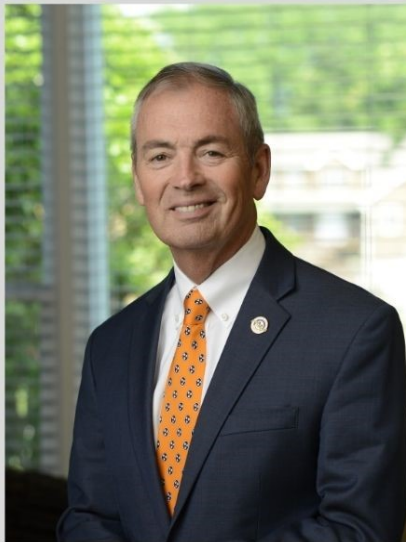




# THE COUNTY CONNECTION

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



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## *A Word from Mayor Hutto...*

Autumn is finally upon us! Our days begin with crisp morning air that gradually turns into warm, sunny days. Leaves scatter on the ground while squirrels prepare for winter. There are many things that have changed about our community over the years, but each seasonal change brings with it a sense of familiarity. Wilson County was founded this time of year over two centuries ago, on October 26, 1799. While this area has faced many challenges since then, it has come a long way! Wilson County provides two exceptional school systems for our children, as well as low taxes and unemployment rates, welcoming environments for our senior adults, and a great quality of life for our residents overall. Our county has become known for its traditions, schools, and businesses, as well as for having the most Century Farms in the state! But the real reason why we call Wilson County 'the Place to Be' is because of YOU - our citizens. As the many generations before us, we hope and pray for only the best of times for our county and its people as we experience both nature's seasons and the many seasons of life. This month, we celebrate 223 years of traditions, family, and community. Happy 223rd Birthday, Wilson County!

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

**Commissioner Spotlight:  
Lauren Breeze  
District 18**



*Contact*  
**INFORMATION**

1014 Bellwood Drive  
Mt. Juliet, TN 37122

615-457-9546  
615-541-2119

**Wilson County  
LANDFILL**

*Winter Hours*

**MONDAYS - FRIDAYS  
7:00 AM - 3:00 PM**

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

**CLOSED SATURDAYS**

**PLEASE DIRECT QUESTIONS  
TO 615.449.6684**

**OCTOBER IS NATIONAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE  
AWARENESS MONTH IN WILSON COUNTY**

Communities all over the country are raising awareness and taking action against domestic violence throughout the course of the month. Statistically speaking, 1 in 3 women will be affected by domestic violence in their lifetime. In 2020, the TN Bureau of Investigation statistics showed that in our state, 69,385 domestic related offenses were flagged.

Domestic Violence Awareness Month (D.V.A.M.) is nationally recognized during the month of October. First launched in 1987, the goal of D.V.A.M. was to raise awareness and provide a way to connect and unite individuals and organizations working on domestic violence issues. Purple is the color associated with D.V.A.M. Therefore, as an additional display of support, the lampposts surrounding the Wilson County Courthouse will be lit in purple each evening throughout October. Wilson County citizens are encouraged to wear purple on Thursday, October 20th in recognition of "Purple Thursday", a day set aside to raise awareness about domestic violence and promote healthy relationships.

Later this month, Mayor Hutto will meet with Jacob Goins, Executive Director of HomeSafe, Inc. to sign a proclamation and declare October as National Domestic Violence Awareness Month in Wilson County. HomeSafe, Inc. is an organization that works towards educating the community and first responders about domestic violence and trauma informed care. In addition, HomeSafe provides services such as danger assessment, safety planning, individual counseling, court advocacy and distribution of food and household needs. If you or someone you know are in need of help, call the National Domestic Violence Helpline at 800-799-7233 or call HomeSafe at (615) 454-8149 or visit their website at [homesafeinc.org](http://homesafeinc.org).

# NOW ACCEPTING NOMINEES FOR GOVERNOR'S VOLUNTEER STARS AWARDS

*submitted by Sara Davenport*

For the past 15 years, Volunteer Tennessee has recognized outstanding volunteers from all around the state in a time-honored event known as Governor's Volunteer Stars Awards. Wilson County will continue to participate this year and we are pleased to open the application process now thru Monday, **November 7**, 2022. This initiative seeks to honor and recognize the outstanding volunteers throughout our county whom, without their dedication, many important and good works could not continue. This is a great way to honor someone's volunteer efforts and open opportunities for others to get involved.

