

# MOUNTAIN VOICES



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## Photo of the Week



***Snack time!*** These Hummingbirds (Neely, Annie, and Riley) briefly interrupt the playing for a little snack to restore their energy levels. Photo from Leslie Neely.

## Tools 4 School Volunteers Needed

The Outreach committee invites you to join us in working with Morton Memorial Church to organize and distribute school supplies for Monteagle Elementary School. We will be organizing supplies on July 31st and August 1st from 9-11:00 am. Please contact Katie Trahan at (415) 729-1045 if you'd like to volunteer.

With gratitude,

— Katie Trahan, Outreach chair

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## HIGHLIGHTS

**"Think Tennessee,"**  
with Robert Cooper Jr.  
& Shanna Singh Hughey  
Monday, 4:30 pm  
Warren Chapel



**"Florists in the Field,"**  
with Erick New & Greg Campbell  
Tuesday, 8:15 pm  
Warren Chapel



**"How Love Heals,"** with the  
Rev. Becca Stevens of Thistle Farms  
Friday, 8:15 pm  
Warren Chapel



# The Humphreys Martin Family Herb Garden Dedication

## Words from Karen Fuqua (daughter of Jean Martin):

*My Mother would have been delighted to see the herb garden thriving like this. She loved to see a good idea become something beautiful and useful through the generosity of spirit, ingenuity and persistence of people joining together.*

*It was one of the reasons she treasured her participation in Assembly life so much. The whole grounds a Church, the whole community joining together for the purpose of spiritual renewal and intellectual growth. The concept of the Chataqua Movement. Nourishment of the soul through community. Strength and purpose. Peace and tranquility. Renewal. This was her "church home."*

*You know how, when you try to explain the totality of what the Monteagle spirit is to people who have never been stayed here and participated, it's hard to do, isn't it? It's hard to get your arms around it all so that they can understand. It is unique and universal. It is here and now, bustling and busy, yet timeless.*

*As far as you roam, and no matter how long it is before you come back to this place, you will take it with you for the rest of your life as your "church" and your "home."*

## Words from the Family of Judith Humphreys:

*Judith loved to make Mother Nature's offerings more beautiful and better. She enjoyed doing this whether it was in an herb garden, the Assembly common ground, or her beloved cottage, At Long Last. She enjoyed tilling the soil, planting new varieties of herbs and flowers, and then monitoring their progress. Pulling weeds and trimming stray plants was part of her calling. She didn't mind asking for volunteers to help and what their opinions might be on arranging, positioning, and designing the gardens. Just as a landscape architect would do, Judith would use a sheet of paper to draw various layouts, where certain plants should be and then ask for a second or third opinion from a gardening friend. At the end of the day, she would consider all the various thoughts and inputs, but if she was in charge it was going to be done the right way, "Judith's Way."*

*The Humphreys family is deeply grateful for the beautiful service honoring Juju. The recognition of her hard work and passion for making things better and more beautiful would be such an honor to her. We look forward to many summers ahead of visiting the herb garden and enjoying delicious food that comes from its bounty.*



## QUICK BITES

**Shop local** at the Thursday Morning Mountain Market, 7 -10:00am, in front of Harton Hall.

**Call Scott First!** Home repairs/upgrades are generally not permitted during the season. Contact the General Manager before calling a contractor.

**Auto permits** must be displayed at all times, else a ticket may be issued.

**Gate tickets** (or wristbands) should be on your person at all times.

**Set up a Harton Hall** account for cash-free dining all season long.

**Box lunches** and other reservations-required dining events must be paid at the main office; the dining hall will no longer accept reservations or payment.

**Save time at the gate** and pre-order your tickets by calling (931) 924-2286. You can also preorder online.

**New golf carts** must be registered (the registration carries over season to season). Only licensed drivers are legally allowed to drive carts.

**Lawn trimmings** are collected on Wednesdays.

**Dogs** must be registered, including proof of rabies vaccination. Pick up after your pets.

**Quiet Hour** is daily from 1:00-2:30 pm. Children should be indoors at their cottages. Tennis is only permitted on the East Gate courts. No deliveries during this time.

## QUICK BITES

**Adult tennis lessons** are available with Fletcher Kerr. Call or text 720-431-4405 or email [kerrgf0@sewanee.edu](mailto:kerrgf0@sewanee.edu).

**Trash pickup** begins at 5:00 am on Monday & Thursday. Secure garbage can lids to avoid critters from getting into them. Garbage crews can only collect bagged trash located inside garbage cans.

