

# MOUNTAIN VOICES



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## Week of June 30-July 6 Events & Highlights

Guest Minister  
Rev. Oliver 'Buzz' Thomas

### Sunday

**Sunday School** 10-10:45 AM  
~ see p. 4 in program book for details  
**Worship Service** 11:00 AM  
**Van to SSMF Concert**  
1 PM Dining Hall  
(\$3 fee; sign up by Friday in DH)  
**Old-Fashioned Hymn Sing!**  
4:30-5:30 PM Warren Chapel

### Monday-Wednesday & Friday

**Adult Exercise - Zumba!**  
with Ellie Patrick Lovvorn  
8-9 AM Gymnasium  
(9:30-10:30AM on Wednesday;  
exercise mat or towel recommended)

### Monday-Wednesday

**Twilight Prayers**  
7:30 PM Warren Chapel

### Monday

**Lecture:** "Of Piety & Patriotism: The Delicate Dance of Citizenship & Faith,"  
Rev. Buzz Thomas  
11:00 AM Warren Chapel  
**Woman's Association**  
**Book Swap**  
2:30-4:00 PM Winfield Porch

**All-Assembly Bingo!**  
8:15 PM Dining Hall

### Tuesday

**Safety Day for All Ages**  
10 AM-12 PM On the Mall  
**Lecture:** "Everyday Safety for You and Your Family,"  
Lt. John Harmon  
11:00 AM Warren Chapel  
**Make & Take Adult Craft Workshop** with Annis Cox  
3:00-4:30 PM Shady Dell  
(\$10 materials fee, limited spaces)  
**Groundbreakers! Live Animal Program** with Bob Tarter  
4:30-5:30 PM Auditorium  
(Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult)  
**Cartoon & Movie:**  
"The Secret World of Arietty" (G, 2010)  
8:05 Auditorium

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## ¡La Fiesta Terraza - Sábado, 6 de Julio!

6:30 to 9:00 pm, Harton Dining Hall, \$50 per person

Don't delay! Make your reservation this week for the party of the summer, happening this Saturday, July 6 in our newly renovated dining hall. *La Fiesta Terraza* will feature a traditional Mexican dinner, the music of "A Boy Named Banjo," and open bar, and live and silent auctions. All proceeds will go to furnishing the new terrace and for further improvements to Harton Dining Hall. Reserve your ticket to the fiesta in the Dining Hall or at the MSSA office.



From the new (and quiet) ceiling fans to the stone terrace in front, the dining hall is now more inviting and comfortable for all events (Weekday lunches! Culinary & floral demonstrations! Bingo! Board meetings!). The number of tickets is limited and this event will sell out.

Supervised youth activities for Hummingbirds and up will be provided by the Youth Staff from 6:30-8:30 pm. Hummingbirds will have a snack & activities in the Hummingbird Room, while Eaglets and older will enjoy pizza & games at the gym. The fee is \$15/child, and you must register children in advance in the MSSA office.

### *The mission of Monteagle Sunday School Assembly is*

*... 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...and to hold stated public meetings from year to year upon the grounds of the Assembly.*



## Music Notes 🎵

Come one, come all! The entire family, from babies to grandparents, is invited to attend the first ever Old-Fashioned Family Hymn Sing TODAY! We will start at 4:30 p.m. and will end no later than 5:15 p.m. Bring your voice & your love for singing (or bring your ears and your joy in hearing others sing the old classic hymns). Requests from the congregation, including children will determine which hymn we will sing. Looking forward to seeing everyone!!!

NO PRACTICE for Ringers and Singers this Fourth of July week. However, the children from the 8-11 year old Sunday School classes will practice in SS at 10:15 on July 7th and will join the Ringers & Singers in worship at 11:00 that day during the Offertory.

It's always a pleasure to share my love of music with you,  
Judith Humphreys

## A Celebration of Farewell & Welcome!

On July 1 at 5:00 pm on Winfield Porch, the Monteagle Assembly is expressing its gratitude to Lisa Hammett of Blacksburg, VA for 11 years as Platform Superintendent. Thanks to her hard work and planning we have enjoyed many seasons of lectures and events appreciated by the entire community.



We also welcome Becky Nelson of Richmond, VA who is assuming her new position as Platform Superintendent. We are excited to work with her in planning future programs and she will welcome all of your suggestions for speakers and events.



