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John M. Reed Facility Found Deficient

Survey Finds 'Avoidable Pressure Ulcers,' 'Repeated UTIs,' Much More

BY KEN LITTLE STAFF WRITER

The federal government formally terminated its Medicare/Medicaid provider agreement with the John M.

Reed Health & Rehabilitation facility icaid Services has determined that in Limestone on Nov. 28 following a detailed review noting deficiencies that could potentially affect the health of residents, placing some in "immediate jeopardy.

Deficiencies found at the facility at 124 John Reed Home Road were identified during a complaint investigation started on Oct. 14 and during a joint rectification and licensure survey started on Nov. 2.

"The Centers for Medicare and Med-

[Reed] is not in compliance with the requirements for participation. The Medicare/Medicaid program will not make payment for in-patient nursing services to residents who are admitted after Nov. 28," according to a public notice published in The Greeneville Sun.

28, "payment may continue for a maximum of 30 days for nursing services," the notice states.

The state Department of Health served as the state survey agency for the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, a division of the Department of Health & Human Ser-

SURVEY FINDINGS

un. The survey revealed a series of "defi-For residents admitted before Nov. cient practices" at the facility. Among

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Magnavox Evokes Strong Memories



Four former Magnavox employees participate in an oral history Thursday at East Tennessee State University's Reece Museum. Seated around the table, from left, are Nadine Ricker Linton, Shirley Campbell, Magnificent Magnavox curator George Collins, Mildred Kilday and Virginia Waddell.

Former Workers Recall Bygone Era

BY O.J. EARLY STAFF WRITER

Surrounded by vintage radios and record players, Nadine Ricker Linton said Thursday that she

never believed Magnavox would close its Greeneville operations. "We never ever thought it would bined time at Greeneville's Mag-

leave," said Linton, whose career at navox location tallied nearly 150 the manufacturing giant stretched from 1964 to 1995. "But little by

little, it started going away." On Thursday Linton joined Virginia Waddell, Shirley Campbell and Mildred Kilday — all one-time Magnavox employees whose com-

years — to recount some of their experiences in what was perhaps the most significant industry in Greene County's modern history.

Leading the recorded session at

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Distinguished Service Awarded At Farm-City Banquet

Ag Community Honors Two **County Natives**

BY BRAD HICKS STAFF WRITER

The careers of both men honored at Thursday evening's Farm-City Banquet may have taken them out of the area, but neither forgot his Greene County roots.

Robert H. Bailey received the Robert C. Bailey Austin Award for Distinguished Service to the Community, and George Mays was the recipient of the J.W. Massengill Award for Distinguished Service to Agriculture at the 27th annual banquet held at the Clyde Austin 4-H Center.

ROBERT H. BAILEY

Bailey is a native of the Baileyton area. He graduated from Tusculum College in 1946, the same institution that would honor him with an honorary doctorate in 1984.

After completing law



Robert H. Bailey receives the Robert C. Austin Award for Distinguished Service to the Community and George Mays the J.W. Massengill Award for Distinguished Service to Agriculture at the 27th annual Farm-City Banquet. From left are retired UT Extension Director Steve Hale, Bailey, Mays, Young Farmers & Ranchers Excellence in Agriculture Award-winners Jimmy and Lydia McAlister, and Agribusiness Committee Chairman Ronnie Sar-

school, Bailey worked as in the Baileyton area to activities, Bailey serves nor, the organization's an attorney in Kingsport. do community work. Following his retirement,

Among his exten- Club. He has served as is a Ruritan Forever.

in the Baileyton Ruritan national president, and Bailey opened a law office sive community service the Ruritan zone gover- He also served on the

board of directors for the Sneedville-based WSJK TV from 1983-2002.

Bailey is the former president of the Greene County Heritage Trust and remains active in the Early American Christmas Dinner.

Bailey was also instrumental in the formation of the Baileyton Community Scholarship, which is awarded to students of North Greene High School. He has also helped with the Baileyton Community Chest and helped bring a medical clinic to the town.

He is a former member of the Tusculum College Board of Trustees and is a Life Trustee of the College. Bailey is a member of the First Church of God in Greeneville, where he serves on the church's board of trustees, its board of elders and is a Sunday school teacher. He was also instrumental in the creation of the Locust Springs Christian Retreat Center, which is located on more than 160

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ALI BURKHARD

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NEWMAN Sr.

