

# The Catoctin Banner

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## Bridge Builders — Generation to Generation



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Families participate in the BOJC and serve as “Bridge Builders” as they impart information from generation to generation. Pictured from left are John Hoke (BOJC “Bridge Builder” and former BOJC President 2010-11) with his sons, Michael, Daniel, and Steven; Dave Mackley holding his son, James Mackley (future BOJC member), with Dad, James L. “Buzz” Mackley; Jim Bittner has sponsored many BOJC participants including five grand kids (not pictured): Michael Sinclair, Christopher Miachle, Robert Miachle, Sam Bittner, and Calvin Bittner; Dick Bittner has sponsored his son, Thad Bittner (the Builder of this bridge) and Thad’s son, Dakota Bittner; Robert Abraham, Sr. (shown front right, former BOJC President 1976-77), is shown with his son, Robert Abraham, Jr. (current BOJC President), and his grandson, Hayden Spalding.

by Deb Spalding

A new foot bridge was constructed at Camp Airy in Thurmont this spring by Thad Bittner, his son Dakota, and the crew members of DPI (Decks Patios and Improvements, LLC) of Thurmont. These individuals represented the physical “Bridge Builders” for the project that holds symbolism in many ways. In 1941, The Brotherhood of the Jungle Cock (BOJC), named after a chicken-like bird whose neck feathers are sought by anglers for tying flies for fly fishing, had its first-annual Campfire at Camp Airy, and the event has turned into a tradition that remains strong today. The close relationship between Camp

Airy and The Brotherhood of Jungle Cock can easily be attributed to both organizations valuing the importance of imparting knowledge to youth and providing them with strong role models. This bridge is a physical reminder of these ideals.

Thurmont BOJC member, John Hoke, fills the formal role of “Bridge Builder” for the BOJC, as his father did before him. In that role, he recites the Bridge Builder Poem at the annual BOJC campfire that takes place each May. About the poem, John summarized that its words reaffirm its purpose, “To guide and teach today’s youth in their

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## After 85 Years in Business, Cozy Restaurant Closes



Photo by Deb Spalding

The courtyard at the Cozy Restaurant is shown on its last day of business, June 8, 2014.

by James Rada, Jr.

Thurmont has lost one of its iconic businesses. The Cozy Restaurant was the oldest restaurant in Maryland, continuously owned by one family. That’s right....*was*. When the restaurant closed its doors on Sunday, June 8, 2014, it closed for good.

The closing means that around seventy-five employees, mostly part-time, will need to find new work. Parties and events that had been scheduled at the Cozy will need to find new venues.

“The motel will stay open, and we may rent or sell the restaurant,” owner Jerry Freeze told the *Frederick News Post*. “I’m almost eighty, and there really isn’t anyone left in the family to run the business. I never thought I would want to retire.”

The Cozy Inn and Restaurant began in 1929, when Wilbur Freeze purchased property on Frederick Road to build a tourist camp that consisted of three cottages, tents, shower building, rest room, and a gas station.

The restaurant had long been associated with Camp David since the Herbert Hoover administration. The Inn served as the original housing for Secret Service agents during the Franklin D. Roosevelt administration. The restaurant even had a Camp David Museum, which showed photos and memorabilia of Camp David, the Cozy, and the presidents who had visited over the years.

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Look to next month for the results of Community Heritage Day.



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Dear Reader:

It is with sadness that I acknowledge Thurmont’s long-standing restaurant, Cozy, going out of business in June after 85 years. As a business owner, I understand the ups and downs and sympathize with anyone who finds themselves in a situation where it is best to close the doors. Operating this newspaper, I meet people in different stages of business. The new business owner usually seems excited, while long-standing business owners often seem cautious—even those who appear substantially successful. At any given time, a business owner never knows what is coming through the door—good or bad. Even with the best-prepared business plan, as soon as the doors open, what actually takes place is rarely according to a plan. We hope for good things and prepare for the worst. Please accept my sentiment of hope for all of us to prosper.

I enjoyed Jim Rada, Jr.’s three-part series about the history of newspapers in our local area. This month, he covers our current newspaper providers and, of course, we took the opportunity to put some of our own photos along with the article. If you’ve never seen us before, take a look.

A few months ago, we increased the size of an issue to the next increment, 56 pages. To be honest, we have had enough news/content to continue meeting that page count, but we’re in that awkward time where advertising needs to grow to support that increase. Our goal is to move to the 56 page size consistently in the next couple of months. Tell your friends that advertising in *The Catoctin Banner* is the best idea ever! Thank you so much for being part of our growing pains and triumphs over the years. We appreciate every reader, every contributor and... as always, I urge you to patronize the advertisers who reach out to you through *The Catoctin Banner*. Our mission would not be possible without their support.

—Deb Spalding, Publisher

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responsibilities and opportunities of tomorrow, which in respect to BOJC, mean the responsibilities of good sportsmanship, conservation, and preserving our natural resources.”

The actual bridge that was constructed by DPI spans over the culvert between Bentz Hall and the camp road. Thad Bittner created its layout and design. “I looked at the layout of the land, and I saw it in my head. I just drew it up, got approvals from the BOJC Board, and went to work,” said Bittner.

The bridge is faced in stone, has side walls at sitting level, matching handrail abutments, and a stairway to the porch of Bentz Hall. In addition, the project features artwork highlighting the bond shared between the BOJC and Camp Airy. R.S. Kinnaird Memorials completed the engraving of the Bridge Builder Poem on a large rock and engraved other symbols on rocks in the project.

John Hoke (pictured far right reading the poem during the 2014 Campfire) said, “It has been a privilege and my honor to follow in the footsteps of my father, H. Lloyd Hoke, and to recite the Bridge Builder Poem at the annual BOJC campfire ceremony. Dad first recited the poem at the 1978 campfire (pictured below), and it has become a tradition for the organization ever since. This poem has very special meaning and captures the essence of what the BOJC stands for. It also has special meaning to me as a father of four. The “Bridge Builder” reminds us that life is full of obstacles, especially for young people who have many new paths to travel. To that end, we should all strive to “build a bridge” and share those lessons learned whenever we can.”

Visit the BOJC blog at <http://bojcmd.wordpress.com/>.

Photos by Calvin Thrasher



(left)

The BOJC 2014 Camp Fire is pictured.

(right)

John Hoke is shown reading the Bridge Builder Poem at the 2014 BOJC camp.



Courtesy Photo

Lloyd Hoke is shown reading The Bridge Builder poem for the first time in 1978.

## The Bridge Builder by Will Allen Dromgoole

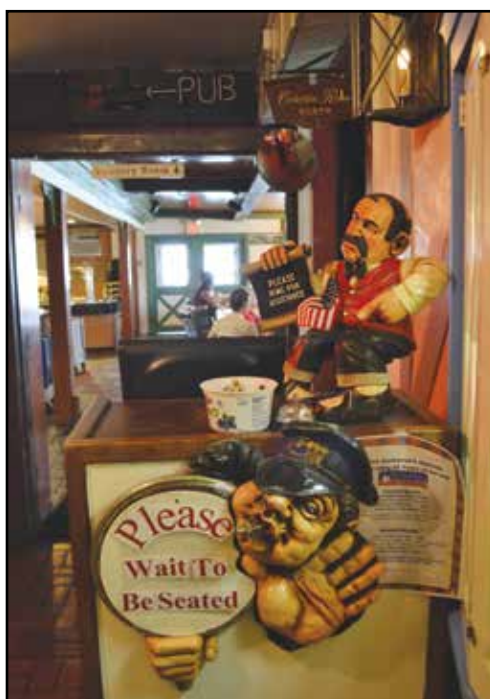
“The Bridge Builder” was written by Will Allen Dromgoole (1860–1934), a female poet from Tennessee, who wrote over 8,000 poems during her lifetime.

An old man, going a lone highway,  
Came in the evening, cold and gray,  
To a chasm vast and deep and wide,  
Through which was running a sullen tide  
The old man crossed in the twilight dim,  
That sullen stream had no fears for him;  
But he turned when he reached the other side  
And built a bridge to span the tide.

“Old Man,” said a fellow pilgrim near,  
“Why waste your strength in building here;  
Your journey ends with the ending day,  
And you never again must pass this way;  
You’ve crossed the chasm deep and wide,  
Why build your bridge at eventide?”

The Builder lifted his old grey head;  
“Good Friend, in the path I have come,” he said,  
“There followeth after me today  
A youth whose feet must pass this way.  
The chasm which was nought to me  
To this fair haired youth might a pitfall be;  
For he too must cross, in the twilight dim;  
Good Friend, I’m building the bridge for him.”

## Cozy Restaurant Closes — Continued from cover page



The restaurant portion of the Cozy Inn began in 1933. A small bar and luncheonette that could accommodate twenty people was built next to the gas station. It was built because Prohibition had ended and alcohol could be sold again.

In recent years, the Cozy’s buffet featuring meats, vegetables, salads, soups, and desserts has been a popular feature at the restaurant. It was a popular stop for tour buses passing through the region. According to the Cozy website, more than twenty million people have dined at the Cozy since it opened.

The closure of the restaurant does not affect the operation of the Cozy Inn and its twenty-one President-themed rooms and cabins.

The Cozy Restaurant was a member of the Maryland Restaurant Association Hall of Fame and the National Restaurant Association Hall of Fame.

*Publisher’s Note:*

On June 20 and 21, 2014, Cozy hosted a sale of the restaurant’s equipment and furnishings. Greeters would accept price inquiries about

items and, “Check with Jerry [Freeze, the owner]” to see how much he wanted for each item. If he was undecided, you were invited to fill out a bid sheet and, “put it in the box. He’ll call you if he accepts the bid.” It was a strange going-out-of-business sale that emphasized the restaurant’s awkward closing after its 85-year run.



Photos by Deb Spalding







# town hall reports

by Michele Cuseo

## Emmitsburg JUNE 2014

### Town Sponsored Summer Pool Parties

Mark your calendars for two summer pool parties at the Emmitsburg Pool: July 25, from 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.; August 8, from 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

There will be a DJ playing music at both parties, and admission is only \$1.00.

### Cal Ripken State Tournament Hosted in Emmitsburg July 5

The Cal Ripken State Baseball Tournament will once again be held in Emmitsburg this year. Opening ceremonies start on Saturday, July 5, at 8:15 a.m. at the Emmitsburg Community Park. The Emmitsburg All Stars will start playing at 9:15 a.m. The Emmitsburg boys baseball 12U were the Val Ripken State Champions in 2013.

### Free Concert in the Park

Enjoy the alternative bluegrass band "Frum the Hills" on August 9, from 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. at the Emmitsburg Community Park. The public is welcome to bring blankets, chairs, and a picnic basket for this event.

For more information about the Town of Emmitsburg, log onto [www.emmitsburgmd.gov](http://www.emmitsburgmd.gov) or call 301-600-

## Thurmont JUNE 2014

### East Main Street Sidewalk Improvement by State Highway Administration

The State Highway Administration will be sending a road construction crew to Thurmont to update sidewalks, curbs, and gutters along the East Street roadway. This is paid for by the State of Maryland as part of the requirement for handicap accessibility along walkways on State roads, as outlined by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Crews will be leveling sidewalks and creating easy roll ramps where needed from sidewalk to road crossings, from Center Street to the Elementary School. This will create a safer travel route for wheelchair-bound citizens. The crew will start working in July. Many residents along East Street have already been notified. Streets will not be closed, but crews will be managing traffic.

### Thurmont Carnival July 7-12

Pre-sale carnival ride tickets are currently available from the Guardian Hose Company, PNC bank, Towne Barber shop, Gateway Market, Woodsboro Bank, and Direct To You Gas. The pre-sale ticket cost is \$15.00 (a savings of \$7.00). Ticket is good for any night

of the carnival (but for only one time/night use). Parade is on Thursday, July 10 at 6:30 p.m. (rain or shine) along East Main Street. Line up for the parade at 5:00 p.m. Visit the following website for more carnival or parade information: [www.guardianhose.org](http://www.guardianhose.org).

View the Town of Thurmont's website at [www.thurmont.com](http://www.thurmont.com) or call the town office at 301-271-7313 for more information.

### Farmer's Markets

• Thurmont •  
(through September)  
Saturdays, 9:00 a.m.-Noon,  
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## Play Our Games

Each month, you're invited to participate in our Where Am I? Photo Contest and Hidden Object Game. The winners of each game are announced in the next issue of *The Catoctin Banner* Newspaper. Winners are given a gift certificate to the advertiser of their choice. To participate, call 240-288-0108 or email [news@thecatoctinbanner.com](mailto:news@thecatoctinbanner.com) to record your guesses by the 15th of each month. Please don't forget to spell your full name and leave your phone number.

### Where Am I? Photo Contest

For the "Where Am I?" Photo Contest, take a look at the photo to the right and tell us where it was taken. It is somewhere in or around our Northern Frederick County Area, which is defined as Rocky Ridge to Cascade and Lewistown to Emmitsburg, Foxville to Creagerstown, and everywhere around and in-between.



Photo by Irene Matthews

Last month's "Where Am I?" photo showed Chimney Rock, a hiking destination in Catoctin Mountain Park in Thurmont. Last month's winner is Euri Everett.

### Hidden Object Game

Last month's Hidden Object was a smiling monkey, swinging from a vine and holding a banana. It was located on page 47 in the Affordable Self Storage advertisement. The winner of the Hidden Object Game is Jennifer Goodman. If the winner has not been contacted, please contact us to claim your prize.

This month's Hidden Object is a red and green plane, flying a banner behind it that reads: "You've found the H.O.!"

*If you see your name listed as a winner, please email us at [news@thecatoctinbanner.com](mailto:news@thecatoctinbanner.com) with your name, address, and the name of the advertiser from which you would like your gift certificate, and we will send you your prize! If you do not have access to email, please call us at 240-288-0108 and leave us a message with the above information. Thank you.*

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### Test Your Word Power

(Answers on page 46)

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| <p><b>1. Stolid (adj.)</b><br/>           a) Showing little emotion; not easily upset<br/>           b) Selfish; self-serving<br/>           c) Stubborn; headstrong</p> | <p><b>3. Facetious (adj.)</b><br/>           a) Daring; adventurous<br/>           b) Unkempt; messy<br/>           c) Amusing; lacking serious intent</p>             |
| <p><b>2. Audacious (adj.)</b><br/>           a) Uncertain; hesitant<br/>           b) Sorrowful; regretful<br/>           c) Extremely bold; recklessly brave</p>        | <p><b>4. Stealth (n.)</b><br/>           a) Supporter; advocate<br/>           b) Curiosity; inquisitiveness<br/>           c) Secret; move with extreme quietness</p> |

5. Which word above would work best in this sentence?

Although Julie is an \_\_\_\_\_ athlete, she does not participate in any dangerous sports.

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Can anyone imagine greater words coming from God on judgment day than what we read in **Matthew 25:21**? "Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master."

Best of all, we will be in heaven with God and Jesus and it will be a place of continuous love. Heaven is a prepared place for a prepared people. Are you prepared? There will be no greater disappointment in eternity than missing out on the reward God has prepared called heaven. If you are not prepared or have any doubt, come and worship with us. Study the Bible, learn what God requires so you can be assured of heaven as your reward.

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## Concert on the Lawn Features “The Friends Creek Band”

The St. John’s Lutheran Church in Creagerstown will host a Concert on the Lawn featuring The Friends Creek Band on Sunday, July 20, 2014, at 6:00 p.m. This concert is free to all, with food and drink provided. Participants should bring a lawn chair. A cake auction will be held to benefit Lola Doll and Sue Rice.

Stop by 8619 Blacks Mill Road in Creagerstown.



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Sunday Matinee July 27th @ 2pm  
**Thurmont American Legion - 8 Park Lane**  
for reservations, call (301) 271-7613  
Ticket price: \$15



# AROUND town

## Home Run Car Show

Don't miss the Home Run Car Show on July 5, 2014, at Harry Grove Stadium in Frederick, Maryland. All cars, trucks, and motorcycles are welcome! Event also features flea market, great food, exhibits, and more. Vehicle registration begins at 9:00 a.m. (\$10.00 donation). Free parking and admission. View their advertisement on page 4 for more information.

## Thurmont Masonic Lodge's Open House

Thurmont Masonic Lodge ACACIA Lodge 155 is holding an Open House on Saturday, July 12, 2014, from 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m., at 12 East Main Street in Thurmont. Discover what they have done in our community since 1871. View their advertisement on page 15 for more information.

## Community Vacation Bible School

Sail away at the Gangway to Galilee Amazing Grace Adventures at the Community Vacation Bible School, presented by Elias Lutheran and Incarnation U.C.C. Church, on July 6 through July 11, 2014, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. View their advertisement on page 11 for more information.

## Thurmont Thespians Present *Anne of Green Gables*

You won't want to miss the musical *Anne of Green Gables*, presented by the Thurmont Thespians, at the Thurmont American Legion in Thurmont, running July 17, 19, 20, 24, 26, and 27, 2014. Tickets are \$15.00 each. View their advertisement on page 6 for more information on times and dates of performances.

## Guardian Hose Company's Yard Sale

On Saturday, August 16, 2014, come on out to the Thurmont Guardian Hose Company's yard sale. Set up will begin at 7:00 a.m.; yard sale will be from 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Chicken BBQ will be available. Spaces are for sale. View their advertisement on page 4 for more information.

## Bingo Bash Pays Big

The Emmitsburg Volunteer Ambulance Company's Bingo Bash will be held on September 20, 2014, at 17701 Creamery Road in Emmitsburg. Doors will open at 4:00 p.m.; games will begin at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$35.00 if purchased in advance; \$45.00 if purchased at the door. View their advertisement on page 37 for more information.

## Rocky Ridge Junior Fire Company Yard Sale

The Rocky Ridge Junior Fire Company will be holding a Yard Sale on Saturday, September 20, 2014, from 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m., at the Activities Building. Spaces are available for \$10.00 per table; outside spaces are also available for \$10.00. View their advertisement below for more information.

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## Tom's Creek UMC Hosting 4th Festival

Tom's Creek Church is hosting their fourth festival July 12, 2014 at the Rt. 140 property, just east of Emmitsburg, from 10:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Event features good food, door prizes, games for all ages, music (CB Pickers), a silent auction, a horseshoe contest, and more! Visit their website at [www.tomscreekumc.org](http://www.tomscreekumc.org) for full details. Profits from the event will go towards the new church wing that is now being used by the church and community.

New this year will be a free professional magic show that will begin at 4:00 p.m. More than thirty direct sale vendors and crafters are scheduled to attend. Grannie's Attic will feature lightly used "good stuff." The public baby contest, scheduled for 11:00 a.m., is for infants six months up to two years of age. Major credit cards will be accepted. Fun for the entire family. A rain date is set for July 13. View their advertisement on page 43 for more information.

## Blue Ridge Sportsmen's Association Events

The Blue Ridge Sportsmen's Association will be holding Bingo on July 6, 2014; a Horseshoe Tournament on July 20, 2014; and an Outlaw Shoot on July 25, 2014 (doors open at 4:00 p.m.). View their advertisement on page 10 for more information.

## Indian Lookout Conservation Target Shoots

Every Thursday night from now until September 4, 2014, will be 3D Target Shoots at Indian Lookout, located on 17107 Riffle Road in Emmitsburg. Shot Gun Shoots will be held August 17, and September 7, 2014. View their advertisement on page 12 for more information.

## Sportsman's Bingo

Mark your calendar for the Sportman's Bingo at the Lewistown District Volunteer Fire Department, located at 11101 Hessong Bridge Road in Lewistown, Maryland, on September 13, 2014. Doors will open at 5:00 p.m.; buffet will begin at 6:00 p.m.; games will start at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$40.00 per person and include buffet dinner, ice tea, and beer. View their advertisement on page 39 for more information.

## Looking for Something Fun to Do?

Reference the **Community Calendar** on page 47 to view the calendar for events of interest.

