



# Mountain Voices

**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, life-long inquiry and learning, recreational and cultural enrichment, while being good stewards of our natural resources and our Assembly heritage.**

### 2019 MSSA Calendar

Sewanee Graduation  
May 6-13

Board Meetings  
May 25  
June 15  
June 29

Season Opens  
June 9

**Mountain Voices**  
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Deadline to submit items for the next issue is April 25.  
Send articles to Ann Ewing at aewing62@gmail.com

## Platform Spotlight: Vera Stewart to Present Culinary Program

Vera Stewart will present a culinary program on August 1st at 3:30pm. Vera is a Southern Cooking Show Host, Entrepreneur, Caterer, Mail Order Aficionado, and Mentor.

She was named 1997 Small Business Person of the Year by the Augusta/Richmond County Chamber of Commerce and is one of two women named a CSRA Business Hall of Fame Laurette. Other accolades include two-time GABBY Merit Award winner, Emily Quin Pou Professional Achievement Award winner, and UGA FACS 100 Honoree. She has been featured in countless publications over the course of her career,



including two separate runs in Southern Living, O, The Oprah Magazine, InStyle, Town & Country, The New York Times, and Veranda.

When Vera received her Home Economics Education degree in 1974 from the University of Georgia, she was full of ideas, goals, and the determination to see them through. She took her love of teaching to the classroom, spending 4 years enriching high school students with culinary  
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## 2019 MSSA Platform Available Online

The Monteagle Sunday School Assembly 2019 Workshop and Program schedule and registration are available online at [MSSA1882.org](http://MSSA1882.org). Priority registration is open to Members, Guests in Residence, and Renters until May 15. Open Registration Begins May 15.



## Vera Stewart

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knowledge and the skills to be successful adults. Motherhood brought Vera out of the classroom and into the home, where her catering business was born. In 1984, the VeryVera brand was crafted. To continue the company's growth, she diversified into a multifaceted catering and mail-order business with national sales.

Vera's love for teaching opened up another opportunity when she started a summer cooking school. VeryVera Cooking Camp, which sells out yearly, enters its 16th year in Summer 2019. Since 2012, Vera has deepened the relationship with her fan base through The VeryVera Show, a cooking and lifestyle show. Each week, tens of thousands of fans tune in to watch her put a twist on classic Southern recipes and introduce new ways to entertain. The VeryVera Show is dearly loved for Vera's take on Southern cuisine, prized giveaways, and well-known culinary figures from the south and beyond.

On April 17th, 2018, Vera released *The VeryVera Cookbook: Recipes From My Table*, which contains recipes for every product she ever sold via mail order and in her café. *The VeryVera Cookbook* has gained media attention from Taste of the South, Relish, and Local Palate magazines, Reese Witherspoon's Draper James blog, and many other online outlets.

## Reserve Your Golf Carts!

Once again, Boswell's Golf Carts will have golf carts available for rent this summer.



As a courtesy, information is available from the MSSA Housing Office, and rates are listed below.

### 2019 MSSA Rental Rates:

Daily Rate: \$60.00 + Tax (\$65.55)

Weekly Rate (5-7 days): \$250.00 + Tax (\$273.13)

4 Week Rate: \$800.00 + Tax (\$874.00)

6 Week Rate: \$1,100.00 + Tax (\$1,201.75)

8 Week Rate: \$1,400.00 + Tax (\$1,529.50) \*\*\*\*Only \$25 per day!\*\*\*\*

Pre-Order 8 Week Special.... \$1200.00 + Tax (\$1,311.00)

\*\*\*\*Only \$21.43 per day!\*\*\*\*

(To qualify for the pre order special you will need to place your order with the housing office and make full payment 2 weeks (14 days) prior to the delivery date)

For additional information, contact Rhonda at Housing, 931-924-9000

## Summer Parking Options

The outside parking lots at MSSA are a great way to alleviate vehicular traffic around your cottage. There is no charge for using the lots, and this year we are instituting a registration program to help our security officers better keep your vehicles safe.



If you are parking outside the Assembly, please stop by and get your no-charge satellite parking pass when you pick up your gate tickets.

