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A Word from Headmaster Robert J. Fine, Jr.

As the Headmaster and President for nearly 20 years, much of the progress we have made together has been by way of building a strong community, on and off campus.

Coming together as one has been Admiral Farragut Academy's unifying factor, empowering all members of our community with the knowledge, the direction, and the purpose of Farragut, version 2018!

Thank you for opening the pages of our school's 2018 Spring Edition of *Reveille*. We hope that as you read through the pages, you recognize a school on the move and one that is literally growing each and every day. From the exceptional cadets and students, to the faculty and staff, we continue to "provide a college preparatory environment that promotes academic excellence, leadership skills, and social development within a diverse community of young men and women".

In this edition you will find the Admiral Farragut Academy Foundation 2017 Annual Report where we saw an increase of over \$1 million dollars.

Note: the Foundation Honor Roll of Donors in this issue reflect the Foundation only. The Academy will use the Summer Edition of *Reveille* to recognize donors that gave gifts to the Academy (Capital Campaign, Annual Fund, Parents' Group, Admiral's Athletics Club, and gifts in kind, etc.).

Also, included in this edition is an update on our new building construction and the capital campaign associated with it. We hope you will enjoy the many articles, news items, and announcements about our students of today and years past, and discover what some of our board members and faculty are up to. Thank you for taking the time to read about Farragut and see what we are accomplishing.



Robert J. Fine, Jr.
Headmaster, Admiral Farragut Academy

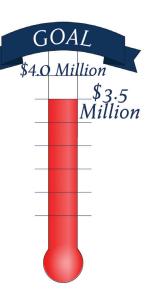


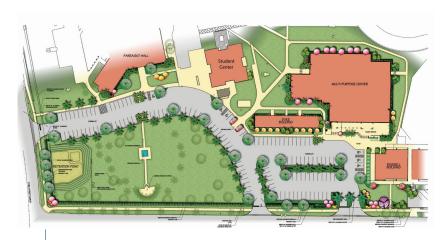
THE NEW BUILDING CAMPAIGN for Admiral Farragut Academy

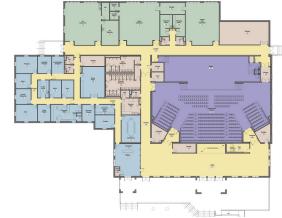
↑ t 20,000 square feet, the new Amultipurpose building, designed by architect John Poe of John Poe Architects, will feature an innovative design that highlights the proud heritage of Farragut. It will strike a balance between traditional and contemporary architecture in a manner that respects Farragut's history and charm. The building will feature a 302-seat auditorium with a retractable seating system, an administrative wing, and classrooms, including audio-visual rooms, and artspecific studios, serving as the home for the music and the arts programs. Large and small conference rooms, equipped with the latest audio-visual technology, will also be designed for smaller meetings. The building

will provide the entire Farragut community with a center for enhancing the academic and communal experience for its faculty, administration, and student body. Its design will promote collaboration and creativity. In addition, this space will free up other space on campus for additional classrooms and future dormitory rooms.

Naming opportunities are still available. For information about the capital campaign visit www.farragut.org/about/new-building-capital-campaign. To make a gift or pledge, please contact Tony Sloan, Chief Development Officer, at 813-416-7202 or tsloan@farragut.org.







Groundbreaking for new multipurpose building

-- largest capital campaign in Academy history



L-R: Mike Kolchin '61N, Don Schreiber '49N, Ed DeSeta '67N, Jake Jacobus, Headmaster Robert J. Fine, Jr., and Christian M. Wagner '82N

On Friday, November 3, 2017, Admiral Farragut Academy held a special groundbreaking ceremony for The New Building Campaign, the Academy's most ambitious building project and fundraising campaign in its history.

Academy leaders, Robert J. Fine, Jr., Headmaster, Christian M. Wagner '82N, Chairman of the Board of Directors, Jake Jacobus, Board Member and Capital Campaign Chair, Mike Kolchin '61N, President of the Farragut Foundation, Ed DeSeta '67N, Building Committee Chair, and Don Schreiber '49N, Honorary Trustee, gathered with shovels and hardhats where the new 20,000 square foot multi-use building will be constructed. They struck the ground in front of an audience of students, parents, alumni, and board members.

The ceremony was part of AFA's 2017 Alumni Homecoming celebration, which brought approximately 200 alumni back to campus from across the world, ranging from members of the Class of 1946 to the Class of 2017.

The new building is expected to be completed and ready for occupancy in early 2019. Generous families, alumni, and friends have made commitments totaling \$3.5 million to the campaign (about 87% toward our \$4 million goal).







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EVENTS around campus



Homecoming Court

At the Homecoming game, Chloe Fretwell '18 and Tyreek Montgomery '18 smile as they were crowned Homecoming Queen and King.



Spirit Week
Casey McKee '21 reads a book to first
graders Olivia Love (left) and Claire Lynch
during the "Superheroes Read to First
Grade" event of Spirit Week.



Our first day of school was made extra special by the partial solar eclipse! Thank you to parent Nicole Stolt for donating eclipse glasses!



Battalion Wars
Team Alpha cheers on their teammates a
Battalion Wars on October 6th.



Homecoming Dance
(L-R) Eighth graders Terence Taylor, Jaiten
Solano, Benjamin Crawford, and Isabella
Wainwright smile for the camera.



Book Fair
Second grader Leila Bakken explores the books at this year's Old West themed Lower School Book Fair.



Parents' Group Golf Tournament
The Parents' Group poses together at the
Pasadena Yacht and Country Club, where the
annual event grossed over \$22,000 for Farragut!



Lower School Winter Formal
Seventh grader Ryan Almstadt busts a move as
onlookers cheer him on.



Carlos Riva-Palacio '18 donates blood to help beople both locally and worldwide at the blood drive on October 13th.



Halloween Character Parade (L-R) Fifth graders Zachary Vaughn, Lucci Passarelli, Cole Raymer, and Jacob Arias show off the books from which they based their costumes.



Pancakes with Pops
Sixth grader Grace Vernine hugs her dad, Joe, at the annual breakfast event.

BOARDING TIPE EXPERIENCE The Lemmons Family

Boarding life at Admiral Farragut Academy has always been diverse. Even dating back to the earliest years of the St. Petersburg campus, students have traveled from countries such as Cuba, Venezuela, Bermuda, and Canada to study at Farragut. Today, we are home to students from 17 states and 26 different countries. At any given time in the halls, you will hear Chinese, Spanish, and Russian being spoken alongside English, and many students are proud to say that they have friends from countries like Monaco, Panama, and the Czech Republic.

It is this melting pot of cultures that the Lemmons brothers call home.

aleb Lemmons '20 has been a student at Farragut since his 8th grade year in 2015. His younger brother, Christian, joined him this past year.

"I have to confess that Caleb leaving us at age 13 and Christian this year was a major challenge," said James Lemmons, Caleb and Christian's dad. "They both seemed to make the transition look easy, which in turn made it easier for us. And of course, Farragut has had a lot to do with making them feel at home."

The Lemmons family lives in Dhahran, Saudi Arabia, where Iames works for Saudi Aramco. a Saudi Arabian national petroleum and natural gas company. "Caleb was born in Saudi and Christian was born in Bahrain," James said. "They have both had the luxury of traveling to more than 40 countries. This has exposed them to cultures from all over the world and broadened their perspective on

"The atmosphere here is like a family," Caleb said.

"It's small, and everyone knows everyone. When you do something good. everyone knows about it, and same as when you do something bad."

Christian agreed. "You always have friends by your

"I don't get homesick too much," Caleb continued. "The first time I was away

from home was at a baseball camp for two weeks, and I was homesick there, but here it's the opposite."

> "I'm okay with living away," Christian added. "Last year I was a boarder at another school so it was different and I wasn't



Christian and Caleb Lemmons in their dorm room

Caleb, left, and Christian, far right, with their parents, James and Meaza, and vounger brother Carlin

with my brother. This year I feel like I'm with family because I have my older brother with me. That definitely helps me to not be homesick."

"The separation from the family has been the biggest impact on us," James said. "Their vounger brother. Carlin, who is still at home, often misses them and asks questions about the need for the separation. However, this setback is more than compensated by the obvious growth in Caleb. I am amazed at the pace of growth and

maturity I've seen in Caleb from the very beginning of his stay at Farragut."

Since he started, Caleb has built and developed a strong wrestling career, placing consistently

in tournaments and meets. "I am not sure where that came from," James said, "but he has found a passion that has directly influenced his academic work ethics and personal maturity."

Caleb is planning to continue wrestling into college, where he is interested in either biology or engineering. "Biology is my favorite class. Mrs. Deitche makes it really fun."

Christian, who is newer to boarding school life and Farragut, is also developing.

"Boarding teaches you wrestling." to be independent," Christian said. "It shows you an example of what you'll do in the future."

Christian isn't sure yet what he wants to be when he grows up, but right now he likes science. "It's really fun to see all the animals in Mr. Sadler's room."

The Lemmons family has plenty of advice for future boarding families.

"My main advice to other parents would be to stand back and watch them grow," James said.

"Micromanaging may inhibit their growth. Facilitate their growth by expanding privileges step by step. Let them find their own way, similar to Caleb and

"Be prepared," Caleb said. "Boarding is a life-changing experience and it's a tough thing to be prepared for, but you'll have friends who will have your back."

Christian's advice is simple. "Do well and you'll be okay."





Caleb wrestling



Christian playing basketball

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A SELECTION OF POETRY FROM UPPER SCHOOL ENGLISH TEACHER HEATHER EWING'S WRITING CLASSES.

From the Rooftops

every word is a bullet,

and every thought is a stab in the heart.

by Casey McKee '21 At times, I wish that I could stand on top of a tall building and tell the world to take a breath. Everyone struggles with something, people stretch themselves far too thin. They reach a breaking point in which they're metaphorically drowning under ice. No breath, no way for anyone to hear you scream for help. Sometimes someone will be struggling, and you'll have no idea. People are constantly battling against themselves, trying to follow the path that everyone says in life is right. Every move is a punch,

We use humor to cover up our emotions like makeup so no one can see us struggle. Most people can't comprehend the fact that you don't have to conform to society, and it's okay to not be okay. I believe that only you have the power to truly understand your own self worth. If you are constantly on edge, just waiting for something to go wrong, you're never going to appreciate everything that is going right. The mind is a scary place, but only if you let it be that way. If everyone took at least 1 minute out of 24 hours in a day to take a deep breath and realize that you cannot control everything in life, and realized

perfection is not the answer... the world would be a better place.

The Other Side

By Robert Bedny '18 As she walked away, Her reflection was separate. An individual flipped to see the other side of things, The underside of things The undermined things that we can't see out here. She could see the mountains. And they could see her. But her reflection could see the roots from which those mountains occurred. Obscure and unsure, She just kept walking.

