win scratch-off cards that will be distributed at First Tennessee Plaza in Downtown Knoxville on March 28, at the edamerica Orange & White spring football practice at Neyland Stadium on March 31, in participant goody bags at the Covenant Health Knoxville Marathon on April 1, and at various other local special events in March, April, and May. Prizes for the First Tennessee Game of Life range from \$5 to the grand prize which is the Sharpie 500 package complete with airfare, hotel, helicopter transport to the track and two tickets in the First Tennessee suite at Bristol Motor Speedway for race weekend. The contest and the sweepstakes will run until May 31. More information about the First Tennessee Game of Life is available at www.FirstTennessee.com.

The **Jameson Inn** of Knoxville is pleased to welcome **Emily Cox** as their new Director of Sales. Emily and her husband Daniel previously owned Aspinwall Station Unique Furnishings. She has served as member of the Farragut West Knox Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors since 2005. Hotel guests services include a complimentary breakfast, high speed internet, on-site fitness center and a swimming pool.

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The Jameson Inn of Knoxville also has three meeting rooms fully equipped for audio/visual needs and is located at 209 Market Place Blvd. off Parkside Drive.

The Town Framery located at 12814 Kingston Pike in Farragut, invites you to their open house March 31, 2007 from 10AM to 4PM. They will offer one day only-Sales Tax Free Shopping on stock art and merchandise, discount coupon for NEXT framing job (no orders taken on Open House day), East Tennessee Pottery, new works from local artist, new home décor and accent pieces. For more information call 865-671-6627.

Meadow View Greenhouse and Garden Center will be giving free workshops on site, at 9885 Highway 11 East. Dates and times are listed below. You may sign up at Meadow View or by calling 865-986-7229. Look for the big yellow watering can above our sign!

- 14 April, Saturday, 10 a.m. "Hydrangeas - Pink, Blue, and What's New!" New cultivars, and proper care and placement of hydrangeas.
- 28 April, Saturday, 10 a.m. "Herbs 101 - Not Just for the Gourmet Cook!" Learn about a variety of herbs, for both cooking and ornamental applications.
- 5 May, Saturday, 10 a.m. "Hypertufa - Cast Your Own Stone!" Learn how to make these versatile containers, creating your own container for plants! A small fee will be charged for materials.

Lange Animal Hospital of Knoxville has again received accreditation following a comprehensive evaluation by the American Animal Hospital Association. The evaluation includes a quality assessment review of the hospital's facility, medical equipment, practice methods and pet health care management. Only 12 percent of all small animal veterinary practices in the U.S. achieved accreditation status. "Lange Animal Hospital belongs to a select group of practices that are committed to meeting the highest standards in veterinary medicine," says Michael P. Andrews, D.V.M., AAHA president. Lange Animal Hospital, located at 10405 Kingston Pike, has been an accredited practice member of the association since 1980 and can be reached online at www.langeanimalhospital.com

Junk Bee Gone LLC, East Tennessee's Junk Removal Specialist, has announced the additional service of mini-dumpster rentals to their portfolio. Junk Bee Gone will continue to offer their full service removal of unwanted items from homes and businesses in East Tennessee. "Full Service" refers to a uniformed two-man team and all the labor to load up the stuff that customers want gone. The addition of mini-dumpster rentals will help people and businesses who need a way to get rid of a good amount of "stuff" but do not mind loading it up themselves. The mini-dumpsters (15 cubic yard open containers) are large enough for most jobs, but small enough to fit almost anywhere. For more information you can contact Junk Bee Gone at 675-5865.

To show their appreciation to their customers, **Moe's Southwest Grill** on Parkside will offer 10% off any regular menu item on Thursdays during lunch for you and one friend. On Sundays 10% off is offered with a church bulletin and Tuesday is "kids eat free" off the kid menu with the purchase of an adult regular priced menu item (one child per adult) Moe's also offers catering for events with 24 hour notice. To schedule, call 865-454-5631

Three **Greenway School** students earned First Place in the Junior Division at the regional National History Day competition, on March 5th at the University of Tennessee. 8th graders Mary Biggs and Jennifer Kitts, and 6th grader India Gill, each won First Place in their division. In addition, Greenway students Mac Bower and William Coe together won 3rd and Blaire Toedte won 4th place recognition in the Junior Division. Mary Biggs' paper, "The Tragedy and Triumph of School Desegregation in Clinton, TN," was also awarded the Dan Shannon History Award for best use of primary sources. The winning Greenway School students advance to the Tennessee state NHD competition, which will be held in Memphis on March 31st. A private middle school in West Knoxville, Greenway began participating in National History Day in the competition's second year, 2003. Thus far, Greenway students have advanced to both the state and national competitions every year. In fact, three of Tennessee's only four students ever to place at the national-level NHD contest came from Greenway School. Greenway Social Studies teacher, Liz Shugart, was named a 2004 National History Day Teacher of the Year.