## Property Projects

The following projects will be taking place this spring and may affect off-season activities.

- ◆ Gym work continues
- ◆ Shady Dell will be under renovation
- ◆ The Auditorium and Pool bathrooms will be under renovation
- ◆ Work is being done in Warren Chapel
- ◆ Hardscape work will be occurring in the Mall
- ◆ The Mall tennis courts will be resurfaced
- ◆ Paving will occur around selected areas of the campus

## Support the Women's Association

It's not too early to start thinking about the 2019 Bazaar. The popular event raises a significant amount of money for the Women's Association, and this year's event is set for July 19. We are always seeking quality vendors to participate. If you know of anyone who may be interested, please have them contact Anne Byrn Floyd or Ruth Patterson before May 1st.

Thank you so much!

*Anne Byrn Floyd*  
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## Chapel Committee Needs Readers!

The chapel committee is compiling a list of lay readers for our summer Sunday services. If you are willing to be a reader, please contact Anne Worthen at arworthen10@gmail.com or [662-372-1126](tel:662-372-1126). We promise not to make you read all the "begats" in Genesis!

*Anne Worthen,*  
*chapel committee chair*

## Around the Grounds

Easter Weekend  
 April 19-21  
 Several Cottages have been rented

May 6-13  
 Sewanee Graduation  
 67 Cottages rented/loaned

May 18  
 Parrish Wedding  
 Events held at Chapel, Auditorium and Chautauqua House Lawn  
 13 Cottages have been rented/loaned



May 25 (Memorial Day Weekend)  
 Schaeffer Wedding  
 Events held at Chapel and Gymnasium  
 8 Cottages have been rented, to date

June 1  
 Rollins Wedding  
 Event held at Warren's Point



### Cottages Available for Transfer :

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

To arrange a tour or for more information contact:  
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## In Our Prayers

**Elizabeth McCarley Greer Shoulders** passed away peacefully on March 30 at 95. She is survived by her loving children, Emily Greer Leftwich, Clifton Greer III, John Randolph Greer (Regan), and grandchildren, Matthew Thomas Leftwich (Rohini), Mary Katherine Leftwich, Kendal Magee Beahm, and Ellen Barclay Beahm. She was preceded in death by her husbands, Dr. Clifton E. Greer, Jr. and Dr. Harrison H. Shoulders. Libby attended Ward-Belmont and Vanderbilt University where she was a member of Phi Beta Kappa and president of Delta Delta Delta sorority. She earned a Master's Degree in Child Development and taught at Eakin School in Nashville. Libby was also dedicated to

her church, Downtown Presbyterian, where she was a charter member serving on the Board of Trustees, and teaching Sunday School. Libby was a member of the Centennial Club, National Society of Colonial Dames, and Monteagle Sunday School Assembly where she loved spending her summers. She was an avid tennis player and faithful Vanderbilt Basketball fan. In lieu of flowers, donations in her memory may be made to Monteagle Sunday School Assembly.

**Wilma Jane Murrell Locke**, mother of Anne Locke Schneider, died on March 15. She was married to Henry Walter Locke, who preceded her in death in 2013. They devoted fifty-nine years together in Mount Pleasant where they raised their

family. She is survived by children Walter Timothy Locke (Jackie) of Alexandria, VA; Jane Marie Locke Anderson (Jim) of Columbia; and Anne Murrell Locke Schneider (Charles) of Nashville. Her descendants also include grandchildren Connor Lindsey Locke (Madeline), Washington, D.C.; Dudley Talbot Locke, Denver, Colorado; and Lindsey Locke Anderson of Nashville - all of whom held a special place in her heart. Wilma was an avid local history buff and held membership in the Daughters of the American Revolution, United Daughters of the Confederacy, Maury County Historical Society, and the James K. Polk Auxiliary. Wilma was a lifelong member of the First United Methodist Church in Mount Pleasant.



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## 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.

May 1      July 15      September 30      January 15

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.

### MSSA Alcohol Policy

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.

Reminder: **No Smoking** is allowed within fifty feet of any Assembly public building.