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G8 Protesters “Occupy” Thurmont

by Aaron Heiner

Unlike the regular presidential visits to which area inhabitants are accustomed, the G8 Summit that took place on May 18 and 19, 2012, brought not only an increase in security from local, state, and federal agencies, but placed the town in the global spotlight by the media. On Saturday, May 19, the Summit protests reached their pinnacle peacefully, when an untold number of protesters from out of town gathered in the town’s center to express their messages and hopes for world change with posters, props, chants, and shouts.

Prior to Saturday, Thurmont’s Mayor, Martin Burns, was confident that the town would be able to manage the G8 Summit without incident. The event started out slowly, with a small turnout Friday where visiting media outnumbered protesters.

“There will be more people [protesters] here on Saturday,” Burns said Friday morning, but reassured the public that there was adequate security in place for the town. “There will be about a hundred police here in Thurmont, and we’ll be prepared for anything.”

Area residents had mixed feelings about their sleepy little town being the center of international media attention. While some residents were concerned about the possibility of protesters getting out of hand, many did not think any problems would arise.

Skip Mifner, a life-long resident of Thurmont and owner of the Thurmont Bar & Grill on East Main Street, did not foresee any difficulties and, in fact, hoped the



Photo by Aaron J. Heiner

Protesters gather in Thurmont’s town square to express their messages and hopes for world change. Law enforcement officers stand ready in case the peaceful demonstrations became unruly.

influx of traffic would help business. “I guess things will be okay as long as we don’t have any nuts [causing trouble],” Mifner said Friday.

Frank Shriner, also a life-long resident, was not overly concerned about the events scheduled for the weekend. “I don’t think there will be any trouble. This is a quiet town,” Shriner said from his front porch.

While he did not think any issues would arise from the increase in out-of-town visitors, he did not see why the G8 Summit was such a big deal now, as Thurmont has hosted international gatherings of leaders in the past without much fanfare. “We had events [like this] before, and we never had anything outrageous happen, but now everyone is taking it really seriously,” said Shriner.

Rose Barlet, who was next to Shriner, agreed that she did not

expect the protesters to cause any trouble for the town.

Most of the town residents’ sentiments about the lack of trouble was shared by the protesters who were visiting from out of town. Occupy Baltimore’s Moderator, Donna Simone, said Friday evening that there would be an Occupy presence in Thurmont for the G8, but most of those who attended stayed

in Frederick. She was quick to point out that the intention of the Occupy movement in Thurmont was not to protest or rally, but to “converse” with citizens about concerns that everyone shares.

“Hopefully, people will have a better understanding of who Occupy really is, and the fact that we are not owned by any political party. We are all independent, and won’t endorse any political party,” said Simone. Simone, a farmer and mother of two in her mid-sixties, continued to say that all the Occupy movement is trying to accomplish is simply about having conversations simply for the purpose of solving our problems as opposed to making things worse. She also noted that people tend to confuse the Occupy movement with Anarchists who deliberately intend to cause problems for the communities. Simone stressed that those who are part of the Occupy movement do not condone violence as it is counter-productive to an open dialog.

On Saturday, two school buses of Ethiopians arrived intent on making their voices heard by world leaders about human conditions in their native country. By 10:00 a.m., the demonstrators had taken over the Mechanicstown Park in the center

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Vigilant Hose Company’s Spring Fling

The Emmitsburg Vigilant Hose Company’s Spring Fling, held on May 19, 2012, was a huge success!

See more photos on page 14.

Jacob Ebaugh enjoys a yummy popsicle at the Spring Fling.



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From the Publisher

Dear Reader:

We didn't know what to expect during the G8 Summit. In preparation, our law enforcement and citizens prepared for the worst and hoped for the best. The days leading up to the Summit were quiet. The days of the Summit brought us temporary visitors who shared their messages in a peaceful manner. Kudos to our community members who played a part in hosting a world-class event in downtown Thurmont. We are proud.

I find it ironic that at the same time that the Summit demonstrations in Thurmont were taking place, many of our local citizens were enjoying the Vigilant Hose Company's Spring Fling on the grounds of Mount St. Mary's University. This event was a perfect example of small town America, where people come together for fun to support the local community. I wonder if just as many, if not more, worldly decisions could have been determined if the Summit attendees had gathered at the Spring Fling.