The **Knoxville Museum of Art** will be highlighting photographs from modern-day luminist Tim Davis as part of its SubUrban series March 23 through July 8, 2007. New York photographer Tim is concerned with light and his desire to "picture" light in its various manifestations. In Permanent Collection, the series featured at the KMA, Davis photographs famous paintings from museum collections. He then prints them almost actual size so that they become a representation of the original work. However, it is the reflection of light off the surface of the paintings that pinpoints the difference between the actual painting and photograph. The glare that Davis captures on the paintings' surfaces provides the paintings with an

Ribbon Cuttings



Dream Dinners located at 1124 Kingston Pike, Suite 107 invited Chamber members and friends to their ribbon cutting and grand opening held on February 22. Russell Evans owner, cuts the ribbon and is joined by Becky Roberts, Mark and Ann Williams, Wendy Evans all co-owners to mark their opening.



BB&T Bank celebrated the grand opening and ribbon cutting ceremonies on February 15th at their branch at 11113 Parkside Drive. BB&T branch manager Nathan Copeland, center with scissors, prepares to cut the ribbon. He is joined by BB&T dignitaries, other branch employees, and Chamber members.



The **Icearium** opens their new indoor soccer complex and celebrates with a ribbon cutting ceremony. Cutting the ribbon is owner Basil Skelton. Joining, in no particular order, are Donna McCarthy, Accountant, Steve Clough, General Manager, Tyler Skelton, Operations Manger, Nikki Copeland, Director of Figure Skating/Assistant General Manager, Barry Kyker, Adult Hockey League Coordinator, Darrick Lubell, Soccer Director, Shane Moore, Soccer Director, Eddie Hyde, Owner, Construction Plus and Chamber members.

unexpected luminescence that adds to and sometimes changes the energy of the piece by obscuring one's view of the painting. The artist will discuss his work at a gallery at 6pm on Thursday, March 21. This event is open to the public and is free with museum admission.

Tennessee Artists were recognized at the Arts & Culture Alliance on March 2, 2007. Congratulations to **Genie Even's** watercolors and **Judi Gaston's** fabric art which were recognized award winners at the Arts & Culture Alliance's National Juried Exhibition of 2006 to which more than 150 works of art were submitted.

The Heart of Knoxville Career and Resource Center invites local businesses and organizations seeking job candidates to participate in the Spring 2007 Job Fair on April 12. The festival will take place 11 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Career and Resource Center, located at the Magnolia

Avenue Campus of **Pellissippi State Technical Community College**, 1610 E. Magnolia Ave. Participation is free. The recruiting event is for employers looking for full- and part-time employees. For additional information, contact Bryan May at (865) 329-3166 or btmay@pstcc.edu.

Frank Murphy from Star 102.1, was chosen for a makeover with the Real Style Makeovers. During the last year Frank Murphy, with the support of his wife, has lost 60 pounds and is maintaining a new frame which certainly deserves a new trendy look. Stacey Handel of **Garde Bien SpaSalon**, cut and styled his hair and reduced his full beard to a current five -o'clock shadow look. WOW! Everyone seems to approve; wife Jere, daughter Meagan and son Frank Jr. as well as the team at 102.1; Mark and Kim gave his new look rave reviews on air following his transformation. Frank's full story before and after was featured in the News Sentinel and on WBIR-Style.

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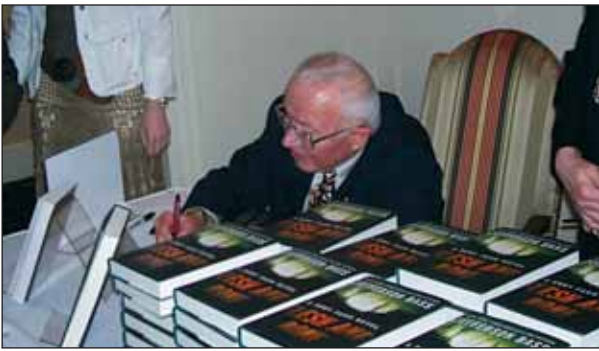
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Above Left: The Farragut West Knox Chamber of Commerce recognizes Enterprise Members to the chamber. Mayor Eddy Ford accepted the recognition plaque for the Admiral Elite Level of Membership along with Dot LaMarche, Board of Alderman; Tonya Vest of FSG Bank accepts the Pillar of the Community Award for the Captain Level; Jennifer Holder accepts the Pillar of the Community Award for the Admiral Level of Membership and Charles Stevens accepts the Pillar of the Community Award for the Anchor Level Membership for United Community Bank. These Chamber members have gone over and above their annual investment in the Chamber to help support the Chamber and its Continuing Education Grants Program. Many thanks to these new members and those existing members as well!



