



WILSON COUNTY CONNECTION

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A Word From Your County Mayor Randall Hutto

Happy New Year! 2019 is already off to a great start here in the County Mayor's Office. We have so many new and exciting projects ahead of us and many to continue this year.

As always, we plan to continue to work closely with regional organizations such as the Greater Nashville Regional Council, Metro Transit Authority and Mid Cumberland Human Resource Agency to ensure our citizens are receiving all of the services they need on a regional level. One goal in particular is to expand services for senior citizens countywide while continuing to inform our seniors on the assistance

available to them. Many people in our county have retired, may be financially independent, healthy and looking for a way to contribute back to society. We are forming a volunteer program which helps active retirees connect with volunteer opportunities throughout the county. We believe that we have active seniors who want to be productive and just need a place to plug in. Hopefully, we can develop a program that will make the connections needed to give our seniors a purpose during their retirement for a healthier lifestyle mentally, physically and spiritually.

We also are striving to work closer with our agricultural community here in Wilson County. With all of the growth and expansion, it may seem as if agriculture isn't getting as much spotlight as it deserves. Wilson County is number one in agriculture in so many ways and we hope to not only highlight our farmers, but provide assistance to their needs as well.

In 2018 the Office of the County Mayor facilitated the Wilson County Homeless Coalition as well as Drug Free WilCo.



These two groups are composed of concerned citizens, county employees and community leaders that seek to make a stand against very real issues in our community. We plan to continue to assist these groups in making a difference in the lives of our citizens as well. We are excited to get to work for all of you in 2019 to continue making Wilson County the place to be!

WILSON COUNTY DISTRICT 23



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Lebanon, TN 37090

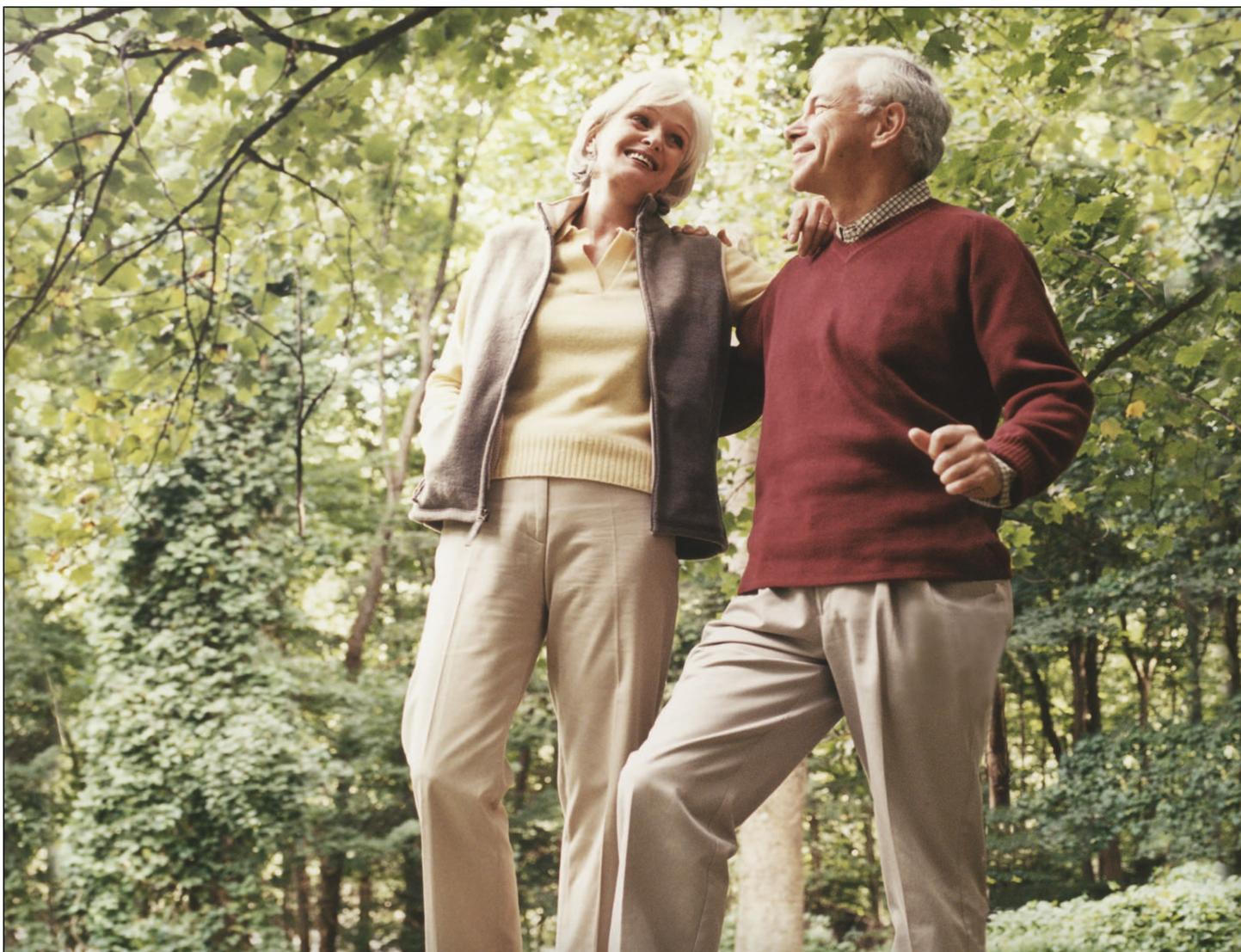
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Mayor Hutto's Open House

