



# WILSON COUNTY CONNECTION

Lebanon Mt. Juliet Watertown



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## A Word From Your County Mayor Randall Hutto

October is an exciting month here in Wilson County as we celebrate the long anticipated grand opening of our Veterans Museum. On October 19th, 2017 at 4:00 PM a celebration and ceremony will be held on the grounds of the Wilson County Veterans Memorial Plaza and Museum. At 4:00 PM, music will begin playing and at 4:30 PM the program will begin. We invite you all to attend this monumental event in Wilson County history.

The idea for a veterans museum first came about several years ago when Terry Ashe, Sheriff at the

time, challenged Wilson County citizens to build a place suitable to honor our veterans and all they have sacrificed for our country. Two commissions, 4 architects, 1 builder, and countless sponsorships later: that dream has finally become a stunning reality.

Nearly every department in Wilson County government has played some sort of role in the development of this museum. It has truly been a labor of love.

The Veterans Museum features a variety of exhibits that tell the history of America's wars and the

men and women who fought in those wars. Pictures line the walls and display cases are full of original artifacts, uniforms and military memorabilia. The museum also features a helicopter that doubles as an interactive exhibit. The museum will not only serve as an educational experience. It will also serve as a tribute to all of those that serve our country on a daily basis. Every wall, every artifact, every detail was planned intricately to highlight the sacrifice and service of the men and women of



our Armed Forces.

I believe the opening of this museum comes at an appropriate time. As so much violence and hate infiltrates our society, it's important to stand united despite our differences in background or opinion. This museum is not a testament to politics or to "sides" in an argument, but to freedom, justice, liberty and most of all, heart. I hope you will make plans to attend.

## WILSON COUNTY DISTRICT 9



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# HR CORNER

WILSON COUNTY GOVERNMENT

Human Resources is doing a Monthly Employee Giveaway. We have several fun items for you to pick from. All Wilson County Employees will have a chance to win during their anniversary month. Please contact HR at 615-466-5152 or 615-466-5138 to claim your prize.

**October Winners: Tammy Smith (Election); Shelly Shrum (Ag. Extension); Stephen Goodall (Property Assessor); Frank Seres (WEMA); John Hiett (WEMA)**

Come visit the HR table at the Employee Health Fair on Tuesday, October 17th! We will have spin the wheel and will be giving away different prizes throughout the day!



Do you know someone who should be acknowledged for their volunteer work?

Nominate them for the

## Governor's Volunteer Star Award

For more information visit:

[www.wilsoncountyttn.gov/volunteer-stars-awards](http://www.wilsoncountyttn.gov/volunteer-stars-awards)

Or

[Lebanondemocrat.com/GVSA](http://Lebanondemocrat.com/GVSA)

Application deadline is December 15, 2017



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**[ SEPTEMBER 7 - OCTOBER 19 ]**  
4PM THURSDAYS AT WILSON COUNTY EXPO

945 E Baddour Pkwy, Lebanon



**We'll close out the season with our friends at Taste of Wilson County!**

**Mark your calendars for the new location:**

300 N. Maple Street, Lebanon



# HONOR RIDE CHECK PRESENTATION



The 5th annual Honor Ride was held on Saturday, July 8th. The honor ride is an annual event initiated by Mayor Bernie Ash to raise funds for the Veterans Park and Museum. The event brings together a variety of motorcycle clubs and individu-

als to ride together in support of the veterans and their service to our country. Many of the clubs and individuals that participate in this event do so every year. Though Mayor Ash is no longer Veterans Services director, his participation with

the event remains just as strong. This year's ride was sponsored by CMT Abate Motorcycle Club. The event raised \$8,913.00. After expenses over \$6,000.00 was raised for the Veterans Plaza. On Tuesday, September 5, Mayor Hutto

participated in the check presentation. Thanks to all of those that participated in this event! As always, a very special thanks to all of the service men and women who serve, or have served, in our nation's military.

## Wilson County Employees Health & Benefit Fair

Tuesday, October 17, 2017

7:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Ag Expo Center

Come have refreshments and get your flu shot. The Wilson County Employee Clinic will be on site to administer flu shots for all employees and retirees. Dependents may make an appointment at the Employee Clinic for the vaccine as available.

