

MOUNTAIN VOICES



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Week of July 28-August 3 Events & Highlights

Guest Minister
Thom Schuyler

Sunday

Sunday School 10-10:45 AM
~ see p. 4 in program book for details

Worship Service 11:00 AM

Old-Fashioned Family
Hymn Sing

4:30 PM Warren Chapel

Monday-Friday

Adult Exercise
with Wendy Wilson
8-9 AM Gymnasium

Monday-Thursday

Twilight Prayers
7:30 PM Warren Chapel

Monday

Woman's Assoc. Meeting
10:00 AM Winfield Porch

Adult "Advanced" Bridge
with Jerry Bull
2:30-4:30 PM Winfield Porch
~ continues Tues-Fri AM & PM
~ advance registration &
MSSA gate ticket required

Cartoon & Movie:
"Holes" (PG, 2003)
8:05 Auditorium

Tuesday

Adult "Advanced" Bridge
(2nd session)
10 AM-12 PM Winfield Porch
~ continues at 2:30 PM, and
Weds-Fri AM & PM
~ advance registration &
MSSA gate ticket required

Lecture: "16th Ave Confidential:
Stories from Music Row,"
Thom Schuyler
11 AM Warren Chapel

Adult "Advanced" Bridge
with Jerry Bull
2:30-4:30 PM Winfield Porch
~ continues Weds-Fri AM & PM
~ advance registration &
MSSA gate ticket required

Adult Art Workshop:
"Beautiful Things in Small
Packages" with Virginia Curry
2:30-4:30 PM Shady Dell
~ continues Wednesday pm
~ advance registration & materials
fee required, details p.31 in pro-
gram book

From the MSSA President

It is with grateful appreciation that I conclude two years as President of the MSSA Board of Trustees. I want to thank the officers who have served with me as well as the board members and committee chairs who have worked tirelessly for the Assembly. To all those who helped generously to fill in gaps, complete tough jobs and go beyond the limits even dreamed, I appreciate your helpful natures, positive reinforcement, and encouraging words. This place is special because of all of you.

I also want to express my thanks to Scott Parrish and the office staff, grounds crew, security officers, housing office, gate keepers and all those who carry out the work of the Assembly not only during the season but throughout the year. We all benefit from incredible behind the scenes efforts expended by many.



Pat Wildman

"Gratitude makes sense of our past, brings peace for today and creates a vision for tomorrow." Melodie Beattie

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.



Cottage Tour And Bazaar A Big Success

What a perfect day for our record-breaking Cottage Tour and Bazaar last Friday! The weather was beautiful so the Bazaar could be held outside in the Mall.

Over 650 Cottage Tour and Bazaar tickets were sold and everyone shopped and toured homes, ate some wonderful food, and watched Ralph Null create beautiful floral arrangements in the Chapel, which was filled to capacity.

And then everyone shopped and toured some more until we closed at 5:00. Our Cottage Tour and Bazaar continues to be a marvelous outreach and opportunity to tell the story of our Assembly to the community and to our friends and neighbors. Let's build on our success and be proud of this enormous effort of the Woman's Association and Assembly members to create such a fantastic day! And give Susan Acker and Amanda Moody lots of praise for a job super well done!

There are so many people to thank and to tell how truly grateful we are for the hours and hours of work they put into making our Tour and Bazaar such a success. I really want to

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Music Notes: Season Finale

- Only two practice days for Ringers-n-Singers this week, Tuesday and Wednesday at 9:00 am. Our final participation in Twilight prayers will be on Wednesday night, not Thursday!
- The last Family Hymn Sing of the season is this Sunday, July 28, at 4:30 pm in Warren Chapel. Stop by to sing on your way to the reception for Larry Dykes.



A special thanks to all the children and adults that have participated in the music program this year! It's always a pleasure for me.

