WOODRIDGE PLACE broke apart because of flood waters during the storms Saturday night into Sunday morning. Some areas got more than nine inches of rain in just a few hours.

WHAT ELSE CAN HAPPEN?

Tornado, pandemic, winter storm and now flood hits MJ

By Kenny Howell
Managing Editor

In the last 13 months, Mt. Juliet has had one thing after another. It started with the March 3 tornado, then the pandemic, and a major winter storm hit in February. Saturday night around 11 p.m., we added historic flood to the list. In just a couple of hours, Mt. Juliet got over nine inches of rain in some spots, which led to numerous road closures.

COVID-19 VACCINE

Vaccine now available for everyone 16 and older

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Robert Brindos is the Teacher of the Year for Green Hill High School. Brindos teaches STEM and is in his 13th year of teaching.

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as well as damaged homes and businesses.

“We have been through a lot lately it seems,” said Mt. Juliet Police Department Captain Tyler Chandler in his update Sunday morning. “We continue to push through.*

Captain Chandler said at its peak, 15 roads were closed because they were impassable. N. Mt. Juliet Road was even closed from Division Street to Weston Drive for a time. Two sections were still closed as of Tuesday. Woodridge Place between Clemmons Road and Golden Bear Gateway was closed and repairs to the road were to be done. It is expected to be reopened around Wednesday, April 7. Old Lebanon Dirt Road between Chandler-Radford Drive and Page Drive was still closed so damage can be repaired to a large culvert.

The Valley Center was hit especially hard. The flood waters rushed through the Dollar General and swept merchandise through smashed windows. It was found up and down N. Mt. Juliet Road, and retrieved by MJPD officers. New Tribe Church was destroyed, as well as Deaton Karate Studio.

The Mt. Juliet Little League Fields are no stranger to flood damage. It has been damaged numerous times throughout the years because of its proximity to Cedar Creek, and it happened again Saturday. Games just started for the spring season, but they will be on pause for a few weeks while the fields are repaired.

Despite 15 water rescues, no one was seriously injured or died because of the flooding within city limits. Captain Chandler said there were some who lost their lives in the middle Tennessee area.

“Our prayers are with their families,” said Captain Chandler.

There were five non-injury vehicle crashes due to the flood. There were three home water rescues and 12 vehicle water rescues. MJPD, Fire Department of Mt. Juliet and Wilson Emergency Management all assisted in the rescues.

Wilson County Schools made the decision to close Monday because of the many flooded roads in the area, but returned Tuesday. None of their facilities were significantly damaged by the flood. There was some high water at the Tom Waller Operations Center site located near downtown Lebanon. However; those waters receded throughout Sunday.

Another round came in Tuesday night that prompted a Flash Flood Watch from Tuesday night through Wednesday.


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MJHS Winter Groups take 1st, 2nd

The Mt. Juliet High School Winter groups all competed in the SCGC State Championships last weekend. The Color Guard received second place in their class. The Drumline and Winds groups both received first place in their class and are Tennessee state champions.

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teaching. He was previously at Mt. Juliet Middle School and Mt. Juliet High School.

Brindos said that it has been a challenging year at Green Hill High School because they are trying to open and establish a new school in the middle of a pandemic. But he believes they are on the right track.

“I am still optimistic and hopeful for the future,” said Brindos.

Brindos said he can sum up his teaching philosopy in a couple of phrases.

“There are no rules without relationships,” said Brindos. Also, “Both good and bad teachers will be remembered – choose wisely.”

Brindos said he is glad to know that in the year when everything is so new and different to everyone, his peers thought he was useful and helpful to them. He is also appreciative they chose him to represent them at the Teacher of the Year Banquet.

Brindos will now have a chance to win Wilson County Teacher of the Year. The winner will be named at a banquet tentatively scheduled (due to possible COVID-19 guidelines) for Friday, April 23.

April 1
JECDB MEETING
The Joint Economic & Community Development Board Executive Committee will meet at 7:45 a.m. Thursday, April 1, at the JECDB office located at 200 Aviation Way, Suite 207, Lebanon.