Above Right: Dr. Bass's interesting stories draw together the young as well as "the more interesting age groups." Waiting to hear the guest speaker at the recent breakfast at Fox Den are Rosemary Floyd, Tennessee Artist Association; her grandchild Kelsey Camp, who asked permission from her 4th grade teacher at school to attend and Rena Amerson, Kelsey's aunt. Kelsey is fascinated with forensic study at this early age. Who knows? She may become famous one day like Dr. Bass.



Above Left: After speaking at the breakfast, Dr. Bass patiently signs and personalizes his most current book *Flesh and Bone* as well as his other novel *Carved in Bone* plus non-fiction *Deaths Acres*. His books are co authored with Jon Jefferson. Books for the event were provided by Borders Book Store, Turkey Creek.



Above Right: Dr. Bass, famed forensic anthropologist, founder of the "Body Farm" and UT professor emeritus once again delighted the packed house at the Chamber Breakfast Speaker Series on Feb 10th. He spoke of two cases that he is writing about that will be in his next non-fiction book, *Beyond the Body Farm*, scheduled to be out on September 4. Thanks to Stacey Handel, Garde Bien SpaSalon owner, for her help in obtaining Dr. Bass as the Chamber's guest speaker. She is pictured with Chamber president, Bettye Sisco and Dr. Bass. We look forward to hearing "the rest of the story" in February of 2008!



Above Left: Knox County Mayor Ragsdale sponsored a networking at the Farragut Library on February 8th. The event was attended by approximately 175 Chamber members. Pictured are Dot Chamberlain, Alliance for Business Resources, Mayor Ragsdale, Pam Lambert, Tastefully Simple, Maggie Neithammer, YMCA, and Soo Cha Griffith, Gallery Province Soo Cha's Art Studio.



Above Right: Peerless Restaurant, 318 North Peters Road was the setting for a networking held by Peerless and Travel Host for the FWKCOC. The event was attended by approximately 200 guests who heard about the opportunities from Travel Host and enjoyed a fabulous buffet of food offered at Peerless. Thanks to Gary and Nia Kalogerous, Peerless owners and Mike and Karen Foix-Pak of Travel Host for their teamwork with this event! Pictured are Dominick Cuzzo, Ridge Mortgage, Judy and Scott Haines, Valpak and Pat Cannon, P.C. Enterprise.

Welcome to our renewing FWKC members!

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- Farragut Middle School PTSA
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- Twin Lakes Limo, Inc.
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- Watts Bar Riverboat Company, LLC
- West Knox Chiropractic Group
- West Knox Dentistry – Joseph W. Brakovec, DDS

Board Positions Available for FWKCOC

The Farragut West Knox Chamber of Commerce is now accepting applications for the position of Director on the Board of Directors.

The directors set policy for the Chamber, which is an organization that serves its membership through representation, support services and co-ordination in the areas of Farragut and West Knoxville.

The Chamber seeks well qualified persons with the experience and background to help set policy for an organization with more than 650 members. Under the by-laws of the Farragut West Knox Chamber, candidates must be an active member in good standing and must agree to accept the responsibility of a directorship.

Applications for the position of Director on the Board of Directors may be obtained at the Chamber office at 11826 Kingston Pike. Requests for forms may be made by calling 675-7057. The form is also available on the Chamber website at www.farragutchamber.com.

Completed forms must be returned no later than 4 p.m. Friday, April 6, 2007.
For further information, please call 675-7057.

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President Quotes 'n Notes

by *Bettye Sisco*

"Don't start your day until you have it finished on paper first." --Jim Rohn

Time is the most precious resource at our disposal, but it is also one of the most fickle. Used wisely, it can be a powerful asset. Misused, it can be your greatest enemy.

Always work from a list. You can bring order out of chaos faster with a list than with any other time management tool. Write down every task you intend to complete over the course of the day. Each day, organize, starting with what you must do and working down to what would be nice, but certainly not



essential, to get done.

Commit to using a time management system you like. It doesn't matter what system you use, what does matter is that you master your preferred time management system and use it regularly—until it becomes a natural habit.