Man as the Author

By Caleb Lemmons '20 Life is a book. With each his own author. Pages inside all, none the same. One page smelling of salt and shipwrecks, Another of women and wine. Chapters separate the transitions of life. Infancy to childhood. Son to father. Apprentice to soldier. Foolish to wise. The more interesting it gets, The farther you get to the end. As the pages close, You remember the fond moments, Hopeful that your book will be remembered.

Masquerade

By Linda Delgado '18 Disguised I assisted at one of the masquerades I was invited to I modeled colorful masks like the colors of the dresses that I daily used as a disguise to look just like the others. To look how they want to see me I covered my silhouette with any display. For the ones that saw me I looked normal in those carnival parades. Between the couples that were spinning, one day I found her. Beautiful as a full moon that lights at dusk. I shared the dance to the lady moon of the mask that she wore it to show it off as her

I found nothing behind. I got scared and gazed at her empty she said "They are all like this, didn't you know?" With a sweet gesture rather than an elegant one my night light waned, a moon that finally disappeared at the morning of my comprehension. I went to try to find the one that I called friend. Underneath the mask I found no one with me, I searched between the poses, the comedians, between the skilled and beginners that act to the face of the dreamer. and only I had that face. Since then I daily take off that mask that made the habit of such persistent makeup. Like the unmasked song

I show myself to the one, that perhaps does not like what he sees when he looks at me. or even feels uncomfortable when there is nothing to see inside Now I'm not unmasking when I find anyone who covers acting. When they cheat on their happiness I only see imitations of humanity. What they could have been and are between vainglory and compassion. What I am, I cannot see, what you can see, I cannot hide. I do not carry my armour. The one that hurts me will see inside the wound that my impure blood

keeps my heart open.

Always by Your Side

*Earned the Regional Scholastic Writing Award

By Kathryn Greene '18

Down syndrome:

face.

A genetic chromosome 21 disorder causing developmental and intellectual delays Ignorance:

The lack of knowledge or information

but upon discovering her true face

On April 7th, 2008 Was born one of god's greatest creations His eyes were shaped like almonds Face round and pale The doctors locked their eyes on him like a bride peering through her wedding veil Their eyes danced on his face as if they've never seen a crying baby before

The room soon became a blur of disarray Doctors were feverishly double checking papers, while nurses ran around the room and became Nascar

racers All movement stopped in unison They gathered around my mother like a priest giving communion Words were spoken slowly and softly as if they were afraid the words would jump out and attack my mother Incapable, they said Institutionalize, they said Inhuman, they said This baby's life will never amount to anything, we heard I peered over at the pale faced baby in my mother's arms My mother held him the same after those words My mother kissed him the same after those words The look of love in her eyes never changed after those words

The world is ignorant, incompetent and most of all inconsiderate For creating false images and feeding off the innocent We claim we're a country with vision, vet it's filled with illiterates They can't read between the lines and see the promise in your eyes Because you have defied every obstacle they put in front of you Elijah Bernard Greene you are not different, you are unique From the way you speak to the way vou think They don't want to see you happy baby boy They don't want to see you thrive But just know that when the whole world is against you

I'm always by your side



Farragut Hall featured in Architectural Digest magazine

Admiral Farragut Academy's beautiful Farragut Hall was featured in *Architectural Digest's* June 15th, 2017, article "This Sleepy Florida Beach Town Is Home to the Most Amazing Architectural Hideaways". We were featured alongside historical gems, such as the Don Cesar Hotel, the Dalí Museum, and the historic openair post office in downtown St. Petersburg.

"Previously known as the Jungle Country Club Hotel, the Academy catered to wealthy Northerners during their summer vacations back in the Jazz Age. In 1945, the textured stucco structure was sold to Admiral Farragut Academy, which uses the building's two wings as part of its military campus. Today, the main entrance is still easily recognized by its two-story sopraporta, capped by four urns."

- Architectural Digest

On November 5, 1992, the City Council of the City of St. Petersburg, Florida passed a resolution designating Farragut Hall as a local historic landmark. While the hotel rooms on the second and third floors were converted into dorm rooms and the first floor was converted into



Maintenance workers, father and son duo Jose and Rafael Ferrer, working on the front doors to Farragut Hall

administrative offices, great care
has been applied over the years
to maintain and preserve the
historic land and buildings that
were constructed during the
1920's Florida Boom Era.
the first in-ground pool in
Pinellas County, in the sam
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In the last school year alone, many windows and doors have been repaired or completely refurbished by maintenance worker and carpenter Jose Ferrer and his son Rafael. These improvements have included a brand new front door built to match the old one, and a new door in the stairwell near the mess hall.

The same care has been taken towards the rest of campus to maintain the historic feel of the area. The Jungle Country Club was host to

the first in-ground pool in Pinellas County, in the same spot where our pool is today. The tennis courts are in the same spot too, and until their refurbishment last year they were original to the campus. The Roy M. Speer Student Center (formerly the William G. Parrott Memorial Library) takes many architectural cues from Farragut Hall, including a white stucco exterior and a red tile roof, and the New Building will follow this trend.

We are very proud of our history here at Farragut, and we can't wait to see what the future holds.







FOOTBALL

The Football team had a credible season under first year head coach Rick Kravitz. They ended the season with a 4-7 record, and lost in the first round of post season in district play. Four seniors signed to play football in college this year; Sam Baker, Zion Roland, John Waller, and Khalan Tolson. The team is looking forward to building for next season.

VOLLEYBALL

New Head Coach Wes Post, with the help of Middle School and JV Coach Valeri Fowler, was able to start a change in culture for the Volleyball Program. Seniors Ally Collins and Carrington Hazley helped the Varsity team finish 5-8 and start to build a program that will continue to get better with many young athletes coming through the program.

CROSS COUNTRY

The Cross Country team had an outstanding season under the direction of Head Coach Reva Moeller. The boys team qualified for the regional tournament and they had their first District Champion and State qualifier in many years, sophomore Philip Henderson.

SWIMMING

Head Coach Jan Browning led her team to another outstanding season, qualifying for regionals. They also had a diver, 7th grader Jillian Aprile, who, for the first time in many years, qualified for the regional diving competition.

GOLF

Senior Robbie Vinson had an outstanding year, and qualified for the regional tournament under the direction of Head Coach Destry Fudge.



SUCCESS IS NEVER ACCIDENTAL

Head Softball Coach Linda
Derk has been with Admiral
Farragut Academy since 2009.
This year, she has stepped into
the shoes of Athletic Director, a
role for which she is well suited,
due to both her long history in
sports and to her life philosophy,
which compliments the school's
slogan, "Success Is Never
Accidental".

Admiral Farragut Academy: What goals do you hope to accomplish for your first year as director? On a longer timeline? Linda Derk: Our athletic department is faced with the challenges of providing young men and women the opportunity to take part, compete, and achieve in an athletic program that stresses self-esteem, personal pride, and achievement. The structured athletic programs will allow for the student-athletes to learn and grow in these areas. The philosophy of the Athletics Department coincides with the overall philosophy of the school.

We must first, however, understand that the studentathlete is the sole foundation of the department and his/her needs must be considered first.
The example we set should
be his/her model for honesty,
patience, loyalty, citizenship and
values.

We will continue to upgrade our facilities, provide quality coaches and programs to enhance our student-athlete development and overall success.

AFA: Explain what "Success Is Never Accidental" means.

LD: Anything of value and meaning takes a well-thought plan and consistent implementation of the plan. It is a process to success. Our slogan #SuccessIsNeverAccidental embodies this. With our positive attitude and positive effort, as a department, we can achieve the next level of success by following the process.

AFA: What are the standards you hold your student-athletes to?

LD: We hold our studentathletes to a high level of accountability and selfdiscipline. We want a high level of academic success. We want our student-athletes to be good leaders with good character. In addition, we want them to embrace our philosophy with their actions on a daily basis.

AFA: What do you see as the future of Farragut athletics? LD: I see Farragut athletics within the next 5 years as a state, country and internationally recognized athletic department. Not just with our athletic successes, but our academic successes. Furthermore, a department with the ability to provide an environment that encourages our student-athletes to matriculate to the college level.

AFA: Can you tell me about how you and your coaches act as role models to your student athletes? LD: Accountability is a big part of our success. It is important for our department to provide quality coaches that will in turn be great mentors, role models and instructors. We must lead by our positive work ethic and our ability to provide a positive environment for all our studentathletes

AFA: What are the improvements you plan to make to our athletic facilities?

LD: We are in need of upgrading our facilities, providing a better locker room situation for our athletes, in particular our female athletes. We are trying to build showers in the female locker room and move our laundry room to a more accessible and functional location. We are hopeful to upgrade our softball and baseball fields with bleachers and eventually a new locker room. Our gym has an upgraded floor. We are now hopeful we can upgrade the gym locker rooms, padding, and chairs in the next 5 years.

AFA: What is the best way for parents, alumni, and friends of Farragut to help the athletics department?

LD: The Admiral's Athletics Club is comprised of so many great volunteers. They are consistent in their goals of helping us represent Admiral Farragut Academy in the best way possible. We appreciate all the help they have provided the Athletic Dept. We are always in need of volunteers to help with ticket sales and concession. If you are interested in volunteering please visit our website to sign up at bit.ly/FarragutAAC.

farragut today parents' group faculty and staff focus

Parents' Group purchases sunscreen dispensers and sunshades to protect students from sun exposure





According to IMPACT
Melanoma, Admiral Farragut
Academy is the first school
in Pinellas County to place
sunscreen dispensers across
campus and to provide additional
education through their 'Practice
Safe Skin' program for grades
Kindergarten through 12th.

"We are very proud that we are acting as role models for our community," said Parents' Group President Denise Colangelo, who is also a registered nurse and mother of 6th grader Sophia Bourque. "It is so important to educate and provide a solution to help prevent and protect our students, families, faculty, and staff from harmful UV rays."

You can find the Sunscreen Dispensers at the following locations across campus:

- Lower School Playground
- Tennis and Basketball Court
- Waterfront
- Pool
- Main Entrance to Al Ross Field near the Concession Stand

The BrightGuard Sport
Sunscreen Lotion SPF 30 is
specially formulated to withstand
vigorous activities. It provides
superior broad-spectrum UVA/
UVB protection that resists
wear off from water, rubbing,
sweat, or wiping. It is also water
resistant for up to 80 minutes
and is proven to not clog pores
or cause breakouts. Learn more
about practicing safe skin habits
to lower the risk of melanoma at
www.impactmelanoma.org.

In addition to the five sunscreen stations on campus, the Parents' Group was also able to purchase large sunshades for the Lower School playground. "We are all really excited about the sunshades," said 2nd-grader Sereen Shamseddine. "We will be able to play longer because we won't get so hot!" The Lower School faculty and staff are also very excited because they spend a good chunk of their day outside during recess, extended care, and over summer if they direct a summer camp.

These sun-protection additions were all made possible by proceeds raised from the 2016 Parents' Group Poinsettia Sale, individual sponsors (see below), and individuals who raised their paddle during the 2017 Parents' Group Auction.

