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FROM THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: BLESSINGS!

Our first grandchild was born in week 5 of last season!

Quinlen Jo Davis (pictured with her parents, Addie and William, at Thanksgiving in front of McTyeire Cottage) first visited Monteagle at Thanksgiving. Although circumstances kept her from getting here last season, her parents wanted her to be able to say she visited this mountain every year of her life. Quinn has deep roots in the Assembly. She is the sixth generation of her mother's family to be here, and she's the seventh generation of her dad's family to be here. Her parents met when they were on the Youth Staff together one summer, and they married several years later at Warren's Point.



Many, MANY similar stories can be found all throughout this special place! What a blessing to see families return year after year! How wonderful to share these connections across miles and across generations! What an unusual thing in our modern world!

Whether your family has been coming to this mountain for generations or has discovered this place more recently and is beginning to establish new traditions, we are thankful for the blessing of Monteagle and how it brings us together. What a gift!

Thank you, Lord, for this beautiful slice of your creation. And thank you, Lord, for the family and friends you've brought together in this place. Help us to steward well this place and to love well these people. Amen.

— Lori Davis, Secretary, MSSA Board

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HIGHLIGHTS

A Taste of Lynchburg,
with Lynee Tolley
Wednesday, 10:45 am
Warren Chapel

Under the Sun at Sewanee, Then and
Now, with Mary Priestley
Thursday, 10:45 am
Warren Chapel

Mountain Voices: Growing up and
working the in 1980s and 1990s on
the Mountain
Thursday, 7:45 pm
Warren Chapel

WEEK 3 PLATFORM PREVIEW

Several notable local figures and locations dot the Week 3 schedule, with lectures and workshops that take advantage of the wealth of knowledge and resources available in this community.

The **Sewanee Summer Music Festival** presents the first of their performances at MSSA on Tuesday at 7:45 pm in the Auditorium. We are grateful for the continued strong relationship between SSMF and MSSA.

Wednesday morning's lecture comes from **Lynne Tolley**, who will be speaking about "A Taste of Lynchburg." Tolley is a prominent figure in Lynchburg, Tennessee, known for her deep connections to the Jack Daniel's Distillery and her role as a culinary ambassador. She is the great grandniece of Jack Daniel. For more than 30 years, she was the proprietress of Miss Mary Bobo's Boarding House, a historic restaurant in Lynchburg, where she was known for her Southern cooking, particularly her Lynchburg Candied Apples. That afternoon at 3:00 pm in Harton Hall, longtime Assembly member and chef **Emily Frith** will present a cooking demonstration on Cooking with Bourbon.

A Sewanee Mountain favorite **Mary Patten Priestley** will lecture and offer a workshop on Thursday. Her morning lecture, "Under the Sun at Sewanee, Then and Now," will include a book sale and signing. Priestley will then welcome 12 lucky participants to an afternoon Nature Journaling workshop. Priestley is a Sewanee Herbarium Associate and the editor and illustrator of the Friends of the Herbarium newsletter, The Sewanee Plant Press. She has written many books, including Under the Sun at Sewanee, which is in its third edition. She is a member of the Tennessee Native Plant Society; she also teaches classes for the Tennessee Naturalist Program and the Tennessee Valley chapter of Wild Ones Certificate in Native Plants. Priestley is a former schoolteacher; with her late husband, a former mathematics professor at Sewanee, Priestley raised three grown children.

Thursday evening, several well-known Assembly members will participate in a panel discussion about growing up and working in the 1980s and 1990s on the Mountain. The panel will feature the voices and memories of **Mary Wallace Patrick Broome, Bill Elder, Susan Parker, Laurie Hudgins Peacock, and Will Reynolds**, with **Rick Boeth** moderating. Boeth is a photographer who retired in 2022 as Vice President of Photography at CBS Entertainment. Among his retirement pursuits is shooting and producing the Annual Goat Calendar for Sewanee.



