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By Sarah Tate
Managing Editor

Government extends REAL ID deadline

The REAL ID enforcement deadline, originally set for October, has been extended a year in response to the ongoing coronavirus.

“Due to circumstances resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic and the national emergency declaration, the Department of Homeland Security, as directed by President Donald J. Trump, is extending the REAL ID enforcement deadline beyond the current Oct. 1, 2020, deadline,” said Acting Secretary of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security Chad Wolf. “I have determined that states require a 12-month delay and that the new deadline for REAL ID enforcement is Oct. 1, 2021.”

Wolf said the federal, state and local response to the spread of the coronavirus in the country necessitates a delay in the deadline.

“Our state and local partners are working tirelessly with the administration to flatten the curve,” Wolf said.

By Sarah Tate
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Tennessee begins sending federal unemployment benefit

Approved claimants receive first payment from CARES Act funding

The state of Tennessee has started paying approved unemployment claimants their first installment of the $600 Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation (FPUC) benefit, in addition to their Tennessee Unemployment Compensation (TUC) benefit.

On Tuesday, April 14, the state distributed benefit payments of close to $94 million to financial institutions for approximately 110,000 unemployed Tennesseans. Most claimants will receive their directly-deposited payment on Wednesday, April 15.

The number of payments is projected to increase throughout the week and will likely exceed 150,000.

During the entire previous week, the state sent 114,000 claimants more than $33 million in unemployment benefits. That week did not include the FPUC payment.

The federal CARES Act provides FPUC to all approved claimants currently receiving unemployment benefits.

The federal government considers both TUC and FPUC benefits taxable.

By Sarah Tate
Managing Editor

Wright updates Board of Education

The Wilson County Board of Education held a special-called meeting on Monday to hear updates from the state BOE meeting.

Dr. Donna Wright, director of Wilson County Schools, said the purpose of the meeting was to get information in front of the board, after the state BOE met last week, to discuss emergency rules and provisions for school districts for the 2019-20 school year.

The provisions were adopted at the state board meeting on April 9 and will go into effect immediately after being signed by the Tennessee Secretary of State, where they will remain in effect for 180 days.

One of the provisions for the state’s schools were that students’ grades will be what they earned as of March 20, when the coronavirus forced schools to close. Wilson County Schools, which have not met since the March 3 tornado, asked the state to adjust the county’s provision to March 10.

Wright said WCS is not requiring remote or virtual class instruction.

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Dolly Parton donates to COVID-19 research at Vanderbilt

**Staff Reports**

Legendary country music singer-songwriter Dolly Parton recently made a generous gift to Vanderbilt University Medical Center that will increase scientific knowledge and advance the battle against COVID-19.

Parton made the gift in honor of her longtime friend, Naji Abumrad, MD, professor of Surgery, to support research teams who are working urgently to perfect treatments and cures for COVID-19.

In an appearance on NBC’s “Today Show,” Parton commented on the gift going to support research for a bridge treatment that will save lives until a vaccine is identified.

“Sometimes right now, we need this,” she said. “I felt like this was the time for me to open my heart and my hand, and try to help.”

VUMC’s researchers are testing an array of already-existing drugs in urgent clinical trials aimed at reducing life-threatening symptoms associated with COVID-19. In addition, investigators are focusing on entirely new therapies that could effectively treat and prevent the infection. Both strategies are aimed at providing a bridge for those infected, given a safe and effective vaccine is projected to be 12-18 months away.

“Dolly’s amazing generosity is a source of inspiration and will have a lasting impact on the battle against COVID-19. She cares so much about helping others and we are very grateful for her ongoing support. These funds will help us complete promising research that can benefit millions in their battle with the virus,” said Jeff Balser, MD, PhD, President and CEO of VUMC and Dean of the Vanderbilt University School of Medicine.

Parton has been a generous donor to VUMC. Among her gifts was a transformational contribution to the Monroe Carell Jr. Children’s Hospital at Vanderbilt Pediatric Cancer Program in honor of Abumrad and her niece, Hannah Dennison, who was successfully treated for leukemia as a child at Children’s Hospital.