# Rocky Ridge Junior Fire Company to hold a YARD SALE

**Saturday, September 20, 2014**  
**8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.**  
**at the Activities Building**

**Food will be available for purchase**

**Spaces are available for \$10 per table**  
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For more information or to reserve your space, please contact  
 Connie Humerick at (301) 271-4682 or Teresa Kaas at (301) 271-3781  
 by September 6. Money will be collected on September 20.  
 Set up on Friday, September 19, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.

**YARD SALE**



# BUSINESS news

## Cupcakes Now Available at Kountry Kitchen in Thurmont

by Deb Spalding

The Thurmont Kountry Kitchen Restaurant is known for its homemade sheet cakes, especially Red Velvet Cakes. But for about a year, they have been creating cupcakes to meet a growing demand.

With owner Pat Ridenour's 7 year old granddaughter, Jayden, on hand for support, Pat and her daughter, Sherry Myers, make sheet cakes, as well as various flavors of cupcakes.

Some cupcakes are made from scratch and some are made from box mixes. Flavors include Almond Joy, chocolate with peanut butter icing, mint chocolate chip, lemon, strawberry shortcake, caramel apple pie, Mystery Machine with Scooby Do, Teddy Bear, Red Velvet, Coconut, Snickers, Dirt with worms, and every week a new flavor. If you



Sherry Myers, of Thurmont Kountry Kitchen Restaurant, is photographed with just a few of her many famous cupcake creations.

have any requests, please call.

While watching as the cupcakes were being iced on a Monday, Jayden said, "I love cupcakes!" Cupcakes are \$1.50 a piece, if you buy more than 12, they are \$1.25 each. Some specialty cupcakes are \$2.00 each. Call 301-271-4071 or stop by the restaurant at 17 Water Street in Thurmont.

## Food Drop at CHS

Catoctin High School has partnered with the Maryland Food Bank to provide food for families who live in the Catoctin feeder pattern. Stop by at Catoctin High School on Thursday, July 3, 2014, between noon and 2:30 p.m. Sign-in begins at 11:45 a.m. Food will be distributed until it is all gone and is limited to five grocery bags per adult (bring your own grocery bags).



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## Field Day at Fox Haven Organic Farm and Learning Center

Fox Haven Organic Farm in Jefferson, Maryland, is teaming with Organic Valley and Holterholm Farms to discuss, with the community, the connection between healthy soils, healthy crops, healthy livestock, and ultimately healthy people. This Field Day, offered both July 19 and 20, is geared to all who are interested in homesteading, organic gardening and farming, or who are animal lovers, veterinarians, or advanced and novice producers.

"It is a pleasure to offer to our community this wealth of information in one day. The range of those interested in working the land is broad, and all are welcome to discuss a more ecologically beneficial way of doing so," said Dick Bittner, Fox Haven Organic Farm Manager. Mr. Bittner will lead a discussion on using cover crops to eliminate use of chemical fertilizers. Organic Valley's Dr. Paul Dettloff will speak about creating Mother Nature's perfect foods without synthetic assistance, producing healthy food by balancing needs of the soil, the plants, the animals, and people. He will teach alternative organic treatments for poultry, sheep, goats, and bovine. Ron Holter, owner of Holterholm Farms, will share his organic cattle grazing practice and its connection to healthy soils and the surrounding ecosystem. Mark Eystone, Fox Haven Organic Farm Gardener, will show where and how he has applied organic growing and permaculture concepts to landscaping and backyard gardening.

Schedule of events: July 19th or July 20th, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. All locations are on Fox Haven Organic Farm property in Jefferson. 9:00 a.m. under the tent at Dick's Production Garden (4855 Broad Run Road) – introductions; 9:30 a.m. (under the tent) demonstration and discussion on soil, plant and animal health; 11:45 a.m. at the Heart House (4950 Corun Road), gardening for food, habitat, and storm water management in small backyard spaces, an introduction to composting toilets and grey water systems; 12:30 p.m. in the Dairy Parlor (3630 Poffenberger Road), Q and A, film and discussion of alternative organic treatments for poultry, sheep, goats, and bovine; 3:00 p.m. at the Spring House (5532 Carroll Boyer Road) for an in-field presentation on rotational grazing.

Cost to attend: \$25/person if prepaid by July 16th, or \$30/person after that date; lunch is included. Children under 15 are free if accompanied by parent or guardian. TO REGISTER: prepay using the 'Donate' button online at: <http://www.foxhavenlearningcenter.org/content/field-day>, then send contact information to [info@foxhavenlearningcenter.com](mailto:info@foxhavenlearningcenter.com); send a check payable to FHLC, to: Fox Haven Learning Center, 3630 Poffenberger Road, Jefferson, MD 21755; or pay on-site the day of Field Day.

View their advertisement on page 41 for more information.

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# Welcome to Thurmont Riding Club

by Joseph Kirchner

For over fifty years, the Thurmont Riding Club (TRC) has brought together individuals who desire good fellowship and encompass a true love for horses. This rich tradition lives on today in the TRC's one hundred twenty-five enthusiastic members who enjoy an assortment of activities designed to meet their many interests.

Past TRC activities have included day and weekend trail rides, parades, and a wide variety of horse shows. The 2014 show schedule includes: Pointed Hunter/Jumper; Miniature Horse; Walking/Racking; Night Shows; After Hours Game Night; and the ever-popular, Pointed Old-Fashioned Fun Shows. Truly something for every horse lover!

The family-oriented TRC enjoys a strong spirit of mutual cooperation—here is where horse lovers come together to learn from each other and to have a great deal

of fun! "The TRC is a place where everyone gets along. It is very low-key, and we are here to help each other," said Julie Talbert (Secretary/Treasurer).

This harmony prevails even when TRC members compete for points, as Julie explains, "We are going to help all our riders. If someone has a problem in the ring, my members know that we're going to stop and help. I'm not going to see a child struggle on a horse in that ring; we're going to have ten people help him out and I love that!"

It is not surprising—given the spirit of good will at the TRC—that the club contributes mightily to the greater community. Among other contributions, the TRC performs pony rides at the Thurmont Community Show, marches in the Thurmont and Rocky Ridge Parades, and provides financial help to "John's Wheels for Wishes," which



Photos by Joseph Kirchner



(left)

Pictured is TRC member, Hannah Stahl, with her good friend, Piney.

(below)

The Showmanship Competition at the Old Fashioned Horse Show on June 7, 2014.



benefits cancer patients. Moreover, the TRC will host "Game Night" on July 19, 2014, at 6:00 p.m. on their grounds (Roddy Road) to benefit Rocky's Horse Rescue and Rehabilitation. This wonderful group rehabilitates horses that have been sick, neglected, and/or abused. Please come out, have a great evening of fun, and support this important cause.

If you share a love of horses—whether you own one or not—the TRC invites you to become a member. (For those who do not own a horse, the TRC employs three "lesson barns," where members learn various equine skills in the presence of experienced coaches). You cannot be too young or too old to join: the youngest TRC member today is just five years old, and the most senior is a youthful seventy! Beginners

are always welcome. Just call Julie Talbert at 240-437-2222, and she will happily answer all of your questions. Happy riding!

Thurmont Riding Club, Inc. is located at 14981 Roddy Road in Thurmont. Visit them on Facebook and see the complete 2014 Show Schedule.

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# COMMUNITY news

## Open House Held at EVAC

The Emmitsburg Volunteer Ambulance Company (EVAC) hosted an Open House on Saturday, May 24, 2014, at the Company's headquarters, located on Creamery Road in Emmitsburg. The Open House featured vehicle displays by the Emmitsburg Ambulance Company, Vigilant Hose Company, Frederick County Sheriff's Office, Thurmont Ambulance Company, New Market Fire Department, and the National Park Service.

Participants could have free blood pressure and glucose screenings, read safety education handouts, take part in a building tour, and meet Smokey the Bear.



Courtesy Photos

The event's grand finale featured a demonstration of a vehicle accident extrication (pictured left) by the Emmitsburg Ambulance Company, Vigilant Hose, Frederick County Sheriff's Office, Thurmont Ambulance, New Market Fire Department, and Myers-Durboraw Funeral Home.



(from left) Kim Bolin, Pat Joy, Mary Lou Little, Bob Hance, and Allen Knot are shown with Ed Little (center) representing the Emmitsburg Ambulance Company to present a \$1,000 donation to Jeni Joy of the Emmitsburg Lions Club, to be used for Emmitsburg Heritage Day activities at the end of June.

## Beginning the Good Work, New Exhibit at The National Shrine of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton

To honor the first Sisters that Mother Seton sent forth on mission from Emmitsburg to Philadelphia in 1814—200 years ago this year—the Shrine is unveiling a new exhibit, *Beginning the Good Work*. The exhibit will be featured in Mother Seton's historic White House on the Shrine's grounds.

"The exhibit, drawn from material previously displayed by the Daughters of Charity Provincial Archives, will be on display for the public through January 2015. In September

1814, Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton sent three Sisters from The Sisters of Charity of St. Joseph's (the order she founded in 1809) to St. Joseph Orphan Asylum in Philadelphia.

"It is very fitting to feature this exhibit in the historic White House where Mother Seton founded St. Joseph's Academy in 1810. It is at this historic site that she set forth Sisters to spread the good work of her congregation," said Rob Judge, Executive Director for the Shrine. "Original items and reproductions drawn from the Daughters of Charity Provincial Archives, including a letter that Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton wrote expressing her joy in sending the Sisters to do good works, are coming back full circle to where it all originated."

Items in the exhibit include a book cover with the name of the orphanage, St. Joseph's Orphan Asylum. Mother Seton's community did not start the asylum, but joined its mission. It was founded in the 1790s by Philadelphia citizens concerned about the number of children being orphaned from yellow fever outbreaks in the city. By 1814, the orphanage was \$5,000 in debt, and the board of directors felt that they needed to bring Sisters in to manage the orphanage. This led to the request to Mother Seton to send her community's members.

Other items in the exhibit include text from the journal of Mother Rose White, who was the Philadelphia mission leader. The journal text describes the Sisters' journey to Philadelphia by land since shipping disruptions were caused by the War of 1812, making travel by sea impossible at the time.

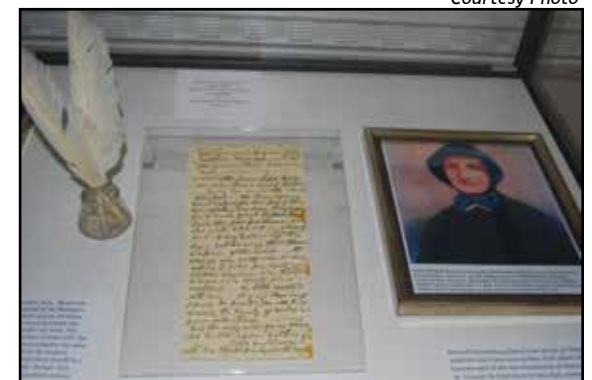
The exhibit also discusses how the mission in Philadelphia led to a request from the bishop in New York to open an orphanage in New York City. Featured in the exhibit is a reproduction of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton's letter from August 1, 1817, in which she looks forward to sending her Sisters of Charity of St. Joseph's to New York. The congregation known as the Sisters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul of New York was founded in 1846. A number of Sisters of Charity of New York had served in Philadelphia as Sisters of Charity of St. Joseph's prior to the New York congregation's founding, including the New York congregation's first superior, Mother Elizabeth Boyle. Mother Elizabeth's image can be seen in the exhibit.

After the union with France in 1850, the Philadelphia mission was passed to the Daughters of Charity, and the Daughters continue to serve in Philadelphia to this day. The Sisters of Charity of St. Joseph's/Daughters of Charity have been in Philadelphia continuously for 200 years.

"We are grateful to the Daughters of Charity Provincial Archives and the Sisters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul of New York for their partnership with us in this exhibit," said Judge. "We look forward to further collaboration with these congregations in our mission to promote the life and the legacy of Mother Seton."

For more information on the history of the mission in Philadelphia, please visit The Daughters of Charity Provincial Archives blog post at <http://dcarchives.wordpress.com/2014/03/03/online-exhibit-beginning-the-good-work-200-years-of-service-in-philadelphia/>

The exhibit will be open daily from 10:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m. in the historic White House on the Shrine's grounds. For further information contact 301-447-6606, or visit [www.setonheritage.org](http://www.setonheritage.org).



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*Beginning the Good Work* is on exhibit through January 2015 in Mother Seton's historic White House on the Shrine's grounds in Emmitsburg.

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## Residents Enjoy Local Carnivals, With More to Come

by James Rada, Jr.

With summer in full swing, so is carnival season. In our region, the carnivals kicked off with the annual Mother Seton School carnival in late May. Taneytown, Gettysburg, and Walkersville carnivals took place in June. Thurmont's carnival will take place this month.

"Thousands of people can be seen at the Thurmont carnival on any given night," said Guardian Hose Company President Wayne Stackhouse.

The annual carnival is the largest fundraiser that the fire company does each year, making up about sixty percent of the annual fundraising done for the company.

"It also makes up about fifty percent of our operating revenue," Stackhouse said. "We depend on it a great deal."

Beyond how most local carnivals benefit their local fire companies, they are also enjoyable family events. Friends and neighbors come out to enjoy the warm temperatures, tasty food, pleasant music, fun games, and exciting rides.

Tia Moore of Fairfield, Pennsylvania, and her children, Faithlyn and Steven, visit the Mother Seton School carnival every year, as well as the carnivals in Walkersville and Taneytown. "The kids have

Photo by James Rada, Jr.



A ride at Mother Seton's Carnival held in May.

fun," she said. "We like the food and it's close to home."

Stackhouse said keeping a carnival fun is a large consideration. Guardian Hose Company likes to introduce new rides and entertainment each year. The Thurmont carnival features more than two dozen rides and one of the largest parades in the county.

"We also try to make sure that it's a great value for families," Stackhouse said. This includes offering one-price, ride-all-night deals, which are a favorite among kids and make the carnival affordable for families.

Christine Shaffer of Taneytown likes to attend the local carnivals. "It's worthwhile," she said. "There's great entertainment and games. I get to see people I haven't seen in awhile."

Between games, rides, entertainment, and food, local carnivals offer something for everyone. What's more, the carnivals bring the community together for a fun evening.

"I feel like I'm supporting a good cause, and I enjoy the small-town atmosphere," said Heather Fitzgerald of Emmitsburg.

## Awards Presented at AMVETS Maryland State Convention

Courtesy Photo

Three local individuals were presented with awards at the AMVETS Maryland State Convention on June 7, 2014, at the Frederick Holiday Inn. Jim Houck received an award for Son of the Year (pictured left), Tom Joy received the Veteran of the Year (pictured far right), and Ruth Joy (pictured middle) received Auxiliary Member of the Year. Congratulations!



## Overeaters Anonymous Weekly Meetings in Emmitsburg

Overeaters Anonymous (OA) offers support, hope, and strength in numbers to recover from compulsive eating. OA members work through a 12-step program with a sponsor. Weekly meetings offer group support and welcome anyone who might be in need of help. Join in for the first meeting on Wednesday, July 16, 2014, from 12:15-1:15 p.m., at the Emmitsburg Library Community Room, located at 300 South Seton Avenue in Emmitsburg.

Fear, loneliness, hopelessness, and embarrassment are some of the many feelings experienced by people suffering from compulsive eating. These feelings can be hard or almost impossible to overcome alone, but Overeaters Anonymous helps members deal with these issues.

OA members maintain anonymity, which enables the group to offer unconditional acceptance and support for all. The organization is completely self-supporting through member donations and literature sales, and does not charge membership fees or dues. Although OA offers many types of support, it is not a source for diet tips, counseling, hospitalization, treatment, research, or training. OA's primary goal is to help members abstain from compulsive eating, and to carry the message of recovery to those who still suffer.

Overeaters Anonymous was founded in 1962. OA held its first meeting in Los Angeles, California. Now, over five decades later, OA is a worldwide fellowship that has found a solution to the problem arising from overeating. There are more than 7,000 meeting groups in approximately eighty countries. It is not a religious organization and does not promote any particular diet. More information is available at [www.oa.org](http://www.oa.org).

For more information on this meeting, contact Susie at 301-639-4542.

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## Mountain Fest/Car Show — A Musn't Miss

Northwestern Frederick County Civic Association's 40th Anniversary Celebration is the revitalized Mountain Fest, being held on Saturday and Sunday, October 11-12, 2014, from 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., at the Sabillasville Elementary School on Route 550 (just five miles north of Thurmont). Sunday includes the annual Car Show, which has featured over one hundred and twenty marvelous vehicles on display. With easy access and free parking, the Mountain Fest is a friendly family fun event.

Expanded indoor display space is available this year. For details, call President George Kuhn at 301-241-3997 (after 6:00 p.m.).

Good food, artisans, handcrafters, superb vendors, music, car show, and other great entertainment—with lots of elbow room and friendly folks in a gorgeous mountain setting—make this event in Sabillasville a highlight of the Catocin Highlands Colorfest Weekend.

Continued strong community support enables the Northwestern Frederick County Civic Association to serve Sabillasville and the surrounding mountain area. The Mountain Fest/Car Show is their only fundraiser each year. One hundred percent of the proceeds go to the mountain community. This group of neighbors is dedicated to the promotion of the general welfare of the area, and to lending aid and support to activities beneficial to the community. Since 1974, they have provided scholarships, cash contributions, hands-on help for local projects, and accurate information on topics impacting our lives.

Volunteers are always welcome for these neighbor-helping-neighbor activities, particularly assistance on the day of the event. Call Ed Coleman at 301-241-3554 if you are interested in volunteering.

## Lion Member Receives Award

Lions Past District Governor Paul Cannada presented the District 22-W Honor Roll Award to Thurmont Lion Doug Favorite. This award recognizes



Lions who have provided outstanding service to their clubs and to their communities for an extended period of time, and who exemplify the spirit of Lionism through their unselfish dedication.

Lions Past District Governor Paul Cannada is shown presenting the District 22-W Honor Roll Award to Thurmont Lion Doug Favorite.

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## Cornhole Tournament a Success

Barkers 4 Blood Cancer held the 2nd annual Cornhole 4 a Cause Tournament, benefiting the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, on June 14, 2014, at the Emmitsburg Community Park. The event was a great success. Congratulations to the winners: Chad Newmaster and Johnny Foley from team Two Man Wolfpack; and runners up, Sean Smith and Nathan Laird from team Shake & Bake. They would like to thank everyone who attended the event.

Pictured are Chad Newmaster and Johnny Foley from team Two Man Wolfpack (on left); and runners up, Sean Smith and Nathan Laird from team Shake & Bake (on right).



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## Emmitsburg Community Heritage Day Highlights

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Emmitsburg has held a fireworks show for years, but this year the Emmitsburg Lions Club and its sponsors hosted a day-long free festival on Saturday, June 28, 2014. The day was packed with fun stuff for people of all ages and interests including fitness, sports, a bike rodeo, horseshoe tournament, kickball tournament, exhibits, vendors, a yard sale, car show, bingo, swimming, a book sale, parade, food, open houses, bands, rides, music, and of course, fireworks.

Winners of the Old Field Games follow:

The Greased Pig Chase winners were: ages 1-6, Blake Cool; ages 7-11, Mason Joy; ages 12-16 Mathew Legare; and 17 years and older, Dennis Ebaugh.

Sack Race Winners included: ages 1-4, Sophia Padget 1st and Leah Scarzello 2nd; ages 5-8, Abby Reiger

1st and Mary Legare 2nd; ages 9-12, Mason Joy 1st and Josh Maze and Madison Flohr 2nd; ages 13-16, John Walker 1st and Kegan Greer 2nd; ages 17 and older, Rick Oleszczuk 1st and Dave Zentz 2nd. Singles Sack Race 2nd Heat winners were Jenna Zentz 1st and Evan Ott 2nd.