Judith Humphreys

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Cartoon & Movie:

“Madagascar 3” (PG, 2013)
8:05 Auditorium

Lecture: “The Temple Mount in Jerusalem, ” Kem Hinton
8:15 PM Warren Chapel

Wednesday

Lecture: “Ways & Means: Discovering Your Ancestors, Myths & Truths” with Clinton Bagley
11:00 AM Warren Chapel

Early Bird Movie:

“Pixar Shorts, Vol. 2” (G, 1970)
Hummingbirds & Parents too!
6:00 PM Auditorium

Cartoon & Movie:

“The Three Stooges” (PG, 2012)
8:05 Auditorium

Thursday

Produce Market on the Mall
7-10 AM Front of Dining Hall

Woman’s Association Book Club: discussing *What Money Can’t Buy* by Michael Sandel
11 AM Warren Chapel

Cartoon & Movie: “The Odd Life of Timothy Green” (PG, 2012)
8:05 PM Auditorium

Friday

Crafty Friday
9-11 AM Winfield Porch

Lecture: “Finding God in a Bag of Groceries,” with Laura Willis
11:00 AM Warren Chapel

All-Assembly Barbeque Soiree
6:30-8:30 PM Pool & Gym
Music by Bazzania Girls Band
~ bring a side dish to share

Saturday

All Assembly Night Swim!
7-9:30 PM Pool

Sunday, August 4

Worship Service
11:00 AM Warren Chapel
(no Youth or Adults II Sunday School)

Palmy Thompson and Jean Martin relaxing at the After Tour party on Winfield Porch.



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
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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



Tour Success

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thank everyone who baked, sold tickets, drove golf carts, served as docents, ran errands, set up at 6:00 am and stayed to clean up! We would especially like to thank Susan Acker, Cottage Tour Chairman; Amanda Moody, Bazaar Chairman; Anne Worthen and all of the Roberts girls; box lunches made by Emily Frith; Cindy Huston, Perfect Winfield Hostess; Linda Parrish, Jenny Jervis and Anne Waring, Bake Sale; Ann Shayne, Publicity; Susan McIntyre, Golf Carts; Chloe Forte Lenderman and a secret friend, Raffle; Britton Watson, Money Collections; Annis Cox for sponsoring Ralph Null; Claire Richards and Leslie Neeley for helping me with the After Party; our wonderful office staff, and our cottage owners who so graciously opened their cottages to us all - Lisa Hammett and Stephen Reynolds, Merrill Ellis, Jean Martin, Emily James, Ophelia Paine, Allison Thompson, Mary Palmer Thompson, Overton Thompson, Karin and John Haley, the Estate of Mary Clayton Saunders, and Gretchen Johnson. Thank you all so much!

Planning has already begun for next year. Join our volunteer group. Send me an email!

Our final Woman's Association meeting will be held on Monday, July 29th at 10:00 am at Winfield. Everyone is welcome and if you haven't paid your dues, just come on. We are still accepting members!

Our last Book Club meeting, discussing the book *What Money Can't Buy: The Moral Limits of Markets* by Michael Sandel, will be held on Thursday, August 1st in the Chapel.

Thank you all again for a wonderful year!

Frannie Smith
WA President
franniesmith@aeneas.net

Bits and Pieces

- **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.
- **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.
- **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.
- **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.
- **Constitutional Law Discussion Group:** Discussion continues of recent Supreme Court cases of interest to those who attend. Please e-mail John Haley at john.haley@vanderbilt.edu with your areas of interest. The last meeting will be Thursday, August 1, 2:30 pm at Edgeworth Inn.



- Don't forget to come to the **Thursday Morning Mountain Market from 7 -10 am** in front of Harton Dining Hall. Come early to be sure to get the freshest flowers, veggies, and local goodies.

Outreach Extra!

The Outreach Committee is asking you to clean out your cupboard and bring any **unopened non-perishables** EXTRA food items to the Chapel on Sunday July 28 and August 4 to be collected for the Grundy County Food Bank. Just think, you won't have to pack it in the already full trunk! Boxes will be on the porch of Warren Chapel.



Outreach Sunday offering brought in almost \$2000 for the Community Fund!!! Thanks for the generous outpouring for this worthy cause.

Ginny Gordon

• **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!

• **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.