**Tips to help make walking a healthy habit**

**Staff Reports**

This article was submitted by Dr. Kevin U. Stephens Sr., Chief Medical Officer, UnitedHealthcare of the MidSouth, and Diana Nyad, founder and executive director of EverWalk.

With an increased focus on practicing healthy habits such as washing hands frequently and staying home when sick to help avoid spreading COVID-19—it’s important to remain mindful about the importance of daily walking.

In fact, a report from Harvard Medical School concluded that walking can help boost the immune system, ease joint pain and curb cravings for high-sugar foods, which may contribute to inflammation and disease. Plus, studies have shown walking more and sitting less may help people maintain a healthier weight.

April is Move More Month, an annual celebration established to encourage people and communities to walk for at least 30 minutes each day and put themselves on the road to a healthier lifestyle. With that in mind, here are three tips people in Tennessee can consider to help make walking part of your daily routine during April and year-round:

**Stay Active at Home:**

Even if you are spending more time at home, it is crucial to still stay active and not fall into the trap of only binging the latest TV series or movie. Remember to take short walks frequently throughout the day, aiming for six separate “mini-walks” of at least 300 to 500 steps. To enhance cardiovascular health, aim for at least one “brisk walk” of at least 2,000 to 3,000 steps within 30 minutes each day. To help build endurance, work toward 8,000 to 10,000 aggregate steps per day.

**Start Small and Dream Big:** If those targets seem daunting, remember it helps to start slowly and build up over time. And don’t discount walking compared to running: Maintaining a quick walking pace has been shown to be on par with running when it comes to lowering the risk of high blood pressure, high cholesterol, and diabetes. If you are in good health and want to do more, think about someday planning a trip (once the global pandemic ends) to explore one of our nation’s top “bucket list” hikes, such as the Kalalau Trail in Hawaii or the Grand Canyon “Rim to Rim.” While it might seem mundane to only walk around your home or immediate neighborhood for the time being, studies show that setting—and writing down—long-term goals may help promote a healthier lifestyle.

**Identify “Intrinsic” and “Extrinsic” Motivators:** In general, people are motivated by a combination of “intrinsic” factors, such as wanting to maintain a healthy weight, and “extrinsic” ones, such as financial rewards. Walking likely offers several intrinsic motivators given research has shown consistent movement may help ward off depression and prevent issues like heart disease. If you need external motivation, check with your employer about incentive-based wellness programs, including ones that provide financial rewards for meeting certain daily walking goals.

Following these tips may help you achieve those daily step goals during these turbulent times, while encouraging seemingly small healthy habits that can eventually translate to meaningful improvements.
Whip Crackin’ Rodeo to make donations despite cancellation

Staff Reports

While there won’t be a Whip Crackin’ Rodeo this year, Bob Black, chairman of The Community Foundation of Wilson County, sponsor of the event, said this week plans are being made to finance contributions to almost two dozen local nonprofits from the 2019 surplus rodeo fund.

Black said the contributions to be made this year to area charities won’t be “nearly as large” as in past years, explaining that this year the funding will be coming from a reserve fund maintained by the rodeo.

The Whip Crackin’ Rodeo, held annually in April at the Ward Agricultural Center, was canceled this year because of the COVID-19 pandemic. Attempts were made to reschedule the rodeo for later in the year, but, because of conflicts with events previously scheduled at the Ward Center and with the company that produces the rodeo, organizers were forced to cancel the event this year.

Black noted however that the rodeo is on the calendar for 2021 and that April 23 and 24 have been reserved at the Ward Agricultural Center.

Each year, proceeds from the rodeo, held annually for the past 10 years, are contributed to local nonprofits.

Initiated by former Lebanon Mayor Philip Craighead and his wife, Darlene, the role of host sponsor for the rodeo was transferred last year to The Community Foundation of Wilson County, an affiliate of The Community Foundation of Middle Tennessee.

