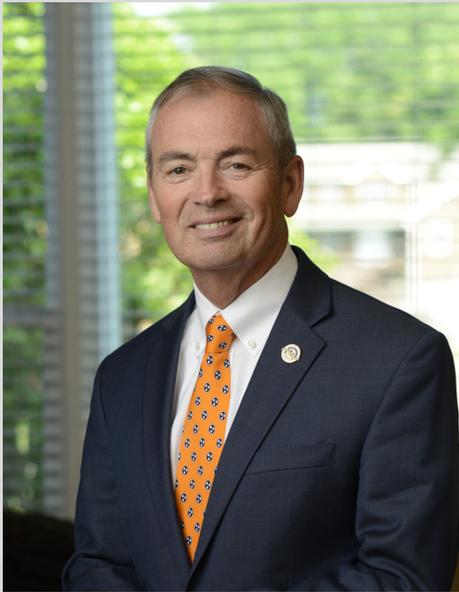




THE COUNTY CONNECTION

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



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A Word from Mayor Hutto...

"There is a child in every one of us who is still a trick-or-treater looking for a brightly-lit front porch"-Robert Brault

Traditionally, on Halloween, children know they are welcome to trick-or-treat at a house where the porch light shines. Though obviously not every house is a safe house to trick-or-treat at, generally speaking a brightly illuminated porch signals "spooks are welcome here" and probably most importantly "free candy". This gesture itself is counter-cultural if you think about it. We are a society that lives behind a screen. Technology is our largest avenue for connection, and technology rarely inspires us to connect face-to-face. Yet on Halloween, we light up our porches, open our doors and welcome others for a brief opportunity to connect.

I have found during my time in office that people, at their core, long for connection with others. They long to be a part of something bigger than themselves, and together, make a difference. Over the last few years of my time in office, my team and I have worked to provide all citizens opportunities for genuine connection. Whether it be the Drug Free WilCo Coalition, the Homeless Coalition, Aging Matters, or the opening of the Wilson County Exposition Center, we work daily to illuminate Wilson County with opportunities for connection. Our desire is to "light up" our county in such a way that it is truly a welcoming place by making every citizen feel seen and heard. However, we can only shine so bright without community involvement. We need you! Consider how you can get involved in our county. Find your passion and plug in-your light is valuable and needed.

Randall Hutto

Commissioner Spotlight: Terry Scruggs District 7



Terry Scruggs

Contact
INFORMATION

Address: 4981 Linwood Rd
Watertown, TN 37184

Phone: 615-237-0565

Know someone who's a
GREAT volunteer?
We want to hear
about them!
Nominate them for the
Governor's Volunteer Star
Award
visit
www.wilsoncountyttn.gov
under announcements
for more info.
applications due
November 22, 2019

Burn Ban Rescinded in Wilson County- Burn Permit Still Required

Due to dangerously dry conditions, WEMA along with Mayor Hutto and Tennessee Department of Agriculture Commissioner Charlie Hatcher has issued a burn ban in Unincorporated Wilson County effective September 23, 2019. However, due to significant rainfall, the burn ban is rescinded. However, please note that burn permits are REQUIRED until May 15th. Though they usually are not required until October 15th, the State of Tennessee moved the requirement up due to dry conditions. To obtain a burn permit once the burn ban is lifted in Wilson County, please visit http://www.burnsafetn.org/burn_permit.html



Pancake and Sausage Breakfast
w/Scrambled Eggs, Biscuit & Gravy



Sponsored by Vietnam Veterans of America (VVA) and
Associates of VVA Chapter 1004 (Lebanon)

Saturday, October 12, 2019 ~ 7 am to 12 noon

Lebanon National Guard Armory
1010 Leeville Pike, Lebanon (near Airport)

Donation: Adults (12 and older) \$5.00
Children (under 12) \$3.00 Children (5 and younger) FREE

Veterans Helping Veterans in Wilson County!

Go Vols! Coach Fulmer Visits the Capitol Theater

The Lebanon Wilson County Chamber hosted UT Athletic Director and former coach, Phillip Fulmer at the Capitol Theatre in September. Mayor Hutto and wife Paula attended the event.





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

Paula Heird
Animal Control

Robert Baines
Operations

Michelle Allison
Drug Court

Rebecca Maklary
Property Assessor

Sara Allen
WEMA

Teacher Grants Awarded to Wilson County Educators 1996-2018 • 540 Grants
Total \$229,553.08

Fact:
18,400 Wilson County children have benefited from the Imagination Library since the introduction of the program in September 2005. More than 12,400 Wilson County five-year-olds have graduated from the program.

2005-2019
5,575
Wilson County
Tennessee Scholars
Graduates
.....
\$34,500.00
Awarded
in Scholarships

Did you know?

The Taste of Wilson County proceeds fund the chamber education programs in Wilson County.

