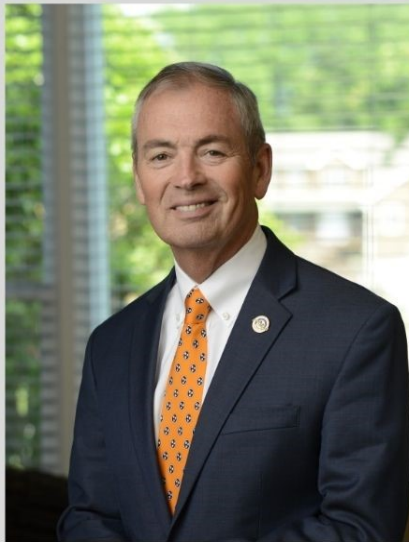




THE COUNTY CONNECTION

A Monthly Newsletter from Mayor Randall Hutto
Mt. Juliet | Lebanon | Watertown



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A Word from Mayor Hutto...

We've had a great end to the summer season here in Wilson County, as the Wilson County/Tennessee State Fair was extraordinary. The annual 10-day event brought with it lots of family fun, great food, AND record-breaking numbers. The "family reunion", so to speak, had several events for our agricultural community. I was pleased to stop by the Old Timer's and Farmer's Appreciation Breakfasts during fair week. The food was delicious, but the company was even better! Speaking of great company, I was invited to compete in the TN Department of Agriculture's TriAGthon, a challenge on corn shelling, crosscut sawing, and steer roping. Several local elected officials were paired into teams with FFA and 4-H students. My teammate was FFA student, Jared Tubbs, and we "took the bull by the horns" and won the challenge. What an exciting week! We sincerely appreciate all of those who worked so hard to give us an outstanding fair, as well as the first responders who were present to ensure our safety. I can't wait to see you all again next year! Until then, I wish you all a very blessed autumn season.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Randall Hutto".

**Commissioner Spotlight:
Rusty Keith
District 17**



Contact
INFORMATION

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Lebanon, TN 37087

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**Wilson County
LANDFILL**

7:00AM-3:00PM
MONDAY - FRIDAY

FIRST SATURDAY OF
EACH MONTH
8:00AM - NOON

ALL LOADS MUST BE
CHECKED INTO THE
SCALE HOUSE BY 2:30 P.M.

PLEASE DIRECT
QUESTIONS
TO 615.449.6684

www.WilCoPowWow.com

39th Annual **WILCO
POW WOW**

Saturday & Sunday

**SEPT. 24TH/25TH
2022**

Event Venue

**James E. Ward Agricultural Center
Wilson County Fairgrounds
Lebanon, Tennessee**

TICKET PRICING

ADULTS \$10 • VETERANS/SENIORS (65+) \$5 • CHILDREN (6-12) \$5 • KIDS (5 & Under) FREE

Ticket sales for this event are cash only. Admission price is per day.



Parenting isn't easy, but we're here to help.



Sign Up:



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Free Virtual Parenting Classes!

Join our welcoming group environment! Classes take place on Tuesdays at 11:30 A.M. ET/10:30 A.M. CT and are available to parents who are expecting and those with children under 12 years of age.

www.nurturethenext.org/referral-form

The program consists of five weekly sessions that cover:

-  Expectations of children
-  Parental empathy toward children's needs
-  Alternatives to use of corporal punishment
-  Parent-child family roles
-  Children's power and independence

***Available for residents of the following counties: Anderson, Bledsoe, Bradley, Campbell, Cheatham, Davidson, Franklin, Grundy, Hamilton, Loudon, Marion, McMinn, Meigs, Monroe, Montgomery, Morgan, Polk, Rhea, Roane, Robertson, Rutherford, Scott, Sequatchie, Sumner, Trousdale, Union, Williamson and Wilson



Sept. 05
Labor Day

Sept. 11
Patriot Day & Grandparent's Day

Sept. 16
POW/MIA Remembrance Day & American Legion Day

Sept. 22
Autumn Equinox

Suicide Prevention Awareness Month



Wilson County Government Offices will be closed on Monday, September 5th in observance of Labor Day. Offices will return to work at their regular schedules the following day. Happy Labor Day!

