Detectives apprehended multiple juveniles yesterday morning who are responsible for multiple car burglaries and car thefts over the past few months in Mt. Juliet neighborhoods. During the 3-month investigation, the detectives’ work led to the recovery of many stolen items, which included 12 vehicles, eight firearms, a bullet-resistant vest, many electronic devices and other items. Those apprehended were located in the Nashville area. Five were at McGavock High School, two were at a home in Hermitage and two were already in custody at an unnamed detention facility.

Detectives were able to identify the suspects through the help of the community and local news media. Many tips came in from the community after home surveillance video was released, and acting on those tips, detectives were able to identify those responsible. In addition, Mt. Juliet detectives worked alongside detectives from the Metro-Nashville Police Department, Brentwood Police Department and Wilson County Sheriff’s Office.

“Partnership with our community is key, and I’m thankful that our community has the trust in us to give us information to help us identify the suspects,” Detective Willis said. "We’re grateful for the surveillance videos and tips from the community.”

Nine juveniles have been appréhended and charged with the multiple car thefts and burglaries in Mt. Juliet over the past few months. Mt. Juliet detectives worked with Metro-Nashville and Brentwood Police Departments as well as the Wilson County Sheriff’s Office. The arrests were made Tuesday morning at McGavock High School and a Hermitage residence. Two suspects were already in custody.

By Sarah Tate
Managing Editor

A new veterinary clinic brings affordable care to Mt. Juliet’s pets.

Affordable Veterinary Care opened June 23, 2017, in Mt. Juliet. The newly renovated building used to be a storage shed for Burdine Supply Company before the store moved locations. Affordable Veterinary Care is located at 11314 Lebanon Rd., in Mt. Juliet, between Elegant Diamonds and Kroger.

According to owner Betty Howell, the building had no power, electricity or water. There wasn’t even a parking lot. After nearly a year of construction, passersby would not believe the clinic used to be a shed.

Though the clinic does not look very spacious from the outside, Affordable Veterinary Care has three exam rooms, a surgery room, pharmacy, treatment area, offices, break rooms and a waiting area.

Affordable Veterinary Care provides high quality treatment at a low cost. Some services they provide include spays/neuters, vaccines, dental cleanings, and more.

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By Sarah Tate
Managing Editor

Santa Claus waves at the crowd attending the annual Mt. Juliet Christmas Parade Dec. 9. This year’s theme, “Christmas in a galaxy far, far away,” was a hit, with many floats decorated and participants dressed as “Star Wars” characters. More parade pictures on page 15.

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See page 3 for more details
SIX CANDLETIGHT SERVICES FILLED WITH YOUR FAVORITE CAROLS AND THE WARMTH OF THE HOLIDAYS THAT YOU DON’T WANT TO MISS.

Christmas Eve at Providence Church

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

DEC 14
Eagle’s Nest Tavern
From 11 a.m. till 10 p.m. Dec. 14, Eagle’s Nest Tavern will donate 10 percent of all sales to the Wilson County Foster Parent Association to purchase bicycles for children in foster care in Wilson County this Christmas. Located at 2037 N. Mt. Juliet Rd. Sponsered by Mt. Juliet Keller Williams and KW Cares.

DEC 19
HiSET
The Wilson County Adult Education program will be giving the high school equivalency test (HiSET formerly GED) on Dec. 19, 2017, at the James E. Ward Agricultural Center (Fairgrounds) in Lebanon. For information on taking the test, please call (615) 443-8731.

DEC 24
Christmas Service
Cook’s United Methodist Church will have two Christmas Eve Candlelight Services, 10 a.m. and 8 p.m. The church is located at 7919 Lebanon Rd. in Mt. Juliet.

DEC 25-26
Christmas
City Offices will be closed during the Christmas Holiday.