Mayor Hutto hosted his annual Christmas Open House on December 6, 2018. The night is one for food, fun and fellowship. It hosts government officials, employees, business leaders and residents from all over Wilson County. A very special thank you to all of those that helped put the event together and to all who attended. All photos courtesy of Matt Masters, The Lebanon Democrat.





Put an end to joint pain.

Free Hip & Knee Pain Seminar hosted by an orthopedic surgeon.

Join us for a free seminar on arthritis and joint pain. A Tennova Healthcare orthopedic surgeon will discuss the most common causes of pain and the latest treatment options, from diet and exercise to medications and surgery — including robotic-assisted total and partial knee replacement and total hip replacement.

To RSVP, call 615-235-6937, or visit TennovaOrtho.com.

Thursday, January 10 • 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Tennova Healthcare - Lebanon

1411 W. Baddour Pkwy. • Community Cares Classroom
Space is limited.

Patient results may vary. Consult your physician about the benefits and risks of any surgical procedure or treatment.

Mayor Hutto Attends “New Water Rule” National Announcement at the Wilson County Expo

It's not every day that Wilson County receives national attention. However, when it comes to agriculture, Wilson County is definitely on the map. So much so, the Wilson County Exposition Center was recently selected to host a special announcement regarding the “New Water Rule”. American Farm Bureau, Tennessee Farm Bureau along with the United States Department of Agriculture and the Environmental Protection Agency sponsored the event and led the announcement outlining how the new rules will affect farmers nationwide.

The “New Water Rule” restructures the “Waters of the United States” Act that allowed the federal government significant control over water sources located on privately owned property. The “Waters of the United States” Act was initially proposed to improve and preserve the overall water quality throughout the United States. However, due to the number of regulations placed on landowners, the agricultural community expressed concerns nationwide. In addition, many farmers faced federal charges because of the overlapping jurisdiction

of water sources located on their farms. The “New Water Rule” is a compromise between the USDA and EPA to give the power back to the

landowner while also preserving water quality.

In addition to the announcement of the “New Water Rule”, the Farm Bill is also on its way to being signed into law. The bill outlines several key pieces of legislation in favor of farmers. One key component of the bill that will directly impact Wilson County residents is the installment of broadband internet in rural communities. Deemed a necessity among federal and state lawmakers alike, broadband would offer much needed internet service to farmers and ranchers nationwide.

The highly anticipated announcement regarding this new rule brought elected

officials, business leaders, farmers from across Tennessee and surrounding states to the James E Ward Agricultural Center on December

Tennessee was also in attendance as well as Tennessee Commissioner of Agriculture, Jai Templeton. Students involved with Wilson

County's local 4-H and FFA chapters also attended the event.

So why was Wilson County selected to host such a large scale announcement? There are a number of reasons. First and foremost, agriculture is number one in Wilson County. Historically, our county has thrived because of the contributions of our farmers. In fact, Wilson County has

such a rich history in agriculture that the Wilson County Ag Hall of Fame is on permanent display in the Wilson County Exposition Center. Because of this exhibit, each and every person that attends an event at the Wilson County Expo is exposed to agriculture and its effect on our community. The James E. Ward Agricultural Center and the Wilson County Exposition Center are also recognized nationwide for hosting premier agriculturally related events from the Wilson County Fair to the National Jr. High Finals Rodeo and more. Last but not least, many Wilson County citizens are members of Tennessee Farm Bureau, the largest bureau in the nation.



As County Mayor, I am humbled to be a part of such a great community. I am thankful that the rest of the country recognized Tennessee, Wilson County, the James E Ward Agricultural

Center and the Wilson County Expo as a premier venue for such an announcement. I would like to personally thank Charity Toombs, Marketing Director; Zendel Murphy, Direc-

tor of Operations; and the entire staff at the Wilson County Exposition Center for their dedication to incredible customer service. I would also like to thank James E. Ward Agriculture

Center Director, Quintin Smith for managing the entire grounds of the Ag Center so that various events can all take place at the same time without a hitch.



Your Local American Job Center is here to help!

