

LOIS WITH THE MONTGOMERY NEWS, MARCH 6, 2023

Wendy Howard joined the Montgomery Elementary School (MES) LEAPS (program for students staying after school) recycled craft class to create for an NGC (National Garden Clubs of Vt.) small Standard Flower Show March 3-5. The NGC show was part of the bigger event "Out Of Hibernation," a recreation of "Winnie The Pooh and the 100 Acre Wood" for the 2023 Vermont Flower Show at the Champlain Valley Exposition.

The kids from MES entered "The Youth Division, Up, Down, Touch The Ground," Their entries included succulents and cactus planted in recycled 8 ounce milk containers for The Sand Pit Section, and living Fairy Gardens constructed and planted in restaurant to-go containers and encircled in brown paper bags for the A Nice Place for Picnics Section.

The Students also created two exhibits for the Youth Education Section, "Smarter Than You Think"; "What We Know About Hens and Chickens and What We Know About Lady Finger Cactus." Ribbons of all distinctions were awarded for each entry and exhibit. Blues (1st) Reds (2nd) Yellow(3rd), Multiple Honorable Mentions and some Top Youth Awards.

In MES tradition a big "Shout Out" to all of the Kiddos that participated with outstanding creativity. To all the support from LEAPS at MES, The Black Lantern Inn, Sylvesters Market, and Beaver Meadows Greenhouses. To the Staff at MES for their support and borrowed space. To Patty Lambert for fairies.. To Wendy Howard for sending me this wonderful news for my Montgomery News Column..Thank You.. Wendy has all the entries on display at the M.E. School.

What a week this has been for everyone, OUR WEATHER has certainly made the news. WOW, the snow storms have kept us busy shoveling. Our big storm on Saturday, I had been out earlier and shoveled our sidewalk. Came in and later when I was going back out to shovel our driveway..Surprise, Jeff had come by had it done and knocked at my door and wanted to go down and clean off the sidewalk at Church, I was about ready to go out and went down with him. As we got down there St. Onge plow came and he noticed that we could use a plowing where the Town Plow pushes the snow out of the street upon the sidewalk. We got the Church shoveled out. We had one more place to shovel out and that was at Gila's entrance into her garage, we shoveled and then we had a new helper come with her shovel, Penny pitched in to help and soon we were all done. Bless everyone for their help on this snowy day. During the week there had been plenty of snow to shovel and once again, Frank Elkins used his snow blower and also his shovel and also Trevor Walker helped with his snow blower. Wonderful, kind neighbors helping out. Gratefully appreciated ,Thank You!!

Sunday, 3/5. Rev. Bob Purvee came up from Burlington and officiated our Church Service and Communion; his message was entitled "Called Into a New Land." When Rev. Purvee comes he has our organist/pianist Patrick Evans do a special Anthem and Patrick came prepared with his new toy, an electric organ and played the Hymn "It Is Well With My Soul." Merle was asked to read Scripture, I assisted with Communion. A wonderful Service was enjoyed !! We had a snow squall early in the morning hours before Church and the clouds rolled away and we ended up having a nice Sunday.

Happy Birthday to: Cayden Stanley. Ryland Purrier, Cedric Lanphear 3/15; Annie Purrier, Marshall Abramowitz 3/16; Aiden Smith 3/18.

** Sign in a Hotel.. Please turn off the lights when not in use.... Thanks a Watt.** Hope You all have a wonderful week.. M.L.T.A.