REMEMBERING THE TN NATIONAL GUARD'S VOLUNTEER RESPONSE ON SEPTEMBER 11TH

Last year, the Tennessee National Guard Public Affairs Office released a story written by William Jones on the TN National Guard's response on the morning of September 11th. Jones described that day by re-counting, "There are events throughout history that evoke powerful emotions: Pearl Harbor, President Kennedy's assassination, the loss of Space Shuttle Columbia, and September 11, 2001. "

As Americans watched the news that morning in disbelief, a more personal crisis was happening in Houston, Texas. A six-month-old baby girl and her team of doctors were waiting to perform an emergency liver transplant surgery. However, the donor liver was in Nashville, and all air traffic was grounded across the nation. Thankfully, the Federal Aviation Administration gave permission for a Tennessee Air National Guard C-130 to fly from Nashville to Houston, Texas. For a few short hours, the 118th Air Wing's aircraft was the only plane aloft in America. The crew arrived safely in Houston with the liver. Today, that six-month-old baby girl is now a healthy, thriving college student.

Back to September 2001, heightened security was implemented at airports and government buildings nationwide, due to the uncertainty of another attack. Tennessee's governor, Don Sundquist, said he would "order the Tennessee National Guard to do whatever necessary to enhance airport security." The orders came quickly and on September 28th, Guardsmen went on duty at Tennessee airports. Military officials expected to fill the order entirely with volunteers and did not anticipate the need to make an official call. That is exactly what happened. Guardsmen volunteered en masse to assist with airport security; hundreds of volunteers were turned away.

As Tennesseans, we are proud to be known as 'the Volunteer State', and these acts of volunteerism are seen today as Tennesseans continue to serve in relief efforts across our nation. We are the Volunteer State indeed! Thank you to all who serve.





Mayor Hutto
OUT AND ABOUT



Mayor Hutto Proclaims September as 'Suicide Prevention Awareness Month'

Earlier this week, Mayor Hutto met with Mrs. Brenda Harper with the Tennessee Suicide Prevention Network to discuss the importance of suicide prevention. The Tennessee Suicide Prevention Network is a grassroots collaboration of Tennesseans and organizations working to eliminate the stigma of suicide, educate the community about the warning signs of suicide, and ultimately reduce the rate of suicide in our state. After their meeting, the mayor signed a proclamation which declared the month of September as "Suicide Prevention Awareness Month" in Wilson County, Tennessee.



The proclamation acknowledged that suicide is one of the most disruptive and tragic events that a family and a community can experience, with more than 1,100 lives lost in Tennessee each year and an estimated 25 attempted suicides for each suicide death. Sadly, suicide is the ninth-leading cause of all deaths in Tennessee, with more than three lives a day are lost to suicide, which means we lose 21 Tennesseans each week and 97 people per month.

Tennessee is a national leader in the effort to prevent suicide, being one of the first states to develop a suicide prevention and evaluation plan covering the lifespan. In order to raise public awareness of this tragic problem and promote healing for the survivors of those who died by suicide, Remembrance Trees will be located throughout the county. Those who have lost loved ones to suicide may tie a ribbon on designated remembrance trees in memory of that person. The trees will be identified with a sign and a description of where to find the ribbons, which will be provided. Once such tree will be designated at the Wilson County Courthouse. Ribbons and markers for writing the loved ones' names or a message will be available inside. Citizens and visitors alike are welcome to stop by and tie a ribbon to the tree in memory of their loved one(s). Remembrance Trees will also be located at Lebanon City Hall, the Watertown square, Cumberland University, and off of Mt. Juliet Road.

If you or someone you know are in need of help, you are not alone. Call or text 9-8-8 for assistance. There is hope.

Inspire Students
It only takes one.

"I didn't have anyone to help me out with the college process because no one in my family had gone. However, my mentor was really accommodating and we even met in person. My mentor was incredibly supportive!" - Haylee, Montgomery County

TN Achieves
Changing Lives, Transforming Communities

MENTOR

While anyone in need may receive food, those wishing to receive the additional food offered through the USDA should bring the following information which will allow them to receive it:

Monthly household income, or proof of receipt of one of the following benefits:

- SNAP (food stamps)
- Residence in public housing
- Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
- Families First
- Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program

MORE ABOUT S.A.L.T.

The SALT pantry is located at 7019 Hickory Ridge Rd., Lebanon behind the Leeville United Methodist Church.

Contact them at SALT2015@gmail.com or 615-965-5361 (leave message).

They are also on Facebook (SALT Foodbox Ministry) and on www.salt-ministry.org/.



