Mt. Juliet officers graduate from police academy

Capt. Chandler, Deputy Chief Mullins, Officer Martin, Officer Smith, Chief Hambrick, Lieutenant Neely, and Lieutenant Brockman. | Photo courtesy of MJPD

Mt. Juliet High School’s PTSO voted unanimously for purchase of 120 bleeding control kits at the request of School Resource Officers. | Photo courtesy of WCSO

MJHS to receive 120 bleeding control kits

At the beginning of the school year, Mt. Juliet High School’s School Resource Officers JP Tuggle and Eric Gray sat down to discuss the school’s preparedness in the event that a critical incident should occur. Throughout the discussion, they quickly realized that in certain aspects such as medical and trauma care, the school could benefit from having bleeding control kits placed in every classroom and high traffic areas around MJHS.

With the direction and help from Sgt. Steve Jones,

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Wilson Co. receives highway safety grants

The Wilson County grants include:
$46,100 to the Lebanon Police Department for Police Traffic Services
$5,000 to the Mt. Juliet Police Department for High Visibility Enforcement
$46,200 to the Tennessee Sheriff’s Association for Safe Communities
$5,000 to the Watertown Police Department for High Visibility Enforcement
$22,000 to the Wilson County Sheriff’s Depart-

Staff Reports

Five Highway Safety Grants were recently awarded to promote public safety on Wilson County roads and to curb drunk driving.

Over 335 federal grants exceeding $20 million in total have been awarded to law enforcement agencies and highway safety partners across Tennessee. Approximately $2 million in media grant funds will be allocated for statewide highway safety education and public awareness campaigns.

Granville prepares for fall celebration

Historic Granville has been called Mayberry for many years and during October, the 2019 Scarecrow Festival will bring Granville to life as “A Mayberry Town.” As visitors turn on Clover Street, they will see Mayer Lake, which is the Cordell Hull Lake. As they go down memory lane, they will approach and see all the Granville buildings becoming Mayberry businesses and homes.

Visitors will see Walker Drug Store, Weaver Department Store, Mayberry Court-

Staff Reports

Two Mt. Juliet police officers graduated from the 12-week Basic Police School at the Tennessee Law Enforcement Training Academy (TLETA) in Nashville Sept. 27, and the department is proud of their achievement.

Mt. Juliet’s newest police officers Alecia Martin and Megan Smith, along with over 100 other law enforcement officers across the state of Tennessee, took part in a graduation ceremony for Basic

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12-5 p.m. Visitors can have lunch at Sutton General Store each day as well as visit museums, the shops of Granville and more. Granville will also be having an Old Time Craftsmen Festival during October each day that they are open with live demonstrations and items for sale.

The Granville Fall Celebration will be on Oct. 5 and have a Grand Celebration entitled “Memories of the 1960s in a Mayberry Town.” The event will also feature Jazz on the Cumberland, Quilt Festival, Old Time Craftsmen Festival, craft booths, musical Stage featuring 1960s music, clogging, gospel, choirs, Ralph Maddux Motorcycle Show, veterans appreciation service honoring Vietnam Veterans, Sutton Ole Time Music Hour featuring Stoney River Bluegrass Band, food, children’s rides and petting zoo, Cumberland River Historic Boat Tours and much more.

For more information visit granvilletn.com or call 931-653-4151.
COMMUNITY CALENDAR

OCT 1-3
Eye Screenings
Lions Club Kid Sight program and Mt. Juliet Library are doing eye screening before and after story time Oct. 1-3 for Vision Awareness Month. For more information, contact Kid Sight Coordinator Melissa Alexander at 615-557-4405.

OCT 3
JECDB
The Joint Economic and Community Development Board executive committee will meet at 7:45 a.m. on Thursday, Oct. 3, 2019, at the JECDB office located at 200 Aviation Way, Suite 202, Lebanon.

OCT 4
Free Clothes
The Free Clothing store will be open this Friday, Oct. 4, from 9 a.m. until noon at Life Church, 3688 Highway 109, Lebanon. There will be clothes in all sizes for men, women and children, some toiletries, and groceries along with free breakfast. Everything is free.

