Teen arrested for threats

An 18-year-old male was arrested Sunday night after making a threat in person to two individuals about Mt. Juliet High School.

The teen, Joseph Taylor of Old Hickory, allegedly approached two individuals Sunday afternoon and made a statement in regards to warning them not to attend school on Monday because he had just purchased a new gun.

During the conversation, the individuals noticed that Taylor was wearing some type of gun around his neck. Following the conversation, police were summoned and began to investigate.

While the investigation was taking place, the de-

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Brown set to retire from MJHS

Mel Brown will retire in June after 14 years as principal

By Sarah Tate
Managing Editor

After 14 years as principal of Mt. Juliet High School, Mel Brown will retire at the end of the school year.

Brown has taught at many schools over the years, but it is his dedication to the students of Mt. Juliet that made attending the school something to be proud of.

This does not apply only to MJHS. Brown made an impact at each school he taught. McGavock High School in Nashville even has a field named for him after he coached baseball and taught at the school.

Brown is not leaving because he doesn’t enjoy what he does. He is retiring to spend more time with his family and loved ones, especially his wife of 53 years, Carroll.

“I love her more now than I did when we were married,” he said. “She’s really supported my life and hopefully I have hers.”

He doesn’t have definite plans after he retires but said he would like to travel more.

“I figure the Lord will tell me what he wants me to do,” said Brown. “I’m sure he’s still working on me.”

Brown also wants to enjoy the different activities his

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Camera catches suspect using stolen credit card

Staff Reports

Mt. Juliet Police officers were summoned to a daycare facility in the 15 block of North Greenhill Road to investigate a car burglary on Jan.18, 2018 around 5:30 p.m.

During the burglary, the thief entered an unlocked car and stole credit cards from the victim’s purse. The cards were used within 25 minutes of the theft at Kroger in Hermitage. Investigators were able to get surveillance video that recorded the burglary suspect using the victim’s credit card.

It was likely that the thief specifically targeted the loca-

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Teachers of the Year

By Sarah Tate
Managing Editor

This week’s feature of Teacher of the Year is Tracy Brown, an ESL teacher from Mt. Juliet Elementary School.

Brown has been at Mt. Juliet Elementary School for four years but has taught in many schools in different states. She started her career in Virginia before returning home to New York to teach.

After getting married, she and her husband moved to Tennessee. Before joining the ranks of Wilson County teachers, she previously taught in Davidson and Sumner counties.

Brown received her mas-

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

MARCH 8
Spring Health Fair
Mt. Juliet Senior Activity Center is holding its Spring Health Fair on Thursday, March 8 from 8 to 11 a.m. Stop by and hear the latest on getting and staying healthy. There will be free blood pressure and blood glucose screenings. Flu, pneumonia and shingles shots will be available at a low or no cost, depending on your insurance. This is open to the public, and door prizes will be awarded. Located at 2034 N. Mt. Juliet Rd.

MARCH 11
Lenten Service
Episcopal Church of the Epiphany Sunday Lenten Service will be at 10:30 a.m. with the Reverend Peter Whalen presenting the sermon. Wednesdays during Lent at 6 p.m., they have Stations of the Cross followed by Soup and Study. All are welcome. Located at 1500 Hickory Ridge Rd., Lebanon.

MARCH 13-15
Cedar Grove
Cedar Grove Missionary Baptist Church will host a Spring Revival March 13 through 15 at 7 p.m. each day. Tuesday will have Rev. Raymond Burns from Baird Grove Missionary Baptist Church, Wednesday will have Rev. Jeffery Maynard from New Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church, and Thursday will have Rev. Diamond Bragg from Holy Temple Church. Cedar Grove is located at 131 Cedar Grove Church Rd. in Mt. Juliet.

MARCH 24
Welcome Home
The American Legion Riders from Post 281 present the 3rd Annual Welcome Home Veterans event March 24 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Wilson County Fairgrounds, Entertainment Pavilion “F.” The free event is to honor all veterans who returned home and all veterans who gave their lives for our freedom.

MARCH 24
Senior Information Expo
Grace United Methodist Church will be having a “Senior Information Expo” on Saturday, March 24 from 9 a.m. to noon. Located at 2905 N. Mt. Juliet Rd. They will be providing information for seniors and their caregivers. Free to the community.

MARCH 26-27
Community Meetings
Community meetings will be held 6 p.m. March 26 and 27 at West Wilson Middle School and Mt. Juliet Middle School, respectively, to address future growth in the district. Topics will include the new Mt. Juliet high school and the anticipated rezoning of some middle school students with the opening of Gladeville Middle in 2019.

