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Caregiver Jason Noe, right, does a music session with Tyler Goolsby, 35, who taps a tambourine as My Happy Place Center co-owner Vickie Templeton helps John Tidwell, 28, shake bells Aug. 27 in Gallatin. Tennessee has a shortage of day centers for adults with disabilities. PHOTOS BY MARK ZALESKI/THE TENNESSEAN

Center seeks to close disability services gap

Gallatin adult day care provider could face fund cuts

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Music broke out as Jason Noe and a group played instruments and sang songs like “Skidamarink a dink a dink, skidamarink a doo, I love you” at My Happy Place in Gallatin. • The center opened eight weeks ago and aims to close the gap in support for adult day center services in Tennessee. Noe says it’s already made a huge difference in his life. As he strummed his guitar, he had a smile stretched across his face.

Brenda Forgione and Vickie Templeton are the co-owners of My Happy Place. The pair says they were driven to open the new facility because they saw a need for services in their personal lives and they had backgrounds working with people with special needs. “My son (Tyler) is special needs. He used to attend a day center, and it closed down at COVID and never reopened,” Templeton said. “He misses hanging out with people and making new friends, just the socialization. Sitting at home and staring at the same four walls, it gets old quick.” Bill Zagorski knows there’s a need for such services in Tennessee. He is the CEO of American Senior Care Inc. and locally serves as executive director of



Angela Bond, 62, left, and William Gawles, 29, sing and play instruments at My Happy Place on Aug. 27.

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“By and large, adult day (services) are 50-60% less expensive than assisted living and about 80-90% less expensive than a nursing home.”

Bill Zagorski, CEO of American Senior Care Inc.

2025 CMA AWARDS

Young female artists get top nods

Langley, Moroney and Wilson receive 6 each

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The 2025 Country Music Association Awards nominations make one thing clear: Young female artists aren’t just part of the conversation, they’re driving it.

Ella Langley, Megan Moroney and Lainey Wilson received six CMA nominations each Sept. 8. The 59th annual CMA Awards will be broadcast live from Nashville’s Bridgestone Arena on Nov. 19 from 8 p.m. to 11 p.m. on ABC. It will be available the following day on Hulu.

The evening’s most prestigious honor, Entertainer of the Year, will be a contest between prior winners Luke Combs, Morgan Wallen and Wilson, plus prior nominees Cody Johnson and Chris Stapleton.

Top nominees at a glance

Other top CMA Awards nominees include Zach Top with five nominations. Riley Green and the previously-mentioned Johnson have four nominations each. As well, Kristian Bush, Carson Chamberlain, Luke Combs, Charlie Handsome, Chris Stapleton and Morgan Wallen each received

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Ella Langley performs during CMA Fest at Nissan Stadium in Nashville on June 5.

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Titans still don’t know how to win; blame coaching, not just talent



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DENVER — Much of this has been chalked up to talent. That basically, the Tennessee Titans keep losing because

they don’t have enough on their roster to win. While there’s truth to that, there’s also truth to this: These Titans still don’t know how to win. And that’s not just about talent. It’s coaching. It’s discipline. It’s mental toughness. It’s commitment to a standard and an identity. The depressing part of the Titans’ 20-

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12 loss to the Denver Broncos in their Sept. 7 season opener was the familiarity of how it happened. These Titans, who weren’t good enough on paper to keep from beating themselves on the

field during the 2024 season, appear stubbornly determined to go ahead and continue to beat themselves in 2025. For all of the Titans’ issues in a game that finished with a 317-133 deficit in total yards, they could’ve — maybe even should’ve — beaten a playoff team from last season in a raucous road environment with a debuting rookie

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