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JOIN US FOR DINNER ON THE CHAPEL GROUNDS

Mark your calendar for Dinner on the Chapel Grounds Monday at 6:00 pm on the Porch of the Warren Chapel! This week, we invite you to enjoy southern-fried honey chicken.

All are welcome to attend. Each family should bring a side dish to share. Suggested side dishes: crispy salads, cut vegetables, cheeses, cut fruits, vegetable casseroles, bread, and desserts.

When you bring your side dish, make sure you label the serving dish and any serving utensils you bring, and pick up your serving dish/utensil after Twilight Prayers.

Entrée, paper products, serving tables, and lemonade will be provided by the Chapel Committee. Bring a blanket or chair, as seating is limited. Meet Week Five's pastor, the Rev. Nathan Parker. Make new friends and embrace the old ones!

— Virginia Curry



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Page 9 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!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

The Chapel Committee needs additional help at Monday's dinner. **Set-up volunteers** arrive at 5:00 pm at Warren Chapel. **Clean-up volunteers** help immediately following Twilight Prayers. Ask any person with an apron what needs to be done. And thank you!

HIGHLIGHTS

Simple Strategies for Raising
Kids in a Digital World
with Katherine Walters

Tuesday, 10:45 am
Warren Chapel

The Healing Power of
Forgiveness
with Rabbi Bruce Aft

Thursday, 7:45 pm
Warren Chapel

The Ever-Changing Trends of
Getting into College and How
Sewanee Has Adapted
with Dr. Robert Pearigen

Friday, 10:45 am
Warren Chapel

COTTAGE TOUR: RAFFLE

The 60th Annual Cottage Tour & Bazaar will take place on Friday, July 19. Parking is at 995 Sunset Rock Road.

During this year's Tour & Bazaar, the Woman's Association will be raffling off a Pralines & Cream Moon Platter (pictured right), 23x23 inches in size and valued at \$1,825.

Tickets are available now at Winfield. You can get one for \$10 or five for \$40. Proceeds will benefit local charities and Assembly special projects.

The Cottage Tour & Bazaar succeeds each year because of the generosity of volunteers. Please be on the lookout for a sign-up sheet to volunteer at Winfield.

— Margaret Siegrist and Shirley Stansell, co-chairs



TENNIS NEWS

Tennis week starts this Monday, July 8th with a kick-off party at Betsy Peebles' cottage, Get Right (#92) at 7:00 pm. BYOB and bring an appetizer to share. The sign up sheets are up at the Mall, with categories for Women's Doubles (sign up individually, partners will be assigned), Women's Singles, and Mixed Doubles (sign up as a team or individually). Or text Jane Jackson at (615) 604-4342 to sign up.

We are looking forward to a fun week of competition!

— Jane Jackson and Betsy Peebles, tennis coordinators

ONE-DAY PICKLEBALL CLINIC

Do you want to have a competitive match with each team you play in the tourney? Come learn proven tournament strategies and how to elevate your game from rec play to a more competitive format.

This clinic will be offered once, on Monday, July 15! Sign up for a morning or afternoon session. You'll get to work with each of the two coaches during the 2-hour session. 20 max players for each session. Cost: \$25. This class is geared to intermediate to advanced players.



Pace Verner sent this lovely photo from a recent weekly Peaceful Practice at the Point. Join Pace and others at Warren's Point on Mondays from 10:15-11:15 am.

QUICK BITES

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 or major credit cards. 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 2024 decal. Only licensed drivers are legally allowed to drive carts.

Dogs must be registered, 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.

LEASEHOLD AVAILABLE

Edgeworth Inn (#23)

\$1,675,000

QUICK BITES

Lawn trimmings are collected on Wednesdays.

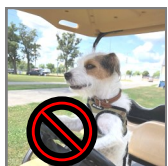
Quiet Hour is daily from 1:00-2:30 pm. Children should be indoors at their cottages. Tennis is only permitted on the East Gate courts. No deliveries during this time.

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.

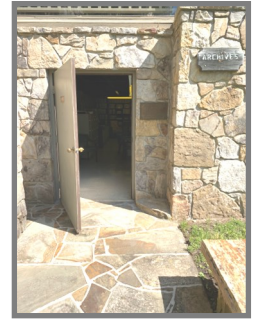


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FROM THE ARCHIVES: SEND US COTTAGE PHOTOS!

The Archives has files on each cottage in the Assembly. The committee is currently working on acquiring photographs of the **INSIDE** of our wonderful cottages. There are photographs of the outside of the cottages from the last fifty or so years, but very few of the inside of the cottages. Please take some photographs with your cell phone and email them to Morgan Merrill at morganvmerrill@gmail.com. We will print them and put them in the cottage files. Thank you!