We would also like to thank our sunscreen dispenser sponsors. These sponsors contributed to purchasing each dispenser and a one-year supply of sunscreen.

- Christine Rolfo-Fontana-Yern (two dispensers!)
- Dr. Alexandria Kongsiri, Visage Dermatology
- The Salebra Family
- The Covington Family and The Lewis Family

Every year we will be seeking new sponsors to reload the sunscreen, which is estimated to last a year. Please email parentsgroup@farragut2.org if you would like to become a sponsor for an upcoming year.



2nd grade teacher Maren Lynch swims to benefit the Navy Seal Foundation







On January 21, 2018, Admiral Farragut Academy 2nd grade teacher and avid swimmer, Maren Lynch, swam 3.1 miles across the Tampa Bay for the Tampa Bay Frogman swim "Never Leave a Man Behind" charity event benefiting the Navy Seal Foundation.

Each swimmer represented a fallen soldier.

"I swam for 22-year-old Navy Seal Tyler Trahan EOD2 from East Freetown, Massachusetts," said Maren. "Tyler was deployed with his east coast-based seal team in Taqaddum, Iraq and was killed on April 30, 2009, while conducting combat operations. Two marines were also killed during this operation."

In order to participate in this charity event, swimmers were asked to raise a minimum of \$1,500 with a total fundraising goal of \$700,000. Maren used a fundraising website where others could donate and she could share her thoughts as she

prepared for the race. Overall, Maren was able to raise \$2,510 for the foundation.

"This was the most emotional event I have participated in and the most difficult swim I have ever done," said Maren who, in the past, has participated in the Lido Key race that was 7-miles long and a 12-mile relay around the island of Key West. "It was not the longest swim, but the cold water, the wetsuit, and ridiculously-strong current made this more challenging to me than any I have done in the past. I even asked for Tyler's help when I got scared."

Along with Tyler figuratively by her side, Maren also had the help of a kayaker and close family friend, Craig Mallon. "Craig was in charge of keeping me in line, both directionally and mentally," explained Maren. "He is a long-time friend, best friend to my husband, and godfather to my one of my children; I am so grateful for him."

Although the conditions were tough, Maren swam well and arrived at Picnic Island with a time of 1:26. Out of 175 participants, 25 of which were female, she earned 4th overall female and 34th overall.

"I am humbled and honored to have swum for Tyler, and proud that I was able to give back to his family and other families who have lost their loved one," said Maren.



Upper School Math and Science teachers use teaching techniques that earn them \$10,000



Amy Smith

During the 2016-17 school year, Upper School Math teacher Amy Smith was busy finding creative ways to teach her students math. This innovative approach to teaching earned her a \$10,000 award by the Barrett Family Foundation.

The award was created as a vehicle to award outstanding math and science high school teachers from private and public schools in Pinellas, Hillsborough, Pasco, and Sarasota counties. Through this award, The Barrett Family Foundation proudly honors outstanding high school teachers who share their energy and enthusiasm for science or mathematics through creative and innovative methods. The award further seeks to recognize teachers who are utilizing methods to cultivate student interest and ability in these two fields.

To win the \$10,000 prize. teachers were required to write a letter about themselves, and an essay describing their teaching philosophy and how they use technology in the classroom to further develop children's interest in the subject, keeping it new, timely, and exciting.

Ms. Smith chose to create a video to show how she incorporated technology and hands-on activities into her math lessons throughout the year. "The video took me a few months to create and includes a QR code scavenger hunt and equations on the tennis court. The goal of all of my classroom activities is to connect the math with what it is conceptually. It's important to make it relatable."

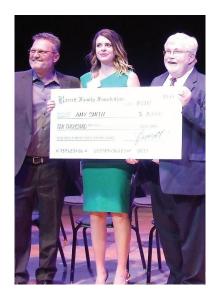
You may also be surprised to know that math does not come naturally to Ms. Smith.

"Math was not an easy subject to me growing up," said Ms. Smith who earned her first bachelor's degree in hospitality from the University of Central Florida. "But once I was working as a Food and Beverage Supervisor at The Hilton, I realized that hospitality was not the career I had imagined and I decided to go back to earn my bachelor's in math from St. Petersburg College."

Ms. Smith wanted to give back in a bigger way. She found that through her desire to understand math, she could inspire others who struggle in the subject. "When I was a student at Dixie Hollins high school in St. Petersburg, FL, I had one teacher, Mr. Sullivan, who took the extra time and helped me understand math." said Ms. Smith. "This is my way to pay it forward."

"I tell my students that with self-discipline and hard work anything is possible," explained Ms. Smith. "Trust me, math does not come easy to me and I spend a lot of time in the library watching YouTube how-to videos, but I wanted to prove to myself that I could do it. And I did!"

Ms. Smith is also currently in progress to earn her master's degree in Mathematical Sciences



from the University of West Florida. She said she will be using most students find difficult, I the \$10,000 award to help pay for graduate school. "After I get my masters I may become an adjunct professor at a local college or university. I may even continue and get my doctorate."

"Being an educator means finding a way to connect with all of your students to inspire them to achieve their goals in and outside of the classroom. Every student has different passions, different weaknesses, and different learning styles.

As a teacher of a subject that make it my sole responsibility to show them how much I care about their success. The look of excitement in their eyes when they start making mathematical connections and applying their newly developed skills is a feeling I could never attain through any other career. It is a privilege to be an educator, and I am thankful I get the opportunity to be a part of so many students' lives."







Stephen Mikell

In September, Physics teacher Stephen Mikell was awarded the Barrett Family Foundation Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teacher Award.

"I use computer-based labs for physics," Mr. Mikell said. "Students are able to do their labs in the classroom like traditional orthodox labs, but they can also do it at home. together but separate. It's a great program to help our day students work together with the boarding students at night, when normally they wouldn't be able to. I also use other online simulators to bring previously impossible projects to the students."

"I try whenever I can to derive the equations for them," Mr. Mikell continued. "I want to show them where the equations originally come from. Instead of just throwing them on the board and saying 'memorize this', I show them the calculus so they have a better understanding of how it works and can put it in more real terms for themselves."

Though Mr. Mikell's degree is in Nuclear Technology and he was a reactor operator in the U.S. Navy, he has now has been teaching for 17 years. "It's not a career I intentionally pursued," he said. "My mother was a 4th grade teacher. Education has always surrounded me. In college I was a paid tutor, then I started tutoring for the college. When I got out of the Navy I started adjuncting and it turned into full-time teaching."



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Meet the New Development Team

Tony Sloan - Chief Development Officer



Tony holds a B.A. from Indiana University and an M.P.A. from the University of South Alabama. He began his professional fundraising career in 1989 as a consultant with Ketchum, Inc. Since that time, he has served eight non-profit institutions including the Palm Springs International Film Festival,

UMS-Wright Preparatory School, Indiana University, University of South Florida, Tampa Preparatory School, Vision 360, One Hope, and Cambridge Christian School raising over \$100 million.

Prior to that, he served as a staffer on Capitol Hill, assistant to the Indiana Lieutenant Governor and an architectural sales rep. Tony retired as a Lieutenant Colonel in 2011 after a distinguished 30-year Air Force Reserve career, including stints in Iraq and Afghanistan. He has also worked for an international restaurant conglomerate and owned a small business.

On Saturdays in the Fall you will find Tony on a football field as an NCAA Football Official with the Old Dominion and USA South Athletic Conferences. He resides in Tampa with his wife, Tonya, and two daughters.

Tony works collaboratively with the Admiral Farragut community to raise awareness of the importance of philanthropy and facilitates giving for Farragut's capital and endowment needs. Contact him to inquire about making a gift or pledge or visit www.farragut.org/alumni/givingback.

Victoria Raymer - Director of Alumni Giving & Engagement



Victoria Raymer brings over twenty years of experience in strategic marketing, communications, and community relations. She started her career in Tallahassee working as an intern for the Governor's Press Office which led to the position of Affiliate Marketing Coordinator for the Florida Association of Broadcasters,

coordinating national media conferences. Victoria moved to the Tampa Bay area to manage and syndicate a lifestyle radio show and secured over 300 radio stations nationwide. Her career advanced to TV, as a Senior Manager of Affiliate Marketing with HSN. During her career at HSN, she was honored to support the development of an award-winning retention campaign which drove \$13.4 million in revenue.

Prior to joining the Farragut Family, Victoria served as the Senior Brand and Communication Manager for Bisk Education, a technology provider for online degree programs with top accredited universities. She was the first leader in the company who developed a corporate philanthropic program which engaged employees to give over \$150k in goods, services, and inkind donations to local charities.

Victoria resides in St. Petersburg with her husband Derek and three children, who all attend AFA. She is inspired to devote her expertise to engage our exceptional alumni to share their time and resources to continue the legacy of developing leaders who impact our local and global communities.

donors. Stay tuned for a retirement

announcement.

After 20 years of service to Farragut, CAPT Tom
McClelland, USN (Ret.)
has retired from his most bonfire, and previous role as Development Officer.
He plans to continue his world travels with his wife, Dona. We thank him for his dedication to the Upper School and Naval Science Department and also his devotion to our alumni and

Jeff Ogden '00 - Director of Strategic Initiatives



After 10 years serving in the Alumni and Development Department, Jeff Ogden is taking

on a new role as Director of Strategic Initiatives. Jeff will be responsible for both directly managing initiatives as well as serving as a liaison from the Headmaster to those responsible for strategic initiatives. He will leverage his considerable knowledge of Farragut, insight into outreach, and experience with logistics.

From the Office of the Commandant



Residence Life instructor Jim Becker, Diana Romanovskaya '19, Artur Kokstejn '19, and Residence Life instructor Jen Perez at NASA

The office of the Commandant has had a lot happening since the beginning of the 2017-2018 school year.

Residential Life

We have 1stSgt David Worthy in the dorms this year. This move was made to bring a more structured environment and military presence in the dorms.

Our boarders have had lots of opportunities to go on trips such as deep-sea fishing, paintball, amusement parks, and shopping at various local malls. On January 15, 2018, over 90 boarders loaded two charter buses and went to the Kennedy Space Center in Cape Canaveral. Trips to Disney, the Tampa Zoo, and a major water park are also coming up.

Kim and I hosted the Boarder Holiday Party at the Commandant's Quarters with over 130 students in attendance. We had lots of food, a blazing bonfire, and played games. It was a great opportunity to share time together and further build relationships with these awesome young men and women.



The Color Guard stands at attention during the NJROTC Area 7 Manager's Inspection in November

Naval Science

istSgt Mark Sanchez is our newest addition to our Naval Science staff. He recently retired from the United States Marine Corps after 20 years of service. He joins CDR Rick Schock, Senior Naval Science Instructor, and istSgt Worthy.

The annual NJROTC Area 7 Managers Inspection was conducted in early November by CDR Dirk P. Hebert, who retired December 1, 2017. I am happy and proud of our cadets who received an overall rating of outstanding! CDR Hebert stated in his 15 years as Area 7 manager, this was the best our cadets had performed in personnel inspection and AMI parade.