**Children 6+ years old** play bells at 3:30 pm Tuesdays; hummingbirds play at 3:30 pm on Thursdays — all in Warren Chapel.

**Recycling bins** have been moved behind Harton Hall.

**Edgeworth Inn** offers breakfast most mornings and dinner Monday-Thursday from 5:30-8:30 pm. See the ad in the program book.

**Golf cart parking** at Warren Chapel is for the benefit of those who need mobility assistance. Please do not move carts during services and programs.

**The possession or use** of alcohol or controlled substances on public grounds, in public places, or at public functions on the Assembly grounds is prohibited and subjects the offender to disciplinary action by the Board of Trustees.

**July 4th picnic tables** are available for rent (\$25) or purchase (\$110) from the main office. The tables are 8 feet long.

**Safety first!** Call (931) 607-8615 when the main office is closed for any security questions or concerns.

## Outreach Sunday—July 22

The Outreach Committee has designated the offering funds collected on Sunday, July 22nd to go to South Cumberland Community Fund.

South Cumberland Community Fund was established in January of 2012 with the Monteagle Sunday School Assembly providing the founding donation. The Outreach Committee believes that the SCCF is growing and contributing to the community consistent to their mission. By supporting SCCF, we are able to reach our greater community with more breadth and depth than we could do on our own.

Please join us in donating to SCCF through Outreach Sunday giving. If you're unable to attend Sunday service on the 22nd, you can donate online or drop off a check made payable to MSSA with Outreach Sunday in the memo line.

With gratitude,  
*Katie Trahan, Outreach chair*

## Quiz Yourself: How's Your Golf Cart Savvy?

1. Driving a golf cart with kids on the back and cradling an infant in your lap would not be considered "distracted driving."  
True    False
2. It's legal in the state of TN for your 8 year old to drive a golf cart as long as you're in there as well.  
True    False
3. When your golf cart is not in use, an ideal place to store the key is in the ignition or cup-holder.  
True    False
4. Golf cart etiquette includes children not being allowed to climb or play on golf carts belonging to others.  
True    False
5. A pediatric research study from 2017 revealed that, out of 500 golf cart injuries, 78% of children went to the ER, and 1/4 of those had injuries to the brain, neck, and spine.  
True    False
6. Rear-facing passengers should be cautioned about upcoming turns so they can hold on and not be thrown from the cart.  
True    False
7. Passengers, especially young children, should be seated and holding on, rather than standing on a cart in motion.  
True    False
8. Golf carts are a source of enjoyment and a great method of transportation when owners/users follow Assembly rules.  
True    False

**Answer Key:** 1. False; 2. False; 3. False; 4. True; 5. True; 6. True; 7. True; 8. True

How did you do? Next time you're around a golf cart, we encourage you to remember the care you take with children in cars and apply the same level of care. While it may seem like the stakes are lower, severe injuries can occur.

*Thanks to Margaret Rixham for help with this quiz!*





# From Winfield

Although we are approaching the end of the season, there is still PLENTY happening on the Winfield Porch.

- Monday, July 23rd at 10:00 am is the final Book Club meeting; we'll be reviewing *The Lilac Girls*.
- Mah Jongg Mondays at 2:30 pm continues. We often have five or more tables!!! The Mah Jongg tournament comes in Week 8!
- The Chickadees continue on Tuesdays/Thursdays at 10:00 am for children under 3. There will be an adults-only party for Chickadee parents and grandparents Wednesday, July 25th, from 5:30-7:00 pm. Bring an appetizer and beverage to share.
- Adult card parties take place on Wednesdays at 2:30 pm. Gather your group for a game of bridge!
- Thank you to all those who have donated July and August magazine issues. After week 7, no new donations will be accepted and donations from the season will go to the library for the Monteagle community to enjoy.
- The last Adult Porch Party of the season is Thursday, July 23rd, from 5:30-7:00 pm. Bring an appetizer and a beverage to share. The party ends at 7:00 pm to respect Twilight Prayers.
- Hummingbirds and Eaglets are welcome for story time on Tuesdays / Thursdays at 3:00 pm.

See you on the Porch soon!

— *Cindy Huston, Winfield hostess*



## The Next Big Thing: Cottage Tour & Bazaar THANK YOU!

When the sun shines and the Assembly opens its gates ...  
And 5 cottages open their doors ...  
And 40 vendors offer their wares ...  
And golf carts and docents and ticket sellers and lunch servers and party planners and floral designers and handsome Winfield Club members combine their talents ...

It's a GREAT day!

