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FROM THE PRESIDENT: CURRENT BOARD PRIORITIES

The MSSA Board continues its work by focusing on several priorities.

Long-term planning remains a priority. The Board is working with the Executive Director to identify significant capital needs over the next three to five years. Steve Williams is compiling a list of projects involving buildings, facilities, and infrastructure, along with estimated costs where possible. We are also evaluating other projects, including new pickleball courts, improvements at the Stone House/Sunset Rock, and the potential purchase of lots adjacent to the Assembly, should they become available.

The goal is to give the Board the information it needs to prioritize the use of limited capital. In addition, the Long Range Planning and Finance Committees are exploring alternative sources of revenue.

As we learned at the Annual Meeting, a member has made a significant pledge toward new pickleball courts. The pledge currently includes several restrictions (“encumbrances”), and MSSA bylaws prohibit the Board from accepting an encumbered gift. We greatly appreciate the donor’s generosity and intent, and we continue to discuss the details of the gift with the donor.

The Board, Property Committee, and Long Range Planning Committee are also conducting

due diligence on two potential sites for pickleball courts, both outside the North Gate. One is the compost area; the other is between North Gate Field and the right-of-way. We hope to mark both sites with stakes or ribbon soon so members can see them. We are also obtaining construction estimates from several contractors.



If you’re missing the pace of life during the MSSA season, start planning now for next summer!

As always, please contact any Board member, the appropriate committee chair, Steve Williams, or me with questions. Rather than relying on porch conversations, I encourage members to come directly to us for accurate information. Thank you.

— Steve Rixham,
MSSA Board President



It’s never too soon to start thinking about items you might offer at the Butterfly Boutique next summer! Above, shoppers browse during the 2026 Woman’s Association Bazaar. Photo from Rick Boeth.

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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 out Sunset Rock Road, please call the security phone, (931) 607-8615 (between 5:00 pm-5:00 am), or call the MSSA 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 storing the security numbers in your family cell phones!

THANKSGIVING MENU

Deanna will once again offer Thanksgiving catering services for those who want a simpler approach to feeding the family. Order by November 22 (or until fully booked). Pick up meals on Wednesday, November 25 at Harton Hall.

Text orders to (931) 636-8842

The Thanksgiving Table \$250

Complete meal, serves 8-10

One 10-12 lb brined turkey, dressing, Boursin mashed potatoes, sweet potato casserole, green beans, 1 qt gravy, 1 pt relish, and 12 rolls.

Whole Turkey \$75 each

10-12 lb whole turkey, priced per turkey

A la Carte Sides

	Small (serves 4-6)	Large (serves 8-10)
Traditional dressing	\$22	\$40
Roasted garlic & boursin mashed potatoes	\$25	\$45
Brown butter sweet potato casserole with salted pecan crumble	\$25	\$45
Baked macaroni & cheese	\$25	\$45
Bourbon maple carrots	\$18	\$32
Souther green beans with onion & smoked ham	\$18	\$32

Finishing Touches

Turkey gravy	\$10 pint / \$18 quart
Cranberry relish	\$12 pint
Dinner rolls	\$10 dozen

Holiday Quiches

	9-inch; serves 6-8
Kale, caramelized onion & cheddar quiche	\$28
Bacon, roasted red pepper & cheddar quiche	\$30

Something Sweet

Apple-praline croissant bread pudding	\$28 / \$50
Bourbon-vanilla sauce. Small serves 4-6; large serves 8-10	
Brown butter pumpkin pie	\$28
Bourbon pecan pie	\$32

Whole pies are 9-inch and have approximately 8 slices each.



GOT LEFTOVERS?

Bring your Thanksgiving leftovers to Harton Hall on Friday, November 27 for a potluck and fellowship and to support the Outreach Committee's Thanksgiving fundraiser to the benefit of the Morton Memorial Food Bank.

AROUND THE GROUNDS

November 5-8
Sewanee Homecoming
Many cottages rented

November 21
Fish family gathering
Harton Hall

OFF-SEASON OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday:
8:00 am-4:00 pm

OFF-SEASON PICKLEBALL HOURS

Monday-Saturday:
10:00 am-6:00 pm

Sunday:
1:00-6:00 pm

IN OUR PRAYERS

It is with deep sorrow and profound love that we announce the passing of **Lynwood Evans Marbury**, lovingly known as Lyn, who departed this life on July 8, 2026. Born on December 21, 1945, in Birmingham, Alabama, Lyn's life was a tapestry of cherished moments, laughter, and love.



Lyn was the beloved son of the late Adaline and Ross Marbury and the treasured brother of the late Francis Ross Marbury. He was a proud graduate of Trussville High School and pursued higher education at Montevallo University. His dedication to service was evident in his time as an Army sergeant, spending three years stationed in Heidelberg, Germany at the Army headquarters.

Lyn's professional journey was marked by his passion and entrepreneurship as he owned and operated Advanced Collision Repair for over 30 years until his well-earned retirement four years ago. His career was not just a testament to his hard work and dedication but also to the integrity and commitment he showed to his community.