**Chamber Music Concert**  
Sewanee Summer Music Festival  
8:15 PM Warren Chapel

**Wednesday**

**Produce Market on the Mall**  
*Special pre-4th market day*  
*replaces Thursday this week only*  
7-10 AM Front of Dining Hall

**5th Annual "Off-Road Run/  
Walk-in-the-Woods Classic":**  
8:00 AM Meet at North Gate  
(\$15/person registration fee)  
*Adult Exercise following awards*

**Early Bird Movie:**  
"Jonah" (Veggie Tales, G,2003)  
*Hummingbirds & Parents too!*  
6:00 PM Auditorium

**Cartoon & Movie:**  
"Inkheart" (PG, 2008)  
8:05 Auditorium

**Thursday - 4th of July!**

**28th Annual Pub Run**  
8:00 AM Meet at Front Gate

**Relay Games** 9 AM Mall  
**Pool Games** 10 AM Pool

**Monteagle 4th of July Parade**  
10:00 AM Main St., Monteagle

**Annual 4th of July Picnic**  
music by the "Good Ole Boys" 12:00  
PM Mall

**All-Generation Softball Game**  
4:00 PM North Gate Field

**Candlelight Service**  
7:30 PM Mall Bandstand

**FIREWORKS!!**  
8:45 PM North Gate Field

**Friday**

**Crafty Fridays**  
9-11 Winfield Porch

**MSSA Woman's Association  
Book Club:** discussing  
*Immortal Bird* by Doron Weber  
11:00 AM Warren Chapel

**Family Fishing for All Ages**  
Carpool to Fesmire Farm  
1-5 PM meet at Auditorium  
(details p. 25 in program book)

**Extended Pool Hours**  
Picnics welcome; grill available  
5:30-7:00 PM Pool

**Movie for Adults & Families:**  
"Lincoln: (PG-13, 2012)  
8:00 PM Auditorium

**Saturday**

**MSSA Methodist Mid-Season Caucus**  
9:30 AM Archives Room

**"Red, White & Blue" Celebration**  
10 AM-10 PM Town of Monteagle

**La Fiesta Terraza! Dinner & Auction**  
6:30-9:00 PM Dining Hall  
(\$50/person; supervised youth activities  
available with pre-registration and \$15/  
child fee)

**MSSA Alcohol Policy**

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.

Please check your program book for times and locations of all weekly activities. Bulletin boards at the Auditorium, Chapel and Dining Hall will have information about additions and changes to the schedule.

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**Season Office Hours**

Monday - Friday: 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM  
Saturday: 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

**LEASEHOLDS  
AVAILABLE**

- #7 Corner Cottage \$619,000
- #49 Tranquil Eyster \$450,000
- #30 Balconies \$900,000
- #35 Peavine \$425,000
- #67 Wayside \$769,000
- #92 The Moorings \$385,000
- #98 Idlehour \$390,000
- #129 Hallelujah \$450,000
- #136 Endeavor \$625,000
- #146 Butcher \$719,000
- #148 Brookview \$650,000
- #156 Robin Hill \$295,000
- #165 Once Upon A Time \$785,000

Contact MSSA Manager  
Scott Parrish  
for information on  
any of these cottages  
(931) 924-2286



**SUNDAY BUFFET**  
**June 30, 2013**

*Slow roasted Jamaican pork loin*  
*Herb baked tilapia w/ sorrel sauce*  
*Haricots verts w/sauted mushrooms*  
*Parsleyed new potatoes*  
*Panzanella salad*  
*Peach and blueberry cobbler*  
*w/ ice cream.*

**Dining Hall Hours**

**Monday-Friday**  
**11:45AM to 1:00PM**

**Closed Saturday**

**Sunday Buffet from Noon**

**~ Reminder ~**

**Fourth of July Box Lunch orders**  
**MUST be turned in by TODAY!**



***All Grillers on Deck!***

*Brant Lipscomb, James Acker, Hays Haney and Stuart Crais fire it up on the first late Friday at the pool.*

*The pool is open until 7:30 pm on Friday evenings, and the grill is available.*

*Wind down the week with a family picnic and a swim!*

## Bits and Pieces


**Mountain Voices articles:** Be sure to submit your articles for *Mountain Voices* to Anna Watkins at platform@mssa1882.org by Thursday of each week to ensure they make the next edition. Thank you!