Doubles Sack Race Winners were: ages 5-8, Hailie Dawson and Tesssa McKenzie 1st and Jack Scarzello and Eva Oleszczuk 2nd; ages 9-12, Makenna Stambaugh and McKaila Heims 1st and Mason Joy and Josh Maze 2nd; ages 13-16, Elizabeth Buchheister and Tara O'Donnell 1st and Jacob Hahn and Keegan Greer 2nd; ages 17 and older, Bridget McCarthy and Cynthia Fraga 1st and Makenna Stambaugh and McKaila Heims 2nd.

Egg Toss winners were tied by Team Noah Oleszczuk and Evan Ott and Team Wady Joy and Mason Joy.

Water Balloon Toss winners were Chris Stahley and Garrett Ridenour.

Pie Easting Contest winners were: ages 5-8 years, Grady Abruzzese 1st and Meara McVearry 2nd; ages 9-12, Madison Flohr and Evan Ott; ages 13-16, Michael Larrivee 1st and Mady Crampton 2nd; ages 17 and older, Jerry Wilson 1st and Elizabeth Hoover 2nd.

Watermelon Eating Contest winners were: up to 4 years, Sophia Legare 1st and Avrey Stockman 2nd; ages 5-8 years, Jack Scarzello 1st and Satiago Canadas 2nd; ages 9-12, Madison Flohr 1st, ages 13-16, Jack McCarthy 1st and Matt Legare 2nd; ages 17 and older, Rose Samples 1st and Erin Oleszczuk 2nd.

Casting Contest winners were: up to 4 years, Avery Stockman; ages 5-8, Faith Cool; ages 9-12, Jacob Smith; ages 13-16, David Stockman; ages 17 and older, Dave Shields.



Top left clockwise: Jasmin Howard; Kickerdoodles vs. North Gate kickball; Tara O'Donnell and Elizabeth Buchheister; Christ's Community Church inflatable; watermelon eating contest; Carolyn Cornett, DVM, Keysville Mobile Vet display tent; Dave Wantz at egg toss.



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During the first of three rounds, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Corps' Fox Two was stationed at the National Emergency Training Center (NETC), located in Emmitsburg. Fox Two is one of six teams that make up the Atlantic Region's FEMA Corps Teams. Their team of nine members spent eight weeks inputting data and filing, in an effort to help the Admissions Staff at the NETC. Successfully, the team entered almost 10,000 applications and reached their goal of getting the department up-to-date on their incoming applications. As their first project round came to a close, they wanted to reach out to the community and thank them for graciously opening their doors to them. They thoroughly enjoyed this beautiful mountainside gem hidden away in Western Maryland.

The AmeriCorps National Civilian Community Corps (NCCC) and its FEMA Corps units engage 2,800 young Americans in a full-time, ten-month commitment to service each year. AmeriCorps NCCC members address critical needs related to natural and other disasters, infrastructure improvement, environmental stewardship and conservation, and urban and rural development; FEMA Corps members are solely dedicated to disaster preparedness, mitigation, response and recovery work. The programs are administered by the Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS). CNCS is the federal agency that engages more than five million Americans in service through its AmeriCorps, Senior Corps, Social Innovation Fund, and Volunteer Generation Fund programs, and leads President's national call to service initiative, United We Serve. For more information, visit [NationalService.gov](http://NationalService.gov).

In exchange for their service, Corps Members receive \$5,645 to help pay for college or to pay back existing student loans. Other benefits include a small living stipend, room and board, leadership development, increased self-confidence, and the knowledge that, through active citizenship, people can indeed make a difference. The Corporation improves lives, strengthens communities, and fosters civic engagement through service and volunteering.

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The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Corps' Fox Two Team.

## Thurmont Lions Club Presents Awards

At a recent meeting of the Thurmont Lions Club, several members received awards for outstanding service to the Club and the community. Lion Kim Grimm was presented with a Melvin Jones Fellowship. Being named a Melvin Jones Fellow is one of the highest honors a Lion can receive. Lion Kim joined the Club in 2009, and has served as Club secretary for three years. Lion Wendy Candela was named Lion of the Year for her dedication to service, especially as the adviser to the Catoctin High School LEO Club. Lion President Don Keeney also presented several Certificates of Appreciation. Lions who were recognized for their exceptional work were George Bolling, Joyce Anthony, Gayle DiSalvo, and Susan Favorite.

## 2014 Annual Kids Fishing Derby

The Sons of The American Legion Squadron 121 hosted their annual Kids Fishing Derby on Saturday, June 1, 2014, at Klein Pond along US #15.

Everyone had a good time on a beautiful day. This event was supported by a host of sponsors, including Hobb's Trucking; Harrington's Equipment; Mountain Liquors, Inc.; New Bill's Auto Body; AMVETS Post 7;



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## Local Man Graduates MSP Academy

Kevin P. Carter, Jr. graduated from Maryland State Police Academy on Friday, March 28, 2014. The twenty-two members of the 141st class were the first to graduate from the academy since it received national accreditation from the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies. Kevin is completing his field training at the Rockville Barrack, Montgomery County.



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Kevin is pictured with Anthony G. Brown, Lt. Governor of Maryland (left) and Colonel Marcus L. Brown, Superintendent of Maryland State Police (right).

Kevin is the son of Lori and Kevin Carter of Thurmont. He is a 2009 graduate of Catoctin High School and a 2013 graduate of Indiana University of Pennsylvania, with degrees in Criminology and Asian Studies.

## Catoctin High School Class of 1979 35th Reunion

On Friday, August 1, 2014, there will be a Social at Taverna 5450, located at 5450 Fairfield Road in Fairfield, Pennsylvania, at 7:00 p.m. If you plan to dine, please call ahead for a reservation prior to the event at 717-642-5887.

The Reunion will be on Saturday, August 2, 2014, at the Emmitsburg Ambulance Company, 17701 Creamery Road in Emmitsburg. Social Hour will be at 6:00 p.m.; Dinner at 7:00 p.m., three Entrée Buffet; BYOB; Mixers provided; music; door prizes. Cost is \$30.00 per person. If you have any questions, please call Denise Valentine at 301-447-6816 or e-mail Loretta Stouter at lssmickey@aol.com or Liz Stitely at stitree@aol.com. Please RSVP by July 18 (or call last minute if you must). Invites have been sent to current addresses on file; if you did not receive one please contact one of the classmate listed. They hope to see you there!

## Anne of Green Gables Comes to Thurmont in July

It's summertime and that means that the youth of Thurmont Thespians are working hard to bring to life one of the most beloved characters for generations, Anne Shirley in the classic story, *Anne of Green Gables* by Lucy Laud Montgomery. *Anne of Green Gables* is the story of a brother and sister, Matthew and Marilla Cuthbert (Daniel Flanick, Nate Kopit, Rachel Johnson, and Mallory Donaghue) who are getting on in years and look to adopt a young boy in hopes that he could help on their farm. Unknown to Matthew and Marilla, the orphan asylum made a mistake and sent them a girl instead. This girl happens to be a red headed, opinionated, very talkative, spunky girl named Anne Shirley (Annabelle Perry, Courtney Lake), who has the ability to imagine anything and everything. Marilla would say that Anne has a knack for making mistakes. But, she is pleased to tell Marilla, that she never makes the same mistake twice. As the story progresses, Anne is able to touch the heart of everyone in the town of Avonlea.

The Thurmont Thespians have assembled some of the most talented young people into two casts, who sing and dance to tell this delightful story. The audience will be captured with the first song and held through to the curtain call. Even if you have never read the books, you won't want to miss this spectacular musical!

Performances will be held at the Thurmont American Legion, located at 8 Park Lane in Thurmont. Show dates are July 17, 18, 19, 20, 24, 25, 26, and 27, 2014. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday shows are at 7:30 p.m.; Sunday matinee is at 2:00 p.m. Tickets are \$15.00 and may be purchased in advance by calling Becky Urian at 301-271-7613. *Anne of Green Gables* is made possible in part by a grant from the Maryland State Arts Council through the Frederick Arts Council.

The Thurmont Thespians Summer Youth Workshop was founded in 1998 by Beth Royer Watson.

Each year, a summer music theater workshop is presented to children and teens at no cost to the participants. Every child that auditions receives an on stage role and learns all aspects of theater, culminating in two weekends of performances. The Thurmont Thespians are generously supported by St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church of Thurmont, Maryland. For more information about the Thurmont Thespians, visit [www.thurmonthespians.org](http://www.thurmonthespians.org).

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Cast members of the Thurmont Thespian's summer musical *Anne of Green Gables* are (from left): (back row) Nate Kopit, Joshua Flanick, Daniel Flanick, Siglinda Lynons, and Elijah Miller; (fifth row) Emily Weller, Rachel Johnson, Veronica Smaldone, Evie Pecher, Mallory Donaghue, and Melissa Barrow; (fourth row) Sarah Getz, Elizabeth Buchheister, Annabelle Perry, Jordan Witt, and Armina Barrows; (third row) Erin Kopit, Tara O'Donnell, Adrianna Bussey, and Danelle Bare; (second row) Sarah Johnson, Medelyn Tatum, Samantha Grimes, and Addison Eyley; (front row) Morgan Blood, Daniel Puckett, Katelin C. Manning, and Kaitlyn Pinnell.



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## Firearm Safety

by Bob Warden

SAFETY, SAFETY, SAFETY... we have all heard those words in every aspect of our daily lives since we were old enough to crawl and get into things. The practice of being safe and doing things safely never ends, no matter how old we are, especially when it comes to firearms!

I grew up around guns and hunting and had safety rules drilled into me. Even before all of the course requirements we have today, my dad took me through a local hunting safety course when I was so small I could barely handle a gun. I continue to stress safety in my home today, as did my dad with me, no matter how tired my children (who are adults now) get from hearing it over and over. I never stop reminding: gun unloaded, safety on, etc. You need to make firearm safety automatic or second nature if you are going to use a firearm. You need to go through a check list in your head every time you handle a firearm. Look at the 10 Commandments of Firearm Safety at the end of this article.

Every household and everyone in the home who has a firearm should learn (take a class) and practice safety. I don't care if you have been around guns all of your life or your kids were brought up around guns, there is always something to learn about the safe handling of firearms. Trust me, I have been around the gun industry for over forty years, and I have seen supposedly safe hunters or shooters do some dumb things, mainly because they get in a hurry and think they know it all.

I never rely on another person to be safe, even if I know they are. When hunting or shooting—besides making sure I am safe—I watch the other people I am with to make sure they are safe. If not, I tell them. Never take safety for granted. If the person you are hunting with doesn't like it, find someone else to hunt or shoot with—it's not worth an accident.

As my dad always told me, once you pull the trigger, you cannot bring that bullet back. So, please practice firearm safety and take a course. I don't care if you have one gun or a hundred guns, there is always something to learn.

Make firearm safety a family event. Go to a safety course together, shoot together, join a local club together, have fun together. But, most of all, be SAFE TOGETHER.

The following are websites where you will find information and the laws for Maryland: Gun ranges and hunter safety classes at [www.dnr.state.md.us](http://www.dnr.state.md.us) (click on wildlife at

the top and click shooting ranges or hunters education under Quick Links at the right); the National Rifle Association at [www.training.nra.org](http://www.training.nra.org) (sign up early since some classes fill quickly). To see all of the requirements and laws in Maryland, visit [www.mdsp.org](http://www.mdsp.org) (click on organization, then licensing division, then firearms).

Though many of our area's sportsman clubs and ranges are membership clubs, they are a good investment to stay informed and shoot safely.

Here are some of our nearby clubs: Indian Lookout Conservation Club, Emmitsburg (301-447-2568); Thurmont Conservation and Sportsman's Club, Thurmont (301-898-9093, [www.tcandsc.org](http://www.tcandsc.org)); Blue Ridge Sportsman's Club, Fairfield, Pennsylvania (717-794-2695, [www.brsportsmens.com](http://www.brsportsmens.com)); South Mountain Rod and Gun Club, Smithsburg, Maryland (301-824-3570, [www.smrhc.com](http://www.smrhc.com)); Cresap Rifle Club, Frederick, Maryland (301-662-6669, [www.cresaprifclub.com](http://www.cresaprifclub.com)); Izaak Walton League of America, Frederick Chapter (240-629-2107, [www.FrederickIWLA.org](http://www.FrederickIWLA.org)).

The following are the 10 Commandments of Safe Gun Handling:

- 1 Always keep the muzzle pointed in a safe direction—*never* at a person.
- 2 Firearms should be unloaded when not actually in use.
- 3 Don't rely on your gun's "Safety" setting.
- 4 Be sure of your target and what's beyond it.
- 5 Always use correct ammunition.
- 6 If your gun fails to fire when the trigger is pulled, handle with care.
- 7 Always wear eye and ear protection when shooting.
- 8 Be sure the barrel is clear of obstructions before shooting.
- 9 Don't alter or modify your gun, and have it serviced regularly.
- 10 Learn the mechanical and handling characteristics of the firearm you are using.

## Thurmont Lions Club Donates to Organizations

The Thurmont Lions Club distributed a whopping \$14,350 to local community and vision/health-related organizations during the annual Community Night Celebration.

Special thanks to all the Thurmont Lions Club members who worked hard all year raising these funds, as well as to everyone in the community who attended their events and supported their fundraisers.

The organizations which received donations were: Thurmont Food Bank, Thurmont Senior Center, Thurmont Ambulance Company, Thurmont Regional Library, Thurmont Scouting, Thurmont Thespians, Thurmont LEO Clubs, Catoctin Community Medical Fund, Guardian Hose Company, Project Hope, Camp Jamie, Seton Center, St. Catherine's Nursing Center, Catoctin Future Farmers of America, Thurmont's Mural Project, Make A Difference in Thurmont Fund, Guiding Eyes for the Blind, Lions Saving Kids Sight, Maryland Parents of Blind Children, Frederick County 4-H Therapeutic Riding Program, Community Foundation of Frederick County, Hearing Loss Association of America/Frederick Chapter, and Lions District 22-W Diabetes and Hearing/Speech Committees.

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## CHS Junior Varsity Lacrosse — Growing and Learning Together

by Ashley McGlaughlin

In 2013, the Catoctin Youth Association (CYA) U15 lacrosse team completed their 2013 season and claimed their title as division champions in the Western Maryland Youth Lacrosse Conference Festival on May 18, 2013, at Heritage Farm Park.

Most of these young men moved up and continued to play lacrosse for the Junior Varsity team at Catoctin High School (CHS), completing their 2014 season with a record of 9-3.

CHS Junior Varsity finished their season with a remarkable record:

winning nine games and only losing three. Families and friends would gather at each game to watch them play as one, and the head coach witnessed improvement in each individual player as the season progressed. "The players are very talented individuals. I'm looking forward to seeing these players next season and to see how much they have improved since last season," said Head Coach of Junior Varsity Lacrosse, Jeffrey Entwistle.

Most of these players have grown up together, having played lacrosse

since they were very young. "All of our skills mesh together to make a positive result," said Team Captain Andrew Douwes.

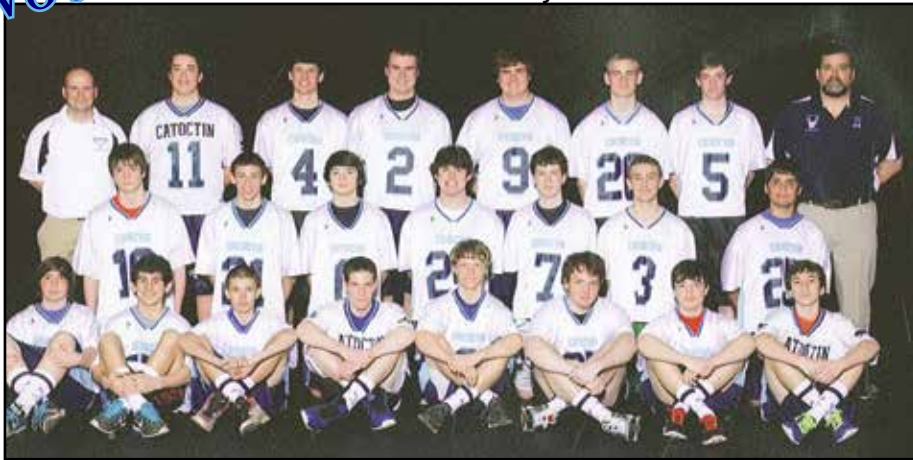
At the end of every game, win or lose, they stayed positive. This sportsmanship gained them the respect of other teams. Junior Varsity goalie, Keith Dorsey, especially aided in their wins with his goalie skills. He completed the season in the top five Junior Varsity goalie record in the county for his goals saved.

Some of the other teammates were first-time lacrosse players, so

they taught each other, and learned from every mistake. "Next season will be different since some of us will be advancing to Varsity. Even though we have been playing together since the fifth grade, I think it's going to be interesting to see how we perform at different skill levels," said Team Captain Adam Fields.

At the end of the season, every player was satisfied with what they had accomplished. Next year, they wish to break their record and continue to play as one family. Good luck for next season Cougars!

### Now 2014 CHS Junior Varsity Lacrosse Team

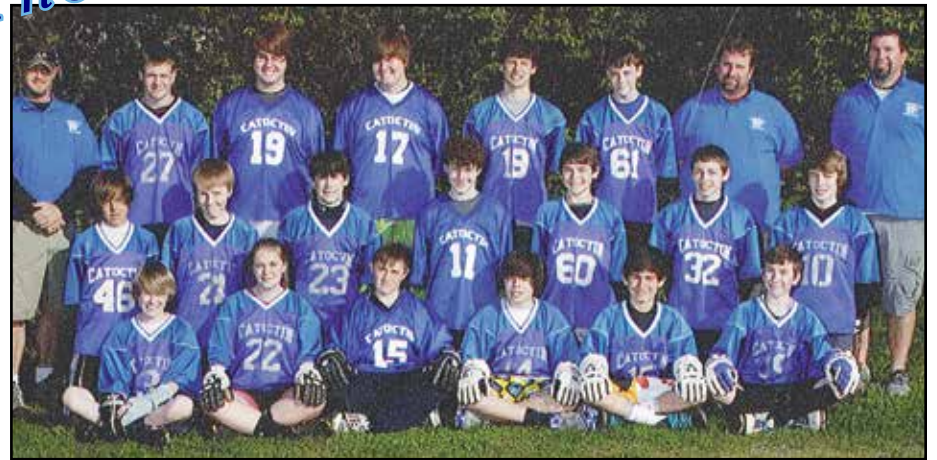


Head Coach, Jeffrey Entwistle; Assistant, Dave Kirkland

Players (from left): Adam Fields, Bradly Reaver, Nathan Little, Nicholas Little, Sidney Beavin, Seth Gillis, Douglas Brush, Ian Swanson, Devin Stafford, Lachlan Ford, John McCarthy, Wesley Leprevost, Tyler Wilhelm, Keith Dorsey, Brandon Benitez, Reece Jochim, Tyler Dempsey, Andrew Douwes, Micah Linch, Jacob Biehl, and Gavin Greco.

### Then

### 2013 CYA U15 Lacrosse Team



Head Coach, Shannon Knighton, Pete Greco, and Keith Dorsey.

Players (from left): Douglas Brush, Nathan Little, Nicholas Little, Bradley Reaver, Ryan Weaver, Gavin Palmer, Jaik Hakkarinen, Jarryd Rosenberry, John McCarthy, Devin Stafford, Ian Swanson, Spencer Weaver, Brendan Bozick, Ashley McGlaughlin, Keith Dorsey, Jacob Biehl, Brandon Benitez, and Gavin Greco.

## Congratulations Maryland Storm

The Maryland Storm Youth Baseball team took second place in the Walk the Plank Tournament, held May 23-26, 2014, in Olney, Maryland. The team placed second out of twenty-seven teams in the 11U Silver Division. Their tournament record for the weekend was 5-1. Their parents and coaches are extremely proud of how well they played.