On another note, I'd like to reach out to thank a few people who have really helped me recently. It seems that I am constantly faced with a computer or piece of equipment breaking down. Within the last month, two computers died. Next, the direct-to-garment t-shirt printer clogged. Then, the straw that broke my back was a fuse in our wide-format laminator. It broke off—half in the machine, half on the floor, topped off with some glass fragments in my eye. I couldn't seem to get a break.

Then, my angels started to appear. First, Brian Getz diagnosed one computer as dead and quickly directed a plan of replacement. Thank you, Brian! Next, Seth Kearchner loaned me a piece of equipment that cleaned that t-shirt printer's clogged schnozzle. Thank you, Seth! Then, along comes Gene Troxell of Gene's Towing, with his son, Bryan. They made a visit to my basement to attack the laminator fuse. Within moments, Bryan had removed the pesky fuse butt from the machine. Thank you, Gene and Bryan! And finally, our Marketing Intern, Tyler Twigg, came in to the store to finish up some paperwork and fixed our second ailing computer. Thank you, Tyler! I'd be remiss if I didn't mention Bob Hurst. He has the special electric touch with our paper cutter. It usually works after he's fixed it. Thank you, Bob!

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Deb Spalding
 Publisher

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Vendors Wanted

The Thurmont First Main Street would like to invite you to participate in the 2012 Thurmont Main Street Flea and Farmers Market.

The dates will run Saturdays from June 9 through September 22, 2012, from 9:00 a.m. until noon, at the Guardian Hose Company Carnival Grounds on the Boundary Avenue side. There will be NO Farmers Market on July 14, 2012, due to the Guardian Hose Company's Carnival.

We are asking a nominal one-time fee of \$20.00 per vendor for the whole season. If a Flea Market/Yard Sale vendor would like to participate for only one Saturday, the fee will be \$5.00 per Saturday.

Food Market vendors please contact us as soon as possible, as the Frederick County Health Department needs a list of food vendors that are going to participate.

Please call Karen Kinnaird at 301-271-4811 or John Kinnaird at 301-271-2273 or 301-606-9458 to register or if you have any questions. Applications are also available online at www.thurmontfirst.com or at the Thurmont Town Office, 10 Frederick Road, Thurmont.

Please come and enjoy the fresh vegetables, baked goods, and fun!

NOTICE

The Blue Ridge Cemetery Association of Thurmont would like to remind all lot owners that during the mowing season all flowers, decorative items, toys, benches, lights, fencing, etc. must be removed from all lots in the Cemetery.

These items must be removed from the Cemetery by June 15, 2012. After June 15th the Cemetery will remove the items.

The Blue Ridge Cemetery Association

Lights From the Town – Remembering Thurmont

Lights From the Town, a book (historical memoir) about growing up in the Thurmont area in the 1940s and 1950s, is currently available from www.lulu.com in paperback and ebook form.

The book, written by former local resident Dorothy Tresselt Victor, will also be available at www.amazon.com and www.barnesandnoble.com in early summer 2012.

Emmitsburg Community Day & Parade

Gear up now for the Emmitsburg Community Day that will be held Saturday, June 30, 2012, at the Emmitsburg Community Park. The theme for this year is "Our Community: Pulling Together." Along with the traditional races and games in the morning, the popular horseshoe tournament and closest-to-the-pin golf will be held in the afternoon. Additional events will include: Civil War Encampment, Little League All-Star game, Emmitsburg Lions Club car show, musical performances, and more. The swimming pool will be open to all guests and members for free all day. Additional activities were being added at press time of this newspaper.

The Emmitsburg Business and Professional Association will host the Community Day Parade. Any organization, children and families or business serving the greater Emmitsburg area is invited to enter a float or walking/marching unit. Classic Car buffs are invited to participate. Inquiries from marching bands will be most welcome. Forms are available on the EBPA.biz website or contact John Sanders at 301-447-3638.

The day will conclude with a finale of fireworks. Join in for fun to help make this year's Community Day the biggest and best ever. Donations are appreciated in order to help support the costs of the day's festivities which include the fireworks display. Submit donations to the Emmitsburg Lions Club at P.O. Box 1182, Emmitsburg, Maryland, 21727.