• **Dog Owner Reminder:**

- 1) pick up Fido's poop, every time
- 2) keep Rover quiet during chapel and lectures (or make sure Rover stays at the cottage)

• **A Word of Warning to State Park Hikers:**

There are increasing reports of vandalism in Grundy County, particularly of cars parked at park trailheads. Never leave valuables visible in your car, or better yet, leave them at home. If you need to fill the gas tank, do it after leaving the park, not before!

The Word from Winfield

Thank you to all of those who have donated paper goods, library books, and magazines this season. It is most appreciated.

A big shout out to Virginia Curry for organizing the kitchen and closets in Winfield. A true labor of love.

Bridge Week is coming and there will be daily morning and afternoon sessions. Please remember to bring water as it can get hot. Items needed for bridge are daily snacks; peanuts, party mix, anything you enjoy, and lots of 9 ounce cups! There will be 50 people per session so donations are needed.

Help us hit the Woman's Association membership goal of 100; we are so close (currently at 96). Please consider paying dues for yourself and your daughters, or perhaps a membership in honor or memory of a special person.

Cindy Houston
Winfield hostess

Picture of the Week:

There's always a blue sky in Monteagle!

Submitted by Margaret Siegrist





Palmy Thompson and Tinnie Blake on the porch at Balconies, one of this year's Tour cottages.

Leave Your Sleeves!

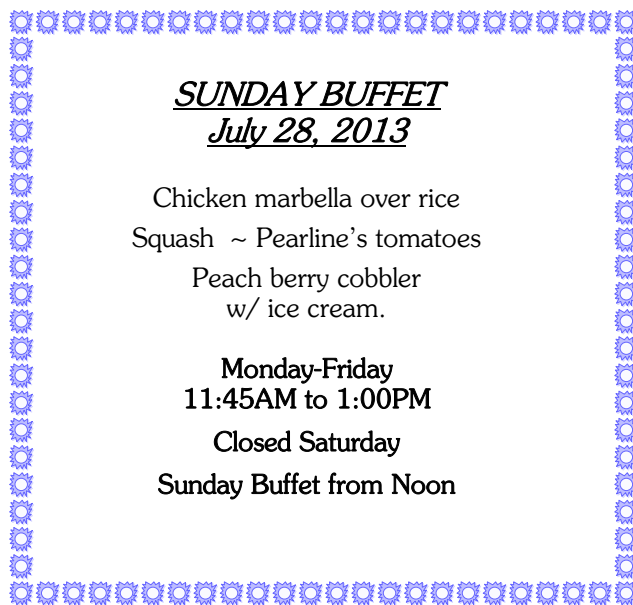
Please return the plastic gate ticket sleeves at the end of your stay so they can be reused. Bring them to the office, or drop them in the box at the exit gate.



EARLY BIRD MOVIE

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

This week: *Pixar Shorts, Vol. II*



SUNDAY BUFFET July 28, 2013

Chicken marbella over rice
Squash ~ Pearline's tomatoes
Peach berry cobbler
w/ ice cream.

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

Closed Saturday

Sunday Buffet from Noon

Season Ends with Barbeque, Bazzania & A Night Swim

Come to the All-Assembly Barbeque Supper Soiree on Friday night at the pool. The Assembly provides the barbeque, and you bring a side dish to share and your own choice of beverage. Supper serenade will be played by the Mountain's own Bazzania Girls Band, the official band of the Cumberland State Park! 100% local, Bazzania is named for a species of primitive plant that thrives in Fiery Gizzard, and plays a feel-good mix of country, Celtic, doo-wop, parody, railroad songs and whatever else is audio tonic for what ails a body. Dinner is served at 6:30 pm, music 'til 8:30 pm.



Return to the pool on Saturday evening for an All-Assembly Night Swim, and celebrate the last night of the 2013 season with fun, fellowship and water. The pool will be open from 7:00-9:30 pm.

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.

Platform Suggestions Welcome!