JAN 13
Career Opportunity
Mid-Cumberland Human Resource Agency’s Long-Term Care Ombudsman program advocates for the rights of thousands of residents in nursing homes, assisted-living facilities, and homes for the aged in Wilson County and 12 additional counties in Middle TN. The Long Term Care Ombudsman Program is a partner agency with the United Way of Wilson County. The Long Term Care Ombudsman Program is actively recruiting for volunteers in the Wilson County area. Volunteer applicants must pass a background check and attend a 16 hour in-house training. The next training session will be held Feb. 7 and 8 in Nashville. Those interested in assisting have until Monday, Jan. 15 to contact the program by sending an email to crudolph@mchra.com or by calling (615) 850-3918.

New logo unveiled for Wilson County schools

Staff Reports

As the unprecedented growth continues throughout the area, Wilson County Schools is unveiling a new logo that showcases some of the district’s future educational initiatives, while including a nod to the county’s historic past.

Back in September, staff members in the instructional technology division were tasked with developing a new color scheme and logo that would not only highlight the direction our district is heading, but also feature some of the iconic images associated with the county’s three major cities.

The cedar trees on the logo are representative of the Cedars of Lebanon, the 900-acre state park that sits roughly 10 miles south of Lebanon.

The two lakes, in the background, symbolize Old Hickory Lake and Percy Priest, with the city of Mt. Juliet situated perfectly in between.

The train, seen in the center, is symbolic of Water town’s historic train depot, which was constructed before the turn of the 19th century.

The ferris wheel, which is the most prominent feature, is an obvious reference to the Wilson County Fair, which is not only a local treasure, but has long been hailed as the largest, most well-attended fair in the state. The image on it represent the school district’s core mission, which is to provide a well-rounded education that prepares students for their future careers, as well as life.

Wilson County Schools Director, Donna Wright, says the end result exceeded her expectations.

“It’s no secret that I’m progressive when it comes to the tools and strategies we utilize to educate students, but at the same time, history is important,” she said. “There’s a lot of wisdom in it. I wanted a logo that very vividly expressed that, and I believe that’s exactly what they did.”

In the coming months, the district website will undergo a major redesign that will incorporate the new color scheme and be more user-friendly for those looking for information.
Charlie Daniels to hold book signing at Mt. Juliet bookstore

Staff Reports

Grammy Award-winning musician Charlie Daniels will be signing copies of his newly released memoir, “Never Look at the Empty Seats,” on Saturday, Dec. 16 at 2 p.m. This event will take place at the Books-A-Million located at 401 South Mount Juliet Road in Mt. Juliet, Tenn. Guests will have book signing and giveaway opportunities.

Few artists have left a more indelible mark on America’s musical landscape than Country Music Hall of Famer Charlie Daniels. In his official memoir, “Never Look at the Empty Seats” from Thomas Nelson Publishing, fans will learn about his rise from a post-Depression era childhood to becoming a Grammy Award winner and Country Music Hall of Fame inductee by focusing on the positives in life.

Spanning a career of nearly 60 years, Daniels will share inside stories, reflections, rare personal photographs plus make available lessons learned and sage advice to those seeking a career in the music business. Daniels is best known for his contributions to country, bluegrass and Southern rock music. As a multi-instrumentalist, lyricist and singer, Daniels’ won his first Grammy in 1979 for Best Country Vocal Performance by Duo or Group for “The Devil Went Down to Georgia.” The award-winning music enthusiast was later inducted into the Country Music Hall of Fame in 2016. Charlie Daniels currently resides in Tennessee.

To attend the event, guests are required to purchase an Eventbrite ticket at charliedaniels-stnamb.eventbrite.com, which will include a copy of “Never Look at the Empty Seats.” Daniels will be giving away a fiddle to one attendee during the event at random and the first 10 people in line will also receive a Charlie Daniels Band 45 Anniversary T-shirt. Winners must be present to claim the prizes.

Chick-fil-A hosts Coffee with a Cop

Staff Reports

Mt. Juliet Police will be having Coffee With a Cop Friday, Dec. 15 at Chick-fil-A in Providence, located at 401 S. Mt. Juliet Road. The public is invited and encouraged to attend.

Police Chief James Hambrick, his leadership team, and officers will have coffee in hand and be ready to enjoy simple conversation anytime between 7 and 9 a.m. on Friday.

