

LOIS WITH THE MONTGOMERY NEWS, DECEMBER 21, 2025

12/15..This was our last Community Senior Dinner, prepared by Parma Jewett. She was given a bouquet of fresh flowers, and a surprise toast of Sparkling Cider for everyone to share provided by Peter and Lynn Locher, Parma had prepared horderves for everyone to enjoy as they were arriving. Then Parma had prepared roast pork, twice baked potato, a roll, dressing, gravy, and a creamed cheese cake dessert. Parma had received a gift of money from donations as we were told Parma likes fishing and she could get her something as she retires to go fishing with. Best of Luck Parma and God Bless.!!!

Monday afternoon I had made arrangements with Will Moses to help me repair the Church Sandwich Board as the lettering was falling down through the slats that had come unglued. Will brought along new glue and made the repairs. Tuesday morning Will came by and we got the new lettering put up to advertise our coming events. Looked. ice...Thanks Will!!

Wednesday..this is our Bowling day and plans were made ahead of time to bring pot luck to share before everyone started bowling. WOW! There was so many different prepared foods to choose from, and each one I tried was delicious. I took monkey bread and prepared it to be made with Maple syrup and butter. As it cooled down it was getting quite sticky, and sticking together, I took a knife and was trying to separate pieces for the people to help themselves, when Mike was looking at what I was doing and said “ Looks like You have to monkey with it to get some”. That was funny..but true. I had not made that in a long time and it was good to enjoy once again. The afternoon went well and everyone had a wonderful time inside while the snow was piling up outside, when we got back to the Center we had to clear almost 4 inches of snow off the car.

Friday 12/19..Patti Perl a member of the Historical Society had invited members and friends to come to her home for a cheerful evening. Everyone was to bring finger foods to share with one another. The afternoon was snowing with winds blowing limbs down, etc. Electricity around Vermont was out for thousands of people, but luckily we were not included. But as the day became evening that snow and wind cleared out

And we had a nice evening to go out. Sue Peters picked me up just before five, and we were off to the Regan Road to gather with other Friends. It was wonderful to meet and greet with hugs, as several of us had not seen each other in awhile, most everyone had a plate of food they were snacking on. A short meeting was held, but most of that was out of my hearing range. I think we were the first to leave after two hours of Holiday fun and delicious snacks.

Friday evening continued..Marty, Alysa & their son Hudson Vallendar's arrived back in their home territory from Colombia where they have been busy teaching and Hudson goes to school there. They left for this job in late July and will be back here at home for a few weeks now. Granddad Joe Vallendar picked them up from the airport and took them up to Jay Peak where the family has a

warm home to come too. They have plans to do some traveling while here, visit friends and enjoy skiing. Welcome Home Guys!!!

Saturday 12/20..This morning I was saying in a few more hours the Horses will be arriving here in Town, as this was scheduled some time ago to have the Annual Horse Drawn Wagon rides at the Montgomery Historical property, to start at 11 am - 2 p.m.. They were on their first trip down at 11 and kept busy until it was quitting time, YES, I went on my annual ride also, and a good group of people, we sang a few Christmas songs and enjoyed the sunshine as we went on our way. SO much fun and they estimated approximately 20 trips, each wagon filled, even Santa took a ride with the group. I went inside to say Hello to Santa, and Mary Grasso took our picture, hoping to include it with this News. Maybe she lost my email, and if she did know that Santa's big hug was much appreciated. He was friendly, and enjoyed coming for a visit before his big night of bringing gifts this week to all good girls and boys. Merry Christmas to all and to all a good Night!!

Before the Horses left I went back down to let Elizabeth Sweet the owner, know how very much we appreciated her coming to do this event. She told me they have several events scheduled and keep busy as this wagon ride seems to be popular for Adults and Children. Thanks with Our Appreciation, as she was leaving and Merry Merry Christmas.

12/21..Winter began this forenoon..but it has felt like winter for a month now. Now the days will start slowly getting a little longer. I think my husband used to say longer and colder.. I am going to send my News out that I have completed up to date, we did not have a Morning Church Service as we are doing Carols and Candles at 5 p.m. I am so excited as John Gorton as been working with Renee Davidson from the Elementary School to bring in Special Music from a few of the Children..The event sounds wonderful and will report on it next week. Gotta wait for the Montgomery News!!!!

Happy Birthday to: Linda Skinner 12/30; Artie St. Onge , Kelsie Larivee 12/31; Doris Buttendorf 1/3/26.

Anniversary wishes to Jeffrey and Calla 12/21.

A few jokes: ** 1. What do you call Santa Claus if he takes a break? Santa Pause. 2. How much did Santa pay for his sleigh? Nothing it was on the house. 3. What hides in the bakery at Christmas time? A mince-spy. ***. There that will be all for the News..hope you come to the Carols and Candles Service at 5 p.m.

Enjoy and  To All. Merry Christmas Everyone!!! (Christmas Eve Service at the United Methodist Church, 5 p.m