A big thank you to Committee Chairs:

Bazaar: Ruth Patterson

Tickets: Ellie Billington & Cecil Coleman

Golf Carts: Kent Ballow & Diane Lloyd

Box Lunches: Anne Worthen

White Elephant Sale: Pam Maloof

Bake Sale: Jenny Jervis & Lori Davis

Preview Party: Frannie Smith

Publicity: Britton Watson

**And to our Cottage Owners who said YES!**

Meraviglioso: Ellen More

Fleur de Lis: Sallie Stroud

Nestle Down: Lane Price

Fern Cottage: Julie Jansen

Northgate Inn: Frannie Ambrose

And to everyone who toured and shopped and smiled and shared with visitors the story of this place we call home ...  
THANK YOU!

— *Linda Parrish, Chair, Cottage Tour 2018*

## Swimming Hours

### Monday-Saturday:

8:00 - 10:00 am (adults only)

10:00 am – Noon & 2:30 - 5:30 pm

2:30 – 7:30 pm Friday only

### Sunday:

2:30 – 5:30 pm

## From Harton Hall

**Farm to Table at the MSSA:** Did you know that every time you dine at Harton Hall, you support local farmers? For the last twelve years, one of our most important missions has been to buy as much of our produce locally as possible.

I first met Jerry Sweeton thirteen years ago when he was running his produce stand across from MSSA, next to the Mountain Goat (then Richie's market). He sold me peaches and cream corn, new potatoes, and my very first box of local homegrown tomatoes. Since then, he, his wife Tammy (and beautiful granddaughter Hailey) have been our most important supplier of fresh local produce. There's always something growing at their farm in White City (on Hwy 41 on the right, on the way to Foster Falls), but they also truck to Kentucky for melons, South Carolina for peaches, and into Alabama for tomatoes before their crop comes in.

Darlene Seagroves of Brown's Hollar in Tracy City brings our farm fresh brown eggs and cucumbers twice a week. The lovely organic spring mix in our salad bar comes from the greenhouses of Kir Strobels, of Turtle Run farm. And Friday night's pig will be cooked behind the dining hall by Matt Sparacio of Cove Creek Farm. He has a new portable smoker that he is trying out on us!



You can meet these, as well as other farmers, artisans, and flower growers, any Thursday morning from 7 to 10:00 am during the season at our Farmer's Market on the Mall. Sewanee also has a great Farmer's Market every Saturday on the left side of Hwy 41 before you arrive at the village. Make it a point to support our local farmers, and eat local. It is summer, after all!

**Farm to Table Dinner**, Friday, July 29: Cold zucchini soup; local lettuces with herb garden goddess dressing; tomato and sweet onion with crumbled Bonnie Blue goat cheese; whole pig with blueberry barbeque sauce on the side from Cove Creek Farm, Tracy City; creamed fresh corn; country style pole beans from White City; White City squash casserole; mountain berry cobbler and ice cream; watermelon and cantaloupe with moonshine syrup; mountain corn bread; artisan bread loaves from the Bread Peddler, Monteagle. YUM!

Cost: \$25 for adults, \$10 for children 12 and under. Tea and lemonade included. You can bring the beverage of your choice to enjoy with your meal. Reservations are taken at the office. Space is limited, and this event will sell out.

—Emily Frith (*chef extraordinaire*)

## Housing Questions? Ask Rhonda!

Should you have concerns that your cottage has not rented to your satisfaction during the season or off-season, contact the housing office to discuss your options. If you are willing to consider offering your cottage for 3-day rentals, negotiate or prorate rentals, or if you have questions about your rentals, call Rhonda.

## Sunday Buffet

Fried chicken  
Mashed potatoes  
Squash and zucchini with  
bacon  
Assorted salads and fruit  
Homegrown tomatoes  
Fudge pie and ice cream

## Leaseholds Available

#6	Windcrest	\$550,000
#11	Stone Court	\$390,000
#15	Bridgepoint	\$595,000
#56	Southern Comfort	\$450,000
#58	Fleur de Lis	\$330,000
#82	Veranda	\$385,000
#129	Hallelujah	\$495,000
#154	Everbright	\$550,000

## Program Book Tip of the Week

*One of this week's speakers traces her lifetime of annual Monteagle visits farther back than any other bio we've seen. But who is it, and when was that fateful first trip?*

## Youth Updates

Keith Gunter led us into learning how to live a life without believing the lies we so commonly believe through games, talks, and songs. We laughed, sweat, and definitely got our steps in. We experienced games like spoons \*water version\*, slip-n-slide kickball, and many, many more. We went caving and made cardboard houses together. It rained some, but we did not let it ruin our fun! As Youth Tennis Week comes up, we are excited to see our little and big tennis players show their talents on the court. We are cheering you ALL on! Joke of the week: What did the pirate say on his 80th birthday? Find a member of the Youth Staff for the answer!

