

# MOUNTAIN VOICES



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## Photo of the Week



**Look at us!** Margaret Berry Kennedy and Samuel Delk Kennedy, IV enjoy some time at the Bandstand on a beautiful Monteagle day. Photo from Delk Kennedy.

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## 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

### HIGHLIGHTS



**THE ELEPHANT SANCTUARY**  
IN TENNESSEE™

**"The Elephant Sanctuary,"**  
with Todd Montgomery  
Tuesday, 10:45 am  
Warren Chapel

**The Man Who Knew Too Much**

Film: Wednesday,  
8:05 pm,  
Auditorium

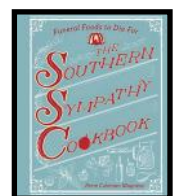
Discussion:  
Thursday, 2:30 pm, Warren Chapel



**"Southern Sympathy: Feeding the Southern Soul,"**

with Perre Coleman  
Magness

Friday, 5:00 pm  
Warren Chapel



# From the President: A Happy Ending!

This season the questions I have been asked the most are, "Are you counting the days until your presidency is over?".. "Are you sad?" ... "If you had it to do all over again would you?"

My answers are "No," "No," and "Yes!"

It has been an honor and privilege to serve as the president of the Monteagle Sunday School Assembly for the past two years. Your support and encouragement have meant the world to me. I have come to have an even deeper respect for our Assembly family and heritage and what this wonderfully unique place means to all of us.

Whether our worries are as minor as, "Who will be my partner for the pickle ball tournament?" or "What to do about the skunk in the cabbage patch?" or as major as the loss of a loved one or a family friend, one constant is that we are here for each other during good times and bad.

It is now time for a new set of eyes and ears to take over and I have no doubt that they will enjoy their experience as much as I have.

My heartfelt thanks to the executive committee, the board and to the membership for entrusting me with perhaps the most perfect place on Earth!

Best regards,  
— Barry Moody



*Greg Campbell (l) and Erick New (r) demonstrate their floral skills last week.*

## Outreach Sunday Blessings

Our amazing MSSA community truly came out to support our greater community through Outreach Sunday donations. We collected \$3,600 which will be donated to South Cumberland Community Fund. This is a wonderful organization that we have supported since their inception. They continue to grow, strengthening the mountain community and providing tools and support in a variety of ways.

With gratitude,  
*Outreach Committee: Kent Ballow, Kate Connell, Ginny Gordon, Cullen Hornaday, Jenny Jervis, Dawn Logan, Eleanor Montgomery, Ruth Patterson, Stephanie Smith, Perian Strang, Katie Trahan, and Anne Waring*

## Harmony Bells Update

As a reminder, there will be no harmony bells this week (week 8).

I would like to thank all the parents who sent their children to Sunday School for ages 5-7. It was a pleasure teaching them this summer. I would also like to thank Tibbie and Paige Cleveland for teaching the class for me while I was away at the Chautauqua annual meeting.

I look forward to teaching again next season!

— Miss Pam

## 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.

## 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.

The housing office can also help if you want to rent a golf cart during the season!

The housing number is (931) 924-9000.

## 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

## From Harton Hall

**Harton Hall** will be open for lunch on Sunday, August 5.

### Thank you for yet another great summer!

The reason we are here is because we love our Monteagle family, and it is a joy to come up to Harton Hall for 8 weeks and cook for MSSA. We've been blessed with a stellar crew under the leadership of Mac Frith: Deanna Caldwell, Drew Haskell, Robert Rolfsen, Henry Fisher, Kasey McFarland, Wardie Cammack, Robert Peacock, and Roane Waring—as well as pinch hitters Owen Hudgins, Mason Goodson and Alice Bradford. Please take a moment to thank them for their hard work, and remember the tip jar especially that last week, to show appreciation to those who have stuck it out all summer!

### Culinary Guild Outing to Octo-π

Our excursion to Keri Moser's new pizza concept in Sewanee is tentatively planned for Thursday, August 2, at 6:30 pm. Culinary Guild members, be looking for an email with details!

—Emily Frith (*chef extraordinaire*)



## Schedule Changes

The week 8 Mosaics are Marvelous workshop was cancelled by the instructor. We apologize for the change.

The discussion of *The Man Who Knew Too Much* on Thursday at 2:30 pm has been moved to Warren Chapel.