Our cadets did a great job supporting the Alumni Homecoming events as well as in the Homecoming parade. It was nice to see and visit with our alumni during the tailgate party hosted at our home. Kim and I also enjoyed attending the Annual Alumni Homecoming Dinner.

Our exemplary AFA Color Guard has been performing at several events in our community. They performed at the Bay Pines V.A. (Massing of the Colors), the St.



Ethan Lipsky '18 with Bill Emerson '52 during Alumni Homecoming

Pete Ribfest, and the opening of the Tampa Bay Rays/Boston Red Sox game, to name a few.

Under the direction of CDR Rick Schock, we competed in our first ever Orienteering Competition and our cadets placed third at the Lake Louise meet. We look forward to future competitions.

Our Drill Teams have competed at several local meets, including the Lake Howell o7 Sanctioned Meet, Gaither High School o7 Sanctioned Meet, and will be attending the Winter Park o7 Field Meet.

Finally, our cadets have competed in the Association of Military Colleges and Schools in both drill and physical fitness competitions.

It has been a busy and fastpaced school year so far. It is rewarding to see the improvements in the corps of cadets and the direction in which we continue to go. Every day, we are reinforcing the great traditions of Admiral Farragut Academy!



Todd Wallingford Commandant Admiral Farragut Academy



During the 2017 Alumni Homecoming Weekend, over 150 members of the Admiral Farragut Academy alumni community gathered to celebrate their alma mater and the many relationships formed while at the school. For so many, their time spent meant more than just school, it was about the bonds, the people, and life experiences.

The largest alumni groups to join the festivities were from the classes of 1967, 1987, and 1997.

The weekend's festivities "officially" began Friday morning, on Thursday evening roughly 45 guests went to the Annual Heritage Society Social at The Club of Treasure Island. The social serves to offer recognition to those who have made the ultimate gift to Admiral Farragut Academy and the Foundation as members of our Heritage

Society by leaving a bequest to the Academy. The Heritage "100" Society offers a tremendous avenue for alumni, parents, and friends to honor their time at Farragut by leaving a legacy contribution to the school that will forever provide an impact on the students of today and tomorrow.

On Friday, alumni gathered together at Admiral Farragut Academy for many different activities, including boat tours in Boca Ciega Bay, cadet-led campus tours, lunch in the West Lounge with the Cadet Regimental Command, and the cadet parade. Alumni also attended the Multipurpose Building groundbreaking and the State of the School Address by Headmaster Robert J. Fine, Jr. That evening, everyone attended a tailgate at Commandant Todd Wallingford's home followed by the Homecoming Football Game.

On Saturday, alumni members had the opportunity to sail or do other water activities at Farragut's waterfront, take part in the aviation experience with resident Certified Flight Instructor and Co-Founder of our Aviation Academy, Rob Ewing at Albert Whitted Airport, host their own private class gatherings, or attend the Coach Mike Nicholson's retirement party at Great Bay Distributors. That evening, alumni joined together for the Annual Homecoming Dinner held at The Club at Treasure Island.



Be part of the fun!
Save the Date for
Alumni Homecoming 2018!
October 25-27, 2018

What Our Alumni Said About Homecoming 2017

"I was fortunate enough to have attended the recent reunion at AFA. I truly enjoyed the activities hosted by the school as well as gatherings with fellow classmates. It's amazing to see how AFA has transformed into such a modern facility and progressing towards the future. One of the special highlights was to attend Mr. Mike Nicholson's retirement party. After 40 years of devoted dedication, Mike has retired, and it was a pleasure to be a part of his send off. He will be missed, as mentioned many times before, by many hundreds of students. Mike is one of AFA's most valued and important members! I have so many fond memories of his 8th-grade science classes and the many trips we all went on."

- Bill Baldwin '92S







"As my 20-year alumni reunion came and went I've come to realize what Farragut Homecoming really meant to most of us. It was our childhood and our adulthood all combined into one. We were able to pick up where we left off 20 years ago. Some of us are a little older and fatter, some of us haven't changed at all, but still we are all close like a family of estranged cousins who hadn't seen each other since childhood, and that Farragut bond had not been broken."

- Marco Inclan '97











"Traditions ensure the preservation of positive memories and serve notice that what is being done, is still valuable". - Bob Matthies '67N







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Former Farragut student Sara Graves publishes poetry book on Amazon



"It's always been a dream of mine to be an author," said Sara Graves, a classmate of the Admiral Farragut Academy class of 2016. On November 11, 2017, she did just that when her book of poetry, entitled "Light", became available on Amazon.

Sara has always enjoyed writing. "I used to have journals when I was really young," she reminisced. "Then I stopped writing when I got into school. Instead, I became a big reader. I remember feeling kind of weird because my friends would have

posters on their bedroom walls and I would cut out quotes and post them up on my walls! It wasn't until (Upper School English teacher Heather) Ewing's Creative Writing class in middle school when I became interested in poetry."

Sara attended Farragut from 2004 until 2014 and was a founding member of the Poetry Club. She was also the daughter of Shannon Graves, the former Head of Upper School. She currently attends the University of Hawaii.

"The entire English
Department at Farragut
is my inspiration," Sara
continued. "I'm currently
majoring in English and
minoring in Education, with
a goal of teaching English.
My dream is to be a 'Mrs.
Ewing', and touch a student's
life the way she did for me."

Mrs. Ewing wasn't the main inspiration for Sara to publish her book, though. The book was the result of an idea for a graduation gift for Sara's long-time friend and fellow Farragut classmate, Zachary Fine '17.

"Zach Fine has been one of my biggest supporters," Sara said. "He always encourages me to write and share my writing. Last year I visited him for his graduation and as a graduation gift I was compiling all my poetry from the past 6 years into a journal for him...but that took way too long and gave me so many hand cramps! I decided to see if I could make a book of it for him. Then I thought, why not make a real book and publish it?"

It was a long process. "I found the website Createspace, which is a sister-site to Amazon. It allows you to format your book and go through all the proper steps to self-publish it. I started compiling my collection of poetry, pruning poems, adding new writing, editing everything and formatting it all until my words were in book form. It took from June to November, but Zach finally has his graduation present!"

Sara's writing isn't slowing down anytime soon.

"Writing is my outlet for everything," she says.
"Everything inspires me!
People, emotions, science, interactions, stories, facts.
I feel like inspiration is everywhere if you choose to look."

"Typically my poems kind of start off as stories," Sara continued. "Then I manipulate them by changing the wording and the format, and adding some rhythm and piecing the lines together to create a poem. If my poems don't start out as stories then they are just facts I like. I end up writing them down (usually on my hand, my knee, or whatever paper I can find) and the entire poem just hits me right there. One time in class I had an idea for a poem and the entire poem was written on a gum wrapper!"

"I plan to keep writing in the future," Sara concluded. "Maybe just for myself or maybe I will try to publish another collection of poetry. Either way, I am fascinated with language and stories so I cannot wait to read my future students assignments!"

Though Sara did not graduate from Admiral Farragut Academy, the school made a large impact on her.

"The most important lesson I learned from Farragut was about family," she said. "Farragut is

a boarding school and even if you aren't a boarder you are immersed in the life of one and the family of Farragut. I was so lucky to develop relationships with faculty and staff outside of the classroom. Farragut offers a personalized education where the teachers know the type of student you are and the type of person you are, so they are better able to teach and relate to you. Everyone cares about everyone. And the diversity! Farragut is a melting pot of cultures. Not many students have fellow classmates from 20+ countries but at Farragut that is normal! You get a whole new perspective on the world and vou're able to become more of a well informed individual because of the diversity you have grown accustomed to and accepting of. Farragut not only teaches you the required learning material. but also the life lessons of what is really important, what can't be taught but can be shown: family, culture, love, and acceptance."





sara with Mrs. Ewing



L-R: Ian Schlifstein '15, Zach Fine '17, Evan Schlifstein '19, and Sara

the Sun-

By Sara Graves

She is the biggest, brightest star in the galaxy; illuminating the mystery of darkness, while only occupying an infinitesimal amount of space.

Full and fiery, explosive and mesmerizing. You're warned not to stare at her for too long otherwise, her image will burn into your eyes.

She's a blinding brightness. Who remains happily oxymoronic.

Her golden rays spread everywhere, touching everything in her path and everyone.

Except on grey days, when her shine feels weak and clouded.

Sometimes she goes missing... although we can't visibly find her, we still know she's there. We know we will see her again.

She's made to radiate. (some days She radiates too well, leaving temporary burns on people She meant to share her abundance of warmth with.)

Even though She's millions of miles away, She makes us feel close. She loves pouring light into peoples' lives and shining on everyone's day. Planets and people adore her, revolving around her warmth.

She's stagnant.

Light years away, unable to communicate. Wondering if she is fulfilling her purpose Wondering if she'll burn out; as predicted, like other stars before her have.

Light

Available on Amazon http://amzn.to/2iboW7V

alumni news class notes

CLASS NOTES

68N Chuck Koczwara and his wife Alane, shown here visiting Versailles in Paris, France, are celebrating 45 years of marriage in 2018. Chuck has beat cancer, stayed married to one wonderful woman and raised great kids.





88S Casper Van Dien was a guest speaker during a leadership academy for the Riverside, CA County Fire Chief's Association,

of which **92S** Paul Saba is a member. "This was so much fun to meet up," Casper said. "AFA became an even bigger part of my leadership topic! So great to see Cadet FIRE CHIEF Saba!"

91N Bradley Moses graduated from the Virginia Military Institute in 1995. He entered the Army that year as a Second Lieutenant and he reached the rank of Colonel in 2014. He has been a green beret since 2002. He has had multiple deployments in the war on terror to Afghanistan with the Third Group out of Ft. Bragg. He was the first homegrown soldier at Bragg to go from CPT to COL and



in June of 2016 he took command of the Third Group that is now part of AFRICOM. On January 15, the National Geographic channel began an 8 part series called *Chain of Command*, the crew of which followed him around in Germany, Africa, and Ft. Bragg.

Note: Graduation years prior to 1945, when only the Pine Beach, NJ campus was open, and after 1994, when the Pine Beach campus closed, do not have a "N" or "S" following them.



Keep in touch! Share your personal victories and other big news with us. Visit farragut.org/alumni/submit-an-update or contact Victoria Raymer at 727-384-5500 ext 293 or vraymer@farragut.org



06 Marreese Speights went on from Farragut to win the National Championship with the Florida Gators. Now back in Florida. Speights plays for the Orlando Magic, but makes his way home to St. Petersburg often to give back to the community that raised him. Speights' love for the youth prompted him to start a not-forprofit organization focusing on encouraging adolescence and giving them opportunities to excel. During a 2017 visit to John Hopkins Middle School on behalf of his foundation, Mo4Kids, Speights told students, "You have to stay focused on the thing that you want to become. There are people out here who really do care about you. They are your parents, teachers, principal, people at the recreation center and me. I care! You have to choose your friends, places that you go and the things that you do wisely. These will determine how things turn out for you."