Coffee With A Cop is an opportunity for the public to meet with officers in a relaxed environment and talk about anything — from crime issues to neighborhood programs, public safety management to how to join the force. The public brings the questions, chats with an officer, and they get a free cup of coffee.

“The simplicity is appealing: We show up, community members show up, and then we talk over coffee,” said Chief James Hambrick. “It is a great way to build relationships with people in the community and hear about the concerns residents may have.”

The Coffee With A Cop program is a non-traditional way to generate conversation between the police department and community it serves. This event allows the public to interact with police officers, including the Chief of Police, in an informal setting to ask questions or address concerns with local law enforcement.

Everyone is encouraged to stop by the Coffee With A Cop event to say hello and enjoy free coffee provided by Chick-fil-A.

Readers can vote for best businesses in Mt. Juliet

Once again, the readers of The Chronicle of Mt. Juliet will have the chance to make their voices heard by voting on the Best of Mt. Juliet.

Voting will open Jan. 1 at midnight and run through Jan. 31. You can cast your vote at thechronicleofmtjuliet.com/polls.

If we’ve left your business or services off and you would like to be included, please call us at (615) 754-6111.

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*Why shouldn’t I use boxed or “over the counter” color?*

Contrary to popular belief, boxed hair color is not the same as professional color. While your stylist uses a professional line of color that she mixes according to your color preference and hair condition, boxed color is a one size fits all mistake. First of all, boxed color uses a metallic based dye that coats hair strands, making future changes to your color unpredictable and potentially hazardous to your hair. The metallic dyes, combined with unusually high levels of peroxide, ensure full and even coverage. While this may sound great, it ultimately dries out and damages the hair. Boxed color, unlike professional color, will continue to darken with repeated applications, meaning that over time, your color will become darker, uneven, and nearly impossible to change. The bottom line is boxed color is harmful, both to the health of your hair and the sanity of your hairstylist.

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**What are the benefits of Vitamin D3 and should I be supplementing it in my daily regimen?**

D3 is an extremely important nutrient for our bodies. Instead of being a vitamin, however, it is actually considered a hormone and is produced naturally by the body when we are exposed to enough sunlight. (Surprise! The sun isn’t bad for you...?) Today, most people do not get enough D3 from the sun because of inadequate exposure (too much time indoors) and barriers (like clothing and toxic sunscreen). In these cases (and in Winter months), you may need to supplement your body with D3 to maintain healthy levels. Remember, D3 is important for many bodily functions. D3 is necessary for hormone balance, immune support, vitamin absorption, mood, weight management, sleep cycles, bones, gut health, & preventing serious diseases (think Cancer and Heart Disease, among others).

The amount you should take depends on a number of factors, but for most healthy adults with no specific issues, 1,000-4,000 IU daily is sufficient. Check with your doctor.

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**I’m about to go on Medicare, where should I even start!?**

This is such an important question! Not enough people ask it! First – ignore all of the mail and phone calls – all of that is just marketing – people trying to sell you a Medicare product, whether it’s a Medicare supplement, Part D drug plan, or Medicare Advantage plan. All it’s going to do is confuse you. You need to sit down with an agent that specializes in ALL Medicare products. Let that person EDUCATE you on the different options and then help you decide which route you should go with! Don’t depend on an agent in another state or one that only sells Medicare supplements. Work with an agent that contracts with ALL Medicare plans so that you get unbiased, honest facts about all of your options.

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**My 15 year old daughter wants invisalign, is this possible for a teenager?**

Great question! Yes, invisalign is possible for teenagers. Let me go over the two most common questions I receive regarding invisalign.

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2. **HOW MUCH DOES INVISALIGN COST?** Invisalign Teen costs the same as traditional braces at this time in both of our locations. Oxford Orthodontics is running a special until the end of summer where all patients can get invisalign and invisalign teen at the same price as traditional braces, a nice cost savings. Also, check your dental insurance plan—orthodontic treatment with Invisalign Teen is covered by many dental insurance policies. And we can offer flexible and affordable monthly payment plans as well.

