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The 19th Granville Fall Celebration on Oct. 6 will again feature “Jazz on the Cumberland” at Granville Veterans Park with a full day of great Jazz Music.

The event will begin at 11 a.m. with the Jackson County High School Jazz Band, 11:30 a.m. The Big Band Sound, 1 p.m. “RendeGroove” from the 101st Airborne Division (AASLT) Band, 2:30 p.m. Veterans Appreciation Service honoring 1950s Veterans, and 2:45 p.m. The Blue Brokers.

It will be a full day of jazz on the banks of the Cumberland River with a great setting. There will also be Historic Boat Rides by Granville Paddle and Board which will be a 45-minute boat ride with tales of Granville from a water perspective. The cost is $15 per person.

The Celebration will also have a full day of music at Pruett Stage beginning with gospel music at 10 a.m. featuring New Life Quartet and Beyond the Call, Immanuel Baptist Church, 10:45 a.m. Community Kidz Choir, 11:30 a.m. Linwood Road, 12:15 p.m. Tex R Cana, 1 p.m. Heart & Soul 1950s Music, 2 p.m. Tex R Cana, 3 p.m. Heart & Soul 1950s Music and 4 p.m. Joe Holt & The Short Mountain Boys Bluegrass Band. The day will conclude with the Sutton Ole Jazz on the Cumberland on Oct. 6 will feature “RendeGroove” from the 101st Airborne Division (AASLT) Band.

Time Music Hour Bluegrass Dinner Show with dinner at 5 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. with warm up show at 6 p.m. and radio taping at 7 p.m. Dinner reservations are required.

Granville Fall Celebration will also feature the Grand Opening of the 6th Annual Granville Scarecrow Festival which will be through Oct. 27, Ralph Maddux Memorial Motorcycle Show, Granville Quilt Festival, Old Time Craftsmen Festival, “I Have A Voice” Tennessee African American Heritage Exhibit from Tennessee State Museum, “I Love Lucy” Traveling Exhibit at Historic Sutton Home and Memories of the 1950s. The celebration features craft booths, great food and children rides, petting zoo and much more.

Youth prefer texting if seeking suicide crisis help

September is Suicide Prevention Awareness Month

Staff Reports

Texting for help, another tool in the ongoing struggle to prevent suicides in Tennessee that was introduced a couple of years ago, has become a preferred means of communication for many young people, according to professionals dealing with the crisis daily.

Made available by the Tennessee Suicide Prevention Network in partnership with Crisis Text Line, anyone in Tennessee may text “TN 741-741” and receive professional assistance to help deal with or discourage a suicide crisis.

Having the availability of texting has been an important asset as the state continues to be challenged by rising suicide rates, said Nathan Miller, of Cumberland Mental Health Services, an agency of Volunteer Behavioral Health. Miller explained that once a person seeking assistance sends a text message to the text address provided by the Crisis Text Line, that text will be received by a professional trained to help in suicide situations who in turn can provide information and resources to help the person sending the text in their local area.

TSPN says that texting is a preferred means of communication for many young people who likely would text for help when facing a suicide crisis before calling the crisis hotline.

Explaining the texting program, TSPN said the respondent to the person sending the text message and who is seeking help is equipped to offer assistance for a number of issues including financial or legal problems, suicide, bullying, domestic violence or sexual assault.

Suicide rates in Tennessee have been among the nation’s highest in recent years.

In 2016, the most recent reporting period on record, Tennessee attributed the deaths of 65 youths between the ages of 10 and 19 to suicide.

The year before that the number was 54 and ten years earlier there were 37 deaths attributed to suicide in this age group.

Suicide remains the second leading cause of death in Tennessee among two age groups, ages 10 to 14 and 25 to 34.

In any given day, three people in Tennessee die by suicide, reports TSPN in its 2016 annual review.

For more information about suicide prevention or issues involving suicide contact Volunteer Behavioral Health at www.vbhs.org or call 1-877-567-6051. You may also call a 24-Hour Crisis Line at 1-800-704-2651.