WILSON COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
The Wilson County Board of Education will call back in to session the recessed meeting held on March 1. The resumed meeting will be on April 1, at 5 p.m. at the Wilson County BOE Administrative & Training Complex, 415 Harding Drive, Lebanon TN 37087. The purpose of the Board Meeting will be to discuss, and vote if necessary, on any matters legally brought before the Board.

April 3
WILLIAMSON CHAPEL CHURCH DRIVE-BY LOVE MEAL
Williamson Chapel Church will host a Drive-By Love Meal for the Community on Good Friday, Friday, April 2, 11 a.m. til 1 p.m. The church is located at 1576 Needmore Rd. Rev. James Buford is the Pastor.

April 3
THE HERMITAGE EASTER EGG HUNT
On Saturday, April 3, three dozen golden Easter eggs will be hidden around The Hermitage grounds with prizes for visitors of all ages. Anyone with a ticket to The Hermitage is able to participate. Only one egg per party can be redeemed for a prize. If you find more than one egg, please choose your favorite prize and leave the other egg(s) for other egg hunters to find. Return your egg to the audio desk inside the Andrew Jackson Center to claim your prize. No eggs are hidden inside any building. Eggs are on a first-come, first-served basis.

April 5
WILSON COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
The Wilson County School board will hold its monthly meeting, Monday April 5, 6 p.m. at the Administrative & Training Complex, 415 Harding Drive, Lebanon, TN 37087. You can watch the meeting at https://wcschools.com/Page/4332.

April 12
MT. JULIET BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
The Mt. Juliet Board of Commissioners will hold their meeting Monday, April 12 at 6:30 p.m. at the City Hall Commission Chambers, 2425 N. Mt. Juliet Road, Mt. Juliet, TN 37122. You can watch the meeting at the city’s website http://www.mtjuliet-tn.gov.
I fight for the good side, of course. Even at school or Cub Scouts or wherever, I’m pretending it is part of my adventure, my story, of which I am the star.”

I didn’t tell him anything about my thoughts of damsel in distress, or my deep fear of the enemy. I didn’t tell him everything. I told him a little and waited for him to reason with me. I waited for him to share logic with me to help me get out of my fairy tale.

Staring out into the field across from our house, never looking at me, my dad replied, “Yeah, me too.”

G.K. Chesterton said, “I had always felt life first as a story: and if there is a story there is a story-teller.”

My dad’s affirmation that day would grow into my belief today that I am indeed a part of a greater story, a story with good guys and bad guys, adventure and romance, intrigue and suspense. I am a part of the God Story and you are too.

It can be easy to look at the Bible as a haphazard collection of 66 books from different eras, with different authors, written with different intents. It can equally be easy to see our fragmented lives as a haphazard collection of events with little to nothing holding it all together.

Neither one of these vantage points is accurate. We are a part of the greatest story, God’s story.

This Sunday, Easter Sunday, churches all over our community will be telling the best part of the best story. The story of what God has done to include us in His story. I hope you will make plans to attend one of them, either in person or online. I know most of the churches in this community and I know most of the pastors. They are really good churches with faithful pastors who will tell you about the greatest story and help you find your place in it.

We would love to have you at Providence Church on Saturday, April 3 at 4 p.m. or 6 p.m. Or on Sunday, April 4 morning at 9 a.m. or 11 a.m. We are meeting outside this year as the best way to gather the most people to hear the best story. Drive in, bring a lawn chair, hear the story. You are invited.

If there is something in you that says where you are right now is not how the story is supposed to end…if your heart tells you there is something more to your life than what you can see right now, then I invite you to hear the Easter story. It’s for you.

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**REFLECTIONS FROM AN OLD FRIEND - BULLYING IS NOT COOL**

Did you know that bullying is one of the biggest concerns of young people today? Bullying is a serious problem with 8 out of 10 children bullied at some point in their childhood. Bullying happens at school, at home, on the streets and on every level of social media. A lot of young people do not even realize they are making other peoples lives miserable. They think they are just joking in making fun of or bullying someone. The truth is it hurts to be bullied and can change someone’s life forever. Bullying has even led to murder and suicide.