— Morgan Merrill, Archives Committee



OPEN AA/AL-ANON 12-STEP MEETINGS

Hosted in Cottage #56 (Southern Comfort) in the garage/gathering room and meeting Mondays at 1:00 pm For info, call Elizabeth (615-300-3655) or John (615-668-0456).

THANKS FOR THE MEMORIES!

Throughout this issue of Mountain Voices, we're sharing photos sent in by our community members. Your photo could be here next week! Just email to platform@mssa1882.org by Wednesday at 5:00 pm, and we'll do our best to include it in a future issue.



These groups navigated Dr. Tom Mould's escape room in week 3.

Photos from Paige Cleveland.

BELL CHOIR FLOAT

I would like to thank Margaret Berry, Samuel, Ridley and Rachel Kennedy for representing the Monteagle Sunday School Assembly on the Monteagle Assembly and the Monteagle Elementary School bell choir float. We made great music together!!

— Pam Maloof

SLOW DOWN THERE, BUCKAROO

Despite apparent rumors to the contrary, the MSSA



grounds are not hosting the next NASCAR race. Consider this your semi-regular reminder to obey posted speed limits and traffic signs. Like *cough* stop signs. Keep it safe out there for the kids and dogs!

WOMAN'S ASSOCIATION UPDATES

Join me in welcoming our Winfield hostess for weeks 5 and 6, Mary Louise Clark! We're so excited to have her here!

- **Mahjong Monday:** July 8 2:30-4:30 pm. Bring your set and cards if you have them.
- **Tuesday, July 9, 9:30-10:30 am, Beginner Mahjong.** Beginner Mahjong has been very popular this summer! I'm so thankful for our wonderful volunteers for teaching. A big thank you to Anne Waring, Linda Parrish and Bethany Frank for teaching last week's class. We have increased the number of teachers to accommodate more players. If you are interested in teaching, please contact Anne or me. This class is intended for beginners only. The goal is to help every beginner get up to speed to come on Monday afternoons and not feel lost!
- **Wednesday, July 10, 2:30-4:30 pm:** Adult card party.
- **Friday, July 12, 5:00-7:00 pm:** Porch Party. All assembly adults are invited. Please bring an appetizer and/or an adult beverage to share.

A limited number of Monteagle Mahjong cards are available at Winfield. They are \$40 for a set of 4. See Mary Louise to purchase.

See you on the Porch!

—Ruth Patterson, Woman's Association President



MAKE YOUR PLANS TO HELP WITH BAKE SALE

The Woman's Association Cottage Tour on July 19 includes a bake sale. Baked goods, both sweet and savory, are needed for our sale! Start now by looking for recipes, buying your ingredients, and possibly baking early to freeze, or you can be ready to make your treats in the days leading up to the sale. Maybe even your children will want to help out with the baking! Please consider ways to package your goodies in individual and appealing packaging.



Jack dances with his grandmother at the All-Assembly dance! Photo from Shelley Matthews.

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 5:00 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!

BEWARE OF THE WILDLIFE

Be aware of the wildlife living with us on the Assembly grounds. 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! There is a critical critter problem (raccoons and foxes especially) and garbage is everywhere!



LAST WEEK IN PICTURES

It was a busy week of family fun, patriotic observances, and heartfelt remembrances. Thanks to all who sent photos! You can email pictures to platform@mssa1882.org, and we'll try to include them in a future issue.



Shelley Matthews sent this pic of Sted (a Buzzard), Ashley, and Stedman Grigsby, along with cousins Kirby Matthews (Eagle), on the recent Hiwassee trip. It was Kirby's first time on the river!



Above: We're told it's rare when all five members of the Crais family are together. Pictured here are Margaret, Nancy, David, Henry, and Stewart. Photo from David Crais.



Left: Congratulations to Hall Wildman from Atlanta, who won the July 4th 6.4-mile run to Shenanigans on Thursday with a time of 42:04. Photo from Norman Blake.

Below: Aqua yoga instructor Harris Cleveland and youth director Romy having fun at the pool. Photo from Paige Cleveland.



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.

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 3-17 are available throughout the summer. Please see the program book, pages 10-15 for guidelines, policies, and rules.

Week Four was full of excitement and fun! We started the week right with a service project with Housing Sewanee. Thank you Will Reynolds for organizing this wonderful opportunity to give back! Thank you to everyone that showed out! As always, the Fourth of July relay games were loads of fun with participation from all ages!

There are a few people I would like to thank for making this past week successful. Thank you to Anne Byrn Floyd and Will Reynolds for organizing progressive supper during the busy week of the fourth! Thank you to Katherine Watters for reading on Winfield Porch and thank you Katherine Torkelsen for being parent of the week at registration! Lastly, thank you to all of our parents drivers! The youth program would not be possible without the support from our parents!

