



MONTEAGLE SUNDAY SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

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WELCOME ALL!



This year the **Bell Tower** will be used this year to celebrate Birthdays on Monday through Thursday nights! See more information on page 8.

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The last page of *Mountain Voices* features additions, cancellations, and other changes to the published weekly schedule. 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 can stay up to date!

Week 2 Sneak Peek

Bible Lecture Series: Redis-
covering the Gospel of Luke,
with Dr. Jeremy Hultin

Tuesday, June 22– Friday,
June 25, 10:45 a.m.

Auditorium

Concert: Vocal Music from
Renaissance to Rock, with
MiContraFa, acapella
ensemble

Tuesday, June 22, 8:15 p.m.

Auditorium

Family Concert: with *The Bea*
Troxel Trio

Friday, June 25, 7:30 p.m.

Warren Chapel

WHAT'S NEW THIS YEAR?

Monday afternoons, Dewey Hammond teaches Birdie Ball golf to Eaglets and Eagles (in separate classes). The Birdie Ball offers limited-flight balls while helping children learn the coordination and basics of golf—and the fun. Free, see schedule and meet at the Snack Shop.

Tuesday and Wednesday, 9-9:30 a.m., Choir chimes for everyone from ages 4 to 100! Warren Chapel.

Wednesday, 7:15 p.m. Join Bea Troxel at Warren Chapel and warm up learning new songs or singing old favorites; you'll be ready to join in at Twilight Prayers!

Friday, 8-9 a.m., Bruce Manuel, a retired Marine, teaches a Pilates focused class, with adjustments to individual skill levels. He can accommodate the novice or someone training for a triathlon.

Friday, 8:30-9:15 a.m. Splash!; A free morning aquatics class for toddlers and a parent. Children under age three become comfortable in the water through games and activities.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON WALK AND TALK

Walk with Jennifer as she tells about the state of the Assembly's tree canopy and the Reforestation Committee's plans to make it sustainable. Hear about the Assembly's efforts to save the habitat-important Hemlocks from the Hemlock Woolly Adelgid, an invasive exotic insect, and future efforts to save ash trees from the Emerald Ash Borer epidemic. Jennifer, an Assembly member and chair of the Reforestation Committee, is Nashville's Horticulturist, where she focuses on urban forestry and coordinates the Metro Tree Advisory Committee. Previously, Jennifer served as the Director of the Tennessee Urban Forestry Council. The Assembly participates in the Council's Arboretum Certification Program and their Landmark, Historic and Heritage Tree Registry.

FROM THE ARCHIVES

The Archives Committee welcomes you to the 2021 Season! We will be working all summer to preserve our rich history! If you have photographs, ephemera, wedding announcements, birth announcements, etc., to give to the archives, please drop them off at the office. This summer we are particularly looking for photographs of the INSIDE of the cottages! Photographs taken with cell phones are great! Please email them to morganvmerrill@gmail.com. We have a file for each cottage.....come see what is in yours!

-Morgan Merrill, Archives Committee Chair



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Call Scott First! Home repairs/upgrades are generally not permitted during the season. Contact the General Manager 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.

Box lunches and other reservations-required dining events must be paid at the main office; dining hall staff do not accept reservations or payment.

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

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. No loud noises, pickleball, tennis, music, mowing, construction, etc.

Trash pickup begins at 5:00 am on Monday & Thursday.

Recycling bins have been moved behind Harton Hall.

July 4th picnic tables are available for rent (\$25) or purchase (\$110) from the main office. The tables are 8 feet long.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Shop local at the Thursday Morning Mountain Market, 7-10:30 a.m., in front of Harton Hall.

This year our snack shop will be hosting the **Holy Grail Coffee Company** from Winchester, TN. Their coffee will be sold during the Tuesday Platform Coffees and the Thursday morning Markets. A portion of the sales will go towards supporting the snack shop, so enjoy some amazing coffee!

Hats off to our 2021 summer program patrons this year! When you visit their stores/restaurants and use their services, please say thank you for their support of the MSSA program book. Shop local!

Please help us take care of our tennis and pickleball courts...no scooters, bicycles, drawing with rocks or chalk, etc.

SEASON OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday,
8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Saturday,
9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

HARTON HALL

SUMMER OF 2021

Lunch buffet Monday-Friday, 11:45-12:45

\$15 for adults and \$8 for children under 12

(Children 2 and under are free with adults)

Grill and a la carte

Burgers, \$7 (with condiments)

All beef hot dogs, \$5

Chips, \$2

Drinks, \$2

Grand Sunday Buffet

\$22 for adults and \$11 for children under 12

We request that you wear a mask while going through the buffet.