Bullying happens when someone picks on someone and makes their life miserable for no real reason but meanness. Bullying can come in many forms from kicking, smacking, tripping, making fun of, threatening, or sending out false messages and rumors about the person over the computer and so on. People have been bullied because of their size, accent, weight, color of their skin, stance on certain issues, interests, or just because they are the new kid on the block or at school. Bullies are often insecure and pick on others to make themselves feel more important and powerful.

The sad thing is what a bully does not see. Their bullying can lead to low self-esteem, suicide, revenge and even assault or murder. These are all things that can be avoided. If you are someone you know is being bullied, there is help. If you are bullied, you should tell someone. It is very important to get other people involved and to ask for advice or help.

If you are being bullied it can feel like the whole world is against you and that you are on your own. Not true! The worst thing to do is to sit back and accept it. It will not get any better unless you do something about it. If you are the victim of bullying at school you should contact your teacher, the principal, or the guidance counselor for help. If the bullying occurs on the streets or away from home, you can contact your parents or the police. And if the bullying takes place at home, you need to advise your parents. Bullying is also a problem with adults. Most child bullies simply grow up to be adult bullies. The only thing that changes is the age of the people they bully.

Bullying is not just a kid’s game. It is a practice that ruins lives and causes scars that can last a lifetime.

In closing, Help and advice is out there. Do not accept bullying.

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**TELLING TALES - TALES FROM ANGEL**

Every year, right about this time, it never fails that I get pulled back in.

You see, I’m not a girl that paints her nails. Probably because as my kids tell me often, “you’ve got stubby little fingers mama.” Couple that with my OCD and the fact I have zero patience, getting my nails done is just not for me. But right around spring, when everything starts coming back new and fresh, I convince myself that I want to be one of those ladies with pretty painted toes and fingers. You know who I’m talking about. Their life is so together. Their nails are perfect. Their cars are super clean. They own a cute Maltese named Hazel. I want to be one of them!

I promise myself that this time, I won’t let one little chip cause me to lose my OCD marbles! And I won’t, I won’t lose my mind sitting in the manicurist chair waiting for her to finish.

But all the mantras in the world can’t save me when I walk into a nail salon packed with people and they still promise me my manicure/pedi will be done in an hour. They are lying. They know they are lying. I know they are lying. They know that I know they are lying.

I take a seat anyway in the vibrating chair and then slip my feet in the luxurious burning hot water. It will be different this time, I say to myself.

One hour later when my phone is almost dead and the water is now almost cool, and I’m just about to grab my purse and make a run for it, they start. 2.3 hours later and yes my toes and nails look magnificent!

For a girl who can’t sit still for even thirty minutes, 2.3 hours has me in shambles.

Never again I say to myself as I try to pay. I reach into my purse to grab my credit card and smear my polish. My blood pressure hits the roof! They offer to fix it but who are we kidding, it will be midnight by the time I finally get home.

There and then I remember my yearly vow that I will never have my nails done again! Yes, my car is dirty and my dog is a mutt named Cooper. Girls like me keep our stubby nails short and carry on with life. It’s better for everyone that way.
The Mt. Juliet Police Department honors staff

The Mt. Juliet Police Department honored many staff members who went above and beyond during 2020, including all staff members who contributed to the 2020 tornado response effort. On Friday, March 26, MJPD’s annual 2020 award banquet was held, hosted by Joy Church at 10085 Lebanon Road.

The top award of the year went to Sergeant Robert Kimbrough, who received the Sgt. Jerry Munday Employee of the Year award. Sgt. Kimbrough served as the B-Detail supervisor and faced many challenges during 2020. Regardless of those challenges, he pushed through with intense dedication, and his patrol shift excelled through his leadership.

Award of Valor

Recipients of this award placed themselves in danger to save another human being.

Water Rescue of Teenager – Sergeant Robert Kimbrough

Assault with a Vehicle – Corporal Chris Barth & Corporal Shanna Drake

Person Armed with a Knife – Officer Jacob Berti

Award of Life Saving

Recipients of this award selflessly rendered lifesaving aid to a fellow human being. It recognizes their actions that saved a life.