OCT 4-5
St. Stephen Treasure Hunt
St. Stephen Catholic Community is having its annual Treasure Hunt/Yard Sale on Friday, Oct. 4, from 7 a.m. until 5 p.m. and Saturday, Oct. 5, from 7 a.m. until 2 p.m. Located at 14544 Lebanon Road.

OCT 5
Craft Fair
Hermitage Presbyterian Church will host its 8th Annual Artisan Craft Fair on Saturday, Oct. 5, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. All items are handmade, and there will be food, a silent auction with proceeds going toward the Good Samaritan Sam Fund, and activities for children. Admission is free.

OCT 8
Wilson County Election Commission
The Wilson County Election Commission will have its regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 8, 2019, at 7 a.m. at the Election Commission Office at 203 E. Main St. in Lebanon to conduct election business which comes before the commission pursuant to its duties and to conduct any other business that may come before the election commission at that time.

OCT 8
Young Republicans
The Wilson County Young Republicans will hold an organizational meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 8, at 6:30 p.m. at Calabria Pizza, 1209 N. Mt. Juliet Road. Young Republicans is open for ages 18-40. For more information, email wilsoncountynop@gmail.com.

OCT 10
Parkinson’s Support Group
Peterson Foundation for Parkinson’s will meet from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 10, at Green Hill Church, 13251 Lebanon Road.
Mt. Juliet beats Maplewood in homecoming game

By Nathalie Recinos
The Chronicle Contributor

The Golden Bears dominated their homecoming game against the Maplewood Panthers last Friday night. They played their best against the team and walked off the field with a score of 35-0.

The first quarter was a big success for the team; they received no penalties and made a touchdown and a field goal. Maplewood received an interception and made no touchdowns or field goals. This ended the quarter with a score of 7-0, leaving the Bears with a major lead.

Malik Bowen, a wide receiver for MJHS, said that he felt “very prepared” for the game. He noted that the offense had some struggles in the beginning because they had gotten turnovers.

“We started off slow, we had some turnovers, we fumbled, so we went in to halves, only scoring one touchdown when we were supposed to be scoring more,” he said.

In the third quarter, both teams each had a fumble. The Bears received one penalty, while the Panthers received four penalties and one warning. The Golden Bears made two touchdowns and two field goals. They ended the quarter with a score of 21-0.

“The Bears’ last couple games had a weak third quarter, so [they] went out and had a very good third quarter,” according to Bowen.

During the fourth quarter, the team had one interception and received no more warnings or penalties. Maplewood made no interceptions, touchdowns or field goals, and they did not receive any more warnings. However, the Golden Bears ended the night by making two touchdowns and field goals.

Bowen thought that Maplewood was a pretty good team because they had athletes in every position. He also thought the team was hard to analyze because they aren’t a film-based team.

“We aren’t very film based, so you don’t really know what they’re going to do during the game,” he said.

Since the Bears only have three days to prepare for their next conference game, the boys have been working harder and watching more film. They will be playing against Rossview High School on Thursday, Oct. 3, at 7 p.m.
Wildcats shut out by Green Wave 16-0

By Jake Hood
The Chronicle Contributor

Gallatin topped Wilson Central in a 16-0 defensive matchup that resulted in only one touchdown.

Following a tough loss at the hands of Mt. Juliet, the Wildcats looked to get back on track against a 5-0 Gallatin team. Gallatin, steamrolling Hillwood in their homecoming a week prior, looked to topple a hot Wilson Central team. Gallatin answered first on a 4-yard touchdown rush by the Green Wave’s star halfback Spencer Briggs. Wilson Central could not find their source of offense in the first quarter, as they were blanked 7-0 through 12 minutes of play.

The second quarter kept both teams dormant. The Wildcats, with the loss of Xavier Ali for the game, were unable to establish a ground game. The Wilson Central defense held Briggs, who normally rushes for 200-plus yards, to a minimum. This made Gallatin quarterback Isaiah Briscoe take to the air. However, he could not throw his way into the end zone. The score remained at 7-0 after one half of play.