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OUTSIDE

Tonight — Clear. Lows in the mid-to-upper-20s. **Saturday** — Sunny. Highs in the mid-50s. **Sunday** — Sunny. Highs in the mid-50s. Light winds.

Monday — Partly sunny. Highs in the upper-40s. Tuesday - Sunny. Highs in the mid-to-upper-50s. **INSIDE**

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its conclusions were that the facility failed to:

- "recognize concerns and implement interventions in the area of quality of care."
- "ensure timely incontinence care and repositioning."
- "prevent traumatic penile and urethral injuries."
- "prevent avoidable pressure ulcers and exco-
- riation." prevent "repeated urinary tract infec-
- tions." • "administer antibiotics as ordered by the
- physician." • "maintain dignity by ensuring residents are
- dressed in their own personal clothing.' In the area of nursing services, the John M. Reed Home "failed

recognize concerns and implement interventions." "The facility failed to ensure nursing staff to repeatedly meet the

needs of the residents,

the survey stated. In one instance, a housekeeper who is not a certified nursing assistant told survey interviewers that she checked vital signs patients one night November due to a

staffing shortage.
The employee "confirmed she is assigned or pulled to work the floor when the facility is short of CNAs."

There are several instances notedpatients who developed sacral pressure ulcers "from untimely incontinence care and repositioning, and (not addressing) avoidable urinary tract and pressure ulcer infections" in some patients, according to the survey.

The facility also "failed prevent repeated medication errors by not transcribing and administering medications for infectious processes, as ordered."

OTHER DEFICIENCIES

The state recertification and licensure survey found a series of potentially dangerous building and maintenance deficiencies in the Reed facility.

A fire alarm system in the building was not properly maintained. An annual fire alarm report conducted on Oct. 9 "revealed three of four alarm system batteries failed testing and had not yet been replaced," the survey stated.

Other survey findings included:

The facility failed to ensure that sprinkler system control valves were provided with elec-

SUN PHOTO BY O.J. EARLY

The federal government has ended its Medicare/Medicaid provider agreement with the John M. Reed Health & Rehabilitation nursing home in Limestone, citing numerous patient care deficiencies.

tronic supervisory tamper switches.

• Combustible floral arrangements and decorations were not treated with fire retardant material. Items on some residents' doors were also not treated with fire retardant material.

• Generators, which to be are required inspected weekly and exercised under load for 30 minutes per month, had not had annual

work maintenance done since February

> 2014.The findings were verified by the facility maintenance supervisor and acknowledged by the administrator during an exit conference on Nov. 2, according to the state Department of Health survey.

> The facility has appeal rights which are outlined in the CMS notice of termination letter to the facility, state officials said.

> The John Reed facility is operated by New Beginnings

Care LLC, based in Hixson, Tenn.

New Beginnings "is a multipurpose healthcare company focused on providing the best care and services to those in need of longterm care," according to the New Beginnings website, newbeginningscare.com.

Inquiries about the notice and CMS survey were referred to Terry Walker, a regional administrator for New Beginnings. Walker did not return several calls seeking comment.

DIRECTORS' STATEMENT

The board of directors of the John M. Reed Home issued a statement on Wednesday. It described New Beginnings as "the management company leasing the facility.

The not-for-profit John M. Reed Home is operated by the board, which consists of community members and members of the Church of the Brethren.

"The board was in the process of ending the lease agreement company and regaining control of the facility when this action took place against the management company," the statement said.

with the management

It said that under the terms of the notice, Medicaid and Medicare patients will have to be moved from the facility over the next 30 days, and no new Medicaid and Medicare patients "can be accepted until the board can regain control of the facility, re-apply for acceptance into the Medicaid and Medicare programs and be approved."

The action will not affect private-pay and assisted living residents who will remain at the John M. Reed Home, the statement said.

The John M. Reed facility "has been taking care of people in this community in need of assisted living and nursing home services from our area for 51 years," the statement said.

It is licensed for beds, although 63 the exact number of patients at the facility today was unclear.