Speaking of Rick Boeth and his excellent photography,, he sent along this picture. Thanks, Rick! Your photo could be here next week. Just send it to platform@mssa1882.org.

QUICK BITES

Pressure washing is not permitted during the season.

Save time at the gate and pre-order your tickets using the MSSA 2026 Ticket Order Blank. You may also call the office (931) 924-2286.

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

Call Steve 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, check (with legible phone number), or payment via house account.

ALL golf carts, including rental carts, must be registered (or re-registered) to receive the 2026 decal. Only licensed drivers are legally allowed to drive carts.

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

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

Lawn trimmings are collected on Wednesdays.

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.

SEASON OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday: 8:00-4:00
Saturday: 8:00-12:00
(931) 924-2286

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.

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.

PICK UP PACKAGES



You'd be forgiven for thinking that the MSSA Office is a UPS Store or a USPS satellite branch. We've got lots of packages arriving during the season. To ensure smooth operations (and because we are not, in fact, a shipping business and lack the space to hold packages indefinitely), please ensure you pick up your packages in a timely fashion. Use your tracking information and come by once they've been delivered.

Thanks for helping us maintain a safe and tidy front office!

— Jen Reynolds, Office Manager

YOUTH PICKLEBALL TOURNAMENT A SUCCESS!



*Left: What youth sport tournament is complete without proud parents watching?
Right: Youth compete in the annual youth pickleball tournament. Photos from Mary Anna Malone.*

CHANGES IN PICKLEBALL RULES

To ensure pickleball remains enjoyable for all Assembly residents and guests while minimizing any disturbance to nearby leaseholds, only pickleball paddles designated as "quiet" or "low noise" will be permitted for pickleball play on the Assembly grounds. Quiet paddles are available at the courts. Please take care of them so they are available for all to use!



PICKLEBALL HOURS

Monday-Thursday: 10:00 am-1:00 pm and 2:30-5:30 pm

Friday: 10:00 am-1:00 pm and 2:30-7:30 pm

Saturday: 10:00 am-Noon and 2:30-5:30 pm

Sunday: 2:30-5:30 pm

BE AWARE OF THE WILDLIFE

Be aware of the wildlife living with us on the Assembly grounds. Black bears have recently been spotted in Monteagle. Skunks normally do not spray unless threatened. If you see one, slowly back away. Snakes are found around the creek and in rocky areas. Do not antagonize them. Coyotes have been spotted in the Assembly previously; increased activity may cause them to leave the campus, but we must all be mindful of letting small pets roam at night.

Please secure your garbage cans!



BALLOW MEMORIAL SERVICE JULY 2

A celebration of life for William Bradford Ballow will be held at 4:00 pm on Thursday, July 2 at the Monteagle Sunday School Assembly Cemetery. A reception at Winfield will follow.





JOIN US FOR DINNER ON THE CHAPEL GROUNDS

Join us for Dinner on the Chapel Grounds, every Monday at 6:00 pm on the Porch of the Warren Chapel! This week, the entrée will be Deanna's Meatballs.

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, breads, and desserts.

Be sure to label your serving dish, but we no longer need your utensils—leave those at home!

Pick up your serving dish/utensil after Twilight Prayers

Entrée, paper products, serving tables, and lemonade /water will be provided by the Chapel Committee. Meet Week Three's pastor, The Rev. Melinda Britt. Bring a blanket or chair, as seating is limited.



Questions? Contact Virginia Curry at vacurry1981@gmail.com or 901-493-3045 or Frannie Smith at franniesmith@aeneas.net or 731-695-9845.

Dinner on the Chapel Grounds provides an opportunity for Assembly members and guests to gather in the spirit of community—with old friends and newcomers alike—and to sustain ourselves with food and fellowship. It is a welcoming and traditional way to meet the Minister of the Week before joining the Twilight Prayers service.

FROM THE MINISTRY COORDINATOR

The Chapel Committee has been encouraged over the last two weeks, by the spirit of worship, reflection, and community that has filled our time together on the mountain. Each gathering has reminded us why the Chapel remains such an important part of the Mountain experience.