Get ready for Week Five because it's the Annual MSSA Talent Show! No act is too small! Signups opened yesterday and I highly encourage every youth to show their talent!

This is a big week for our Buzzards and Falcons! There is a rappelling excursion at Lost Cove with our caving expert, Joey. This excursion is Tuesday and Thursday, and all youth that are signed up must attend both days. The cost is \$50 per person. Signups and payments should be completed at the front office.

Eagles excursion this week is Dry Cave! All caving excursions require the proper gear for youth and parent drivers. Moving forward, we will be having a meeting with parents who plan to attend caving excursions. Look for more details on the youth bulletin board.

This Saturday is our All-Assembly Duck River Trip! Signups

and payments are through the front office, \$25 a person.

I am looking forward to Week Five and all of the excitement and talent that it brings!

— Anna Kate Tibbs, Youth Coordinator

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.



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



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

Monday: *Prince of Egypt* (1998, PG)

Wednesday early-bird: *Paddington* (2014, G)

Wednesday: *Muppets Take Manhattan* (1984, G)

STAY CONNECTED ON ALL THINGS YOUTH!



1. Download the Remind app on your phone.
2. Create a parent account.
3. Enter our summer class code: @mssa82

That's it! You'll get messages through the app with updates for youth programs.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ON THE MOUNTAIN

The Chapel Committee welcomes all youth and adults to join us for Sunday School this season. Sunday School offers a great opportunity to connect with others and to share and to learn more about God's Word. Classes meet each Sunday, except for the last Sunday of the Season, from 10:00 am -10:45 am.

Eaglets and Eagles meet at Shady Dell. These classes are led by parent volunteers and are studying Courageous Bible Heroes. *Please, no younger siblings.*

Buzzards and Falcons meet on the Nashville Home porch and will be led by our Christian Coordinator, McTyeire Davis.

Note: There are no classes for Hummingbirds.

There are two adult classes this season:

- One class meets on the porch of **Margaret Rixham**, cottage #158, for the first four Sundays before moving to the porch of **Hays Haney**, cottage #30. Teachers of this class will be Assembly members and friends.
- The other class meets on the porch at **Winfield**, home of the Woman's Association. Again, various Assembly members and friends will lead these classes.

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

Monday means **Peaceful Practices on the Point** with Pace Verner at 10:15 am, and it also brings Monday night's **Dinner on the Chapel Grounds**, followed by **Twilight Prayers** at 7:00 pm.

Twilight Prayers (Tuesday-Thursday) begin at 5:45.

Everyone is always welcome to join in any of the activities of the Chapel! Hope to see you at one of them this week.

— *Frannie Smith, Warren Chapel Chairman*

GOLF CART DRIVERS MUST BE LICENSED

While you might expect that the family golf cart is safe enough for unlicensed youth to putter around the MSSA grounds in—not so! Unfortunately, last week an unlicensed, under-16 youth driving a golf cart had an accident with another occupied golf cart. Nobody was badly injured, but this is a good invitation to remind everyone that:

- All golf carts (included rented carts) must be registered at the MSSA Office.
- Only licensed drivers (16+) may drive golf carts on the MSSA grounds, per Tennessee law and MSSA regulations.



SEASON OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday: 8:00-4:00

Saturday: 9:00-3:00

(931) 924-2286

OUTREACH SUNDAY IS JULY 21

As I reflect back on my first few days on the Mountain, I am reminded of how blessed we are as a community. God has given us this beautiful mountain to bask in!!! It is our turn to give back.

Please save the date for Outreach Sunday this year. All money collected at the July 21st service will go to one of the non-profits we support on this amazing mountain.

Share in God's love and give to others, just as God calls us to.

Blessings,

— *Mary Balfour Dunlap, Outreach Committee Chair*



SUNDAY BRUNCH AT HARTON HALL

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: Create your own from our garden-fresh salad bar featuring fresh homemade salads, assorted toppings, and condiments

Carvery: Roasted top round of beef with red wine demi-glaze and horseradish cream

Harton's hot bar: Southern-style chicken divan, grilled yellow shrimp, medley of fresh vegetables, scalloped potatoes, old south green beans, tomato basil pie, and country-fried apples.

Sweet bar: Assorted desserts & ice cream.

Beverages: Fresh-brewed iced tea & lemonade

Note: Grill closed on Sundays.