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Bears have no trouble on Homecoming with 51-0 over Clarksville Northwest

By Kenny Howell
The Chronicle Contributor

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Wildcats fall short against Gallatin

By Cate Franklin
The Chronicle Contributor

Wilson Central traveled to Gallatin to play the Green Wave at Calvin Short Field on Friday night. The Wildcats fell short after both teams played at a high level, with the game coming down to the last play in the final minute.

The first quarter saw Gallatin take the lead with 5:15 showing on the clock as senior Green Wave running back Spencer Briggs ran in from 32 yards out to pay dirt. The PAT was kicked by Austin Wright to make the score 7-0. Wilson Central senior Ladarius Stewart ran for 5 yards and scored a touchdown. Stratton Farmer added the PAT to knot the score 7-7. The Wildcats scored again with :43 left as Ladarius Stewart, once again, ran for 8 yards to score his second touchdown of the half. Stratton Farmer added the point after and allowed the Wildcats to enjoy the halftime lead of 14-7.

As the third quarter began, the Wildcats kicked off to Gallatin. Seventeen seconds later, Gallatin’s Zay Kern, crossed the goal line after sprinting 90 yards for the first of two Gallatin touchdowns in the second half. Austin Wright made another successful PAT making the game 14-14.

Tensions were high as both teams played their hardest to try and break the 14-14 score. Finally, Gallatin’s Spencer Briggs ran for 51 yards and scored the tie-breaking touchdown with 1:56 left in the third. Austin Wright kicked his second PAT to make the score 21-14.

Wilson Central went 3 and out and had one more possession with approximately 3 minutes to play. Senior Dylan Carpenter managed a “Tom Brady-like” drive that ended on 4th down and goal from the 10-yard line. With 41 seconds left to play, Carpenter rolled to his left and saw Justin Smith in the back of the end zone but Gallatin’s defense rose to the occasion and stepped just in front of Smith to seal the deal with a game saving interception.

Wilson Central will jump back into region play with a game at Hendersonville High School this Friday night, Sept. 28, with kickoff slated for 7 p.m.

From BOC, PAGE 1

City Manager Kenny Martin also presented two proclamations by the City and Mayor Ed Hagerty during the meeting.

The first proclamation was to announce that Tuesday, Oct. 16, 2018, would be known as Caleb Reed Day. Reed is a student at Mt. Juliet Christian Academy who is going through tough medical issues. The City issued the proclamation to celebrate him and his resilient outlook on life.

The second proclamation was to declare Nov. 24, 2018, Small Business Saturday. Shoppers are encouraged to patronize small businesses the Saturday after Thanksgiving to contribute to the local economy.

In regular items of business, an ordinance to amend the Mt. Juliet personnel manual regarding higher education tuition reimbursement was deferred until the next meeting to ensure proper public notice about major amendments.

The next BOC meeting will be Oct. 8 at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall. A public hearing will be held before the meeting at 6:15.
As with any community, the importance of its citizens spending their hard earned tax dollars locally is vitally important to the community’s economy and its citizens. With Wilson County’s rapid growth and new businesses literally opening daily, we’re starting to see an even greater need to spend our tax dollars locally.

For example, Wilson County businesses depend upon our tax dollars for survival. They make huge investments in our local community in an attempt to provide a service or convenience and desperately need and deserve our support. Our schools, businesses, roads and many other services depend on the local economy for survival. When a business sets up shop in Wilson County, their goal is to provide services and conveniences to local citizens. In return, the local economy gets a boost from the additional revenue generated locally and a trickle down effect occurs.

Without local businesses providing these much needed services, citizens are forced to call on vendors in other cities and towns. As a result, these vendors have to drive and ship their merchandise further and that cost is passed on to the customer/consumer. Unfortunately, money spent in other cities and counties benefits that community and not ours.

Therefore, I would like for each citizen to make every effort possible to spend your tax dollars locally. I totally understand that Wilson County doesn’t currently, nor will it ever be able to, offer every available service or convenience, but I would like for everyone to please patronize the businesses and services we have. In other words, if we have a business that offers something we need, we should make every effort to patronize that business and not a business outside our community. What is spent here benefits here, what is spent elsewhere benefits that community. For example, if you know that you need gasoline, try and plan your gas purchases locally, if you need groceries, buy them locally and so on. The more we spend locally the better off our community will be.