*Refreshments will be served all day*

**Register for Door Prizes!!  
You do not have to be present to WIN**

# EDUCATION SPOTLIGHT

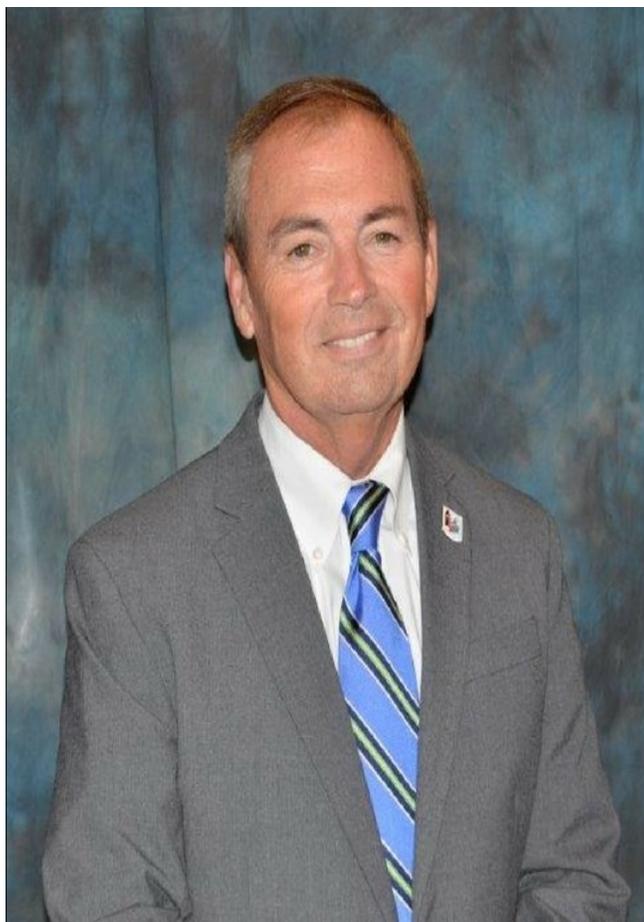
On September 14, Lebanon High School held a grand opening ceremony for their new Biotechnology Lab. Ms. Melisa Bunch showed off the new lab to visitors and explained why this installment is such

a groundbreaking opportunity for the students. Lebanon High School has partnered with Volunteer State Community College to develop a new STEM Biotechnology Program. Biotech classes were first

offered last year, as a part of the school's CTE program, but the new lab equipment, which was added over the summer, will greatly enhance the learning experiences for the students.

While other states have

been offering biotech classes for a number of years, the class that is being offered at Lebanon High School is the first of its kind in the state of Tennessee.



## MEET THE MAYOR

LAST WEDNESDAY OF EVERY MONTH

MT. JULIET CHAMBER OF COMMERCE 8:30-10:00 AM

WATERTOWN- MI RANCHITO 11:00-12:30 AM

LEBANON CHAMBER 1:30-3:00 PM



# GHOSTUME CONTEST

*Wilson County Employees*

*Mayor's Office*

*9AM*

*October 31st*

*Prize Sponsored by:*



## Stay Connected

Stay Connected with Mayor Hutto and the Wilson County Mayor's Office! Follow Mayor Hutto on Twitter and Facebook. Also be sure to check out our website for information on all county offices.



**Wilson County**  
[www.wilsoncountyttn.gov](http://www.wilsoncountyttn.gov)





# HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION EVENT

October 7, 2017

8 AM-1 PM

James E Ward Ag Center

925 E. Baddour Parkway, Lebanon, TN 37087

**PLEASE ENTER ON TENNESSEE BLVD**

Acceptable items: **Household cleaners** (*Drain openers, oven cleaners, wood cleaners and polishes, metal cleaners and polishes, toilet bowl cleaners, disinfectants*). **Home maintenance chemicals** (*paint thinner, wood preservatives, adhesives, paint strippers and removers*). **Lawn and garden chemicals** (*herbicides, pesticides, fungicides fertilizers*). **Automotive products** (*Fuel additives, greast and rust solvents, air conditioning refrigerants, starter fluids, body putty, coolants, carburetor and fuel injector cleaners*). **Miscellaneous:** (*Fingernail polish remover, pool chemicals, photo processing chemicals, medicines and drugs, reactive materials, aerosols (spray cans), compressed gas, mercury lead, needles/sharps in container*).

