Lois with the Montgomery News, July 26, 2020

Our day started with clouds, coolness and comfort, the morning remained quite dark after all the sunny mornings we have endured. The sun has peeked out a little but clouds seem to be in charge today, with a prediction of rain coming in over night. I guess we need some rain, so far we have had enough to keep the gardens thriving. Our daughter Penny has picked her first summer squash and she was excited about getting something big enough to eat already. She said she will have lots of tomatoes, and excited about her corn as its growing so nicely. We never planted corn for our large family as we could buy it cheaper, Begnoche and Carpenters were our corn producers, the farmers always had the best corn to sell.

On July 21st Members of the Montgomery Conservation Commission, along with Wendy Howard and Tiffany Salyards gathered on the Village Park to set the memorial marker for Carol McGregor. They decided to set the memorial marker between the memorial bench and the newly planted lilac bush that has been gifted in memory of Carol. Folks this is so beautifully done, what a remarkable Memorial for Carol, she served on our Selectboard, was a member on our Garden Club, and was always interested in keeping this Town beautiful. Thanks to the M.C.C. for their gifts!!

A Memorial Service was held Friday afternoon for Gary Wetherbee outside of Goss Funeral Home down near Missisquoi River with Family and Friends coming to attend. Everyone was asked to bring their own chair, wear a mask, and practice distancing during this Service. Saturday night Family and Friends were invited to come and bring pot-luck and sit around a bonfire at Gary's home at 1869 Mountain Road. People were asked to share their memories and enjoy the evening as Gary would have wanted. I hope everyone had a wonderful time and shared the love and respect that came from knowing Gary. God Bless, May he R.I.P.

During our chat on Zoom getting ready to start our Church service, Lyndol and Lila Elkins have been picking blueberries and they have the geese come and pick and eat while they are out there. They have the pair of young geese and Lyndol said he was the old geezer. I should get my funnies from Lyndol as he is a humorous fellow.

Happy Birthday to: Helen Taylor, Dianna Sylvester 8/2; Isla Wayland 8/3; Trevor Walker 8/4; Megan Martinson 8/5; Morgan Cluba, Juliana Hacker, Mark Courville, Linda Elkins 8/6; Tina Baker 8/7; Reggie Lumbra 8/8.

Anniversary wishes to: Scott and Lisa Baker 8/2; David and Melissa Haberman-Burns 8/3; Billy and Roberta Baker 8/7; Patrick and Lara Ramey-Thomas 8/8.

What's the difference between the bird flu and the swine flu? The bird flu requires tweetment, and swine flu requires oinkment. Why shouldn't you write with a broken pencil?

Because its pointless.** Enjoy life, stay happy, keep well and help others where you can.

M.L.T.A.. God Bless us all!!