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**How do I find the listing agent that’s right for me?**

First you may want to start by using referrals. Ask friends and family who they have had a great experience with. Then treat the listing meeting just like an interview. Ask certain questions such as experience, how they will market your property, and what type of seller do they usually work with. Also you want to make sure you both are on the same page for communication. The most important step is to contact a LOCAL professional such as myself to help in every way.

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Emma Palmer’s 31 points and 10 rebounds helped Mt. Juliet come away with a 57-31 victory over Portland Friday. Palmer was hot right out of the gate, as she had 11 points and four rebounds in the first quarter to help the Lady Bears to a 21-11 lead at the break.

The Lady Panthers never threatened as the Lady Bears slowly built their lead throughout the game. They took a 28-13 lead into the break, and built it to 44-21 going into the fourth quarter.

While Palmer handled the post, Shelby Petty and Tondri Davis took care of the perimeter. Both had a pair of threes. Petty finished with 12 points and six rebounds, while Davis finished with 10 points.

In the late game, the boys used their inside game as well to get the victory. Center Isaac Stephens poured in 22 points and grabbed three boards in the Bears’ 55-45 win.

After a tight first quarter that ended 16-11, the Bears built a double-digit lead by the break at 34-24. That lead held un-
til the final whistle. Will Pruitt finished the night with 12 points.

Both teams will head to Oakland next, as they will play a pair Thursday. Tipoff for the girls game is 6:30 p.m. with the boys game to follow.
More is not more


As we land in this first week of Advent, these two scripture passages are landing soft in my heart but with force for how to approach this Christmas season a little differently this season, not only for myself but also for our students.

“Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall call him Immanuel, (God With Us)” - Matthew 1:23

“And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in swaddling cloths and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.” - Luke 2:7

TAKING THE RED EYE

I remember my first Red Eye. It was my first big flight by myself. I was moving to London. I got to my seat and was thrilled to find out it was window seat. I was flying from Atlanta, Georgia to London, England. We took off with the sun setting in the background. The next thing I remember was that we had landed. Jesus in a moment was with us in the flesh. It had been talked about for generations and generations. The promise of a savior, God himself, would be coming to save his children and now that time had come. The people of the world went to sleep with Jesus with his heavenly father and woke up to Jesus here with them in the flesh. Jesus took the red eye to be with us.

Extended Stay

When I landed in London, I had as many bags as Delta would allow you to bring and they all were filled to capacity and weight limit. Jesus didn’t simply come for a quick moment. Sure to God’s time table and sure to God’s time table...
REFLECTIONS FROM AN OLD FRIEND

Road Raged Drivers

With road rage incidents on the rise across the country and many high profile incidents like the one caught on tape recently where two drivers literally jumped from their vehicles and began wildly shooting at one another, I felt it very important to remind everyone on the importance of road rage issues.

Most of us have at some point encountered a road-raged driver. Actually, as you drive daily, you share the road with literally thousands of these “Got to be there now and you are in my way” drivers. Road rage drivers range anywhere from a simple case of someone running late for work or an event to a driver who thinks that everyone else on the roadway is in his/her way and can’t drive.

Road rage drivers can be seen daily on your streets and highways. Here are just a few signs to look for in a road rage driver: Constantly tailgating other drivers even though you’re traveling the speed limit, changes lanes erratically and often without signaling, slams their brakes when someone tailgates them, uses profanity and improper hand gestures when agitated at other motorists or pedestrians and so on.

Some road rage drivers will go so far as to force you off the road, follow you to a certain point, including you home or work, and start a verbal or physical altercation or even brandish a weapon and shoot at you.

Here are a few tips to use when you encounter a road rage driver: Don’t aggravate them, pull into another lane if possible and allow them to pass, maintain the proper speed, do not tailgate, always use your turn signals, and never make eye contact with a road rage driver. It doesn’t help and only serves to enrage them even more. The best thing to do is forgive and forget and move on.

We have all at one time or another suffered a little road rage while driving or sitting in traffic. However, we must use common sense, not to mention courtesy, patience and respect on our roadways and streets. Remember, the streets and roadways belong to all of us and we must share them. Becoming hot headed and angry while driving a three thousand pound weapon is not a wise decision.