Child Suffocating from Seat Belt – Detective Patrick Pegan

Gunshots Victim – Sergeant Lance Schneider

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GOLD AWARD RECIPIENTS

SILVER AWARD RECIPIENTS

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Corporal Michael Cordle
Teenager in Mental Health Crisis – Corporal Chris Barth, Officer Cameron Hoppe, & Officer April Jamison
Water Rescue of Teenager – Corporal Chris Barth, Officer Ben Gibbs, & Captain Tyler Chandler
Award of Meritorious Conduct Recipients

Recognition of this award performed with extraordinary and exceptional police performance. It recognizes their actions that made a significant impact.

Tornado Response – All Employees who Assisted in the Tornado Response

New Computer-Aided Dispatch & Records Management System Deployment – Supervisor Richard Frankich

Mask Production – Evidence Coordinator Sandy Dempsey

THP Assistance – Detective Jonathan Pannell

CPR of Overdose Victim – Corporal Chris Barth & Officer Jordan Brown

CPR of Heart Attack Patient – Corporal Chris Barth

Other employees honored include

Sergeant Cory Cook – Chief’s Award

R. Lieutenant Andy Long – Chief’s Award Communications

Supervisor Tracy Evans – Supervisor of the Year

Cpl. Detective Josh Workman – Investigator of the Year

Specialized Officer of the Year – Officer Jamie Fialkowski

Patrol Officer of the Year – Officer Chad Richards

Officer  Casey Clark – Most DUI Convictions

Officer Austin Myers – Most Weapon Violation Arrests

Officer Jordan Brown – Most Most Weapon Violation Arrests Runner-up – Officer Justin Angle

Most Most Street Level Drug Arrests Runner-up – Officer Cameron Hoppe

Most Most Traffic Safety Initiative – Officer Michael Wentzell

Most Traffic Safety Initiative Runner-up – Corporal Michael Cordle

Most Proactive Criminal Enforcement – Sergeant Scott Fulton

Most Proactive Criminal Enforcement Runner-up – Officer Cameron Hoppe

Top Reserve Officer Volunteer Hours – Lieutenant Andy Long

Top Reserve Officer Hours Dedicated to Patrol – Sergeant Sam Shallenberger

Top Reserve Officer Hours Dedicated to Special Events – Officer Chad Richards

Top Reserve Officer Hours Dedicated to Civic Meeting & Court Security – Officer Troy Davis
Camden, John Edward

John Edward Camden was born in Alton, Mo. on a cold, windy, snowy day on Jan. 12, 1937 to Irene Mae and Cecil Hubert Camden. In addition to his parents, John was predeceased by his older half-brother, younger brother (Tom Camden), and one of his sisters, Linda Hol-lis. John’s childhood carried him across the state of Mis- souri, from the shadows of the Ozarks to the gateway to the west. As a child, he loved sneaking into Sportman’s Park to catch a glimpse of Stan Musial and the Gas-house Gang as they came to define an era of baseball. He sold newspapers in the pre-dawn cold in the middle of the streets bathed in star-light. He ended the fights his younger brother Tom started. He helped his younger sisters grow up tough, strong, and confident. He ended the fights his mother dearly, till death bid them part. He will be missed by many and forgotten by none.

He is survived by: wife of 45 years, Betty Camden; son, Wes Camden; daugh- ter-in-law, Emily Camden; grandson and namesake, John Alton “Jack” Camden; sisters, Myra and Katie.

Graveside services with military honors were Tues- day, March 30, at Lone Oak Cemetery in Lewisburg.


Leschak, James Jay

James Leschak passed away on March 22, at age 70, after a long and distinguished career in the Air Force before graduating from Duquesne University with a Pharmacy degree. He served nearly thirty years as a pharmacist, with more than twenty years as the Pharmacy Manager at Treasure/Eckerd Drugs in Hermitage. As a life-long reader, he accepted a part-time posi-tion at the Mt. Juliet Library, serving his local community for more than fifteen years.

Forever known as “Gigi” by his grandchildren and many others, Jim is sur- vived by: daughters Andrea (Jason Newby) Leschak and Christine (Brett) Gipson, grandchildren Will Gipson and Maya Gipson, niece Ka-tie (Josie) Nordeen, nephew Mike (Megan) Leschak, and great-nieces Hany and Mil- lie Nordeen. He is preceded in death by parents Michael Leschak and Pauline (Vin-cent) Safranek, and brother Michael Leschak. Instead of flowers, donations to the Mt. Juliet Library or the Nash- ville Zoo would be greatly appre-ciated.

