

LOIS WITH THE MONTGOMERY NEWS, JANUARY 30, 2022

What, our first month of the new year is coming to an end as I send this off today, just one more day remains and we will be in February on Tuesday. Even though it was a cold month, but usually is, it has gone by rather fast. John Gorton came today 1/30/22 to do our Worship Service for us. Our furnace was on the blink for awhile and it was pretty cold in the sanctuary for awhile, the thermostat needed new batteries. Most needed their coat on for the service to be comfortable. Thanks John very much appreciated!!

WOW!! That weekend storm was a real history making storm. That was some storm to watch, and I did watch a lot on NECN as the storm came up the coast Saturday forenoon. Hope the people that lost power have it back on by tonight, as that cold wind was brutal. One of the young reporters said she had 4 layers of clothes on and she was freezing, the fellow inside the studio said we will get you in where its warmer. The couple that had planned their wedding went through and were married during the historical storm.. They were laughing and enjoying their Special Day and it was very special to them.

Lorraine St.Onge accompanied her son Artie to Florida for a few days and will celebrate her Birthday while down there. This will be so good for her to get out and enjoy going to Florida as she has always enjoyed going down for a few months. But the weather down there has been cold for them down there. Twenty-one years ago I went down to Florida with Lorraine, my sister and family were down there at the same time and got together with them. It was 20 below when we left Montgomery and during that week there was a big snowstorm. The people in Florida saw me walking around in short sleeves and it was around 55 down there and didn't feel cold to me. That is going on down there now.. Hope it warms up so Lorraine can enjoy getting outside and enjoy some sunshine. Have fun Lorraine!!

I was told that Margaret Jones is the new owner of the "Crafty Lil Gift Shop" in Montgomery Center and I asked her for a little info for my column. Margaret has worked at the Gift Shop for three years and as of 1/1/22 became the happy owner. There are over 50 crafters and artists with approximately 80% of them from Franklin County. The shop is open Thursday through Monday 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. and starting April 1, plan to open 10 a.m. – 6 p.m., find us on Facebook or at Craftylilgiftshop.com. Margaret came from a small town in the Adirondacks and Montgomery Center is about the same size. But the shop allows her to meet people from all over the world, that come to Jay for skiing and snow boarding. How wonderful to meet all these people! As for the Crafters, well, she doesn't want to let them down. Crafty Lil Gift Shop is a way for Crafters and Tourist, along with locals, to come together at the Shop, Margaret just happen to be the mediator of their exchange.

Happy Birthday to: Harper Rae Bredin 2/7; Maggie Elkins 2/6; Patrick Cote, Katja Vogel, Heather Corse 2/9; Thomas St.Onge, Jolene O'Connell 2/10; Robben Levine 2/11; Terry Zartarian 2/12.

Anniversary wishes to: Charlie and Austin Hancock 2/6.

** A lost dog strays into the jungle and a hungry lion sees it and thinks to himself, that it looks good enough to eat. The lion starts chasing the dog and the dog..sees a bunch of bones and stops and says, " that lion was sure good eating." Well, the lion hears that and backs off. There is a monkey up in the tree and over hears the dog story and tells the lion the truth. The lion has the monkey jump on his back and starts chasing after the dog again. The dog says now what can I do, the lion is getting so close to me. He then gets another idea, and shouts out," Where the hell did that monkey go, I told him to bring me another lion an hour ago."* This is all folks enjoy the nice warm days that we are promised this week.. M.L.T.A.