If you encounter a road rage driver, call the police or local law enforcement immediately. If you are followed by an aggressive or road raged driver, drive to a safe well-lit and occupied location and call the police. Never exit your car when approached by a road raged driver and always travel with your doors locked.

If you are encountered by a road rage driver and have already called for the police, activate the video on your cell phone and document the activity if you can.

In closing, let’s make the most dangerous thing we do daily a little safer. In other words, let’s be careful and respectful to one another out there!

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it was quick, but for us on the earth, this was an extended stay. It was the beginning of a 33-year-long extended stay. This was just the beginning but this wasn’t something to look over. Yes, Jesus showed up as a new born baby, but he brought with him from the very beginning his full power and authority as God. He didn’t just come to be with us, but his bags were fully packed and at capacity. He brought all of himself to us.

Mind The Gap

Shortly after getting off my red eye, I made my way to The Tube, London’s subway system. I thought something was wrong after buying my ticket and taking the escalator underground. This male voice continually said “Mind The Gap.” The gap happened to be that small distance from the platform to the subway car. See the gap wasn’t the problem, it was people who overlooked the little gap and would get hurt.

Jesus didn’t simply come for a short amount of time, but Jesus made the journey, stayed for an extended time, and in the gap of time he was here … he poured out all of who he was for all of us.

In Conclusion.

Like I said at the beginning, these scriptures had impacted me heavily going into this Christmas season and they did so because they gave me a challenge to begin this Christmas season. So, this advent let us remember that the savior of the world didn’t come just to visit but to be with us. Jesus made the most of his time with us by pouring into people and so can we.

May Advent this year be a reminder to us all that the gift Jesus was, and is, to us all leads us to being a gift with his same love, grace and presence to those around us.
Wilson County selects new tourism director

Staff Reports

County Mayor Randall Hutto announced last week that Amy Nichols will be the new Tourism Director of Wilson County. Her first day of employment is set to be Dec. 21.

Jenny Bennett, the former Tourism Director, had her last day in October and the county has been searching for her replacement since.

After more than 57 applications were reviewed for the position, Nichols was officially offered the job Dec. 7.

Amy Nichols graduated from Indiana University Southeast in New Albany, Ind., with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration and a double concentration in Marketing and Management. Amy’s experience in the hospitality and tourism industry began with Churchill Downs Racetrack in Louisville, Ky., managing social, corporate and signature events, such as the Kentucky Derby and the Kentucky Oaks.

Amy brings more than eight years of experience with the Walt Disney Company in roles with Disney Vacation Club, Disney’s Grand Floridian Resort and Spa, Disney Event Group and Walt Disney’s Creative Entertainment. Her experience with Disney ranged from sales, convention services, and entertainment production for Walt Disney Parks and Resorts and the Disney Cruise Line.

Amy has spent the last year in the nonprofit industry in a development role with the American Cancer Society before moving to Mt. Juliet with her husband, Jason, and daughter, Lucy.
**WCSO increases patrol during holiday season**

**Staff Reports**

The Wilson County Sheriff’s Office (WCSO) is partnering with the Tennessee Highway Safety Office (THSO) to increase impaired-driving enforcement from Dec. 13 through 31, surrounding the holiday season. The THSO’s statewide “Booze It and Lose It” campaign is part of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration’s “Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over” nationwide mobilization.

The Sheriff’s Office will be increasing their manpower on patrol shifts in an effort to combat drunk driving during the holiday season. The WCSO will be looking to keep drunk drivers off the street while roads will have a high volume of citizens traveling to many destinations to be with their families.

“We will be partnering with the Tennessee Highway Safety Office this holiday season to combat drunk driving and to try and prevent a tragedy from happening,” said Sheriff Robert Bryan. “We will increase our patrols and stay vigilant during this period to provide safe travels for our citizens.”

Increased state and national messaging about the dangers of drunk driving, coupled with increased sobriety checkpoints and high visibility enforcement, aims to drastically reduce the number of drunk-driving crashes, injuries and fatalities this year.