Prices include sales tax, but not gratuity. Please remember to tip your servers. We will not offer house accounts, but accept cash, all major cards, and Venmo. Take out food will be available. Please be kind, we might be understaffed...

We are open for business of Monday, June 14 through Sunday, August 8.

Closed Saturdays.

-Emily Frith



THE ASSEMBLY CHORUS

The Assembly chorus will be singing again this season! We will have practices on Tuesdays at 4:30 p.m. in Warren Chapel. Led by Clinton Bailey, the Assembly Chorus welcomes ages 14+ to participate in Tuesday practices as we learn music to be presented at Sunday morning worship services. Our first practice will be with just the men of June 15th. The full chorus will begin having weekly practices on June 22nd. If you like participating in group singing, please come join us.

- Clinton Bailey, baileyclinton07@gmail.com

GETTING TO KNOW YOU!



Welcome to **John Windham**, pastor of Trinity Presbyterian Church in Corinth, MS since July of 2018. John's wife, Molly, and daughters Louvie and Mabel are also staying in Burris Ministerial Cottage for the week. Be sure to introduce yourself to John and his family this week!

Welcome to our Youth Coordinator **Karissa Wheeler!**

Some fun facts about Karissa are that Eggs Florentine with Avocado is her favorite breakfast food, and Chocolate Chip is her favorite type of cookie. She also recently authored her first children's book called, "Reveal of the Royal Puppy" and it will be available for sale (at a reduced price!) this summer at the Assembly. Give a big hello to Karissa when you see her this week!



Claudia Haltom grew up in South Pittsburg, TN. There are three generations of women lawyers in her family and her mother was among the first 100 women lawyers in Tennessee. She also has the early scoop on numerous Assembly members! She attended high school in Chattanooga with Ellie Bryan Billington, and attended school from junior high onwards with Ruth Patterson. Marty Carr was her son Will's scout leader. Her usual seat in church for decades has been in front of Dot and Doug Ferris. As a beagle lover, she is proud of her 16 year old beagle, Atticus. Sadly, his brother Scout passed away in the Spring. She loves splitting time between Monteagle and Memphis. She finds Memphis to be more exciting, colorful and friendly than any other place she has lived. Claudia is the Coordinator and Judge for the Assembly Jeopardy this week. We hope to see you there!

You'll find **Valeria Lorenz** in the Stonecourt Studio each Wednesday, teaching knitting and enjoying getting to know the knitters of the Assembly. She loves to ball room dance (which she also teaches), and recently took up watercolor painting. When it's time for fresh air, she hikes the trails of the area. Make sure to say hello to Valeria this week!



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.

LEASEHOLDS CURRENTLY AVAILABLE

#23 Edgeworth Inn \$1,300,000

Contact for information-

W. Scott Parrish, General Manager

scott.parrish@mssa188.org

(931)924-2286

MINT JULEP

Congratulations to Anne Monfore, whose Mint Julep cottage was featured in a special summer issue of the Victoria Magazine! The photo at right was featured in the issue.



IN MEMORY OF

HARRY LEE BILLINGTON

Funeral services for Harry Lee Billington will be held at 4 p.m. on June 19 at the Monteagle Sunday School Assembly Cemetery. A reception will follow at "Summertown", the cottage of Ellie and William Billington.

ENLIGHTEN.ENRICH.ENDURE

Make your plans to join us for E, a festive, social and educational wine and cheese gathering on Friday, July 2, 2021, from 5-7 p.m. in the MSSA Auditorium. The gathering and presentation will be hosted by the MAEFC board of directors and is open and free of charge to all MSSA members and their families. Our hope is to inspire attendees to consider a gift, large or small, to our perpetual Endowment Fund and thereby ensure the long-term vitality and sustainability of the Monteagle Sunday School Assembly. The event will culminate with an entertaining and informative presentation and book signing by Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist, Bill Dedman, author of Empty Mansions.



GOLF CART CORNER

ALL golf carts, PRIVATELY OWNED and RENTED must be registered (or re-registered) to receive the 2021 decal. Only licensed drivers are allowed to drive carts.

Golf cart parking at Warren Chapel is for the benefit of those who need mobility assistance. Please do not move carts during services or programs.

Golf carts shall be operated only on roadways with an exception for medical reasons or handicapped condition of the operator or passengers when carts may be operated on walkways and paths.

