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THANKSGIVING OUTREACH REMINDER

Let our Lives be Full of both Thanks and Giving

I think we would all agree that we have much to be thankful for. Unfortunately, not everyone in our community is so lucky.

For the past several years, the MSSA Outreach committee has supported the Christmas on the Mountain ministry, which was supported by Morton Memorial United Methodist Church. Due to many underlying issues, MMUMC is no longer providing this ministry. With this in mind, the committee voted to support God's Children are a Blessing Ministries for this holiday season. GCB Ministries is based out of Tracy City and is similar in that it provides Christmas gifts for children on the plateau. Last year GCB Ministry served 697 children with Christmas gifts!

Giving is easy! The Outreach committee will provide a drop box for donations at our annual Thanksgiving potluck that will be Friday, November 26th, at noon.

Checks will be accepted made payable to MSSA with GCB Ministry on the memo line. The office is also accepting donations mailed or dropped off through the end of November. Last, but not least, you may also pay online at <u>mssa1882.org</u>.

Remember these words from Acts 20:35, "It is more blessed to give than receive."

Thank you, Ruth Patterson, Outreach chair

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MSSA IN THE COMMUNITY

MSSA DONATES TO FIRE TRUCK FUND



At the October 25th Monteagle Town Council meeting, Scott Parrish, MSSA GM, presented Mayor Rodman a check for \$55,250 from the Monteagle Sunday School Assembly. The check represented donations from the Assembly and individual members. The money will be used to purchase a used certified fire truck to help the Town of Monteagle replace a recently retired engine.

Pictured Mayor Rodman, Assistant Fire Chief Travis Lawyer, Fire Chief Geron Brewer, Scott Parrish

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Harry Potter (Will Reynolds) represented MSSA at the annual Trunk or Treat at Monteagle Elementary School on October 28th. A crowd of over 1,000 attended and the wizard of Hogwarts performed his fishes and loaves magic trick with can-





QUICK BITES

ALL golf carts must be registered or re-registered every year. Only licensed drivers are legally allowed to drive

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.

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.

Thanksgiving Week

ASSEMBLY ASH TREES

Have you seen these red flags near our Ash trees? They are the work of a Sewanee senior forestry class which is cataloguing our Ash tree population. The Emerald Ash Borer is now a threat to the Ash trees in our region.



The forestry students, under the direction of Professor Karen Kuers, will take the demographic data that they collect this fall and create an action plan to present to Jennifer Smith, MSSA reforestation committee

chair. The committee will, in turn, make a recommendation to the Assembly board on what actions we need to take to protect lives and property against an Ash tree strike.



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.

January 15 February 28 June 10

July 31 September 30

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.



• The Friday potluck lunch will begin at noon in Harton Hall. Contact Ruth Patterson if you are willing to help set up and break down. ruthjpat@comcast.net

- The Nashville Home will be open after Friday's lunch for a tour of the upcoming renovations and donor opportunities.
- Thanksgiving week trash will be collected on Monday November 22nd and Friday November 26th.



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.



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LEASEHOLDS AVAILABLE

#23 Edgeworth Inn \$1,300,00

To arrange a tour or for more information contact: W. Scott Parrish, General Manager scott.parrish@mssa1882.org (931) 924-2286

STAFF UPDATE



Crystal Hill will be leaving the Assembly effective December 31, 2021. During Crystal's four years as the Assembly bookkeeper, she has enacted many new programs and has handled our accounting needs with near perfection. Crystal is a great bookkeeper and an even better person. We wish Crystal all the best.

Scott Parrish

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!