“We ask all Tennesseans to please drive safely this holiday season,” said THSO Director Vic Donoho. “In December 2016, more than 500 traffic crashes state-wide involved a drunk driver. Our state and local law enforcement partners will be out in full force to secure Tennessee roadways. We want everyone to make it home safely, so please designate a sober driver.”

The consequences of a single DUI conviction for a first-time offender in the state of Tennessee may include costly fines, court costs, legal fees, jail time, mandatory drug and alcohol treatment, and/or the installation of an ignition interlock device in his/her vehicle.

The THSO provides grant funding to support the Wilson County Sheriff’s Office increased enforcement efforts during the “Booze It and Lose It” holiday campaign.

**Pody visits Mt. Juliet business**

**State Representative Mark Pody (R-District 46) visited Manor HealthCare in Mt. Juliet on Dec. 6. During the visit, Pody toured the company’s operations areas and discussed issues related to pharmacies and health care companies in Tennessee.**

“It is always exciting to be with individuals that initiate and launch their own company,” said Pody. “They create and generate innovative products for their clients. One example of such a company is Manor HealthCare, and that company is growing and making things happen. We are so proud to have them in Wilson County.”

Manor HealthCare, and sister company DelMar Medical, are located in Mt. Juliet and have been in business since 1988. Manor HealthCare is located at 190 E. Division St. in Mt. Juliet.

**WCSO is HERE!**

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ADAMS, Dylan Knox

Dylan Knox Adams, known by all who loved him as “Superman,” age 5 of Mt. Juliet, TN, was born on December 13, 2011 to Amy Belinski Gondolfo and Jeff Adams. He passed peacefully from this life on December 3, 2017 with his family by his side.

Dylan loved to watch “The Jungle Book” and listen to Kid Rock. He loved to hear music and loved anyone who would dance for him. He fought a good fight against CHD and did it with a smile.

He is survived by his loving parents, Amy Belinski Gondolfo and Jeff Adams; sister, Makayla Gondolfo; maternal grandmother, Heather Heyse Meyernick; paternal grandparents, Alex Adams and Pamela Adams; uncles, Jason Belinski (Kim Leehy), Robert Belinski, Joshua Belinski (Michelle Iovane), Wayne Miller; aunts, Jennifer Adams Maldonado, Pauline Meyernick, Samantha Newlan, Jessica Taut-


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GIBBS, David F.

David Gibbs passed away on December 7, 2017 at age 72. The Memorial Service, conduct-
ed by Brother Tom Hen-
ry, was 11 a.m. Tuesday, December 12, 2017 in the chapel of Sellars Funer-
al Home. The family re-
ceived friends at Sellars Funer-
al Home in Mt. Juliet. Inter-
ment will follow in the Mt. Jul-
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Visitation with the family will be held Friday, De-
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bee, Marie Dreyseey, Peter Follansbee, and Michael Follansbee, best friend Dawn Cunningham Win-
ford, the Waffle House family and Launch Point Chapel family. A Prayer & Memorial Service was held on Saturday December 9, 2017 at the Celeb-
ration Lutheran Church in Mt. Juliet. Pastor Erik Feig officiated.

Mr. Osman was born in Manteno, IL. He was a Marine Corp Veteran of the Vietnam War. Mr. Osman was proceeded in death by his parents, Or-

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KNOTT, Marlene Jean

Marlene Knott passed away on December 7, 2017 at age 83. The Fu-
eral will be conducted by Pastor Scott Gillon, is 2 p.m. Wednesday, De-

eral Home, Lebanon, TN. The family will be receiving friends from noon un-
til the service. Interment in Wilson County Memo-
ral will follow the service.