MJMS Band hosts celebration for student’s upcoming wish

In recognition of the funds they raised to benefit Make-A-Wish Middle Tennessee, the Mt. Juliet Middle School Band hosted a celebration for their classmate Gabe Anderson. The 13-year-old, who suffers from lymphoma, will receive his wish to go to Walt Disney World Resort later this year. The celebration took place March 2 at Mt. Juliet Middle School.

The students at Mt. Juliet Middle School raised more than $5,600 in January through various fundraisers as a part of the Kids For Wish Kids initiative. The program encourages a philanthropic spirit in students and engages them in fundraising efforts to help grant the wishes of local children.

The middle school’s band, of which Gabe is a member, raised the most money and hosted the celebration for Gabe.

“We are so excited that we are able to help one of our own students with his wish,” said Ashley Serbin, MJMS Student Council Advisor. “Our students stepped up to help one of their own and it makes our entire faculty and staff proud to see this in action. It just reaffirms that Mt. Juliet Middle School is a great school not only for an education but also for our students to express their compassion.”

“Year after year, Mt. Juliet Middle School does incredible work with their Kids for Wish Kids initiative,” said Make-A-Wish Middle Tennessee Senior Development Manager, Grace Bingham. “The generosity of supporters like MJMS students, faculty and staff, brings us closer to our goal of creating life-changing wishes for the more than 200 Middle Tennessee kids who are waiting for their wishes to be granted.”

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Three Tennessee schools to receive $100,000 fitness centers

Tennessee selected by National Foundation for Governors’ Fitness Councils

Staff Reports

Tennessee Gov. Bill Haslam announced Feb. 26 the National Foundation for Governors’ Fitness Councils (NFGFC), with Chairman Jake Steinfeld, has selected Tennessee for its 2018 DON’T QUIT! fitness campaign.

“I am incredibly grateful to Jake Steinfeld and the National Foundation for Governors’ Fitness Councils for helping improve the health and active lifestyles of children in Tennessee,” Haslam said. “Encouraging our children to be physically active now can lead to a lifetime of good habits and help them grow into healthy adults. I thank Jake and his team for this generous opportunity.”

The NFGFC will deliver a state-of-the-art DON’T QUIT! Fitness Center to three Tennessee schools for demonstrating leadership in getting and keeping students fit. Each DON’T QUIT! Fitness Center includes strength training equipment, cardio fitness equipment, and a multi-exercise, circuit training system. The nomination process opens today and will run through Friday, April 6, 2018. Anyone can nominate a school by visiting www.natgovfit.org.

“Childhood obesity is a serious problem that can follow a child into adulthood,” said Haslam. “I’ve declared war on this preventable disease and I’m inspired to see elected leaders like Governor Haslam immediately jump on board to join the battle and welcome us into his state,” Steinfeld said. “Every state leader that I’ve met with recognizes that obesity is neither a Democrat nor Republican issue. It’s a kids issue and all have vowed to do everything possible to help. So far we’ve delivered DON’T QUIT! Fitness Centers in 24 states and Washington, DC and the response from students, teachers and communities has been unbelievable. Kids are excited about working out and being physically active and, as a result, their academic performance and self-esteem has skyrocketed. Now, Tennessee schools have an opportunity to make a change that will have a lasting impact on kids well into their future.”

The program will make its way into all 50 states in the coming years. Each fitness center is financed through public/private partnerships with companies like The Coca-Cola Company, Amerigroup Foundation, Wheels Up and Nike, and does not rely on taxpayer dollars or state funding. Tuff Stuff Fitness International provides all of the fitness equipment, which is manufactured in the United States. The Foundation’s goal is to build a nation of the fittest, healthiest kids in the world.

“I have witnessed firsthand the positive impact fitness centers have had on students and their communities. When you provide schools with the tools and support, you’ll be amazed by the changes that take place,” Steinfeld said. “Our children are our most precious resource and by providing them with a strong foundation in health and fitness, we can feel confident that they’ll excel beyond their wildest dreams.”

According to the NFGFC, physical activity and exercise are shown to help prevent and treat more than 40 chronic diseases, enhance individual health and quality of life, and reduce health care costs. In schools, studies show that physical activity improves academic achievement, increases confidence and self-esteem, reduces discipline problems, cuts absenteeism, and fosters better interpersonal relationships.

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Taylor has any real intention on hurting students or staff. He is not a student at Mt. Juliet High School.

The department wants to remind everyone that threats toward any school will not be tolerated, even if they are meant to be a joke, and they will be investigated completely. In addition, the department wants thank those who had the courage to bring the statements to police attention.