Use the form below to submit recommendations for 2014 Platform Speakers. Be on the lookout for dynamic, inspiring musicians, ministers, educators or program presenters. Platform Superintendent Becky Nelson will begin in the fall to shape the 132nd season platform, so send in recommendations as soon as possible. This Speaker Recommendation form may also be found on the Assembly website www.mssa1882.org, at the MSSA office, and at Winfield House. Please submit suggestions to the MSSA office, or by email to becky.nelson@mssa1882.org. Becky may also be reached on her cell phone at (804) 306-3747.

MSSA SPEAKER RECOMMENDATION

Speaker's Name: _____

Date of Recommendation: _____

Denomination: (If Minister) _____

Topic(s) for Lecture(s) or Workshop(s): _____

Address of Speaker: _____

Telephone: _____

E-Mail: _____

Person Making Request: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

E-Mail: _____

Comments and/or Speaker's Biographical Information:

Speaker's website?? _____

Please submit recommendations to MSSA Office or mail to:

Platform Superintendent, MSSA, PO Box 307, Monteagle, TN 37356

Monteagle Sunday School Assembly

Week 8 Platform Guests

Thom Schuyler, *Guest Minister & Lecturer*. Thom Schuyler is currently Youth Minister at Woodmont Christian Church in Nashville, and he is pleased to share his Christian ministry with the Monteagle Assembly community. Also an accomplished musician with a distinguished career in the music business, Thom recently completed a 5-year stint as adjunct instructor of Songwriting at Belmont University. Thom has been an integral part of the music community since arriving in Nashville in 1978, with achievements as songwriter, recording artist, music publisher, record label executive and community leader. His career-long affiliation with BMI has rewarded him with an impressive list of recognitions, and he has a number of award-winning songs in his repertoire. Thom has received 3 Songwriter of the Year nominations from The Nashville Songwriters Association and was inducted into The Nashville Songwriters Hall of Fame in October 2011. Thom has served as a multi-year President of the Nashville Songwriters Association International, multi-year chairman of the Nashville Songwriters Foundation, both President and Chairman of the Country Music Association, governor of NARAS, and Chairman of the board of Hope Clinic for Women. Thom and his wife Sarah have 3 children and one granddaughter.

Jerry Bull, *Workshop Instructor*. Since his 2002 retirement from a career in Management Information Systems, Jerry Bull has been dedicated to formal bridge. He earned ACBL Life Master status in Duplicate Bridge in 2003, and was certified as a Bridge Director in 2004. After three years of directing at the Vanderbilt Bridge Club, he recently marked his eighth year as Director of the Brentwood Country Club sanctioned bridge game, and his third year directing the "4th Tuesday" Duplicate Game at Nashville's Centennial Club. His enthusiastic style and logical hand-outs met a delighted audience at both 2011's and 2012's Monteagle Bridge Week! Jerry holds a B.S. in Math from Defiance College (OH) and an M.S. in Administration from George Washington University. He served as a Captain in the US Air Force and is a long-time "piano man" musician. An avid reader, he is currently Chairman of the Williamson County Library System Board of Trustees. He and his wife Carol live in Fairview, TN.

Virginia Donelson Curry, *Workshop Instructor*. Virginia Donelson Curry, native Memphian and life-long Assembly supporter, is the Lausanne Collegiate School's Lower School Art Educator who transmits the passion of creativity and enthusiasm for beauty to her students. After graduating from St. Mary's Episcopal School, she attended Hollins College in Roanoke, VA. After working in the printing industry for 15 years, she changed careers to her happiest years, now as a teacher of children and adults. Virginia's art workshops for youth are always a popular feature of Youth Week at the Assembly. In addition, she is coordinating completion by Assembly volunteers of her design for a needle-work clerical stole as a future option for visiting clergy to use when serving in ministerial capacities at the Assembly.