He is preceded in death by his sister, Kath-
leen Vorn Montano. He is survived by: Sons – Donald S. Hackett, Jr. and Shawn J. Hackett, Sr.; Daughters – Lisa R. Reynolds and Kathleen M. Shontz; Brothers – James Hemmes, Fred Hemmes and John Hemmes; Sisters – Mary Jane James Hemmes, Fred

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he was a graduate of the University of Lou-
iville, Speed School of Engineering and a Senior Consultant for AMEC for more than 30 years. He was a fan of the Louisville Cardinals, an avid golfer and a bourbon lover. Bern-
ard was a member of St. Stephen Catholic Com-

ity. He was the son of the late Bernard Herman Voor, Jr. and Joan Therese (Dwane) Voor. Mr. Voor was also preceded in death by his sister, Kath-
television with the family will be held Friday, De-

1918 Patterson St, St. Stephen Catholic Com-

memorial service will be 2 p.m. Sunday, December 10, 2017 at Launch Point Church (337 W. Baddour Pkwy), Lebanon, Tenn. The family received friends at noon until the service. Arrangements by Sel-

Parkers will follow in the Mt.

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Dirty Santa … Why do you hate me?

By Becky Andrews
Wilson Living Magazine

“Dirty Santa” the game isn’t a bad thing. It’s quite fun, unless you’re someone who has always given the gift that gets the pity encouragement or long pause so the opener can figure out what in hell she’s just opened and who on earth they can regift it to. That someone is me.

The first time I played, I went in cocky. Everyone had to bring a gag gift. I picked up a can of peanuts and decided that whomever opened it didn’t either. No more explaining. No more nervous laughter. No more “Oh, it’s a practical gift.”

A close friend used her turn to grab my beautifully wrapped gift. Probably growing tired of listening to me. “I don’t mean to brag, but the box with the large orange bow is the best one. Whoever picks it is going to be sooooo happy.”

She opened it. Silence. Maybe she’s so overcome she doesn’t know what to say. The seconds ticked by and still nothing. Finally, holding the gold-leaf, hardbound personal journal, she looked up and said, “It’s a book … with no words.” Everyone laughed, even me. It was funny. Not everyone is a journalist. I took my gift home after it had been exchanged by everyone for a better prize.

Last Christmas, my hairdresser was talking about a Dirty Santa party she was going to. Another friend told her to make sure if it’s a party where you give fun gifts or serious gifts. She then shared a story of the time she went to a similar party where someone brought a “journal.” Only she said “journal” with a question inflection like “Journal?” Before she could go on, I piped up, “That was me!” Without missing a beat, she said, “What kind of gift is that?” And again, we laughed.

This, once again, made me realize, I am not good at this game. I vowed then and there, this game, this thing, would NOT beat me. I don’t care if I bring the best gift or best-wrapped gift. I just don’t want to give the worst gift of the evening. People don’t remember the best or best wrapped. They only remember the lamest. I want to bring the gift that no one remembers. The gift that someone picks, one where the appropriate amount of “ohs and ahs” are said, but not the one where awkward silence follows the unwrapping.

I tried again last year. I wrapped a blue-tooth key finder key chain. Who couldn’t use that? I’ll tell you who. The person who picked my gift that evening. Only this time, there’s no silence. Instead, my sweet friend politely asked, “What is this?” When I told her (after the guffaws from my other friends in attendance), she looked a little confused, so I said, “Your son will probably love it.”

I am still confident that one day I’ll figure out this whole Dirty Santa/White Elephant thing. Of course, by that time a new game or holiday activity will gain popularity. A new game that I will no doubt secure the title of the LAMEST COMPETITOR.

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The Lakeview Running Club ran the Rudolph’s Red Nose 5K last Saturday in downtown Nashville. Thirteen fourth and fifth grade students from Lakeview Elementary participated in the race. Cole Persich placed first in his age group, Boys 10 and under.
Rogue Stage Project announces next production

Staff Reports

“The House of Yes,” called a “suburban Jacobean tragedy” by its playwright, Wendi MacLeod, has been announced as the second production by the Rogue Stage Project, a Mt. Juliet-based theater company. The company’s first production was “Night, Mother,” a joint effort with Encore Theatre Company in 2016.

Directed by Artistic Director Joel Meriwether, the comedy is definitely not “family-friendly” and pokes fun at such delicate subjects as incest, insanity and the JFK assassination.

“Our production blurs the line that is not crossed in polite society and positively skewers the concept of the dysfunctional family,” said Meriwether. “Plus on top of all of that, we have Jacobean Tragedy overtones, in which the protagonist seeks revenge for an imagined or actual injury.”