COFFEE BAR

Starting Monday, July 8, Harton Hall will be offering a coffee bar from 8:15-10:00 am, with items including:

- Fresh brewed French dark roast coffee
- Fresh brewed decaf coffee
- Assorted herbal teas
- Bakery-fresh assorted fruit Danish
- Fresh-baked banana nut bread
- Assorted fruit muffins



16+ AND LICENSED!

JAZZ PICNIC ON THE MALL

Street food bazaar

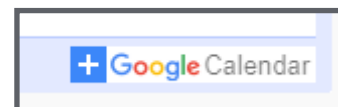
Station 1—Mediterranean grill: Grilled lamb shish kabob with flatbread and yogurt sauce (\$15); grilled chicken souvlaki with lemon rice and pita (\$12); dolmades with lentil dip and garlic bread (\$10)

Station 2—Mountain garden bar: Garden fresh mesclun salad with condiments (\$8); caprese salad (\$10); herb vegetable pasta (\$8); nicoise salad (\$10)

Station 3—Japanese hibachi grill: Teriyaki beef with jasmine vegetable fried rice (\$15)

HOOK INTO THE ONLINE PLATFORM CALENDAR

Get the latest Platform events on the MSSA web site at www.mssa1882.org. Click on "Programs & Events" at the top of the page. When you scroll to the calendar, look for the button at the bottom with the + sign. Click this will add the Platform events to your own Google Calendar.



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.



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 5 CALENDAR • JULY 7-13, 2024

Guest Minister: Rev. Nathan Parker

Sunday, July 7

Sunday School (adults/youth)

10-10:45 am • See page 8 for details

Sunday Worship

11:00 am • Warren Chapel

Staff Pickleball Tournament

2:30-5:00 pm • Pickleball Courts

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

7:45 pm • Auditorium

Monday-Friday

Adult Exercise:

Yoga Flow with Annelie Virkhaus (Mon/Wed)

CIRCL Mobility with Sara Yarworth (Tues/Thurs)

Tai Chi with Shao-nian Bates (Fri)

8-9:00 am • Gymnasium

All-Assembly Talent Show meeting & practice

10:00-Noon • Auditorium

Workshop: Oil Painting with Kim Barrick

2:30-5:00 pm • Art Pavilion

Tuesday-Thursday

Twilight Prayers

5:45 pm • Warren Chapel

Monday, July 8

Aqua Yoga, with Liz Norell

8:30-9:15 am • Pool

Peaceful Practice at the Point, with Pace Verner

10:15-11:15 am • Warren's Point

Dinner on the Chapel Grounds, followed by Twilight Prayers

6:00 pm • Chapel Porch

Movie: *Prince of Egypt* (1998, PG)

7:45 pm • Auditorium

Tuesday, July 9

Lecture: Simple Strategies for Raising Kids in a Digital World, with Katherine Walters

10:45 am • Warren Chapel

Parenting Workshop: Raising Kids in a Digital World: Learn life hacks and simple strategies, for parents of all ages, with Katherine Walters. Advance registration required.

2:30-4:30 pm • Pulliam Center

Performance: Sewanee Summer Music Festival

7:45 pm • Auditorium

Wednesday, July 10

Aqua Yoga, with Harris Cleveland

8:30-9:15 am • Pool

Lecture and Cake Tasting: Baking in the American South, with Anne Byrn. Cake tasting and book signing to follow.
10:45 am • Warren Chapel

Beginniners' Genealogy Workshop: Where to find records, with Merryanne Pierson

2:30-4:30 pm • Pulliam Center

Early-bird Movie: *Paddington* (2014, G)

6:00 pm • Auditorium

Movie: *Muppets Take Manhattan* (1984, G)

7:45 pm • Auditorium

Thursday, July 11

Lecture: Marjorie Merriweather Post: The American Empress, with Anne Monfore
10:45 am • Warren Chapel

Make-and-Take Workshop: Decoupage Pumpkins, with Virginia Curry

2:30-4:30 pm • Shady Dell

Lecture: The Healing Power of Forgiveness, with Rabbi Bruce Aft

7:45 pm • Auditorium

Friday, July 12

Lecture: The Ever-Changing Trends of Getting Into College and How Sewanee Has Adapted, with Dr. Robert Pearigen
10:45 am • Warren Chapel

Readings from the Writers' Grove: Rabbi Bruce Aft will read from Dr. Marc Gopin's book, *Healing the Heart of Conflict*
2:30 pm • Writers' Grove (Warren Chapel if rain)

Talent Show Dress Rehearsal

2:30-4:00 pm • Auditorium

All-Assembly Talent Show

7:45 pm • Auditorium

Saturday, July 13

MSSA Board Meeting

9:00 am • Pulliam Center

Jazz Night Dinner & Picnic, with Art Four Sale

5:30-8:15 pm • Harton Hall & the Mall