Courtesy Photo



Pictured from left are: (back row) Coaches: Rolando Proctor, Bryan Devilbiss, John Malachowski, and Rick Oleszczuk; (middle row) Brent Hamilton, Evan Ott, Logan Harrington, Sean Mazaleski, Rolando Proctor, Noah Oleszczuk, Johnny Hoffman, and Garrett Malachowski; (front row) Colten Devilbiss, Nate Roberts, and RJ Rizzo.

## CATS LAX Adults and High School Players

Sign up to participate in lacrosse pick-up games this summer on Sundays starting July 13 until August 31 between 1:00 and 4:00 p.m. on Eyler Field in Thurmont. \$20 registration fee includes pinnie, plus \$10 per Sunday, pay as you play. Open to adults and high school division players. Contact Julia Moorner through email at themoorerclan@comcast.net.



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## CYA Lacrosse Finishes Successful 2014 Season

Catoctin Youth Association (CYA) Lacrosse just finished another great season! All teams played in the Western Maryland Youth Lacrosse Conference Tournament on May 31 and June 1, 2014.

The CYA Lacrosse league has grown significantly over the past several years, and is continuing to grow. CYA Lacrosse is open to all children from Kindergarten through 8th grade.

Visit their website at <http://www.leaguelineup.com/welcome.asp?url=catlax>. Any questions, please email [CYALacrosse@gmail.com](mailto:CYALacrosse@gmail.com).

*Photos Courtesy of Lifetouch Photography*



*(above)*

### 2014 Catoctin Youth Association Lacrosse U15 Team

Ethan Fuss, Joshua Small, RJ Monaghan, Dennis Pittinger, Joe Cochran, Hunter Grimes, Colin Webb, Will Bingman, Khy McElmurry, Sam Staley, Zachary Bryant, Nathan Rednowers, Grant Moser, Ryan Weaver, Gavin Palmer, Jarryd Rosenberry, Kyle Gasior, Brendan Bozick, Chris Beard, and James Kempisty. Coaches: Shannon Knighton, Pete Greco, Bryan Smith, and Zack Rockwood.



*(left)*

### 2014 Catoctin Youth Association Lacrosse U13B Team

Claudia Cruey, Matthew Baker, Max Bingman, Mac Moorer, Catherine Moorer, Brady Hallman, Connor Kock, Matt Hammond, Garrett Fraley, Mitchell Tester, Olivia Dart, Dalton Wine, Devin Wine, Aaron Marsee, Dalton Wetzel, and Anthony Treganowan. Coaches: Tom Moorer, Earl Rockwood, Brandon Humerick, and Nick Tester.



*(right)*

### 2014 Catoctin Youth Association Lacrosse U13A Team

Carson Sickeri, Corday Williams, Quinn Alley, Ethan Pawlus, Mike Dougherty, Ethan Burdette, Mason Shank, Bryant Palmer, Josh Maze, Eli Frei, Jacob Baker, Keegan Coolidge, RJ Mellor, Grant Keyser, and Chase Wilhelm. Coaches: Dave Maze, Sarah Palmer, and Bob Mellor.



*(left)*

### 2014 Catoctin Youth Association Lacrosse U9 Team

Grayson Benedict, Leland Greco, Carter Loher, Vince Reaver III, Luke Knighton, Charles Dougherty, Cian McFarland, Wyatt Milborne, Shane Milborne, Jameson Doll, Bryan Baker, Blaine Lenhart, Noah Delcid, and Owen Burdette. Coaches: Chris Doll, Ryan Loher, Vince Reaver, and Steve Howard.



## Maryland Express 14U Girls Fastpitch Softball Team Captures USSSA State Title



The Maryland Express 14U Girls Fastpitch Softball Team competed in the USSSA State Tournament on June 20-22, 2014. The team went 5 and 0, beating Anne Arundel Heat, Maryland Chill, Olney Black Cougars, and the Heartbreakers twice on their road to the championship. They scored 32 runs and allowed only 10 runs during the tournament. Ashley Mayton was the winning pitcher for all five games. Members of the Championship Team are: Taylor Beckley, Natalie Holmes, Lily Kapfhammer, Madelyn Krantz, Ashley Mayton, Abbey McMaster, Abigayle Perry, Jordan Pryor, Ashley Roberts, Olivia Stah, and Paige Tolbard. Head Coach is Tracie Lehman and Assistant Coaches are Jason Watts, Craig Beckley, and Jimmy Pryor.

## CYA Football and Cheerleading

Online Registration for Catoclin Football and Cheerleading is open. Visit their website at [Catoclinfootball.net](http://Catoclinfootball.net).

## Emmitsburg Baseball & Softball Holds Annual Picnic

Courtesy Photo



Pictured left to right are: Coach Davie Wantz, Dylan Click (photo dubbed in), Alex Wivell, Colton Devilbiss, Brett Weatherly, Issiah Wivell, Tristan Grimes, Hayden Spalding (photo dubbed in), Jack Malachowski, Cody Stahley, Timmy Wetzel, Stevie Wantz, Nick Reaver, and Coach TJ Eiker.

The Emmitsburg Baseball & Softball League held their annual picnic on Saturday, June 14, 2014, in the Emmitsburg Memorial Park. Members enjoyed camaraderie and the 2013 12U Cal Ripken State Champions were recognized.

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## Anytime Fitness Celebrates Five-Year Anniversary with a Referral Contest

In honor of Anytime Fitness Thurmont's 5th Anniversary in May 2014, the club held a member referral contest, with prizes ranging from a free month membership to a lifetime free membership, plus cash prizes up to \$500!

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Pictured from left are prize winners Erica Armendariz, Janie Johnson, Steve Horman, Bill Long, and Club Manager Jason Blough.

## Summer Classic Champs

The Emmitsburg 12U AllStar team placed 1st in the New Oxford Summer Kickoff Classic the weekend of June 21-22, 2014. The boys had a perfect tournament with a record of 5-0. Congratulations Emmitsburg!

*Courtesy Photo*



Pictured from left are: (front row) Johnny Glass, Mason Joy, Alex Wivell, Bub Wivell, and Colten Devilbiss; (second row) Noah Oleszczuk, Dylan Click, Jordan Garner, Logan Harrington, Garrett Malachowski, Evan Ott, and Sean Mazaleski; (back row) Manager Dave Wantz, Coaches Jimmy Click and John Malachowski.

## Catoctin-Ettes Give Free Baton Twirling Classes

The Catoctin-Ettes, Inc., a local, non-profit youth organization, is hosting a FREE, four-week baton twirling course for the beginner twirler!

Classes meet on four consecutive Mondays (began on Monday, June 23, 2014) at the Emmitsburg Community Center Gym, from 10:00-10:45 a.m. Classes are geared for students five years to teen years. Batons are loaned free of charge for class time.

This is a great opportunity to determine your child's interest for twirling with no commitments and no financial outlay whatsoever! If enough interest is shown, they will begin a second session. To register, please email Donna Landsperger at DONITO@aol.com or call 240-405-2604.



## fitness matters

*Expert Answers to Your Health and Wellness Questions*

*by George Puvel, Anytime Fitness Owner*

**Question:** My weeks are extremely busy and it's tough enough to find time to exercise. Now, I'm learning that I need to strength train in addition to my cardio. I don't always have time to do this separately. Is there a way to mix cardio into my strength training routine to maximize my exercise time?

**Answer:** The easiest way to mix cardio and strength is to alternate the two disciplines in short segments. Perform two strength exercises and immediately get on your favorite cardio machine for 3-5 minutes. You can also shorten up the time spent between your strength exercises and move quickly to the next exercise to keep your heart rate elevated. This will provide a cardio challenge without having to find additional time to jump on cardio equipment. Keep track of your current rest between sets and slowly begin to decrease the rest time to 30 seconds.

**Question:** I have heard that adding omegas to your diet is important. Can you please explain the difference between omega-3, omega-6, and omega-9 fatty acids and what foods they can be found in?

**Answer:** Omega-3, Alpha-Linolenic Acid, is an essential fatty acid that plays an important role in brain function. Omega-3 can be found in fatty fish like salmon and tuna, and is naturally found in Brazil nuts, pumpkin seeds, flaxseeds, or flaxseed oil. Omega-6, Linoleic Acid, is also an essential fatty acid and can be found in seeds, nuts, and green leafy vegetables like broccoli and kale. Omega-9, Monounsaturated Oleic and Stearic Acid, is a non-essential fatty acid. This fatty acid plays a role in supporting a healthy and balanced cholesterol level, as well as improving immune function. Omega-9 is found in avocados, macadamia nuts, pecans, almonds, and olive oil.

*About the author: George Puvel is the Club Owner. To submit a question for future articles, please contact the author at [ThurmontMD@anytimefitness.com](mailto:ThurmontMD@anytimefitness.com).*



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# SCHOOL news

## Bueso Named School Counselor of the Year

The Frederick County Association of Counseling and Development has named Thurmont Middle School counselor and department chair, Sherry Bueso, School Counselor of the 2013-2014 School Year.

"Sherry is the foundation of our counseling department at Thurmont Middle School," says Principal Jennifer Powell.

Having worked as Thurmont Middle school counselor for twenty-two years, Ms. Bueso has developed several highly effective programs. She has coordinated the Young Women Leadership Program, which pairs eighth grade girls with a big sister from Mount St. Mary's University. The students and their mentors meet weekly to improve student self-esteem, discuss relevant issues facing teens today, and learn leadership skills.

Ms. Bueso also initiated an outstandingly successful program called "Life After Middle School." It involves parents of eighth graders in an evening of presentations about the expectations and decisions their children will face throughout high school. The program was such a success at Thurmont Middle School that FCPS expanded it throughout the county and presents it in conjunction with Frederick Community College.

Eighth grader Ally Davis shares her appreciation: "I know I can depend on Mrs. Bueso. She is a caring, understanding person."



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Pictured from left are Thurmont Middle School Principal, Jennifer Powell, and 2013-14 School Counselor of the Year, Sherry Bueso.

## Koepke Wins Prestigious Award

The 2014 Giant Food-Sophie Altman Coach of the Year trophy was awarded to John Koepke, the *It's Academic* Coach at Catoctin High School.

Each year, eighty-one of the best scholastic teams in the Baltimore area compete on *It's Academic*, shown each week on WJZ, Channel 13. For thirty-three years, Mr. Koepke has worked with his students, inspiring them to compete on the highest level.

*It's Academic* is proud to recognize John Koepke's dedication, his enthusiasm, and his contribution to education. *It's Academic* is recognized by the Guinness Book of Records as the longest-running quiz show in the world.

## Volunteer Recognition at SES

On June 9, 2014, volunteers were recognized at Sabillasville Elementary School (SES). Place mats made by each of the classes were given to the volunteers, along with a potted plant.

During the 2013-2014 school year, there were fifty-two registered volunteers who donated 1,283 hours to the school.

Those honored with more than 500 hours during their tenure were Angie Hahn, Joan Fry, and April Sharpe.

A light brunch was served and everyone enjoyed socializing with the Principal and Teachers.

## 2015 Catoctin High School Safe & Sane

The 2015 Catoctin Safe & Sane Graduation Committee will hold a meeting of interested parents of the Class of 2015, Wednesday, July 2, at 7:00 p.m. at Rocky's Pizza in Thurmont. Any and all interested parents of the Class of 2015 are invited to attend the meeting. There are many activities planned and committee chairpersons are needed to make these events a success for our seniors. For more information contact Cheryl Phelan at Bochph@aol.com. Upcoming events and meeting minutes can be seen on the website at <http://catoctinsafeandsane.com> or visit our Facebook page -- Catoctin High Safe & Sane Class of 2015.

The 2015 Catoctin Safe and Sane Graduation Committee is hosting the Fish Bowl game booth at the Thurmont Carnival during the week of July 7-12, from 6:00-10:30 or 11:00 p.m. Parents are needed to work the booth. Please contact Bochph@aol.com if you are available to help. The contribution of your time will make the first fundraiser of the 2015 graduation year a success for your student.

## Mother Seton School Students Demonstrate Perseverance

The following Mother Seton School students were recognized for exemplifying the Christian Character Trait of Perseverance: Blake Eury, Mason Hewitt, Jack Kaufhold, Khan Pham (Pre-K); Grace Hewitt, Benedict Hochschild, Kyle Kauffman, Anthony Rosato (K); Elena Crutchfield (Grade 1); Timothy McCarthy, Clytie Pavlovic (Grade 2); Annika Guenther (Grade 3); Frederick Bolch, Taylor Reisinger (Grade 4); Natalie Bosche, Sean Mazaleski (Grade 5); Ana Hand, Kirstyn Bockelmann (Grade 6); Adrianna Bussey, Gareth Moxley (Grade 7); Kimberlee Ahlers, Camille DeSanto (Grade 8).

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Students recognized for exemplifying Christian Character Trait of Perseverance (from left): (front row) Blake Eury, Jack Kaufhold, Khan Pham, and Mason Hewitt; (second row) Elena Crutchfield, Kyle Kauffman, Anthony Rosato, Benedict Hochschild, Grace Hewitt, Timothy McCarthy, and Clytie Pavlovic; (third row) Sean Mazaleski, Frederick Bolch, Gareth Moxley, and Natalie Bosche; (back row) Ana Hand, Kirstyn Bockelmann, Camille DeSanto, Kimberlee Ahlers, and Adrianna Bussey.



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## A Time to Reflect

by Nicki Milbourne and Megan Millison

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2014-2015 Chapter Officers from left are: (back row) Dusty Hahn, Stephanie Kennedy, Kayleigh Best, and Johnny Kempisty; (front row) Kayla Umbel, Nicki Milbourne, Hannah Barth, and Megan Millison.

The 2014 Catoctin FFA Parent/Member Banquet was held at Catoctin High School on May 15, 2014. The Banquet was called to order by President Lauren Schur. The evening began with dinner catered by Mountain Gate Restaurant. After dinner, everyone gathered in the auditorium to begin the awards ceremony.

There were many awards, degrees, and scholarships presented during the ceremony. The Scholastic Achievement award, which goes to the member with the highest GPA, was awarded to Aislinn Latham. Four members received their Greenhand Degree and ten members received their Chapter Degree. This year two students were awarded the Star Greenhand Award. This award is given to first-year members who went above and beyond standard expectations within the chapter. This year it was awarded to Jonathan Hubbard and Maybelin Cruz.

The 2014 Star chapter award was presented to Ashley McAfee. Three students were recognized for their outstanding SAE projects. Lauren Schur was awarded the Star in agribusiness, Jacob Shriver was awarded the Star in Ag-placement, and Ashley McAfee was awarded the Star farmer. Cathy Little and Brian Hendrickson were installed as Honorary Members. Kelly Kirby, Denise Shriver, and Avery Tucker were presented with the Advisor Appreciation Award. Ashley McAfee was presented the 2014 Dekalb Award. Cody Harmon

was honored as outstanding Ag mechanics student. Hannah Barth was recognized as the outstanding horticulture student. Norman and Sandy Shriver were recognized for all of their help and support of the annual butchering. Ten FFA members also received an FFA jacket from the help of ten jacket sponsors. Nine senior FFA members earned an FFA cord to be worn at graduation this year. Ashley Ridenour was presented as the Thurmont Grange unsung hero, while Hannah Barth was honored as the Community Show unsung hero. Jacob Shriver was honored as the Farm Bureau Unsung Hero. FFA members also received a certificate listing all of the activities they participated in throughout the past year. Six members were awarded scholarships from numerous sponsors. Jonathan Hubbard was the top sales person for the meatstick, spring citrus and nut, and fall citrus fundraisers. Matthew Lenhart earned the award for top butchering sales person. Wyatt Farmer and Nicki Milbourne were recognized for their proficiency applications. Justin McAfee was recognized for receiving his \$1,000 SAE grant.

The evening wrapped up with the installation of the 2014-2015 chapter officers. The new officers include: President — Nicki Milbourne, Vice-President — Hannah Barth, Secretary — Megan Millison, Treasurer — Kayla Umbel, Reporter — Johnny Kempisty, Sentinel — Dustin Hahn, Historian — Stephanie Kennedy, and Junior Advisor — Kayleigh Best.

## Local Students Recognized as 2014-2015 Local Frederick County Dairy Maids at Celebration in May

The 2014 Frederick County Dairy Princess Celebration was held on May 18, 2014, at the Woodsboro Volunteer Meeting Hall in Woodsboro, Maryland. Along with the recognition of the 2014-15 Frederick County Dairy Princess was also the recognition of the Frederick County Dairy Maids, consisting of four students from the Catoctin community.

Kayla Umbel, the daughter of Chad and Sandy Umbel of Emmitsburg, attends Catoctin High School. Kayla served as a Dairy Maid, appearing at numerous dairy promotions and participating in Ag Week at the Mall. Kayla is a member of the Frederick County Junior Dairy Club and the Holstein Association. She received awards for her record books, and her animals were nominated Junior All-American. Kayla is a member of the Catoctin FFA Chapter and participates in many FFA activities. She is president of her 4-H Club and an Honor Roll student.

Elizabeth Bisbee, the daughter of Judy and Jamison Bisbee, Sr., attends Catoctin High School. She is a member of the Tom's Creek 4-H Club, Maryland Brown Swiss Association and Beef, Sheep & Swine Club. Elizabeth participated in the swine workshop and received many awards in the 4-H dairy judging and dairy bowl programs. She participates at the Sabillasville Elementary School math club and helps at the soup kitchen.

Kaylee Smith, the daughter of Robin Smith of Thurmont, attends Catoctin High School. She is a member of the Lewistown 4-H Club and Catoctin FFA Chapter. She has given a 4-H demonstration at her local 4-H club on how milk is made and shipped to stores and has also participated at the Tractor Supply petting zoo. Kaylee enjoys showing dairy animals and participating in activities which the FFA and 4-H Club sponsors. She also enjoys horseback riding.

Tiffany Lenhart, the daughter of Tina and Jerry Lenhart, attends Thurmont Middle School. She is a member of the Lewistown 4-H Club and the Ayrshire Association. She has given a demonstration in her 4-H Club on how to show a cow. She has been on the Honor Roll at school and also has had perfect attendance. She will be participating in volleyball and cheerleading in the fall.



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## the health jeanne

by Jeanne Angleberger, Shaklee Associate for a Healthier Life

Summer is here! I hope everyone is looking forward to the best season of the year! I'd like to share a few tips to help keep your summer fun and safe.

Stay hydrated. Always keep a refillable water bottle nearby or a vitamin water product.

Picnics are definitely a favorite of yours truly. Be sure to keep cold foods chilled and not exposed to the heat.

Summer snacking is a great time to encourage healthy eating vs. caloric snacks. They can be both nutritious and delicious. Fruits in season make tasty, nutritious snacks. Watermelon is a good source of fiber, vitamin C, and vitamin A. Blueberries contain fiber, vitamin A, vitamin C, and antioxidants. Peaches are another good source of fiber and vitamin C.

Making sun tea is a summertime fun activity. Fill a clear pint jar with water and a tea bag. Set in the sun. The sun's power makes tea for you. Add ice, some lemon, or mint. Refreshing!

Remember to always apply sunscreen to protect your skin. Look for products with UVA and UVB protection. Sunscreen needs to be applied before and after swimming on sunny or cloudy days. Skin protection is extremely important.

You may need to apply insect repellent to repel insects and mosquitoes. Being prepared may prevent being bitten by these flying insects.

Hopefully, these tips will be a reminder to have a safe and fun summer. Enjoy the nutritious fruits and vegetables in season; they are delicious! Find them at one of your local orchards.

## Tyrian Masonic Lodge 205 Awards Scholarships

Tyrian Masonic Lodge #205 recently presented scholarships to four deserving students from the Emmitsburg area, in conjunction with the Annual Strawberry Night, held at Elias Lutheran Church. Tyrian Lodge presented scholarships totaling \$2,000. Applications are accepted every year from area students by the Lodge and are selected by a committee based on the written statement from the applicant and grades maintained. Contact any Lodge member for more information.