In a nutshell, if you can buy it at home and support our local businesses, then please do so. Current businesses, services and products not currently located in Wilson County are much more likely to locate here if they see that our citizens support and patronize their local businesses. Our community and its businesses depend upon your support and patronage.

In closing, please buy and shop locally. It’s money well spent and will benefit us and our community!

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Antihistamine for the Devil

You may have heard someone say or have seen it on a church sign – “Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.” You may have even issued this quote yourself. It comes from James chapter 4 and verse 7. I would submit that this quote is not incorrect, but it is incomplete.

If we are going to understand and actually be able to resist the devil and his devious schemes, we need to remember the entirety of the quote by James. In context, he is most likely thinking of Proverbs 3:34 when in verse 6 he states that “God resists the proud but gives grace to the humble.” He then writes what has come to be known as verse 7 (there were no chapters or verses when the Bible was written), and it is the entirety of his instruction that we must embrace if we are going to be able to resist the devil.

God does oppose or resist the proud and He does give grace to those who humble themselves before Him. Therefore, James can write, “So humble yourselves before God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.” Do you see why I say “resist the devil and he will flee from you” is an incomplete statement? Because before we can resist the devil, we must humble ourselves before God to receive the prom-
Annual festival to honor quilters

Staff Reports

The 17th Annual Granville Quilt Festival on Oct. 6 will offer 20 categories of competition for quilters in Middle Tennessee.

One of Tennessee’s largest quilt festivals occurs in the 1896 Granville United Methodist Church. There will be 1st, 2nd and 3rd Place awards in each category with best of show awards as well. The show also pays $100 to the guild, club or group that has the most entries in the show. Quilts can be entered on Oct. 4 at Gainesboro, Livingston, Cookeville, Carthage, Granville and Lebanon.

For times and locations for entries, visit granvilletn.com.

The annual show honors present quilters and a memorial honoree as well. The 2018 Quilt Show Honoree is Betty Robinson of Cookeville who is a noted quilter throughout the Upper Cumberland. She started embroidery when she was 8 years old. She would pick up her mother’s sewing when she would go to the kitchen to cook and put some stitches in.

From that early start, she kept learning as she grew, and when she was married used her talents to make clothes for her daughter. After her daughter grew up, she joined a quilt Guild and continued learning. In 1994 her family moved to Tennessee and she joined the Cookeville Crazy Quilters. She continues today with the Golden Needles quilting guild in Gainesboro, working on pieces for family and friends as well as working on prayer quilts for her church Washington Avenue Baptist.

Betty has been a leader in the Upper Cumberland Quilt Festival and has been a great supporter of the Granville Quilt Festival. On Oct. 6, some 20 of her quilts will be on display in the altar of the Methodist Church. Betty is the grandmother of Jeremy Curtis whose wife Brenda is the manager of Historic Granville.

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The 2018 Memorial Honoree is the late Betty Green of Overton County. She quilted as a child and continued as she raised three children. She left her family a large number of 100-percent hand-made quilts she had made throughout her life. Some of these quilts will be on display at the Methodist Church. Betty is the grandmother of Jeremy Curtis whose wife Brenda is the manager of Historic Granville.

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September is Attendance Awareness Month, and W.A.Wright students tried to score Attendance Touchdowns each day by laying everything needed for school out the night before, getting 10-12 hours of sleep, eating breakfast at home or at school, and arriving at school before 7:15 a.m. On Sept. 18, the school had a theme day of “School is Double Fun When Everyone is Here.” Some teachers dressed as Scrabble letters for the Attendance Activity. Pictured left to right: Jessica Ray, Katie Derrick, Laurie Drummond, Lee- sa Hubbard, Lori Maddox, Stephanie Cooper, Maggie Burk, Lori Lamkin, Pam Twyman, and Stephanie Jordan.
Family raising money to get service dog

Staff Reports

Dakota Elkins is an 11-year-old girl who has a rare form of muscular dystrophy, congenital muscular dystrophy (CMD). Dakota attends Mt. Juliet Middle School and uses a scooter to get around.

In the last few months her mobility has declined rapidly. Dakota’s muscles are that of a toddler and so at her age and height it is getting hard for her to walk short distances and many more things that one might take for granted like getting dressed and more.