All golf carts must be equipped with a horn and must have front lights and rear lights or reflectors if driven after daylight hours.

Need a Golf Cart
during the Season?

Contact Housing
931-924-9000

YOUTH UPDATES

The youth are an integral part of the Assembly, 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 10-14 for guidelines, policies, and rules .

It is another year and another start to a new summer! We are super excited for the ability to get to know you all and go on new adventures! Come by the Snack Shop to see our board to find out what is happening this week!

REMINDERS FOR JUNE 13TH-JUNE 19TH

1. Eaglet trip to Wonder Cave on the 15th—limited registration in front of auditorium; \$15 per person (including parent)
2. For Week One, parents must drive or arrange for another parent to transport their children to all activities outside the Assembly Grounds. The youth staff will evaluate transportation for Buzzard and Falcon parents weekly.
3. The Geo Cache family activity on the 18th requires an app to be downloaded on your device.
4. Sack Suppers are “bring your own.”
5. There will be updates to the program, so please check online or on the Youth Bulletin Board for current info!
6. Please bring your gate ticket and insurance cards to registration.



YOUTH REGISTRATION

Registration for all youth is held at the auditorium from 9:30 to 10:00 a.m. Monday through Friday. Please bring gate tickets and release form to receive a fun band identification bracelet. In addition to registering, a parent must sign each Hummingbird in at the Hummingbird Room each day. Check Auditorium bulletin board for daily details of Youth Programs, excursion sign-ups, etc.

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 last minute changes or emergencies. We will also be communicating through Mountain Voices and our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/MssaYouth. Be sure to like our page!

Text MSSAYOUTH to 84483 to receive youth alerts.

Text MSSANEWS to 84483 to receive community alerts.

For any snacks, refreshments, or MSSA merchandise, come by the snack shop located outside the front entrance of the Auditorium.

NEWS FROM THE PICKLEBALL COURTS!

With landscaping completed, new wind screens installed, courts resurfaced, official nets placed and temperatures in the low 70's Memorial Day weekend was the perfect time to break in the new pickleball Courts! A crowd of eager players gathered all three days to socialize, laugh and yes, play some serious pickleball!

We are excited that Pickleball pro, Stephanie Lane and one of her instructors will be back this season! They will be offering youth clinics on Monday, July 26 at 10:00 a.m.-12 noon for Buzzards and Falcons as well as at 2:30-4:30 p.m. for Eagles. You may register in the office. Non marking Tennis shoes are required and we ask that you bring your own paddle if you have one. Stephanie will have a few to loan as well.

If you have never played pickleball then come on over to the courts and anyone will be happy to put a paddle in your hand and teach you! Don't be shy! We welcome everyone! Remember to please help us take care of our courts by using them **ONLY** for pickleball or tennis. No bikes or scooters, and no drawing with rock or chalk. Please wear only non marking tennis shoes!

Haven't registered for the Adult beginner or intermediate clinic? There may be last minute cancellations for the all day clinics on Monday, June 14 from 10-12 and 2:30-4:30 so make sure to check in with the office first thing Monday morning to see if you can join in the fun!

See you on the courts!

-The Tennis/Pickleball Committee



A FEW REMINDERS

Pickleball hours for this season:

Sunday—Thursday: play must conclude by **6:00 p.m.**

Friday & Saturday: play must conclude by **7:00 p.m.**

As always, refrain from playing before **9:00 a.m.**

Please, no play during Quiet Hour, Sunday School or 11:00 Worship.

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.



GOT A BIRTHDAY OR ANNIVERSARY

COMING UP?

On Thursdays we will recognize birthdays and anniversaries each week at the Twilight Prayer Service. We will also use this as an opportunity to show our thanks for the visiting minister.

WHAT ABOUT A CHILD'S BIRTHDAY?

Be sure to send your children to ring the bell before the Twilight Service on their birthday! It is a hefty bell, so if we have several birthdays, multiple young people can all pull the rope together! Please stay afterwards to receive a special birthday prayer at the Twilight Service. You may report to the bell tower at 7:15 p.m. Monday–Thursday.



