LOIS WITH THE MONTGOMERY NEWS, DECEMBER 15, 2024

12/15 It was our coldest morning 4 below as I headed out for Church. We had a Trustee Meeting scheduled for 8 a.m. John Gorton prepared and officiated the Third Sunday of Advent. Sermon entitled "The Presence". In the absence of Vivian and Bob Elbe they attended our service on Zoom today, thanks to John Gorton bringing his technology devise. It was clear and well received both coming and going.

Tuesday 12/10 the 500 Card Club was held at the beautiful Christmas decorated home of Connie McFarland. Connie had a banquet of food she had prepared for the afternoon snacks and drinks. The high score for the afternoon went to Sue Peters 3370; second hi was our hostess

Connie with 2900; Carmen Scott had most horses ended in a high card win. Low score was Sue Cherrier 1220; in the absence of Sue Wilson, Lois Lumbra played for her. Everyone went home happily filled up and an enjoyable afternoon, wishing each other a MERRY CHRISTMAS !!!

Thursday, Sue Peter was returning some merchandise to Kohls department store in Burlington, she asked me to come within her and we had a nice day. And went in to Costco's before returning home. It was a gorgeous sunny day as we left Colchester and headed home, we ran into a snow squall that was fast and furious, we drove out of the squall before getting into St.Albans. We were back into sunshine. Just that wind was COLD.

Friday..Lynda Cluba and I were delivering Poisettias for the "Montgomery Gift of Love" which wishes to remain anonymous, as we have done a good job of that, as we have have done this for years, delivering a gift to our senior citizens and or shut-ins. We wish You a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Saturday my lovely Niece Melissa Tice had arranged with me to come up early to attend the big Craftßhow at the Montgomery Elementary School Gym. It was well on its way as we got there a little after 9; lots of people were there. We purchased a few items, we were there for about 1 hour, she had to get back and care for her little doggies, she sure loves her little animals. We had a nice visit. Penny and I went back up n on time as they always have good food. My daughter Veronica was there with her crafts. And we got to visit with her for a few minutes. She came down after she got loaded back up with the help of her daughter Samantha, they both came down for a short visit. They plan on coming over Christmas Eve and attend Church with me. Yes Our Christmas Eve Service is at 5 p.m. at the United Methodist Church.

Saturday evening I was settling back to enjoy my game of Switch, and my phone rang, it was Arthur Hooper, he did not forget my number, he lived in Johnson and now resided at the Heaton House in Montpelier Area for senior Citizens. For the past few years he has ordered a Veterans wreath from Maine in memory of his cousin Hugh Jewett, and wanted it placed out on the Village Park near our Veterans Memorial Monument. I had plans to do just that as all our Veterans need remembering, he then started to cry and Thanked me, for being a good woman that cared for others. Hugh Jewett was killed in WWII in the Philippines. He then told me of Hugh's Father was killed during a terrible snowstorm in Enosburg, He said he might have had a little to much to drink, his horse just went on its merry way, not knowing it was on the railroad tracks and the train hit and killed them. His wife Mary and Arthur's mother Hersa were sister's, and later Mary married George Brunton. They lived on the hill just aways from the Fuller Bridge, I knew them both, Geo sold eggs to me, that's how we become acquainted. I talked with Parma Jewett and later Gerald Jewett Jr. in regards to this story and he knew bits and pieces of Mr. Jewett that was killed we believe his name was Tom Jewett. Remains a mystery, just maybe someone out there remember this accident...Give me a call...326-4651

Important Events coming up;

12/21..This coming Saturday from 11 a.m.-2p.m. HOLIDAY HAPPINESS at Pratt Hall A Horse drawn wagon rides and a visit from Santa. Sponsored by MHS and the Friends of the Library.

12/21..at 5 p.m. at Pratt Hall...CANDLES AND CAROLS.A Community Christmas carol Singing.A wonderful family outing.. Refreshments.

12/24. A CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE at the Montgomery United Methodist Church at 5 p.m. Scripture readings, Christmas Hymns, Special music by Patrick Evans, Solo by John Gorton, A Christmas Message, we will close with everyone in a circle with a lighted Candle singing Silent Night. Refreshments and social time in Fellowship Hall.

Happy Birthday to: Pat Boucher 12/22; Jennifer Kennison 12/23; Noella Mc Groarty 12/24; Lynnda Levine, Eli Gabuzda, Gaven Baker, Wylla Barnard 12/27.

**NO JOKING: This is worth sharing: Most of us never notice our hands unless we drop something, or fail to thread a needle. STOP, and think for one minute what if we didn't have hands.?? Our hands are valuable in our communication to one another, we point, we wave, we pick things up, we feel, we gesture, we hardly ever feel thankful for our hands. We have soft gentle hands, calloused hands and expressive hands, folded hands in prayer, hearing disabilities our hands are used for sign language. There are numerous things making our hands so valuable are we Blessed and Thankful, or just take them for granted as we do so many things-our voices, hearing, and eye siight. God Bless and be Thankful.

Enjoy and have a nice week..suppose to warm up a little...Take Care, Love to All