## Announcements

**Eaglet and Eagle excursions** are so fun to have, however we need parents to volunteer on the front end so we can determine how many youth we can take. Please volunteer to drive early so we can take as many youth as possible on these excursions!!

**Buzzards & Falcons** MUST wear closed toe shoes to campfire on Wednesday nights for safety reasons.

**Boys Bible Study & Girls Bible Study** takes place on Monday nights at 7:00 pm at the Nashville house.

**Looking to improve your child's swimming** while in Monteagle? Then you are in luck! Some of our lifeguards are offering swim lessons this summer. Come to the pool and talk to any of the guards to set up a lesson.

**Private/group tennis lessons** as well as hitting lessons for adult and junior players of all levels will be offered by Fletcher Kerr. You can reach him at 720-431-4405 (call or text) or at [kerrgf0@sewanee.edu](mailto:kerrgf0@sewanee.edu).

**Parents are responsible** for their children in the baby pool at all times!

**Snacks, refreshments, and MSSA merchandise** is available for purchase at the snack shop located outside the front entrance of the Auditorium.



**Monday:** *Cheaper by the Dozen 2* (2005, PG)

**Tuesday:** *Madagascar* (2005, PG)

**Wednesday early bird:** *Thomas the Train* (1984, G)

**Wednesday:** *Tomorrowland* (2015, PG)

**Thursday:** *The Boss Baby* (2017, PG)

## Youth This Week!

**Hummingbirds leaders** would like for the Hummingbirds to be wearing sunscreen, bug spray, and bring a water bottle.

**Arts and Crafts** would like grocery bags to use as stuffing. Please bring to the Nashville home.

**The Lifeguards** ask that you do not bring food and drink into the pool area. Thank you!

**The Youth Directors** ask that kids leave their electronic devices at home during youth events.

**For excursions**, please arrive 15 minutes early in order that we can load people in cars and be on our way on time! We want everyone to be able to come, so be early so you will not get left! Also if you decide that you do not want to come, please scratch your name of the sign up prior to the event!

## We Tip Our Hats to ...

Thank you to the **Udens, Mores, Stevens, Currys, Clevelands**, and more for the wonderful progressive suppers that have been given and provided for the different age groups! Also thanks goes to **Strouds** for a taco soup filled night, we had a lot of fun and enjoyed ourselves. If you would like to host or provide a meal for the staff, talk to Summer! A HUGE thank you goes to the **Gunters** for giving up their time and energy to provide us with another successful youth week!

## Stay Connected!

**We want our Monteagle family** to get all the latest information in the fastest way, so we created a text message system for last minute changes or emergencies. We will also be communicating through Mountain Voices and our Facebook page: [www.facebook.com/MSSAYouth](http://www.facebook.com/MSSAYouth). Be sure to like our page!

Text **MSSAYOUTH** to **84483** to receive youth alerts.

Text **MSSANEWS** to **84483** to receive community alerts.

## 'Names and history are very important up here'

Most days, when you wake up at 4:00 am, you try to go back to sleep immediately, hoping you aren't up for the day. But in Monteagle, at least for Melanie Russell Sides, an unexpectedly early morning is an invitation to head outside into the cool (very) early morning air and savor the mountain air. "This is like Christmas," she says, compared to the sweltering heat of Houston summer days she contends with back home.

Melanie and her three siblings grew up coming to the Assembly every summer; she has never missed coming, and she was in her mid-20s before she missed her first July 4th here. Now that she's a single mom with two teenaged kids, she and her siblings try to come for the youth week. They rent out a big house and spend the week doing things that feel luxurious compared to the rest of their lives: sitting around, reading, relaxing, napping.

As she reminisces about her summertime experiences as a child, she remembers how much time was spent in multi-generational family time, with people of all ages playing games and cards. Necessity being the mother of invention, she and her siblings would make up games. She remembers with special fondness their Dictionary Game, which went something like this: One person would open the dictionary to a random page, call out a word, and everyone else would write down what they thought it meant. And then the next person would take a turn being the word chooser.

Melanie remembers growing up with Malone Trabue, and she loves that her kids get to see his parents and participate in the youth week named for him. "Names and history are very important up here," she says. "I want my kids to know that history."