Brown also said she makes sure to tell her students how amazing it is that they can speak and understand two languages, something not even she can do. She said she knows some Spanish, but is not fluent. She also teaches adult English learning at West Wilson Middle School and has started a binational Multi-culture night where members of the school and community can learn about different cultures.

Brown said she enjoys teaching ESL because everything is exciting to her students, and she loves seeing them realize their capabilities.

“Everything that is presented to them is magical,” she said. “They’re discovering new things and they’re excited about learning. It’s not just once or twice, it’s with everything.”

When it comes to being named MJE’s Teacher of the Year, Brown said she is honored but is still wondering why she was chosen because she is surrounded by amazing teachers who are all deserving. “I love working at MJE,” she said. “I love my kids, I love getting to know their families and seeing them grow.”

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grandchildren participate in. He said his youngest granddaughter asked why he missed her sister’s program and that it was an “aha” moment.

Because his job is demanding on time, he does not want to miss out on more opportunities with family. He and his wife are even looking forward to welcoming their first great-grandchild this summer.

Although he is retiring, Brown has enjoyed teaching and leading the students of Mt. Juliet.

“The joy I’ve had, I hope everyone has [in their career],” he said. “If you enjoy it, you’ve got a chance of doing well. If you’re miserable, you’d better get out in a hurry because it will kill you.”

Brown said much of the success of MJHS comes from the great faculty, staff and teachers. He is thankful for the continued support from the director of schools, board of education and the community.

According to Brown, the faculty and staff are the heart of the school and that he cannot brag on them enough. He said in their tough job, they are what keeps the school going.

On Monday night, Brown was also awarded the 2018 Administrator of the Year by the Tennessee High School Press Association. However, he believes the award is more about the school than it is about himself.

Brown is proud of all the accomplishments of MJHS and how the school has grown over the years. According to Brown, the school currently has 23 AP courses, a great deal more than when he started. In 2011, the school was chosen as the No. 1 school in Tennessee and has continued to grow since.

“You’re encouraged [by the accomplishments],” he said. “Those are the things you want people to talk about.”

MJHS also has 65 various activities for students to participate in, from athletics to orchestra to anime clubs.

“I’m real proud of the way all of it has grown and developed,” said Brown.

Brown was also proud that 95 percent of students have been going to post-secondary education, with $27 million in scholarships awarded last year to the senior class.

He greatly believes that the growth of the school is not about himself but about the students.

As for the new principal, Brown hopes that they will experience a smooth transition and continue the growth the school has experienced under Brown’s care.

“Mt. Juliet High School has been having school since 1854,” he said. “They’ll be having school after I’m gone.”

Throughout his time at MJHS, Bear Pride has been a constant source of school pride and attitude. To Brown, the phrase means leadership.

“I want you to have the confidence to step up when you have a thought, and express the point you’re trying to make, but also be respectful, be honest and be responsible” he said.

As for his time at Mt. Juliet High School, Brown said he has enjoyed every day. “I’ve had a ball.”

Shane is running for State Representative District 57 and cites the main reasons for announcing his campaign were: to help families who are struggling because of establishment politicians and special interest groups benefitting from back room deals while hurting the public, the gas tax increase, and to protect the children of the community.
West Wilson Principal’s List

6th Grade

7th Grade

8th Grade

Vol State students and members of the community are invited to the fair for one-on-one contact with hiring representatives from area businesses.

Vol State Spring Career Fair March 28

Volunteer State Community College will be hosting dozens of area employers at the Spring Job Career Fair on Wednesday, March 28. The Spring Job Career Fair is free and will be held in the gym at the Pickel Field House from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Vol State students and members of the community are invited to the fair for one-on-one contact with hiring representatives from area businesses. There is still space available at the fair for recruiters and businesses. They should visit www.volstate.edu/careerfair for details. Vol State is located at 1480 Cleveland Avenue, Gallatin. For more information call 615-230-3307.
The real cost of a full life

Mark Youngman
Pastor of Discipleship
Providence Church

I’m starting with a confession here that you might relate to… There is a phrase that comes out of my mouth far too often. It’s the question “How much is that?” This is one of the few phrases I remember in languages I once studied. It’s a question I often ask when a new idea comes up at home.

“How much is that car repair?”

“How much is that new outfit for the kids?”

“How much is that class?”

It’s a practical question to ask. But sometimes I think I ask it out of scarcity. “What’s this going to cost me — do I have enough?”

I’ve discovered lately that God has apretty profound idea for the economy. Economy is a packed word that literally means “household management.” It has do with production and distribution. We’ve got experts who navigate the management of our local, national and global economies. It’s important work that can have life or death implications too. It’s found in Genesis chapter 2. God had created a garden for the first humans to live in. He made all kinds of trees to grow out of the ground. They were beautiful and their fruit was delicious.