She and her family are currently trying to raise money for a service animal for her that will be able to pick things up for her that she drops, open doors and so much more. Also, like most kids of this age, they are trying to gain their independence and self esteem. This service animal would be able to help with that as well as so much more.

They have a GoFundMe page https://www.gofundme.com/dakota-elkins-service-dog if anyone would like to learn more about Dakota and her CMD. They are very close to reaching their goal of $12,500. RM Printing donated 100 T-shirts for them to sell to help reach their goal. The family will be selling these shirts for $20 Saturday, Sept. 29 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Houston’s Meat Market on N. Mt. Juliet Rd. All the money raised will go toward purchasing the service animal and any additional equipment or care needed.

If you cannot stop by Houston’s on Saturday but would like to help them reach their goal, you can donate on her GoFundMe page.

Staff Reports

Libertarian Heather Scott announces her candidacy for governor.

“I have spoken with so many Tennesseans who are tired of the divisiveness of the two-party duopoly,” said Scott. “They want more choices. This is the reason, I am running for Governor.”

Article I, Section 5 of the Tennessee Constitution declares “elections shall be free and equal.” However, there are major challenges in giving voters candidate diversity due to the inequities of ballot access for minor parties.

In order for third party candidates to have their party affiliation listed on the ballot, the party must gather the signatures of registered voters equal to at least two and one-half percent (2.5 percent) of the total number of votes cast for gubernatorial candidates in the most recent election of governor.

“To be listed as a Libertarian, thirty-three thousand eight hundred forty-four (33,844) additional signatures were needed,” explained Scott. “Republican and Democratic candidates only need twenty-five (25).”

Although Scott is a member of the Libertarian party, she will be listed on the ballot as an independent. “The state mandates private citizens disclose information in order to vote, but it won’t disclose what is truly on its ballot. This is misleading and causes voter confusion,” Scott stated.

Scott served two terms as a Wilson County Commissioner from 2002 until 2010.

“People were disappointed that I did not seek a third term,” said Scott of her time in office. “As a Libertarian, I learned to work with other Commissioners by focusing on the issue. It’s about listening to each other and engaging in respectful discussion. You realize quickly that you have the same goal, it’s the means to that goal that may be different.”

Scott’s campaign is focused on reducing the size and scope of government through fiscal responsibility and free market solutions while protecting individual liberty.

“People are tired of the ridiculous laws restricting personal freedom passed by our state legislators. They are also tired of all the unconstitutional federal mandates, on both their personal liberty and the family budget,” noted Scott. “Tennesseans need a strong leader who will get government out of their way.”

“If I am elected, I will work for the citizens to make sure our state government is spending our tax dollars efficiently and being openly accountable for every dollar spent,” Scott continued.

“I invite the people of the district to review my track record as County Commissioner and I ask them for their vote Nov. 6.”

For more information or to get involved with the campaign, please visit www.ElectHeatherScott.com.

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Unemployment remains near historic low in Tennessee

Statewide rate sees little movement over past 12 months, records slight uptick in August

Staff Reports

Tennessee’s unemployment rate remained near historic low levels in August, despite a slight increase, according to the latest statistics released last week by Gov. Bill Haslam and Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development Commissioner Burns Phillips.

The preliminary, seasonally-adjusted statewide unemployment rate for August was 3.6 percent, just 0.1 of a percentage point higher than it was in July. Prior to August, Tennessee’s unemployment rate remained at 3.5 percent for three consecutive months.

“Even with this very small fluctuation in August, Tennessee’s unemployment rate continues to be one of the lowest in the nation,” Haslam said. “The fact the rate has seen such little movement over the last year reflects the strength of our state’s economy and our work over the past eight years to develop Tennessee’s workforce to meet the needs of today’s employers.”

Tennessee has had unemployment levels at or near record levels for more than a year. The seasonally-adjusted statewide rate has been 4.0 percent or less since April 2017. The state achieved its all-time lowest unemployment rate of 3.3 percent in September 2017 and it remained at that level through January 2018.

The seasonally-adjusted national unemployment rate remained unchanged in August and came in at 3.9 percent for the second consecutive month.

Between July and August, nonfarm employment in Tennessee increased by 2,600 jobs. Comparing year-to-year statistics, Tennessee’s labor force added 56,000 jobs between August 2017 and August 2018, with the leisure and hospitality industry seeing the largest increase in adding 3,300 new jobs.