When asked to recall an especially Monteagle memory, she immediately remembers a July 4th in the mid-1970s (maybe 1976?) when the flag raising seemed imperiled because the flag got stuck mid-way up. Gene Pilcher wasn't about to let that stand; he shimmied up the flagpole and raised the flag the rest of the way. (Editor's note: If you have a picture of this, please send it.) "I'm sure he was in his bell bottoms and long hair – it was the 70s, after all."

She also remembers the "Establishment Dance" that was held each season at the Gym. There would be a big band come in the first weekend of August, and all the Assembly would put on their finest for the event. If you got asked to go as a young person, it was definitely a "date" ... but, the young people stayed on the porch while the adults enjoyed the evening inside.

Music in the Gym weaves its way into another fond memory of Melanie's: She remembers teens bringing their music to the gym to dance to. The last dance? Always Stairway to Heaven. And if you got asked to dance to that song? ... Melanie's voice trails off here, lost in a memory.

After Hurricane Harvey ravaged so much of Houston, the Assembly is a welcomed escape. "This is my home," Melanie says emphatically. "I see people who knew me as a child. It feels like coming home."



*Melanie Russell Sides (r) and her daughter, Abby (l), enjoying some mother-daughter time at MSSA during youth week.*

## Safety First

The MSSA security team is at your service. If you have any emergency--medical or otherwise--call 911, but our seasoned team is here to help for non-emergency situations. If you have a safety issue or see suspicious activity anywhere on the grounds or at the Point, don't hesitate to call (931) 607-8615 after 5 pm or call the office during business hours. There are no silly concerns--it's better to call and quell your fears than to let something go because you are afraid of a false alarm.

Consider putting the security number by your home phone and/or plugging it into your cell phones.

Kids got cell phones? Plug the security number in those too.

Together we'll keep MSSA the safe haven it is!



# Sunday School on the Mountain

MSSA Sunday School is a great opportunity to make some new friends while studying God's Word together! Although three Sundays remain in the season, Sunday School will meet only on July 22nd and on July 29th; we will NOT meet on August 5th. Many thanks to the wonderful volunteers who have shared their gifts and talents to teach our classes this year! If you have not visited a Sunday School class yet, please join us this week! We'd love to have you!

*Note: ALL Sunday School classes (Youth & Adult) meet from 10:00-10:45 a.m.*

## Adult I – Winfield Porch

July 22nd: Dr. Andy Spickard "Watching With Jesus: Matthew 26:36-46"

July 29th: Dr. Andy Spickard "Our Faith Journeys and Ministries of Intercession"

## Adult II – Mountain Haven (Cottage #136)

July 22nd: Lori Davis "Seeking God With All My Heart"

July 29th: Lori Davis "Abiding?"

## Youth Sunday School

5-yrs. + Eaglets @Maney Art Pavilion ("Godly Play" curriculum taught by Pam Maloof)

Eagles @ Shady Dell ("Parables of Jesus" taught by adult volunteers)

Buzzards & Falcons @ Nashville Home ("Pressure Points," a study based on the book of James, taught by Christian Coordinator William Davis)

## Harmony Bells

Ms. Pam regrets that she will be away and cannot play harmony bells with the youth these next two weeks. She wishes everyone well and looks forward to next season's harmony bells — there are changes coming to include more inter-generational musical enjoyment!

## Do You Have Your Cottage Bible?

Each cottage was gifted a Bible during our Season of Renewal (125th). The Bibles had the cottage number and name in them. If yours has been misplaced or removed from your cottage and you would like it replaced, please contact Anne Worthen (arworthen10@gmail.com) no later than July 23. Please include your name and cottage # in the message.



## Don't Miss Sundays at the Chapel

Each week, clergy from different denominations lead our services, so participants can enjoy a variety of ministries. All of these services are held in Warren Chapel, one of our most iconic structures, and many people will tell you that there is nothing like sitting in our beautiful chapel in the gloaming of a summer evening and hearing the crickets and birds as the day draws to a close. It is the perfect time for reflection and a reenergizing of our spiritual selves.

Please arrive in time to be seated at least 10 minutes before the start of service. As you might imagine, late arrivals are somewhat disruptive. Also, the last row on the right as you enter is reserved for our youth participants at Sunday services.

— Greg Maloof, Chancellor of Warren Chapel

## Shout Out to Youth Sunday School Teachers

A big THANK YOU to all our Youth Sunday School teachers this season who make the "S.S." of MSSA happen: Pam Maloof (her umpteenth year!), William Davis, Shae & Jim Uden, Susie Elder, Julia & Eli Green, Sallie Stroud, and Murray Smartt. Some of you have prepared to teach God's Word week in and week out and others for a single week, but all have been valuable to the whole! So thank you on behalf of our children!



