



# MONTEAGLE SUNDAY SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

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## WEEK SEVEN PLATFORM PREVIEW

How much is that antique piece of furniture in your living room? **Ken Farmer** is just the man to tell you, and he's made a career out of appraising American and decorative arts as an auctioneer and appraiser. So talented and dynamic is his approach that he's been a favorite on the popular PBS series *Antiques Roadshow* since its inception. Farmer brings that keen eye to a live appraisal event Thursday evening. Assembly members have submitted their family heirlooms to Farmer for potential inclusion in this fun program. Farmer and Tim Stafford will share a musical performance of acoustic music in the Auditorium Saturday at 7:30 pm, "From Appalachia to LA."



*Ken Farmer (above)  
Kevin Wilson (below)*

Sewanee professor and writer **Kevin Wilson** is a best-selling author and sought-after speaker—luckily, he's local, too. Wilson is known for his quirky and masterful novels. He will offer a writing workshop entitled "Narrative Machines: How to Develop and Build a Story" on Thursday afternoon in the Pulliam Center—and there's still room to register, which you can do by calling the main office. Wilson will return Friday morning for a lecture about his latest novel,



*Now is Not the Time to Panic*, in the Auditorium.



Interior designer **Eric Ross** (pictured at left) has a signature design style, one that celebrates southern living married with timeless, traditional pieces. His background in bespoke furnishings and penchant for traditional fabrics has earned him considerable attention. His debut book, *Enduring Southern Homes*, was published in 2019. He is lecturing Thursday morning.

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Page 11 has the week's Platform schedule at-a-glance, with all changes through the print deadline. We encourage you to tear the last page off the newsletter and post it on your refrigerator or carry it with you during the week, so you always know what's happening!

## HIGHLIGHTS

**Plateau Talk & Excursion**  
Midway Mushrooms, with  
Pledger Schaefer

Wednesday, 10:45 am (lecture)  
& 1:00 pm (excursion)

Warren Chapel & Auditorium

**A Live Appraisal Event!**  
with **Ken Farmer**

Thursday, 7:45 pm

Auditorium

**Lecture: *Now Is Not the Time to Panic***, with **Kevin Wilson**

Friday, 10:45 am

Auditorium

## SUNDAY SCHOOL ON THE MOUNTAIN

**Eaglets and Eagles** meet at Shady Dell. (Note: please, no younger siblings. The Eaglets location has *changed* from the Art Pavilion to Shady Dell.) These classes are led by parent volunteers and will study the Parables this year.

**Buzzards and Falcons** meet on the Nashville Home porch and will be led by our Christian Coordinator Romy Cour.

We offer TWO Adult Sunday School classes, and ALL are welcome in each class!

- Our first adult class meets on the **Winfield Porch**. This class will be led by Frannie Smith and other volunteers. This season, this class will study “Five Things to Pray for Your Heart.”
- Our second adult class meets at **Mountain Haven** (cottage #136) and offers different topics each week led by different volunteers. This week, Sam Graham leads a discussion on “Paul’s Exhortation to the Philippians: Christ’s Example of Humilty.”

We hope you can join us for Sunday School on the Mountain this summer!

*There are no classes for Hummingbirds.*

—Lori Davis

## CAUCUS MEETING TIMES & LOCATIONS

Caucuses will meet on Friday, July 28 from 2:30-4:30 pm. Find locations and times below:

<b>Consolidated:</b>	2:30 pm @ Warren Chapel
<b>Episcopal:</b>	2:30 pm @ Auditorium
<b>Presbyterian:</b>	3:30 pm @ Warren Chapel
<b>Methodist:</b>	3:30 pm @ Auditorium



### CONTINUE THE CONVO

We’re setting aside a table in Harton Hall for our morning speakers—and we need your help! Look for the sign inviting you to “continue the convo,” and provide that uniquely Monteagle hospitality by having lunch with our guests.



*Ellen More sent this photo of the dogs hanging out on Winfield Porch during mahjong. Do you have a great pic? Send it to [platform@mssa1882.org](mailto:platform@mssa1882.org)!*

## QUICK BITES

**Shop local** at the Thursday Morning Mountain Market, 7-10:00 am, in front of Harton Hall.

**Call Scott First!** Home repairs/upgrades are generally not permitted during the season. Contact the Executive Director 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.