God defined the state of the first economy when God said, “You may freely eat of every tree in the garden, except the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.” (New Living Translation) That which was meant for Adam and Eve to eat was free. No cost, just the work of caring for the garden.

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Stoner Creek Drama Club celebrates final show

Staff Reports

On Saturday, the cast and crew of Stoner Creek Elementary School’s Drama Club celebrated after their final performance of “Aladdin Jr.” The group also performed during a dinner theater show Thursday and had a performance Friday night.

The cast, made up of second to fifth grade students, participated in auditions in August and had diligently been rehearsing lines, songs and dances ever since. This year marks the 17th annual SCE Drama Club production under the direction of Mrs. Lena Boyd. Boyd and a crew of SCE staff members have been honored to work with such talented boys and girls and are proud of their success.

The club would like to thank everyone who attended a show and supported them this year.

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Teach children fire safety at an early age

Staff Reports

The Tennessee State Fire Marshal’s Office (SFMO) reminds parents, educators and caregivers to teach children the importance of fire safety early and often to help prevent the devastation that can result from youth fire play.

“One of the primary causes of residential fire deaths and injuries for children under 10 is playing with a heat source, which includes lighters and matches,” said State Fire Marshal and Commerce and Insurance Commissioner Julie Mix.

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Black History Month memorial service held at The Hermitage
Guests gather to honor, memorialize those enslaved

Staff Reports

On Feb. 24, Andrew Jackson’s Hermitage held its annual memorial service to commemorate the enslaved people who had been at The Hermitage and adjacent plantations prior to the Civil War.

The memorial service was part of the presidential home’s Black History Month commemoration. Approximately 80 people attended the event to pay their respects and lay flowers tagged with the names of the 150 people who had been enslaved at The Hermitage.

The memorial service featured guest speaker Nicole A. Moore of the Center for Civil and Human Rights in Atlanta who spoke from the pulpit of the Hermitage Church, constructed in 1823.

Following a procession to the stone wall that is the centerpiece of the Enslaved Memorial adjacent to the church, the Rev. Sara Green of the Unitarian Universalist Church of Green Hills and Dr. Ashley Bouknight on The Hermitage staff led a libation ritual and spiritual ceremony to honor the ancestors commonly found in traditional African religions.

The ceremony concluded with all of the attendees laying their flowers on the stone wall.

“At the time of his death in 1845, Jackson owned approximately 150 people who lived and worked on the property. “We are trying to tell the site’s story as accurately and as fully as we can to properly educate visitors,” said Bob McDonald, Andrew Jackson Foundation Vice-Regent and CedarStone Bank President and CEO.

The Fifteenth Judicial District Drug Court Program recently held its first graduation of 2018 on Feb. 13. There were five graduates, representing Macon, Smith, Trousdale and Wilson Counties. Each received certificates of recognition for completing the nearly two-year program that promotes a positive lifestyle change in participants.

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FRIEDMAN, Marjorie Beth

Marjorie Beth Leberman Friedman, 79 of Lebanon, passed away on Feb. 25, 2018. She was formerly of Cody, WY, and Las Vegas, NV, originally from Hamburg, NY. No public services are scheduled. In lieu of flowers, please make Memorial Tributes in honor of Beth to St. Joseph’s Indian School (PO Box 300, Chamberlain SD 57325-0300/www.stjo.org).

Mrs. Friedman was a vet clinic business manager. She loved to weave baskets, work with horses, and be with her grandchildren. She was an excellent marksman with rifles, pistols and shotguns.

Mrs. Friedman is survived by her husband of 34 years, Dr. Robert H. Friedman; children Jennifer (Rick) Traut of Erie PA, Kimberly (John) Agee of Hermitage TN, Robin Mains of Lebanon TN, Cheri Friedman of Dallas TX, and Charles (Petra) Friedman of Newton MA; grandchildren Jaxon Traut, Katie Traut, Emily Silva, Samantha Agee, Kirsten Agee, Gabrielle Agee, Hannah Friedman, and Daniel Friedman; and great-grandchildren Tatiana, Jasmine, and Lily Silva. She is preceded in death by husband William H. Mains, parents Seldon and Marian McGerald Leberman, and brothers Arthur, Bruce, Paul, and Robert Leberman.

Sellars Funeral Home, Lebanon TN 615.444.9393.

ROSE, Shirley Ann

Shirley Rose passed away on Feb. 28, 2018 at age 82. A funeral service was held March 3 at Sellars Funeral Home and interment followed at Leeville Cemetery.