**NO medical or infections waste, explosives, ammunition, radioactive waste including smoke detectors, or any empty containers**

**Waste from NON-household sources such as businesses, schools, farms, churches, etc will be accepted by appointment only. Call 615-643-3170 to request a price quote and schedule an appointment.**

**Paint and electronics are accepted during normal business hours at the  
Wilson County Landfill**

**PLEASE CALL 615-444-8360 FOR MORE INFO!**

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# BECOME A MENTOR

APPLY AT [WWW.TNACHIEVES.ORG](http://WWW.TNACHIEVES.ORG) BY DECEMBER 1



## Task-Master

Keep students on track by reminding them of requirements and deadlines



## Resource

Become a trusted resource for students and their families



## Encourager

Encourage students to reach their full potential



# IMAGINATION LIBRARY WEEK



Imagination Library week took place September 18-September 22, 2017. As always, our office was excited to participate. Left is newsletter editor Bethany Harrison reading to Mrs. Mullinik's Pre K class at Rutland Elementary School. Imagination Library Week is in support of Dolly Parton's Imagination Library.



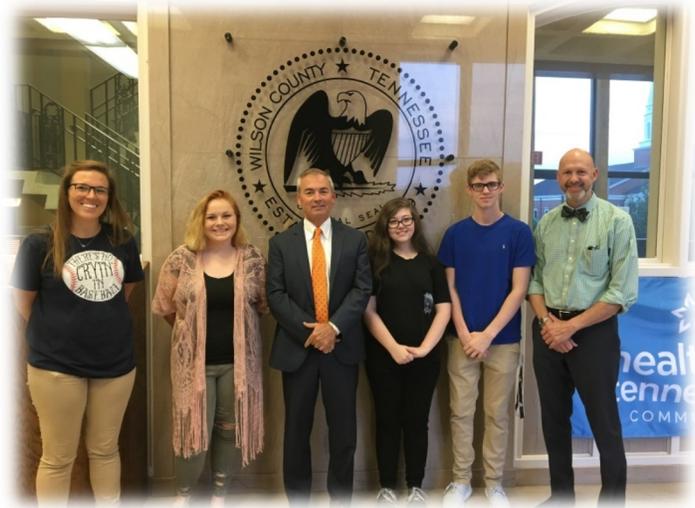
# SISTER CITY SIGNING



On September 18, Wilson County Mayor Randall Hutto, Lebanon Mayor Bernie Ash and State Representative Mark Pody participated in a sister city signing. The sister city signing is a friendship agreement signed between two cities in separate countries. This one, just so happens to be between Lebanon and Dongguan Chi-na. Above, Mayor Hutto is seen presenting

Mayor Weldon Liam of Dongguan Chi-na with a jersey from Lebanon Hugh School, where Mayor Hutto used to serve as basketball coach. Wonder Porcelain CEO Michael Kephart arranged the meeting between the mayors. Also in attendance were Governor Bill Haslam and ECD Commissioner Bob Rolfe.

# WILSON COUNTY'S GOT TALENT



For the past several years, the Wilson County Mayor's office has chosen to honor Wilson County's local talent. The Four County High Schools provided the courthouse with a frame which houses a piece of artwork to represent each school. The artwork graces the doors of the Wilson County Courthouse for a year and then is returned to the school along with a plaque bearing the artist names, school, teacher and graduation year. New artwork is up and ready for viewing. **"We have so much talent in our county and we feel like this is a great way to show them off to other people but also let them know how proud we are of them and offer some encouragement. I look forward to the new artwork each year. It's**

**always exciting to see these young students' interpretation of a particular theme. Our teachers do a great job with these students and we can't thank them enough."** County Mayor, Randall Hutto. This year's featured artists include: Dakota Moore of Mt. Juliet High School, taught by Mr. Derek Ellwell; Caleb Durham of Lebanon High School, taught by Ms. Cynthia Upshur; Jerrica Shehane of Watertown High School, taught by Ms. Sarah Gentry and Alanah Richardson of Wilson Central High School, taught by Ms. April Grooms who were unavailable at the time of picture. Congratulations to all the selected artist. We can't wait to see what you'll do next!