"The John M. Reed board recognizes the importance of this facility in the Limestone community and pledges to work with CMS and the state of Tennessee to keep the facility open to other patients and to regain Medicaid and Medicare certification as quickly as possible," it said.

The board of directors "acknowledges and appreciates the assistance of local and state governmental representatives and elected officials as they move forward in this process," the statement concludes.

State Department of Health spokeswoman Shelley Walker said that the facility surveys were conducted by state inspectors.
"The state regulations

for the facility mirror federal regulations, and we use the CMS forms to report findings. We are awaiting the submission of an acceptable plan of correction from the facility," Walker said in an email response to ques-

OBITUARIES

Ali Burkhard

Died: Dec. 4, 2015

Ali Burkhard, 66, of Greeneville, died early this morning at her home.

Arrangements will be announced by Jeffers Funeral & Cremation Service.

Rev. Kenneth Millard Newman Sr.

Died: Dec. 2, 2015



REV. KENNETH M. **NEWMAN SR.**

JONESBOROUGH - The Rev. Kenneth Millard Newman Sr., 84, of Jonesborough, passed away Wednesday at his residence.

Rev. Newman was born



BOBBY BARNES Incomplete

ALI BURKHARD Incomplete

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in Bristol, and was a son of the late Henry Simon and Anna Carrie Rutherford Newman. He was also preceded in death by two sisters and four brothers. He was a retired Meth-

odist minister and a member of Telford United Methodist Church.

Rev. Newman previpastored Rheously atown United Methodist Church, Albright United Methodist Church, Telford United Methodist Church, New Victory United Methodist Church, Bewley's Chapel United Methodist Church, Oven Creek United Methodist Church, O&S Unit-Methodist Church, Bruner's Grove Oven Creek United Method-Warrensist Church, burg United Methodist Church, Union Temple United Methodist Church and Jeroldstown United Methodist Church.

Survivors include his loving wife of 57 years: Geneva Fleenor Newman of Jonesborough; a son and daughter-inlaw: Kenneth and Debra Newman; a daughter: Robin Renee Greene; granddaughters: Tiffany Rogers (Brandon) and Sabrina Nicole Newman; a great-grandson: Owen Harrison; two sisters: Gay Akard and Hattie Mae Frazier; and several nephews and nieces.

The family expressed a special thanks to Mountain States Hospice for the loving care given Rev. Newman.

The family will receive friends from 1-4 p.m. Saturday at Dillow-Taylor Funeral Home with the funeral service conducted at 4 p.m. in the chapel. Pastor Michael Vaughn and the Rev. Millard Johnson will officiate.

Interment will be conducted at 2 p.m. Sunday in Washington County Memory Gardens.

Pallbearers will be Bill Glen Newman, Gross, Gray McCracken, Brandon Rogers, Danny Greene and Ralph New-

Honorary pallbearers will be United Methodist Church retired ministers of the Johnson City District, Paul Fleenor, Roy Fleener, Calvin Lester and Gerald Murray.

Memorials may made to Telford United Methodist Church, 1775 Old State Rt. 34, Telford, TN 37690; or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude's Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

Condolences may be sent to the Newman family online at www.dillowtaylor.com.

Town Streamlines Zoning Ordinance

BY SARAH R. GREGORY

Updates to the town's Zoning Ordinance streamlining the site plan review process were among several revisions given final approval by the Greeneville Board of Mayor and Aldermen on Tuesday.

Board members also approved on first reading changes to the town's code relating to the way accrued sick leave for Greeneville firefighters is dispensed to align with a new time-keeping system now being utilized by all town departments.

ZONING UPDATES FINALIZED

After public hearings and final readings, three separate revisions updating various sections of the town's Zoning Ordinance were approved unanimously.

All three were given unanimous approval on first reading in early November.

The first set of updates streamlines the site plan review process, which, under old practices, could have taken 60 days or more for the Greeneville Regional Planning Commission to complete.

Under the new guidelines, submitted site plans that meet all of the town's regulations can be approved administratively by the Town Planner without presentation to the Planning Commission.

The second set of updates clarifies regulations for ingress and egress ways — primarily driveways and curb cuts — and allows for joint driveways shared by adjacent properties.

Prior to the update, the Zoning Ordinance did not have defined standards to determine what constitutes the "adequate" ingress and egress ways it required.