As we move into Week Three, the Chapel Committee looks forward to continuing to build on that foundation. We hope you will join us for Dinner on the Grounds, Peaceful Practice, Twilight Prayers, Ring, the Taizé Service and the Conversation with the Pastor. We are also grateful to welcome our minister for the week, The Rev. Melinda Britt, and we look forward to the message and leadership she will bring.

I look forward to worshipping with you at the Chapel!

Blessings,
— Mary Balfour Van Zandt, Chapel Committee Chair

SOMETHING TO CROW ABOUT ON JULY 17TH!



Be among the first to celebrate Tennessee's newest wild place! Join Friends of the Parks for Something to Crow About, a special evening celebrating the creation of the Head of the Crow State Park in Sewanee, TN.



The festivities will feature food, music, dancing, and childcare for children 3+. We are especially excited to welcome MSSA family member, Clark Hudgins and his band, UPPER LEVEL, for an evening of great live music and celebration.

Purchase your tickets by JULY 7 and use code EARLYBIRD at checkout to receive discounted pricing on tickets.

Tickets can be purchased by using the QR code or the link at right.

JULY 4TH CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

Be sure to submit all names you wish to be recognized at the Fourth of July Candlelight service on the Mall. Births, marriages and deaths in the Assembly community (since July 4, 2025) will be noted. Submit names and relevant dates (marriage, birth, death) to the Assembly Office, in writing, or by e-mail to platform@mssa1882.org. Please have your submissions in by noon on Monday, June



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WOMAN'S ASSOCIATION UPDATES

Winfield is filled with fun activities this week! Come play Mahjong on Monday at 2:30 pm, and if you do not know how to play, come learn on Tuesday at 9:30 am.

There will be instructors there to teach you all about American Mahjong.

Wednesday afternoons are for playing card games and Mahjong, too. Wednesday evening at 7:30 pm, we will have our first Arty Party with Debra Denson as our featured instructor! She will be teaching us how to paint a Hellman's Mayonnaise jar, but she says if you prefer Duke's, bring a jar and she will teach that too! Spaces are limited. Sign up at Winfield and you can pay



Inspo at left, painting at right. Prefer Duke's? Bring a jar with you.

the \$40 per space fee there which includes all the materials you will need. Bring the beverage of your choice and a nibble to share!

Mark your calendars for the amazing Cottage Tour and Bazaar on Friday, July 17th. We are already selling tickets, box lunches, and raffle tickets for an incredible McCarty piece that is on display now at The Gallery! You'll want to attend, but we'd also love to have you as part of our volunteer group! We work together at the Bake Sale, are Cottage Docents, golf cart drivers, ticket sellers, lunch box distributors, and everything in-between. We need you and hope you will consider joining us. What a great chance to meet people and to give back just a bit to the Assembly! Sign up and buy tickets and box lunches from our Winfield Hostess Cindy Cole or contact Tour Chairman Julia Curry at (901) 489-1721.

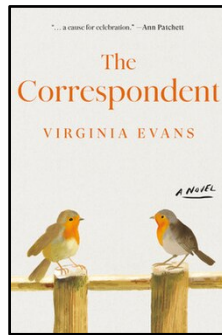
More news on the Cottage Tour and Bazaar to come. But its not too late to become a vendor at the Bazaar! Ginny Gordan is Bazaar Chairman and will gladly talk to you about what is needed to have a spot at the Bazaar. You can reach Ginny at (615) 692-2818.

See you on the Porch!

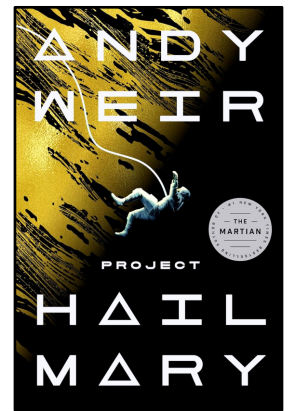
— Frannie Smith, WMSSA president

BOOK CLUB AT WINFIELD

Week 3: Thursday, June 25th at 4:00 pm to discuss The Correspondent by Virginia Evans. Told through letters and emails exchanged between the main character and her family, friends, and sometimes strangers, this wonderful novel is smart, moving, and inspirational! It covers a lot of emotional ground, yet it remains relatively short. There's still time to read it before Book Club on Thursday!