“We’re very disappointed to have to cancel this year’s rodeo. But like so many other events, this too was something that had to be done because of the coronavirus,” Black said.

He thanked those who had already made a commitment to be a rodeo sponsor this year, the volunteers who had agreed to work the two nights scheduled, including a large contingent of FFA members, and others who help make the rodeo possible.

“We’re already making plans and looking forward to next year. We’re confident that 2021 will be a very good year and that our Whip Crackin’ Rodeo will be better than ever,” Black said.

In making the announcement about providing grants to nonprofits this year from the rodeo fund, Black said he and other board members believed it was important to continue supporting the charities even though there would not be a rodeo.

“Many of these nonprofits are struggling at this time as many of us are. They need this support. We’ll find a way to replenish our fund next year but for now we’re committed to doing what we can to help these local charities,” Black said.

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There is uncertainty in these times we are in today. We have been isolated (or should be) for our own health and everyone around us. Use today to spread HOPE for tomorrow. God is still in control. The gospel is still clear. Maybe the church has moved online for the near future. Our opportunity for ministering to others and being salt and light has only increased.

Be faithful to that which you feel called to. Spend some extra time praying for people in their time of need. Deepen your walk with God by being light. Prayer is for everyone! Both recipient and receiver. In verse 4, through prayer comes not only salvation but also “the knowledge of truth.” The experience of salvation is bound up in that knowledge of truth. Share it! Share your story.

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FAITH & MESSAGE
REFLECTIONS FROM AN OLD FRIEND

Please stop littering

Think about it, there are no good excuses or reasons for littering.

With the virus causing COVID-19 and the use of rubber gloves, tissues and masks, I have noticed lots and lots of these used items being discarded and littered along our roadsides, in people’s front yards, along walkways, sidewalks and in the parking lots of many businesses. This made me once again ask, what would make a person disrespect their fellow citizens, community, state, and country by littering or illegal dumping? Could it be laziness or lack of respect for their country, community and fellow citizens? If not, then I’d sure like to know why.

According to Wright, students who were on the cusp of certain grades and GPA are able to improve grades by turning in incomplete assignments and make-up work. This affects students who were not quite at the 3.0 GPA requirement for the Tennessee Hope Scholarship.

Wright hopes to have a viable school plan for the 2020-21 school year by the May school board meeting.
Due to the recent tornado that hit Middle TN, we have a Special Enrollment Period to assist people in Davidson, Wilson and Putnam counties in changing their Medicare plan if needed. If you would like to discuss a possible plan change, please feel free to call our office. We represent every Medicare plan in the state of TN and can help you determine if you need to change plans or stay in the plan you are currently in.

Please do not hesitate to contact our office, we are still here working for everyone. We are currently working remotely, but we are scheduling phone calls, Face Time calls and teleconferencing. Our office hours are 8-5 and you can reach us at 615-831-3800.

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I am concerned about my daughter’s teeth but she is only 6 years old, when should I take her to see an orthodontist?

Great question! Many parents are unsure of the right time to see an orthodontist. The good news is that if you ever have a concern, please call the office and we would be happy to see your daughter and assess what is going on with her teeth and jaw development. The American Association of Orthodontists recommends that all children be seen by an orthodontist no later than age 7. No referral is needed by your general dentist. Please call anytime and get some peace of mind about your daughter’s smile!

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What is the most important secret to an enjoyable season with my pool?

Water chemistry, water chemistry, water chemistry! Take advantage of free water testing and quality chemicals from your local pool store. There is a great difference between wholesale chemicals and retail chemicals. Some are cheap for a reason. Ask your water specialist to explain the difference. Take 10 or 15 minutes with your pool each day and you will be pleasantly surprised at the ease of care.

As always, feel free to email us your questions for a personal response! Send those to davidwcowan@poolkrafters.com

What is the most important secret to an enjoyable season with my pool?