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Pictured from left are Allie Haight, Haley Owens, Stacie Baust, and Alyssa Imes (recipients); Ernie Gelwicks WM, Tyrian Lodge #205.

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## Pioneer and Covered Wagon Fest

May 24-25, 2014, were the dates for history in Thurmont at the Pioneer and Covered Wagon Fest. It was like being in the movies with the real action of trains, robbers, cowboys shouting, covered wagons pulled by mules, and horses. The Maryland State covered wagon had traveled from Texas, pulled by mules. Many other types of wagons were on the move while a real western town came alive with action. A real chuck wagon was used by Larry Livingston for cooking beef, pork, ham, and bean soup, made and cooked. He cooked just like on the range in the 1800s. Many others from across neighboring states put up their tents and actually camped with their camp fires glowing. At 11:00 a.m., the action began with the National Anthem sung by talented singer, Addison Eyler, of Thurmont.

Free food was served, while cowboys—also known as the Regulators of the wild west—came out of nowhere, shooting their way out of trouble. Real masked cowboys were shooting balloons filled with water and using members of the crowd in the making. Whips were used to stop other cowboys from the law. Mr. Jim Saylor, owner



of the Maryland State covered wagon, shared some of his many stories about the thousands of miles and months he spent on the prairie. He then took questions and demonstrated on how to repair and take a wheel off the wagon. Mr. Gerald Schulze and his grandson, Haydon Lamb, camped both nights and helped to set up the campsite. He and his grandson dressed as, "Buckskinners and moved around by pack horses," said event coordinator, Joe Eyler. Mr. Orville Baker, Jr. came with his horse and buggy. Mr. Frank Fleming also attended with his team of mules from Mt. Airy, Maryland.

A very large birthday cake was made and decorated by Betty Mumma and George Anzelone for the 98th birthday of Beulah Zentz of Thurmont. Music by Don Shorb and Friends of Emmitsburg followed. Among those attending were Mayor John Kinnaird and our Sheriff, Chuck Jenkins of Frederick County. Thurmont's first King & Queen Raymond and Rosie Bentz. Many passing by stopped in from New York, Virginia, and Pennsylvania. If you would like to make suggestions or join the Pioneer and Covered Wagon Fest, please call 301-271-2023. The dates are July 17-18, 2015; plans are in the making now.

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# looking back

## The Legend of Catoctin Furnace, Part 1

by James Rada, Jr.

*Editor's Note: This is the first of three articles on the history and legends of Catoctin Furnace.*

"When the legend becomes fact, print the legend."

That's what the newspaper editor tells James Stewart's character in *The Man Who Shot Liberty Valence*. It's also what has happened to the story of Catoctin Furnace over the centuries.

For more than 125 years, Isabella, Deborah, and an unnamed stack—the three furnaces of Catoctin Furnace—produced hundreds of tons of pig iron annually that helped build the United States before there was a United States.

The furnace's real history is illustrative of industry in America. It even has its brush with fame since one of the early partners in the venture was Thomas Johnson, the first governor of Maryland. In later years, it has had U.S. Presidents, beginning with Herbert Hoover, camp or stay nearby.

That's a proud history, a fine history, but the legends...The legends lift the Catoctin Furnace from one of many iron-smelting furnaces in early Maryland to a linchpin of American history.

Some believe iron from Catoctin Furnace defended America with cannonballs for the Continental Army, furthered American ingenuity with parts for James Rumsey's steamboat engine, and changed naval warfare with the iron plates that protected the U.S.S. Monitor during the Civil War.

The truth, however, is somewhat different.

Despite a failed furnace on the west side of the Catoctin Mountains, the area south of Thurmont was a natural site for an iron furnace. The furnace in Washington County failed, because the ore was not good quality. That wasn't the case with the Catoctin Furnace operation. The iron ore for the furnaces came from three sites on the property. Two ore banks were located behind the furnace. The third site was a mile north and the largest of the three, measuring 800 feet by 2,000 feet.

When the ore was mined—first by hand and later by steam shovels—the iron ore was mixed with clay. It took seven tons of clay to produce one ton of ore. That one ton of iron was a good grade, though. It was forty percent hydrous ferric oxide, limonite.

Not only was the iron ore good quality, but all of the needed materials to turn that ore into pig iron were also there. The Catoctin Mountains provided the needed timber for charcoal and basins for stream systems. Charcoal provided the heat for the whole process. Estimates are that the blast furnace used 800 bushels of charcoal a day. This required 5,000 to 6,000 cords of wood each year or an acre of 20- to 25-year-old hardwood each day. Water was used to wash the clay from the ore and drive the water wheel, which operated the furnace bellows. Limestone from nearby quarries was added to the ore to serve as a flux to remove impurities.

With an abundance of needed resources, it was only a matter of

time before someone discovered all the ingredients for a successful mining operation. That someone was the Johnson Brothers and the year was 1774.

The land containing Catoctin Furnace was part of a 7,715-acre "Mountain Tract" obtained by Leonard Calvert and Thomas Johnson in 1768. However, in 1774, Calvert transferred his interest to Thomas' other brothers, James, Baker, and Roger, and the brothers formed James Johnson and Company with the intention on building an iron-smelting operation.

"Catoctin furnace, situated about twelve miles northwest of Fredericktown, and within a mile of the present furnacestack, 'was built in the year 1774, by James Johnson and Company and was carried on successfully until the year 1787'; in which year, the same company erected the present furnace 'about three-fourth of a mile further up Little Hunting Creek, and nearer the ore banks,'" J.H. Alexander wrote in his 1840 *Report on the Manufacture of Iron Addressed to the Governor of Maryland*.

This makes the first furnace at Catoctin Furnace the 16th in Maryland. It was 32 feet high and surrounded by other needed

equipment and machinery, such as a waterwheel, mill pond and races, a coal house to store charcoal, the bridge and bridge house to charge the stack, and a cast house. "The furnace operation also needed homes for its workmen, a store to supply their needs, barns and stables for the furnace stock, and a home for the ironmaster and his family. The 28 ft. by 36 ft. stone Manor House is believed to have been built at this time," former Park Superintendent Frank Mentzer wrote in a series of articles about the history of Catoctin Furnace in the *Frederick News*.

This also became the beginnings of the community of Catoctin Furnace. The various jobs associated with running the furnace required men to do them. Miners dug the iron from the ground. Lumberers felled the trees and colliers prepared the charcoal from them. Fillers charged the furnace. Founders smelted the iron and cast it. And all of these people made their homes near the furnace.

The coal-fueled furnace went operational in the fall of 1775, in the midst of the Revolutionary War, which set the scene for the beginnings of the legends of Catoctin Furnace.

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by Valerie Nusbaum

## Getting Out

By the time you read this, summer will officially be upon us. With summer comes mowing, weeding, trimming, and pruning. There are barbecues, cookouts, picnics, and get-togethers. Summer brings bugs and snakes, heat and humidity, carnivals and amusement parks, and more inappropriately dressed people than I can count. Summer also means vacations.

Randy and I haven't had a real vacation in a long time. We planned to take a trip in the early spring, but we didn't have an early spring. All that snow and bad weather, along with his travel schedule for work, prevented us from using our frequent flyer miles. Since we didn't make it out west in March or April, we thought we'd take a long weekend at Ocean City in late April or May. With birthdays and Easter and my brother's visit, the beach trip didn't happen either. I'm really not complaining. Honest. I like to be home. It's my favorite place, but sometimes I do feel the need for a break from all the problems and worries.

Since we can't seem to actually leave home for overnight, Randy and

I have decided to take some day trips and go to some local events to shake things up a bit.

Back in May, we went to the Cole Brothers Circus at the Frederick Fairgrounds. We both love the circus, although I am still deathly afraid of clowns. I find them creepy, and I want them to stay away from me. I love the aerial acts. The aerial artists that we watched all made it safely back to the ground, but it was only a few days after our trip to the circus that we heard about the tragedy at Ringling Brothers, where eight performers were seriously injured. Some of my friends smugly told me that they'd NEVER support the circus, because the trainers are cruel to the animals and it's just wrong to cage them like that. I didn't notice any particular cruelty. There were a lot of treats handed out to the dogs and tigers, and there was a guy running around behind the elephants and carrying a huge trash can. I know no one has ever picked up after me like that.

Randy is a baseball fan, so a few weeks after the circus, we went to a Frederick Keys game at Harry Grove

Stadium. It was a beautiful Saturday evening and the Keys won the game. I don't remember who the opposing team was, but the important thing is the Keys won. We went out to dinner before the game, ate a huge bag of kettle corn at the stadium, and stayed for fireworks afterwards. The fireworks were delayed because all the kids under age twelve were allowed to run the bases. There must have been a thousand kids of all ages there, and it was a lot like herding cats. I saw quite a few parents running around, too. No one listened to the announcer's pleas to "Form a line," "Stay off the grass," and "Don't climb on top of the dugout." Randy wistfully watched the whole thing from his seat, because he is an adult and was, therefore, not invited to run the bases. Some of my friends shook their heads and explained how fireworks can pollute the air, and how team sports encourage competitiveness and envy and feed feelings of inadequacy in children. Funny, the kids stomping willy-nilly on the grass and climbing all over the dugouts seemed to be feeling fine.

Another recent outing was a Saturday night at Charles Town Races and Hollywood Casino. We enjoyed an evening of gluttony and debauchery (Randy's words) and had a good old time. Each of us lost around \$5.00 in the slot machines. We

ate a buffet of crab legs and shrimp. Randy sampled his first crepe and said it won't be his last. I had five desserts. Yes, I counted. We watched the Belmont Stakes on a closed circuit TV at our table, and then watched the regular races at Charles Town, both on the TV and on the track right in front of our table, which was in the Skyline Terrace restaurant. Some friends thought maybe we shouldn't have gambled. Some others explained how buffets are the ruination of mankind. I am seriously considering getting some new friends.

Randy and I still hope to make it to Ocean City before winter sets in, and with any luck, we'll be able to use our flyer miles and go somewhere we haven't been before. I'll probably tell my friends about it. In this day and age of political correctness and instant response to every social media posting, I understand that people feel they have the right to weigh in on any comment that's made. I just hope my friends understand that we all do things and say things that others find offensive, whatever the reason. Don't judge me and I won't judge you. The only person I'm allowed to judge is my husband—and Bill Blakeslee. One of them has dimpled knees.

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## Meet A One-Winged Hawk

Photo by James Rada, Jr.



The red-shouldered hawk at Cunningham Falls Aviary.

When Alisha Norris with the Maryland Department of Natural Resources exits the mew (the bird's own enclosure) of the red-shouldered hawk, it is sitting on her gloved hand. It spreads its wings and you expect to see those feathered wings stretch out five of six feet. However, the spread is only about half that, because the hawk only has one wing.

"The majority of hawks like this one are injured in accidents with automobiles," Norris said.

Litter on the sides of the roads attracts rodents, which are an attractive prey for hawks. They sit high in trees on the side of the road, watching for their prey.

"They are so focused on their prey that they don't see cars coming when they swoop down," Norris said.

The resulting collision can kill the birds of prey or severely injure them, like the one at the Cunningham Falls State Park Aviary. The aviary not only houses the thirteen birds of prey in the park's Scales and Tales program, but also five snakes and assorted turtles and tortoises.

"Scales and Tales is a tool we use to educate the public about wildlife management concerns and different initiatives," Norris said. "We are not about wildlife rehabilitation."

The Scales and Tales program allows visitors to get close to native Maryland wildlife without either the animal or visitor being put in danger. It is a statewide program that uses animals that can't be released back into the wild. A park naturalist tells the stories of how they were injured and came to be at the park in a 45-minute presentation.

"Once a wild animal is taken in as a pet, just releasing it into the wild would be devastating," Norris said.

This is because the animal has lost the ability to hunt for itself and is imprinted on humans, so it loses its natural fear of them.

"If any of these birds could kill on their own, they wouldn't be here," Norris said.

Scales and Tales also discusses issues like loss of habitat,

environmental pollution, resource management, and biodiversity.

The Cunningham Falls program visits about four locations each month. These include schools, parks, community centers, senior centers, and festivals.

The red-shouldered hawk at Cunningham Falls is not named, as are none of the animals kept there.

"We don't name them, because they are wild animals," Norris said. "Our mission is to keep them wild."

The red-shouldered hawks are medium-sized birds of prey that are up to two feet tall and weigh up to two pounds. They have dark and white checkered wings, and red feathering on their breasts. Their tails are black with narrow white bands. Their red shoulders become visible when they are perched.

In the wild, a hawk would hunt small mammals like chipmunks and mice, but the hawks at the Cunningham Falls Aviary are fed quail.

Most of the birds also have their own mews that are set up so they can move around to reach various perches and heights. It is their own space, which they can be territorial about. If two birds are kept together, it is not for breeding, since the purpose of the program is not to breed animals but to care for the ones that can't care for themselves.

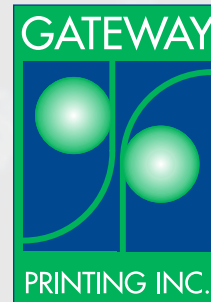
The park uses volunteers to help in their care and is always looking for help. Volunteers work a couple hours a week and are trained in the cleaning and feeding of the birds. If you are interested, please contact the park at 301-271-7574.

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The project was made possible by the support of grant monies and matching funds from the Acacia Masonic Lodge, in addition to funds from Woodsboro Bank, Ramar Moving Systems, Resthaven Memorial Gardens, Frederick County Bank, Frederick Pediatric Dentistry, PNC Bank, the Thurmont Lions Club, Gateway Orthodontics, The Beauty Parlor, Timeless Trends Boutique, Catoclin Furnace Historical Society, Charles B. Frey Esq., Center of Life Chiropractic, Center of Life Pilates, Catoclin Mountain Trains and Hobbies, Susan Favorite, Nancy Dutterer, Shirley and Gene Long, Joann Miller, Kristen and Bill Long, Jr., Jimmy and Mary Frances Bostian, Pat Plum, Tillie Dishong, Karen and Kenny Simundson, George Bolling, Larry Mundy and Joyce Anthony, Trinity United Church of Christ, Mary Jane Lenhart, and Russ Delauter.

They have met seventy-two percent of the funding required to complete this exciting project! It's not too late; you can also help them in meeting their goal. All donors will be recognized on plaques at the mural site and in an accompanying commemorative book to be published by *Frederick Magazine*. Tax deductible donations should be made payable to: "TLCF Inc." and mailed to the Thurmont Lions Club, P.O. Box 306, Thurmont, MD 21788, Attn: Joann Miller/Nancy Dutterer. ("TLCF Inc" is a 501c3 Foundation.) For more information, visit their website at [www.thurmontlionsclub.com](http://www.thurmontlionsclub.com).

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## Catoctin Chronicles

### Shooting for the Moon

This month allows us to celebrate the achievement of independence won by our nation 238 years ago, as well as some of our own local accomplishments. The Catoctin Track and Field team competed at their state and national championships. During these events, our athletes were able to create some amazing opportunities and memories, as school records were broken and personal goals were met. Then our Catoctin Leos completed a successful Car Wash for our local food bank. They also have plans to team up with the Thurmont Ministerium for a Summer Lunches program to help benefit needy families over the summer break.

The Catoctin Track and Field team competed in a two-day state championship, with the boys finishing sixth overall and scoring thirty-two points. On day one, David Dorsey ran the 3200 meter run, finishing second with a new season best time. His brother, Kevin Dorsey, also ran the 3200 meter run and placed sixth with an impressive performance. Zach Gasho ran the 3200 and placed ninth in his first state meet as a Catoctin athlete. The 4x800 meter relay, consisting of Matt Athey, David Dorsey, Kevin Dorsey, and Patrick Van Der Cruyssen, finished third. Patrick also placed seventh in the long jump and set a new personal record. Noah Stone ran the 110 meter high hurdles and finished ninth with an awesome performance that almost

matched his personal record. Jacob Larochelle placed ninth in the high jump, participating in his first state meet. The girl's team had some great performances as well. The 4x800 relay, consisting of Camryn Skowronski, Julien Webster, Lillie Parella, and Megan Demarais, finished twelfth and ran a new season best time. In the 3200 meter run, Molly Janc placed thirteenth and Julien Webster placed twenty-fourth. For both girls, this was their first state championship.

During day two of the state championship, the boys team had some amazing performances. For the 1600 meter run, David Dorsey placed fourth and broke his own school record, with his brother Kevin coming up behind him in sixth and winning his heat. Patrick Van Der Cruyssen finished fourth in the 800 meter run and ran a new personal record. Finally, the 4x400 meter relay of Tony Reina, Jacob Larochelle, Matt Athey, and Patrick Van Der Cruyssen finished seventh.

The girls team had some great individual performances, as well as an impressive relay performance. Jasmine Herman finished sixth in the 400 meter dash with a new personal best time. This was her first time scoring points in an individual event at the state championships. Aisslyn Latham finished tenth in the high jump. This was also Aisslyn's first and last outdoor state championship meet. The 4x400 meter relay, consisting of Megan Demarais,

Camryn Skowronski, Lillie Parella, and Jasmine Herman, placed tenth with a new season best time.

At the New Balance Outdoor Nationals, our boys team relays set three new school records! The SMR (Speed Medley Relay) of Noah Stone, Matt Athey, Jacob Larochelle, and Patrick Van Der Cruyssen ran a new school record of three minutes and forty-one seconds. The 4x800 meter relay of Matt Athey, David Dorsey, Kevin Dorsey, and Patrick Van Der Cruyssen ran a time of eight minutes and nine seconds. Finally the DMR (Distance Medley Relay) of Kevin Dorsey, Jacob Larochelle, Patrick Van Der Cruyssen, and David Dorsey ran a time of ten minutes and twenty-eight seconds. For more results, go to [http://www.nbnationalsout.com/eprofile.php?event\\_id=3689&title\\_id=693&do=title&folder\\_id=1072](http://www.nbnationalsout.com/eprofile.php?event_id=3689&title_id=693&do=title&folder_id=1072).

The CHS Leo Club held a Car Wash this past month for money and perishables that could be donated to the Thurmont food Bank. Their theme was "Wash Your Wheels for Food," and the fundraiser was

held at Criswell Chevrolet. The CHS Leos held the Car Wash for two hours and were able to collect a box of perishables for the food bank, as well as approximately \$100 towards purchasing more items for the cause. The Club wanted to send out a special thank you to those who participated in the event. You will be able to catch the Leos again between July 21-25, as they run a week of our local Summer Lunches program at the Community Park.

With the school year starting up again next month, plans are going to be brought forth for the preparations of this year's Cougar Camp. Also, meetings will be held to cover topics like our Back to School Night and the start of the fall sports season. Catch you next month with details about the start of our 2014-2015 school year, as well as information surrounding participants in one of our own celebratory events: the town parade! Thank you so much for reading again this month and God bless. Have an idea for a topic? Email me at [labellakreiner@hotmail.com](mailto:labellakreiner@hotmail.com).

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## Who's Facing Whom in November's General Election

by James Rada, Jr.

The crowded slate of candidates for offices in Frederick County was thinned out considerably after the primary election that ended on Tuesday, June 24, 2014.

Current Board of Frederick County Commissioners President, Blaine Young (R), will be facing off against former Board President, Jan Gardner (D), in November to become the first Frederick County Executive. Young received a majority of Republican votes (53 percent) in a field of three candidates while Gardner was unopposed in her primary race.

The new Frederick County Council will have seven members, two of whom are Catoclin-area residents: Kirby Delauter (R) won 53 percent of the Republican vote and Mark Long (D) won 62 percent of the Democrat vote. They will face off for the District 5 seat in November.

The At Large County Council candidates will represent the interests of the county at large. There are two seats available in November. Democrats Susan Jessee and Linda Norris will go up against Republicans Billy Shreve and Bud Otis.