- **Reminder!** This week, shop the Wednesday Morning Mountain Market from 7AM to 10AM in front of Harton Dining Hall. The usual Thursday market is a day early this week -- shop locally for your 4th of July picnic!
- **Flash Your Pass:** Please be in the habit of ALWAYS showing your gate ticket when you drive through. The gatekeepers are required to check. Be thoughtful, be ready.
- **Dining Hall Accounts:** For cash-free dining, be sure to set up a Dining Hall account in advance, through the Main Office.
- **Golf Cart Regulations:** All golf carts must be registered with the office. State law requires that anyone driving a golf cart be a licensed driver. The MSSA Board has adopted a zero tolerance policy on violations. Golf cart registration must be renewed each year. Please stop by the office and renew your registration.
- **Listen Up!** New this year, hearing assist devices are available at every program in the chapel. Ask the platform 'person of the week' for help in using them.
- **You Are Invited...** to celebrate the 100th anniversary of "Home Again!" In 1913, Mr. and Mrs. John Bell Keeble built on leasehold #142. Their descendents have continued to call it "Home" for five generations. Please come raise a glass with us this evening from 5:30-6:30 as we toast to all those who have come before us, and to all of you, our Monteagle family!
- **Photo of the Week:** Email photos of your fun at the Assembly to Assistant Platform Director Anna Watkins at platform@mssa1883.org. The best picture of each week will be featured in a following issue of Mountain Voices.
- **Trash Reminder:** Garbage pickup service comes Mondays and Thursdays early in the morning. Always secure the lid on the can to foil the many 'visiting' dogs.

### 4th of July 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, 2012) will be noted. It will be especially helpful if names are submitted to the Assembly Office, in writing, or by e-mail to platform@mssa1882.org. Please have your submissions in by Tuesday morning, July 2.

- **Laundry Service Available:** Exceptional Enterprises in Coalmont offers flat laundry service for sheets, towels, bedspreads, etc. at a very reasonable rate, with Tuesday & Thursday pick up & delivery. Call Angie, (931) 692-2235, x28, to make arrangements. Margaret Crais has worked at Exceptional Enterprises since 1992. They will appreciate your business!
- **Coffee & WiFi Mornings:** The Dining Hall now sells self-serve coffee (on the 'honor system') by 8 AM most mornings. Bring your laptop, plug in and recharge.
- **Read Your Minister's Mind:** Read *10 Things Your Minister Wants to Tell You (But Can't Because He Needs The Job)* by this week's guest minister, Rev. Buzz Thomas. Copies will be available for \$10 after his Monday morning lecture.
- **Constitutional Law Discussion Group:** No meeting on July 4. The next meeting will be Thursday, July 11, 2:30 pm at Edgeworth Inn. 
- **Dining Hall Thanks (from Emily):** Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to help lunchtime run smoothly, including Jean Jervis, Merrill Ellis, Pam Maloof, Ann Worthen.
- **Watercolor Workshops in Week 5:** Space is limited for the morning watercolor workshops for Eagles, and the after Watercolor Painting workshop for adults, taught by artist Jackie Goode Briscoe. Pre-registration is required for both; no fee for adults, but there is a \$15 fee for each Eagle. Sign up in the MSSA office.

## Safety Day Features Talk by TN State Trooper

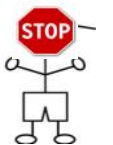
MSSA's annual Safety Day will be Tuesday, July 2, from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm in front of the Dining Hall. In addition to the always popular emergency vehicles explained and shown by firefighters and police officers, this year's Safety Day program will include a talk by Tennessee Highway Patrol Safety Education Officer Lt. John Harmon in Warren Chapel during the 11:00 lecture hour.



Lt Harmon is a second-generation Tennessee State Trooper with 18 years of service. He lives in Dunlap, TN, with his wife Gayla on the family farm. Prior to becoming a trooper Lt., Harmon managed a family-owned convenience store for 17 years. Lt Harmon has State & Federal certifications in Commercial Vehicle Safety & Safety Education and is a Commercial Vehicle Specialist. His talk is entitled "Everyday Safety for You and Your Family."



I Brake  
For Children!



## Cottage Tour Tickets: Buy Early and Save \$5!



This is a no-brainer: Cottage Tour tickets are \$15 until the day of the tour, \$20 on the day of the tour, Friday, July 19.

Buy now, and you'll feel pretty clever. Stop by the Assembly office or Winfield for tickets. Such a bargain!

## Family Fishing Fun on July 5

The annual fishing excursion for kids of all sizes will be on Friday, July 5, leaving the Auditorium at 1:00 pm. Directions & maps to Fesmire Farm (off Jumpoff Road) and ridesharing will be available at that time. We appreciate the Fesmires for welcoming us for this fun family event.



