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How Pickleball Changed Our Social Lives

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The Assembly is a social place. Whether you have been part of Monteagle your entire life or are fairly new to the Assembly, you probably have your own summer traditions and ways you like to mix and mingle. Maybe you just spend time with family, your age group, “only” your childhood best friends, or stick strictly to your neighborhood (we are bad about this in the Cabbage Patch), In short, you have a routine that suits you just fine.

This summer, however, something shook up our carefully managed routines...pickleball! It started with sold-out clinics during week one, then we were off and running. For eight weeks--every day at 10 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.--pickleball enthusiasts and spectators met at the courts to socialize, laugh, and yes, play pickleball. It was like a porch party without the refreshments!

By the time week five rolled around, we often had as many as 30 people
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Pickleball

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ranging in age from 4 months to 78 years gathered, ready to rotate in and join in the fun. When the Stansells hosted the pre-tournament gathering, their cottage was overflowing with members and guests ready to play.



Our mascot, Baby Henry, with his pickleball inspired pacifier!

Were we competitive? You bet.
Did we want to improve? You bet.

But more than anything, we all realized that we had become really good friends. Margaret Rixham said it best when she announced, “Steve has this whole new subset of friends that I don’t even know!” We had become friends with people’s children, parents, and grandparents in a way that had never happened before.

Tearful group texts, Facebook and Instagram posts marked the end of our magical summer with promises to gather again and continue the laughter, friendship and competition. So what are you waiting for? Come join us! All are welcome and, even if you just want to watch, there are people for you to chat with, laugh with, and build new friendships. Your social life may just change too!

FRIENDLY REMINDER FROM THE PROPERTY COMMITTEE

*“Where exactly is my property line?”
“What is my 5 foot setback and what can I do there?”*

You might be surprised to know that many of us assume we know where our leasehold begins and our neighbor’s ends but that is not always the case.

The leaseholds are sometimes shaped more like a jigsaw puzzle piece than a nice, square lot.

Please remember that whether you are planting a tree or dreaming of a renovation you should always call Scott first to make sure that your dreams aren’t actually on assembly property or your neighbor’s leasehold. He can help you determine whether your project needs to go before the property committee, the Architectural Review Committee, or if you are good to go!

Your property committee is here to work with you!

QUICK BITES

ALL golf carts must be registered (or re-registered) to receive the 2019 decal. 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.

Trash pickup begins at 6:00 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.

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.

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



MORTON MEMORIAL APPRECIATES TOOLS 4 SCHOOL SUPPORT

Dear MSSA Friends,

On behalf of Morton Memorial I would like to thank you for your generous support of our annual project, Tools 4 School. This project provides school supplies for every single student at Monteagle Elementary. Approximately 240 students received paper, pencils, binders, glue, crayons, markers, erasers, and other essential materials.

This is a tremendous relief for many families, especially those with multiple students, who struggle with daily finances. The parents' gratitude was evidenced by the many expressions of appreciation. Many had tears in their eyes when they realized every required supply was provided for them. This relieved that



dreaded financial burden many experience at the beginning of the year. MSSA has contributed to this wonderful cause for the last five years, and your community support is tremendously appreciated.

Sincerely,
Lethia (Lele) McCollum
Missions Chairman
Morton Memorial United Methodist Church

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 emergencies.

We will also be communicating through email bulletins.

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

PRAYERS

George Erwin (Winn) Roulhac, 69, died in a boating accident on Friday, August 23 on the Snake River near Jackson Hole, WY. Please keep his family and friends in your prayers.



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.

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.



TENNIS ATTRACTS ALL AGES

As always, the tennis courts were busy all season, and the weekly round robin was no exception. Winner of the final match of the season? Congrats to Sanders Kane.



LEASEHOLDS AVAILABLE

#6	Windcrest	\$550,000
#15	Bridgepoint	\$595,000
#58	Fleur de Lis	\$330,000
#82	Veranda	\$385,000

To arrange a tour or for more information contact:
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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!

MAH JONGG VETERAN TAKES THE TOURNAMENT

Throughout the season, Mah Jongg Mondays attracted a full porch. Many thanks to Winfield hostess Cindy Huston for hosting and to the many patient teachers. A huge thank you to Regan Greer for organizing the fourth annual Mah Jongg tournament during week 8. The three-day event culminated in an "edge of your seat" match up that ended with veteran Kent Ballow taking the final bow.

"May the winds be at your back" until next season!



Linda Parrish and Robin Thompson smile for the camera, having no idea that Kent will soon call another "Mah Jongg!"



Sue Spickard is ready to draw some jokers!

Regan Greer presents the prize to the tournament champ, Kent Ballow.



BEWARE OF THE WILDLIFE

Be aware of the wildlife living with us on the Assembly grounds. Skunks normally do not spray unless threatened. If you see one, slowly back away. Snakes are found around the creek and in rocky areas. Do not antagonize them. Coyotes have been in the Assembly during the winter. Increased activity may cause them to leave the campus, but we must all be mindful of letting small pets roam at night. Raccoons are everywhere. To avoid unwelcomed surprises, secure your garbage cans to prevent raccoons from rummaging through your trash.



Hudson Rixham, seated with Lyn Knopf, represents the next generation of Mah Jongg players (and she's a great teacher!)

Ellen More and Lyn Knopf find it hysterical that anyone would put a joker with a pair!



AROUND THE GROUNDS

August 31-September 1 (Labor Day weekend):
Manuel/Peebles Wedding
25 cottages loaned or rented
Activities held at: Harton Hall, Warren's Chapel,
Gymnasium and Shadydell

September 7-8
Warfield/VanZandt Wedding
18 cottages loaned or rented
Activities held at: Auditorium, Warren's Chapel,
Gymnasium and Shadydell

September 14-15
Moody/Mims Wedding
10 cottages loaned or rented
Activities held at: Cottage #104 (Highland Villa),
Winfield, Warren's Chapel, Gymnasium and
Shadydell

September 16-23 (University of the South,
Family Week)
71 Cottages loaned or rented

September 28
South Cumberland Community Fund Fall
Fundraiser
Activities held at: Auditorium

October 4-5
Leadership Nashville
Activities held at: Harton Hall and Warren's Chapel
Christ Presbyterian Church Choir
Activities held at: Harton Hall

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Audrey Henrick, daughter of Josh
& Erin Henrick of Franklin, TN,
shared one of her original jokes
with the editor:

Question: What do you call a pile
of kittens?

Answer: A meowtain !



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.

September 30 January 15 February 28 June 10 July 31

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.