“While new jobs were added in certain sectors last month, some businesses did reduce their workforces,” Phillips said. “No matter how low the unemployment rate may be, the reality is, some Tennesseans are looking for work and the state has many resources available to help them find new employment.”

Tennesseans looking for new employment opportunities can access the latest job openings, update their resumes, and sharpen their job interview skills by visiting the state’s workforce development website.

The statewide unemployment rate is seasonally adjusted to eliminate the influences of weather, holidays, the opening and closing of schools, and other recurring seasonal events from an economic time series.

Photo by Syd Phillips

National Public Lands Day, Sept. 22, was observed by members of the Friends of the Point, volunteers from Mt. Juliet who support the preservation of public lands and lakes by cleaning up portions of the shoreline of Old Hickory Lake and maintaining the hiking trails on Corp property. Pictured from left to right: Syd Phillips, Paul Van Buren, Sevgi Richardson, David and Sue Murphy.

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FULLHART, Phillip Wayne

Phillip Wayne Fullhart, age 54 of Mt. Juliet, died Sept. 20, 2018. Phil was manager, instructor and choreographer at World Champion Productions Dance Studio. He loved music and he loved to perform. Phil was a great cook and a Miami Dolphins fan. He was a member of Life Church. Phil was preceded in death by an infant son, Phillip Dexter Fullhart.

He is survived by: Wife – Kathrine Fullhart; Parents – Phil and Mary Fullhart; Sons – Joshua Fullhart, Lucas Fullhart and Jeremy Gallagher; Daughters – Sabrina Fullhart, Faith Fullhart and Amanda Fullhart; Sisters – Rhonda Watson, Debbie Watson and Katriinka Anderson.

A funeral service was held Sept. 23 at Bond Memorial Chapel, and interment followed at Mt. Juliet Memorial Gardens. Bond Memorial Chapel, N. Mt. Juliet Road and Weston Drive, Mt. Juliet, TN. (615)773-2663. Obit Line (615)641-2663, www.bondmemorial.com

HARRIS, David

David Harris, age 52 of Lebanon, passed away on Sept. 17, 2018. Mr. Harris was a member of Gladeville Methodist Church.

A Celebration of Life Service was held Sept. 24 at Sellars Funeral Home in Mt. Juliet, and interment was private.

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Wilson Central culinary program recognized

Staff Reports

Wilson Central’s Culinary Program was honored with a certificate from Sullivan University as being recognized as a Hospitality Program of Distinction for 2018-2019.

The program has 17 students who are currently industry certified which will allow them to graduate with distinction if they meet the GPA requirements.

Sophomore Justin Bilbery made the highest grade of the group with a 93 percent.

Both of the program’s ProStart Culinary teams, as well as the management team are Servsafe Certified.

Escobar named assistant manager

Staff Reports

Wilson Bank & Trust officials recently welcomed Sherry Escobar as assistant manager of the bank’s office on Stewarts Ferry Pike in Gladeville.

Escobar has worked in banking for 25 years, and previously worked for Wilson Bank between 1995 and 2005, serving as assistant manager at the Walmart branch in Lebanon for seven of those years. Her career also includes experience as a branch manager. She was most recently employed at Fort Sill National Bank.

Escobar is a Lebanon High School and Tennessee Tech University graduate. In the community, she previously served as treasurer for the Music City Kiwanis Club.

A Lebanon resident, Escobar has three children, Chris, Tabitha and See.

Affordable health screenings coming to MJ

Staff Reports

Residents living in and around Mt. Juliet, Tennessee, can learn about their risk for cardiovascular disease, osteoporosis, diabetes, and other chronic, serious conditions with affordable screenings by Life Line Screening. Light house Church will host this community event on Oct. 4, 2018 at 6141 Saundersville Rd. in Mt. Juliet.

Screenings can check for:

- The level of plaque buildup in your arteries, related to risk for heart disease, stroke and overall vascular health.
- HDL and LDL Cholesterol levels
- Diabetes risk
- Bone density as a risk for possible osteoporosis
- Kidney and thyroid function, and more

Screenings are affordable, convenient and accessible for wheelchairs and those with trouble walking. Free parking is also available.