### Things to Bring:

- fishing tackle for bass & bream  
(anything from a rod & reel to a broom, a string & a safety pin)
- insect repellent
- sunscreen
- laid-back attitude
- bait
- water to drink

### Things to Know:

- Kids must be accompanied by an Adult (and vice versa)
- No license required for 12 & under; license available at WalMart or online for 13+ at [www2.tn.wildlifelicense.com/index.php](http://www2.tn.wildlifelicense.com/index.php)
- All fishing will be catch-and-release



### Picture of the Week

#### At Last!

Tate Wildman, son of Andy and Caroline Wildman, celebrates his first day at Hummingbirds.

*Submitted by Caroline Wildman.*



### EARLY BIRD MOVIES

Hummingbirds and Parents too!!  
**Every Wednesday at 6:00 PM**

**This week:** *Jonah: A Veggie Tales Movie*



## This Week at Winfield

- Winfield will be closed on Thursday, July 4th and will reopen Friday.
- Regular Winfield Hours are Monday-Friday 9-11 am and 2:30-4:30 pm
- No more chairs available for 4th of July rental.

Cottage Tour tickets are for sale at Winfield. Tickets are \$15 in advance, or \$20 'day of', Friday, July 19th. Need a tour souvenir? Buy your very own copy of the gorgeous poster, \$3 each, or 2 for \$5.

It's never too late to renew or begin your Woman's Association membership. I am accepting dues (\$10/person) all season. Please remember to sign up your daughters, mothers, grandmothers as well as yourself, and consider a donation in honor of a special Assembly member.

Coming up at Winfield -- Books! On Friday, July 5th, the Book Club will meet on the porch at 11 am to discuss *Immortal Bird* by Doran Weber. The following Monday, July 8, plan to come to the Woman's Association Book Swap at 2:30 pm. Please bring a book you've enjoyed to trade. Extra hardbacks welcome!

Thank you to all, especially Lucinda Trabue, who have donated paper goods. Another shout out to Lucinda for the refreshing tea punch and flowers at our first porch party. In addition, many thanks go to all those who brought appetizers to share. Thank you to all the wonderful people who keep Winfield running so smoothly, especially our Woman's Association President Frannie Smith.

We have both Crafty Friday and a Book Club Review on Friday, July 5th, and Fourth of July leftover sweets are welcomed! We also need table linens; please check your cottage for extra runners or tablecloths to donate. Hot plate trivets are also appreciated. Thank you for helping Winfield with our entertaining needs.

Happy Fourth!  
Cindy Huston  
Winfield Hostess



**MSSA 2013**  
**Fourth of July Special Order Menu**



**Box Lunch**

*Fried chicken breast  
Potato salad, devilled eggs, fresh fruit salad,  
Pimiento cheese canapes, Harton Hall chess tart*  
16.50

**Child's Box Lunch**

*Fried chicken drumstick, potato chips, apple,  
chocolate chip cookie*  
7.00

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**A La Carte Items**

8 pieces of fried chicken, 14.50  
(2 breasts, 2 thighs, 2 drumsticks, 2 wings)  
Fried chicken breasts, 4.50 each  
Drumsticks, 2.50 each  
Devilled eggs, 10.00 dozen  
Tea punch, 6.50 half gallon  
Fruit salad, 11.00 quart  
Potato salad, 12.00 quart  
Tomato mozzarella tarts, 3.50 each  
Corner Market Pasta salad, 12.00 quart  
Gazpacho, 13.50 quart  
Squash soup, 13.50 quart  
Chicken or tuna salad, 7.00 half pint  
Chess tarts, 3.00 each  
Chocolate chip cookies, 10.50 dozen

**Order deadline is TODAY!!! at 2:00 p.m.**

No substitutions on boxes, please.

Orders will be available for pick up on the Fourth between 10:00 and 11:30,  
Behind the dining hall (next to garage and archives).

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Cottage #: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Total Amount Due: \_\_\_\_\_

Method of Payment: \_\_\_\_\_

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**On Piety and Patriotism**



"A fitting topic for July the 4th week," says Reverend Oliver "Buzz" Thomas, of the theme of his Monday morning lecture. Thomas is the guest minister this week. He has titled "Of Piety and Patriotism: The Delicate Dance of Citizenship and Faith," on the challenge of balancing the sometimes competing claims of citizenship and religious faith.

Buzz Thomas is a Baptist minister, an attorney and First Amendment law professor, and is currently President of the Great Schools Partnership in Knoxville. He has served churches in Tennessee and Louisiana, and has practiced law at every level of state and federal courts including the United States Supreme Court. Thomas is author of *10 Things Your Minister Wants to Tell You (But Can't Because He Needs the Job)*, and writes a column for *USA Today*. His



lecture will be at 11:00 am, Monday, July 1 in Warren Chapel. Copies of Rev. Thomas' book will be available after his talk.