**Harton Hall** accepts cash, major credit cards, or Venmo. The office no longer maintains dining house accounts.

**Save time at the gate** and pre-order your tickets by calling (931) 924-2286. You can also preorder online.

**ALL golf carts, including rental carts,** must be registered (or re-registered) to receive the 2023 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.

**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

**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.

**Intergenerational bells** play at 9:30 am Tuesday & Wednesday in Warren Chapel. All are welcome.

**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.

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



## SEASON OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday: 8:00-4:00

Saturday: 9:00-3:00

(931) 924-2286

## DINNER ON THE CHAPEL GROUNDS JULY 26

Every Monday, we welcome you to join your friends and neighbors for weekly dinner on the Chapel Grounds. We gather at 6:00 pm on the porch of the Warren Chapel.

All are welcome to attend; each family should bring a side dish to share. Suggested side dishes include crispy salads, cut vegetables, cheeses, cut fruits, vegetable casseroles, bread/rolls, and desserts. Or bring your favorite side to share! Please pre-cut your desserts for easier serving.

When you bring your side dish, make sure you:

- Label the serving dish,
- Label any serving utensils you bring, and
- Don't forget to pick up your dish/utensil after!

Entrée, paper products, serving tables, and lemonade will be provided by the Chapel Committee.

Bring a blanket or chair, as seating is limited.

Share your recipes by emailing: [vacurry1981@gmail.com](mailto:vacurry1981@gmail.com) for a future collection of recipes!

**Rain plan:** Sign up to receive a text message for new location. Text MSSANEWS to 84483 to receive the community alerts.

Meet our pastor, Rev. Pam Hrcir. Make new friends and embrace the old ones! Volunteers are always appreciated; to lend your hand, please arrive early (around 5:00) and join the fun!

— Virginia Curry

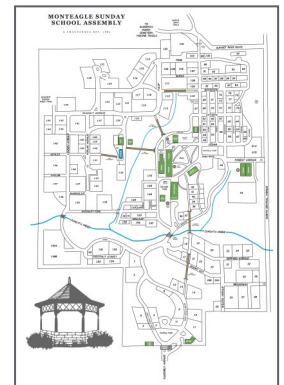


*Keith Gunter and Bill Haltom at last week's Dinner on the Chapel Grounds. Photo from Virginia Curry.*

## CLAIM YOUR COTTAGE MAP!

Last summer Kent Rollins came to the Open House for the MSSA Archives and offered to help facilitate the updating of the assembly from the 1980s. Throughout the fall a digital map was created with additions of various public areas. Kent was very generous with his time and expertise. When the map was complete, he donated two hundred maps to the Assembly, printed on matboard. As a result of Kent's generosity, the Archives Committee would like to give each cottage a map. You can pick up your map at the office during the season.

Several MSSA cottage owners have bought a frame for their map from Amazon.com. Look for Americanflat (all one word) 20x30 poster frame in black with polished plexiglass. It fits perfectly! Cost: \$25.19.



## POOL HOURS

**Monday-Friday:** 8:00-10:00 am (adult swim only)

**Monday-Saturday:** 10:00 am-noon

**Daily:** 2:30-5:30 pm

**Friday only:** 5:30-7:30 pm

## RENTERS' SPORTS WEEK IN REAL TIME

This week's spotlight is a little different. Instead of those who are coming in for the week, I interviewed a renter while they were here.

I called Blair Newman as he was on his way out to the Point with his son, James, and Winnie. Winnie is a 10-year-old Golden Doodle who has loved coming on vacation with her family these past five years, and many of you may have witnessed her doing her favorite thing, running alongside the golf cart.

I tried to ask James, who is six, what his favorite things have been this week ... only to discover that he is rather shy. Blair claimed that he and James are the quiet ones in the family and that if Eleanor, James's 7-year-old sister were there, I'd hear a lot about her favorite adventures.

*I must assure you, dear Eleanor, we are all very saddened to not hear from you, but I promise there will be a next time!*

Blair and his wife, Diana, first came to the Assembly when they were able to rent a cottage last minute for a 4th of July weekend. At the time, Eleanor and James were not old enough to become Hummingbirds, but their parents knew that this would be the perfect place for their family to vacation. The Fairhope, Alabama natives had asked friends in their search for such a place and were repeatedly told about the wonders of the mountain. Blair had stayed here years ago when his sister graduated from Sewanee, but did not have an understanding of exactly what the community entailed. After that first weekend during the fourth, they have returned every summer for one to two weeks, with two weeks always being preferable.