The third quarter consisted of only three points as neither team put together a possession that resulted in a touchdown. Wilson Central continued to struggle with Gallatin’s defensive front. The Green Wave played a 3-4 defense that blitzed on several occasions, shutting down the run game and sacking Tristan Lewis before he could get a pass off. Wilson Central did much of the same against Gallatin. Briggs had trouble rushing up the middle, and offensive coordinator Nathan Wilson did not call for Briggs to run around the outside of the line. The Green Wave managed a 36-yard Trace Kelley field goal, but Gallatin was held to solely that.

The fourth quarter allowed Gallatin to put up 6 more points before the end of the game. Kelley nailed two more field goals, one from 32 yards and one from 41. Wilson Central was held to 62 yards on 40 snaps throughout the game. The Green Wave managed 327 yards on the night, but Briggs was responsible for only 85 yards. Robinson led Wildcats rushers with 13 yards on 8 carries. Lewis went 8-15 through the air for 49 yards. Briscoe was 9 of 13 for 135 yards for Gallatin. This allowed Gallatin to drive downfield and give strong-legged Kelley a shot for 3/3 on field goals on the night. Zion Robb managed 2.5 sacks for Gallatin, and Marcellus Buchanan and Josh Rodriguez each had a sack for Wilson Central.

The Wildcats drop to 4-2 (1-1), and they will travel to Hendersonville on Oct. 4 for the Commanco Homecoming. Kickoff is scheduled for 7 p.m., and the game will be broadcast by WCSN.
Jesus said, “You shall know the truth and the truth shall set you free.” There is a power that truth provides in our Christian walk. Truth is not only something that we accept, but it actually has an effect on our lives. Jesus identified Himself as “the Truth.” There is only one way to know the truth and that is to believe in Him and obey His words. As a pastor friend of mine said, “Obedience is necessary to know the truth.” And it is the knowing of the truth that sets us free.

What is truth? The late R.C. Sproul of Ligonier Ministries said that “Truth is defined as that which corresponds to reality as perceived by God. This is because God’s perception of reality is never distorted. It is a perfect perception of reality.” We conform to fact or reality, recognizing it is God’s fact and reality to which we conform. And because God does not change (Malachi 3:6), neither does truth. Truth cannot be fluid, but real truth is unalterable and unchangeable. In other words, we do not adjust truth to align with our desires or assumptions, but we adjust ourselves and our thinking to embrace the truth.

The unchangeable truth can be a source of power in our lives. One way has already been stated and that is truth sets us free. What are we being set free from? Mostly we are set free from sin and therefore we are in sin and therefore we are in sin.

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bondage to sin. Being a slave to sin means we are unable to escape our sinful propensities without help from “the Truth” to make us free. Our relationship and engagement with the Truth is what allows the power and effectiveness of the truth to change our lives. The Swiss theologian Frederic Godet wrote that sin causes us to live with an illusion. “The empire of sin in a human heart is based upon an illusion, a fascination. Let truth shine, and the spell is broken, the will is disgusted with that which seduced it.”

Secondly, truth confronts and challenges. Yes, one aspect of the power of truth is that it does not allow us to remain in our folly, but will confront and challenge our perspective; and yes, even our beliefs. When Jesus asked the disciples who people were saying that He was, they replied John the Baptist, Elijah, Jeremiah, or one of the other prophets. I’m sure these sounded like nice religious answers, but when Peter answered, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God,” the false views of Christ that had been purported were confronted and challenged.

Embracing the truth also provides inoculation from the lies of our adversary. My pastor friend once again said, “Disobedience places me outside the realm of truth – and therefore I embrace lies.” Jesus said of the devil that “he is a liar and the father of lies.” This is the currency of the devil – lies and deceit. The only legal ground the enemy has over us is when we believe his lies and act upon them. Lies are powerful enough to lead us to do the most insane things. What is insanity? It is losing touch with reality – believing that the lie is real. His (the devil’s) whole modus operandi towards us is to alter the truth just enough that we don’t recognize it as a lie.