"Do you have a minute?" is an innocent question we often hear, but often means, "Do you have a half-hour?" Interruptions are a necessary part of every workday. In fact, for many, interruptions like phone calls are our work. Because they're unavoidable, the trick is to accept interruptions that are inevitable and manage those you can control. Tell your visitors and callers how much time you have, and stick to your words.

Listen carefully and don't let your mind stray back to what you want to be doing. If the person speaking seems to be wandering, nudge them back on track.

Stick to priorities. Don't be your own worst interrupter. Stick to a prioritized "To Do" list. Tackle your top-priority tasks first. If you find yourself doing all the little, less important tasks first, "just to get them out of the way," it's a signal you're procrastinating.

Break large projects down into workable pieces. Work backward from your deadline and set smaller deadlines along the way. Don't lose track of the priority task. Handle each piece of paper only once. Either act on it, throw it out or pass it on.

Telephone interruptions can tie up a major part of every day. If someone is picking up your calls or if you are receiving them from a message machine, bunch phone messages and call everyone back during one block of time. Rather than play telephone tag, leave a complete message, mention a good time you can be reached or simply say you will call again. Don't forget to be a considerate caller yourself. Always ask if it is a good time to talk. At times, it may be necessary to remove yourself and go to a quiet spot to work. Ask someone else to take your calls, but be sure to tell others where you are in case of an emergency.

And finally, hang a friendly reminder in full view that reads: "What's the Best Use of My Time Right Now?"

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Who's who...

by *Leslie Tucker*
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Farragut Family YMCA

Try and imagine ...

You have a good job with ABC Corporation. Then, your company downsizes. Before you know it, you're unemployed and



Leslie Tucker

you emptied your savings last year. You're ashamed to leave your house, but you feel like you have no place to go. It is the worst of times. Then one day ... You happen upon this place that you heard about as a kid. Its red, yellow, blue and green sign shines like a beacon that draws you inside. Once there, staff members and volunteers become friends and tell you, "our doors are always open." For the first time in weeks, you have hope.

Vickey Beard says those kinds of stories are common at the Farragut Family YMCA where she serves as executive director. "We are not just a fitness club. ... Being here and having such acceptance and love helps people heal," she shares. "When that happens, it becomes contagious."

When organizers first decided to open a YMCA in Farragut, they weren't sure that it would work. But, Vickey says, "We started with one-third of the building, and now we have the entire space. What people don't realize about West Knoxville is that we are covered up with need."

To meet that need, the Farragut Family YMCA will break ground on a new facility April 27 with plans to open June 2008 when their current lease expires. The new 40,000 square foot family-oriented facility located at Concord Park will house an indoor pool, gymnasium, meeting rooms, fitness equipment and sports areas. No one is turned away because of their inability to pay; the YMCA offers financial assistance to those in need. Members' dues and the recently launched **Strong Kids Campaign** allow the YMCA to provide that kind of community service.

Some of the activities members can participate in include: fitness programs for ages pre-school through senior, kids and adult yoga, tutoring, arts programs, cardio belly-dancing, karate, kickboxing, pilates, spinning, and the Silver Sneakers program featuring exercises that are easy on joints. Rental space is available for special events, and the Y offers a summer day camp.

Events coming up at the Farragut Family YMCA include the **Healthy Kids Day** Saturday, April 14, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the site of the new Concord YMCA. Expect games and activities supporting strong kids, strong families and strong communities – the mission of the YMCA.

Such a special place takes a special group of dedicated people. Vickey is quick to praise her staff. "They go through an extensive training system. They become a part of our mission. It's just like a family."

For more information about the Farragut Family YMCA or to make a Strong Kids Campaign pledge, please call 777-9622.

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Calendar of Events

Please call the Chamber office at 675-7057 for information

- March 22** Networking, 8-9:30 PM
Springhill Suites
10955 Turkey Drive
865-966-8888
- March 29** Networking, 8-9:30 AM
Migun TN, Concord Health Initiatives, West Bicycles, Antiquities
11533 Kingston Pike (Village Green Shopping Center)
865-671-0038
- March 30** Ribbon Cutting, 9:00 AM
Edward Jones - Wendy Schopp
12744 Kingston Pike
- March 31** Town of Farragut Open House
- April 3** New Member Orientation, 7:30 AM
Baptist Hospital West
10820 Parkside Drive
- April 5** No Networking Event
- April 12** Networking, 8-9:30 AM
LeBlanc Financial
8081 Kingston Pike, Suite 100
- April 13** Ribbon Cutting, 5:00 PM
Michael Bates Southern Living
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- April 19** Networking, 5-7:00 PM
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Email your information by the 1st of each month to obtain space.