The children have loved being Eaglets, especially being a part of Ring! in the mornings, along with the hayride and cookout on Tuesday evening. As with most of the youth, they thoroughly enjoy the independence that comes with being on the grounds.

As for the parents, not only do they get to enjoy watching their children grow and experience the youth programs, but they get to bring their other favorite family member, Winnie, along as well. As an added bonus, the two of them really like to play tennis and pickleball. No wonder they keep returning, and we're all pleased that they do!

—Mindy Melton



## TENNIS TOURNAMENT WINNERS

Congratulations to our adult tennis tournament winners! In the latest rounds of play, the Women's Doubles finalists were (l-r) Laurie Peacock and Betsy Peebles, alongside winners Lindsay Price and Rebecca Moore. Mixed Doubles finalists were (l-r) Overton Thompson and Amanda Moody, with winners Litton and John Whittaker.



## YOUTH UPDATES

The youth have been an integral part of the Assembly from its beginning, and many consider Monteagle a place where children can develop both spiritually and physically in a safe environment. Programs for children ages 3-18 are available throughout the summer. Please see the program book, pages 10-15 for guidelines, policies, and rules.

### FROM THE YOUTH COORDINATOR

Week Six comes to a spirited close as we move into Week Seven here on the Mountain. Youth Week and Spirit Week were both a grand success, and we want to thank Keith Gunter for dedicating his time as our Youth Week reverend. Your leadership and energy were greatly appreciated by both youth and staff alike! We enjoyed games, fellowship, friendly competition, and got a little messy along the way! Spirit Week saw lots of fabulous dress-up outfits—from decades to twin day to “dress as your favorite Youth Staff” day. It warmed my heart to see so many kids engaged and active this week from caving to painted Twister to art classes and beyond! This youth-centric week is one for the ages!

I would like to take a moment to thank the many people who helped make our sixth week such a success. Thank you to Mary Graf, Sally Stroud, Carrie Layson, Jessie Yancey, and Melissa Kemp for hosting our progressive suppers! We know these dinners take a lot of preparation and hard work, and we are so thankful for you all! Thank you to Jessie Yancey and Ceci Billington for being our amazing guest readers during Storytime! The kids loved hearing the stories you shared. A huge thank you to the incomparable Susie Elder for leading our Youth art classes this week! The children had a wonderful time expressing themselves and exploring their creativity. We appreciate all these contributions!

We are looking forward to Week Seven and all the joy and excitement it brings! This week marks the beginning of Youth Tennis Week! Prepare for some lively competition and please sign up Sunday evening starting at 7:30 pm at the Auditorium if you would like to participate!

Please make sure to review the Youth calendar and bulletin board by the Auditorium for all things youth related. Thank you all for helping make this week such a success!

**Hummingbirds and Craft's Corner:** Next week in Hummingbirds it is Halloween in July! We are looking for volunteers to be stops on our Trick-or-Treating excursion Tuesday evening, July 25 from 5-6:00 pm! The Hummingbirds will be walking



*Annie and Kirby cutting a rug at the All-Assembly Dance! Photo from Shelley Matthews.*

from cottage to cottage during this time collecting candy—we are trying to keep the route in the Cabbage Patch and near the Mall. If you would like to volunteer your cottage/time (you are welcome to set up somewhere on the Mall with candy if your cottage is farther away), please sign up at the Hummingbirds room on Monday (July 24) between 10:00 am-12:00 pm! Happy Halloween in July!

— Bradley Mims, Youth Coordinator

### YOUTH TENNIS WEEK

The 2023 Youth Tennis Tournament starts this week. This fun Monteagle tradition has been part of our summer happenings for a very long time. Please note the following:

- **Sunday:** Sign-up sheets posted at the Auditorium. The categories will be:  
Girls Singles  
Boys Singles

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### SNACK SHOP CORNER

The Snack Shop had lots of help this week! Hodges & William Doffermyre worked hard selling raffle tickets for the Woman's Association and were rewarded with Snack Shop gift cards. Hodges even got to be Assistant Snack Shop Manager for the afternoon!