World War II Veteran Retired Cpl. William Huggins turned 99 on Friday, April 10. He was a tank operator for the U.S. Army in Germany. Though he could not have a typical celebration, many people came by his residence to wish him a happy birthday from a safe distance, including Mt. Juliet Police (left photo). | Photos submitted

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VUMC seeks plasma donations from recovered COVID-19 patients

Staff Reports

Vanderbilt University Medical Center is recruiting volunteers who have tested positive for COVID-19 and fully recovered to donate plasma to help those who are currently ill with the virus as part of a new research study.

People who have fully recovered from COVID-19 have antibodies in their plasma that can attack the virus. Convalescent plasma is being evaluated as treatment for patients with serious or immediately life-threatening COVID-19 infections, or those judged by a health care provider to be at high risk of progression to severe or life-threatening disease.

“There have been reports coming out of other countries that convalescent plasma is beneficial for other patients. What Vanderbilt University Medical Center wants to do is demonstrate in a randomized control fashion that truly is the case as opposed to just anecdotal evidence,” said Allison Wheeler, MD, assistant professor of Pathology and Pediatrics and principal investigator of the plasma collection arm of the study.

“The goal of our trial is truly understanding if this treatment is beneficial for patients with this infection. By studying outcomes, we can learn what our plasma will help people with COVID-19, not just our current patients, and help people in the future know more about the use of immune plasma in treatment,” Wheeler said.

Vanderbilt’s three-part convalescent plasma research program includes identifying patients who have had COVID-19 infections and who have survived; collecting plasma from people who have a high antibody titer (a strong immune response); and treating patients who currently have COVID-19. The first two parts are launching now.

The inclusion criteria includes volunteers who tested positive for COVID-19, recovered, and are at least 14 days from a negative COVID-19 test; patients who tested positive and are at least 28 days free of symptoms but haven’t had a negative COVID-19 test; and patients who had clinical symptoms but have never been tested for COVID. They will be tested to prove they have it.

Additionally, volunteers must meet the general FDA guidelines on blood donation to screen for infectious diseases and risk factors.

One unit of donated plasma has the potential to help four patients, Wheeler said. The donation procedure takes approximately one to two hours.

The VUMC convalescent plasma study is hoping to enroll 250 volunteers.

If you are interested in learning whether you meet the criteria to donate convalescent plasma, visit https://redcap.link/COVID-Recovery and https://victr.vumc.org/covid-19-for-participants/.

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and, therefore, we want to remove any impediments to response and recovery efforts,” said Wolf. “State officials in the country are temporarily closing or restricting access to DMVs. This action will preclude millions of people from applying for and receiving the REAL ID. By extending the deadline, the department can work with Congress to implement needed changes to expedite the issuance of REAL IDs once the current health crisis concludes.

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The list of nonprofits to receive contributions include Brooks House, Wilson County CASA, Empower Me Day Camp, Wilson County Community Partnership, Lebanon Senior Citizens Center, Wilson County Community Help Center, Cedar Croft, Habitat for Humanity Wilson County, New Leash on Life, Lebanon Black History Committee, Lebanon Special School District Back Pack Program, Southern Stars, Cedar Seniors, Healing Broken Vessels, Joseph’s Storehouse, Prospect Child Development, Wilson County Seniors Civic League, Sherry’s Run, Books From Birth, Cumberland University Notes for Nurses, Historic Lebanon, and Rotary Youth Baseball.

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income. Claimants can choose to have those taxes automatically deducted or to pay them at a later date.

The benefit payment for the week starting April 13 contains one installment of FPUC, but the state will provide claimants retroactive pay to March 29 in upcoming payments. Funding for FPUC comes from the federal government and does not impact the Tennessee Unemployment Trust Fund.
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TELLING TALES

Stages of Grief

By Angel Kane
Wilson Living Magazine

My call with Becky went something like this…

Angel – “I’m over it!! COVID-19 – is the number of pounds I’m going to gain before we are finally let out of prison!”

Becky – “I know! I’ve already gained 8 pounds and I’m refusing to wear stretchy pants anymore. My jeans are so tight you can see the button imprint on my skin!”