Award recipients are recognized at the county and state level. The nomination process is simple; just visit the Wilson Spotlight section of [wilsoncountyttn.gov](http://wilsoncountyttn.gov) to access the application. You can also contact the Wilson County Mayor's Office at 615/444-1383 to ask questions and learn more about the program.

If you know a great volunteer in your community, we want to hear about them! **Make your nominations today!**



**October 5**  
World  
Teacher's Day

**October 10**  
World Mental  
Health Day

**Oct. 12**  
National  
Farmers Day

**October 16**  
World Food Day

**October 17**  
National  
Bosses Day

**October 26**  
Day of the  
Deployed & Wilson  
County's 223rd  
'Birthday'

**Breast Cancer  
Awareness Month**

**Domestic Violence  
Awareness Month**

IT'S TIME FOR THE 15TH ANNUAL...

## *Governor's* **VOLUNTEER STARS** *Awards*

Know an outstanding volunteer in your community?  
We want to hear about them!



Apply now thru 11.7.22  
Details: contact Sara Davenport at 615.444.1383



THE LEBANON POLICE DEPARTMENT  
INVITES YOU TO JOIN US FOR

# NATIONAL NIGHT OUT 2022

OCTOBER 4, 2022 5-8PM

DON FOX COMMUNITY PARK  
955 W BADDOUR PKWY  
LEBANON, TN 37087



TOGETHER, WE ARE MAKING COMMUNITIES  
SAFER, MORE CARING PLACES TO LIVE AND WORK

join us for

# Halloween ON THE SQUARE

OCTOBER 30  2 - 4:30 PM

Downtown Historic Square  
Lebanon, TN 37087

LEBANON  
WILSON COUNTY  
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

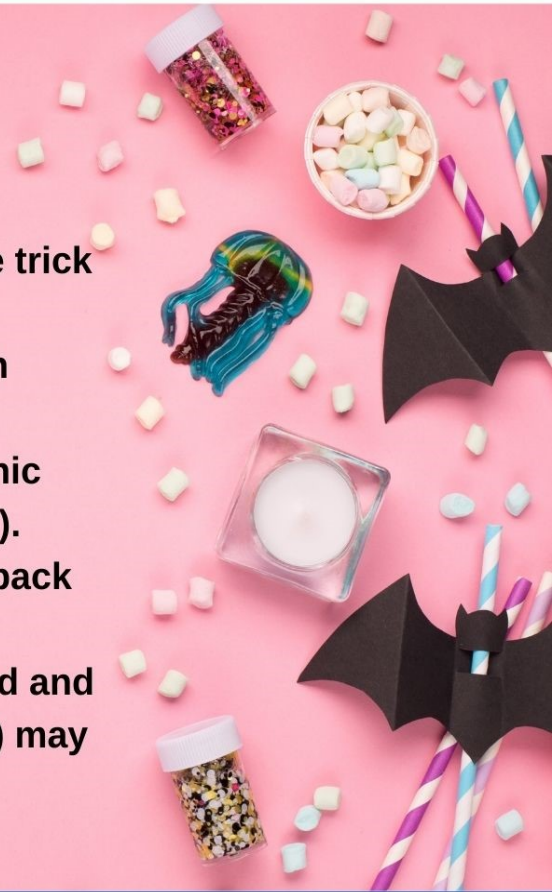
City of  
Lebanon  
Tennessee

for more information call 615.444.5503

## 5 TIPS FOR A SAFE & HEALTHY HALLOWEEN

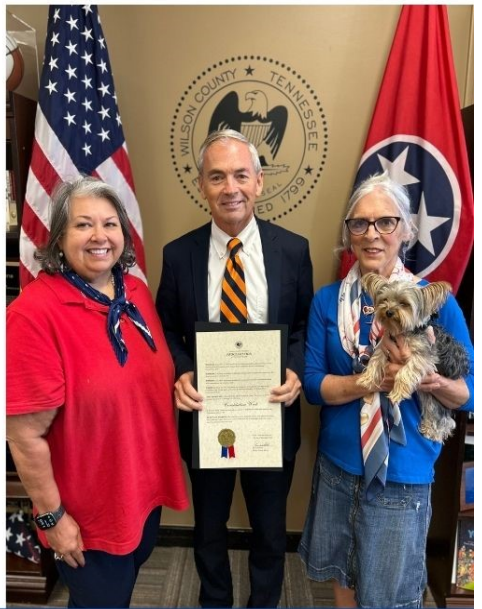
1. Adults should always accompany children while trick or treating.
2. Make sure all adults are carrying flashlights with fresh batteries, and fully charged cell phones.
3. When crossing the street, put down any electronic devices, keep your head up, and walk (don't run).
4. Remind kids not to eat any treats until they get back home.
5. Check every single treat to make sure it is sealed and does not contain any ingredients your child(ren) may be allergic to.