Ms. Rose is survived by daughter Debbie Rose-Spangler (Bill Spangler), sister Linda Gail Ramsey, grandson Dennis (Jesse) Spangler, and great-grandchildren Austin Spangler and Addysyn Spangler. She is preceded in death by father Paul Ramsey and mother Hazel Ramsey.

Shirley was a receptionist for the Southern Baptist Historical Society until retirement. After retirement, she taught water aerobics at the Jimmy Floyd Center for almost 20 years. She was known for her love of big pocketbooks. She loved the beach, playing piano, lighthouses, water aerobics, history, old rock and roll, and of course Elvis Presley. Shirley was a breast cancer survivor of 30 years.

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SULLIVAN, Joseph Wendel “Joe”

Sullivan, Joseph Wendel “Joe”, age 61 of Hendersonville, died Feb. 26, 2018. Joe was born and raised in Illinois but moved to Tennessee 15 years ago. He was a plumber by trade. Joe attended St. Stephen Catholic Community. He was preceded in death by his brother, Edward Sullivan.

He is survived by: Parents – Edward and Ann Sullivan; Siblings – Kathy Sullivan, Carol (Robert) Guth, John (Laura) Sullivan, Elaine (Todd) Humes and Jerry (Susan) Sullivan; Nieces and nephews – James, Anna Rose, Benjamin, Trevor, Shelby, Nicholas, Jacob and Ian; Significant other – Margaret Nolan.

Funeral Mass will be conducted at noon, Saturday, March 10, 2018 at St. Stephen Catholic Community, 14544 Lebanon Rd., Old Hickory, TN, with a luncheon to follow. Visitation will be one hour prior to Mass at the church. Interment will be in Illinois at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorials be made to Holy Rosary Academy Tuition Fund, 190 Gray Lynn Drive, Nashville, TN 37214 or St. Stephen Catholic Community, 14544 Lebanon Road, Old Hickory, TN 37138. Arrangements by Bond Memorial Chapel, N. Mt. Juliet Road and Westton Drive, Mt. Juliet, TN. (615)773-2663. Obit Line (615)641-2663, www.bondmemorial.com

WHEELER, Pauline

Pauline Wheeler passed away on Feb. 26, 2018 at 91 years of age. A memorial service will be held in the chapel at McKendree Village in Hermitage on Sunday, March 11 at 2 p.m. There will be a time of visitation with the family just prior to the service from 1 to 2 p.m.

Mrs. Wheeler was born in Salem, Mass., and was a graduate of Massachusetts General Hospital School of Nursing in 1948.

Pauline was proceeded in death by her husband Fred Wheeler in 2014. She was the last living of six siblings of Gustave and Josephine Roy of Salem.

“Paulie” spent much of her life devoted to raising her four children and doting on her six grandchildren. She is survived by her children Mark Wheeler (Judith Fong) of Seattle, WA; Kirk Wheeler (Pat Keilleher) of Belmont, CA; Karen Wheeler of Wilmington, NC; and Eric (Lisa) Wheeler of Mt. Juliet.

Grandma/ Grammy Wheeler is survived by her grandchildren Chris Wheeler (Brooklyn, NY); Sarah Wheeler (Los Angeles, CA); Terry Wheeler (Phoenix, AZ); and Madeline, Brenna and Eli Wheeler of Mt. Juliet.

Help patients rebound by giving blood

Staff Reports

In March, while basketball teams are fighting for the chance to be crowned champions, patients battling cancer and other illnesses are fighting for their lives. The American Red Cross is asking blood donors to help patients rebound by making a lifesaving donation this spring.

Middle school basketball player Olivia Stoy received blood and platelet transfusions during treatment for T lymphoblastic lymphoma. With the help of blood and platelet donations, she was able to return to the basketball court this season.

“Help patients rebound by giving blood. We are so thankful that the blood products were available to Olivia for the almost two years of her treatment. They have made it possible for Olivia to regain her strength and get back to doing the activities she loves,” said Megan Stoy, Olivia’s mother.

Donors of all blood types are needed to help ensure that the Red Cross can collect more than 13,000 blood and platelet donations needed every day for patients like Olivia.

Giving blood takes less time than it takes to watch a single basketball game. Make an appointment to donate blood by downloading the free Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting redcrossblood.org or calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

Upcoming blood donation opportunities include:

Celebration Lutheran Church in Mt. Juliet, March 18.
Mt. Juliet Community Center, March 27.
TriStar Summit Medical Center in Hermitage, March 28.
Immanuel Baptist Church in Lebanon, March 29.

The Nashville Blood Donation Center is open every day in March. Hours can be viewed online at www.redcrossblood.org.