Truth motivates, directs, and cleanses us. Let us be people of the truth in the face of relativism and a diluting of the gospel message. May the truth shape our lives.

**Sharing the roadways**

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who was able to accomplish this task while serving as SRO at Carroll-Oakland Elementary, they were able to start the process. MJHS Principal Leigh Anne Rainey quickly supported the idea as the SROs asked for the PTSO’s support for raising the funds for the project. Without hesitation, all members of the PTSO, under the leadership of President Lisa Patterson, agreed to purchase the entire order in full, which is 120 kits for just under $6,000.

“We can’t stress enough how thankful SRO Tuggle is 120 kits for just under $6,000. This school, we are prepared.”

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Record number of students taking AP exams

Staff Reports

Education Commissioner Penny Schwinn announced Tuesday that more than 33,800 Tennessee public school students took the Advanced Placement (AP) exams in the 2018-19 school year — breaking the previous year’s record high of 32,000 for Tennessee.

Across Tennessee, 17,607 students earned a score of 3, 4, or 5, which translates into a 3.1% increase in the number of students eligible for college credit at many institutions. Additionally, the number of exams earning a score of 3, 4, or 5 increased by 5.1% over last year.

AP classes offer students the ability to take college-level course work and earn college credit based on their performance on the national AP exam administered by the College Board. The state has been encouraging schools to increase the availability and number of AP exams they offer as part of a diverse portfolio of early postsecondary opportunities.

AP exams are one of the eight early postsecondary opportunities offered in Tennessee. Research shows that students who take advantage of at least four early postsecondary opportunities, including AP programs, dual enrollment, dual credit, and industry certifications, are more likely to be prepared for college. Statewide, 33,806 students took a total 56,346 AP exams last year.

“It’s so encouraging to see that Tennessee high schools are not only offering more opportunities for students, but are also challenging students to take on more rigorous coursework,” said Penny Schwinn, commissioner of education. “Continued growth is what we strive for at the department, and this is an achievement not only for the students but also for the teachers, who work so hard every day.”

In addition to the statewide uptick, there was also an increase last year in the number of AP tests taken by historically underserved groups, as well as the number of students who scored a 3 or higher. Specifically, the participation rate among black students increased by 4.5% with a 4.2% increase in the number of exams receiving a score of 3 or higher. The participation rate among Hispanic or Latino students increased by 8.9% with 13.6% increase in the number of exams receiving a score of 3 or higher.

As part of the state plan for the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), the department has created an accountability metric known as the Ready Graduate indicator. High school students in Tennessee are considered “ready” for the next step after graduation by meeting one of four checks for readiness. The Ready Graduate indicator is diverse in order to allow for student choice while measuring whether a student has demonstrated readiness for a postsecondary degree or the military. Since students who participate in EPSOs are more likely to be successful in postsecondary, EPSOs, such as taking AP courses, are a critical component of the Ready Graduate indicator.

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Unemployment drops in every county during August

Rates rebound from the impact of seasonal unemployment during summer months

Unemployment rates for each of Tennessee’s 95 counties dropped during August 2019 according to data released Thursday by the Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development (TDLWD).

Unemployment is now less than 5% in 89 of the state’s counties. The August rates in six counties currently sit at 5% or greater.

“Many counties saw unemployment decrease by more than a percentage point in August, while several dropped by two percentage points,” said TDLWD Commissioner Jeff McCord. “To see lower rates in every county across the state is always a positive sign coming out of the summer months.”

Sevier and Williamson counties had Tennessee’s lowest unemployment in August with a rate of 2.5%. Williamson County’s rate dropped by 0.7 of a percentage point when compared to the previous month, while Sevier County decreased by 0.8 of a percentage point.

At 2.6%, Davidson and Cheatham counties had the next lowest rates in the state. When compared to July, Davidson County saw a decrease of 0.6 of a percentage point and Cheatham County experienced a 0.7 of a percentage point drop in unemployment.

Rutherford, Wilson, Sumner, Maury, Robertson, and Smith are the remaining counties that have the 10 lowest unemployment rates for August.

