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The mission of the 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 meeting from year to year upon the grounds of the Assembly.

From the President WELCOME SPRING!

By anyone's standards, it has been a brutal winter. March is finally here, and for many, March means a return to the mountain. When you spot Aileen cleaning her flower beds or Anne and Bob Monfore putting in more beautiful roses and hydrangeas, you know that warmer weather is not far away - and not a moment too soon for me!

Spring is the perfect time to enjoy the mountain. It is also a wonderful time to bring friends to experience the Assembly in all its flowering glory - dogwoods

and daffodils, not seen during the season, are in abundance.



Not too long ago, I strolled through the grounds with a friend who had heard about the Assembly for many years but had never ventured into the gates.

Of course she was struck by the beauty and charm of our grounds, as everyone is. As you know, a walk through the grounds means stopping to chat, which of course we did.

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2014 MSSA Calendar

- Apr 11-13 Trails & Trilliums
- May 5-12 Sewanee Graduation
- May 24 Board Meeting
- June 8 132nd Assembly Opens

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Deadline to submit items for the next issue is March 25th. Send Articles to Ann Ewing At aewing62@gmail.com

From the General Manager

Today's youth are the key to our future; we entrust them to the loving care of the Monteagle family and the careful direction of the Youth Staff.

There is no program more important to the life and mission of the Monteagle Sunday School Assembly than the Youth Program.

Work is already underway to make 2014 a great summer for our youth!

Warm regards,
Scott

2014 Youth Staff

Jenny Jervis-Superintendent of Youth Programs
Graycie Wingo-Youth Coordinator
Forrest Edens-Christian Education Coordinator
Andrew Ballow-Head Youth Director
Molly Denson-Youth Director
Clayton Elrod-Youth Director
Summer Stroud-Youth Director
Chase Smith-Utility Player

Christian Acker-Hummingbird/Craft Co-Director
Bradley Moody-Hummingbird/Craft Co-Director

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From the President

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At the conclusion of our walk, she remarked to me, "That was amazing! Everyone - young and old - greets each other by their first names! And you even knew the names of the dogs!" I think that was the moment when she understood that we are more than a collection of charming cottages but a special community of many generations. And dogs. I am always so proud to share what we have here!

This spring, make plans to show us off to your family and friends who don't know us. A perfect weekend to do so is Trails and Trilliums, April 11-13. The event, on the Assembly grounds for the fourth year, benefits Friends of the South Cumberland State Park and is quickly becoming THE spring event for hikers, nature lovers, plant enthusiasts and artists. The enclosed information will direct you to the website and registration. You can attend one or all of the many events throughout the weekend and you and your guests can experience the assembly in all its spring glory. I hope to see you there - or on any weekend this spring!
Kent Ballow

PS The full Trails and Trilliums schedule is attached!

Dog Days at MSSA

Just a reminder to everyone bringing dogs to the Assembly, all dogs have to be up to date on shots, and the office requires current rabies records on file. They can be emailed, faxed, or mailed to Diane at the office.

It's Planting Time!

After a long grueling winter, a few signs of spring are finally appearing on the Assembly grounds. Soon it will be time to begin beautifying our grounds in anticipation of the upcoming season. Instead of having a dedicated "planting day," this year we will have a "planting time" from Monday April 21- Wednesday April 30. Most of the heavy lifting will be done beforehand so anyone who would like to plant a few pots will have the opportunity to sign up for an hour or so at your convenience. We have had so much rain the past few years that, hopefully, this will allow more flexibility. All are invited to participate. I plan to be around during the planting time to point you in the right direction. This could be a fun activity during a girls' trip or family weekend. For more information or to sign up for a day and time, email me at mbuff@blomand.net or call (931)924-3249.

Marty Buffington, Landscaping Committee

Outreach Strikes Again

The MSSA outreach committee continues to look for opportunities that not only help our neighbors but also raise our profile and put us in good stead with the community we call home. A recent donation to the local library got a boost and increased the results...hooray for new computers! Ginny Gordon, Outreach Chair

Each year May Justus Library has an opportunity to apply for a matching computer grant through The State Library and Archives. Because of the wonderful \$500 donation that you gave, I was able to add just a little more from the Library and get 3 new computers instead of the original 2! We have had 4 computers to go down in the past year, but now our computers are all up to date with Windows 7 and newer software. Thank you again for all that you do to help the Library with books, computers and support!

Sincerely,
Karen Tittle
Head Librarian

Cottages Available for Transfer:

#7	Corner Cottage	\$619,000
#30	Balconies	\$900,000
#35	Peavine	\$425,000
#49	Tranquil Eyster	\$450,000
#98	Idlehour	\$390,000
#129	Hallelujah	\$450,000
#136	Endevor	\$595,000
#146	Boutcher	\$595,000
#148	Brookview	\$545,000 NEW PRICE
#156	Robin Hill	\$250,000 NEW PRICE
#165	Once Upon A Time	\$785,000



2014 Youth Staff (continued from page 1)

Ben Ambrose-Hummingbird/
Craft Assistant
Reid Hudgins-Hummingbird/
Craft Assistant

Marisa Wilson-Head Lifeguard
Leah Hayes McAlister-
Lifeguard
Connor Trahan-Lifeguard
Anna Wingo-Lifeguard

Anna Ambrose-Snack Shop
Manager
Bailey Frost-Snack Shop Assis-
tant Manager

Workshop Registration Now Open!