Angel – “I haven’t worn real clothes in weeks. I literally was standing over my sink stuffing BBQ chips into my mouth, by the handful, last night. And then when I was done, took a Snickers bar that I was hiding from my kids and ate that too!”

Becky – “We are all depressed and eating to make us feel better. It’s not our fault.”

Angel – “Exactly!” I said wiping cookie crumbs off the sweatshirt I’d worn three days in a row.

There are five stages of grief: denial, anger, bargaining, depression and acceptance.

A few years from now when the pundits, sociologists and psychologists who study human behaviors go back and dissect how we all dealt with the crisis – I think they will add Stage 6.

Stage 6 is when, collectively, as a society, we all got fat!

There will be the Freshman 15 and the COVID 19. Right after the crisis first started, I went to Sam’s.

I should mention I haven’t been to Sam’s in 10 years. But I was in Murfreesboro, someone on television had scared me, so I decided to stop by and stock up.

At the time, I didn’t realize hand sanitizer or toilet paper would become a thing. Clearly, my priorities were not on killing the virus, but insuring I had enough carbs in me to outlive it!

Oh yes, I also bought the largest bag of rice I’ve ever seen.

I came home that evening and turned an unused closet into our “Corona Closet.”

No one was to go in there until and unless … times became desperate.

One week into our son’s high school closing, his soccer season coming to an end, our college daughter returning home mid-year and losing her job, my parents and in-laws going on lock down and my office going on Code RED, I bust into the closet.

That was three weeks and 9 pounds ago. We are down to the pistachios and rice.

Becky – “Surely, things will get better in May, right?”

Angel – “I guess because all I’ve got left is that bag of rice and a few bags of M&M’s I snuck from the closet before my kids ate them. Don’t judge me … I left them the nuts.”

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PET OF THE WEEK

Buddy and his fur sister Blossom, who has since been adopted, were surrendered to our shelter after their owner passed away. Buddy is a 7-year-old German Shepherd mix.

Buddy enjoys playing outside and working for treats. Buddy is already neutered so his adoption fee is $75. Please call the shelter at 615-773-5533 to schedule an appointment to meet Buddy.

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OBITUARIES

BASS, Robert Lee

Robert Lee “Bob” Bass, age 95 of Mt. Juliet, died April 11, 2020. He was the son of the late Charlie and Grace Litchford Bass. Mr. Bass was also preceded in death by his wife of 69 years, Mary Lou Bass, and brothers, Walter Bass and David Bass.


Funeral services will be private. A Celebration of Life service will be announced at a later date. Flowers accepted or memorials may be made to Green Hill Church of Christ, 11706 Lebanon Road, Mt. Juliet, TN 37122.

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BOGLE, Jerry Wayne

Jerry Wayne Bogle passed away April 9, 2020, at age 69. Burial will be in Cedar Grove Cemetery.

Mr. Bogle is survived by wife of 49 years, Linda Frances Sullins Bogle; sons: Randall Wayne Bogle and Michael Bogle; grandchildren: Cassie Bogle, Brandy “BB” Bogle, Matthew Wayne Bogle, Lucas Shane Bogle, Michael Seth Bogle, Jacob Bogle, Noah Dale Bogle, Laylah Bogle, Twillah Chevelle Bogle, and Bellah Breeze Bogle; siblings: Irene Crocker, Brenda Speck, Dorothy Ash, and Faye Morelock; four great-grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by parents Noah and Beatrice Bogle, and siblings Thurnam Bogle, Floyd Bogle, Frank Bogle, McArthur Bogle, aunt brother, and sisters Lwanna Ford and Mary Bogle.

Sellars Funeral Home, Lebanon TN, 615.444.9393.

DUNCAN, Carolyn Malone

Carolyn Malone “Caroll” Duncan, age 76 of Madison, died April 7, 2020. Carol was the daughter of the late James Edward and Irene Taylor Malone. She was also preceded in death by her brother, Don Malone.

