

LOIS WITH THE MONTGOMERY NEWS, JULY 7, 2024

7/2..I had a surprise visitor come by, requiring about the Farrar family that lived on Black Falls Rd. Wayne and Margaret Hill, now live in Florida and often take road trips and just happened to come to Montgomery this year, said it had been over 40 years, His grandfather Frank Hill is buried here in the Village Cemetery. He also knew the Hays family, and talking with them, I said that Steve Hays has a small cabin on the Green Mountain Road. I had a Montgomery History Book and they were interested in getting one. I said they usually have them at Lutz Garage in the Center. They were off. I called Scott Perry and told him they were planning on coming to see me on Wednesday, and he told me that Steve Hays was in town, and offered to drop off a History Book of Montgomery for them. That was done, but did not see any sight of the Hills until Saturday afternoon, they had been by Wed. & Friday and no one home either time. SO they ventured out and found where the Hays cabin was and Steve was there and they had a wonderful visit with him, they went up Black Falls Rd. And found some of the Farrar's barns and noticed all the changes since he was in town some 40 years ago. They went to the Cemetery and found where Frank Hill was buried. They were just a terrific couple to visit with and we exchanged emails to keep in touch. They will continue their travels for a few more months before returning to Florida in the Fall. We wished them safe travels. They are heading out Monday 7/8. 7/8 will be a year since I had that wicked infection hit me, I still have problems from that but much better as time goes on. I have been Blessed by so many Prayers and Love.

7/4..What a wonderful 4th of July celebration, the parade was one of the best ever, that has been told to me. Just having the parade of all 9 Fire Departments was amazingly interesting and fascinating, even the noise of the sirens were thrilling. I want everyone to know their part in coming prepared in Red, White and Blue was so Amazing and so Appreciated in having such a wonderful LONG Parade. THANKS TO EVERYONE FOR PARTICIPATING !!! Then following the Parade it was time for the BBQ Chicken prepared by our local Fire Dept. Chefs,so delicious and enjoyed by so many people, this was the first time I stayed to eat with family and friends. The Band was playing wonderful music. There were several little tents put up on the Rec grounds and just a day full of love and excitement from everyone. The Best Independence Day Celebration happened right here in Montgomery.

7/6..It is raining this morning and so humid, and the Farmer's Market is in progress, I can see some of the tents set up. The threat of a thunder shower keeps me at home. Penny said she was going down and took her chair to visit with her friend Kelly Elkins Maxfield, I had an invitation from Pauline Domina as others from our Church Family to come to her home in Enosburg for a BBQ picnic at noon time. I rode with my neighbors Frank & Linda Elkins and joined with several family members of Pauline's. It was a joyous time and everyone bringing pot-luck dishes was great feasting. We all had a wonderful time, in spite of the humidity. We had no thunder showers at all.

7/7..It's Sunday finally, been an uplifting week with so much going on. I left for Church early this morning as there was a scheduled Trustee Meeting for 8 a.m. John Gorton joined our meeting with us and stayed to officiate the Service he had planned. Merle Van Gieson did the Communion with help from Lois. There was another party invitation from Therese Begnoche, she was celebrating her 90th Birthday, given by her niece Lise Gates. Sue Peter's stopped to give me a ride with her to the party. Therese was wearing a beautiful lighted

crown, a sash around her neck Happy Birthday 90 years. Therese was excited seeing all her Family, Neighbors and Friends. We were mostly out back sitting in the cool shade visiting, and enjoying the snacks that were provided, and cup cakes all beautifully decorated, with a Birthday cake waiting to be cut. Congratulations Therese and many more wonderful years of Happiness, great Friendships, and lots of LOVE. GOD BLESS!!

Happy Birthday to: Brenna Lanphear 7/14; Stuart Brunton 7/15; Randy St. Onge, Sandy Cota, Finnleigh Daberer 7/16; Scott Perry 7/19; Cyndi Ramey McGovern 7/20.

Anniversary Wishes to: Justin & Jennifer Deuso, Patrick & Sharon Evans 7/14; Frank & Linda Elkins 7/19; Alan & Michelle Cennamo 7/20.

***Why does the Statue of Liberty stand in N.Y. harbor? Why? Because she can't sit down. ***Does Europe have a 4th of July? Yes, it comes right after July 3.**. What did the parrot say on July 4th? Polly wants a fire cracker. ***. Hope you all have had a wonderful week of enjoying the 4th of July and all the events going on. Blessings and Love to All...