Kem Hinton, *Lecturer*. Kem Hinton, FAIA, is a founding partner in Tuck-Hinton Architects, a Nashville firm that has become one of the most highly respected design studios in the region. Kem received his Bachelor of Architecture degree from the University of Tennessee in 1977 and his Master of Architecture degree from the University of Pennsylvania in 1981. He studied at the Ecole des Beaux-Arts in Paris and worked briefly with the distinguished Philadelphia firm of Venturi & Scott Brown. Kem holds membership in the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards, is licensed throughout the Southeast, and is a LEED Accredited Professional. He is also active with numerous civic and community organizations. For outstanding creativity, Kem and his firm have garnered an impressive collection of national and regional design awards. He received a Fellowship Artist Award from the TN Arts Commission and was recognized by Progressive Architecture and the Architectural League of New York. Kem was lead designer of the Tennessee Bicentennial Capitol Mall in Nashville, and he compiled a book documenting the project - *A Long Path: the Search for a Bicentennial Landmark*. In 1998 Kem was elected to the prestigious AIA College of Fellows. In 2004 he was selected as a Peer Professional in the GSA National Design Excellence Program.

Clinton Bagley, *Lecturer*. A native of Greenville, MS, Clinton Bagley lives in Jackson, MS, where he has been employed by the Mississippi Department of Archives & History since 1970. He earned his B.S. & M.A. in history and anthropology from the University of Memphis, and since his student days has been involved in leading genealogical workshops and conducting primary historical research. Clinton has enjoyed a long and productive career as an archivist, historian, and lecturer. He is widely sought after throughout Mississippi as a popular speaker, known for his knowledge and humor. He has served as Governor General of First Families of Mississippi and for over twenty years has been a licensed tour guide for the city of Natchez. Since 1988 he has served as a guest lecturer for the Delta Queen Steamboat Company [now American Cruise Line]. He has spoken to the National Genealogical Society, and he enjoys assisting archives patrons with their genealogical questions. Clinton also enjoys serving as a site interpreter in various historic houses during the annual Natchez Spring Pilgrimage, and as a tour escort for groups touring the state of Mississippi.

Laura Willis, *Lecturer*. Laura Lapins Willis has been observing people and writing about them since she was 8 years old. She began her career as a journalist, but then moved into the non-profit world to make a difference in people's lives. Willis has served in a variety of roles, including helping found an environmental group in Washington, DC, and working as grant writer and fund-raiser for the University of the South. She and her husband are the parents of two sons. The family lives in Sewanee, TN, where Laura is known for her work at the Community Action Committee as a community organizer and advocate. She is now the editor and co-publisher of the *Sewanee Mountain Messenger*.

Bazzania Girls Band, *Musicians/Performers*. Six versatile and talented "girls" from the mountain perform under the name Bazzania Girls Band. Their gigs range from cafes to festivals, from picnics to wedding parties, from fundraisers to just plain fun. Bazzania is the official band of the South Cumberland State Park and performs at the annual picnic of the Friends of the South Cumberland Recreation Area (SCSRA), as well as at the annual conference of the Friends of the TN State Parks. Bazzania is named for a liverwort, a primitive plant that thrives in the Fiery Gizzard. The band had its beginning about a decade ago when botanist and accordionist Mary Priestley put together a motley crew to play for the picnic of the Friends of SCSRA. Priestley still plays the accordion. Suzanne Cahoon plays guitar, Jim Ann Howard guitar and spoons, April Minkler bass guitar, Jill Carpenter banjo, and Betty Carpenter autoharp and percussion. All sing, and all have had a hand in composing songs or parodies for special occasions. Within the group are many talents and other careers - writer, journalist, artist, scientist, zookeeper, quilter, nurse, teacher, computer whiz. Band members bring their musical favorites to the group, and the eclectic mix of Bazzania songs—country, blues, folk, tin pan alley, swing, movie tunes, Celtic, Cajun, Beatles, doo-wop—is the appealing result. They all agree that music makes them feel good, and it will make you feel good, too. Bazzania's proceeds beyond equipment and publicity expenses are donated to the Friends of SCSRA. Their first CD, which includes the original song "Roadkill Blues," by Jill Carpenter, will be available soon.

Wendy Wilson, *Fitness Instructor*. Active in the fitness industry for over 25 years, Wendy Wilson began weight training as a teenager, won a couple of events, and continued mostly weight training until about 8 years ago when she became interested in yoga and began her journey with group fitness. She enjoys the experience of working out with others and encouraging and helping others to stay in shape. She is certified to teach group fitness yoga with pilates, weight training, kick boxing and aerobics.