Benefiting the organization's teacher grant program, the Books from Birth program, Tennessee Scholars program and other scholarships.



When:
October 24, 2019

Where:
Wilson County
Exposition Center

Tickets:
VIP \$35.00
\$25.00 Adult | \$8.00 Child
5 & Under: Free

LANDFILL CLOSED OCT. 8

The landfill will be closed on Tuesday, October 8th due to mandatory training. The convenience centers will remain open. The landfill will resume normal business hours on Wednesday, October 9th.





THURSDAYS | 4-7PM
MAY - OCT
at the

WILSON COUNTY
EXPOSITION CENTER 

945 East Baddour Parkway

PRODUCE
EGGS
FLOWERS
MEAT
CHEESE
BREADS
DESSERTS
& MORE



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*Watertown Library
50th Anniversary
Celebration*

Mayor Hutto attended the 50th Anniversary Celebration of Watertown Library on September 3, 2019. Ms. Pam Wiggins, Librarian, organized the celebration. There were giveaways, hors d'oeuvres and light refreshments and Senator Mark Pody presented a proclamation. Mayor Hutto also presented a certificate at the event congratulating the library on its many years of service to the community of Watertown and citizens of Wilson County.

Wilson County Seminar Series Aging Matters

Decluttering: It's About More Than Things



**Wilson County
Courthouse**
Conference Room 1 upstairs
228 E. Main Street
Lebanon, TN 37087

**October 24, 2019
11:30 am-1:00 pm**

FREE Series!
Lunch provided by
The Pavilion/L4Lifestyles

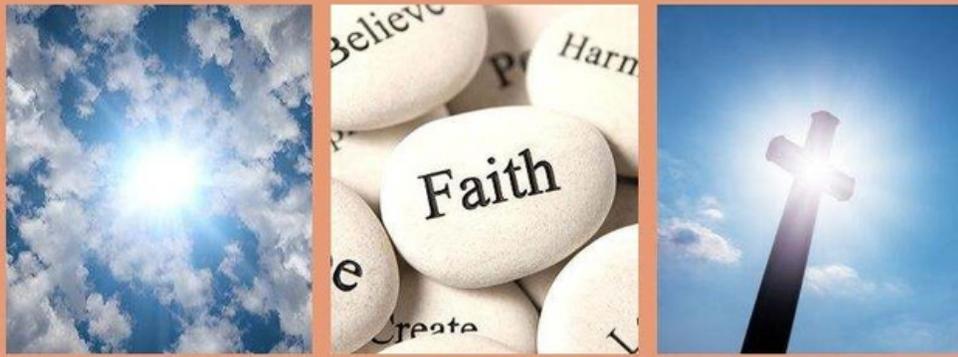
Featuring:
Susan Gardner, CPO-CD
Clearing the Way Home



The Incredible Christmas Place Breaks Ground in Mt. Juliet

Pigeon Forge's "The Incredible Christmas Place" has expanded to Middle Tennessee; settling in the heart of Mt. Juliet. Mayor Hutto as well as several other local and state officials attended the groundbreaking ceremony.

DRUGFREE WILCO INVITES FAITH-BASED LEADERS



The Opioid Crisis: Resources for You & Your Congregation

10/21/19 • 5:30pm-7:30pm
Cumberland University
Baird Chapel

Featuring:
A Pastor Panel Discussion

Free dinner and presentation

RSVP: Eventbrite or
drugfreewilco@wilsoncountyttn.gov

Wilson County

LANDFILL WINTER HOURS

OCTOBER - MARCH
MONDAY - FRIDAY: 7AM - 3PM
CLOSED SATURDAY



COSTUME CONTEST

ENTER IF YOU
DARE

*Wilson County Employees
Mayor's Office
9AM
October 31st*

Prize Sponsored by:





Wilson County 4-H Livestock Group

Spaghetti Fundraiser Dinner

Tuesday, October 29, 2019

Starting at 4:30 p.m.

James E. Ward AG Center, East/West Building

\$10.00 Donation

Come out and support the Wilson County 4-H Livestock Group! Dinners can be picked up "to go" starting at 4:30pm, or enjoyed at the East/West Building.

See the Extension Office For Tickets



Real. Life. Solutions.



- Presents their seventh annual -



FISH FRY

★ ★ ★ ★ ★ 2019 ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

WILSON COUNTY EXPO CENTER

SATURDAY | 4:00PM TO 7:00PM

OCTOBER 19TH, 2019

FISH & FIXINS' SERVED FROM 4PM-7PM · SPECIAL BERNIE BASS AWARD PRESENTATION AT 6PM

LIVE MUSIC! · RAIN OR SHINE! · JUST \$15.00 AT THE DOOR!



- Please join us for -

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

- Venue -



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.