09 AJ Augustine was recently selected to be the "aide de camp" to Brigadier General George N. Appenzeller (Deputy Commanding General for Army Regional Health Command-Pacific) after a lengthy interview process which included 10 of his peers, who were also in the running. His responsibilities consist of providing support to BG Appenzeller and acting as a liaison between other military and civilian organizations, to helping facilitate events ranging from the every day "daily operations", to accompanying him during his national and international "official travel".



participated in a new junior officer exchange program between the US and Republic of Korea navies called Combined Edge during the first week of June. During the visit, he had the opportunity to spend time underway onboard ROKN patrol ships operating along the Northern Limit Line maritime border with the Democratic People's Republic



of Korea; as well as interacting with peers in the allied navy. The program also gave the US officers the chance for visits to ROKN memorial sites, such as the Cheonan, a South Korean corvette that was sunk in 2009 by a North Korean torpedo. LT Northcutt is a Surface Warfare Officer currently stationed onboard USS CURTIS WILBUR (DDG 54), an Arleigh Burke-class destroyer homeported out of Yokosuka, Japan.



O9 Petr Charouz (right, with Farragut Admissions Director Pamela Pardi in Prague) works for Deloitte. He is engaged to be married and planning a wedding. He is also renovating a family owned home for his wife-to-be and baby girl who is due to be born in a few months.



16 Maiya Fudge was the 2017 Girl Scouts of West Central Florida Gold Award Recipient for her Teenage Mental Health project, which brought awareness to teen depression. She created a website as a tool for teens to find information about depression with quick links to crisis hotlines and help centers. She worked with a Licensed Mental Health

Counselor to give a presentation at a local workshop on the topic. She also created a blog and posted weekly about her own personal struggle with depression. Maiya wants teens to understand they are not alone and there are other people who understand what they are going through. Maiya is currently attending Bethune Cookman University and plays Softball.



16 Jack Lescarbeau (far right) enlisted in the U.S. Army on Oct 26th as a sophomore in the Army ROTC program at Arizona State university. He will earn his commission upon graduation in 2020.

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S. Bailey Norton, Jr. '39N was inspiration to many

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Bailey Norton in 1939

Samuel Bailey Norton Jr. '39, a 10th generation Islander and widely-admired Edgartown elder who was descended from a family of fishermen, sea captains and yachtsmen, died Sept. 8. He was 95.

A familiar figure on the streets of Edgartown, the town he loved, Mr. Norton was a naval veteran of World War II, author, retired business executive, past commodore of the Edgartown Yacht Club and lifelong chronicler of Island history.

His 2006 memoir, My Long Journey Home, A Life Worth Living, documents the people and scenes of the town.

"From day one my whole family was involved in fishing," he told the Gazette in a 2014 interview. "I think that's really all we knew."

He was born in Edgartown and was the oldest living descendant of the first captain

of the Charles W. Morgan whaleship — Capt. Thomas Adams Norton, who was his great-great uncle. He grew up in a house on Daggett street that is today the Anchors, home of the Edgartown Council on Aging. His father Samuel B. Norton, was a sailor and yachtsman who captained the Manxman, the largest cruising yawl in the world of its time.

In the Gazette interview, done on the occasion of the historic visit to the Vineyard by the whaleship Charles W. Morgan, he described life growing up in a seafaring town in the 1920s. Instead of a paper route, he had a fish route.

"Usually once a week, towards the end of the week, I'd buy fish from local boats or sometimes my grandparents or uncle," he recalled. "I'd try to buy three boxes of codfish per week, 125 pounds to the box. I'd buy the fish for three cents a pound. I'd sell two boxes for a nickel a pound to the A&P and First National."

It was an era when summer people walked on the harborfront side of Water street, while year-rounders walked on the inland side.

"The main thing here, when school let out at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, everyone immediately went to the waterfront. Either you were opening scallops, catching fish or selling fish," he said. As a child, his father would be gone for months at a time, sailing to the West Indies and Caribbean in the winter months. "I remember getting postcards from him all the way down to Trinidad," he recalled. "He'd be gone for most of the year I didn't see much of my father for the first 10 years of my life."

After high school he did a post-graduate year at a military academy in New Jersey with the idea that he would enter the Naval Academy. Instead he enrolled at Worcester Polytechnic Institute on a full scholarship.

Following college, he moved to Ohio to work for Federal Machine and Welder, and when World War II began he enlisted in the Navy. He was shipping out to the Pacific when the atomic bomb was dropped on Hiroshima, ending the war.

He returned to civilian life and a long career in business, living for 30 years in South Hadley with his first wife Phoebe and their children.

Mr. Norton returned to the Island permanently in 1981, making his home on North Water street. Phoebe died in 1998 after a long illness; he later married his longtime companion Joan Wilson, who survives him.

He was active in civic affairs. especially in the areas of

maritime history and historic preservation, including at the Martha's Vineyard Museum and Martha's Vineyard Preservation Trust.

About 15 years ago he singlehandedly led a successful effort to raise private and public funds to bury the power lines and replace streetlights on Edgartown's North Water street with historically correct lampposts.

The project took years longer to complete than originally thought, partly because the utility giant NStar kept raising the price of the work. But Chris Scott, executive director of the Martha's Vineyard Preservation Trust and a friend, recalled Mr. Norton would not be defeated.

"He was tenacious," Mr. Scott said. "He put his reputation on the line with his neighbors and said let's get this done — and he didn't give up."

Today, the handsome streetlamps cast their glow across the stately neighborhood of homes that once belonged to whaling captains.

"To some people it might seem like a little thing, but it wasn't," Mr. Scott said. "It was an enormous infrastructure improvement in the heart of the historic district on one of the most historic streets in the United States. It was a legacy."

Mr. Norton was also instrumental in permanently protecting the family-owned Norton boathouse and old Obsorn building on the Edgartown harbor by transferring ownership to the preservation trust.

"It's the only place on the harbor where a working waterfront business can afford to have boat space and a store — Bailey made it that way," Mr. Scott said.



Bailey Norton in 2016

Most recently, he assisted with the ongoing project to convert the Carnegie building on North Water street to a maritime visitor center. Mr. Scott said Mr. Norton has donated some valuable historical maritime artifacts, including a half model of the Progress, the swordfishing boat owned by Mr. Norton's grandfather, Capt. Robert Jackson, that was famously sunk by a German submarine on Georges Bank.

"For me, he was really an inspiration, a mentor and a true friend. It was a privilege to work with him," Mr. Scott said.

Matthew Stackpole, a West Tisbury maritime historian who formerly headed the Martha's Vineyard Museum and was ship historian for the Charles W. Morgan project, concurred. "One of the great people — a remarkable man with incredible integrity, a sense of place and values," he said. "You couldn't be in the room with Bailey without learning something about Edgartown and the history of the town."

He said Mr. Norton visited Mystic Seaport some years ago when the whaleship project began and inspired all who met him. "The folks in Mystic loved him," he said, adding: "Think of what he did for the town. It was all about respecting the past and using it as a basis for the way he lived.

"You can't replace people like Bailey — all you can do is be inspired by them. It's a star to steer by."

The Rev. John Schule presided over a graveside service at noon last Sunday, which drew about 200 mourners to the New Westside Cemetery in Edgartown. As he began his remarks, the heavens opened for brief downpour. Edgartown poet laureate Steve Ewing read two poems and Mr. Norton was honored with a full military salute.

In the Gazette interview, he recalled the joy of coming home.

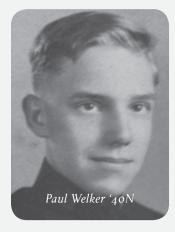
"All my working years I looked forward to coming home and having my own boat and being able to get on the water. It's the best place of all," he said.



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TAPS a farewell to our friends









40N Paul Welker passed away on Wednesday, September 12, 2012. Paul was a resident of Cocoa Beach, Florida at the time of passing.

49N Donald Schwartz of Southbury, Connecticut, passed away peacefully on August 23, 2017, at the Danbury Hospital following a brief illness. Donald graduated from Admiral Farragut Academy and attended Duke University. After serving in the Air Force during the Korean War he graduated from New York University. Active in business, he was President of the New York City Rotary for many years. Donald was

CEO and President of Medallic Art Company, Commercial Publishing Company, and other businesses in Danbury and later Maryland. He also was an avid golfer and enjoyed sailing and travel.

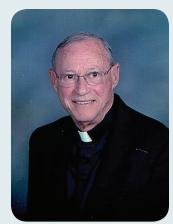
50N Edmund Kreidler passed away in Sarasota, Florida in October of 2016.

50N william "Bill"

Holtz, age 83, of Davidson, NC died on November 6, 2016. Bill graduated from Admiral Farragut Academy NJ in 1950, the US Naval Academy in 1954, and served four years in the Navy, attaining the rank of Lieutenant. He graduated from Wharton Business School in 1960. In the same year, he started his career at IBM, where he worked for more than 30 years in the New York City area while living in Wyckoff, NJ and later based in Paris. France. In 1995, Bill and his wife, Diane, retired to Seabrook Island, SC, where he was very involved in the tennis and golf communities. Bill was mayor of the Town of Seabrook Island for two terms from 2009-2013. In 2015, Bill and Diane moved to The Pines at Davidson. NC where Diane still resides.







535 Rev. Laurence B.

Upham. 83. of Clearwater, went to be with his Savior and Lord on January 16, 2018, two days before his 84th birthday. Larry was a graduate of Admiral Farragut Academy in St. Petersburg, FL in 1953, Florida Southern College in 1957, and served in the US Army and USAF AUX. His activities over the years ranged from Suncoasters and Clown Alley to flying as a mission pilot for Civil Air Patrol and volunteering at Heritage Village. He was an Associate Priest at St. Dunstan's Anglican Church in Largo, Florida. Formerly, he was coowner of the Upham Insurance Agency in St. Petersburg and a member of Northside Lodge 283 F & AM, Scottish Rite and Egypt Temple Shrine.

Larry was first drawn to Admiral Farragut Academy because of the naval program, and later returned as a volunteer in the '8os. He served as Alumni Association President (Southern Campus) and on the Board of Trustees of both campuses. When the campuses separated, Larry became one of the initial Directors of the Southern Campus, where he served for many years. He continued his

love of Farragut by assisting George J. Michel, Jr. '49 in establishing the Admiral Farragut Academy Foundation. Years after the formation of the Foundation. Larry was instrumental in securing the Foundation's first \$1 million dollar gift. After his service on the board, Larry kept his long-time affiliation alive with the Academy by serving as its Chaplain. He was recognized as Lifetime Member of the Board of Directors in 2015. He is also recognized as an integral part of where Admiral Farragut Academy is today.