## Sunday Buffet

Dijon crusted chicken

Shrimp and grits

Succotash

Mixed greens

Assorted salads and fruit

Caramel cake



*Cole Norton, Ruben Cloniger, Patrick Broome, and Tate Wildman enjoy lemonade. Photo from Virginia Curry.*



# From Winfield

**Magazines:** Thank you to all who have donated magazines this summer. We appreciate the opportunity to provide current reading to our guests and members!

**Library books:** No books will be available for check out beginning Thursday, August 2nd. All books need to be returned by Saturday, August 4th as we close the library for the season Friday. No one is here to refile them so continue your reading and come check out next week before Thursday.

No book donations are accepted off-season. There will be a notice on the porch to this effect. Please hold them until next season or repurpose them back home. The town library also has limited space; you might also consider McKays or Goodwill. We do not want to arrive taking 10 boxes off the porch each year.

Our goal is to continue accepting new hardbacks published within the last five years. We also always appreciate cash/check/gift card donations, so our librarian can seek new additions in the off-season for 2019.

Many thanks to those who generously donated plates, cups, and napkins for the many events last week. Special thanks to Anne Byrn Floyd, Ellie Billington, Virginia Uden, and Ruth Patterson. The contributions were most appreciated!!!

Thanks to all of you all for making the Winfield Porch such a lovely place to be in the summer. We do want to strive to keep the Porch open for personal visits and quiet time for families and young people to enjoy, in addition to the many events.

Plenty of activities to keep us going in Week 8!!!

See you on the Porch soon!

— *Cindy Huston, Winfield hostess*



## Woman's Association

The Woman's Association Mah Jongg Tournament starts on Tuesday! It will take place on the Porch beginning at 2:30 pm. Register in advance by calling Regan Greer, (615) 306-4393. If you love to play, come join in! It is always great fun and fellowship!

Everyone is invited to attend the last Woman's Association meeting of the season at 10:00 am on Monday, July 30th. New officers and chairmen will be announced. We will also get a final report on the Cottage Tour and Bazaar, another great event this year, and discuss where the charitable donations are going. We will also have a current membership list to review; remember, it is never too late to join!

On Tuesday at 3:30 pm, we will host our last Book Swap in the Library. Bring those good books you have completed and pick up something new to read!

Thank you to everyone who has participated in activities on the Porch this season. Plans are already underway for next season and we hope to see again. The Woman's Association is open to everyone and strives to welcome all!

— *Frannie Smith, Woman's Association President*

## Fire Safety Protects Us All!

From the Monteagle Fire Department: Please use your driveway or off-street parking if available. If you park elsewhere, ensure you've left enough room a fire truck or ambulance to pass through on the road.



When you open your cottage in the Spring, have you ever noticed how leaves and debris from the Fall have magically disappeared? Many thanks to Scott, Rick, and the grounds crew for eliminating this potential fire hazard!

Do you know where your fire extinguisher is? Having an extinguisher in your kitchen is always wise, but also consider leaving one accessible on your porch, year-round. That way, if a fire starts, it's there to start extinguishing the flames while calling 911.

Many thanks to Jim Reed and Jack Arnold for their generosity in purchasing a brand new one for every single cottage in the Cabbage Patch. As residents of the Cabbage Patch themselves, they are concerned about the damage that fire can cause in a matter of minutes, spreading from house to house. Keep this new fire extinguisher on your porch, ready to go!

# Youth Updates

Can you believe that it is week 8 already? I cannot believe it either. This summer has flown by with more activities than I can count (on two hands). Last week was a whirlwind of events that ranged from hummingbirds at hayrides to all-Assembly excursions to Greeter. It included our annual overnight to stagecoach where all get little to no sleep but remember it for eternity. This week, be looking out to vote for the King and Queen of the Luau. Buzzards and Falcons should be looking out for our annual overnight to the Ocoee, which is one of my own favorites.

## 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.

**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:** *Mr. Magorium's Wonder Emporium* (2007, G)

**Tuesday:** *The Princess Bride* (1987, PG)

**Wednesday early bird:** *Creatures of the Deep Sea* (2016, G)

**Wednesday:** *The Man Who Knew Too Much* (1956, PG)

**Thursday:** *Contact* (1997, PG)

**Friday:** *Zootopia* (2016, 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 for a craft on Thursday. 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 so 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 ...

We sent multitudes of thanks to the **Knopfs, Walkers, Floyds, Davises, Carrs, and Strouds** for opening your homes and porches to us in order to provide us with some excellent progressive suppers. We thank you for helping to keep this experience one worth coming to.