She is survived by: Children – Deborah Atkins Proctor, Angela Gail (Donald) Stubblefield and Jason Allen (Lori) Duncan; Siblings – Jerry Malone, (Brenda) Malone and Tammy (Pat) Tune; Grandchildren – Sarah Propster, Bridgett Taylor, Austin Duncan and Dylan Duncan; Great-grandchildren – Tage Rodriguez and Elaine Pope; Several nieces and nephews.

Services will be private. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that contributions be made toward the funeral expenses.

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GATLIN, Billy Joe

Billy Joe Gatlin, age 85 of Mt. Juliet and formerly of Morton’s Gap, Kentucky, died April 8, 2020. Mr. Gatlin was the son of the late William Junior and Mary Rose Scott Gatlin. He was also preceded in death by his step-mother, Marilou Gatlin, and step-brother, Lairy Nofsiinger.

He is survived by: Wife of 66 years – Ann Gatlin; Children – Paula Gatlin, Greg (Paula Ann) Gatlin and Steve Gatlin; Sister – Sylvia Moore; 10 Grandchildren and 12 Great-grandchildren; Several nieces and nephews.

Private graveside services will be held in Madisonville, Kentucky. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Samaritan’s Purse, Samaritanspurse.org or PO Box 3000, Boone, NC 28607.

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HEALY, Nicole

Nicole Healy passed away April 8, 2020, after complications arose during the birth of her fourth son, Knox Lee Healy.

In addition to her husband of 19 years Glen Healy Sr. and four sons Glen Healy Jr., Austin, Gunnar and Knox, Nicole leaves behind her mother Joni Ur, step-daughter Mikenkowsky, father Frank Ur Sr., and brother Frank Ur.

Nicole would want to be sure to mention her “Gram” and “Pap” Elaine and Joseph Lengrand whom she adored. Nicole also had five nieces and nephews that she loved and who will miss her dearly.

Nicole’s family would like to thank the strong outpouring of love from the local Nashville community and from her home state of New Jersey. This tragic and unexpected loss has been devastating, and the support they have received has helped them dearly.

Sellars Funeral Home, 313 W. Baddow Pkwy, Lebanon TN 615.444.9393.

JENNINGS, Robert Samuel

Robert Samuel Jennings, better known as “Sam”, was born July 27, 1935, in Nashville to the late Samuel Davis and Virginia McGrew Jennings. He passed away at the age of 64 on April 8, 2020, after a decades-long battle with Parkinson’s Disease. His earthly remains will be interred at Mt. Juliet Memorial Gardens, where the family will hold a Private Graveside Service.

He is survived by devoted life companion, Pat Moss; children, Samuel “Greg” (Donna) Jennings and Tamara Moss; grandchildren, Samuel Parker (Ashley) Jennings and Cara Maureen Jennings; and a host of friends whose lives were touched by his gentle soul.

The family would like to express their gratitude to the nurses and members of The Pavilion Senior Living in Lebanon and Avalon Hospice for the love and care Mr. Jennings received throughout his extended stay.

In lieu of flowers, the family respectfully requests memorial contributions be addressed to The Parkinson’s Foundation in honor of Sam’s battle (200 SE 1st Street, Suite 800, Miami, FL 33131).


LACKEY, Etta A.

Etta A. Lackey, age 69 of Gallatin and formerly of Mt. Juliet, passed away peacefully April 6, 2020. A Private Family Graveside Service will be held at Mt. Juliet Memorial Gardens.

She is survived by loving husband of 44 years, Ron Lackey; children, David Lackey and Jennifer Lackey; grandchildren, Somer Hicks and Hanna Gilliland; sister-in-law, Katherine (Gregg) Powell; and nieces, Holly (Tony) Baker and Traci Thomas. She was preceded in death by parents, Ed and Etta Alice Thomas, Jr.; brothers, Edward Cleveland “Eddie” Thomas and John Thomas.