THIS WEEK AT THE MOVIES

Youth and Family Movies:

Tuesday, 8:15 p.m.: *Monsters Inc.* (2001, G), Auditorium

Wednesday Early-Bird, 6 p.m.: *Olaf's Frozen Adventure* (2017, G), Auditorium

Wednesday, 8:15 p.m.: *The Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe* (2005, PG), Auditorium

Friday (dive-in), 8:15 p.m.: *The Goonies* (1985, PG), Pool

See the mall kiosk and bulletin boards for additional details

Documentaries:

Monday, 3–4 p.m.: *Why We Fight, World War II*, part one, Warren Chapel

Wednesday, 3–4 p.m.: *Why We Fight, World War II*, part two, Warren Chapel

SWIMMING HOURS

Monday–Friday:

8 a.m.–9:30 a.m., Adult Water Exercise (over 18)

Monday–Saturday:

10 a.m. – 12 noon, Open to all.

12 noon – 1 p.m., Water Safety & Swimming Lessons (by prior appointment only)

2:30–5:30 p.m., Open to all.

Friday only:

2:30 – 7:30 p.m., Open to all.

Sunday:

2:30 – 5:30 p.m., Open to all.



WELCOME TO THE PORCH!

“Each for the other, all for Monteagle.”

The MSSA Woman's Association is looking forward to gathering on Winfield Porch once again! All are welcome; and there is something for everyone!

We would love to hire a hostess, and if you know of someone who would like the job for a few weeks, or the summer, please contact Linda Parrish. It is a fun, flexible job from Monday-Friday.

Week 1 highlights on the Porch:

Monday, June 14: 2:30-4:30 p.m.: Mah Jongg. Bring your tiles and cards if you have them. All abilities welcome!

Tuesday, June 15: 10:30-11:30 a.m.: Chickadees (children under age 3) and their parents gather for socializing and war stories.

3:00-3:30 p.m.: Story Time for Hummingbirds and Eaglets

Wednesday, June 16 2:30-4:00 p.m.: Adult Card Party.

Thursday, June 17 3:00-3:30 p.m.: Story Time for Hummingbirds and Eaglets

5:00-7:00 p.m.: Garden Party! Come one, come all! Bring an appetizer to share and your beverage of choice! With most COVID restrictions lifted, we now feel comfortable sharing food! This is a change from the printed program, but one we are thrilled about!

The Woman's Association will be looking for volunteers for our library, for our upcoming Bazaar and Cottage Tour, and events on the porch! Please join the fun and offer your time! Look for a sign-up genius to come!

-Linda Parrish, President

MSSA Woman's Association

parrishld@bellsouth.net



WEEK 1 LECTURE DESCRIPTIONS



Tuesday, June 15, 10:45 a.m., The Auditorium

Opening Lecture of the 139th Platform: *Assembly Jeopardy: A Tribute to Alex Trebek*

Contestants include Kent Ballow, Frannie Smith, & Scott Parrish with Moderator Richard Boeth and coordinator/judge, Claudia Haltom.

Wednesday, June 16, 10:45 a.m., The Auditorium

Laura Marsh, *A Primer to Local Bird Life: Avian Conservation Efforts*

Learn about our native bird wildlife, conservation efforts, and the ways you can attract them to your backyard in these lectures and guided walks by field ornithologist Laura Marsh. Laura Marsh is a field ornithologist and conservation biologist who has worked at various institutions, including the Smithsonian Migratory Bird Center and Cornell University. Laura recently founded Nova Conservation, an organization that connects wildlife scientists with non-biologists to engage in unique, research-focused trips. She serves as the secretary for the Chattanooga Audubon Society, and teaches Environmental Science at UTC.



Thursday, June 17, 10:45 a.m., The Auditorium

Nenette Arroyo, *Mapping and Shaping a New World: The Power of Representation*

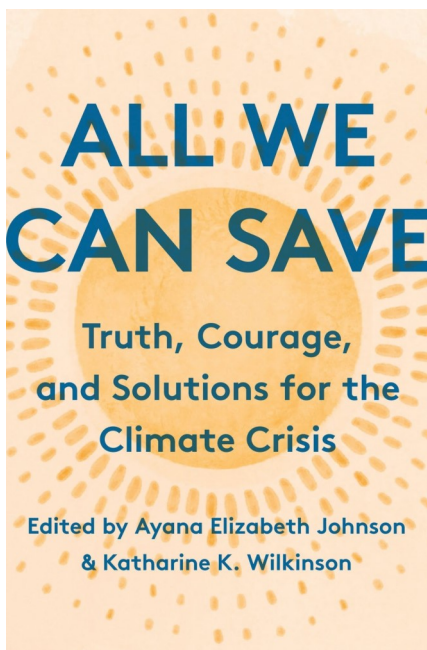
Maps are more than navigational guides. In the era of European exploration and empire, maps were instruments of power, and transformers of space and identity. They communicated a vision of foreign lands that justified the colonial mission to conquer and Christianize. This talk examines how maps shaped the European perception of America, as a New World. Nenette Arroyo holds a PhD in Art and Architectural History at the University of Virginia and an MA in the History of Decorative Arts and Design, Parsons the New School University. At the University of Virginia, her research has been supported by the Americas Center, the Institute of the Humanities and Global Cultures, and the Center for Global Inquiry and Innovation.