If you'd like a print of the Susie Elder painting she donated to the Nashville Home, stop in and see us. If you ordered sweatshirts or long-sleeved t-shirts, they are in and ready for you to pick up.

See you in the Snack Shop!

— Duncan & Evey

Boys Doubles  
Girls Doubles  
Mixed Doubles

- **Tuesday:** Sign up by 11:00 am.  
Felix Mann will create the draw and brackets.
- **Wednesday morning:** Brackets posted.
- **Wednesday, 2:15 pm:** All players will report to the East Tennis Courts. Felix will explain the rules of the tournament and expectations of players. **ALL PLAYERS** must attend and are to bring a new can of balls. Players in the first brackets should be ready to play. We will be using all the courts to get going. Staff and Felix will be on hand to monitor play and scores.
- **Thursday, 2:30 pm:** Players will meet at the East courts for instructions. Please bring your un-opened can of balls.
- **Friday morning:** Finals

We are looking forward to lots of great play. Felix has been working with our kids this summer, and we anticipate some great matches. Please note that some brackets may be dropped if we only have one or two players signed up. You may contact Susan Acker (ohtobesusan@aol.com) if you have any questions or would like to help out.

## YOUTH BULLETIN BOARD & PARENTS' MEETING

**Reminder: You should always check the youth bulletin board!** Please check the board located by the Auditorium for additions and details about our weekly programs. Also, plan on attending the weekly Parents' Meeting each Tuesday for information about weekly activities. Some excursion times may change, but the most current information will always be at the bulletin board. We will always try to keep true to the program, but sometimes changes need to be made because of weather or logistics that come up after the program was printed.

## MOUNTAIN MILES: LET'S GO SOMEWHERE!

Feel free to check the board and sign-up sheets outside the snack shop for tentative schedules, but here you can find lists on what to bring and what to expect. Trips planned for the week:

### MONDAY

*No excursions.*

### TUESDAY

- **Eaglets: Fiery Gizzard Blue Hole**  
Hiking and swimming; bring bathing suit, towel, water, water shoes (optional: snacks, change of clothes); meet at Auditorium at 2:15 pm. We will need parent drivers.
- **Buzzards & Falcons: Denny's Cove**  
Hiking and swimming; bring bathing suit, towel, water, water shoes (optional: snacks, change of clothes); meet at Auditorium at 2:15 pm. Youth Directors will drive.

### WEDNESDAY

- **Eagles: Overnight at Assembly Campground**  
Camping; bring sleeping back or Eno, sleeping pad, flashlight, water bottle (optional: snacks, cards/game); meet at Nashville Home at 6:30 pm.

### THURSDAY

- **Eagles: Bigfoot Adventure Ziplining**  
Bring water, close-toed shoes, \$30 per person (optional: money for drinks and snacks); meet at Auditorium at 12:30 pm. We will need parent drivers.
- **Buzzards & Falcons: Bigfoot Adventure Ziplining**  
Bring water, close-toed shoes, \$30 per person (optional: money for drinks and snacks); meet at Auditorium at 8:30 am. Youth directors will drive

### FRIDAY

- **Buzzards & Falcons: THE WALK, three-night overnight**  
Camping and backpacking. A detailed packing list and further details, including the cost per person, will be announced ASAP. Text Georgia if you have any questions at (615) 838-7357.



**Sunday:** *Teen Beach Movie* (2013)

**Monday:** *Coco* (2017, PG)

**Wednesday early-bird:** *Halloweentown* (1998)

**Wednesday:** *Hocus Pocus* (1993, PG)

**Friday:** *Spider-Man* (2002, PG-13)

## OUTREACH SUNDAY IS JULY 23!

It is our tradition to support an organization that is helping others every year for Outreach Sunday—this week. The Outreach Committee has chosen Monteagle Elementary School as the recipient for our Outreach Sunday this year. Please give generously!! Below are a few of Monteagle Elementary's accomplishments and partnerships:

- **United for Literacy:** This nonprofit organization funds each classroom with a field trip aligned to the curriculum free of charge.
- **Literacy Boot Camp:** Volunteers from the community, Monteagle-Sewanee Rotary, and students from the University of the South participated in two boot camps to increase student fluency to improve third-grade TCAP proficiency scores.
- Pam Maloof is the coordinator of the **handbell choir** for K-4th grade students. They play at basketball and volleyball games, along with many other events.
- **Blessings for Backpacks:** Students with needs can receive a bag of non-perishable items each Friday during the school year thanks to a Monteagle-Sewanee Rotary Grant.
- MES received a 10K Technology Grant from Pilot to **update the auditorium.**
- Monteagle-Sewanee Rotary provided \$1,700 to purchase **AV equipment, speakers, and a projector screen** for our gymnasium so students have opportunities to learn during PE and provide better quality during presentations.
- We are in the process of partnering with the University of the South and Monteagle-Sewanee Rotary to incorporate a **chorus for 5th-8th grade students** for the 23-24 school year.