Sellers Funeral Home, Lebanon TN, (615)444-9393.

Mounts, Jeffrey Owen

Jeffrey Owen Mounts, 46, LaVerne, died March 20. Jeff was born in Hunting- ton, WV and grew up in Mt. Juliet. He was a long-time employee of Parallon. Jeff enjoyed traveling, Garlinburg and New Orleans were favor- ite destinations. Before chil-dren, he could often be found relaxing at Arrington Vine-yards. He enjoyed channel- ing his inner-Jimi Hendrix playing his guitar and LSU football. He loved his dogs, Lilly and Liam, and tolerated “Tammmy’s” cats. He will be remembered for his distinct sense of humor and his pen- chant for witty memes. Most of all, he will be remembered for his devotion to his family.

He is survived by: wife, Tammy Mounts; son, Jason (Cinda) Williams and Randy (Edna) Williams; sister-in-law, Tiffany (Dana) Dale.

Funeral services were Wednesday, March 24 at Bond Memorial Chapel.

For those who choose, in lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the future education of Jacob and Jay- lynn.

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

Owens, Martha M. “Jo”

Jo Owens, Lebanon, passed away March 24, at age 70.

The Funeral Service, con- ducted by Brother Jonas Taylor, was Monday, March 29, in the chapel of Sellers Funeral Home, Lebanon, and was followed by inter-ment in Woodlawn Roesh Patton Cemetery. Pallbear- ers: Jerry Owens Jr., Blake Owens, R.D. Young, Steve Mounts, Giles Weston, and Wilson Jones. The family ac- cepted friends at Sellers Fu- neral Home, Lebanon, Sun-day and Monday from until the service.

Martha M. Owens was born in Nashville to Mattie Green and William H. Mc-Mahon. She is survived by: husband of 50 years Jer- ry Owens; children Jeni Jo (R.D.) Young, Jerry (Sherr- ry Escobar) Owens Jr., and Steve (Meredith) Summers; 14 grandchildren including Blake and Justin Owens, Sophia and Grace Jo Young; nine great-grandchil- dren, and numerous nieces and nephews. She is pre- ceded in death by daughter Lori Owens, grandson An-thony Young, parents Mattie and William McMahon, and brothers Bill Chaffin and Johnny Chaffin.

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Swab, Shelia Hickman

Shelia Hickman Swab, de-voted and caring wife, moth- er, grandmother, great-grand-mother, and cherished friend, took her first breath in heaven Tuesday, March 23, at the age of 65 after a courageous four-year battle with cancer.

Shelia was born on June 25, 1955, in Jackson, and graduated from South Side High School. She made her way to Nashville, where she met her husband, Joe. They married just 18 months lat- er on May 28, 1973, and to- gether, they had two daugh-ters: Chelsea and Gabby.

Sheila was predeceased by her father, Norvel Dee Hick- man, mother, Charlotte Dar- lynn (Darryl) Hickman. She is survived by: her husband, Joseph Allen Swab, of Mount Juliet; her daughters, Chel-sea Brianne Smith (Jordan), and Rebekah Gabrielle “Gabi- by” Swab; her beloved grand- sons, Luke and Eli Smith; her mother, Faye Hubanks Watridge; her sister, Brenda Kay Brown, and her brother, Byron Scott Hickman.

A visitation was Friday, March 26 at Sellers Funeral Home at Mt. Juliet, 2229 N. Mt. Juliet Road, Mt. Juliet, 37122.

The Funeral Service was followed by an outdoor grave- side service at Mt. Juliet Me- morial Gardens on West Di- vision Street in Mt. Juliet. In lieu of flowers, please donate to the American Cancer Soci- ety on her behalf.