JOB FAIR

EVERY Third Wednesday of the month
From 9 am - 1 pm

“American Job Center”

*Located inside the Tennessee College of Applied Technology
School (TCATS)*

*415 Tennessee Blvd. Lebanon, TN 37087
615-444-9355*

The American Job Center provides the following services:

- Jobs4tn.gov registration assistance
- Resource room with computers, internet, telephones & fax machine
- Daily and monthly Hiring Events
- Variety of training and certification programs
- Re-employment services
- Veterans services

All services are FREE OF CHARGE!!!

Priority of service is given to veterans and their eligible spouses who meet certain eligibility requirements.

In order to utilize any of our services, we ask that you register on Jobs4TN.gov

For more information you may also contact Katrina.Moss@tn.gov or call (615) 494-4278

Tourism Hosts Open House

The Wilson County Convention and Visitors Bureau recently moved to a new location. Just a hop, skip and a jump away from the Wilson County Courthouse, the office is now located at 400 E. Spring Street (formerly

the Adult High School). To celebrate the move and the debut of the new Wilson County Visitors Guide, the tourism team opened their doors for a Holiday Open House. Visitors enjoyed tours of the new facility, door

prizes, refreshments and a photo booth. Christmas music and conversation filled the air as members of the community gathered together to celebrate this place we call “home”: Wilson County, TN. To stay in the know,

be sure to follow “Wilson County Convention and Visitors Bureau” on Facebook, @visitwilco on Instagram and Twitter or visit www.visitwilco.com!



WILSON COUNTY SOLID WASTE

Christmas Tree Recycling

ROCKWOOD RECYCLING- (510 HARTMANN DRIVE) ACCEPTING LIVE TREES FROM 12/26 UNTIL 1/5

WILSON COUNTY LANDFILL (378 DUMP ROAD) ACCEPTING LIVE TREES MONDAY THRU FRIDAY FROM 7 AM UNTIL 3 PM

LIVE TREES ONLY

WILSON COUNTY RESIDENTS ONLY

ALL LIGHTS AND ORNAMENTS MUST BE REMOVED

SAVE THE DATE!

A Presentation Event by
DrugFree WilCo & Wilson Co. Schools Family Resource Center

The Opioid Crisis: How it Affects Our Schools & Community



Thursday, January 24, 2019

6:00 PM - 8:00PM

Light refreshments provided

Wilson County Board of Education

415 Harding Dr.

Lebanon, TN



**WILSON COUNTY
SCHOOLS**
Excellence in all we do!



All County Offices will be CLOSED on
January 21, 2019 in observance of
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.



Meet the **MAYOR**

the last Wednesday of every month

Mt. Juliet
Chamber of Commerce
8:30AM-10:00AM

Watertown
The Depot Junction Cafe
11:00AM-12:30PM

Lebanon
Chamber of Commerce
1:30PM-3:00PM



*no appointment necessary,
drop by and let's talk*

TWO LOCATIONS

EMISSIONS TESTING

MT. JULIET • LEBANON



MT. JULIET-SGT. JERRY MUNDY MEMORIAL PARK

- Mobile emissions inspection van
- Open Every Wednesday, Thursday and Friday
- 7:30 AM-1:00 PM

LEBANON-810 TENNESSEE BLVD.

- 7 AM-6PM, Mon & Tue
- 7 AM-5PM, Wed- Fri
- 8 AM-1 PM, Sat

Just a note:

Severe weather or operational constraints may prohibit operation of the Mt. Juliet Station. Please call 399-8995 to ensure the unit is operating.

Wilson County also offers online registration renewal. Visit www.wilsoncountyclerk.com for more information.

ugly sweater day

A big thanks to all of those that participated in our courthouse "Ugly Sweater Day" on December 21st!



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.

January 2019 Winners

Mary Scruggs- Animal Control

Tracy Galerno- Trustee

Julie Hooper- Tax office

Eliza Lewis- Ag Center

Charles Cato- Solid Waste



You can now tune in LIVE to the monthly County Commission meetings on WCTV!

AT&T Cable Channel 99

WCTV YouTube Channel

**The County's Website
(www.wilsoncountyttn.gov)**

HIRING EVENT

AmericanJobCenter
TENNESSEE

JOBS4TN.GOV

Murfreesboro Hiring Event

Event Time

Thursday, January 10, 2018
9:00 am to 1:00 pm

Location

American Job Center-
Murfreesboro
[1313 Old Fort Parkway,](#)
[Murfreesboro, TN 37129](#)

For more information, email
Jeffrey.Glidden@tn.gov
or call **615-494-4271**

Register on Jobs4TN.gov for even more!

Priority of service provided to registered Veterans

Employers Include:

*Allied Universal
YMCA
Yates (Nissan)
Geodis
TruGreen
Verizon Wireless
Hire Dynamics
BCServices
Penske
Flood Brothers
Metro Industrial
Senior Solutions
Bojangles
and many others...*

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 attend but acknowledge that unexpected events occur, which may prevent their attendance.