Packages start at $149, but consultants will work with you to create a package that is right for you based on your age and risk factors. Also ask about their Wellness Gold Membership Program with allows customers to get all the screenings they need now, but pay $19.95 a month. Call 1-877-237-1287 or visit our website at www.lifelinescreening.com. Pre-registration is required.

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Church Events - Birthday Parties - Schools Picnics - League Play - Sporting Events

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**Classifieds**

**Public Notice**

The Mt Juliet Board of Zoning Appeals will hold a public hearing on October 11, 2018 at 6:00pm at City Hall, 2425 N Mt Juliet Rd, Mt Juliet, to hear the following requests:

- Conditional Use Permit – 555 Pleasant Grove Rd Map 76, Parcel 37.00

The public is invited to attend/comment. For more information please call the Planning & Zoning Department at 615-758-6700.

**Antique 1951 John Deere Model D tractor. Restored 8 years ago asking $4,800.00 615-642-6191**

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**COMMERCIAL SPACES FOR LEASE. 500-3,000 SQUARE FEET. 754-2019.**

**Events**

**BOO BEAR’S SPOOKTACULAR HALLOWEEN COIN AND CARD SHOW! Saturday October 27, 2018 8am – 5pm Ramada Inn Exit #238, Lebanon, TN Vols, Titans, Non-sports, Vinyl, Magazines, Books, All things Collectible. Limited Dealer availability. Call Barry 615-689-6649**

**For Rent**

**101 Shady Hollow Mt. Juliet, TN (SH-0282)- 4 bedrooms, 2½ baths AVAILABLE NOW 2431 sq. ft. – master bedroom downstairs, bedroom #2, 3 & 4 upstairs, bonus room, covered porch, 2 car garage, community pool Rent= $2,000.00 month Deposit= $2,000.00 NO PETS allowed. Requires a 12 month lease agreement, please call 615-758-6700**

**608 Southshore Pt. Mt. Juliet, TN 4 bedrooms, 3 full baths AVAILABLE NOW 2431 sq. ft. – master bedroom and bedroom #2 downstairs, bedroom #3 & 4 upstairs with full bath. New construction. Community pool Rent= $2,400.00 month Deposit= $2,400.00 NO PETS Application Fee= $45.00 per applicant (background and credit check will be conducted) Requires a 12 month lease agreement, please call 615-758-6700**

**Garage Sale**

**Sept 29th 8:00am-2:pm 813 Fredricksburg Rd Mt. Juliet, TN 37122. Three families - Furniture, electronics, clothes, toys, skylanders, Shirley Temple Doll collection. Lots of household items, collectables and much more. Cash only.**

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**LG portable air conditioners, tv wall mounts, sewing machine toaster ovens, wine coolers, multiple items from Amazon for 21 years. (615) 881-6703, 615-755-3509.**

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By Becky Andrews
Wilson Living Magazine

When I was in 4th grade while watching a PBS telethon, my little sister and I called in and donated five dollars for the cause. I didn’t have five dollars. I didn’t even know what “cause” I was donating to. The reason for this pseudo donation? I wanted to see my name scroll across the television with the other noble givers.

I didn’t think about how I would come up with the money to donate. I could worry about that later. Now, I just wanted to see my name. The joke was on me. It didn’t happen. On the plus side, PBS never sent an invoice demanding their money. Looking back, I realize my call probably wasn’t the first time the operator had taken a call from 9 year old.

I remember my little sister accidentally telling my parents what I did. After my mom ruffled off something about me not listening, my oldest sister shouted, “See what happens when you don’t have cable!”

That was the mind of a child. As an adult, I take donating more seriously. However, there are times when I get overwhelmed. It seems every grocery store, gas station, liquor store, clothing boutique, and restaurant start hosting donation drives at the same time. I think it’s wonderful. I really do. Everyone can spare a dollar, right?

The day after writing a check for our oldest child’s fall tuition and a week after realizing that if my husband and I saved properly we would be able to retire when I’m 118 and he’s 120, I was in the drive-thru line at a fast food restaurant. After ordering, the person on the other end gave me my total then asked if I’d like to donate $1 to a very worthy charity.