Wauford, Jasper “Abe”

Jasper Wauford Jr. passed away on March 28, at age 80. The Funeral Service, con- ducted by Pastor Jason Rich, was 1 p.m. Friday, April 2, in the chapel of Sellers Funeral Home, Lebanon, followed by interment in Mt. Zion Cen- tury, Liberty. Family and friends will serve as Pallbear- ers: Travis Key, Amy Key, Lucas Wauford Sr. and Mary Spen- doro). Poindexter, Timothy Dale Wauford, grandchildren Travis Key, Amy Key, Lucas Wauford Sr., and Mary Spendero. The Funeral Service was con- ducted by Pastor Jason Rich, and was followed by interment in Woodlawn Roesch Patton Cemetery. Pallbear- ers: Jerry Owens Jr., Blake Owens, R.D. Young, Steve Mounts, Giles Weston, and Wilson Jones. The family ac- cepted friends at Sellers Fu- neral Home, Lebanon, Sun- day and Monday from until the service.

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Dr. Bernard Sy receives GVSA nomination

Staff Reports
Dr. Bernard Sy was recognized as a nominee for a Governor's Volunteer Stars Award. A State of Tennessee program, this initiative seeks to recognize and honor outstanding volunteers in participating counties for their volunteer service.

Dr. Sy received a commemorative plaque to mark the occasion, sponsored by Wilson Bank & Trust. SVP – Lebanon Market Leader, Mr. Curt Baker and Coordinator for GVSA – Wilson, Sara Davenport joined County Mayor, Randall Hutto in presenting Dr. Sy with his nomination award and thanked him for his volunteer service. Also joining Dr. Sy for the presentation was Jamie Locke and Stanley Westmorland whom Dr. Sy recognized as a vital part of his staff.

Dr. Sy was nominated by Lauren Smith who recognized Dr. Sy’s many years of volunteering through Charis Health Center, a faith-based nonprofit primary care clinic providing effective and affordable medical care to the uninsured; Dr. Sy is a founding member. Specifically, after the March 3, 2020 tornado, Dr. Sy and Charis arranged for replacement prescription drugs for those who had lost their homes and medications. They also provided interim care for patients of nearby doctors after their practices were damaged. During COVID, Charis has implemented telehealth visits serving at-risk patients remotely.

“Dr. Sy serves as an outstanding example to other medical professionals to use their training and gifts to serve the community. An active member of St. Stephen’s Catholic Church, Dr. Sy, puts his faith into action to serve others. For over 10 years he has generously contributed his time and training to improve and save lives by making healthcare accessible and affordable to those who are uninsured and vulnerable” said Smith.

Cas Wucher receives GVSA nomination

Cas Wucher was recognized as a nominee for a Governor’s Volunteer Stars Award. Wucher received a commemorative plaque to mark the occasion, sponsored by Wilson Bank & Trust.

Wucher was nominated by Shelly Barnes who recognized Wucher’s volunteer efforts through the Masks of Love project. Here’s what Shelly had to say about Cas’ work.

“The Masks of Love project began as a response to Wilson County community level needs. The project quickly elevated to a statewide effort to provide homemade sewn masks to Tennessee healthcare workers and those on the front lines of the COVID-19 pandemic. I was contacted by Ms. Wucher to see if this could be a community wide effort. Cas and I worked with agents in surrounding counties and Dr. Lisa Washburn, FCS (Family and Consumer Sciences) Community Health Specialist, to develop a statewide plan including best practices for working with healthcare facilities as well as recommended patterns approved by hospitals in each county. The project was shared with all FCS and 4-H Agents across Tennessee. We established a Facebook group called TAFCE Masks of Love and to date, over 850 individuals have joined the Facebook group. More are added each day. Agents offer daily sewing tips as well as information related to FCE and Extension. To date, 37,545 masks have been made in Tennessee with a total number of 28,552.5 volunteer hours. Cas has personally made 1,005 masks that were donated directly to Vanderbilt Wilson County Hospital. What began as an Extension outreach in Wilson County by one community member has now grown to 50 counties and over 850 FCE members, 4-H members, and community volunteers”

I Love Juice Bar and Taziki’s donate $4,922 to Red Cross

Staff Reports
On Tuesday, March 23, representatives from I Love Juice Bar and Taziki’s Mediterranean Cafe presented the Nashville Area American Red Cross with a check for $4,922.

The Fresh Hospitality concepts joined forces on a February campaign to commemorate the one-year anniversary of the March tornadoes that devastated communities across Tennessee and to support the Red Cross’s continued work to provide aid and relief to those affected.