Incumbent County Sheriff, Chuck Jenkins (R), won 75 percent of the

Republican vote and will face Karl Bickel (D) who ran unopposed in his race.

For the three seats available in the District 4 Maryland House of Delegates, Republicans Kathy Afzali, Kelly Schulz, and David

Vogt, III, will be trying to keep it an entirely Republican delegation. Democrat Gene Stanton, who ran unopposed, will attempt to grab a Democrat voice in the delegation.

For the District 4 State Senator seat, Michael Hough won 68 percent of the Republican vote and unseated the three-term incumbent, State Senator David Brinkley. Hough will face Democrat Dan Rupli, who ran unopposed.

In the non-partisan Frederick County Board of Education race, voters will be selecting four



A garden of political signs were spread on the lawn of the Thurmont Library during the lead up to the 2014 Primary Elections.

candidates in November. Of the nine candidates on the ballot for the primary election, only one person was eliminated. The candidates running in November are: Liz Barrett, Jonathan Carothers, Colleen Cusimano, Mike Ferrell, Kenneth Kerr, April Miller, Richard Vallaster, III, and Brad Young.

County voters also voted in state-wide races, including Maryland governor, Maryland lieutenant governor, Maryland comptroller, attorney general, U.S. congressman, judge of the orphan's court, register of wills, clerk of the circuit court, state's attorney, and judge of the circuit court.

Current Lieutenant Governor Anthony Brown (D) will be facing Larry Hogan (R) in the Maryland Governor race. The comptroller race will be between Peter Franchot (D) and William Campbell (R). Brian Frosh (D) and Jeffrey Pritzker (R) will be running for Attorney General

and Chris VanHollen (D) and David Wallace (R) will be running for the U.S. House of Representatives District 8 seat.

Of the 149,393 registered voters in Frederick County, only 34,799 or 23.29 percent voted during the Primary Election. For a full listing of voting results during the primary election, visit the Frederick County Board of Elections website at [www.frederickcountymd.gov/documents/254/7936/results-1\\_201406242158526265.htm](http://www.frederickcountymd.gov/documents/254/7936/results-1_201406242158526265.htm).

The General Election will be held on Tuesday, November 4, 2014. In the coming months, *The Catoclin Banner Newspaper* will be speaking with many of the local candidates about issues facing the region, their positions on the issues, and their qualifications for the offices they are seeking. If there are any questions or issues that you would like raised with the candidates, please let us know.

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## 2014 Catoctin Safe and Sane Thank You

The 2014 Catoctin High School Safe and Sane Committee would like to thank everyone who assisted the Committee this year with another free Safe and Sane event for our students, featuring food, games, raffles, prizes, and recreational activities for students graduating from Catoctin High School, which was held on May 29-30, 2014, at Mount St. Mary's University. Additionally, during graduation week, the students also participated in many events, including a Baccalaureate service at St. John's Lutheran Church in Thurmont, Senior Awards Ceremony at Catoctin High School, and the Senior Class Picnic that was held at the Cunningham Falls Manor Area.

We could not have done this without the support of the Town of Thurmont, Vigilant Hose Company, Lewistown Fire Company, and the wonderful community organizations, restaurants, businesses, and individuals in the Thurmont and Emmitsburg community and Catoctin feeder area. Year after year, they have supported this event—by donations of food, monetary donations, purchasing raffle tickets, and attending fundraising events, as well as various other donations. We have also been very fortunate to have such a wonderful team of parents, volunteers, friends, and family members who have helped and supported each of our activities during the past year. We would also like to thank the administration, faculty, staff, and custodians at Catoctin High School for their overwhelming support and assistance with events and meetings held at the school.

Most importantly, we would like to thank the graduates, and their parents and families of the Class of 2014, during this past year. We are very fortunate to have a wonderful, caring and thankful class of students, which we have heard numerous times throughout the year.

Thanks again to each of you for your support, and congratulations and best of luck to each 2014 Catoctin graduate for your continued success and excellence.

— Lisa White and Laura Imes, Co-Chair – 2014 Catoctin Safe and Sane Committee

## With Sincere Gratitude

The Catoctin Furnace Historical Society, Inc. would like to thank the participants of and the visitors to their third annual Spring in the Village, held on Saturday, May 10, 2014, at the Village of Catoctin Furnace. Visitors toured and shopped in the ca. 1810 Collier's Log House, the ca. 1774 stone house, and the Harriet Chapel parish hall.

Visitors enjoyed pottery demonstrations and making corn cob dolls, as well as shopping for unique hand-made gifts. The goals of the event were two-fold: to share the history and culture of the pre-Revolutionary village and industry with the public, and to raise the needed funds to continue the preservation of the historic area.

Members of the society who worked and contributed to this event's success include: Chris Gardiner, Alex Gardiner, Robert Gardiner, Joel Anderson, Elizabeth Comer, Jerry and Nancy Anderson, Beth McGee, Lisa Sweeney, Joann Miller, and Priscilla Rall. We would like to thank the craftspeople who made the day a success: Marjan Benjamins—pottery; Suzanne Kijowski—woven items, candles, and soaps; Valerie and Randy Nusbaum—potpourri; Caroline Twigg—rug hooking; Lori Schoonover of Wood Eye Wood—woodworking; Nancy Anderson—planters; and Jo Morrison—harpist.

A special thank you to all who gathered for the dedication of the Collier's Log House in memory of Clem Gardiner. Catoctin Furnace Historical Society, Inc. is honored to continue his work in historical preservation in the village of Catoctin Furnace.

— Thank You, the Catoctin Furnace Historical Society, Inc.

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# our neighborhood veterans



by Jim Houck, Jr.

## Remembering Jim Spalding

James Irvin Spalding, life-long resident of Thurmont, passed away peacefully in his home on May 19, 2014 at the age of 75 years. He was the loving husband of Ellen L. Sutton Spalding for 23 years.

Born January 23, 1939 in Thurmont, he was the son of the late Charles "Hamp" Spalding and Helen M. Gourley Spalding. Jim served in the United States Air Force for 4 years. He worked for the Maryland State Highway Administration as a Maintenance Foreman for 34 years and earned, along with his father, Charles "Hamp" Spalding, and brother, Don Spalding, a family accolade for 109 of combined service to the organization; Jim worked 34

years, Don 37 years, and Hamp 38 years.

He was a member of Trinity United Church of Christ, a life member and past Post Commander of AMVETS Post 7 in Thurmont, a member of the American Legion Post 121 in Emmitsburg, as well as the South Mountain Rod and Gun Club, and the Guardian Hose Company in Thurmont.

Jim was an athlete. At Thurmont High School, he played soccer, basketball, and baseball. In 1956 and 1957, his team won the Frederick County Championship for basketball. He loved to dance and was good at it. He loved to have fun, tease people, and laugh with them. He loved to

cook and have his family for Sunday and holiday dinners. He helped the fire company in preparing food for different events.

He was involved with family functions and the community. On most days he would wake early and set the coffee on for his wife, then set about making his rounds to Bollinger's Restaurant, to Shuff's Meat Market, Hobb's Hardware, and sometimes

to Timeless Trends before settling back home.

He was a father that never missed an event, ballgame, outing, party, or celebration, and most of the time he was the first to arrive. He didn't promise to be there, HE WAS THERE!

Jim made sure family and friends came together for one of his favorite activities -- butchering. He guarded his recipes for pon haus closely and only shared the recipes with a few select individuals -- imparting the knowledge slowly and sometimes without their knowledge. Those who had the privilege of tasting his recipes know his are some of the best.

Jim's daughter, Kathy Hovermale, said, "He taught me so many things and I have a lot of funny stories I could tell you about jokes he played on me." One story she told was about Jim walking her down the aisle on her wedding day. She recalled, "When it was just him and me in the back of the church, he kissed me, told me he loved me, then kicked the side door open and said, 'Last chance—we can run, I'll go with you!'"

Jim found Kathy and her husband, Keith, a house that turned out to be right up the street from Jim's house in Thurmont. Kathy said people thought she was crazy moving so close to her family. Kathy said that since moving in, "I needed them (Jim and her mother, Ellen) a thousand more times than they ever needed me. I ate their food, sat on their porch, and spent more time there bothering them than the other way around."

Jim's niece, Diane Miller said, "We talked on the phone every day and some days 2, 3, or 4 times, depending on what was going on. I had to keep him updated on what was going on around the farm." She recalled his relationships with the farm animals, saying he wasn't too fond of cats, but was very involved with all aspects of the farm. She



recalled him often asking what she was going to do when he wasn't around to help with it anymore. Diane said, "I know it's not realistic, but I never thought that day would ever come."

An ornery youngster, an elementary school teacher of Jim's wrote on one of his report cards that he, "had a rather happy-go-lucky attitude about it all." For all who knew him, that described him well. He made friends wherever he went, even befriending a lady who had mistaken him for 'Steve' during a rest on a bench in a Walmart.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by two daughters, Mary Mahoney and husband, Michael, of Fairfield, Pennsylvania, Kathryn Hovermale and husband, Keith, of Thurmont; his grandson, James Austin Hovermale of Thurmont; his brothers, Donald L. Spalding and his wife Joan, of Thurmont, and Charles E. Spalding, also of Thurmont; nieces, Diane M. Miller and husband Randy, of Sabillasville, and Lisa Campbell and husband, Todd, and their daughter Katy, of Orangeville, Pennsylvania; and a nephew, Mark Spalding and his wife Deb, and their children, Lydia and Hayden, of Thurmont.

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## Thurmont AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary Post 7

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## Sons of the American Legion Squadron 121

The Sons of the American Legion Squadron 121 is holding a 5-Way Chicken Wing Feed on Saturday, July 19, 2014, at the Emmitsburg Ambulance Building in Emmitsburg. Food will be served from 5:00-8:00 p.m. D.J. will be featured from 8:00-11:00 p.m. The cost is \$12.50 per person and includes music and dancing. After 8:00 p.m., all refreshments will be \$1.00. Wing Feed will benefit Tim (Chopper) Andrew's daughter, Ginger Deavers, who has cancer and will be undergoing a bone marrow transplant.

## AMVETS Post 7

AMVETS Post 7 will be holding a Wing Feed on Saturday, August 23, 2014, at the Post, located on 26 Apples Church Road in Thurmont. Event features five flavors of wings: plain, hot, mild, teriyaki, and barbeque; there will also be sides, desserts, milk, soda, and water. Doors will open at 4:00 p.m.; food is served from 5:00-8:00 p.m. DJ Dr. Mudcat will be featured from 5:00-8:00 p.m., with Dr. Mudcat Karaoke from 8:00-11:00 p.m. The cost is \$15.00 per person. Must be age 21 or older to attend.

## Sons of AMVETS Squadron 7

The Sons of AMVETS Squadron 7 will be holding an Old Fashioned Pig Roast at AMVETS Post 7, located at 26 Apples Church Road in Thurmont, on Saturday, August 16, 2014. Food served from 3:00-7:00 p.m.; DJ from 7:00-11:00 p.m. Tickets are \$15.00 per person. Doors open at 2:00 p.m. Must be 21 years or older to attend. Menu includes: pulled pork, baked beans, baked macaroni & cheese, desserts, AMVETS Milk, soda, and water. Call 301-271-3371. Pig Roast catered by Dirty's Custom BBQ.

## Edwin C. Creeger Post 168, American Legion

We here at the Thurmont American Legion have been quite busy in the past couple of months. We have held the Memorial Day Ceremony at the Memorial Park, participated in the Flag Retirement Ceremony in Emmitsburg, and took part in the Awards Ceremony at Catocin High School, with four students receiving a total of \$3,000 a year for the college of their choice.

I would like to extend an invitation to all active, retired, and past members of our armed forces to visit our post. There is a lot of information that we can provide on VA benefits and other topics that concern our veterans. We are a Veterans Organization; we are here to help you.

We have had an Ace of Hearts game going for several months; we finally had a winner, with more than \$6,000 in the pot. The winner, Mr. Bill Cullison, received a check for sixty percent of the final amount. We have a new game currently underway, with a twist. There is now a losers drawing, to be held one-half hour after the jackpot drawing for \$50.00.

We have a Ballroom available for banquets, dances, receptions, or any event that requires a place that can accommodate 300 plus/minus people.

I would like to wish everyone a happy and safe summer. Remember that school is out and local carnivals are taking place, so watch out for kids and drive safely.

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## Emmitsburg Senior News

by Susan Allen

Hurrah for the red, white, and blue! Hang out your flags, review the words to the "Star Spangled Banner"—don't you hate it when the singers forget the lyrics—and get the fireworks ready. It's July, and it's time to celebrate our country's birthday. The Emmitsburg Center will be closed on Friday, July 4, giving you a three-day weekend to extend the festivities.

Other highlights of our 2014 midsummer month include several day trips, within the county and further afield. You can visit the Brunswick City Park for a picnic on Wednesday, July 9 (\$5.00 for lunch, \$2.00 transportation fee). Friday, July 11 features a trip on the Pride of Susquehanna. Two weeks later, another Friday trip on July 25 is on the calendar, this time to the PA State Capitol and State Museum. Learn more about our neighbor to the north! Call Linda for more details and to register for our travels. But you don't have to go "down the ocean" for our

Beach Party on July 30. We'll have games, prizes, hot dogs and burgers (and no sand in your shoes) right here at home. Regular Activities include: Walkers' group (Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays) at 9:00 a.m.; Bowling (Mondays), meet at 12:15 p.m.; Strength Training (Tuesdays & Thursdays), at 10:00 a.m.; Pinochle (Thursdays) at 12:30 p.m.; Canasta (Fridays), 12:30 p.m.; Bingo, Wednesday, July 16 at 12:30 p.m.; Cards, Games & Puzzles on July 2, 8, 22, and 29. The "Man Cave" (pool room) is open on Wednesdays.

The senior citizens encourage everyone fifty years of age and older to join their activities at the Emmitsburg Community Center. Persons sixty years of age and over are eligible for the hot lunch program.

For information on the lunch program and all other activities, contact the coordinator, Linda Umbel, at 301-600-6350 or email [LUmbel@FrederickCountyMD.gov](mailto:LUmbel@FrederickCountyMD.gov).

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# senior moments

by Helen Deluca

Hello to all you seniors, young and old! As always, there's so much to tell you.

There is something special happening on July 17, 2014, at 10:30 a.m. at the Thurmont Senior Center: a performance by Chuck Fisher. Chuck was the winner of Maryland Senior Idol for Baltimore County, and he now enjoys entertaining at senior centers and retirement communities. Classic hits from your "high school sweetheart days" to make you remember the good old days are on his program. I know the time is early, but sometimes scheduling does not leave much choice. Start your day with great music!

Thursday, July 17, is also a 500 card game day. Every Thursday at 1:00 p.m., you can bring a friend or join the group and play 500. Beginners are always welcome. Also new on Thursdays is Tai Chi and exercise class at 9:30 a.m. Also, don't forget every other Thursday is Carol Long with Memories and Treasures at 1:00 p.m.

The new summer T-shirts are here at the Center (shown below). The colors and the Thurmont design are very attractive, and the quality is excellent. Sizes of small to X-large are \$12.00. Sizes 2-XL to 5XL are \$14.00. Children's sizes are also available. Colors are sandstone, light blue, yellow haze, ash, and neon green. The shirts are on display at the Center; if you are looking for something cool, easy care, and from your hometown, this is it. Call the Center



at 301-271-7911 if you need more information to order your Thurmont T-shirt. Proceeds will benefit the Senior Center.

We are always looking for more volunteers. Drivers, lunch servers, kitchen help, and van drivers, just to name a few. You name the day and time that you are available, and Teresa, the Center Coordinator, will try to work out a schedule. I am happy to tell you that we recently welcomed a volunteer who is willing to teach basic computer skills on Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m.

Speaking of volunteers...we are speaking of John Dowling. He has been notified that he has been inducted into the Maryland Senior Citizens Hall of Fame in recognition of his many hours of volunteer services. The special event will take place in October in Glen Burnie, Maryland. John owns and operates Old Farm Woodworking, where he builds, refinishes, and repairs furniture, and he also serves on the Board of Directors of the Thurmont Senior Center.

Marie Free volunteers to teach the exercise and Tai Chi classes at the Center and also does chair massage. She charges a nominal fee for the massage, and on Friday, July 11, 2014, at 10:30 a.m., all proceeds from the massage service will be donated to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. I can't say enough about all of the volunteers at the Center. They make it possible for us to be there for you.

This is also a good opportunity to



Thurmont Senior Center Fashion Show

Pictured from left are Jackie Martz, Chooi-hah Monroe, Joan Leo, Dolly Dingle, Dottie Plummer, and Joan Brantner.

tell you about the Rocky Ridge 4-H Club. If you noticed all the beautiful flowers and clean-up around the Center, we owe it all to the members of the Rocky Ridge 4-H Club and their leaders. What a beautiful job they did—many thanks to each and all of you.

If you are able to get Channel 99 on your TV, you can get the regular schedule, special activities, and the monthly menu for the Thurmont Senior Center, or just come in and pick up the flyer at the Center.

I will remind you of the 50/50 Bingo that is usually scheduled for the third Wednesday of each month. Bingo starts at 1:00 p.m. If you want to make a day of it, come for lunch and stay to play Bingo. Like I have said before, you won't get rich on the prize money, but who cares? Just come and have a relaxing day. While we are happy to provide a lunch program at the Center, you don't have to eat lunch to participate in any of the activities. We just want you to come in, socialize, play cards

and games, sing, exercise, create a craft, work on a puzzle, or just come in to cool off and relax. Feel free, you're always welcome.

Here are a few more days to mark in your calendar: July 4—Center is closed; Thursday, July 10 (and every Thursday)—Wii Bowling at 11:00 a.m.; July 10—July birthday party, 12:30 p.m.; Fridays (July 11, 18, and 25)—Blood pressure checking with Thurmont Ambulance; Monday, July 21—Jewelry making, 1:00 p.m.

The Spring Fashion Show was quite a hit, as you can see by the lovely models (pictured above). It was a nice "ladies day out," but we had a few gentlemen in the crowd who seemed to be enjoying themselves. Look for another fashion show in the fall. We have several events planned for the fall—more information will be coming.

For now, I'll say, "It's not who you are, or where you've been, it's where you're going and what you're doing that counts." As always, SMILE!

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## Thurmont Food Bank Volunteer Appreciation Dinner

On Thursday, May 15, 2014, Thurmont Food Bank Volunteers were recognized for their service to the community. Members of the St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Thurmont hosted the event in their fellowship hall. The guests were treated to an Italian dinner, recognized with a volunteer pin, and asked to stand and share with the audience his or her role in the Food Bank. Each received a grateful applause. One volunteer commented, "We don't do this for the thanks, but it sure felt good to know that what we do makes a difference and is appreciated." A very special volunteer, Eddie Crouse, was remembered for his service to the Food Bank, and his presence will be missed. Later, the Thespians delighted everyone as they performed several songs from *Smoke on the Mountain*.

Currently, there are eighty to ninety volunteers who support the Food Bank, which is administered by Pastor Sally Joyner-Giffin. "They loved the music and the food and the feeling of being appreciated. It provided a boost in morale and helped everyone bond with other volunteers and the folks from St. John's," said Pastor Sally.

Volunteers help with donations from the community and deliveries from the Maryland Food Bank. Unloading, sorting, stacking, and filling shelves are time-consuming tasks, and strong, healthy backs are needed. There are volunteers

who help with the clients by signing clients in, filling bags with groceries, and distributing the bags to each client to take home. Other volunteers are clients themselves or the children of clients.

Pastor Susan Beck from St. John's has seen the operation firsthand, since the distribution of the food takes place at St. John's where she is the pastor. "It is a wonderful group of volunteers who make this well-oiled machine work. It is one of the most organized and efficient food banks in our area."