\* More tips can be found at [tn.gov/health](https://www.tn.gov/health).



# Mayor Hutto

OUT AND ABOUT



# LISTEN TO THE LATEST IN WILSON COUNTY

During the 3rd Monday of each month, Mayor Hutto joins Coleman Walker on 98.9FM / 1490AM to discuss the latest in Wilson County, as well as the agenda for that evening's county commission meetings. Mayor Hutto often reminds listeners of upcoming events in the county and discusses the work of many volunteer organizations in our community. There are a lot of good things happening here in Wilson County! Be sure to tune into Coleman and Company on WANT 98.9FM on the 3rd Monday of each month around 7:35a.m. (and the 4th Monday if following a federal holiday). The County Mayor will be a guest on the show on October 17th, so listen in during your morning commute, and be sure to drive safely!



GUEST, MAYOR RANDALL HUTTO

WANT 98.9 FM / WCOR AM 1490  
OCTOBER 17TH | WITH COLEMAN WALKER



## The Wilson County Employee Health Fair

will be held

Wednesday, October 19<sup>th</sup>

at the James E. Ward Agricultural Center in the East-West Building

from 7 am - 2 pm.

Come see us for

Free Flu Shots - Prizes - Snacks

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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](mailto:SALT2015@gmail.com) or 615-965-5361 (leave message).

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



SALT  
*Serving at the Lord's Table*

Hosts Mobile  
Food Pantry  
October 15th

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:

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.



# BLUE DEVIL PANTRY

## COMMUNITY DROP OFF LOCATION:

CITY HALL  
200 NORTH CASTLE HEIGHTS AVENUE  
LEBANON, TN 37087

## ITEMS NEEDED

Let's insure our athletes aren't studying  
or competing on empty stomachs

- Snack Pack Items
- Power Bars
- Snack Crackers
- Chips
- Cheez-Its
- Graham Crackers

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL  
DARRIN REYNOLDS AT 615-218-0790

SUPPORT LEBANON BLUE DEVIL FOOTBALL



MID-CUMBERLAND  
COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY  
*Helping people. Changing lives.*

# FOOD GIVEAWAY

9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

## Wilson County

MCCAA

104 Webster Street  
Lebanon, TN

- October 8, 2022
- January 7, 2023
- April 8, 2023
- July 8, 2023



**SCAN FOR UPCOMING FOOD  
GIVEAWAYS AND MORE!**



TEXT  
Wilson  
TO  
844-399-1113

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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](http://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

*Thank you, teachers, for All that you do!*

World Teacher's Day  
October 5, 2022



National Farmer's Day 10/12  
World Food Day 10/16

Sending a THANK YOU shout-out to our farmers. Without you, we would be hungry. Have a Happy National Farmer's Day!



## 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**



# CHECK POINT TEENS PROCESSING GROUP

led by Mary Owens

Every Tuesday  
Starting on September 20th  
6:00-7:30 pm

**Meeting Location:**  
In the Clubhouse at Lantern Lane  
Farm, 3201 Corinth RD., Mount Juliet,  
TN 37122

Group is \$20 per session, ages 14-18  
Males & females are welcome!

For teens needing a safe place to  
process, struggling with anxiety,  
social issues or negative thoughts.  
Build rapport with other teens  
going through similar issues.

**CALL (615) 973-5454**  
TO PRE-REGISTER TODAY

## 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.

American Job Center  
TENNESSEE

JOBS4TN.GOV



## 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. 1<sup>st</sup> 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.

**WILSON COUNTY RECORDS ONLY:**

- Criminal record review
- Judge On-site
- Expungement advice and preparation
- Meet 1:1 with an attorney
- Great opportunity to ask questions

**HIGHLIGHTS:**

- Mobile American Job Center
- Justice Bus
- Adult Education Resources
- Second Chance Employers

**SCAN TO REGISTER!**



Proudly presented by:



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

Army, Navy, Airforce, Marines, Guard... bring the heat!

## SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2022

# CHILI COOK-OFF

American Legion, Post 17  
1140 South Water Ave, Gallatin, TN 37066

## 10-3PM FREE!



Open to Community & Military.  
Fun for all ages!