Clay County recorded the state’s highest August unemployment rate at 6.1 percent, but that represents a 1.9% drop from July’s rate. At 6%, Hancock County has the second highest rate which is 2.1% lower than the previous month’s statistic.

Statewide, seasonally adjusted unemployment across Tennessee held steady in August matching July’s rate of 3.5 percent.

Nationally, the seasonally adjusted unemployment rate also remained the same in August at 3.7% for the second consecutive month.

Job seekers can find more than 200,000 current openings from across the state on Tennessee’s workforce development website www.TNJobs.gov.

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OBITUARIES

CROSS, Henry “Hank”

Henry “Hank” Cross, age 80 of Mt. Juliet, passed away Sept. 28, 2019. Mr. Cross was preceded in death by parents, Henry and Edith Cross; grand-daughter, Rachel Doose; and great-grandson, Nathan Hiller. He is survived by wife of 47 years, MaryLou Cross; children, Heidi (Stacy) Doose and David (Crystal) Hiller; sister, Judith (John) Morse; grandchildren, Jessica (Chad) Boggs, Laura (Taylor) Pesho, Taylor Keeton, Jamie (Matthew) Daniel, Jason (Heidi) Hiller, Alex (Natasha) Hiller, Michael (Amy) Hiller and Katherine Hiller; and 16 great-grandchildren.

A Memorial Service will be held Sunday, Oct. 13 at 2 p.m. at Sellars Funeral Home at Mt. Juliet.


HAMBLIN, Shirley “Mammie”

Shirley “Mammie” Hamblin, age 82 of Hermitage, passed away Sept. 30, 2019. She was preceded in death by parents James Alton Anderson and Emma Lou Cook; husbands, Hilton Ray Ross, Sr. and Richard Gary Hamblin; son, Norman “Eddie” Ross; sisters, Charlene Knight, Dorothy Lane, Charley Fay Felts and Lavergne Dixon; and brothers, Jimmy Anderson, George Anderson and Jesse Anderson. Survived by children, Ray Ross, Jr., Benita (Steve Smith) Harris and Kevin Hamblin; grandchildren, Trey (Brandi Thompson) Harris, Benjamin (Savannah Turner) Harris, Zachary (Tramm Ross), Whitley (Michael) Holland, Brandon Smith and Brooke Smith; great-grandchildren, Brantley, Gabriel and Marlow Harris, Landon and Alayah Ross and Kinyel, Beckham and Easton Holland; brothers, Bobby Anderson, Harold (Faye) Anderson, Hershell Anderson and Billy Anderson; and numerous nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

Funeral service will be held Friday, Oct. 4 at 11 a.m. at Sellars Funeral Home at Mt. Juliet, and interment will follow at Bellentine Cemetery. Visitation with the family will be Thursday from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Friday from 9 a.m. until time of service.


KOSSA, Drake James

Drake James Kossa, age 29 of Old Hickory, passed away Sept. 21, 2019. The family held a gathering Sept. 28 at Sellars Funeral Home in Mt. Juliet.

Drake was born on April 8, 1990, in Denver, Colorado, to James Ralph Grisham and Irene Rena Kossa. In addition to his parents, he is survived by older sister, Kasandrah Kohl; younger brothers, Jonathon Paul James Kossa and Chaz James Kossa; younger sisters, Iccela Lynnae Kossa-Morris and Analea Jamison Kossa.


LYNCH, William “Bill” Arthur

William Lynch passed away Sept. 30, 2019, at age 77. The family will be receiving friends at Sellars Funeral Home, Lebanon, on Thursday from 4-8 p.m. and Friday from noon until the service. The Funeral Service is Friday, Oct. 4 in the chapel of Sellars Funeral Home. Interment in DeKalb County Memorial Gardens will follow the service. He is survived by his wife of 54 years, Marilyn Leftwich Lynch; son: Mark (Sharon) Lynch; daughter: Leann Walker; mother: Oma Ritchie Lynch; siblings: James “Jimmy” (Judy) Lynch, Dorothy (Jerry) Davis, Ronnie (Judith) Lynch, Johnny Lynch, and Steve (Barbara) Lynch; grandchildren: Tyler (Tiffany) Walker, Chase (Mandy) Walker, Molly Walker, and Emaele Lynch; great-grandchildren: Kelsey and Karley Walker; and numerous nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by father Johnny “Lester” Lynch and sister Oma Jeanette Davis.