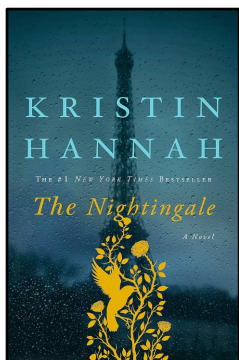


Week 7: Thursday, July 23rd at 4:00 pm to discuss Project Hail Mary by Andy Weir. This science fiction novel seems a little outside our comfort zone. Sometimes, that extra push to read something different is exactly the fun of a Book Club! People absolutely adore this book, and we can't wait to discuss it with this group. Also—BONUS—a movie adaptation was released this spring starring Ryan Gosling. Check it out and see how it compares to the novel!



Hope to see you on the porch at Winfield to discuss these books! Happy Reading!

— Lori Davis



Week 5: Thursday, July 9th at 4:00 pm to discuss The Nightingale by Kristin Hannah. This beloved novel was released in 2015 and remains on the top of many "Best of..." lists! Even if you read it years ago, why not read it again and see if it lives up to your memory?! If you haven't read it, this summer is a great time to pick it up. Either way, there's much to talk about, and we're looking forward to a great discussion! It's long though—so get started!



Rick Boeth snapped this picture at Dinner on the Chapel Grounds. Thanks, Rick!

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 11-16 for guidelines, policies, and rules.

Week two has come to an end, and it was such a great week. We started the week off with our first BINGO night of the season. The Youth Pickleball Tournament was very exciting, and each kid played their best. Congrats to our winners! We had a fun week of excursions: the Buzzards & Falcons hiked to Greeter Falls and biked to Shenanigans, the Eagles went to Rutledge Falls, and the Eaglets went on the first caving trip of the summer to Pryor Springs Cave. Excursions are such great opportunities for the kids to experience some cool places! The week ended with the fantastic performance of A Midsummer Night's Dream on the Mall. Everyone who participated did such a great job!

As always, there are many people that I would like to thank for helping make the week successful! Having a great community behind the youth program is key to its success. First, I would like to thank Rayane Plyler, Ruthie Loveless, Ellen Tullock, Anne Burruss and Jessica Abell for hosting progressive suppers this week. Thank you Jessica Oslin and Janet Dent for being our guest readers for storytime. Lastly, I would like to thank all of the parents who drove the kids for the Eaglets and Eagles excursions. None of this would be possible without y'all!

Week Three is approaching, and there are many fun activities coming up! The Eagles will have a caving excursion to Pryor Springs Cave on Thursday. The first overnight of the season will be the Buzzards & Falcons Hiwassee overnight where they will ride down the Hiwassee River the next day! There are lots of youth events coming up, so make sure to check out the youth bulletin board for all youth activities, excursions, and packing lists!

“Because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.”

-Romans 10:9

— McTyeire Davis, Youth Coordinator/Christian Coordinator

BE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR CUTENESS...



Leslie Neely sent these pictures of her grandson, Jack Hoffman, who will be on the MSSA grounds June 21-30. We're sharing these adorable pictures because Jack/Jack is a major flight risk! He's a mostly curious, sweet, and quiet young man who loves to watch people and places. He's an independent child who loves to be "just sittin'" watching life in beautiful places. If anyone sees him alone, please return him to the Neely family at 5 Flushes (#140) at 103 Poplar. His family will be frantically looking for him. Thanks!

PS: This is definitely not intended for future blackmail of Jack/Jack, but...



YOUTH BULLETIN BOARD & PARENTS' MEETING

Reminder: You should always check the youth bulletin board!!!

