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Task Force Thanks

The members of the pickleball task force would like to express our appreciation to the members of our Assembly community who took the time to write a letter and/or complete the online pickleball survey. We received 47 insightful letters and 139 survey responses with many well-thought-out suggestions.

The task force has been carefully studying the results of both, and our hope is that we will be able to generate a plan that will embrace the joy



of pickleball while respecting those residents who are currently being negatively affected by it.

We will present our recommendations at the Board of Trustees meeting on February 26.

Dianne Lloyd, on behalf of the pickleball task force

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Welcome Margaret & Sam Graham

Margaret and Sam Graham of Memphis are the happy new owners of cottage #130, Point of View.

When Margaret was about 12, her family rented Summer Oaks, and they returned four years in a row. She treasures those memories: "I fondly remember the Bicentennial celebration in 1976, as well as playing cards on the porch,

sunbathing by the pool, Quiet Hour, and excursions. We went spelunking, and I was terrified of slipping and somehow falling to the center of the earth! My friends and I would walk to Warren's Point at night, laughing and singing songs. My father embarrassed my sister and me our first year by inviting a couple of boys to our house to play cards with us. (continued on page 2)



Welcome Grahams

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We had fun, but I always felt like they were just humoring my dad, whom they had met at the tennis courts!"

Margaret graduated from Vanderbilt in 1983 and eventually met Sam at Independent Presbyterian Church in Memphis, where they are still members today. When friends invited them to visit the Assembly, this time with their two sons Nelson and Garrott, they loved it. So, in 1997, they revived the tradition of renting Summer Oaks with her father Johnny Stone (now 95!) along with her sister Suzanne Hinson and her family.

Margaret had a 13-year career with their church bookstore and still helps with special events. Sam is in the wealth management business and enjoys playing golf. He served on the board of Memphis University School for 17 years and currently serves on the board of Covenant Theological Seminary in St. Louis. They are excited about



Nelson's recent engagement, and Garrott is working on his masters at NYU. Although the men in her family play golf and pickleball, Margaret is more about hiking and playing Mah Jongg.

They were thrilled to find Point of View, which is close to Summer Oaks, where Suzanne and her crew will continue to rent. Ridley Wills, a former owner of the Grahams' cottage, gave them a lovely welcome gift: a complete history of the house and all its previous owners. When you see them next summer, please give Margaret and Sam a warm welcome!

QUICK BITES

ALL golf carts must be registered or re-registered every year. 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.

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.



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.

February 28 June 10 July 31 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.

Prayers

Andrew H. Geltz

Andy Geltz passed away peacefully on Tuesday, January 18. He is survived by his brother Ted Geltz, (Sara), nephews and nieces Tad Geltz (Erika); Mitchell Geltz (Ashlee); and Adam Geltz (Amanda); Hadlee and Mattie Grimes-Geltz, Miller Phillips-Geltz, and Hardison and Pallen Geltz.

Andy spent many summers at Monteagle with his Grandparents, Max and Pallen Hardison, parents Patty and Spike Geltz and his brother Ted. Upon Spike's retirement from the Air Force, Andy moved to Florida with them and enjoyed a 33-year career as a cast member at Walt Disney World in Orlando. Upon his retirement, he moved to Monteagle and lived with his mother, Patty, until her death in 2012. He was an active member of Christ Church in Monteagle and enjoyed the monthly supper club of the Assembly's permanent residents. Following Patty's death in 2012, he moved back to Central Florida. Memorials can be made to the MSSA Youth Fund.



Jennifer Tesler

On January 24, 2022, Jennifer Woodcook Greeter Tesler passed away at 54 after a courageous battle against covid. Jen was born to Allan and Martha Woodcook and grew up with three younger brothers, Craig, Chris, and Colin. Her nieces and nephews know her as "Favorite Aunt Jen."

Jen graduated from Vanderbilt University and began working for the Chamber of Commerce in Nashville and gained recognition for her event work with the United States Olympic Committee. She founded a successful event and catering company, Dish, Spoon & Moon. She was a member of the Nashville Junior League and served on the Cherokee Town and Country Club Art Committee. She and her husband, Michael, were involved with the Shepherd Center, the Children's Museum and many other philanthropic organizations.

Jen was preceded in death by her first husband, Alan Greeter. Jen is survived by her parents, Martha and Allan; her husband, Michael; and her children, Lauren Elizabeth, Mary Madison, and John Parkes.

Donations may be sent to the Shepherd Center or the Atlanta Humane Society.

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.





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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!