# Monteagle Sunday School Assembly

## Week 4 Platform Guests

**Rev. Oliver “Buzz” Thomas, Guest Minister and Lecturer.** Buzz Thomas is President of the Great Schools Partnership and a noted First Amendment authority. He earned his undergraduate and law degrees from the University of Tennessee, a Master of Divinity degree from New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, and Master of Laws degree from the University of Virginia. As a Baptist minister he has served churches in Tennessee and Louisiana, and has been a frequent guest minister at Chautauqua. As an attorney, he has practiced at every level of state and federal courts including the United States Supreme Court. As an author, he co-authored *Finding Common Ground*, the First Amendment handbook endorsed by the Department of Education and used in many of the nation’s public schools. As an educator, Thomas taught First Amendment Law at Georgetown University Law Center and lectured at Harvard and Notre Dame. In 2001 he was a founder of the Niswonger Foundation to create opportunities for individual and community growth through education. After eight years as Executive Director, he left the Niswonger Foundation to help Knox County develop a similar program, the Knoxville Public Education Foundation. Buzz is the author of *10 Things Your Minister Wants to Tell You (But Can’t Because He Needs the Job)*, and also writes a column for *USA Today*.

**John Harmon, Safety Day Lecturer.** Lt John Harmon is a 2<sup>nd</sup> generation TN State Trooper with 18 years of service. He lives in Dunlap, TN, with his wife Gayla on the family farm. Prior to becoming a trooper Lt. Harmon managed a family- owned convenience store for 17 years. Lt Harmon has State & Federal certifications in Commercial Vehicle Safety & Safety Education and is a Commercial Vehicle Specialist.

**Robert Tarter and NHECM, Natural History Educator/Presenter.** Wildlife biologist Robert Tarter owns and manages The Natural History Educational Company of the Midsouth (NHECM), based in Columbia, TN. An avid conservationist and wildlife enthusiast, Bob is living his life-long dream of working with animals. After earning a degree in Natural Resources and Environmental Sciences, Bob worked as a wildlife biologist for the Indiana Dept. of Natural Resources and Ducks Unlimited. He then began working for the Natural History Education Company (“NHEC”), soon acquiring the rights to their programs in TN, AL, AR & MS and thereafter forming the Natural History Educational Company of the Midsouth (NHECM), which brings live animal educational programs to locations throughout the Southeast.

**Annis W. Cox, Workshop Instructor.** Assembly member Annis Cox has years of instructional experience as an elementary school art teacher. She is a self-described “life-long gatherer, crafter, and fabric-aholic” who is always thinking of how to make something beautiful or useful or both out of something that others might discard or overlook. She sews and quilts and loves to make things. Annis is looking forward to instructing in three afternoon “make and take” workshops at the Assembly again this summer, helping participants come away with new crafting skills as well as new creations to enjoy at home.

**Sewanee Summer Music Festival.** As part of its ongoing outreach beyond the Sewanee Domain, the prestigious SSMF chamber ensembles made up of student musicians will share a wide ranging repertoire in three chapel concerts this summer. For a complete schedule of SSMF concert offerings, and for ticket information to the Festival concerts in Sewanee, contact (931) 598-1225, or see [www.sewanee.edu/ssmf](http://www.sewanee.edu/ssmf).

**“Good Ole Boys” Bluegrass Band, Musicians/Performers.** This Monteagle-based band has been playing and performing together for more than 25 years, and they are perennial favorites at the MSSA July 4<sup>th</sup> picnic. Guitarists Billy Terrill, John Sargent and Bobby Lawson have been part of the group since its inception, joined by Ken Malhoit on banjo, Don Hill on fiddle, and Esther Hembree on stand-up bass.

**Ellie Patrick Lovvorn, Exercise (Zumba) Instructor.** Ellie Lovvorn has been coming to the Assembly since she was 2 months old and is the grand-daughter of Assembly member Harry Lee Billington. Ellie worked as part of the youth staff for four years in Hummingbirds. She then went to the University of TN and graduated with a Masters in Education. Ellie now teaches third grade in Athens, AL, where she lives with her husband, Jeb, and their 5-year-old twin daughters. Ellie is certified to teach Zumba and Kickboxing. She teaches Zumba, Kickboxing and Muscle-works at a local gym in Athens, and we are pleased to have Ellie teach morning exercise during two weeks this summer.