*Extreme hammocking is a new favorite MSSA pastime!*



# ARC Project Submission Deadlines

Planning a renovation project? The Architectural Review Committee will accept projects for review and recommendation to the Board of Trust for approval four times per year. Questions about possible projects, the process, and necessary requirements should be referred to the General Manager. Projects submitted by the following dates will be reviewed and presented at the board meeting following the submission:

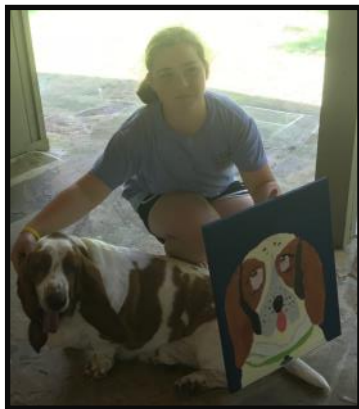
- July 15
- September 30
- January 15
- May 1

The ARC is available throughout the year to advise members on their project planning prior to submission of a request. Not sure if you need ARC approval? Check with the General Manager first.

— Scott Parrish, General Manager

## Morton Memorial UMC Annual Fish Fry

Morton Memorial United Methodist Church invites everyone to our 12th annual Fish Fry, to be held on the church grounds in Monteagle on Saturday, July 28th from 4:00 to 7:00 pm. Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$6 for children. Please join us for fried fish, french fries, hushpuppies, cole slaw, tea/water, and the most wonderful desserts to top it off. Take-out is also available. All the proceeds go toward our community outreach programs, such as Tools 4 Schools and Christmas on the Mountain. Call the church office at (931) 924-2192 if you need further information or have questions.



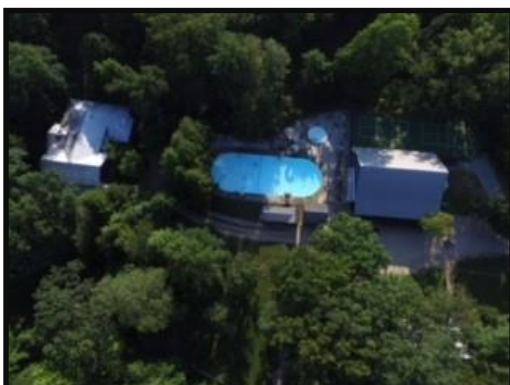
*Evie Knopf and Winston are quite a pair ... but which is Winston and which is the painting? The resemblance is uncanny.*



*Chickadees (everyone too young for Hummingbirds + a parent or grandparent) meets every Tuesday & Thursday from 10-11:00 am. The regular meeting place is Winfield porch, but the group had a special meeting at the baby pool last Thursday.*



*Exploring the creek is a longtime MSSA tradition!*



*Left, aerial footage of the pool, Auditorium, and other MSSA grounds from a drone.*



*Right, cousins Neely Richards and Eliza Leighton enjoy lunch on the porch of Harton Hall*

# Youth Tennis Tournament

The MSSA Youth Tennis Tournament is this week! Matches begin Wednesday, July 25, and continue through Saturday, July 28! Sign up Monday morning through Tuesday at noon at the Auditorium, where there are forms to provide player's names and other relevant information. Participants for both singles and doubles must be familiar with the standard scoring, etiquette, and match format; players should be prepared for 8-game pro sets with regular green tennis balls. Players 8 years or older are preferred, although children of all abilities may participate! Questions? Please contact Fletcher Kerr at (720) 431-4405.

— Fletcher Kerr

## Adult Tennis Tournament Results

Our tennis courts were busy during week 5 with the Adult Tennis Tournament. Janet Warner and Amanda Moody were winners of the Women's Doubles tournament, after battling Diane Lloyd and Hays Haney for "Queen of the Courts!" Steve and Margaret Rixham took top honors in the Mixed Doubles bracket, after a well-played final match against Drew and Janet Warner. Happily, both couple were still smiling after the match!

Thank you to all of our players and supporters. This year's group was small in numbers but big on action!

Fletcher (our fabulous pro) will be running the Youth Tennis Tournament this week and would be happy for some helping hands. You can find him (always smiling) on the courts or in the Snack Shop.

See you on the courts!

— Susan Acker, Tennis Chair

## Attention Tennis Players!

Attention tennis players: For next Monday's ladies tennis clinics there will be two sessions. For players with USTA ratings of 3.5 or higher, there will be a 9:00 am clinic, and for anyone with an ability of 2.5/3.0, there will be another drill at 10:00 am at the Mall tennis courts. Each class costs \$10 per player. If you would like to attend either clinic or have any further questions, contact Fletcher Kerr.