# LEBANON BREAKFAST ROTARY

*- Presents their fifth annual -*



## FISH FRY

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# AVIATION HERITAGE DAY

SATURDAY 4:00PM TO 7:00PM

# OCTOBER 21ST, 2017

**LIVE MUSIC! · RAIN OR SHINE! · JUST \$15.00 AT THE DOOR!**  
**- DON'T WORRY, WE'LL HAVE THE BIG GAME ON -**



*- Please join us for -*

**FISH, HUSH PUPPIES, FRIES, SLAW, & MANY HOMEMADE DESSERTS  
TEA, SOFT DRINKS, & WATER · TAKE OUT AVAILABLE**

*- Venue -*

**THE LEBANON MUNICIPAL AIRPORT  
760 FRANKLIN ROAD · LEBANON, TENNESSEE 37090**

**This event is sponsored by the Lebanon Breakfast Rotary.**

All proceeds will support local causes such as Wilson Books from Birth, The Lebanon Youth Soccer Association, Scholarships for Wilson County Students to attend Cumberland University, & many more.

**FOR ADVANCE SALES TICKETS OR TO BECOME A SPONSOR, CONTACT: BONESUANNE5@GMAIL.COM**



Nashville

Knoxville

Appalachian mtns

Smoky mtns



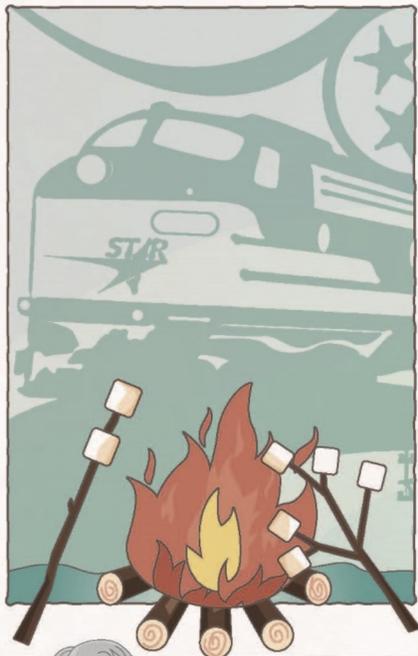
Issue #2

We've got issues... and this is number two!

# Fall Faves & Flaves

A guide to **some** of our favorite restaurants, shops, boutiques, and attractions in Wilson County, Tennessee!

It's fall y'all! Fall is an excellent time to drive out to the country and see what Wilson County is all about. Check out Faves & Flaves for a sampling of what we have to offer. Wilson County is located 16 miles from Downtown Nashville and offers a hometown flair with unique shopping and dining opportunities with a slower more relaxing pace. Stay a spell! You'll be happy you did.



I'm Penny  
PENNY CARROLL  
Marketing Coordinator

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I'm Jenny  
JENNY BENNETT  
Tourism Director



# City of Watertown

- 01** Star Dust Drive In  
310 Purple Tiger Dr.
- 02** Watertown Square  
Watertown Chamber of Commerce  
Town Square Antiques  
Dainty Darlin  
Watertown Flower Shop  
Walker Creek Confections
- 03** Lulu's Cafe  
120 East Main St.
- 04** Nona Lisa Pizzeria  
208 East Main St.
- 05** Depot Junction Cafe  
108 Depot Ave.



Visit the boutiques on North Mt. Juliet Rd.  
[www.VisitMtJuliet.com](http://www.VisitMtJuliet.com)

# City of Mt. Juliet

- 01** Providence Marketplace  
Regal Providence Theater  
Shopping Outlets  
Restaurants
- 02** Martin's BBQ  
1127 Westwood Blvd.
- 03** Persis Biryani Indian Grill  
630 S Mt. Juliet Rd.
- 04** Lasaters Coffee & Tea  
1400 North Mt. Juliet Rd. #100
- 05** Mt. Juliet Chamber of Commerce  
2055 North Mt. Juliet Rd. #200

## Places of Interest

- 06** Charlie Daniels Park
- 07** Circle P Ranch
- 08** Longhunter State Park
- 09** Juro Stables



# City of Lebanon

(pronounced 'Lebinan')