A man of many talents and interests, Lyn found joy in the skies as an avid powered paraglider motorist, sharing the beauty of the mountains with his flying companions. His humor and infectious laughter were hallmarks of his personality, endearing him to countless friends who cherished his company and friendship.

Lyn's greatest joy was his family. He leaves behind his devoted wife, Marilyn Bishop Marbury, with whom he had recently celebrated 50 wonderful years of marriage. Together, they enjoyed exploring the world and relishing the simple pleasures of life, particularly their summers in Monteagle. As members of the MSSA Board of Trustees, Lyn and Marilyn fostered a community that became a second family, sharing countless joyful moments on their beloved porch, Idlehour.

Lyn's legacy continues through his cherished children, Michelle Marbury Baumann (Scott) of Atlanta, Georgia, and Lyndsay Marbury Cousins (Christopher) of Birmingham, Alabama. His laughter and stories live on in his grandchildren, Julian (Jude) and Bishop Baumann, and Owen and Ever Cousins. He is also survived by his dear sister, Edna Marbury Rathert of Hilton Head, South Carolina, and a host of extended family, including cousins, nieces, and nephews who will forever hold his memory dear.

In honor of Lyn's life and his love for Monteagle, the family requests that donations be made to the Monteagle Sunday School Assembly, a community that held a special place in his heart. Or to the charity of your choice.

Lynwood Evans Marbury's spirit will forever remain in the hearts of those who knew and loved him. We invite all who were touched by Lyn's warmth and generosity to join us in remembering and celebrating his remarkable life.

QUICK BITES

Dogs must be registered at the office, including proof of rabies vaccination. Pick up after your pets.

Lawn trimmings are collected on Wednesdays.

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

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.

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IN OUR PRAYERS

Carolyn Carey Tweedy of Decatur, Alabama, entered Heaven in the presence of her Living Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ on October 4, 2026. She was born in Decatur on July 1, 1933, the only child of Loudie Pointer Carey and Cecil Vernon Carey.

Although Carolyn lived in several places during her childhood, Decatur always remained home in her heart. She graduated from high school in Oak Ridge, Tennessee, before attending Auburn University. It was there that she met the love of her life, Robert Howell “Bob” Tweedy, III. Carolyn and Bob were married on August 5, 1952, at St. John’s Episcopal Church. They made their home in Decatur, where they raised their family and shared nearly 60 years of marriage before Bob’s death.

Carolyn was preceded in death by her parents, her beloved husband Bob, and her son, Robert Foster Tweedy.

She is survived by her devoted daughters, Carey Tweedy Key (Gil) and Margie Tweedy Thompson (Skip). She also leaves behind her eight grandchildren, Robert Tweedy, Katy Mac Tweedy Dillon (Brent), Liza Lee Tweedy Horton (Dawson), Carolyn Key Wardlaw (Nick), Wilson Key, Bob Thompson (Melanie), Sam Thompson (Tara), and Lou Ellen Thompson Schweers (Christian), as well as twelve great-grandchildren.

At the age of 30, Carolyn gave her life to Christ and faithfully served the Lord for the remainder of her life. Through the years she was able to help in the beginning of the SAV-A-LIFE ministry, which was so dear to her heart. She was instrumental in bringing Community Bible Study to Decatur and, along with Bob, touched the lives of countless teenage girls through their weekly morning Bible Studies and breakfasts. Her faith was not simply something she professed – it was a meaningful part of how she lived and how she loved others.

Carolyn will also be remembered by the many children and families who shared time with her at Happy Way Kindergarten, which she lovingly operated in her home. An artist and gracious hostess, Carolyn delighted in sharing her southern hospitality, creativity and her home with others.

Some of her happiest times were spent in her beloved Monteagle Sunday School Assembly, where she created countless memories with family and friends.

Carolyn leaves behind a beautiful legacy of faith, love, hospitality, creativity, and devotion to family and friends. Her life touched generations, and she will be deeply missed by all who were blessed to know her. She experienced an abundant life with the Joy of the Lord as her strength.

The family is especially grateful for Kathy Hobbs, Carolyn’s dear friend and caregiver for 32 years. They extend their heartfelt appreciation for Kathy’s steadfast kindness, companionship, and love.

Special thanks are also extended to the many wonderful caregivers who lovingly cared for Carolyn during the final years of her life. The family is also deeply grateful to the caring nurses of Hospice of the Valley for the comfort and support they provided.

A Celebration of Carolyn’s life was held at on Wednesday, October 7 at First Bible Church of Decatur. Carolyn’s grandsons and grandsons-in-law served as pallbearers, a fitting tribute to the love and special bond they shared with her.

In lieu of flowers, the family invites those wishing to honor Carolyn’s memory to consider making a donation to Hospice of the Valley, Sav-A-Life Pregnancy Resource Center, or The Neighborhood Christian Center.



LEASEHOLD AVAILABLE

#23 Edgeworth Inn \$1,923,000

To arrange a tour or for more information, contact Steve Williams, Executive Director, steve.williams@mssa1882.org or (931) 924-2286.

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.