Contact Ann Bell for more info.  
annfbell53@gmail.com  
615-417-2275

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American Job Center  
Tennessee is not responsible for the participation of any advertised employers at our hiring and resource events. We solicit their participation in good faith that they may attract knowledge that unexpected events occur, which may prevent their ability to participate in our events.  
The Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development is committed to principles of equal opportunity, equal access and affirmative action. Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities.  
Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Authorization No. 15359. This public document was provided for electronic use.

## People are Helping People in Wilson County, Tennessee!

The organization Wilson Helps has created a new website to connect families and individuals to available resources in our area. The website is a non-profit resource, created by volunteers in Wilson County, TN who are dedicated to helping others. Please help us spread the word about their mission and their new website, [wilsonhelps.org](http://wilsonhelps.org).

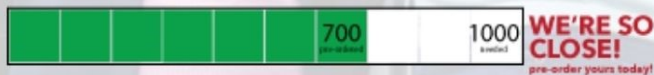


# WILSON COUNTY

The Place to Be



Sales of these specialty license plates will benefit Wilson Rides Inc., a 501c3 non profit organization that provides safe, affordable transportation to seniors 55+ who no longer drive or seldom drive in Wilson County, TN.



For more information, FAQs and/or to purchase a plate, visit [wilsonridesinc.org/product/license-plate/](http://wilsonridesinc.org/product/license-plate/)





### MT. JULIET FIRST RESPONDER BASKETBALL GAME FUNDRAISER

Mt. Juliet Fire Department    Mt. Juliet Police Department


VS


FD - Belmont Women's Head Coach Bart Brooks    PD - Belmont Men's Head Coach Casey Alexander

*Proceeds go to the James Bess Foundation*  
[JamesBess.org](http://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

# Breast Cancer

## AWARENESS MONTH





MID-CUMBERLAND  
COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY  
Helping people. Changing lives.

# VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

## 8:00 AM - 2:00 PM

### Wilson County

MCCAA

104 Webster Street  
Lebanon, TN

- October 8, 2022
- January 7, 2023
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### GET INVOLVED TODAY!

Are you looking for a way to become a part of or give back to your community? Are you looking for a way to get involved? Do you have a youth group or team looking for volunteer hours? Consider joining our valued family of volunteers!

### SCAN FOR MORE INFORMATION ON WAYS YOU CAN VOLUNTEER WITH MCCAA TODAY!



COMMUNITY REGISTERED NURSE NAVIGATOR



Wilson County Health Department

You're Invited

Routine Immunization rates are in decline statewide.

Help us find out why!

Join us on this great educational event, meet our local community partners and organizations, and learn about the various resources here in the Wilson County community.

There will be giveaways, snacks will be provided, and you will have the chance to meet the wonderful people that work hard to serve this amazing community. All strollers welcome!

Who: Wilson County Health Department and community partners

What: Baby Shower for pregnant and post-partum families (up to 6 months)

Where: Wilson County Fairgrounds - 945 E. Baddour Pkwy. Lebanon, TN 37087

When: Thursday October 27 from 9 am to 12 pm

Many thanks to our wonderful sponsors and community partners!



BE HEARD!

Take our survey!



Scan QR code with camera on your personal device to take the survey.

crnm.utk.edu

crnm.utk.edu



\*Project grant funded by the Tennessee Department of Health.

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# CLEANING SOLUTIONS

courtesy of the TN Dept. of Environment & Conservation

## CLEANING HACKS

- ✓ **For Ink or Paint Stains:** Soak in Rubbing Alcohol for 30 minutes or spray hair spray on it and wash out.
- ✓ **Grass Stains:** Scrub with liquid dish soap or treat with a 50/50 Hydrogen Peroxide and water mix.
- ✓ **Mold and Mildew:** Use White Vinegar or Lemon Juice full strength. Apply with a sponge or scrubby allow 30 minutes.
- ✓ **Cutting Boards:** Use a Lemon, cut it in half, run it over the surfaces, let sit for ten minutes, and then rinse away. If you need serious scrubbing power, sprinkle some coarse or Kosher Salt over the board, and then rub with a ½ a Lemon.



- ✓ **Tea or Coffee Stains:** Immediately pour boiling water over the stain until it is gone, or if it is already set, scrub with a paste of Borax and water then wash immediately.
- ✓ **Rust Remover:** Sprinkle a little Salt on the rust, squeeze a Lime over the salt until it is well soaked. Leave the mixture on for 2-3 hours. Use leftover rind to scrub residue.
- ✓ **Stickers on Walls:** To remove, sponge Vinegar over them several times, and wait 15 minutes, then rub off the stickers. This also works for price tag (stickers) on tools, etc.