SALT
Serving at the Lord's Table

Hosts Open
Food Pantry
September 10th

This summer, SALT began opening its food pantry for residents of Wilson Co. from 9:00am-12:00pm on the second Saturday of each month. This will be in addition to our regularly scheduled food deliveries. The pantry will not open in months when a mobile food pantry is scheduled, but those needing food may receive it at the mobile food pantry.

Remaining 2022 Open Pantry or Mobile Pantry Dates:

September 10 (*Open Pantry*)

October 15 (*Mobile Pantry*)



November 12 (*Open Pantry*)


December 10 (*Open Pantry*)


Including the USDA food allows us frequently to provide additional food that we don't always otherwise have available such as dairy items, fresh fruits and vegetables, and meats.

JUSTICE FOR ALL: WILSON COUNTY HOLDS EXPUNGEMENT CLINIC *submitted by Susan Shaw*

In a great county-wide collaboration, an expungement clinic and hiring event will be held on Thursday, October 6, 2022 from 3:00 – 7:00PM at The Journey Church located at 1230 Leeville Pike, Lebanon, TN 37187. The American Job Center of Tennessee is hosting the hiring event, working with several partners to help expunge criminal records for those who are eligible. People who want to have records expunged and enter the workforce must register by October 3rd to have a record review on October 6th. Attorneys and judges will be present to assist with reviews at the clinic. Legal advice is free at the event and the record storage fee has been paid by sponsors for this day. All a person needs to do is register at [QR code] by October 3rd and be present at the event on October 6th beginning at 3:00PM! The Expungement Clinic is brought to you by American Job Center with Wilson County Office of the Mayor, Cumberland University, Wilson Works, the City of Lebanon, City of Mt. Juliet, Circuit Court Clerk's Office, with sponsorship from Everyone's Wilson.









JUSTICE FOR ALL

A Tennessee Supreme Court Initiative




EXPUNGEMENT CLINIC






THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2022 • 3PM-7PM

The Journey Church • 1240 Leeville Pike. Lebanon TN, 37187

Find out if you have a path to clear your legal record during this unique expungement and hiring event. **You MUST REGISTER by OCT. 1st so your records can be retrieved by the Court Clerk before the clinic! Please, use the QR code to register, or email for more info:**
sarah.buckles@tn.gov, anthony.m.wheeler@tn.gov, antonio.v.scott@tn.gov.

<p>WILSON COUNTY RECORDS ONLY:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Criminal record review • Judge On-site • Expungement advice and preparation • Meet 1:1 with an attorney • Great opportunity to ask questions 	<p>HIGHLIGHTS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mobile American Job Center • Justice Bus • Adult Education Resources • Second Chance Employers 	<p style="font-weight: bold; color: red;">SCAN TO REGISTER!</p> 
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Proudly presented by:

For more info, email Sarah.buckles@tn.gov, Anthony.m.wheeler@tn.gov, or Antonio.v.scott@tn.gov

American Job Center

Tennessee is not responsible for the participation of any advertised employees of our hiring and resource events. We solicit their participation in good faith that they may attend but acknowledge that unexpected events occur, which may prevent their attendance.

The Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development is committed to principles of equal opportunity, equal access and affirmative action. Auxiliary jobs and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities. Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Authorization No. 15308. This public document was prepared for electronic use.



— HAPPY —

GRANDPARENT'S

DAY

Wishing all grandparents and grandparent figures a Happy Grandparent's Day on Sunday, September 11th!

REGISTER TODAY!

Register at www.sherrysrun.org



September 10th at 8am | 623 West Main Street, Lebanon

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| Housing Payments | Colonoscopy Assistance |

Questions (615) 925-2592 Patient Assistance (615) 925-9932

In Memory of Danny Stewart and Bob Lowe | In Honor of Alex Hutto



MOBILE CAREER CENTER IN LEBANON

DATE: TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6TH

TIME: 1 - 3 PM

LOCATION

134 S. COLLEGE STREET, LEBANON TN

Goodwill's Mobile Career Center will visit 134 S. College St. in Lebanon from 1 pm - 3 pm on Tuesday, September 6th to provide free education, training, and employment services to area residents. You can learn more about the Mobile Career Center here or pre-register for services by visiting www.giveitgoodwill.org/employability-skills or calling (615) 288-2389.