I don’t know what came over me. It could have been the tuition check, the school supply list for my youngest child, or the fact that I felt like money was draining out of my bank account faster than Alexa can tell me who Carly Simon was talking about in “Your So Vain.” I had a moment of “No.”

Instead of going into a five-minute diatribe as to why I couldn’t donate this time as I did a week earlier at the grocery - “I’m a nice person. I just donated to Publix yesterday. It’s not that I don’t want to help. I do. I have nothing to complain about. It’s just that this is for a national charity and it’s wonderful, but there’s so much need here. Ok. Never mind, yes. I would like to donate.”

So instead of donating $1 or embarrassing myself, I did something worse. I lied. You should never do this. At the time, it seemed like a brilliant response. One that would get me out of the donation this time and not make me look like a tool.

Instead of going fast enough this crime would fall under? “Ditching a fast food order. Penal code #...” Instead, I pulled up to the window to pay. I gave her my card to pay, and she smiled. It should have ended there. She had moved on from my moment of deceit and so should I. We both look back on this and laugh.

Before she could hand me my order, I decided to come clean. Kind of. “I must have had you guys confused with another restaurant. I’m so sorry. It wasn’t really a lie, you know?”

She looked at me like she would most definitely remember this encounter. She looked confused at what I just said/confessed, whatever! I knew she was onto me. So, when she handed me my receipt, I took off ... without my order. Too embarrassed to go back to pick up the order I had already paid for, I decided that there was a lesson in this mess of a situation ... to stop eating fast food, I think.

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followed at Baird Memorial Cemetery in Hickman, Tennessee. He was preceded in death by others, Richard Cochran Harris; grandparents, Harris and Hensley. He is survived by son, Richard Nathan Harris; stepsons, Troy Frisbee and Dustin Shorter; spouse, Sheila Harris; father figure, Jerry Patterson Lee; mother, Crissy Frederenberger (Bill); grandchildren, Holden Frisbee and Colton Oldham; Daniel Harris (Bridge) and their children, Hugh Harris and Elijah Harris; Gina Earheart and her children, Vance Bastocky and Hadley Rucker.


OLDHAM, Roberta Jane "Ro"

Roberta Oldham passed away on Sept. 17, 2018, at age 77. A funeral service was held Sept. 20 at Sallars Funeral Home in Lebanon, and interment followed at Cedar Grove Cemetery.

Mrs. Oldham is survived by husband Billy G. Oldham, children Leslie (Mark) Caplenor and Debbie (Danny) Hill, grandchildren Will Caplenor, Tori Caplenor, Kendall Caplenor, Kellie (Kenny) Sally, Amy (Matt) Wood, Zach Hill; and great-grandchildren Zander Wood and Madison Sallis. She is preceded in death by father Gordon Oldham, mother Edwina Key Oldham, and brother George Oldham.

Memorial Donations: American Cancer Society (2000 Charlotte Ave, Nashville TN 37203, 615.327.0991) and/or Alzheimer Association (478 Craighead St, Ste 200, Nashville, TN 37204, alz.org, 800.272.3900).

Sallars Funeral Home, Lebanon TN 615.444.9393.

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A funeral service was held Sept. 23 at Bond Memorial Chapel, and interment followed at Binkley-Hagar-Steele Cemetery.

Flowers accepted or memorials may be made to Alive Hospice, 1718 Patterson Street, Nashville, TN 37203.


JONES, Edna Jean

Edna Jean Jones, age 96 of Hermitage, died Sept. 23, 2018. Mrs. Flint was the daughter of the late Paul P. and Edna Mae Hermann Schneiderhan. She was also preceded in death by her brother, Paul Schneiderhan, and sister, Mary Ruth Miller.

She is survived by: Husband – Rex L. Jones; Son – Ron (Mary) Jones; three Grandchildren; seven Great-grandchildren; several relatives and neighbors.

At Mrs. Jones’ request, her remains will be cremated and no services are planned.


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UNDERWOOD, Denise Joy

Denise Underwood, of Lebanon, passed away on Sept. 22, 2018, at age 39. The family will be receiving friends on Thursday from 4-8 p.m. at Sallars Funeral Home, Lebanon, and on Friday from noon until the service. The Funeral Service is 1 p.m. Friday, Sept. 28, 2018, in the chapel of Sallars Funeral Home. Interment in the Bryan Family Cemetery will follow the service.