Photo submitted

Teachers at W.A. Wright Elementary School take part in Read Across America Day on Friday, March 2. As a celebration of Dr. Seuss’ birthday, teachers and special guests across America choose books to read to students in class.

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Atlas was brought in as a stray dog and went unclaimed. This handsome boy is ready for a forever home. He would thrive in an environment where he is the only pet. Atlas is a purebred Husky and his personality highlights that. He is a happy, active, and goofy boy who loves to talk and sing you songs, but also loves to show you just how smart he is. He is learning “Off” and “Sit”, and is picking up so fast. Atlas is already neutered, microchipped and up to date on all vaccinations. His adoption fee is $75. Please call the shelter at 615-773-5533 to schedule an appointment to meet Atlas, or come during OPEN HOURS Tuesday – Thursday from 11:30-5:30.

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Photo courtesy of MJPD

Lieutenant Jason Brockman was recently promoted and takes the helm as MJPD’s Investigations Division Commander. In this leadership role, Brockman will be the division commander over all investigative units.

Photo submitted

Red Lily Real Estate held its ribbon cutting with the Mt. Juliet Chamber of Commerce Feb. 28. The business is located at 7790 Lebanon Road near Highway 109.

By Sarah Tate
Managing Editor

The Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT) held a community meeting last Tuesday night to discuss the widening of State Road 109. The meeting was held at Life Church on Highway 109 Feb. 27.

The project, contracted by Vulcan Materials, is expected to widen S.R. 109 from North of Highway 70 to South of the Cumberland River. In all, the length of the road widened is 6.88 miles. Speed limits during construction will also be reduced by 10 miles per hour.

Before the presentation, State Senators Mark Pody, Susan Lynn and Clark Boyd, who all represent residents affected by the plan, spoke to their constituents.

Pody thanked TDOT for holding the meeting and said he appreciated everyone's patience. Lynn also urged patience and for drivers to slow down along 109. Boyd added that the project should be done by 2020.

Project Supervisor Adam Vance began the presentation by explaining the details of the plan and what to expect when it comes to road closures.

The road will increase to five lanes, two lanes in each direction and one turning lane. The project is a part of the IMPROVE Act and was let in December 2017.

According to TDOT’s presentation, the top priority of the project is putting in an intersection at Academy Road. The intersection will include traffic signals, a point of contention and relief among those in attendance.

There will be three temporary closures throughout the project, and TDOT reminded residents that they do not want to drag out the amount of time roads are closed. Vance said there will be no restrictions along the route from 5:30 to 9:30 a.m. and from 3:30 to 6 p.m. There will also be exception during holidays and special events.

Burton Road, Bloodworth Road and Northern Road will each be closed at one point or another during construction, though not necessarily at the same time.

Phase one of the project, which includes the Academy Road intersection, is expected to be completed this summer. Phase two, and the final phase, is expected to be completed by November 2020.

Vance concluded his presentation by urging residents to drive safely, be patient and pay attention.

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Project Supervisor Adam Vance, of TDOT, gives a presentation on the widening of S.R. 109 Feb. 27 at Life Church.

Pet of the Week

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The Board of Commissioners of the City of Mt. Juliet will have a Public Hearing on Monday, March 26, 2018 at 6:15 p.m. to hear comments on the following items to be considered: Annex into the corporate boundaries of the City of Mt. Juliet, and amend the Jackson Hills Planned Unit Development (PUD) to rezone an additional 192 acres, currently known as the Bradshaw Farm, from Wilson County R1 zoning to RS-20 (Single Family Residential) zoning, being Map 072, Parcel 043.03. 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 Public Hearing on Monday, March 26, 2018 at 6:15 p.m. to hear comments on the following item to be considered: Rezone The Groves Reserve Preliminary Master Development Plan, from RS-40 to RM-8, being Map 076, Parcel 049.01. The public is invited to attend and comment.

Kenny Martin, City Manager
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The Board of Commissioners of the City of Mt. Juliet will have a Public Hearing on Monday, March 26, 2018 at 6:15 p.m. to hear comments on the following item to be considered: Rezone the CTC-PUD, located on Cedar and Old Lebanon Dirt Road, being Map 077, Part of Parcel 023.00 and located within the City's Urban Growth Boundary. The public is invited to attend and comment.

Kenny Martin, City Manager
City of Mt. Juliet

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It is the duty of your Grand Jurors to investigate any public offense which they know or have reason to believe had been committed and which is trial able or indictable in this county. Any person having knowledge or proof that such an offense has been committed, may apply to testify before the Grand Jury subject to the provisions of Tennessee Code Annotated, section 40-12-105. The foreman in this county is presently, Jeff Millhollin. The Grand Jury will meet on Monday, March 12, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. You may be prosecuted for perjury for any oral or written statement which you make under oath to the Grand Jury when you know the statement to be false and when the statement touches on a matter material to the point in question.