Congratulations and thanks also goes to all who participated in the Youth Tennis Tournament! Way to go! You gave all you had and we could not be more proud of you!!

## 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.

## 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!

## ARC Project 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

### SEASON OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Friday,  
8:00am to 4:00pm

Saturday, 9:00am to 3:00pm

## From the Archives Committee

As you pack up and return home remember to collect birth announcements, wedding invitations, newspaper articles, Christmas cards of members families, photographs, etc. through the winter to fill your family box. Mail them to the office c/o the Archives Committee or drop them off at the office if you come to the Mountain!

This poem was found in the archives. Carry it with you until 2019!

### Monteagle Assembly

by Allen Wood Jr. 1978

Night's deep mysteries dispel themselves in wondrous birth of Dawn. The glade shimmers; comes alive. There, a tiny squirrel revels in life precariously; its threadbare sapling over glistening stream trembles with passion. It does not fall as music swells among azure mists; the birds serenade silence and peace. Light floats lazily, kissing nectar to transform green beings into jewels. Stillness moves as shadows emerge enhancing sparrows in staid oaks, their majesty quiet, fixed, lasting. I cling to this haven, to this beauty for my soul.

**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 8 Program Descriptions

## Monday-Friday

**9:30-11:45 am (Tues-Fri) & 2:30-4:30 pm (Mon-Fri):** “Play of the Hand: Taking More Tricks” advanced bridge lessons, with Larry Hays: This class is aimed at improving your planning and play of the hand once you have bid to the optimal contract. The first goal is to make your contract and then to make as many overtricks as you can. Class will focus on developing your skills in counting winners and losers and when to do each; timing and sequence of play of the hand; developing high card tricks; developing long suits; trumping losers; and the many types and positions for finessing.

## Tuesday

**10:45 am, Warren Chapel:** “The Elephant Sanctuary,” with Todd Montgomery: Herd. Home. Rest. Refuge. Individualized Care for Life. For more than 20 years, the Elephant Sanctuary has provided this and much more to retired captive elephants on 2,700 acres in Hohenwald, TN. In addition to providing care for these incredible animals, The Sanctuary educates the public about the needs of elephants in captivity and crisis facing elephants in the wild.

**8:15 pm, Warren Chapel:** “Our History is All Around Us — if only we look,” with Harbert L. Rice Alexander: A banker in Jackson, TN, for more than 43 years, Alexander has an eclectic background and a history of community involvement and service. The author of five books, Alexander has been the Madison County historian for 23 years and serves on the Tennessee State Museum board, appointed by Governor Bill Haslam.

## Wednesday

**10:45 am, Warren Chapel:** “A Pathway Out of Predatory Loans,” with Spike Hosch: BetterFi is a Tennessee nonprofit microfinance consumer loan fund. The organization hopes to solve the problem of predatory lending in Tennessee. To do this, BetterFi is piloting a program of lower-interest installment loans designed to prioritize ease of repayment and credit building for the borrower rather than profit for shareholders. By pairing these more affordable financial products with financial coaching, they hope to create more financially stable borrowers who can turn to conventional financial institutions, like banks, rather than predatory lenders.

**4:30-5:30 pm, Winfield Porch:** “The Story,” with Rev. David Eldridge: From movies and books to songs and plays, we all have experienced the power of a compelling story to move us and to tap into our deepest longings and desires. What if our love for great stories points us to our longing for a greater story? This informal lecture will explore the connection between our love of great stories and God’s redemption story that’s foundational to our world and our very lives.

## Thursday

**10:45 am, Warren Chapel:** “Filly, Fawn, and Falcon: A Literary Look at Coming of Age,” with Dr. Wyeth Burgess: Current study of the evolution from childhood to young adulthood has rediscovered what fiction writers have long known: deep attachment to an animal companion can be crucial to the development of a healthy self. Dr. Burgess examines much loved classics such as *National Velvet*, *My Friend Flicka*, *The Yearling*, and *My Side of the Mountain* and their writers for the truth in their storytelling and their wisdom for today’s youth.

**2:30-3:30 pm, Warren Chapel:** “The man who knew too much, and the woman who knew something more,” with Dr. Leslie Richardson: If sly humor, picturesque locations, and plot twists were the only things worth mentioning in *The Man Who Knew Too Much*, the movie would have long ago lost its freshness. What really haunts our memory is his visual flair, the way he films particular scenes in which famous stars (Doris Day and James Stewart) are seen to be less familiar than we thought. In this nightmare tale about the search for a kidnapped child, a father’s knowledge and a mother’s intuition create a force of love that restores order and banishes the evil that is never far from the center of Hitchcock’s world. See the movie Wednesday at 8:05 pm in the Auditorium, then come to this discussion!