The social Ministry team at St. John's would like to thank the following community members for their support and donations: Fratelli's New York Pizza, Rocky's New York Pizza, Weis Market, and Food Lion. The members of St. John's donated desserts. The first Food Bank Appreciation dinner was a success, because people in the community volunteered their time and provided donations to show their appreciation for these amazing volunteers.

If you are interested in volunteering, donating, or have needs as a client, contact Pastor Sally Joyner-Giffin at 301-271-4554 (messages only). The Food Bank is located at St. John's Lutheran Church, 15 North Church Street, Thurmont. Hours of operation are: Tuesday, from 6:00-7:30 p.m.; Friday, from 3:30-5:00 p.m. The Thurmont Food Bank is a project of the Thurmont Ministerium.

## Stone Fences Along Rt. 550

Traveling along 550 through Sabillasville to Fort Ritchie or Blue Ridge Summit or towards Thurmont, you will see stone fences with jagged quartz tops. The stones appear to be unique to this part of western Maryland and Pennsylvania. They probably were constructed sometime in the 1800s or early 1900s, as sturdier mortar mixtures became available. The stone was collected from area farms and fields, and the walls were constructed by local masons. The Brown brothers are names that keep surfacing as stone masons who worked in this area. Roscoe Pryor of Waynesboro is also another name. He helped construct Fort Ritchie's stone entryway.

These fences differ from older New England stone fences also found in our area. Those were built loose with stone piled on stone. This type of fence doesn't need mortar, because the stones sit lightly on the land. No foundation is needed. If constructed correctly, the stones actually expand and contract with the freeze cycle, and water can flow right through them. They are more common than our mortared, stone-topped fences.

However, while on a recent trip to Dublin, I took the train to the coastal city of Howth. While there—much to my amazement—I saw identically constructed limestone stone fences, glued together with similar mortar patterns and topped with the same jagged stone design on top. The fences surround what was once a stone fortress that was built by the

Photo by Ann Marie Bezayiff



Stone Fence in Howth, Ireland.

Irish in the 900s as a defense against the Viking invasions. Originally in Ireland, the fences were used as cattle enclosures, but later they became useful as boundaries and made beautiful ornamental walls. So the idea for constructing stone fences in our area may have come from Ireland with Irish immigrants. Another source said the idea for these walls originally came from Germany first and then to Ireland. Though the origin of our stone fences remains a mystery, we can all be proud of the workmanship and the craftsmanship that created them.

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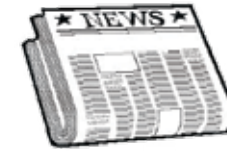
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# The Evolution of the Region's Modern Newspapers

by James Rada, Jr.



*Editor's Note: This is the third in a series of articles about the history and evolution of newspapers in Emmitsburg and Thurmont.*

Although Thurmont and Emmitsburg have remained distinctive communities, US 15 has connected them closely so that it is not uncommon to travel between the two multiple times in one day. This closeness of the communities has been reflected in the north county's modern newspapers.

William "Bo" Cadle and his wife, Jean, started the monthly *Emmitsburg Regional Dispatch* in 1993.

"Volunteers helped us do all sorts of things. An unexpected and greatly appreciated alliance between people in the community (readers and merchants and the worker-bees) over the following months helped the paper to gain firmer footing," Bo Cadle wrote in a 2002 editorial.

A couple years later, after he started his own paper, Bo encouraged Lori Zentz to get into the newspaper business. Chronicle Press had started *The Catoctin Banner* in 1994, but by 1995, Art Elder was looking to sell the paper. The Cadles already had the *Regional Dispatch* running, so they contacted Zentz about taking the *Banner* over.

Zentz saw a need for local news in Thurmont. WTHU in Thurmont was publishing the *Thurmont Times*, but this was seen more as a coupon supplement than a newspaper. The *Gazette* published a Thurmont/Walkersville edition, but it, like the *Frederick News Post*, focused more on happenings around Frederick. Meanwhile, the *Regional Dispatch* was primarily focused on Emmitsburg.

"When I took it over, I asked for public input about what they wanted," Zentz recalls. "I tried to make it a paper they wanted. I focused on the good things."

The newspaper was eight pages when Zentz took over, and it grew steadily, at one point reaching thirty-two pages. Her goal was to create a paper that was about Thurmont.

"Thurmont was growing and people were moving in who didn't know what was going on in the town," Zentz said.

Both the *Banner* and *Dispatch* continued operating independently, focusing mainly on their respective areas.

Cadle nicely described a community newspaper when he wrote in 2002, "As far as we know, there were few, if any national conversations, ever held, but the *Dispatch* chatted on. Writers, of less than national stature, but with their unique voice, kept us informed of what was going on in our churches, clubs, service organizations, and



Photo by Michelle Orndorff



Some of the volunteers and staff members of *The Catoctin Banner* Newspaper are shown (from left): (back row) Deb Spalding; Jim Houck, Jr.; Heather Gray; Allison Rostad; Joseph Kirchner; John Nickerson; Michele Tester; (front row) Labella Kreiner, Maxine Troxell, Joan Fry, Barbara Abraham, and Gracie Eyler. Thumbnails from left are Jim Rada, Jr.; Denise Valentine; Randy and Valerie Nusbaum; Jeanne Angleberger; Ashley McGlaughlin; and Ann Marie Bezayiff.

homes across the greater community. Local merchants and groups were willing to bend their bottom-line thinking and underwrote the *Dispatch* by placing ads or making donations to insure that the *Dispatch* was able to pay its way. Small-town journalism was taking root, not spectacularly, but the entire community, the *Dispatch's* extended family, was contributing and the paper became a household word."

In 2002, the Cadles decided to pass on the *Dispatch* to Raymond and Jennifer Buchheister. They changed the name to *The Emmitsburg Dispatch*. The Buchheisters began publishing the newspaper twice a month.

"This was done as part of our continuing effort to reestablish a news publication in Emmitsburg that operated like the first publications the town had, up through *The Emmitsburg Chronicle*. These publications were usually weekly or daily editions. The MDCC (Maryland-Delaware-D.C.) Press Association guidelines require that a publication be printed twice monthly," Ray Buchheister said.

In August 2002, *The Emmitsburg Dispatch* published a large color photo spread about the 20th anniversary of the Emmitsburg Lions Club annual Community Day. It was the first time an Emmitsburg newspaper had printed in color.

Three years later, *The Emmitsburg Dispatch* created its sister publication, *The Thurmont Dispatch*. Though the

newspapers shared some stories, such as features and education, the news sections of both papers tended to focus on different subjects.

"Not only were we a member of the MDCC Press Association, we also won awards for excellence in writing," Buchheister said.

Meanwhile, Zentz had shifted the focus of the *Banner* to include Emmitsburg and Thurmont news in response to the Buchheisters adding *The Thurmont Dispatch*. Running what was primarily a one-woman operation was wearing on Zentz. "For the last two weeks of every month, my family hardly saw me," recalls Zentz.

She sold *The Catoctin Banner* to Deb Spalding in 2006. Spalding said, "I never intentionally entered the newspaper business; I just wanted to

keep a good thing going. As a reader, I looked forward to receiving the *Banner* each month."

Spalding added additional color and pages to the paper and expanded the focus to truly include the Catoctin region, from mountain news to the west in Sabillasville, Cascade, and Blue Ridge Summit to the east in Rocky Ridge, to the south in Lewistown and north to the Mason Dixon Line.

Both *Dispatch* newspapers ceased publication in November 2008. The following year, Michael Hillman tried to restart the *Emmitsburg Chronicle* with Lisa Elder, whose family had owned the *Chronicle*, but after a couple of issues, Hillman went his own way and renamed the newspaper the *Emmitsburg News Journal*.

"I don't think operating a newspaper in our area as a stand-alone business is feasible without sponsorship. *The Catoctin Banner's* sponsorship rests upon several advertisers who have committed to our mission and have not wavered since I took over; those advertisers are greatly appreciated," said Spalding. "Before I had help, I was overwhelmed and actually asked for help or someone to take it over. I was fortunate to have several individuals join the *Banner* team who have made the newspaper better than it could have ever been without them."

*The Catoctin Banner* continues publishing and living up to its name. It combines the news and events of the Catoctin region in much the same way as some elements of both Emmitsburg and Thurmont have combined. The *Banner* recently published its largest issue to date (fifty-six full-color pages), using its staff of professional and volunteer writers. Should the needs of the region continue changing, *The Catoctin Banner* has positioned itself to meet those needs in order to keep the community informed.

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## Prepare Now for the 58th Annual Thurmont & Emmitsburg Community Show

The 58th annual Thurmont & Emmitsburg Community Show will be held at Catoctin High School on September 5, 6 and 7, 2014.

The program on Friday night will highlight the 200th anniversary of the "Star Spangled Banner" and approximately thirty participants will participate in the community flag ceremony. A bagpipe procession will be performed by Bill and Andrew Douwes. Also, the 2014-2015 Catoctin FFA Chapter Ambassador will be announced and the baked goods auction will start at 8:00 p.m. following the program; the grand champion cake, pie and bread will be sold at 9:00 p.m.

Entry of exhibits will take place on Thursday evening, September 4, from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. and on Friday, September 5, from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. in the new gymnasium and in the agriculture department area. Judging will begin at 12:30 p.m. Commercial exhibits may be entered on Friday, September 5, from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. The show will open to the public at 6:00 p.m. Testing for exhibits of poultry will be held on August 21, 2014, from 10:00 a.m.-noon at the agriculture department area at the Catoctin High School.

On Saturday, September 6, the show opens at 9:00 a.m. Activities include a Market Goat, Beef, Sheep and Swine Fitting & Showing contest from 8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. at the Ag Center at the school. A black Labrador dog owned by the Thurmont Police Department will perform a demonstration at 10:00 a.m. in the outside area in front of the school (near the Pet Show area). The Pet Show will be held at 10:30 a.m. outside the front of the school. The petting zoo, farm animals, and pony rides will also be held on Saturday and Sunday.

The Thurmont Grange will serve their Fresh Turkey and Country Ham dinner in the school cafeteria from 3:00-7:00 p.m. on Saturday night. The Gospel Travelers will perform in the auditorium beginning at 7:00 p.m. There will be no admission charged for this entertainment, but a free-will offering will be held.

The 40th annual Catoctin FFA Alumni Beef, Sheep & Swine sale will begin at 7:00 p.m. in the Ag Center area on Saturday night.

Activities begin on Sunday, September 7 at 9:00 a.m. with the Goat Show, followed by the Dairy Show and Decorated Animal Contest. The decorated animal contest will begin at noon and any

type animal may be decorated for the contest.

At 12:00 p.m., the Catoctin FFA Alumni Chicken Bar-B-Que will be held in the cafeteria. The 35th annual Robert Kaas horseshoe pitching contest will begin at 1:00 p.m.

The Log Sawing Contest will begin at 1:00 p.m. under the show tent in the Ag Center area. The Catoctin Mountain Boys will perform an Elvis Presley Show from 1:45-2:15 p.m. in the auditorium. Taylor Brown will present an Elvis Tribute from 1:00-1:45 p.m. and from 2:15-3:00 p.m.

Exhibits must be removed on Sunday, September 7, 2014, from 3:00-6:00 p.m. Please note the new deadline to pick up items.

For further information or to learn more about the show, please contact Rodman Myers at 301-271-2104 or via email at rmontemmitsburgcommunityshow@gmail.com. The community show booklets can be found in local Thurmont, Emmitsburg, and surrounding area businesses in late July or early August. New residents of the community are urged to enter and be a part of the Community Show, the largest in the State of Maryland. Some minor additions and deletions will be

made in some of the departments. Departments include: Fresh Fruits, Fresh Vegetables, Home Products Display, Canned Fruits, Canned Vegetables, Jellies & Preserves, Pickles, Meats, Baked Products, Sewing & Needlework, Flowers and Plants, Arts, Paintings & Drawings, Crafts, Photography, Corn, Small Grains and Seeds, Eggs, Nuts, Poultry & Livestock, Dairy, Goats, Hay, Junior Department and Youth Department. There is no entry fee. Please visit our website for updated information at [www.thurmontemmitsburgcommunityshow.webs.com](http://www.thurmontemmitsburgcommunityshow.webs.com). The Community Show is sponsored by the Thurmont Grange, Catoctin FFA Chapter, Catoctin FFA Alumni, the Maryland State Grange, and the Maryland State Agricultural Fair Board.

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## Boy Scouts Lend a Helping Hand

On Sunday, April 27, 2014, Loy's Station Park was infiltrated with military members from all branches of service—active duty, retired, and wounded warriors. Their mission: Riding 110 miles from Arlington, Virginia, to Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, on bicycles of all makes.

This is an annual bike ride that is hosted by World T.E.A.M Sports April 2015 Face of America, with approximately 600 riders, including approximately 130 injured Veterans. "Presented by Capital One Bank, N.A., the Face of America honors the men and women who were wounded or disabled while in service to their nation."

Boy Scout Troop 270 was asked to assist Face of America volunteers in greeting the riders as they came off the road for their 20-mile stop to revitalize. The Boy Scouts were in charge of assisting handicapped riders to and from their bicycles to waiting wheelchairs and getting snacks and fluids for all riders.

The Scouts were amazed at the tenacity of the wounded warriors and how they overcame so many obstacles to be riding in the days' event. The riders were eager to talk with the Scouts and encouraged questions from them. The camaraderie was palpable at Loy's Station Park, and the honor was Troop

270's to assist our military members that day.

To learn more about how you can participate go to <http://worldteamsports.org/events/face-of-america/>.



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(above)

Assisting a wounded warrior to his wheelchair from his bicycle is Boy Scout Troop 270 members, Kyle Cover, Chris Beard, and Devin Stafford.

(right)

World Veteran Bike Ride, leaving Loy's Station Park.

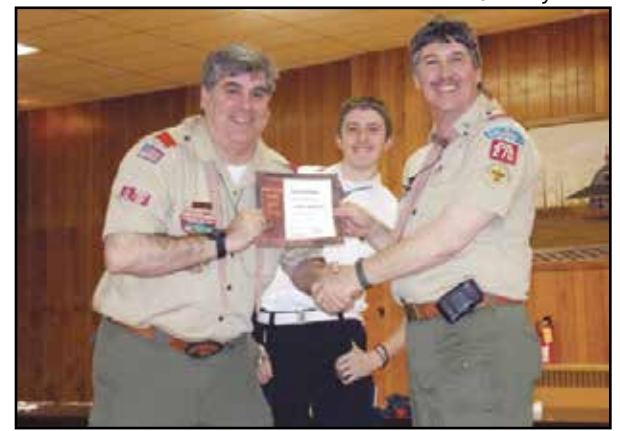


## Scouting Wood Badge Awarded

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John Wright, an Assistant Scoutmaster of Boy Scout Troop 270, an Eagle Scout, Venturing Crew 270 Committee Member, and Committee Member of Ship 59, took on this training a year and a half ago and has finally completed his project. He has earned the coveted Wood Badge award in Scouting.



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Pictured from left are Tom DiMisa, Scoutmaster of Woodbadge; Peter Wright; and John Wright, who was awarded the Wood Badge Award.

## CMD Eleventh Annual Awards Dinner

At the Catoctin Mountain District (CMD) Eleventh Annual Awards Dinner, Venturing Crew 270 was awarded the Joe Davis Crew of the Year Award.

Venturing Crew 270 Adult Leaders received awards for outstanding service to the Crew: Julie Bostian, Committee Chair; Shawn McCardell, Associate Advisor of Program; Dave Place, Crew 270 Advisor; Carie Stafford, Associate Advisor of Administration; Steve Vaughn, Backpacking Advisor; and John Wright, Associate Advisor.

Earning the Crew of the Year Award recognizes participation in District, Council, Regional, and National programs by Crew members in the 2013 calendar year. Venturing offers many opportunities for leadership and growth and is open to boys and girls, ages 14 to 21 (or 13 and have completed the eighth grade).



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District Commissioner Bill Desmond awards the Joe Davis Crew of the Year Award to Kelsey Stafford, President of Venturing Crew 270.

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Members of Boy Scout Troop 270: Sean Veitri, Devin Stafford, Alex Mayhew, Danny Janc, D.Wine, Sean Young, Keegan Coolidge; Alvin Hatcher, Service Officer Thurmont American Legion Post 168; Kelsey Stafford, Venturing Crew 270.

## Charter Presentation

Kelsey Stafford, President of Venturing Crew 270 (pictured left), presented Lowman Keeney (pictured right), President of Thurmont Community Ambulance Service, Inc. (Company 30), with the 2014-2015 Charter of Venturing Crew 270 at their monthly meeting. Venturing Crew 270 is sponsored by The Thurmont Ambulance Company.

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## Reel Nauti Wins MAKO Mania Shark Tournament Thresher Division in Ocean City

Thad Bittner, Dakota Bittner, Denny Forrest, Keith Donnelly, and Eddie Velasquez, entered in the the MAKO Mania Shark Tournament on June 6, 7 and 8, 2014, in Ocean City, Maryland. Dakota Bittner captured first place for catching a 398 pound 14 foot Thresher Shark. Dakota, a Catoctin High School

Sophomore, closed out his school year with the big catch. "The closer it got, the bigger it got," he said. His father, Thad Bittner, added, "It jumped out of the water at least 10 feet, twice." They had an awesome few days of fishing. The crew also caught and released nine other sharks in two days of fishing.



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# Tickling Our Tastebuds

by Denise Valentine



Hello, everyone. I was hoping that fresh strawberries would still be available at the time of this printing, but with some of these heavy rains we've been getting, you may just have to settle for "fresh from the grocery store." I actually just purchased a couple of pounds of strawberries from the store, and they were delicious. You just have to sort them into "need to ripen," "eat it soon," and "eat it now" categories.

My mother-in-law makes this delicious dessert with strawberries and pretzels—a perfect combination of sweet and salty. I searched the "desserts" section in the first cookbook I picked up, but the recipe was not in there. I looked in another one and still could not find this recipe. I called my mother-in-law thinking that she may have it written down, but she assured me that the one she used was in the St. John's (Creagerstown) Cookbook. So I looked again....well, I'm thinking that one of us is losing it, because I still don't see it. Turns out it was printed in the "salads" section, and I guess for good reason: the title of the recipe is "Pretzel Salad." I never would have guessed that one.

I found a couple of variations in there, so I am combining them and calling it "Strawberry & Pretzel Dessert." I hope you enjoy it.



## Strawberry & Pretzel Dessert

### Ingredients:

¾ cup of margarine or butter	8 ounce container of whipped topping
3 tablespoons of sugar	1 large box of strawberry jello
2½ cups of pretzels, broken	1¼ cups of boiling water
8 ounce package of cream cheese	2 (10 oz.) packages of frozen strawberries
½ cup of sugar	or 2 cups of fresh ones (cut up or sliced)

### Directions:

Melt margarine and the 3 tbsp. of sugar in a 9' x 13' baking pan; mix broken pretzels in until coated. Bake for 10 minutes at 350 degrees. Let cool. In mixer bowl whip together cream cheese and the ½ cup of sugar for 10 minutes, then fold in the whipped topping. Spread on the pretzel layer. Dissolve jello in the boiling water and then let cool (but not to gel stage).

Put strawberries on the cream cheese layer and then pour on the jello. Refrigerate until firm.

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## Up and Away

by Linda Calhoun

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Visualize a bubble with luminous shades of rainbow colors.  
A safe place just for you.

The sun is shining; the sky awaits ~ no time limits do you have.  
The entrance is open; now gently slip in ~

The sensations you will feel and hear; having a head set on,  
playing that special CD that uplifts you ~ the quality of "surround sound";  
snuggled in ~ ever so comfortable.

As the music starts to play, the breeze gently lifts you ~  
You drift higher and higher, no limits ~ beyond.

Peaceful ~ safe ~ and loved.