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Sealed bids for Paving Police Parking Lot at 1019 Charlie Daniels Pkwy will be received at the office of the City of Mt Juliet Finance Department at 2425 N Mt Juliet Rd., Mt Juliet, TN on or before 2:00 PM March 19, 2018. Details are available at http://www.mtjuliet-tn.gov/bids.aspx.

Sealed bids for Fencing Police Parking Lot at 1019 Charlie Daniels Pkwy will be received at the office of the City of Mt Juliet Finance Department at 2425 N Mt Juliet Rd., Mt Juliet, TN on or before 2:00 PM March 19, 2018. Details are available at http://www.mtjuliet-tn.gov/bids.aspx.

Sealed bids for Modifying Parking Lot Access Control at 1019 Charlie Daniels Pkwy will be received at the office of the City of Mt Juliet Finance Department at 2425 N Mt Juliet Rd., Mt Juliet, TN on or before 2:00 PM March 19, 2018. Details are available at http://www.mtjuliet-tn.gov/bids.aspx.

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For Grand Jury Notice, Public Notice, Public Hearing, Classifieds, and Business Service, see the above content.
INVITATION TO BID FOR CONSTRUCTION OF HIGHWAY 70 WEST SEWER UPSIZING

Sealed Proposals for the construction of Highway 70 West Sewer Upsizing project, will be received at the office of the City of Mt. Juliet Finance Department located at City Hall at 2425 North Mt. Juliet Road, Mt. Juliet, Tennessee 37121, Attention: Mr. John Rossmaier, Finance Director, on or before 2:00 p.m. (local time) on Thursday, March 22, 2018 and immediately thereafter all bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. The project will include the following described construction:

- The furnishing, installing, and testing of approximately 2,100 linear feet of 12-inch PVC and/or 12-inch HDPE gravity interceptor sewer main replacements; 4-foot diameter concrete manholes, unclassified excavation, earthen and concrete check dams, stream crossings, sediment / erosion control procedures, rip-rap stream bank stabilization, backfill, tie-ins of all lines entering existing manholes, handling wastewater flows for tie-in to existing gravity sewers and sewer manholes, working in close proximity with other utilities, testing, reconnections/tie-ins, sewer service reconnections, surface and property restoration, pavement restoration, and all other appurtenances and other work as shown on the Construction Drawings or indicated in the Contract Specifications. Official (numbered) Bid Documents shall be obtained at the office of Water Management Services, LLC, 2 International Plaza, Suite 401, Nashville, Tennessee 37217 (telephone: (615-366-6088). A nonrefundable fee of $100.00 must be made for each set obtained. It is the policy of the City of Mt. Juliet to provide equal employment opportunities and to accommodate the needs of individuals with disabilities. If you require accommodations, please contact the City Manager at (615) 741-2552 or at 2425 N. Mt. Juliet Rd., P.O. Box 256, Mt. Juliet, Tennessee 37121, Attention: Mr. John Rossmaier, Finance Director, on or before 2:00 p.m. (local time) on Thursday, March 22, 2018, and immediately thereafter all bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

The City of Mt. Juliet, Tennessee reserves the right to reject any Proposal for failure to comply with all requirements of the notice or of any of the Contract Documents; however, it may waive any informalities at its discretion. The City of Mt. Juliet, Tennessee further reserves the right to reject all Proposals.

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TELLING TALES

The truth about aging

By Becky Andrews

Wilson Living Magazine

Growing up, my dad talked to us A LOT. Sometimes it was to issue stern warnings about scary movies, boys, three-wheel ATVs, motorcycles, gymnastics, swimming, diving boards, or trampolines (apart from boys and scary movies, everything else would result in a cracked skull and a lifetime vegetative state according to Dad.). Sometimes it was to tell stories. Like how he met my mom, the first time he ate grits moving down south, where he was when President Kennedy was assassinated or when John Lennon met the same fate more than a decade later, and what he was doing when he heard that Elvis had died. I remember that he always talked about how young Elvis, Lennon and Kennedy were when they died. Kennedy was 46, Elvis 42, and Lennon 40.

The first time I remember him telling us how young they were, I thought, ‘YOUNG?! They were old!’ Granted I was a teenager at the time. Up until my mid-20s, being 40 seemed forever away. I didn't understand it when 40-somethings would talk about body changes, achy joints, weight gain, or how raw vegetables are the new enemy. I didn't listen when they would insist on the importance of planning for retirement in my 20s. Yada, Yada, Yada.