Photos taken from Rev. Upham's Memorial Page at bit.ly/2002hNV

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545 Stuart Arnold, 82, passed away in his Tierra Verde home on Sept. 11, 2017. Mr. Arnold attended Admiral Farragut Academy in St. Petersburg, and then went on to Duke and majored in journalism. After several editing positions at newspapers and magazines in California and New York, Mr. Arnold moved to Florida in 1973. Soon after that, he started the Auto Trader. Fifteen years later, Auto Trader had sold 17 franchises and published 72 editions of its classified magazines. The first franchise was sold to Ben Schmidt in Cincinnati for \$2.000. He later sold it for \$7 million. Trader employed 750 people in Florida, with 480 of them in Clearwater. In 1988, Mr. Arnold sold Trader Publications to Cox Enterprises, an Atlanta-based media chain. Mr. Arnold later operated CPN television studios in Clearwater, the largest independent studio

Mr. Arnold lived in Clearwater and took trips to New England every summer, traveled to Europe and vacationed at properties he owned in Key West and Las Vegas. Above all, Arnold loved his 103-foot yacht, the Ivory Lady. Mr. Arnold loved to spend time with loved ones and often took them on trips.

in Tampa Bay at the time.

635 Donald Doornbos,

73, of Beaufort, SC, passed away August 11, 2017, at the age of 73. He was a 1967 graduate of Maine Maritime Academy. Don retired after 20 years of service in the Merchant Marines with his Chief Engineer license for steam or motor vessels of any horsepower. He enjoyed sailing, skeet and trap shooting, tennis, his M₃8A₁ jeep and model tiger tank, history, his home and community, and traveling. Don spoke often of his Admiral Farragut Academy mentors and was a member of the Heritage Society.

645 John T. "Tom" Birmingham died on Saturday, December 30, 2017, at R.W.J.U.H. Somerset. Tom lived in Westfield and Bridgewater before moving to Hillsborough 31 years ago. He was a graduate of Admiral Farragut Academy in St. Petersburg, FL. He also attended Fairleigh Dickinson University. Tom was a US Navy Vietnam Veteran. He worked in sales and was employed over the years for Buffalo Tank Co., Silicon Valley Group and lastly, Home Depot in the Home Services Division. He was an avid fisherman and enjoyed going fishing with his son and taking trips to the casinos. He was a lifelong member of the NRA and the VFW Post 2290 in Manville.

65S Richard DeWitt, a

former Miami police sergeant turned Coral Gables attorney who served on numerous city boards, died on March 29, 2017. He was 69. DeWitt, an arts lover, cigar and spirits connoisseur, who also loved fishing in Key Largo, met his wife, Luba, 34 years ago while visiting Slovakia.

"There was not one dull moment with Richard," Luba DeWitt said. "There was never a fear of the unknown."

DeWitt started his career at age 20 in 1967 as a police officer in the Miami Police Department, where he remained for 12 years, attaining the rank of sergeant. While working as a cop, he earned his bachelor's degree in business from Florida International University in 1975 and his law degree from the University of Miami in 1979.

In 1991, he founded Quest Group International, an early provider of prepaid calling cards in the U.S. Before Quest, Dewitt was a partner at Shutts & Bowen, where he practiced commercial law, and at Squire Sanders, where he helped resolve disputes as part of the takeover of several failed banks during the savings and loan crisis in the early 1980s. More recently, he was a principal at DeWitt Law and partner at



DeWitt Grossman, where he focused on technology and telecommunications law.

DeWitt was a member of the International Academy of Mediators, the College of Commercial Arbitrators and a founding member of Mediators Beyond Borders. He was involved in numerous local organizations, including the Rotary Club of Coral Gables, the 200 Club of Greater Miami, and the American Czech-Slovak Cultural Club in North Miami. In 2003, he helped found the Coral Gables Museum.

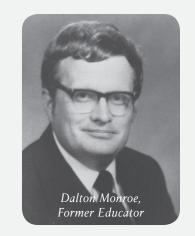
He served as a trustee for Admiral Farragut Academy and as the director of the Coral Gables Chamber of Commerce. DeWitt was also a board member of the Coral Gables Community Foundation and vice president of the Coral Gables Good Government Committee. More recently, DeWitt was an appointee to the city's Code Enforcement Board and Charter Review Committee.

72 N Georg Huber, of Honolulu, Hawaii, died on May 21, 2017 in Honolulu. He was born in Brooklyn, New York.

92 N Justin Carlton, 43, resident of Burlingame, California and formerly of



Norfolk, Virginia and Westfield, New Jersey, passed away suddenly on July 19, 2017, on the Outer Banks of North Carolina. He was a graduate of New Jersey's Admiral Farragut Academy and Old Dominion University in Virginia. Justin will forever be remembered as the most loving son and brother, and best friend to countless people across the country. Justin embraced everything with an uninhibited enthusiasm. He adopted surfing, rock climbing, mountain biking and motorcycling with a tenacity in stark contrast to his easygoing demeanor. He worked tirelessly in printing, information technology, and graphic design, but those were only to support his habits of meeting new challenges and enabling more adventures. He passionately created the Friksn clothing company to accommodate the underserved climbing community with appropriate and stylish gear and traveled the nation to promote the brand and remind the climbing cadre that someone cared. As an accomplished artist and connoisseur. his remarkable vision transcended pen and paper and flowed seamlessly through every aspect of his life. His distinctive ability to create conversation crafted a community of visionaries who are now woven together by his



humor, love of life and friendship, and committed to carrying forward the Justin way of living. An unparalleled friend without limits, Justin provided light in the darkness and shared so much of himself that he became a piece of all of us. His departure leaves an enormous hole, which can now only be filled with hilarious and heartfelt memories.

Former Educator

Dalton Monroe, age 65, Montverde, FL, passed away August 31, 2017. After teaching and coaching for 5 years in Indiana, Dalton moved to Florida in 1980 and worked for Admiral Farragut Academy in St. Petersburg where he taught History, Science, and Physical Education, along with coaching baseball and basketball. He moved to central Florida in 1996 and became a dorm parent at Montverde Academy where he mentored many young people over the years and made a difference in their lives.



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Admiral Farragut Academy Foundation Annual Report

A Letter from the Foundation President

reetings from the Admiral Farragut Foundation Board! As the old crooner, Frank Sinatra, once sang, "It was a very good year" for the Foundation. Thanks to the generosity of our alumni, parents and grandparents of our students, and friends of Farragut, as well as a very strong market, the assets in our endowment funds reached five million dollars in 2017. The foundation was particularly fortunate to receive two very substantial gifts from two of our biggest supporters: Mike Insel '65S and Frank Wendt '42N. Their stories are highlighted on the next page and are evidence of the strong support of our alumni, both north and south, in ensuring the sustainability and excellence of the programs offered to students who attend Admiral Farragut Academy.

When the Foundation was established in 1997, its goal was to develop endowment funds of ten

million dollars to support the academy. While we still have a ways to go, this year's results demonstrate that there is strong support from our donors who share in our dreams and plans for Admiral Farragut Academy. Without the support of our generous donors, we would not be able to attain our goals and for this support we are most grateful. Thank you all for your generosity!

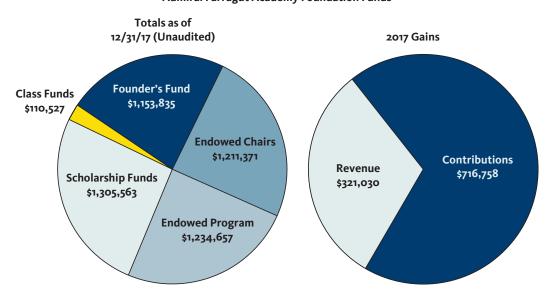
Our hope is to not only maintain the support of existing donors, but to also increase our donor base so we can go even beyond the ten million dollar goal established in 1997. As you read this copy of *Reveille*, we hope all of you will join us in supporting all of the great things that are happening at Farragut today. Thanks again for your support.

Michael G. Kolchin '61N

President,

Admiral Farragut Academy Foundation Board, Inc.

Admiral Farragut Academy Foundation Funds



Donor Highlights

Frank P. Wendt '42N and Mike Insel '65S







Every institution is blessed with benefactors who "get it". Who, although graduated many, many years ago, recognize what "paying it forward" means and act upon it. The Foundation would like to recognize two such individuals in this years Foundation Report. Mr. Frank Wendt, Class of 1942 from our campus in New Jersey, and Mr. Mike Insel, Class of 1965 from our campus in Florida. They are two alum who made a tremendous impact with their generosity in 2017. Two alum, who graduated decades apart on different campuses, but recognize the importance of the Foundation and its goal of securing the future of Admiral Farragut Academy.

Mr. Wendt has a long, long history of giving to Admiral Farragut Academy. He and his wife Barbara, of 69 years, feel strongly about education and giving the opportunity to help students of today afford an education at Farragut. Frank is quick to remind us that he attended Farragut on a music scholarship and his family could not have afforded Farragut if it were not for the scholarship.

Mr. Insel's generosity was also spurred by his desire to give students the opportunity that was given to him. Mike unfortunately lost his life to cancer in the Spring of 2017, but wanted to make sure his estate was in order and made his sizable contribution weeks before he passed. Mike's interest and desire was to provide opportunities to young people who have the drive, passion, and aptitude to achieve at a high academic level. He and his wife, Rachel, feel passionately about education and making a difference.

Combined, Frank and Mike, along with their wives, Barbara and Rachel, contributed well over \$500,000 to the Admiral Farragut Academy Foundation in 2017. What a shining example these two alum are, and from the entire Farragut Community we owe them a huge, "thank you!"

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A Fund Highlight

An example of a long established fund and who's being helped by it

GEORGE J. MICHEL, JR. '49S SCHOLAR FUND

The longest established Scholar Fund, funded by George J. Michel, Jr. '49S to provide scholarships to deserving boarding students, to ensure that such students are provided the same opportunities as he was for a Farragut education. Below are examples of the most recent Michel Scholar recipients.



Jenna Willard

Recipient, 2017-2018

CLASS OF: 2020

FROM: Colorado Springs, CO

EXTRACURRICULARS: Wrestling, Civil Air Patrol

INTENDED COLLEGE AND MAJOR:

Jenna would like to be an officer in the Coast Guard. She plans to attend either the U.S. Coast Guard Academy or the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy, and she plans to major in biology or engineering.



Kyndal Olander Recipient, 2015-2017

CLASS OF: 2017 FROM: Brooksville, FL

EXTRACURRICULARS:

Softball, JV Volleyball, Drill Team, Color Guard, Model UN, Robotics

COLLEGE AND CAREER:

Kyndal would like to become a language translator for the United States Navy. She is currently attending the United States Naval Academy.

Foundation Honor Roll of Donors

The Farragut Family

BAND FUND

Created by Frank Wendt, '42N to provide resources for the music program.

David Hansell1958 N Glenn Mitchell1963 N Stephen Sans1978 N

CAPT CROSSLEY AND CAPT GRANVILLE MOORE FUND

Created by Raey Webster '59N to honor named staff members in order to provide resources to aid QBH requirements, Naval Science needs, and Naval Science Scholarships.