Please check the bulletin 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.

**STAY
CONNECTED!**



To receive notifications on all things youth, please download the Remind app and join our summer group using code @mssa82, or simply text @mssa82 to 81010.

POOL HOURS

Monday-Friday: 8:00-9:30 am
(adult water exercise only)
Monday-Saturday: 10:00 am-Noon
Daily: 2:30-5:30 pm
Friday only: 5:30-7:30 pm

FROM THE ARCHIVES

In the fall of 2025 Dr. Melody Lehn, a professor at Sewanee, contacted me to discuss a project for her rhetoric class. She asked if the students could have access to the Archives to research women who had lectured at MSSA beginning in 1882 and write essays about what they had discovered. In return, the students scanned the original programs for the Archives! The essays will be printed in *Mountain Voices* during the summer season. Dr. Lehn will be lecturing Weeks 4 and 8. Enjoy!

— Morgan Merrill, Archives Chair

Clara Gregory Baer's Accomplishments and Time at The Monteagle Sunday School Assembly

By Ariel Hornek and Elle Shepperd

When Clara Gregory Baer (1863-1938) first introduced bloomers as athletic wear at Newcomb College, students were hesitant. Accustomed to exercising in corsets, they soon realized how much more comfortable bloomers were, reflecting Baer's vision of making physical activity accessible and appropriate for women while challenging social norms.

Born on August 3, 1859, in Algiers, Louisiana, Baer was raised by her maternal grandmother after her mother died when she was four. She never married or had children, dedicating her life to advancing women's physical education.

Baer was educated at the Boston School of Expression, the Emerson School of Oratory, and the Nils Posse Normal School of Physical Education, where she developed her interest in women's sports. In 1891, she became Women's Gymnastics Director at the Southern Athletic Club in New Orleans, teaching gymnastics and introducing basketball. Later, at Sophie Newcomb Memorial College, she established the South's first physical education certification program, created the first four-year bachelor's degree in physical education, modified women's basketball rules, and invented the game Newcomb to provide skill development and cooperative play for young women. Her work ensured women's athletic participation was visible, respected, and socially acceptable at the time.

Clara Gregory Baer was not daunted by the challenges that faced her as a woman pursuing success in a male-dominated field. She notably declined regular teaching positions in schools, as she was strictly interested in physical education. Baer realized her dream on October 1, 1891, when she was hired as an instructor of physical education at Sophie Newcomb College in New Orleans, earning an annual salary of \$1,600. The fact that Baer was forging her own path was incredibly unique for this era, "as many students and their parents felt that strenuous exercise for women was not socially appropriate nor healthy." Yet she saw physical education as an underutilized resource for women's physical and mental health.

This belief led her to the Monteagle Sunday School Assembly in 1898, where she served as director of the Monteagle Summer School for Higher Physical Culture in the Cumberland Mountains of Tennessee. Baer indeed qualifies as a "woman of the MSSA"

because she held a significant leadership position within one of the Assembly's educational schools for over a decade. She helped make Monteagle a place where Southern teachers—especially women—could acquire new credentials, methods, and "physical culture" practices, and then carry them back into communities across the country.

The Monteagle Sunday School Assembly was founded in 1882 as an outgrowth of the original Lake Chautauqua, New York, organization. Their mission statement has remained consistent since its establishment: "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." In her time, the South was becoming a hub for physical education, and Baer was instrumental in disseminating the knowledge she had gained over the years to other teachers and organizations. Her work at the Assembly amplified physical education practices and, most importantly, provided a community for many women. However, these ideas were controversial among some audiences in the region, who believed that women's physical education could lead to women "do[ing] sadly unwomanly things." Despite these

detractors, Baer formulated a rhetorical strategy that extended beyond her public lectures and was embodied in physicality—a characteristic aligned with the MSSA's position as a prominent educational institution. Baer thus helped define what counted as legitimate knowledge at the MSSA, including the sphere of women as subjects worthy of institutional time and space.