It didn't hit me when my older brother and sister turned 40 or when Jay turned 40 — not even when my best friend turned 40. If I'm honest, I didn't hit me until a few months ago. Right before I turned 43.

First 10 pounds came out of nowhere (see: Nutein). I started feeling like an old lady. According to my father, he didn’t gain weight as a teen or in his 20s and 30s, when he hit his 40s HE NAILED IT. Perhaps I was living in a life of ease happened too. The ages of people we knew getting diagnosed with certain diseases were getting closer and closer to our age. Where 40 was supposed to be a few years away when I was 21, 60 feels like it will be here tomorrow. When musicians Prince, Tom Petty, and David Bowie died, Jay and I talked about how young they were. "Tom Petty was 66. Mom. He lived a good life," is what my oldest said.

When I reconnected with a friend from college died after suffering a heart attack, Jay and I promised to stop worrying about the small stuff and start eating better. Food always seems to be a key ingredient if you want to stick to a lifestyle change. "You only live once! We need to enjoy the time we have now," became my go-to affirmation.

Unfortunately, I used this affirmation anytime I felt like dessert. When a parent passes away, or a family member or friend receives a life-altering diagnosis, or when an accident claims the life of someone very young, most of us make those same promises that I started with "From now on..." Unfortunately, our memory is short, and it doesn’t take too long for us to get back into our usual routine of complaining about weight gain while eating a glazed donut or wishing the week away because it’s stressful. I think it’s unrealistic to try to live in the moment. We aren’t built that way. Maybe that’s a good thing. Maybe doing your best means staying off social media. Maybe doing your best is to stick to your dessert (weird!). Maybe doing your best is allowing your teen a game on a laptop or even though your father promises that you would end up in a vegetative state with a cracked skull every time you brought up wanting to get a skateboard of your own.

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It is vital that children understand the dangers associated with fire and that they know items like these are tools for adult use only. According to the Tennessee Fire Incident Reporting System (TFIIRS), between 2012 and 2016, 405 fires in which playing with a heat source was a contributing factor were reported by Tennessee fire departments. Fires resulting from playing with a heat source caused four civilian deaths, 14 civilian injuries, and $5,436,321 million in property damage in that time.

In 2008, Tennessee banned the sale of novelty lighters in the state. These lighters usually resemble cartoon characters, toys, guns, watches, musical instruments, and animals, and often include entertaining audio and visual effects. They pose a serious fire hazard, especially in the hands of children who mistake them for toys. Toy-like or novelty lighters have been responsible for injuries, deaths, and accidents across the nation.

The State Fire Marshal’s Office recommends Tennesseans utilize the following tips to encourage fire safety in the home:

• Lighters that look like toys can confuse children and cause fires, injuries, and death. Again, they are prohibited in Tennessee. Do not buy or use them.
• Teach young children to never touch matches and lighters, and to tell a grownup if they find them.
• Take the mystery out of fire by teaching children that fire is a tool to be used carefully by adults, not a toy for children. Never use lighters or matches as a source of amusement for children; they may try to do the same.
• Check under beds and in closets for burned matches, evidence your child might be playing with fire.
• Develop a home fire escape plan, practice it with your children and designate a safe meeting place outside your residence for the family to gather in case a fire occurs.
• Teach children not to hide from firefighters but to get outside quickly and call for help from another location.
• Show children how to crawl on the floor below smoke, to get out of the home and stay out.
• Demonstrate how to stop, drop to the ground and roll if their clothes catch fire.
• Install smoke alarms in every sleeping room, outside each sleeping area and on every level of the home. Familiarize children with the sound of smoke alarms. Test smoke alarms each month and replace their batteries according to manufacturer’s instructions. Daylight saving time changes are opportunities to replace smoke alarm batteries if they are not 10-year batteries.
• Entirely replace any smoke alarm that is at least 10 years old.

For more home fire safety information or to download a free copy of the 2018 Tennessee State Fire Marshal’s Office calendar, visit tn.gov/fire.
NICView allows patients to view newborns online

Staff Reports

Saint Thomas Health was excited to announce the addition of NICView cameras to Saint Thomas Midtown Hospital last week.

Saint Thomas Midtown Hospital is the first hospital in Middle Tennessee to offer a 24/7 webcam streaming service in the NICU, allowing patients and their families to view their infant through a secure, online portal.

“We are incredibly excited to add video streaming to our NICU to help provide peace of mind to parents and families when they are away from their newborn,” said Kristen Toth, Vice President of Women’s and Children’s Services. “The NICView system will allow families to monitor daily progress and receive notes from our nurses pertaining to the care their babies are receiving.”

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