Here's How It Works:

This summer's workshops and platform are now posted online! There are a variety of exciting opportunities for all age groups, so start checking your calendars and making plans. Many workshops have a limited capacity and fill quickly, so I encourage you to sign up early.

Here's how it works: From March 1 to April 15, Assembly residents have priority registration. Assembly residents include cottage owners, renters and their guests residing with them. Non-residents may place their names on the waiting list during this time. On April 16, registration is open to all, at which time those on the waiting list will be confirmed when space is available.

Becky Nelson, Platform
Superintendent



Music Notes from the Mountain

Hard to believe, especially with this cold winter, that summer on the mountain is coming soon. Right now, we could all use a dose of summer weather!

I wanted to share some changes in the music program this year. Ringers and Singers will be practicing Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 9:30 to 10 a.m. and singing at Twilight Prayers on Wednesday evenings.

The Assembly Chorus will practice on the Wednesdays (July 2 and July 16) before they sing on Sunday. We will have an optional Saturday morning rehearsal, along with an early Sunday morning rehearsal if necessary.

The Old Fashioned Hymn Sing has been changed to Wednesday evenings after Twilight Prayers. They will be held on June 18, July 2, and July 16. Come join us and help preserve part of our American heritage by singing these old songs.

Special music will be part of worship on most Sundays. The Assembly Chorus, Ringers & Singers, duets, and a quartet or two will help with worship. It's wonderful to celebrate the talents of our community and to give many folks an opportunity to contribute to worship.

The Assembly Chorus (remember all ages 12 and up are invited) will sing on Sunday, July 6 and again on July 20. Ringers and Singers will sing on Sunday, July 13.

We're excited about a new adventure in music for the four and five year olds. Pam Maloof will be working with them using the Kristal Bell method. You will love what the young ones can do with this color-coded method! I'll continue to work with ages 6-11, teaching them a modified method of reading notes and rhythm. We're excited about the opportunity to bring the two groups together occasionally.

Looking forward to sharing another musical summer with all of you!
Judith Humphreys

Tickling the Ivories

Please welcome Brenda Mathews who will be our pianist for the upcoming season. Brenda has been playing in churches since she was 13 years old. After retiring from Carolina's Medical Center, she and her horses moved to Sewanee to be close to her daughter and grand children. Brenda has been the substitute organist/pianist at several local churches and is a member of Otey Parish where she participates in both the music ministry and the lay Eucharistic ministry.

New Platform Staff

Liz Norell will join us this summer as Platform Assistant. Liz currently resides in Sewanee and is a graduate of George Washington University with a degree in journalism and has a masters in Political Science from Vanderbilt University. Liz currently is teaching political science as an adjunct faculty member at UT Chattanooga, Chattanooga State, MTSU, and Nashville State.

Assembly Family

Dr. Robert A. Mathews, age 91, died on February 6, 2014. He was preceded in death by his wife of 58 years, Emily Grantham Mathews and is survived by daughters, Roberta Corbett, Emily Dunn (Gary), Jennifer Smith (Roy); son, John Mathews; four grandchildren, Matthew and Sean Dunn, and Shelby and Emily Smith.

Dr. Mathews was a retired dentist practicing in Nashville from 1950 - 1994. An active member of Woodmont Christian Church, and enjoyed spending time at his home 'Peace and Plenty' at the Assembly.

Dr. Tom Edward Nesbitt, Sr., died peacefully in Lake Wales, Florida on February 12, 2014. He was preceded in death by his daughter, Elizabeth N. Krebs (Philip) and is survived by his wife of 64 years, Elizabeth Nathan Nesbitt. He is also survived by three children, Dr. Thomas E. Nesbitt, Jr. (Anne), Mrs. Mary N. Voigt (John) and Dr. Jonathan C. Nesbitt (Sally).

He loved his role as a physician, especially his interactions with his patients and their families, and was known as a caring and gifted doctor.

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Martha Sue Lappin, mother of Debra Brown in our Housing Office, also died in February. Please keep Deb and her family in your thoughts and prayers.

Prayer List

If you know of an MSA member, family or friend who needs our prayers, please send them to Mountain Voices (if appropriate), so we can put the power of many prayers to work! On the prayer list this month: Hayes Haney, Martha Ann Pilcher, and Virginia Uden

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.

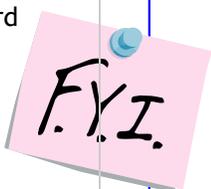
January 15

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.



Count Your Blessings

The Chapel committee is collecting favorite table blessings or graces for our dining hall tables. We will print them and place them on each table in stands for protection and easy visibility for those who would like to use them before meals. Please email your favorite blessings, as many as you like, to cul-len704@gmail.com. Or send them by mail to Cullen Hornaday, 704 Braeview Rd., Louisville, KY, 40206. We've already received a few lovely ones that are new to me, and we look forward to receiving many more. Thanks for your help with this project!
Cullen Hornaday, Warren Chapel Committee Chair

Call Security

For any non-emergency, please call 931-607-8615 to report a disturbance or anything that seems odd or out of the ordinary. **Always call 911 for Emergencies.**

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.