



A crowd gathers around for the flag ceremony to open Fairview CIC's Independence Day activity. All veterans and service employees were recognized for their service to country and community. Margaret Hobbs photo

Celebrating America



World War II veterans, from left, Hugh Stubblefield, Harold Griffith and Paul Jones have a special place to sit underneath a shade tree during the opening ceremony. Margaret Hobbs photo

Fairview CIC holds day of patriotism

BY MARGARET HOBBS
Lifestyles Editor for the Southern Standard
(McMinnville, Tennessee)

the Korean War Veterans Memorial.

"The American" is driven by Air Force veteran David Buck, who feels like it's an honor to do so.

"This is our most current truck, and I love to travel and meet people who gather at functions like this," said Buck. "The idea is if veterans can't go on an Honor Flight to see the memorials, we will bring them to them with this truck."

Veteran Bernie Brown served in the U.S. Army from 1958-79, and comes from a military family with four brothers also serving in the military.

Concerning the truck, he said, "It's nice that someone cares enough to honor the veterans and showcase the memorials. It is a rolling memorial that brings lots of emotions."

Morning ball games were enjoyed by the younger set, finishing up season play at the community center. The annual Fairview CIC Pageant was held at 1 p.m., with both young and old participating. Newly crowned Mr. and Ms. Fairview are Darrell Lee and Jimmie Knight. Youngsters crowned include Lakelyn Curtis, Lorelai Ayers, Adaline Lee, Piper Lewis, Karsyn Curtis and Annalee Fults.

Music from the band, Southern Breeze, started at 5 p.m., followed by fireworks lighting up the sky closing a patriotic day in the Fairview community.



Owen Bratcher IV, 6, poses with Uncle Sam after the baby show. Owen is from Virginia, but was visiting his family and said he enjoyed all the festivities at Fairview. Lacy Garrison photo



Cousins Brantley Russell, 6, and McKenna Laws, 9, swing from the playground equipment during the Fairview CIC Independence Day Celebration. "This playground is awesome," said McKenna. "I have so much fun hanging out with all my cousins." Lacy Garrison photo



Air Force veteran David Buck is the driver for "The American" truck, which features numerous monuments and tours across the nation. Margaret Hobbs photo



Fairview CIC Pageant winners from each age group are pictured on-stage in their special sashes and tiaras during Fairview's Independence Day Celebration Saturday. Front row, from left, are Lakelyn Curtis, Jimmie Knight holding Lorelai Ayers, Darrell Lee holding Adaline Lee and Piper Lewis. Mother Tiffany Mathis holds baby Karsyn Curtis, who yawns while wearing his patriotic bow tie. In the back, mother Jennifer Fults holds baby Annalee Fults. Lacy Garrison photo