We have the opportunity this year to help each classroom, from kindergarten through 8th grade, fulfill their classroom needs. Money raised on Outreach Sunday can help the lives of 300 students! All donations are so appreciated! Remember, we are the hands and feet of Jesus!

Blessings,

— *The Rev. Mary Balfour  
Dunlap, Chair of the Outreach  
Committee*



Scan this QR code to make a donation!

## WOMAN'S ASSOCIATION U

There is always something happening on the Winfield Porch!  
You are welcome to join us!

- **Cottage Tour & Bazaar Thank you Party:** Sunday, July 23, 5:00-7:00 pm. The party will be held at the Lexington Cottage (#9). All volunteers are invited to attend!
- **Mahjong Monday:** Monday, July 24, 2:30-4:30 pm. Come practice for the Mahjong tournament (details below)! All levels are welcome! Bring your 2023 card if you have one. There are still Monteagle Mahjong cards available for \$25 for a set of 4. See Julia Robinson to purchase.
- **Porch Party:** Friday, July 28, 5:00-7:00 pm. Bring a beverage and an appetizer to share. All Assembly adults are welcome!

Come join us on the Porch!

— *Ruth Patterson, Woman's Association President*

## MAH JONGG TOURNAMENT

We're breaking out the tiles early this year! All MJ divas are invited to compete in the annual competition for the title of Best MJ Player on the Mountain 2023. The tourney has moved to week 7, and will take place July 25th-27th on the Winfield House porch from 2:30-4:00 pm. The format is round robin, no elimination, and all levels are welcome. Space is limited, so sign up as soon as possible with Regan Greer (615-306-4393 or [helloregan@comcast.net](mailto:helloregan@comcast.net)). See you at the table!



*Shelley Matthews sent this photo from All-Assembly BINGO last week!*

# NOMINATING COMMITTEE PRESENTS 2023 BOARD SLATE

## 2023 NOMINATIONS

- President: Amanda Moody
- 1st Vice President: Bill Davis
- 2nd Vice President: Hays Haney
- Secretary: Betsy Peebles
- Treasurer: Steve Rixham
- At Large Trustees: Clinton Bailey, Will Reynolds, Andy Wildman
- MAEFC Nominees: Nelson Byrd, Frannie Corzine & Will Reynolds

## AT LARGE TRUSTEES'

**Clinton Bailey:** Clinton has been coming to the Assembly his entire life, ever since he was a baby. He is a lifelong Presbyterian. Since retiring from a career in heavy equipment, he has spent summers at Monteagle. Since 2016, he has served as the Assembly Choir director. He has served on the MAEFC board of trustees, the MSSA board of trustees, the Platform committee, the Chapel committee, and as Chair of the Worship Music committee.

**Will Reynolds:** Will has been attending the Assembly for 38 summers, starting with the summers he spent here with his paternal grandmother, Frances Reynolds, and grandfather, Bill Reynolds. His aunt (Lisa Hammett), his father (Steve Reynolds), and his uncle (Jeff Reynolds) all grew up coming to the Assembly



*Hodges D, Snack Shop Manager-in-training. Photo from Lyn Knopf.*

### PICKLEBALL HOURS

Monday-Saturday: 10:00 am-Noon  
 Daily: 2:30-5:30 pm  
 Friday only: 5:30-7:30 pm



as well. Will has been an active participant in all the activities of the Assembly since he was a Hummingbird. At the age of 15, he worked as a lifeguard and then Youth Director until the age of 20. Will became an official member of the Assembly in 2017. More recently, Will has served on the Finance Committee, the Community Outreach Committee, the Campus Master Planning Committee, and the Monteagle Assembly Endowment Fund Board. Will and his wife, Jen, have two boys (both Eaglets this year) who are also loving being active participants in the Assembly community. Jen has previously been on the Platform Committee and has been on the Youth Committee. When not on the Mountain, he and his family live in Nashville, where he sells real estate throughout the middle Tennessee area.