Peter Boyce 1962 N
Bruce Brotherton
Thomas Carbaugh 1966 S
Dale Chlumsky 1961 S
Donald Doornbos 1963 S
Herbert Hoffman 1959 N

Peter Hughes1961 S
IBM Corporation
Robert Kaplon1961 N
Andrew Knight 1958 N
Michael Kolchin 1961 N
Richard Lightbourn 1962 S
William Minty1961 N
Jeff Ogden2000 S
Robert Paxson 1961 N
George Rubin1950 N
William Siebel1964 S
Edwin St. Clair1964 N

CLASS OF 1964 MEMORIAL FUND

Created by the Class of 1964 to support tuition assistance for descendants of the Class of 1964 or, if none are identified, provide assistance to a qualified student.

J. Thomas Birmingham 1964 S William Butler II 1964 S



James Case1964	S
Jack Parker1964	S
Nathan Porter 1964	S
Bruce Young1964	S

COACHES SLABY AND NICHOLSON ATHLETIC FUND

Created to honor two outstanding coaches, Stan Slaby (N) and Mike Nicholson (S), both of whom had a dramatic impact on countless young men and women and to support athletics.

women and to support athletic
Dr. Joseph Allen, MD2007 S
American Express
Matthew Barbour 1956 N
Jean-Pierre Boustany .1975 N
Charles Buell 1955 S
John Buggle
Bernard Buhrs 1997 S
Christopher Conyers .1987 S
Edward Dieterle1956 N
Robert Florance1975 N
David Hervey1987 S
William Huber 1972 N
Dr. Thomas Kedersha
Robert Lane 1958 N
an (David) Lipsky1975 N
William Minty 1061 N

Bruce Sarte1991 N

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Sylvia Smith
Edward Steinberg
Michael Williams 1976 N

AVIATION FUND

Created to provide direct support for the Admiral Farragut Academy Aviation Program.

William Baker1959 S
Robert Ewing
Joseph Hercher
Satori Kearney......2003
Thomas Miller1973 N
Douglas Pearson1966 S

FOUNDERS FUND

The initial fund created to provide general tuition assistance support.

1.1
Adam Anderson2001
Patrick Areffi 1960 S
Mark Aue 1979 N
Gerald Benstock 1947 N
Alan Candland 1965 S
Albert Cavagnaro 1975 S
Dennis Combs 1961 S
William Cone1954 N
Eugene Durbin1952 N
Focardi-Great Bay Foundation
Kirk Gardner 1959 N
Daryl Greenberg 1966 S
Jeffrey Grossman 1966 N
Brian Gutierrez1993 N
Ken Haelsig 1968 S
Heather Halifax
Edward Hanna1951 S
Samuel Kaplan1951 N
Wavne Kennard 1969 N



George Kinemond 1966 N
Johann R Kohler,
Aron Krantz 1959 N
Fredrick Lambach1955 S
David Li1975 N
James Marchbank1953 N
Robert Matthies 1967 N
James Moreton 1952 S
Homer Moyer 1960 S
Robert Pallme 1951 N
Peter Parmenter 1983 S
David Peattie 1955 S
Lucas Ponzoa1947 S
Richard Robbins 1957 S
Richard Schneider 1961 N
Ronald Schoenhardt1952 S
Edwin Schwoppe 1952 S
Tony Smith 1959 N
John Snyder 1979 N
Edward Tellier 1944 N
Gordon Terzigni
Leigh (Skip) Thaeler1966 S
John Turner1967 S
Beverly Tyler1957 N

John Ward......1962 S

Michael Wilson 1965 S
Ralph Wilson 1944 N
Armando Wirshing 1953 S
Michael Ziaylek 1975 N

FRANK '42 AND BARBARA WENDT ENDOWED CHAIR IN MUSICAL ARTS

Created by Frank '42 and Barbara Wendt to annually provide a teacher the resources to develop and grow the musical arts program at Farragut.

Frank Wendt.....1942 and Barbara

JYRI L. PALM '87S ARCHITECTURAL PRESERVATION FUND

Created by Jyri Palm '87S to preserve and maintain the historical integrity of Farragut Hall.

Jyri Palm 1987 S

KURT WEIL '92N SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Created by Chris Chiari '92N in memory of classmate Kurt Weil '92N to provide student scholarships.

Victor and Patricia Weil

MEGAN MCCLUNG '91N SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Created by Christian Wagner '82N for a deserving female student in honor and memory of MAJ Megan McClung '91N. McClung was the first female enrolled on the northern campus, a Naval Academy graduate, and the first female killed in the line of duty during Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Re P. McClung Ashley Patterson-Beaty, 2002 Christian & Lisa Wagner 1982N

MICHAEL S. INSEL '65S SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Created by Michael Insel '65S for deserving high-academic students.

Donald and Linda Campese Gail Cohen

Robert and Nancy Dachs

William and Patricia Heck
Insel, Michael.....1965 S

Mikki Marshall

Maura Concannon

Molly Ann McEneny

Dorinda Oliver

Bruce Reeder

Joan Ross

John and Susan Shewchuk Andrea and Mosley Sholler Vincent and Carol Solarino

Merrill Stone

The Kopf Family Foundation Keith and Cindy Turner

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Created by George J. Michel, Jr. '49S to provide scholarships to deserving boarding students. This fund is the longest-established Scholar Fund and was created to ensure that students are provided the same opportunities as Michel was for a Farragut education.

George J. Michel, Jr. . . . 1949 S

PINE BEACH TRIBUTE FUND

Created to memorialize the Pine Beach campus by supporting the current boarding program and the leadership training which is inherent to the Farragut Experience.

John Barlas 1956 N
Brian Crane1987 N
Daniel Fooks1975 N
Jeffrey Fout1979 N
Thomas Gaffney 1984 N
Alan Gardner 1946 N
Edward Howe1959 N
Winfield Irwin 1944 N
Christopher Kale 1989 N
Arthur Mierisch 1955 N
Alfred Nicolosi1989 N
Peter Odgers 1950 N
George Rodgers 1951 N
The Feinberg Family
Alfred Weisbecker 1967 N

Jason Wolins.....1968 N



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PROFESSIONAL THE FI DEVELOPMENT FUND

Created to provide additional support to the Academy's professional development program.

Gartner Matching Gift Center Michael Harris......1987 S

SLOMO AND CINDY SILVIAN SCHOLARSHIP

Created by the Slomo and Cindy Silvian Foundation along with Jack Mackston '45S in 2010 for deserving students.

The Slomo and Cindy Silvian Foundation

SOUTHWEST FLORIDA SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Created by alumni who reside in Southwest Florida to support students from their area to attend Farragut.

Peter Easton.....1949 N Tom Miller.....1973 N

THE FINE FAMILY FUND

Created by Anita and Bob Fine, Farragut's Head of Lower School and Headmaster, to provide scholarships to deserving students.

Anita L. Fine Family Foundation

THE DREYFOOS SCHOLAR FUND

Created by Alexander Dreyfoos for a deserving boarding student.

Alexander Dreyfoos

WILLIAM R. MASCIANGELO, SR. FUND

Created in memory of William Masciangelo '37 for faithfully serving the alumni, parents and cadets of Farragut's Northern Campus for almost 50 years. The Fund supports the boarding program and/or a boarding cadet. It was initially funded by Frank Wendt '42.

Thomas Dunn1974 N
Stephen Ford
Carole Griffith

Laurence Johnson....1949 N

Raymond Ketcham



Phillip and Naomi Lippincott

LeRoy Markle......1941 N

James and Janet Murphy

Harry Pinsky1952 N

Radley Run Country Club Inc.

Charles Westcott1940 N

THE FERGUSON BC SCHOLARSHIP

Created by Harry '70N and Carol Ferguson to honor the highest ranking cadet each year.

Harry Ferguson 1970 N

THE NATHANIEL LEWIS WILKINS SCHOLARSHIP FOR COMPASSION

Created in memory of Nathan Wilkins '11 by his mother Catherine Lewis to provide a scholarship to a graduating senior who has displayed and articulated love and kindness to his/her classmates, faculty and staff, and family.

Catherine Lewis

VIC SAITTA '63N MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Created in memory of Vic Saitta '63N by his classmates for an academic-minded and athletic student who is a peer role model.

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When you make a planned gift to Admiral Farragut Academy or the Foundation, you become a prominent member of the Heritage Society. There are many benefits to informing us of your plans. Most importantly it provides us the opportunity to recognize your generosity and encourage others to give. Consider becoming a Heritage Society member by leaving a bequest in your will, establish a charitable gift annuity and receive a guaranteed annuity payment for life or creating a charitable remainder trust in return for an income stream for life. You may also designate a percentage or specific amount of a life insurance policy or your retirement plan assets.

1- Frank Wendt '42N

2- George J. Michel, Jr. '49S

3- Kay Harper

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7- Ed DeSeta '67N

8- Don Schreiber '46N

9- Christian Wagner '82N

10- James S. Wood '45N

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13- Michael '8oS and Karen Hajek

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15- Karen Bacon, AFA

16- CDR Robert R. Kurz '63N

17- J. Val '47N and Sylvia Smith

18- Howard Sakolsky '47S

19- Laurence Upham '53S

20- *Gary* '68N and

Donna Amsterdam

21- Jeff Ogden 'ooS

23- Benjamin H. Troemel '73S

24- Rob Hailey '76S

25- Tom McClelland

26- Donald '63S and Carol Doornbos

28- Joe Sloan

29- Phillip Hurt '38N

30- Lona Hurt

39- Bailey Norton '39N

40- Randy Kressler '60N

41- John Gardella '41N

43- Stan Slaby

44- Matt Sokolowski '92S

45- Don Baker '45N

46- Stewart D. Woolley '44N

47- Al Ferrante '64N

49- Pete Musser '44N

50- Tom Birmingham '64S

52- Bjorn Nielsen '43N

54- Martin Ludwig '54N

58- Rudy Kohler '58S

59- A.F. "Ron" Krantz '59N

60- William Butler '64S

61- Eric Engler '61N

63- Phil Pratt '63N

64- Bill Siebel '64S

65- Richard J. DeWitt '65S

66- George '66N and Madelyn

Kinemond

67- Robert Matthies '67N

71- Robert Hudson '71S

73- Art Musicaro '73N

78- Mike Nicholson 79- Murray Fine '54N

80- Margaret Fine

81- Dr. George Goldstein M.D. '50N

82- Jake and Ingrid Jacobus

91- Sean Rankine '91N

100- Jyri Palm '87S

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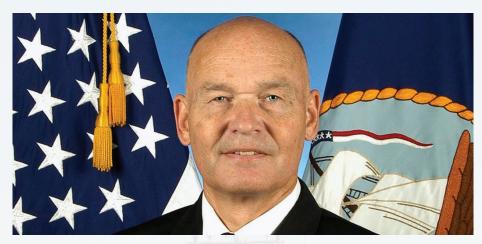
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FORMER FARRAGUT BOARD MEMBER MARK H. BUZBY '75N: THREE STAGES OF HIS CAREER

Stage One: Admiral Farragut Academy 1971-1975



Battalion Commander Buzby's senior portrait, 1975

A review of the Admiral Farragut Academy (Pine Beach) Yearbook from 1975 shows the many accomplishments of Mark Buzby. Under his class picture lists that he is from Linwood, New Jersey; his nickname is "Buz"; his activities are numerous including Football, Softball, Volleyball, and Track. He was active at the waterfront racing the sailboats and whaleboats. He received ribbons for almost all awards available. Under *Favorites*, he listed Ships, The Sea, My Country. Under Ambition---United States Naval

Officer. His Quote was "Clear the decks for action, men!!" In the Who's Who? section, Mark was chosen as "Most Dignified," "Best Sailor," "Most Respected," and "Best Leader." Under the title Water Under the Bridge where the yearbook editors write about their previous years at Farragut, at the beginning of the year 1974 they write: "Upon returning to school in September, we were not surprised to find Mark Buzby our Battalion Commander. Consequently, we knew we would have a great year." In the Class Prophesy it reads: "BUZBY - Mark has graduated from Annapolis, and, after 25 vears of active duty, has become Chief of Naval Operations for the United States Navy." In '75 Class Will, Mark says: "I leave my patience and leadership abilities to the next B.C.; my seamanship abilities to the ablest seaman: and a bit of advice to all Cadets I leave behind ---don't give up the ship!"