- 01** **Historic Lebanon Square**  
Lebanon Wilson County Chamber of Commerce  
Iddy & Oscars      Capital Theatre  
Urban Mills        Wilkies Outfitters  
Dreams Boutique    Jessy's Boutique  
Poppies Boutique   Simple Southern Threads
- 02** **The Mill at Lebanon**  
300 N Maple St.  
Bloom Yoga        Lucky Pearl Designs  
Bloem Kind Boutique   Harper's Books  
Eden's Edge Boutique   No. 26 Bath Boutique  
Nashville Farmhouse   Marketplace at the Mill  
Vibes Coffee
- 03** **Downtown Antiques**  
112 Public Sq.
- 04** **Friends n Stitches**  
106 N Greenwood St.
- 05** **Taters Restaurant**  
307 W Main St. E
- 06** **David's Pizza**  
329 N Cumberland St.
- 07** **Antiques On 231**  
320 S Cumberland St.
- 08** **Los Compadres Mexican Restaurant**  
510 W Main St.
- 09** **Pro Bowl West & Cosmic Bowling**  
501 W Badolozz Pkwy.
- 10** **Jimmy Floyd Family Center**  
511 N Castle Heights Ave.
- 11** **Clayborn's Bakery**  
1021 W Main St.
- 12** **Lonesome Cowboy**  
610 S Cumberland St.
- 13** **Yummi Thai**  
155 Legenda Dr.
- 14** **Sunset Restaurant**  
640 Cumberland St.
- 15** **Demos' Restaurant**  
130 Legenda Dr.
- 16** **Roxy Movie Theater**  
200 Legenda Dr.
- 17** **The White Room**  
1001 Manchester Rd.
- 18** **Lebanon Outlet Marketplace**  
1 Outlet Village Blvd.
- 19** **Mangos Mexican Restaurant**  
307 W Main St.
- 20** **Stroud's Barbeque**  
1400 W Badolozz Pkwy.
- 21** **Snow White Drive In**  
174 W Main St.



**Places of Interest**

- 22** Wilson County Fairgrounds at the James Ward Ag. Center  
Wilson County Expo Center  
Fiddlers Grove Historical Village  
Home of the Wilson County Fair
- 23** Cedars of Lebanon State Park
- 24** Sellers Farm State Archaeological Area
- 25** Silver Ridge Pottery
- 26** Jug Creek Distillery
- 27** Cumberland University
- 28** Wilson County Veterans Museum
- 29** Centerstage Theatre Productions
- 30** Watermelon Moon Farm
- 31** Old Hickory Lake Cabins
- 32** Cherokee Steak House & Marina
- 33** Circle S Farms

Cedars of Lebanon State Park - 900 Acres, 117 Campsites  
8 miles of hiking trails as well as beautifully furnished cabins tucked among in the cedar trees

Watermelon Moon Farm Experience the pure joy of country life. Whether your visit is for the B&B, a luncheon, or shopping, you'll leave with a smile on your face.

Fiddlers Grove Historical Village includes over 40 restored or replicated historical buildings and artisans which tell the story of Lebanon & Wilson County.

**Fun Fall Activities at the Fairgrounds**

- Spooky Stroll
- Batch & Bushel

Sellers Farm Archaeological Area is a Mississippian Period town site, managed by Long Hunter State Park. In 1939 "The Ancestor" an 18 sandstone statue of a kneeling male figure was found, along with a companion female statue estimated to have been carved between 1000 and 1350 AD.

# GNRC Awards

Mayor Hutto along with the city mayors from Mt. Juliet, Watertown, and Lebanon, as well as the members of the JECDB attended the 2017 GNRC Annual Business Meeting on September 27, 2017. Wilson County received quite a few awards at the event. The event honors local governments for their improvements to their areas in categories ranging from economic development to recreation and youth engagement. Wilson County received four local gov-

ernment awards at the event. The awards were

awarded to the following organizations: Wilson County Health Council for State Recre-



awarded to the following organizations: Wilson County Health Council for State Recre-

ation and Youth Engagement; Wilson County Expo Center for enhancing Economic Development; the Volunteer Spirit Safety First

Initiative for enhancing Protective Services; Wilson County Government for Bond Rating Upgrade enhancing Economic Development; Wilson County Government for WEMA Station 7, Statesville Community enhancing Protective Services. Wilson County government also received the Marshall S. Stuart Award along with the city of Lebanon for the Lebanon Municipal Airport Expansion Initiative.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE  
WILSON COUNTY VETERANS MUSEUM

## GRAND OPENING

Thursday 19 October 2017  
Music Begins 4:00  
Program Begins 4:30

Refreshments will be provided

We hope to see you there

Please RSVP by 6 October 2017  
615-444-2460  
304 East Main Street Lebanon, TN 37087  
Roberts1@wilsoncountyttn.gov

## SURPLUS AUCTION



It's that time of year again! The annual surplus auction will take place on November 3, 2017 at the James E Ward Agricultural Center. If you have any items needing to be sold, please declare them "Surplus to be Sold" or "Surplus to be Destroyed". Please reach out to Debbie Green-Fischer or to Sharon Lackey with any questions.