Throughout February, select I Love Juice Bar and Taziki’s locations in Middle Tennessee collected donations from guests and pledged to donate $1 from every bowl of soup sold at their stores to the cause. Participating locations included I Love Juice Bars in Belle Meade, Berry Hill, Brentwood, Germantown, The Gulch and Mt. Juliet, and Taziki’s in Brentwood, Cool Springs, Franklin, Green Hills, The Gulch, Hendersonville, Mt. Juliet and Nashville’s West End.

Rachel Layton, Managing Partner at I Love Juice Bar and former VP of Marketing at Taziki’s, recalled the massive contributions the Red Cross made following the 2020 tornadoes.

“Fresh Hospitality is truly ingrained and invested in the Nashville community, and it was absolutely heartbreakingly for us to see the extent of the damage inflicted upon our friends and neighbors last March,” Layton said. “We jumped into action as a company, and it became immediately apparent that the Red Cross was making a huge difference with their work. As we reflect on a year full of traumatic events, challenges and hardships, we felt that it was important to thank the Red Cross for continually stepping up and doing what they do best - in the aftermath of tornadoes, through snowstorms, through everything that has been thrown our way.”

Dale Wasem, Taziki’s Nashville Operating Partner, noted that the donation also holds significance for Fresh Hospitality, which, along with many other businesses and hospitality concepts, recently marked a year since the pandemic forced them to close their doors and furlough employees.

“March marks both the anniversary of the tornadoes and the COVID-19 pandemic turning our world upside down, including every aspect of the hospitality industry,” Wasem said. “We are incredibly thankful to the Red Cross for its continued relief efforts in the midst of so many other challenges, and for our Fresh Hospitality family’s willingness to support one another and the community through it all.”

To learn more about I Love Juice Bar, visit www.lovejuicebar.com. To learn more about Taziki’s Mediterranean Cafe, visit www.tazikis.com.
The Board of Commissioners of the City of Mt. Juliet will have a Public Hearing on Monday, April 26, 2021 at 6:15 p.m. to hear comments on the following item to be considered: Rezone property known as 13557 Lebanon Road, Map 053, Parcel 123.00, from Single Family Residential, RS-20, to Commercial Retail Center, CRC. The public is invited to attend and comment.

Kenny Martin, City Manager
City of Mt. Juliet

Rezone 13557 Lebanon Rd.
Map 053, Parcel 123.00

Rezone to CRC

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Kenny Martin, City Manager
City of Mt. Juliet

Notice of Public Hearing

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Rezone 421 Main St.
Map 073, Parcel 027.00

Rezone to AR-40

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City of Mt. Juliet

Rezone 13557 Lebanon Rd.
Map 053, Parcel 123.00

Rezone to CRC
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From Green Hill High School Facebook

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I Love Lucy, Andy Griffith Show coming to Granville

Staff Reports

Historic Granville - Tennessee's Mayberry Town will have a grand festival of celebration of the "I Love Lucy" show and the "Andy Griffith Show" on April 10.

Jeff and Carrie Ketterman are nationally known impersonators of Desi and Lucy as they travel America with their long trailer like the one that was on the "I Love Lucy" show. They do tribute acts of the show which are 30 minutes in length featuring the songs of the show which some are Babalu, Straw Hat Song, Waters of the Minnetonka, etc. with skits to go with each song. Carrie is known for her Vitameatavegamin act as well.

Granville opened in 2020 their Mayberry I Love Lucy Museum and Gift Shop. They have just completed hand painted characters of the "I Love Lucy" show that will decorate the area of the museum and performance. They will be performing shows at 11 a.m., 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. and visiting with guest between these with opportunity for pictures. Andy Griffith Show performers on May 10 will be the last living Darling Rodney Dillard that will be performing concerts during the day as well as performing at Sutton Ole Time Music Hour, Bo Pierce as Brisco Darling, Allan Newsome as Floyd, and Rik Roberts at Barney. The day will also feature a Mayberry Cruise in with no entry fee that will be located in front of the event center on Granville Highway. Step back in time on April 10 in Granville as these two television shows come to life in Tennessee's Mayberry Town.

Granvilletn.com, (931)653-4151.

Jeff and Carrie Ketterman professional impersonators of Desi & Lucy Perform at Granville On April 10.