In one of the final pages of the yearbook, Mark took out the following personal advertisement: "A Word of Thanks---I would like to express my heartfelt thanks to all my friends of the staff, faculty, and Corps of Cadets; too numerous to name, but have contributed in some way to make these last four years of my life. I will not soon forget the great things you have done for me. May you have calm seas always. Signed, Mark H. Buzby, Battalion Commander, Admiral Farragut Academy, 7 June 1975."

Stage Two: Naval Rear Admiral



1975-2013

A 1979 graduate of the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy, Buzby earned his Bachelor of Science in Nautical Science and U.S. Coast Guard Third Mate License. He was commissioned in June 1979, is a graduate of the Joint Forces Staff College and holds master's degrees from the U.S. Naval War College and Salve Regina University in Strategic



RADM Buzby in 2007

Studies and International Relations.

As a surface warfare officer, Buzby made numerous deployments aboard cruisers and destroyers to include: USS Connole (FF 1056), USS Aries (PHM 5), USS Yorktown (CG 48) and USS Shiloh (CG 67). Buzby commanded the destroyer USS Carney (DDG 64) which included the ship's first Mediterranean/Persian Gulf deployment.

Following this tour, Buzby returned to sea as U.S. 6th Fleet assistant operations officer participating in combat operations as part of NATO's Operation Allied Force in Kosovo. He then assumed command of Destroyer Squadron 31 as the sea combat commander for the Abraham Lincoln Battle Group during two deployments in support of Operations Southern Watch and Enduring Freedom in Iraq and Afghanistan, respectively.

Ashore, Buzby has served on the Navy staff as the Point Defense Anti-Air Warfare section head for Surface Warfare Division and as Aegis Combat System development officer. Early joint experience was on the Joint Staff, Joint Operations Division as an operations officer and chairman's briefer. He was the



RADM Buzby being sworn in as administrator of MARAD

16th commanding officer of Surface Warfare Officers School command.

As a flag officer, Buzby has served on the Navy staff as deputy for Surface Ships, deputy for Surface Warfare and deputy for Expeditionary Warfare. He has also served as commander, Joint Task Force Guantanamo, and most recently as deputy chief of Staff for Global Force Management and Joint Operations, U.S. Fleet Forces Command. Buzby served as the commander of the U.S. Navy's Military Sealift Command from October 2009 to March 2013.

Buzby's personal awards include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit (four awards), Bronze Star, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (five awards) and various other unit and campaign awards.

Stage Three: 2013 to Present

After retiring from the Navy in 2013, Mark became the president and CEO of the National Defense Transportation Association, a group of transportation, logistics and passenger travel professionals in industry and government. He also sat on the boards of several maritime corporations

and became a member of the Board of Directors for Admiral Farragut Academy. In June of 2017, President Donald trump nominated him to become the head of the Department of Transportation's Maritime Administration (MARAD). After Congressional Approval, Mark was sworn in as the new Administrator in August. As Maritime Administrator, Mark leads an agency tasked with promoting the use of waterborne transportation and its seamless integration with other segments of the transportation system; and the development and maintenance of an adequate, well-balanced U.S. Merchant Marine, sufficient to carry a substantial portion of the nation's waterborne commerce, and capable of service in time of war or national emergency. The Maritime Administration also oversees the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy.

At his swearing in ceremony, Admiral Buzby stated: "I grew up on the water, piloting vessels from the time I was nine years old, and have a love for the sea. It was one of my great honors of my life to serve as Maritime Administrator, and to start working to grow and revitalize the U. S. Merchant Marine, and ensure our nation continues its maritime leadership."

Farragut Board Member Dr. Tonjua Williams becomes President of St. Petersburg College



Tonjua Williams, Ph.D., became St. Petersburg College's seventh president on July 3, 2017. A St. Petersburg native, Dr. Williams began her tenure with the college in 1986, rising through the ranks in a variety of academic and administrative roles.

Prior to becoming President, Dr. Williams was Senior Vice President for Student Services from 2013 to 2017. She has served in nearly every area of the college: Provost, Associate Provost, Director of Special Programs, Program Coordinator, Academic Advisor, Recruiter, Senior Accounting Clerk and Adjunct Faculty.

Dr. Williams earned a Ph.D. in Higher Education Administration from Barry University, a master's degree in Counselor Education from University of South Florida, and bachelor's degrees in Business Administration and Humanities from Clearwater Christian College.

In 2016, Dr. Williams was awarded the prestigious Aspen Presidential Fellowship for Community College Excellence, making her part of the inaugural class of the Aspen Presidential Fellows. She is a graduate of Leadership Tampa Bay, Leadership St. Pete, the Chancellor's Leadership Program and the Executive Leadership Program at the University of Florida.

Dr. Williams has served in a number of leadership capacities, including:

- Achieving the Dream (ATD) Advisory Network Committee, 2016-present
- State of Florida Performance Based Incentive Program Review Committee, 2016
- State of Florida Student Activities Committee, memberat-large, 2013-2016
- PACE School for Girls, board member, 2014-2016
- American Association of Community College's President's Round Table, member, 2011-present
- Council for Student Affairs, Florida College System, Region 4, 2012-present
- Pinellas County Education

Foundation, 2011-2012

- City of St. Petersburg 2020 Plan Education Sub-committee Chair, 2015-present
- St. Petersburg Free Clinic, executive board member, 2014-2015
- Mayor's Transition Team, community member, 2013
- Mt. Zion Human Services
 Board, board chair, 2012-present
- National Council of Negro
 Women, Member, 2012-present
- Lakewood Jr. Spartans Youth Association, Inc., president, 2009-2012
- Boys & Girls Club of America, executive board member, 2011-

Her awards and recognitions include:

- National Coalition of 100 Black Women, Passing the Torch Leadership Award for Education, 2017
- Employer Support of Guard and Reserve (affiliate of the Department of Defense) Patriot Award, 2016
- Academy Preparatory School, Five Fabulous Females, 2014
- Chamber of Commerce, Iconic Woman of the Year Finalist for Large Businesses, 2013
- Network of Executive Women, Exceptional Woman of the Year Finalist, 2013
- Junior Achievement, Educator of the Year, 2011













Admiral Farragut Academy

Summer Camps

All camps are open to the public, coed, and include a hot lunch!

Day Camps | PreK and Up | June-August Fun and educational themed day camps include Little Captains, Basketball, STEM, Little Explorers, and Writing.

Boarding Camp | 8th-12th Grade | June-August

Summer@Farragut is a unique two, four, or six-week summer boarding program for teens. They will attend college-prep classes (and earn high school credit!) and participate in fun activities while living in campus dormitories.



Register Online! www.farragut.org/summer

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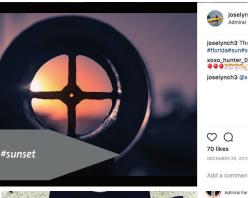




John Price Jr., Nana Betty, and brother Bob.



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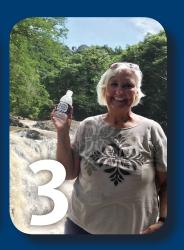
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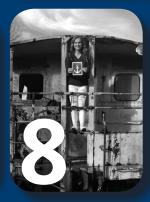














- 1) 6th grader Aiden Geis showed off his BlueJacket pride at Tampa Bay Watch's Discovery Summer Camp.
- **2)** Ethan Lipsky '18 represents Farragut Bluejackets at the 2017 Dipsea Race.
- 3) Miss Beverly Gonczar, Office Assistant to the Commandant, shows off her USS ALABAMA Batt Farragut water bottle in Catarata de Belen, Costa Rica.
- **4)** Tyler Turner '22 represented Farragut at summer camp at Harvard University.
- **5)** Wrestling coach Andrew Lacroix poses in front of the Colosseum in Rome, Italy.
- **6)** During the Hurricane Irma evacuation, PreK student Oleg Tchentsov visited the USS ALABAMA Battleship Memorial Park in Mobile, Alabama.
- 7) 7th grader Madison Hollingsworth, 1st grader Olivia Love, and PreK student Charlotte Love at Chacchoben Mayan Ruins in Mexico on Thanksgiving.
- **8)** Haley Saylor '20 showing her school spirit in Germantown, Ohio.
- 9) 1st grader Max Salebra went to Washington D.C. to lay a wreath on a soldier's tomb. He made sure to pick Naval gravesites, and he brought his AFA bag.



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On December 1, 2017, CDR Dirk P. Hebert retired after 15 years of being NJROTC Area 7 manager. Above we see him in 2006 with our then Battalion Staff under Battalion Commander Elizabeth Wells '06, and below, 11 years later, with our 2017-2018 Regimental Staff under Regimental Commander George Hamilton, Jr. '18. We will be sad to see CDR Hebert go, but we wish him all the best in his next chapter.

Top L-R: CDR Dirk Hebert, Titilayo Adeleye '06, Elizabeth Wells '06, Janice Ha '06, Rachel Silverberg '06, Daniel Grant '06, Melissa De Fabrizio '06, Brendan Shuckert '06

Bottom L-R: Jenna Willard '20, Emma Hastrup '19, Gianni DeFelice '19, Chris Northup '18, Hunter Gordon '18, Alexis Hernandez '20, Dylan Burke '18, Madilyn Landry '19, Valentina Fornaro Galliano '19, George Hamilton Jr. '18, Linda Delgado Libien '19, Sam Nolin '18, Steven Smiley '19, CDR Dirk Hebert, Josiah Davis-Brown '19, Evan Schlifstein '19, Sean Tang '18, Jason Chen '18, Ashton Raymer '20, Ethan Lipsky '18