When you have experienced this place, visualizing all;  
you will have reached the inner peace that you need today

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## Age

by Janet Hughes

This body is aging, my hair now has gray.  
My face has wrinkles.  
My bones, they ache.  
My body is aging as my youth slips away.  
Remembering from dust this house came.

My body is aging, my hands can't move as fast.  
My feet are slower as they go about tasks.  
Someone must help me to dress and eat.  
Oh! This getting old is for the birds I can see.

My spirit is soaring I am as young as can be.  
I am the same person inside don't you see?  
Look beyond the exterior of this broken down house,  
See the young girl that still moves about.  
Young and beautiful, eyes so bright,  
a heart so free as it takes its flight.

I'm not changing, my smile is the same.  
My heart feels joy, sorrow, and pain.  
I am not aging, it's this house that I wear.  
I still have feelings, worries, and cares.  
I am not changing in spirit or soul.  
It's this house I'm wearing,  
it's growing old.

Oh! Well the Good Lord, He told me from dust it came to dust it shall return.  
I'll trust his judgement.  
He knows what's best, and at last my soul with him shall rest.  
For age is not feared in our heavenly home.  
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## Almost Blue Mountain City Premieres in October

by James Rada, Jr.

If a picture is worth a thousand words, Chris Haugh has written the ultimate history of Thurmont. When *Almost Blue Mountain City: A History of Thurmont, Maryland*, is released this fall, the documentary will run roughly three hours and contain thousands of pictures of Thurmont from its 263-year life.

"We are almost to the finish line," said Haugh, who is Scenic Byway & Special Projects Manager with the Tourism Council of Frederick County. "I've been working on this project since 1999, but I really think the idea goes back to 1993 or 1994."

Inspired by Ken Burns documentary series, Haugh had set out to create a local one. "I was fascinated by Thurmont and found it appealing," Haugh said.

However, he had barely gotten started on mapping out the project when his attention and efforts at Adelphia Cable were directed toward creating something for Frederick's 250th anniversary.

After that, fate just seemed to conspire against the project. It kept getting pushed back and back. The cable company was sold, and Haugh

started a new job with Frederick County Tourism.

The Thurmont project tied in well with the Frederick County Tourism's goals, and Haugh finally got to start working on it again. He wrote a treatment in 1999 and came to Thurmont in 2000 to film interviews with older citizens who knew about the history of the town.

"Vic Jagow was my liaison, taking me to meet the people who could help me," Haugh said.

He then started shooting additional footage that would be intermixed with photographs and interviews. The result is a chronological story of Thurmont, beginning at its roots with the German migration to the area from Pennsylvania in the 18th century.

"During that time period, this was the western frontier," Haugh said. "Those Germans were taming the wilderness."

The title *Almost Blue Mountain City* refers to when Mechanicstown changed its name in 1893.

Mechanicstown's business leaders were a major proponent of the name change.

"I think the town fathers had this idea for this to become a great resort town like Pen-Mar, and it never really materialized," Haugh said.

The Western Maryland Railroad was coming to Mechanicstown; it was also decided that the town needed a name change. There were just too many towns along the route with "Mechanic" in the name.

The two leading choices for a new name were Blue Mountain City and Thurmont. The residents overwhelmingly chose Blue Mountain City, but the United States Postal Office shot it down as being too long, so Thurmont became the town's new name.

The Thurmont Historical Society has been a big supporter of the film and plans to have a large debut event at Springfield Manor on the afternoon of October 26, 2014.

"We'll watch the first two century, then break for food, and then watch the rest of the film," said Donna Voellinger, the president of the Historical Society.

Haugh said he only wishes that the people he interviewed were still around to be able to see the

completed film. Still, he feels lucky to have been able to capture their stories for posterity.

"Seeing them on film will be almost like digging up a time capsule," Haugh said.

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## Support Appreciated

Many thanks to two local organizations who have supported the public library in Thurmont for many years through their financial support. The Acacia Masonic Lodge No. 155 and the Thurmont Lion's Club have both provided the Thurmont Regional Library with monetary donations recently. The Lion's Club funds are supporting the literacy program, Nighttime on the Deck, and the Masonic donation will be used for building supplies for the book sale storage shed next to the library for storing and sorting materials for the Friends of the Library Annual Sale that takes place each year at the Community Show.

## Two more music shows on the Deck

Underwritten by the Friends of the Thurmont Regional Library, our Sunday music series continues. You don't want to miss the show featuring The Bumper Jacksons on July 20. Visit the band's fun, original website at [www.bumperjacksons.com](http://www.bumperjacksons.com). Save Sunday, August 17, to meet Kenny Ray Horton. He's the real country deal with a Gold Record and a string of stories and songs to keep you enthralled. Visit his website at [www.kennyrayhorton.com/links](http://www.kennyrayhorton.com/links). Both shows are free and start at 2:00 p.m.

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## Art and Photography Thank You

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## july

## community calendar

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- 2.....2015 Catoctin Safe & Sane Graduation Committee Meeting, Rocky's Pizza, Thurmont. 7:00 p.m. All interested parents of the Class of 2015 invited to attend.
- 3.....Jewelry Design Teen Program, Thurmont Regional Library, Moser Rd., Thurmont. Tweens/teens. 5:00-6:00 p.m. Registration necessary. 301-600-7200.
- 3.....3D Target Shoots at Indian Lookout, 17107 Riffle Rd., Emmitsburg. Every Thursday night until Sept. 4. 301-447-2568.
- 3.....Food Drop, Catoctin High School. Sign in begins 11:45 a.m., food distributed noon-2:30 p.m.
- 4.....Veteran's Pork BBQ, 10 McDannell Lane, Fairfield, PA. 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. All Vets eat FREE! \$10/plate. 100% proceeds benefit Wounded Warriors Foundation. Sponsored by Orchard Breeze Farm and Sanders Square. James Grinder 717-253-1354.
- 4.....Shriner's Fun Night, Double Rock Farm, 14505 Motters Station Road, Emmitsburg. Dinner 5:00-7:00 p.m., Riding 7:00-10:30 p.m., Silent Auction. RSVP if riding. 301-606-6810
- 5.....Sandwich Sale, sponsored by Thurmont Lions Club, Bell Hill Farm, 15202 Catoctin Mountain Hwy., Thurmont. 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
- 5.....Home Run Car Show and Flea Market, Harry Grove Stadium Frederick, MD. (Rain date: July 6) All Cars, Trucks & Motorcycles welcome. Registration 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Show 12:00-4:00 p.m. Flea Market 9:00-4:00. FREE admission/parking. Benefits Vietnam Veterans of America, Vets Journey Home & Korean War Veterans Association in Frederick County. 301-898-8090; goldengears.org.
- 5.....Grill Demo, Zurgable Hardware, Old Emmitsburg Road, Emmitsburg. 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
- 6.....Bingo, Blue Ridge Sportsmen's Association, 3009 Waynesboro Pike, Fairfield, PA. 717-794-5404. brsportsmenscom.ipage.com.
- 6.....FREE Picnic Concert with Civil War Era Bands, the grounds of the National Shrine of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, S. Seton Avenue, Emmitsburg. 4:00 p.m. Acclaimed Civil War era Hancock String Band and the Susquehanna Travelers Band.
- 6-11..Community Vacation Bible School, Elias Lutheran and Incarnation U.C.C. Church, 100 W. North Ave., Emmitsburg. 6:30-8:30 p.m.
- 7.....Lab Assistants Needed—Harry Potter Potions Lab, Thurmont Regional Library, Moser Rd., Thurmont. Tweens/teens (must be between grades 6-12). 2:00-3:00 p.m. Register early & be ready to get messy. 301-600-7214.
- 7.....Free Community Meal served first Monday of each month, Graceham Moravian Church, 8231 A Rocky Ridge Rd., Thurmont. 5:30-7:00 p.m. All invited. 301-271-2379.
- 7.....Thurmont Community Clothes Closet Open. Thurmont United Methodist Church, Long Road, Thurmont. 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. All items are free regardless of need. Donations gladly accepted. 301-271-4511.
- 7-10..Aaron Meekins Cougar Basketball Camp, Catoctin High School, Thurmont. Boys entering grades 4-9. 8:00 a.m.-noon. \$100/session (received after June 1). Mail checks to Cougars Boys Basketball to Cougars Boys Basketball Camp, Attn: Coach Meekins, 14745 Sabillasville Road, Thurmont, 21788. Sponsored by CHS Boosters. 301-524-7970; emailameekins82@hotmail.com.
- 7-12..Guardian Hose Carnival, carnival grounds on East Main St., Thurmont. Enjoy rides,

live entertainment each night, good food, raffles, 50/50 Bingo, and more. Parade July 10, 6:30 p.m. Event sponsored by and benefits Guardian Hose Company, Inc. www.guardianhose.org.

- 7,14. Catoctin-Ettes, Inc. Baton Twirling Class, Emmitsburg Community Center Gym, Emmitsburg. Free. 10:00-10:45 a.m. Ages 5-teens. Donna Landsperger DONITO@aol.com or 240-405-2604.

- 8.....Hospice 101, Hospice of Frederick County, 516 Trail Ave, Frederick, MD. 2:30 - 4:30 p.m. 240-566-3038 or delizabeth@fmh.org.

- 8.....Guided Relaxation and Meditation, Hospice of Frederick County, 516 Trail Ave, Frederick, MD. 5:30-6:30 p.m. 240-566-3038 or email delizabeth@fmh.org.

- 8.....Make Your Own Bath Salts, Emmitsburg Branch Library, 300 South Seton Ave., Emmitsburg. Tweens/teens. 4:00-5:00 p.m. All supplies are provided. 301-600-6329.

- 9.....Free Job Counseling at Emmitsburg Public Library, 300 S. Seton Ave., Emmitsburg. 3:00-5:00 p.m. Second Wednesday of every month. Service provided by Patie Elsberry of Goodwill of Monocacy Valley. 301-662-0622, ext. 209.

- 9.....Roger Lindsay Magic Show, Emmitsburg Branch Library, 300 South Seton Ave., Emmitsburg. Children all ages w/adult. 11:00-12:00 p.m. Magician Roger Lindsay. 301-600-6329.

- 10.....Young Widows/Widowers Support Group (ages 55 and under), Hospice of Frederick County, 516 Trail Ave, Frederick, MD. (July 10-Aug. 28) 6:00-7:30 p.m. Please call 240-566-3030 to register by July 7.

- 12.....Futuremaker: Drawing Machines, Emmitsburg Branch Library, 300 South Seton Ave., Emmitsburg. Grades 3-7. 11:00-12:00 p.m. Enjoy special treat from Rita's Italian Ice at 12:00 p.m. 301-600-6329.

- 12.....Open House, Thurmont Masonic Lodge ACACIA Lodge 155, 12 East Main St., Thurmont. 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. www.thurmontmasons.com.

- 12....Grill Demo, Zurgable Hardware, Old Emmitsburg Road, Emmitsburg. 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

- 12.....Tom's Creek's 4th Festival, Rt. 140 property, just east of Emmitsburg. 10:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Good food, door prizes, vendors & crafters, games, music, silent auction, and more. Free magic show 4:00 p.m. Public baby contest, 11:00 a.m. (infants 6 mon.-age 2). Rain date: July 13. www.tomscreekumc.org.

- 12,13.Civil War Encampment, Rose Hill Manor Park, 1611 North Market St., Frederick, MD (Fred. Co. Div. of Parks & Rec.). July 12: 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.; July 13: 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. \$3/person. Handicapped accessible. 301-600-1650; www.rosehillmuseum.com.

- 13.....Sunday Service, MorningStar Family Church, 14698 Albert Staub Rd., Thurmont. 10:45 a.m. 301-271-3633; www.morningstartfc.org. Guest Speaker: Dr. Steve Davis, former FBI Chaplain (www.stevedavis.org).

- 13.....Lewistown Ruritan Chicken BBQ, US 15 North & Fish Hatchery Rd.

- 14.....Blue Ridge Summit Library Annual Ice Cream Social & Book Sale. Featuring John Miller (expert on Civil War); magician 11:00 a.m.-noon; music; food & ice cream. Volunteers welcome. 717-797-2376.

- 14.....Evening Grief Support, Hospice of Frederick County, 516 Trail Ave, Frederick, MD. 5:00-6:30 p.m. No registration required. 240-566-3030 or email lkinna@fmh.org.

- 14-18.Vacation Bible School, Thurmont United Methodist Church, 13880 Long Rd., Thurmont. Pre-K-5th grade. 6:00-8:00 p.m. 301-271-4511.

- 15.....Thurmont Community Clothes Closet Open. Thurmont United Methodist Church,

Long Road, Thurmont. 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. All items are free regardless of need! Donations gladly accepted at clothes closet building beside the church. 301-271-4511.

- 15.....Daytime Grief Support, Hospice of Frederick County, 516 Trail Ave, Frederick, MD. 2:00-3:30 p.m. No registration required. 240-566-3030 or email lkinna@fmh.org. www.hospiceoffrederick.org.

- 15.....LEONARDO, Thurmont Regional Library, Moser Rd., Thurmont. Children of all ages w/adult. 10:30-11:15 a.m. 301-600-7200.

- 16.....Overeaters Anonymous (OA) First Meeting, Emmitsburg Library Community Room, 300 S. Seton Ave., Emmitsburg. 12:15-1:15 p.m.

- 17.....Live Music Concert with Chuck Fisher doing County Classics, Thurmont Senior Center, 806 East Main St., Thurmont. 10:30 a.m. Free admission. 301-271-7911.

- 17.....Discovery on the Deck: The 5 Senses, Thurmont Regional Library, Moser Rd., Thurmont. All ages. 2:00-2:30 p.m. Marlene Bordner 301-600-7214.

- 17.....Nighttime On The Deck: Catoctin Zoo, Thurmont Regional Library, Moser Rd., Thurmont. Children of all ages w/adult. 6:30-7:15 p.m. No registration necessary. 301-600-7200.

- 17.....*Anne of Green Gables* musical, presented by Thurmont Thespians, Thurmont American Legion, 8 Park Lane, Thurmont. 7:30 p.m. \$15/person. Becky Urian 301-271-7613.

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- 19.....5-Way Chicken Wing Feed, hosted by Sons of the American Legion Squadron 121 at Emmitsburg Ambulance Building, Creamery Rd., Emmitsburg. Eat 5:00-8:00 p.m., D.J. 8:00-11:00 p.m. \$12.50/person (includes music & dancing). After 8:00 p.m., all refreshments \$1. Benefits Tim (Chopper) Andrew's daughter, Ginger Deavers.

- 19.....Exploration Station: Space, Emmitsburg Branch Library, 300 South Seton Ave., Emmitsburg. Preschool/elementary aged children w/adult. 11:00 a.m. 301-600-6329.

- 19.....Game Night, Thurmont Riding Club grounds, Roddy Road, Thurmont. 6:00 p.m. 240-437-2222.

- 19,20Field Day, Fox Haven Organic Farm, 3630 Poffenberger Rd., Jefferson, MD. info@foxhavenlearningcenter.com.

- 20.....*Anne of Green Gables* musical, presented by Thurmont Thespians, Thurmont American Legion, 8 Park Lane, Thurmont. 2:00 p.m. \$15/person. Becky Urian 301-271-7613.

- 20.....Concert on the Lawn Features "The Friends Creek Band", St. John's Lutheran Church, 8619 Blacks Mill Road in Creagerstown. 6:00 p.m. Free to all. Bring a lawn chair. A cake auction will be held to benefit Lola Doll and Sue Rice.

- 20.....Horseshoe Tournament, Blue Ridge Sportsmen's Association, 3009 Waynesboro Pike, Fairfield, PA. Register by 11:30 a.m. 717-794-5404.

- 20.....Music On The Deck: The Bumper Jacksons, Thurmont Regional Library, Moser Rd., Thurmont. All ages welcome. 2:00-2:45 p.m. No registration necessary. 301-600-7200.

- 21....Red Cross Blood Drive, Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, 103 N. Church St., Thurmont. 2:00-7:30 p.m. Terry 301-271-7872 to schedule appt./more information. Walk-ins welcome.

- 21 ....Manifestations of Grief Seminar, Hospice of Frederick County, 516 Trail Ave, Frederick, MD. 6:00-7:30 p.m. Register by July 18.

240-566-3030 or email lkinna@fmh.org or dwatterson@fmh.org.

- 21-25.."Weird Animals" Vacation Bible School, Graceham Moravian Church, 8231 A Rocky Ridge Rd., Thurmont. 6:30-8:45 p.m. Songs, Bible adventures. Ages 3 through 5th grade (completed). Register 301-271-2379 by July 14.

- 23 ....Cross-Generational Tech Learning, Thurmont Regional Library, Moser Rd., Thurmont. 2:00-3:30 p.m. 50+ Learn more about tablets or smart phones. George 301-600-7212

- 24 ....*Anne of Green Gables* musical, presented by Thurmont Thespians, Thurmont American Legion, 8 Park Lane, Thurmont. 7:30 p.m. \$15/person. Becky Urian 301-271-7613.

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- 25 ....Outlaw Shoot, Blue Ridge Sportsmen's Association, 3009 Waynesboro Pike, Fairfield, PA. Doors open 4:00 p.m.; Shoot starts 6:00 p.m. 717-794-5404. www.brspportsmenscom.ipage.com.

- 25 ....Pool Party, Town of Emmitsburg Swimming Pool. 7:00-9:00 p.m. \$1/person.

- 26 ....The A-Maze-Ing Marble Run, Thurmont Regional Library, Moser Rd., Thurmont. Grades 1-5 w/adult. 2:00-3:00 p.m. Extra cardboard tubes/recyclables welcome. No registration. 301-600-7200.

- 26 ....Ooey-Goey Science, Emmitsburg Branch Library, 300 South Seton Ave., Emmitsburg. Elementary aged children w/adult. 11:00-12:00 p.m. 301-600-6329.

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- 28 ....Evening Grief Support, Hospice of Frederick County, 516 Trail Ave, Frederick, MD. 5:00-6:30 p.m. No registration required. 240-566-3030 or email lkinna@fmh.org or dwatterson@fmh.org.

- 28 ....VBS - Mega Sports Game Plan, Mt. View Ministries, 103 Apples Church Rd., Thurmont (through August 1). 7:00-8:30 p.m. Ages K-5th grade. Registration 301-271-9088.

- 29 ....Festival at Mt. Tabor Park, Mt. Tabor Church of Rocky Ridge hosts. 4:00 p.m. Music by "Full Effect" 6:00-9:00 p.m. Christian Fellowship; good time for all ages.

- 29 ....Soolah Hoops, Thurmont Regional Library, Moser Rd., Thurmont. Grades K-8. 6:30-7:15 p.m. Hoops provided. 301-600-7200.

- 30 ....Shazam! Magic, Thurmont Regional Library, 10:30-11:15 a.m. Magician Peter Wood. 301-600-7200.

- 30 ....Parental Grief Support Group, Hospice of Frederick County, 516 Trail Ave, Frederick, MD. (July 30- Aug. 20) 6:00-7:30 p.m. 240-566-3030 to register by July 25.

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- 1,2....CHS Class of 1979 35th Reunion. August 1—Social, Taverna 5450, 5450 Fairfield Rd., Fairfield, PA. 7:00 p.m. 717-642-5887. If plan to dine, call prior to event. August 2—Emmitsburg Ambulance Company Building, 17701 Creamery Rd., Emmitsburg. Social hour 6:00 p.m.; dinner 7:00 p.m.; BYOB mixers provided, music, door prizes. \$30/ person. Denise Valentine 301-447-6816; Loretta Stouter lssmickey@aol.com; Liz Stitley stitree@aol.com. RSVP by July 18.

- 2.....Annual Garfield Church Picnic, Corner of Garfield and Brandenburg Hollow Roads, Foxville. 10:00 a.m. Live music by Buck Fisher, Paul Chaney and the Bluegrass Travelers, great food, fun and games. 301-416-0350.



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