Hope & Recovery FEST

Free Family Event to Celebrate
National Recovery Month

SPEAKERS | LIVE MUSIC | FREE FOOD | KIDS ZONE | RESOURCES

Vendors Register Here



THE RECOVERY FEST WILL BE HELD ON:

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2022
10 AM - 2 PM
CUMBERLAND UNIVERSITY ALUMNI HALL
212 LEEVILLE PIKE, LEBANON, TN

629-210-6626 | info@drugfreewilco.org | drugfreewilco.org

BeHealthy Lebanon

Health Fair

October 1st
10:00 am - 3:00 pm



MIND BODY SPIRIT

Lebanon Community and Education Garden
670 Coles Ferry Pike
Lebanon, TN 37087

Sponsored by VBF, Wilson Co. TNCEP Coalition and Health Dept.

HOME OF THE FREE, BECAUSE OF THE BRAVE

Later this month, we will observe POW / MIA Remembrance Day. This will be a time to remember and honor POWs and those MIA, as well as those who were KIA (Killed in Action) from all wars.

Our military members know all too well that freedom is not free. Please join us in commemorating the brave on POW / MIA Remembrance Day on September 16, 2022.

Thank you to all who serve and protect our nation!



Wilson County Veterans Resource Fair



Friday September 30th, 2022
10:00am – 3:00pm

Resources Include:

- Information on Veteran Benefits
- Learn About Community Resources
- Tour the Veterans Museum
- Tour the Mobile Vet Center
- Networking and Free swag

Everyone Welcome!

Wilson County Veterans Plaza
 304 E. Main St.
 Lebanon, TN 37087



Collaboration for this event by:
WILSON COUNTY VETERANS SERVICE OFFICE
NASHVILLE VET CENTER

Vendors RSVP by September 15th

For more information:
 (615) 444-2460

Sips & Sounds of September

SEPTEMBER 29
 Rural Hill Farm



Rotary
 Mt. Juliet Breakfast Club

Vista Points
 The Special Needs Trust
 & Resource Center



JAMES BESS
foundation

MT. JULIET FIRST RESPONDER BASKETBALL GAME FUNDRAISER

Mt. Juliet Fire Department

Mt. Juliet Police Department



VS



PD - Belmont Men's
Head Coach Casey
Alexander

FD - Belmont
Women's Head
Coach Bart
Brooks

*Proceeds go to the
James Bess Foundation
JamesBess.org*

October 3

TIP OFF 7PM
DOORS OPEN
6:15PM

Tickets

Behind the basket

\$10 single ticket
\$30 for family of 4 or 5

Behind the bench

\$15 single ticket
\$45 for family of 4 or 5

Purchase Tickets at the Door

Mt. Juliet High School Gym
1875 Golden Bear Gateway * Mt. Juliet, TN 37122

Wilson County Observes Recovery Month

The opioid crisis has had a devastating impact on Wilson County residents, with 79 deaths from overdose in 2020, the majority being from opioids. Through commitment and support from one's community, family, healthcare, treatment, and the faith-based community, residents can achieve healthy lifestyles and lead rewarding lives in recovery. Earlier this week, Mayor Hutto met with members of DrugFree WilCo to sign a proclamation which declares the month of September as "Recovery Month" in Wilson County, Tennessee. Recovery Month is observed annually each September, and its purpose is to raise awareness and break the stigma of substance use disorders,

encourage those in need of recovery services to seek help, and celebrate all people that make the journey of recovery possible. In Wilson County, we are grateful for the efforts of DrugFree WilCo, it's coalition members, and its youth division YPC WilCo toward treatment and recovery, helping to break the stigma associated with substance misuse.



TICKETS ARE STILL AVAILABLE!

DrugFree WilCo will present DOPESICK on Thursday, September 8, 2022, at The Capitol Theatre. A panel discussion will be held about the popular book and streaming series DOPESICK, as well as opioid misuse in Tennessee and throughout our country.

Dr. Steven Loyd, who's character was portrayed in DOPESICK, will be present, as well as the author of the book, Beth Macy. Others present will include David Rausch, TBI Director, and Taryn Sloss, TN Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services. Tickets are still available!

Order yours now at:
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/384638663597>

DrugFree WilCo

DOPESICK

September 8, 2022
Capitol Theatre | Lebanon, TN | 6:30PM

A panel discussion around the popular book and streaming series, and opioid misuse in Tennessee and across the country.



DR. STEPHEN LOYD
TN Physician,
portrayed in Dopesick



BETH MACY
Journalist and
Dopesick Author



DAVID RAUSCH
Director of TN
Bureau of
Investigation



TARYN SLOSS
TN Department of
Mental Health and
Substance Abuse
Services

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