Clara Gregory Baer's life demonstrates that patience and working with the times can create lasting change. She shaped women's athletics from the start. As Women's Gymnastics Director at the Southern Athletic Club in New Orleans, many of the men's wives were initially uninterested in learning, but Baer motivated them through her coaching and public lectures on the health benefits of exercise. In the early twentieth century, concerns about personal hygiene led parents to encourage daughters to develop strong, graceful, and healthy bodies. Baer balanced strengthening girls while maintaining femininity, teaching that exercise could prevent "psychic nervous conditions," respiratory, digestive, pelvic, and skin troubles. She introduced sports like Newcomb and Basquette, linking participation to health benefits. When she suggested wearing bloomers instead of corsets, students initially resisted but gradually accepted them after experiencing their comfort. By emphasizing health, gradual adoption, and education, Baer challenged social norms, promoted women's rights and dress reform, and became a foundational figure in women's physical education at and beyond the Assembly.



DID YOU EVER WANT TO BE A ROCKSTAR?



Of course you did! Assembly Get Down with The Get Down on Saturday, June 27th, in the Gymnasium. With more than 1,000 songs in their song list, The Get Down is YOUR Band!

They take singing to the next level. This is a true live performance! No tracks, video screens, or band recordings. And unlike karaoke, guests get to experience the excitement and thrill of performing on stage with a real LIVE band! This is YOUR band!

They play + you sing! What could be more fun?!

So, grab your friends and pick out a song to sing! This unique night will be filled with lots of laughter, singing, dancing, and summer memories. Click this link to start selecting your song!
<https://forms.gle/TsBx8jJzwU5vo7ye8>

MEET THE GATEKEEPERS!

As the season begins, so do our gatekeepers! They are always the first, smiling face you see when you return to the Mountain.

Each week this season we will be highlighting our gatekeepers so you can learn more about them and their lives when they're not manning the front gate.

Welcome Makayla McGee! This is Makayla's 3rd season here at MSSA. Not only can you see Makayla at the gate but this year she has begun working in the office some.



Makayla is an Exceptional Education Paraprofessional outside of season at a local elementary school in Grundy County. Makayla has an 18-month-old little boy, Reed, and a longtime boyfriend, Matthew. Very soon they will be moving into their first home. Makayla enjoys playing softball and attending church.

BYO POOCH ... BUT FOLLOW THE RULES, TOO

The State of Tennessee and Town of Monteagle have changed laws for pets that affect our beloved Assembly dogs. **Dogs may not roam unaccompanied or at large anymore.**



This doggo is in compliance—leashed and under supervision!

You can walk your dog off-leash under two conditions:

- 1) This can only take place between 5:00 am-9:00 pm. These hours were set by the MSSA Board. Overnight, dogs must be on a leash.
- 2) All dogs must be accompanied (at all times) and kept reasonably under control.

Please pick up after your dogs at all times, just as you would outside the Assembly gates.

— Steve Williams, Executive Director

* Longtime Mountain Voices readers know that if you send platform@mssa1882.org a picture with a dog, it'll probably get printed in a future newsletter. And Liz would really, really love to get some new dog pics, y'all!



Sunday: Parent Trap (1961, G)

Tuesday: Holes (2003, PG)

Wednesday early-bird: Emporer's New Groove (2000, G)

Wednesday: Charlotte's Web (2006, G)

Friday: Parent Trap (1998, PG)

MSSA MOVIE THEATER ETIQUETTE

Parents and families, please remind your children of the following movie theater rules:

- Sit in seats or the floor in front of the screen; please do NOT sit on the stage!
- Clean up after yourselves and lend a helping hand when the movie is over to dispose of all trash.
- During the movie, please be courteous of other theater-goers around you .

Thank you so much and we will see you all at the movies!

FROM HARTON HALL

Father's Day Sunday Menu

- Shrimp and grits
- Butter roasted chicken with pan sauce
- Stewed okra and tomatoes
- Country style green beans
- Key lime pie

Sunday buffet is \$25 per person, \$15 for children under 4-11 years, free for those under 3. Doors open at 11:45 am.