Sellars Funeral Home, Lebanon, TN 615.444.9393.

MELVIN, Nancy Elizabeth Wolff

Nancy Elizabeth Wolff Melvin, age 77 of Hermitage, died Sept. 27, 2019. She was the daughter of the late Ivan and Emma Morgan Wolff. Mrs. Melvin was also preceded in death by her husband, Dennis Melvin, and grandson, Joshua Baker.

She is survived by: Sons – Keith (Sarah) Melvin and William Adamchak, Jr.; Daughters – Kelly (Joe) McCarrol, Joseph McCarrol and Dawn Erickson; Sister – Patricia Walker; Half-sister – Mary Ellen (Peter) Moge; Grandchildren – Dustin (Lexy) Baker, Phillip McCarrol, Joseph McCarrol and William Adamchak; Seven Great-grandchildren.

There will be a gathering of family and friends from 2-4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 5 to celebrate the life of Nancy Melvin. Flowers accepted or memorials may be made to the Alzheimer’s Association, 478 Craighead Street, #200, Nashville, TN 37204.

Bond Memorial Chapel, N. Mt. Juliet Road and Weston Drive, Mt. Juliet, TN (615)773-2663. www.bondmemorial.com

FANNIN, Rob

Rob Fannin passed away Sept. 28, 2019, at age 26. A service was held Oct. 1 and interment followed at Cedar Grove Cemetery.

Rob is preceded in death by his grandparents Robert Charlie Harris, James Dewey Fannin and Sally Marie Fannin. He is survived by his father James Bryan Fannin, mother Linda Fannin, grandmother Lola Grace Harris, numerous cousins, and Godmother Dorothy Saddler.

Sellars Funeral Home 615.444.9393.

PATTON, Mary

Mary Patton, age 91 of Hermitage, passed away Sept. 30, 2019. The Funeral Service will be held Friday, Oct. 4 at 2 p.m. in the chapel of Sellars Funeral Home at Mt. Juliet. Interment will follow the service in Wilson County Memorial Gardens. The family will receive friends on Friday 11 a.m. until service time.

Mrs. Patton was preceded in death by her parents John Lofton and Grace Dawson McMullen; husband, Elzie Patton; brothers, Charles and William McMullen. She is survived by loving daughter, Linda (Gary) Pomeroy; grandchildren, Rachel Pomeroy (Eric Hendricks), Wes (Libby) Pomeroy; 4 great-grandchildren, Delaney Hawkins, Ansley Hawkins, Connor Pomeroy, and Claire Pomeroy.

The Board of Commissioners of the City of Mt. Juliet will have a Public Hearing on Monday, October 28, 2019 at 6:15 p.m. to hear comments on the following item to be considered: Rezone and approve the Preliminary Master Development Plan property known as Project Sam, being found at Map 077, Parcel 011.00, 012.00 and part of 013.00 from Office Professional Services (OPS) to Industrial Restrictive Planned Unit Development (I-R PUD) and Office Professional Services (OPS) and approve the Preliminary Master Development Plan PUD. The public is invited to attend and comment.

Kenny Martin, City Manager
City of Mt. Juliet

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The Board of Commissioners of the City of Mt. Juliet will have a Work Session on Monday, October 28, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. to discuss the following item:

• ADA Transition Plan

The public is invited to attend.

Kenny Martin, City Manager
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Huge garage sale, Friday & Saturday 10/4/10/5, 7-2. 4810 Kensington Dr, Old Hickory. Studio photography equipment, Winnie the pooh collectables, many collectable stuffed animals, DVDS & CDs, Mikasa, Wilt- ton and other pieces, too much more to list. Noreasonable offer refused.