Above, Women's Doubles finalists Janet Warner, Amanda Moody, Diane Lloyd, and Hays Haney.

## Scenes from the 3-day youth camping trip



**The Monteagle Sunday School Assembly** was organized by Charter issued by the State of Tennessee on October 4, 1882 for the purpose of: "... the advancement of science, literary attainment, Sunday School interests, and the promotion of the broadest popular culture in the interest of Christianity without regard to sect or denomination."

The Mission of the Monteagle Sunday School Assembly is to be a welcoming community of Christian faith where people gather to engage in spiritual growth and renewal, lifelong inquiry and learning, recreational and cultural enrichment, while being good stewards of our natural resources and our Assembly heritage.



# Week 7 Program Descriptions

## Monday

**10:00 am-12:00 pm & 2:30-4:30 pm, Mall Courts:** Pickleball for All workshop, with Stephanie Lane & Melissa Powell. This clinic is for those who have played before. Players may need a refresher in keeping score. We will focus on when to hit specific shots, doubles strategies, and how to practice to become a better player.

**4:30 pm, Warren Chapel:** “Think Tennessee,” with Bob Cooper, Jr: ThinkTennessee examined how the state ranks nationally on 100 different indicators, from commute times to voter registration. Former Attorney General Bob Cooper, ThinkTennessee’s board chair, and Shanna Singh Hughey, its president, will discuss the findings, which demonstrate the complex, evolving nature of Tennessee’s needs.

## Tuesday

**10:45 am, Warren Chapel:** “What it Takes to Donate a Kidney and Why You Might Consider It,” with Betsy Crais: This lecture will cover the basics about the need for kidney donors across the US and the large number of people who die each year while waiting. A group of three people touched by kidney donation will share their stories: Betsy, who received a kidney from a colleague; Virginia Curry, who was a donor in a 6-person “donor swap”; Virginia’s cousin, Debbie Phillips, who was a recipient within the 6-way swap.

**3:30 pm, Winfield Porch:** “And who is my neighbor?” with the Rev. Frank Crumbaugh: The parable of The Good Samaritan is a story we think we know so very well. But do we know it as well as we think? As with all of Jesus’ teachings, there is a point at which the issue ceases being theoretical and becomes personal. Let’s talk about that.

**8:15 pm, Warren Chapel:** “Florists in the Field,” with Erick New and Greg Campbell: To research their new book, Erick and Greg traveled, snips in hand, to small family flower farms around the US and the Netherlands and created tablescapes and/or dinners using product found on those farms. The duo will use products from those farms to create a tablescape while presenting a slideshow of their adventures.

## Wednesday

**10:45 am, Warren Chapel:** “Growing Up Adopted,” with Margaret Hendrick: For many years, people would ask Margaret about her adoptive life. At first, she couldn’t see how it affected her, but as her experiences grew, she saw that her adoption had a much larger impact than she ever imagined.

**2:30-4:30 pm, Pulliam Center:** “Finding Your Roots” workshop, with Margaret Hendrick: This is a chance to begin your family tree. No prior experience is needed. Margaret will help

those who have never begun their tree, as well as those who have begun, but are having difficulty finding a particular ancestor. Bring your laptop and paper/pen for notes.

## Thursday

**10:45 am, Warren Chapel:** “The Center Holds: A Call to Contemplative Practices in the Midst of Life’s Chaos,” with the Rev. Andy Anderson: The re-discovery of early Christian contemplative practices is transforming people’s lives and the world. Indeed, this ancient wisdom can be found in all of the world’s great religious traditions. Embracing this discipline of letting go, silence, mindfulness of the present moment, and especially of consenting to the one Divine Presence of God creating and sustaining all of life calls us to the center of our deepest and truest selves, where God dwells.

**2:30-4:30 pm, Pulliam Center:** “Experiencing Centering Prayer as a Resource for the Spiritual Journey,” with the Rev. Andy Anderson: This workshop is an opportunity to explore the contemplative life and Centering Prayer as a discipline of prayer. Centering Prayer is the opening of the mind and heart—our whole being—to God, the Ultimate Mystery, beyond thoughts, words and emotions. The format for the workshop is an afternoon of learning and discussion combined with opportunities to experience and reflect upon two periods of Centering Prayer.

**8:15 pm, Warren Chapel:** “How Love Heals,” with the Rev. Becca Stevens: This lecture will provide daily practices to inspire leaders and community, both for church gathering and community organizations. You’ll leave inspired with practical ways to live into our hope to heal ourselves, our community, and the world.