**Andy Wildman:** Andy, who is the fourth generation of his family to attend the Assembly, has spent part of every summer on the Mountain. Growing up, his family initially rented along with his Spickard and Watson cousins. In the late 1980s, his parents, Pat and Jim Wildman, purchased the Reunion cottage #118 (originally named Racetrack II). Both his parents have been board members and his mother also served as president. Andy worked on the youth staff for many summers as a youth director and gatekeeper. He and his wife, Caroline, have three children, Ellie (18), Hall (16), and Tate (13). Both Andy and Caroline have been on committees over the years including the Youth, By-Laws, Trails, Education, and Outreach. Their daughter Ellie is on staff for her second summer. When not on the Mountain, the Wildman family resides in Atlanta where Andy is the President for NORO Management, a commercial real estate investment and management company.



*Scott Parrish sent this photo from the Dinner on the Chapel Grounds.*



*Pictured are youth staff who made it to the pickleball finals. Evey Knopf and Reid Hudgins won! Photo from Lyn Knopf, proud mama.*



## GOT HOUSING QUESTIONS?

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.

### LEASEHOLD AVAILABLE

#23 Edgeworth Inn \$1,675,000

## GOLF CARTS AVAILABLE TO BUY!

If you are interested in purchasing one of the season rental golf carts from Boswell's, give Housing a call at (931) 924-9000. Prices are discounted!



## FROM THE ARCHIVES: MSSA & CHINA!

During the summer of 2022, I received an email from Lei-Guang Huang, inquiring about Dr. Charles F. Mackenzie, who was the comptroller of MSSA for several years. In the early 1900s, he was also a Baptist missionary to Kinhwa, China. During the 1920s, Dr. Mackenzie was working at the Pickford Memorial Hospital (known locally as the Gospel Hospital) in Kinhwa. Jin-lou, Lei-Guang's grandfather, was very ill and was brought to the hospital. Dr. Mackenzie was instrumental in saving his life. Lei-Guang Huang will tell the story of how Jin-lou chose to spend the rest of his life as a Christian, as a tribute to Dr. Mackenzie. Against all odds he built a church in what became The People's Republic of China. Lei-Guang accepted our invitation to present his incredible family story on Tuesday (July 25) at 10:45 am. Come listen at the Chapel!



— Morgan Merrill

## GET TO KNOW OUR MINISTER!

*Our guest minister this week, Rev. Pam Hrcir, has a rather unusual background for someone who found their way into ministry. Before she stayed home for 16 years to raise triplets (now 25) and twins (now 19), she had a fascinating career—one she shared with her husband, Brent. This career shapes how she shares the Gospel in practical and life-giving ways. But what was that career? Find out on page 89.*

## 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!



*We know, we know. There's SO MUCH FUN to be had and you want to get there NOW! But there are kids and dogs everywhere, so slow down there, speed demon.*

## HARTON HALL: SUNDAY BUFFET

Cost is \$27 (adults) or \$13 (children 5-12 years). Kids 4 and under eat free. Prices include tax only. Please remember to tip your servers.

**Salad bar:** Garden-fresh baby salad greens with condiments; assortment of homemade salads; montage of fresh seasonal fruits.

**Carvery:** Baked allspice brown sugar-crusted leg of ham with pineapple relish.

**Harton's hot bar:** Broiled snapper filet & shrimp with lemon caper beurre blanc; southern-style chicken & dressing; cheesy fettuccini alfredo; medley of fresh vegetables; oven-roasted potatoes with bacon; old-fashioned corn casserole; vegetable wild rice pilaf.

**Sweet bar:** dulce de leche bread pudding & ice creams.

**Beverages:** Fresh-brewed iced tea & lemonade.

*Note: Grill closed on Sundays.*

## SPECIAL DINNER JULY 29TH

Saturday, July 29th, 5:30 pm  
featuring trendy continental & American cuisine  
\$35 per person

Farm-to-table Tuscan-style menu featuring fresh farm vegetables, produce, pasta, free-range meats, dairy, cured meats, poultry, and desserts. Offered in an authentic Italian farm buffet style.