WEEK 1 LECTURE DESCRIPTIONS

Friday, June 18, 10:45 a.m., The Auditorium

Dr. Arroyo presents a second lecture, *California Mission Architecture: Reality, Ruins, and Romance*

Adobe walls, tiled roofs, and bell towers define the architectural signature of California's Spanish past. We shall explore the development of this building and decorative style, from its European and Mexican influences, to the contributions of Indigenous culture and local artisans. We shall also examine its role in defining a distinct history and identity for the Golden State.



Thursday, June 17, 8:15 p.m., The Auditorium

Dr. Katharine Wilkinson, *All We Can Save: Leading on Climate with Truth, Courage, and Solutions*

“My heart is moved by all I cannot save,” poet Adrienne Rich writes. Yours may be too — and by all that we, together, still can. In this lecture, Dr. Katharine Wilkinson will share vital insights from the bestselling anthology *All We Can Save*. As the mighty chorus in this collection shows, there is a renaissance blooming in the climate movement. Summoning truth, courage, and solutions, we may turn away from the brink and toward a just and livable future for everyone. Dr. Katharine Wilkinson is an author, teacher, co-founder of The All We Can Save Project, and co-host of the podcast *A Matter of Degrees*. Her books on climate include *All We Can Save*, *The Drawdown Review*, *Drawdown*, and *Between God & Green*. *Time* named her one of 15 “women who will save the world.”

PLATFORM COFFEE

Please join us at the Mall Bandstand this Tuesday morning from 9:15-10:00 for a Platform Coffee. This will be an informal opportunity to converse and learn more about the exciting offerings that the Platform and Chapel will be hosting during the 2021 season. Holy Grail Coffee Company will be on site with a wide variety of gourmet coffees. Feel free to bring your own mug!

VISIT THE SEWANEE BOOKSTORE & SUPPORT PLATFORM SPEAKERS

The Sewanee Bookstore is staffing most book sales this season and will bring stock of all books that will be featured as part of the Platform to sell at each event. Please show our appreciation for providing this valuable service to us and the authors who visit by purchasing from their stock. The manager is happy to check on any other titles you wish to explore.

WEEK ONE
June 13-19, 2021

CHANGES TO THE DAILY SCHEDULE

Yellow highlight Indicates that an event is either new to the calendar or has a date/time change.

~~Strike-through~~ indicates a cancelled event.

SUNDAY, JUNE 13 - No Changes

MONDAY, JUNE 14 - No Changes

TUESDAY, JUNE 15

9:15-10:00 Platform Coffee Mall Bandstand

NEW!!! Holy Grail Coffee Co. pop-up cart will be on the bandstand.

7:15 ~~Prelude of violin music by Dr. Peter Povey.....~~ Warren Chapel

8:15 ~~Concert: Three Spectacular Works for Solo Violin.....~~ Auditorium

~~Dr. Peter Povey, violin~~

8:15 **NEW!!! Family Movie: Monsters Inc. (2001, G).....** Auditorium

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16

12:30 **◆Excursion: Caving, Buzzards & Falcons** Meet at Auditorium

Barnes Family Fund

2:30-4:00 **Workshop: Knitting Instruction & Social ..** moved to Stonecourt Studio

Stonecourt Studio is located between the Pulliam Center and Stonecourt, Cottage #11.

Please, do not park in the office lot. Plentiful parking is available outside the gate.

2:30 ~~◆Youth Excursion: Eagles~~ Meet at Auditorium

THURSDAY, JUNE 17

7:00-10:00 **Produce Market on the Mall** Front of Harton Hall

NEW!!! Holy Grail Coffee Co. pop up cart joins the market.

2:30 **◆Youth Excursion: Eagles** Meet at Auditorium

2:30-5:00 **Workshop: Collecting & Pressing Plants** Harton Hall

Yolande Gottfried, Instructor (Moved from week 5)

FRIDAY, JUNE 18-No Changes

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.