NISSAN GROUP OF NORTH AMERICA



YATES SERVICES

HIRING EVENT

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2019
10:00 AM to 2:00 PM

GOODWILL CAREER SOLUTIONS
1985 PROVIDENCE PARKWAY
MT JULIET, TN 37122

Full and part-time positions available at the
Nissan Parts Redistribution Center
\$14.50 - \$15.25/hour
All shifts available

Employment benefits of these full-time career opportunities include:

- Competitive wages
- Paid weekly
- Competitive healthcare package, including access to health, dental, vision, life and disability insurance plans following 60 days of employment
- Paid vacation
- 401K savings benefits following one year of service

Interested applicants must:

- Be at least 18 years of age
- Pass a hair follicle chemical screen
- Pass a criminal background check
- Be shift flexible

Bring a current resume (if available) and 2 original forms of identification.

For more information,
call 615-439-1017 or online at
www.yates-services.com.

In cooperation with



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\$7.00 adults
\$4.00 ages 6-12
\$ & under free

GHOSTS IN THE GROVE

FIDDLERS GROVE HISTORICAL VILLAGE
AT THE JAMES E. WARD AG CENTER, LEBANON, TN

OCTOBER 12, 2019

Family Friendly Ghost Stories - Trolley Rides - Ghost Hunt
Music - Tennessee Ghostbusters

First Trolley @ 7:00PM Last Trolley @ 9:00PM

Concessions Available In The General Store Cafe!
Homemade Chili & Fixins', Hot Dogs, Hot Cocoa, Coffee

FUN · FOOD · FUN · FOOD · FUN · FOOD · FUN



Wilson County Receives GNRC Award for Hamilton Springs Train Station



On September 25, mayors and county executives from across Middle Tennessee came together to honor local governments in the mid-state for excellence in public service at the annual awards ceremony of the Greater Nashville Regional Council (GNRC or Regional Council). Wilson County was recognized for excellence for its land use planning initiative with the opening of the Hamilton Springs Train Station. The Regional Council, which is composed of 65 mayors and executives, two members of the TN General Assembly, and 26 mayoral appointments, provides a forum for collaboration among communities in the greater Nashville metropolitan area. Each year, GNRC honors its membership and partners with awards. Grand awards. The Excellence in Local Government awards recognize county governments and municipalities for projects or initiatives that serve as a model for peers across the region. This year, GNRC presented 19 local government awards. This award celebrates the opening in September 2018 of the Hamilton Springs Station. The stop on the Music City Star is the heart of the first transit-oriented development (TOD) in Tennessee. Consisting of 3.2 acres, the station includes a park-and-ride with 160 lighted parking spaces and is the sixth stop on the Music City Star commuter route. The Hamilton Springs Station TOD plan was recognized by GNRC with a Local Government award in 2012. "The work being done by the local communities and professionals working for citizens across Middle Tennessee is inspiring," said Michael Skipper, executive director for GNRC. "It is an honor to highlight their hard work and share these best practices with the rest of the region." Stay tuned for more awards. Pictured Left to right: WeGo Public Transit CFO Edward Oliphant, Co-owner of Hamilton Springs and Professor of History at Cumberland University Rick Bell, Wilson County Mayor Randall Hutto, WeGo Public Transit CEO Steve Bland

Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day

Wilson County Solid Waste hosted its Household Hazardous Waste Collection event on Saturday, September 28, 2019 at the James E. Ward Agricultural Center in Lebanon, TN . The annual event is sponsored by the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation and allows the public the opportunity to drop off dangerous household chemicals for free. As usual, the event was highly successful with the following total weights (lbs) collected:

- Flammable liquids-1,020
- Non-flammable liquids-1,815
- Poisons-2,596
- Aerosols- 709
- Fluorescent lamps-398
- Corrosives-511
- Mercury-1
- Sharps-63



In total 9,134 pounds of hazardous materials were collected and over 270 households participated. Thank you to Ms. Cindy Lynch and her team for organizing this awesome event!

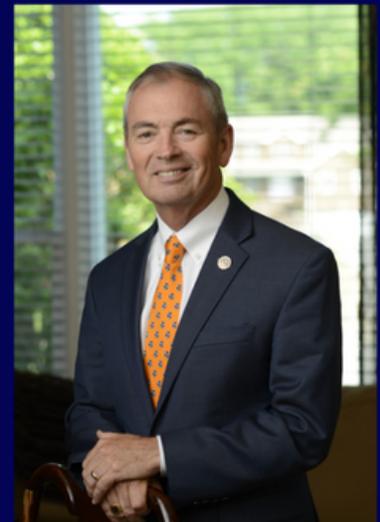
Meet the Mayor

← 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



Editor's Note...

This newsletter highlights news, announcements and events that are associated with Mayor Hutto directly, Wilson County Government or are non-profit in nature. We are very supportive of our business owners in Wilson County and appreciate all those that have reached out to our office in regards to advertising. However, we are unable to advertise or solicit business in this publication. Thank you for understanding!

-Bethany Harrison