HorseShoe Cove • Multi-Family Yard Sale. Saturday October 5th from 7am– Rain date will be October 12th. From Lebanon Rd turn onto Nonaville Rd go 3.5 miles to entrance on right at Singing Springs Rd.

Multi-Family Yard Sale Fri. Oct 4th & Sat. Oct 5th 8am-4pm. Located in Woodland Place, behind MJS Loads of baby/toddler/adult clothing, shoes and baby gear, household items, decor and more! All priced to sell — come check us out first so you get first pick ;)
State graduation rate continues to rise

Last month, Education Commissioner Penny Schwinn announced that the graduation rate for the 2018-19 school calendar year was 89.7%. Not only is that more than half a percentage point higher than the previous year, but it is the highest graduation rate on record for Tennessee. That translates into an increase of 183 graduates statewide. “While this is certainly something to celebrate, I know we can do even better,” said Penny Schwinn, education commissioner. “Ultimately, I would like to see all 130 districts that serve high school students have a 90 percent graduation or better. That’s something my team will be very focused on over the next four years, along with making sure those students have a career or college path in mind the day they walk across the stage to get that diploma.”

Tennessee has set high expectations for both students and educators, and students have made significant gains as a result. As part of this work, the state transitioned to a more rigorous calculation for graduation rates in 2011, and even under the new criteria, rates have continued to rise. For the 2018-19 school year, the most notable gains and overall achievements in the state are:

- 67 districts improved their graduation rates from 2018 to 2019, with four of those districts improving by five percentage points or more. Districts with significant gains included Tennessee School for the Deaf (29 percentage points), Lewis County (10 percentage points), Hancock County (7 points), and Trousdale County (6 points).
- 49 districts — more than a third statewide — have graduation rates at or above 95%, which is an increase from last year.
- Four districts had a graduation rate of 100%, including Huntingdon Special School District, South Carroll, Bradford, and Oneida.
- 32 schools had graduation rates of 100%.

Staff Reports

The following vehicles will be sold at Mobiletech Automotive Repair 108 West Division, Mt. Juliet, Tn. 37122 at 10 a.m. on October 17th, 2019 for towing and storage fees accumulated on vehicles if not paid in full by the time of the sale. Paperwork will be provided at the point of sale to apply for a title. 2003 Chevrolet Impala VIN 2G1WF52E439261911 Holly Wilson & TMX Finance of Tn Inc DBA Titlemax , 2002 Toyota Camry VIN 4T1B3F30KYX251385 Jahabrin or Kristina Hobbs & Willliams Auto Sales LLC

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No talking...

By Becky Andrews
Wilson Living Magazine

The older I get, the more I enjoy staying home and doing nothing. By nothing, I mean binge-watching documentaries while eating an assortment of calorie-laden snack food items. I’m not sure when this happened. I’m still a people person and outgoing when I’m out. But after a day, evening or week of peopleing, I need a serious recharge. A recharge that doesn’t involve talking, wearing a bra or more energy than it takes to use the remote.

I take the time I need to recharge where I can get it — like on an airplane.

I love flying alone. I love that most of the time I get seated next to people who have no desire to find out where I’m from, where I’m flying to, why I’m flying there, where I’m from, where I’m going. They don’t comment on the book or magazine I’m reading. Sometimes they don’t even make eye contact. Those are my people. They know all about me. They know all I need to know about me and they don’t care if they ever see me again. They... complete me.

On occasion, my seat assignment puts me beside a passenger who doesn’t share my philosophy on flight boundaries. We exchange a few pleasantries but as soon as the plane takes off, we both dive into whatever reading distraction is available. That’s where the conversation ends and never picks up back up. This is fine too.

There’s always that one passenger who doesn’t care if you are reading or typing or sleeping. They want to show you a picture of their cat in a hula skirt or tell you about their brother Larry who sells used cars in Philadelphia or explain (in detail) how many times they pooped in preparation for a colonoscopy. They can’t be stopped. It’s always during a long flight too. You’ve got nowhere to go. They can’t be stopped. It’s obvious they wanted nothing to do with me. They wouldn’t even make eye contact. They to-do- all the time. You’re going to hear about the cat, the brother and the results of that colonoscopy.