Make reservations at Harton Hall or call (931) 463-2200. Reservations will be taken through 1:00 pm on Friday, July 28.

## GOT SKUNKS?

Skunks abound every summer in Monteagle. The Assembly critter removal folks do not trap in season, due to dogs and kids interfering with the traps. [Home Depot and other retail outlets sell Skunk Scram](#), which is a safe, natural granular substance that repels skunks in your yard.



## HOOK INTO THE ONLINE

### CALENDAR

Get the latest Platform events on the MSSA web site at [mssa1882.org](http://mssa1882.org). Hover your mouse over "Program/Events" and click on "Calendar." You can also subscribe to our calendar using your own Google Calendar by following the directions at the bottom of the page. NOTE: If the MSSA events do not show up, check your Google calendar settings to ensure MSSA is set to "sync on all devices."

## BETTY WEBSTER BURIAL SERVICE

A burial service for Betty Webster will be held at the Assembly Cemetery on Saturday, August 5 at 4:00 pm, followed by a reception at Winfield.

The kiosk on the Mall has all the latest schedule details, including any changes to the program schedule, movie selections, Sunday School details, and more! If you have items to post, please email [platform@mssa1882.org](mailto:platform@mssa1882.org) for assistance.



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 7 CALENDAR JULY 23-29, 2023

Guest Minister: Rev. Pam Hrncir

### Sunday, July 23

Sunday School (adults/youth)

10-10:45 am • See page 2 for details

Worship Service

11:00 am • Warren Chapel

Movie: *Teen Beach Movie* (2013)

7:45 pm • Auditorium

### Monday-Thursday

Twilight Prayers

7:00 pm • Warren Chapel

### Tuesday-Wednesday

Workshop: Playing with Pattern: Block Printing on Cloth (see p. 69 of program book), with Christi Teasley

2:30-5:00 pm • Shady Dell

### Monday, July 24

Yoga Flow with Annelie

8:00 am • Gymnasium

Dinner on the Chapel Grounds

6:00 pm • Warren Chapel Porch

Movie: *Coco* (2017, PG)

7:45 pm • Auditorium

### Tuesday, July 25

Zumba with Sara

8:00 am • Gymnasium

Aqua Yoga with Megan

8:30-9:15 am • Pool

Lecture: Sharing God's Gifts with the Needy Half a Globe Away: The Wonderful Life of Dr. Charles Mackenzie, with Lei-Guang Huang (see story on p. 9)

10:45 am • Warren Chapel

### Wednesday, July 26

Yoga Flow with Annelie

8:00 am • Gymnasium

Plateau Talk: Mushrooms on the Mountain, with Pledger

Schaefer

10:45 am • Warren Chapel

Plateau Tour: Midway Mushrooms

1:00 pm • Meet at Auditorium

Early Bird Movie: *Halloweentown* (1998)

6:00 pm • Auditorium

Taizé Twilight Prayers

7:00 pm • Warren Chapel

Movie: *Hocus Pocus* (1993, PG)

7:45 pm • Auditorium

### Thursday, July 27

Produce Market

7-10:00 am • On the Mall

Zumba with Sara

8:00 am • Gymnasium

Aqua Yoga with Megan

8:30-9:15 am • Pool

Lecture: Decorating with Antiquities in a Modern World, with Eric Ross

10:45 am • Auditorium

Workshop: Narrative Machines: How to Develop and Build a Story, with Kevin Wilson

2:30 pm • Pulliam Center

Lecture: A Live Appraisal Event, with Ken Farmer

7:45 pm • Auditorium

### Friday, July 28

Pilates with Bruce

8:00 am • Gymnasium

Lecture: *Now is Not the Time to Panic*, with Kevin Wilson

10:45 am • Auditorium

MSSA Denominational Caucuses (see p. 2)

2:30-4:30 pm • Various locations

Movie: *Spider-Man* (2002, PG-13)

7:45 pm • Auditorium

### Saturday, July 29

Annual Meeting of MSSA Cottage Owners

9:00 am • Auditorium *location change; NO dogs allowed*

MSSA Board Meeting

1:00 pm • Pulliam Center

MAEFC Meeting

2:30 pm • Pulliam Center

All-Assembly Dinner

5:30 pm • Harton Hall *time change*

From Appalachia to LA: Acoustic Music

7:30 pm • Auditorium *time change*