RAMER, Barbara Burkhalter

Barbara Ramer passed away Feb. 25, 2020, at the age of 86, in Prattville, Alabama. Barbara was preceded in death by her husband Jack Ramer, son Hal, sister Melba See OBITs, PAGE 12
Sealed bids for “FY 2020 Audit Services” 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 on April 29, 2020. Details are available at http://www.mtjuliet-tn.gov/bids.aspx.

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Sells, Michael Curtis

Michael Sells passed away April 11, 2020, at age 69. Services will be private.

Mr. Sells is survived by his wife of 52 years, Dorothy Sells; children Michael Curtis (Suzanne) Sells II, Tamara Sells, and Timmy Sells; grandchildren Amber White, Bailey Sells, Ethan White, Michael Sells III; great-granddaughter Ava Jordan; siblings Winda Sells III; great-granddaughters Ava Jordan; siblings Winda Sells, Ethan Sells, and Timmy Sells; and numerous nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his parents Sam and Lois Hunsinger, brother Tony Burkhalter, and nephew Sam Burkhalter.

Contributions in her memory can be made to McKenりe Methodist Church, 523 Church St., Nashville TN 615.444.9393.

WILLIAMS, Paul Ray

Paul Ray Williams passed away April 8, 2020, at age 93. Services will be private. A Celebration of Life will be scheduled at a later date.

He is survived by his wife of 72 years Jamie Sullivan Williams; brothers Bill (Mary) Williams, George (Henrietta) Williams and Doris (Pat) Williams; daughter Sandra (Gary) Akins, grandchildren Paula (Mark) Smelcer, Melanie (Josh) Hicks and Jill Wilson; and great-grandchildren Matthew Smelcer, Mason Smelcer, Graham Hicks, Grady Hicks, Marlee Smelcer, Allie, Emma and Ruthie Wilson. He is preceded in death by his parents Sam and Lois Hunsinger, brother Tony Burkhalter, grandson Phoebe Williams; great-granddaughter Kaitlin Williams, Ethan White, Michael Sells; and nephews. He is preceded in death by his parents Delmar and Pam Sells and brother Randall Sells.

Please make Memorial Donations to St. Jude Children’s Hospital (501 St. Jude Place, Memphis TN 38105). Sellars Funeral Home, Lebanon TN, 615.444.9393.

State partners with retail industry to fill immediate job openings

Staff Reports

The state of Tennessee, in partnership with the Tennessee Grocer and Convenience Store Association, Tennessee Retail Association, and Hospitalitas TN, has formed the Tennessee Talent Exchange powered by Jobs4TN.

The goal of the exchange is to quickly match Tennesseans who are out of work due to the COVID-19 health emergency with companies currently experiencing a surge in business.

Many workers, like those in Tennessee’s hospitality industry, have been significantly impacted by the COVID-19 health emergency. Tennesseans are out of work, but there are still job opportunities available.

The Tennessee Talent Exchange powered by Jobs4TN is a public-private partnership aimed at putting as many Tennesseans to work as possible during this emergency. “Unemployment benefits are a safety net to help someone make ends meet, but transitioning to a job is the ultimate goal,” said Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development Commissioner Jeff McCord. "This partnership creates a pathway that puts Tennesseans to work right away in businesses that need them now.”

Businesses that provide essential services, grocery, convenience stores, and other retailers need extra employees right now to keep up with demand. “As our industry is working double-time to keep shelves stocked, we are more than excited to be working with the state of Tennessee to bring furloughed workers onto our companies’ payrolls,” said Rob Ikard, President and CEO, Tennessee Grocers and Convenience Store Association. “The Tennessee Talent Exchange powered by Jobs4TN is connecting us with Tennesseans who want to work, and who will help get food to Tennessee families.”

Job seekers can go to Tennessee’s workforce development website www.Jobs4TN.gov to apply for jobs across the state. Once an individual submits an application, the exchange will send it to retail stores in their local area for consideration. "Unemployment benefits are a safety net to help someone make ends meet, and who will help get food to Tennessee families."

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