It was on an extra-long flight a few years ago I decided to adopt a trick my husband uses during flights or long drives with a lot of people. Headphones. We were on a bus traveling to see a football game in Knoxville. There were probably 30-40 people on board. Jay sat by the window and, with earbuds in, enjoyed not talking and the fall landscape for the entire three-hour trip. When we arrived, he told me that his iPod died an hour before we arrived in Knoxville. Since he still had the earbuds in, it looked like he was deep into listening to something and couldn’t be bothered. Genius.

Until recently, this trick has worked well for me.

On a flight back to Tennessee, I sat next to a couple who were the real-life equivalent of Spongebob and Sandy. Right after the female member of the duo asked me if I would mind lifting the armrest on my seat so she could see my face while we talked, I reached for my trusty earbuds. Only they weren’t the right kind. Thanks to Apple, I need an adapter to use my standard set of earbuds with my phone. One of my kids “borrowed” it and never put it back!

I tried not to panic. My heart started pounding, my face flush. The prospect of sitting without a physical barrier between me and Chatty Cathy was too much. We were taxing so there was no turning back. I was stuck. Then it hit me. I put my earbuds in and hid the part of the phone that they were not attached to. It was perfect.

On five occasions, she or her male counterpart started to ask me a question, would see the earbuds and go back to what they were doing.

After landing, the flight attendant gave the all-clear for passengers to retrieve bags from the overhead bins. I stood up, grabbed my suitcase and before sitting back down, noticed the cord of my phone was attached to. It was perfect.

“Borrowed” it and never put it back.

PET OF THE WEEK

Polly is an American Pitbull mix who came to the shelter as a stray. We believe she is approximately 2 years old. Polly is a very sweet girl who enjoys playing ball and getting her belly rubbed. She would prefer a home without other animals. Polly is not altered so her adoption fee is $25 + the cost of her spay at a local vet.

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TriStar Summit collects opioid medications during take back day

Staff Reports

TriStar Summit Medical Center collected 22.4 pounds of opioid medications during its "Crush the Crisis" opioid take back day on Sept. 7, to help combat the nation’s opioid crisis. Over 30 community members participated in the event by dropping off unused or expired medication.

"The misuse of prescription opioids often begins when they are obtained from a friend or family member’s medicine cabinet," said Brian Marger, CEO, TriStar Summit Medical Center. "TriStar Summit was proud to partner with the Donelson-Hermitage police precinct to offer our community a safe and anonymous collection and disposal of unused or expired medication. As a healthcare provider we are very engaged in wanting to ensure medications are used properly and safely."

As an affiliate of HCA Healthcare, TriStar Summit Medical Center is part of a health system that also uses science of “big data” to reduce opioid misuse and transform pain management, with initiatives in surgical, emergency and other care settings including:

• Enhanced Surgical Recovery (ESR)/Alternatives to Opioids in the Emergency Room (ALTO in the ER):
  HCA Healthcare focuses on multi-modal approaches to acute pain management. This means two or more methods or medications are employed to reduce the need to use opioids to manage a patient’s pain while recovering from surgery or in the emergency room.
• Electronic Prescribing of Controlled Substances (EPCS): Physicians have access to aggregated electronic health records that make it more difficult for medication-seekers to doctor-shop or alter prescriptions.

Approximately 65 HCA Healthcare facilities participated in a “Crush the Crisis” opioid take back day in their communities on Sept. 7, 2019.

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SHARRER, Chace Allen


There will be a gathering of family and friends from 12-2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 5 at the home of Roxie and Ed Casale to celebrate Chace’s life. Flowers accepted or memorials may be made to Tennessee Suicide Prevention Network, 295 Plus Park Blvd., #201, Nashville, TN 37217. Arrangements by at Bond Memorial Chapel, N. Mt. Juliet Road and Weston Drive, Mt. Juliet, TN. (615)773-2663. www.bondmemorial.com

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