She is survived by father Phillip (Leslie) Underwood, brothers Michael (Tracy) Underwood and Tommy Underwood, nephews Bryson and Ewyn Underwood, and niece Molli Anne Underwood. She is preceded in death by mother Evelyn Joyce Patton Underwood, and grandparents W.T. and Mae Nell Patton, and Reba and Richard Underwood.

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Rachel; and four grandchildren, Joseph, Samuel, Kora and David.

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ised grace.

Grace is a strength or force. It is far more than just “unmerited favor.” Grace is the empowering presence of God that enables us to do and be what God desires us to do and be.

So, if I try to resist the devil without first walking in humility before My heavenly Father, I might just find myself in the same shape as the sons of Sceva (Acts 19:14) who when they attempted to exercise an evil spirit, received this reply from the spirit – “I know Jesus, and I know Paul, but who are you?” It is the grace received from being humble before God that enables us to resist the devil.

The other problem with that approach is we find ourselves focusing on the devil rather than God; and in the presence of God that is when we decide to determine to walk with our Father in a posture of humility, worshipping Him as our King and Lord, that we find an ability to resist the evil histamine called the devil with the antihistamine provided by the grace that comes from the throne of God.

The prophet Micah was onto this idea when the Holy Spirit prompted him to write an oft quoted verse – recorded as chapter 6 and verse 8. “...the LORD has told you what is good, and this is what He requires of you: to do what is right, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God.”

The bottom line of what God requires of us is to walk in humility with our God. This will give us the antihistamine to block the effects of the devil toward us.

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State awards $35 million across all school districts to improve safety, security

Tennessee Gov. Bill Haslam and Commissioner of Education Candice McQueen yesterday announced that all 147 school districts in Tennessee have completed the first-ever statewide assessment of school facilities and safety procedures. Additionally, all districts have submitted applications to receive their allocations of the $35 million school security funding and may now use these funds to implement identified school security and safety needs.

“We have made security for children at our schools a priority, so there was an urgency to have all schools assessed and the funding allocated to increase school safety as we started the school year,” Haslam said. “I thank the members of the School Safety Working Group for their work to identify solutions, the General Assembly for making these funds available, and state and local public safety officials for promptly completing the assessments.”

In March, the governor’s School Safety Working Group recommended the statewide review of school facilities and safety procedures and precautions. The recommendation, accepted by the governor, led to immediate safety assessments by the Tennessee Department of Safety and Homeland Security, in coordination with the Department of Education and local school officials. This was the first time the state had led a comprehensive effort to determine the security needs at individual schools. Based on the findings following this assessment, all school districts were eligible to apply for two grants to receive funding for local safety and security needs.

“Students learn best in an environment where they feel safe and protected, so it is our responsibility to ensure our schools are secure, and this funding allows us to do just that,” McQueen said. “Over and over we have heard gratitude from districts for this process that has helped them connect with their local community, especially law enforcement agencies, around school safety and to create long-term plans to support the safety of students and educators.”

The school security funding was included in the governor’s fiscal year 2019 budget and passed by the General Assembly. The funds include $25 million in one-time funding for schools to address vulnerabilities and risks, the School Safety and Security grant, and $10 million in recurring grant funding for ongoing safety and prevention programs, the Safe School grant. The grants are made on a reimbursement basis from the Tennessee Department of Education.

In many cases, these funds have allowed districts to make both minor and major improvements, such as enhanced door locks, improved visitor screening procedures and shatter-resistant glass that will provide long-term benefits to the school. Several districts used the grant allocations to improve mental health services for students by funding salaries for school counselors and child psychologists. The safety review process and related discussions also resulted in additional local funding for school safety, including an increase of 213 new school resource officers, primarily funded by local governments.

Additionally, as a result of the working group recommendations, the Department of Safety and Homeland Security is working to secure a developer to complete a statewide school safety mobile application. The application will be designed for use by students, faculty and staff to anonymously report concerning or suspicious behavior to local law enforcement and school officials.

More information on the grants and listings of the estimated district allocations can be found on the Department of Education’s website.