July 4th pie contest is coming!

Susan has a very special prize for the best overall pie! Submit your entry between 11-1 pm on Friday, July 3, at Harton Hall. Please don't bring a pie that can't handle a few hours out of the fridge or freezer, as we do not have access to refrigeration at Harton Hall. Pies will be on display during lunch, and the judging will take place at 1:30. We will sample 1 or 2 pieces of each entry, and your pie can be picked up after the judging. The winner will be announced at the 4th of July picnic. Let the baking begin!

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 Information Center 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 for assistance.

SUMMERTIME SCENES

Photos from Rick Boeth. Thanks, Rick!



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 3 CALENDAR • JUNE 21-27, 2026

Guest Minister: Rev. Melinda Britt

Sunday, June 21

Sunday School (adults/youth)
10-10:45 am • Various locations; see Mall kiosk

Worship service
11:00 am • Warren Chapel

Movie: Parent Trap (1961, G)
7:45 pm • Auditorium

Monday-Thursday

Twilight Prayers
7:00 pm • Warren Chapel

Monday-Friday

Adult Exercise, 8-9:00 am • Gymnasium

- Ageless Strength & Vitality with Brendie (Mon./Wed.)
- YoMassage with Lauren (Tues.)
- Pilates with Kim (Thurs.)
- ExerFIT with Brandy (Fri.)

Adult Aqua Exercise, 8:30-9:15 am • Pool

- Water Workout with Jimmy (Mon./Fri.) – **CHANGE**
- Hydro Yoga with Helen (Wed.)

Monday, June 22

Peaceful Practice at the Point, with Pace Verner
10:45-11:45 am • Warren's Point

Dinner on the Chapel Grounds
6:00 pm • Warren Chapel Porch

Movie: Holes (2003, G)
7:45 pm • Auditorium

Tuesday, June 23

Lecture: Edgar Allan Poe: Visions of a Natural Paradise, with Robert Ray Morgan
10:45 am • Warren Chapel

Make-and-Take Workshop: Keepsake Birthday Plate, with Colby Henderson-Black
2:30 pm • Shady Dell

Readings from the Writers' Grove: The Correspondent, read by Lori Davis
3:00 pm • Writers' Grove (Warren Chapel if rain)

Performance: Sewanee Summer Music Festival
7:45 pm • Auditorium

Wednesday, June 24

Lecture: A Taste of Lynchburg, with Lynne Tolley
10:45 am • Warren Chapel

Culinary Event: Cooking with Bourbon, with Emily Frith
3:00 pm • Harton Hall

Early Bird Movie: Emperor's New Groove (2000, G)
6:00 pm • Auditorium

Movie: Charlotte's Web (2006, PG)
7:45 pm • Auditorium

Thursday, June 25

Thursday Morning Market
7-10:00 am • Front of Harton Hall

A Conversation with the Pastors, with the Rev. Mary Balfour Van Zandt and the Rev. Don Frampton
9:00-10:00 am • Winfield Porch

Lecture: Under the Sun at Sewanee, Then and Now, with Mary Priestley, book signing/sale to follow lecture
10:45 am • Warren Chapel

Workshop: Nature Journaling, with Mary Priestley
2:30 pm • Shady Dell

Lecture: Mountain Voices: Growing up and working on the Mountain in the 1980s and 1990s, moderated by Rick Boeth
7:45 pm • Warren Chapel

Friday, June 26

Lecture: A Life Carved in Stone, with Somers Randolph
10:45 am • Warren Chapel

Workshop: Bluebirds and their Conservation, with Philip J. Tamplin, Jr.
2:30 pm • Warren Chapel

Movie: Parent Trap (1998, PG)
7:45 pm • Auditorium

Saturday, June 27

MSSA Board Meeting
9:00 am • Pulliam Center

All-Assembly Dance with the Get Down Karaoke Band
7:45 pm • Gymnasium