LOIS WITH THE MONTGOMERY NEWS, DECEMBER3, 2023

IT'S DECEMBER and we are decorating our homes and town. Maggie Elkins and I have decorated the Village Park for years. The big balsam tree has out grown us. So we have put lights around the monument and on our 3 little trees that are growing nicely. It is Sunday the beginning of the Advent Season. We have our Church all decorated inside, looking very beautiful. Our Church Service had many changes today as Rev Purvee was coming to do his last Service with us. He called Merle to let him know that he was coming down with something, and not knowing what exactly thought it best to cancel. We had made special plans with him seeing it would be his last with us. John Gorton was invited to come also, Merle received the Sermon from Mr. Purvee entitled "A COMING AND GOING." Merle filled in, Sandy Bowman read the Bible Scriptures, John Gorton and I did the Communion, Patrick Evans played "Crown Him With Many Crowns" for a special. It was a beautiful service. Our ending Prayer wishing Rev. Purvee a speedy recovery. Rev. Purvee plans to fulfill his last service with us on the first Sunday in January.

The Quilting Circle met at the home of SueP on the last day of November, Sue said they finally got together after so many date changes, so the Holiday could happen (Thanksgiving)..Sue Hogan presented the finished quilt that she will be donating to the MES eighth graders to raffle off for their DC trip in March. It's a beauty and Sue H. Did a great job with the design. The group talked about future business at lunch and dove right into a Show-N-Tell. Several members had a great finished project to share.

We then organized ourselves and attempted to completing the Log Cabin block that had been started at previous meeting, committee quilt making can be a great deal of fun as well as serious blunders. I seems 1/4 inch can cause joy as well as angst. At the end of the day, all was well and several members retreated to Bernie's for adult refreshments. The December meeting will be a luncheon at Bernie's on 12/7. If you're in the area stop in and say Hello or MERRY CHRISTMAS. (Thanks SueP)

UP-COMING EVENTS AT THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL: THIS Saturday, Dec. 9, the HUGE CRAFT SHOW with oodles of vendors coming with their goodies, time 9 a.m - 3 p.m. THEN ON DECEMBER 14, the School will have its HOLIDAY CONCERT starting at 6 p.m.

The Montgomery Historical Society has scheduled 'HOLIDAY HAPPINESS" ON DECEMBER 16, 11 A.M.- 2 P.M. THIS IS THE DAY THE HORSE AND WAGON COME TO GIVE RIDES. THE HALL WILL BE OPEN ACTIVITIES FOR THE CHILDREN AND SANTA WILL ARRIVE ON OUR FIRE RUCK. Then December 17, "CANDLES AND CAROLS" STARTING AT 5 P.M. THIS IS A WONDERFUL FAMILY OUTING.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO: Diane Bocian12/11; Emmett Fletcher 12/12; Randi Hacker 12/13; Brooke Fletcher 12/15; John Youland 12/16.

What do you call a pony with a sore throat? A little Hoarse. **Where do math teachers go on vacation? Times Square.How much does it cost Santa to park his sleigh? Nothing it's on the house.***. This is all for now folks enjoy. Merry Christmas!! M.L.T.A.