Performances for “The House of Yes” are Jan. 5 – 20, 2018, Friday and Saturday evenings only at 10 p.m. at the Music Valley Event Center, 2416 Music Valley Drive Ste. 144, in Nashville.

Tickets are $10 and can be purchased at the door on the evening of the performance or reserved in advance by calling (615) 902-9566. The doors open at 9:30 p.m. and curtain is at 10 p.m.

Wendi MacLeod’s play, “The House of Yes,” is presented with special arrangement by Dramatist’s Play Service, Inc.

Joshua D. King, of Mt. Juliet, Tenn., a Modern Woodmen of America representative, has completed a five day training program at Modern Woodmen’s home office in Rock Island, Ill.

The program focused on helping families plan for life and reach their financial goals with Modern Woodmen. Speakers also covered topics including technology, fraternalism, underwriting and a number of other areas vital for success.

Founded in 1883, Modern Woodmen of America touches lives and secures futures. The fraternal financial services organization offers financial products and fraternal member benefits to individuals and families throughout the United States.

SCE students decide to give back

Staff Reports

On Veteran’s Day this year, the students at Stoner Creek Elementary received a special video message from the dad of a 5th grader, Lt. Col. Keith Fly, who is currently deployed in Qatar. Keith is a lifelong resident of Mt. Juliet and was honored to send a video for the students of SCE.

After seeing the video, the 5th grade students, along with their teachers, Laurie Lasater and Amanda Gronda, decided they wanted to give back.

They adopted Lt. Col. Fly’s unit, which is composed of nurses and medical staff. Each student wrote personal letters thanking them for their service. A few students went even further by collecting goodies for a Christmas care package.

Faculty and staff are impressed to see the empathy and respect the students have for the service members of this country and praise their efforts.

Many attended the annual Mt. Juliet Christmas Parade was Saturday, Dec. 9. This year’s theme, “Christmas in a galaxy far, far away,” was a hit, with many floats decorated and participants dressed as “Star Wars” characters.
BPAC announces Christmas Lights Walk

Staff Reports

The City of Mt. Juliet decorates for Christmas as well as any town in the mid-state area, and the Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) will host its 3rd annual walking tour to view the lights on Monday, Dec. 18.

The walking tour will cover the Brookstone and Willoughby Station subdivisions and will begin at 6 p.m. at City Hall. Coffee, hot chocolate and cookies will be served at City Hall before the walk. Participants will car pool from City Hall to Brookstone and park at the neighborhood clubhouse. Willoughby Station will be the second stop on the tour and again drivers are asked to park at the clubhouse.

The walk will last between one and two hours, and everyone is encouraged to bring a flashlight for added visibility.

“So much work goes into creating these beautiful displays,” said Art Giles, Mt. Juliet City Commissioner and Chairman of the BPAC. “We have all seen Christmas lights from our cars, but this is a unique opportunity to see the lights from a different perspective, up close and personal. I can’t think of anything that will get you in the holiday spirit more than looking at Christmas lights and mixing that with a little exercise and Christmas cheer.”

Partridge family welcomes new baby

Great Great Grandmother is Beaulah Mae Simms of Mt. Juliet.

Ashley is a labor and delivery nurse at Tennova and John is a Lieutenant with WEMA, Station 5.

Staff Reports

It is Grand to be a “Grand” parent indeed and to watch with pride as your family extends to a third generation and for some fortunate families even a fourth living generation. But one Wilson County family celebrated something amazing indeed, as a baby was born with two Great Great Grandmothers.

John and Ashley Partridge of Alexandria, welcomed Grant Lee Partridge to this world on Sept. 21, 2017 at Summit Medical Center. His birth marked the fifth living generation on both his mother’s maternal and paternal sides and they are all residents of Wilson County.

Grant’s maternal Great Great Grandmother is Marion Mills of Old Hickory and his paternal Great Great Grandmother is Beaulah Mae Simms of Mt. Juliet.

Ashley and John Patridge welcomed their son, Grant Lee Partridge, Sept. 21.

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