The new regulations reference driveways' proximity to intersections and adjacent property lines, how they must be constructed if they impact a public sidewalk and how stormwater drainage is taken into account, among other related issues.

The final set of updates to the Zoning Ordinance establish standards for construction of fences and retaining walls and create a gateway overlay district along the Andrew Johnson Highway from Hal Henard Road to the Greeneville/Tusculum city limits.

The fencing regulations establish acceptable locations and prohibit non-temporary fencing that encroaches on a public right of way, blocks drainage flow, limits visibility at intersections, driveways or alleys or blocks access to equipment related to the electric power system.

New regulations related to the gateway overlay district generally apply to aesthetics along the route where people typically enter town limits. Single-family and two-family properties are

exempt from the rules, which primarily affect commercial properties.

The standards include provisions for green space and landscaping, concealing service, loading and equipment storage areas and garbage collection sites and prohibit "adult establishments," mobile home parks and salvage and junk yards along the

FIREFIGHTER SICK TIME

Changes to the town's Municipal Code dealing with the use of Greeneville Fire Department employees' accrued sick leave were approved on first reading.

City Administrator Todd Smith explained that, due to a legal issue in the late 1980s, some longtime department employees earn sick hours at a different rate than other employees.

For example, he explained that under the old system, sick leave is used at what is considered a half rate.

Smith explained that the town's new time-keeping system for payroll would require costly modifications to continue to track two different methods of tracking sick time.

He proposed a method in which firefighters' existing half rate sick hours simply be doubled, then dispensed in the same manner as other employees.

Aldermen did not discuss the issue at length, but emphasized that no employees will lose any of their accrued sick time.

Fire Chief Alan Shipley noted that all of the department's employees on the older, half-rate system have been made aware of the change and support the modification. During a public hearing, some fire department employees in the audience indicated they favor the change.

Aldermen are expected to consider the update on final reading at a future meeting.

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PUBLIC NOTICE FOR INVOLUNTARY TERMINATION OF MEDICARE /MEDICAID PROVIDER

Notice is hereby given that effective November 28, 2015, the agreement between John M. Reed Health & Rehabilitation, located at 124 John Reed Home Road, Limestone, Tennessee and the Secretary of Health and Human Services. as provider of nursing services in the Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled Program (Medicare/Medicaid), is to be termi-

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services has determined that John M. Reed Health & Rehabilitation of Limestone. Tennessee is not in compliance with the Requirements for Participation. The Medicare/Medicaid program will not make payment for inpatient nursing services to residents who are admitted after November 28, 2015. For residents admitted prior to November 28, 2015 payment may continue for a maximum of 30 days for nursing services. Such payment is specifically limited to covered services through the close of business December 28, 2015. Sandra M. Pace, Associate Regional Administrator, Division of Survey and Certification 11/23/15

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IN THE CHANCERY COURT FOR GREENE COUNTY, TENNESSEE

ORDER OF PUBLICATION and NOTICE IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF GREENE COUNTY, TENNESSEE

LETITIA ASHLEY EBMEYER,

ANTHONY EDWARD EBMEYER,

Civil Action No.: 20150318 TO: ANTHONY EDWARD EBMEYER

Y ORDER of the Honorable Douglas Jenkins, Chancellor for the Greene County Chancery Court, Third Judicial District, sitting at Greeneville, Tennessee, on the 23rd day of October

appears from the Order of the udge in the cause referenced above and from the other filings in this cause, that ordinary summons canno e served upon ANTHONY EDWARD EBMEYER. Service of process by publication has been prayed for and ccordingly pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated §21-1-203 and Tennessee Code Annotated § 21-1-204 it Ordered that publication of this Order shall be made for four consecutive weeks in the Greeneville Sun.

which is published weekly in Greene

County, Tennessee. You, ANTHONY EDWARD EBMEY-ER, as Defendant in this action are therefore commanded to serve on: K. KIDWELL KING, JR., Plaintiff's Counsel, whose address is: 125 South Main Street, Greeneville, Tennessee 37743, and answer to the Complaint filed against you in this cause within thirty (30) days from the fourth publication of this notice as required by law; otherwise judgment by default will be taken against you before the Honorable Douglas T. Jenkins, Chancellor for the Greene County Chancery Court, Third Judicial District, at the Greene County Court-house on the 7th day of January,

KAY SOLOMON ARMSTRONG Clerk & Master for the Greene County **Chancery Court**

2016, at 10:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as counsel may be heard. THIS THE 28 DAY OF October, 2015.