## Friday

**10:45 am, Warren Chapel:** “I Love Historic Buildings: Confessions of a Preservation Architect,” with John Runkle: Not only are historic buildings lovely to see, but they often contain fascinating stories about the people who are linked with them – the owners, the builders and subsequent users. This lecture will present a number of historic preservation projects that will captivate and inspire folks of all ages.

**2:30-3:30 pm, Auditorium:** “Ducks in the Bathtub, Possums on the Porch!” with Margaret Matens: Hear “hare-raising” tales from a longtime wildlife rehabilitator and meet some of her favorite furry, feathered, and scaly friends.

**5:00-6:00 pm, Warren Chapel:** “Southern Sympathy: Feeding the Southern Soul,” with Perre Coleman Magness: Nothing motivates one to get in the kitchen more than a funeral. We all seem to harbor that primordial need to comfort with food. Perre Coleman Magness, author of *The Southern Sympathy Cookbook*, will discuss the eternal need to feed and share some highly entertaining obituaries and humorous stories. She’ll discuss favorite southern foods and the process of writing a cookbook.

# Week 8 Calendar • July 29-August 5, 2018

Guest Minister: Rev. David Eldridge (July 29-August 4) & Mark Nabors (August 5)

## Sunday

### Sunday School

10-10:45 am • Various locations

### Sunday Worship

11:00 am • Warren Chapel

## Monday - Thursday

### Twilight Prayers

7:30 pm • Warren Chapel

## Monday - Friday

### Adult Exercise, with Helen Stapleton

8-9:00 am • Gymnasium

### Advanced Bridge Workshop: "Play of the Hand: Taking More Tricks," with Larry Hays

9:30-11:45 am (Tues-Fri) & 2:30-4:30 pm (Mon-Fri) • Pulliam Center

## Tuesday & Thursday

### Water Aerobics, with Jenny Berk

8:30-9:30 am • Pool

## Monday

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

8:05 pm • Auditorium

## Tuesday

### Lecture: "The Elephant Sanctuary," with Todd Montgomery

10:45 am • Warren Chapel

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

8:05 pm • Auditorium

### Lecture: "Our History is All Around Us — if we only look," with Harbert L. Rice Alexander

8:15 pm • Warren Chapel

## Wednesday

### Gentle Aqua Yoga, with Liz Norell

8:30 am • Pool

### Lecture: "A Pathway Out of Predatory Loans," with Spike Hosch

10:45 am • Warren Chapel

### Informal Lecture: "The Story," with the Rev. David Eldridge

4:30-5:30 pm • Winfield Porch

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

6:00 pm • Auditorium

### Movie: *The Man Who Knew Too Much* (1956, PG)

8:05 pm • Auditorium

## Thursday

### Produce Market

7-10:00 am • On the Mall

### Lecture: "Filly, Fawn, and Falcon: A Literary Look at Coming of Age," with Dr. Wyeth Burgess

10:45 am • Warren Chapel

### Informal Lecture: "The man who knew too much, and the woman who knew something more," with Dr. Leslie Richardson

2:30-3:30 pm • Warren Chapel

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

8:05 pm • Auditorium

## Friday

### Lecture: "I Love Historic Buildings: Confessions of a Preservation Architect," with John Runkle

10:45 am • Warren Chapel

### Live Animal Nature Program: Ducks in the Bathtub, Possums on the Porch! with Margaret Matens

2:30-3:30 pm • Auditorium

### Lecture: "Southern Sympathy: Feeding the Southern Soul," with Perre Coleman Magness

5:00-6:00 pm • Harton Hall

### Extended Pool Hours

5:30-7:30 pm • Pool

## Saturday

### All-Assembly Luau (bring a side dish to share)

6:30-8:00 pm • Pool & Gymnasium

## Sunday, August 5

NOTE: No Sunday School or nursery

### Sunday Worship (Monteagle-Sewanee Sunday)

11:00 am • Warren Chapel

## 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

## Program Book Tip of the Week

*Lots of college graduates go abroad to learn and grow their skill set, but one of this week's guests traveled to Bangladesh and Mongolia in pursuit of adventure and understanding. You won't want to miss this lecture!*