## Friday

**10:45 am, Warren Chapel:** “The Current State of American Politics — Where we are and how we got there,” with John L. Ryder: The election of Donald Trump as 45th President of the United States sent shock waves through the political system. His presidency is still sending shockwaves. John Ryder, former General Counsel to the Republican National Committee, Chairman of the Republican National Lawyers Association, and political columnist and commentator, will walk us through the events that led to this point in American politics and what it means for the upcoming elections.

**8:00 pm, Auditorium:** Concert with Marcus Hummon: Grammy winner and two-time NSAI Songwriter’s Hall of Fame nominee, Marcus Hummon has enjoyed a successful career as a songwriter, recording artist, composer, playwright, and author. Along the way, he has garnered numerous BMI awards, including five #1 awards.



# Week 7 Calendar • July 22-28, 2018

Guest Minister: Rev. Frank Crumbaugh

## Sunday

### Sunday School

10-10:45 am • Various locations

### Sunday Worship

11:00 am • Warren Chapel

**Live Animal Nature Program**, with the Natural History Education Company

2:30-3:30 pm • Auditorium

## Monday -Thursday

### Twilight Prayers

7:30 pm • Warren Chapel

## Monday -Friday

**Adult Exercise**, with Helen Stapleton (Mon/Wed/Fri) & Rich Barrali (Tues/Thurs)

8-9:00 am • Gymnasium

## Tuesday & Thursday

**Water Aerobics**, with Jenny Berk

8:30-9:30 am • Pool

## Monday

**Workshop: Pickleball for All**, with Stephanie Lane & Melissa Powell

10:00-12:00 & 2:30-4:30 • Mall Courts

**Lecture: "Think Tennessee,"** with Robert E. Cooper, Jr. and Shanna Singh Hughey

4:30 pm • Warren Chapel

**Movie: Cheaper by the Dozen 2** (2005, PG)

8:05 pm • Auditorium

## Tuesday

**Lecture: "What it Takes to Donate a Kidney and Why You Might Consider It,"** with Betsy Crais

10:45 am • Warren Chapel

**Informal Lecture: "And who is my neighbor?"** with the Rev. Frank Crumbaugh

3:30-4:30 pm • Winfield Porch

**Movie: Madagascar** (2005, PG)

8:05 pm • Auditorium

**Lecture: "Florists in the Field,"** with Erick New & Greg Campbell

8:15 pm • Warren Chapel

## Wednesday

**Gentle Aqua Yoga**, with Liz Norell

8:30 am • Pool

**Lecture: "Growing Up Adopted,"** with Margaret Hendrick

10:45 am • Warren Chapel

**Workshop: "Finding Your Roots,"** with Margaret Hendrick

2:30-4:30 pm • Pulliam Center

**Early-Bird Movie: Thomas the Train** (1984, G)

6:00 pm • Auditorium

**Movie: Tomorrowland** (2015, PG)

8:05 pm • Auditorium

## Thursday

### Produce Market

7-10:00 am • On the Mall

**Lecture: "The Center Holds: A Call to the Contemplative Practices in the Midst of Life's Chaos,"** with the Rev. Andy Anderson

10:45 am • Warren Chapel

**Workshop: "Experiencing Centering Prayer as a Resource for the Spiritual Journey,"** with the Rev. Andy Anderson

2:30-4:30 pm • Pulliam Center

**Movie: The Boss Baby** (2017, PG)

8:05 pm • Auditorium

**Lecture: "How Love Heals,"** with the Rev. Becca Stevens

8:15 pm • Warren Chapel

## Friday

**Lecture: "The Current State of American Politics: Where we are and how we got there,"** with John L. Ryder

10:45 am • Warren Chapel

### Extended Pool Hours

5:30-7:30 pm • Pool

### Farm-to-Table Dinner

6:00 pm • Harton Hall

**Concert: Marcus Hummon**

8:00 pm • Auditorium

## Saturday

**Annual Meeting of MSSA Cottage Owners**

9:00 am • Warren Chapel

**Monteagle Mountain Market for Arts & Crafts**

9:00 am-5:00 pm • Town of Monteagle

### MSSA Board Meeting

2:00 pm • Pulliam Center

### MAEFC Board Meeting

2:30 pm • Pulliam Center

**Morton Memorial UMC Annual Fish Fry**

4:00-7:00 pm • Morton Memorial Church

**The Information Center on the Mall has all the latest schedule details, including any changes to the program schedule, movie selections, Sunday School details, and more! If you have items to post, please email [platform@mssa1882.org](mailto:platform@mssa1882.org) for assistance.**