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Monteagle Sunday School Assembly

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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.

2018 MSSA Calendar

MSSA Board Meeting and MAEFC Board
February 17

MSSA Board Meeting and MAEFC Board
May 19

Trails & Trilliums
April 13-15

136th Season Opens
June 10

Mountain Voices
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Deadline to submit items for the next issue is Dec. 26. Send articles to Ann Ewing at aewing62@gmail.com.

From the President Christmas is Coming!

I have always loved Thanksgiving. The time with family and friends along with good food without the pressure of shopping. . .what's not to like?

If you were fortunate enough to be on the mountain for Thanksgiving weekend, you know what an enjoyable weekend it was!



The Assembly was buzzing with activity--children rode bicycles, families and friends gathered for the "day-after" lunch in the dining hall, and laughter and greetings could be heard throughout the grounds. Many people were reuniting, some for the first time since summer! Aside from the winter clothes, you would have thought it was a typical day during the season!

Special thanks to Katie Trahan and the outreach committee for collect-

ing donations for the "Christmas on the Mountain" project that provides presents for children in need. You'll see their thank you note in this Mountain Voices ... clearly we make a difference in this community.



And, now, we are all busy preparing for the next holiday. As I drove home from downtown Nashville today, I remembered what my mother in law used to say: "Christmas is coming whether you are ready for it, or not!"

And here it is: Traffic is bumper to bumper, pumpkin pies and turkeys will be replaced with Christmas lights, Santa Claus and shopping.

You can feel the excitement (and slight panic) in the air. It's hard not to get caught up in the rush.

As we all prepare for the busy weeks ahead, I hope you and your family will make the effort to spend time together, enjoy each other's' company and, most important, remember what we are actually celebrating.

Have a Merry Christmas,
Barry

Christmas on the Mountain: A Community Success

Thank you all for your support of Christmas on the Mountain! Our MSSA community rallied together and collected \$1,310 for the program! The money will be used to purchase gifts for the children and food for a holiday food box for participating families. Thank you again for spreading the word and for your personal donations! The local community appreciates our contributions, and I'm so grateful for all that they bring to us. Keep an eye out for photos of the event in an upcoming Mountain Voices.

Merry Christmas!
Warm regards,
 Katie Trahan, outreach chair

Holiday Trash Schedule

Mr. Nunley will collect trash on Thursday December 28th and Thursday January 4th. The normal twice a week collection will resume the second week of January.

Looking for a Summer Job?

Youth staff applications will be accepted until January 5.

Cottages Available for Transfer:



#6 Windcrest	\$550,000
#11 Stone Court	\$425,000
#15 Bridgepoint	\$625,000
#82 Veranda	\$385,000
#72 Memphis Home	\$450,000
#135 Hillside Rest	\$840,000

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ARC Project Submission Deadlines

Planning a renovation project? The Architectural Review Committee will accept projects for review and recommendation to the Board of Trust for approval four times per year. Questions about possible projects, the process, and necessary requirements should be referred to the General Manager. Projects submitted by the following dates will be reviewed and presented at the board meeting following the submission.

January 15 May 1 July 15 September 30

The ARC is available throughout the year to advise members on their project planning prior to submission of a request. Not sure if you need ARC approval? Check with the General Manager first.

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.

Reminder: **No Smoking** is allowed within fifty feet of any Assembly public building.