APPROVED FOR ENTRY K. KIDWELL KING, JR. KING & KING ATTORNEYS B.P.R. # 004748 Attorney for Plaintiff 125 South Main Street Greeneville, Tennessee 37743 Telephone: (423) 639-6881 11/2/15, 11/9/15, 11/16/15, 11/23/15

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PAINT CREEK PROJECT

USDA Forest Service Cherokee National Forest Unaka Ranger District Greene County, Tennessee

Opportunity to Object to the draft decision regarding the Paint Creek Project The Unaka Ranger District of the Cherokee National Forest has prepared an Environmental Assessment, draft Decision Notice and Finding of No Significant Impact for the Paint Creek Project. The alternative chosen to be implementedAlternative Dwill utilize commercial and noncommercial timber harvest to provide early successional wildlife habitat, improve forest health, diversify age class distribution and restore forest communities. Connected and association ed actions such as site preparation, release of mast-producing trees from com-petition, repair and maintenance of system roads, temporary and new road con-struction, providing water sources for wildlife, providing wildlife habitat structures, prescribed burning, restoration of wetland habitat, and decommissioning and authorizing existing roads are also part of this analysis. The proposed project or activity is subject to the pre-decisional objection process pursuant to 36 CFR 218 Subparts A and B.

and draft DN/FONSI are available http://www.fs.fed.us/nepa/nepa_project_exp.php?project=41477. The documents are available for review at 4900 Asheville Hwy, Greeneville, TN 37743. Additional information can be obtained from: Jonathan Lampley at the above address, by phone at (423)783-2416, and/or by email at jlampley@fs.fed.us.

How to Object and Timeframe

The opportunity to object ends 45 days following the date of publication of the legal notice in the Greeneville Sun. The publication date of the legal notice in the newspaper of record is the exclusive means for calculating the time to file an objection. Those wishing to object should not rely upon dates or timeframe information provided by another other source.

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Written objections, including attachments, must be filed with: Stephanie Medlin, Cherokee National Forest, 2800 Ocoee Street, Cleveland, TN, 37312, or by phone at (423) 476-9700. The office business hours for those submitting hand-delivered objections are: 8:00 am to 4:30 pm Monday through Friday, excluding holidays. Electronic objections must be submitted in a format such as an ema message, plain text (.txt), rich text format (.rtf), or Word (.doc, .docx) to: Objections-southern-cherokee@fs.fed.us.

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NORTH ♥KJ9763

Famous Hand

♦ A 6 **♣**Q74 WEST **EAST ♦** 10 8 5 4 **♥**AQ ♦J98543 **♦** 10 2 **♦**AKJ652

Contract

Bridge

North dealer.

North-South vulnerable.

♦Q2

♦ K Q 7 **♣**10 9 3 The bidding: South 2 💠 2 🏚

SOUTH

♦ A K J 9 7 6 3

Pass Opening lead — eight of clubs. There are plays in bridge that make a lot of sense after they're pointed out, but are often overlooked in practice because they are so

For a good example, take this deal from H.W. Kelsey's book "More Killing Defense." South gets to four club. Declarer plays low from dummy, and East wins with the jack. East then cashes the king of clubs, and West has to choose a discard. Most defenders would probably discard a low diamond on East's king of clubs, in which case declarer eventually makes the contract, losing three

club tricks — period. But if West considers the matter carefully at trick two, he discards the queen of hearts instead! And when East next cashes the ace of clubs, West discards the ace of hearts!

East then leads a heart, and South goes down one. Regardless of what declarer elects to play on the heart return, he cannot avoid eventually losing a trump trick to West.

Very fancy, you might say, but how can anybody holding the West hand be expected to be that smart? Nevertheless, the fact remains that no harm can come from discarding the heart queen at trick two. When declarer then follows to the third club, jettisoning the ace of hearts assures defeat of the contract, while the failure to do so will in some cases — this one in particular — allow spades, and West leads his singleton declarer to make the contract.

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