Thurmont EDC Spring Fundraiser Features a Custom Gnarly Artly Tote Bag Sale

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Senior Housing in Emmitsburg in 2014

If everything goes as planned, Emmitsburg will have about 43 senior housing rental units located at the Provincial House building on South Seton Avenue by spring 2014. The St. Joseph's Provincial House administration decided to allow a non-profit group to renovate a wing of the House due to the additional space left empty from a re-organization in 2011. To help facilitate this plan, the Town of Emmitsburg is applying for a Community Development Block Grant on behalf of a non-profit organization called Homes for America. The Homes for America organization specializes in developing and preserving housing for low and moderate income households and special needs populations. They will be working with the Provincial House to create approximately 31 single-room units and 12 double-room units. The availability of the units will be restricted to individuals who are 62 years or older, with rental costs based on 30% of the applicant's income. Once renovations are completed, the management of the units will be handled by a third party.

Draft Budget

Town Commissioners discussed

town hall reports

by Michele Cuseo

the 2013 budget with proposed ideas that would increase the tax rate from the current .36 cents to .42 for Emmitsburg property taxes. The actual amount of taxes paid by citizens will not be more than previously paid due to the decline in property values assessed by Frederick County. Included in the budget discussion was a thumbs-up for a cost of living expense increase for town employees. The budget is still in draft form. Final approval will be on the table in June.

Rabies Report in Emmitsburg/ Rabies Clinic in Thurmont June 14

An opossum in Emmitsburg tested positive for rabies on April 11, 2012. The rabid opossum was reported to have had interaction with a dog in the area of Irishtown Road and the Brookfield subdivision. Signs of a potentially rabid animal may include but are not limited to: a nocturnal animal out during daylight, paralysis, staggering, over friendliness, aggressiveness, drooling, seizures, and death. To report exposure or danger of exposure to a rabid animal, you can call animal control at 301-600-1546 (during work hours) or 301-600-2558 (after hours or on weekends). A Rabies Clinic will be

held on June 14, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Thurmont Community Park. For only \$8.00 you can have your pet immunized. Your pet must be properly contained/leashed. For more questions, call 301-600-1717.

For more information about the town of Emmitsburg, log onto www.emmitsburgmd.gov.

Thurmont, May 2012

Solar Energy on Thurmont's Electric Grid

The commissioners agreed to authorize a new net metering process that allows electric company customers that generate their own electricity to sell their excess power back to the Thurmont grid. Currently a business in Thurmont, Federal Stone Industries, Inc. is preparing to install solar panels. Individuals, not just companies, can also benefit from this process if they decide to install solar energy. Bill Blakeslee, Town Manager, says that it sounds simple but there are some legalities involved. There will be an agreement that will spell out the responsibilities between the customer and the Town of Thurmont.

Grant Application to Help Thurmont Food Bank

Commissioners unanimously approved a decision to apply for a grant to help fund new storage equipment for the Thurmont Food Bank. Currently, the food bank is sometimes unable to accept large donations due to the lack of storage space and proper equipment. The refrigerators and freezers they have been using are all used hand-me-downs. The grant would fund new professional, commercial-grade refrigerators, freezers, and stainless steel tables. Donations are still being accepted by the food bank. Non-perishable items can be dropped off at the town office, Monday through Friday, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. For other donations, call Sally Joyner Griffin at 301-271-5445.

Rabies Clinics in Thurmont June and September

For just \$8.00 you can have your pet immunized on June 14 or September 11, 2012. The Clinics are open from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. and will be held at the Thurmont Community Park. Registration is NOT required. However, all pets must be properly contained, leashed, or in carriers. For more information, call 301-600-1717.

View the town of Thurmont's website at www.thurmont.com or call the town office at 301-271-7313 for more information.

Farmer's Markets:

- Thurmont – June 9 through September 22, Saturdays, 9:00 a.m. to Noon, Carnival Grounds, East Main Street, Thurmont.
- Emmitsburg – through October, Fridays, 3:00 to 7:30 p.m., South Seton Avenue, Emmitsburg.

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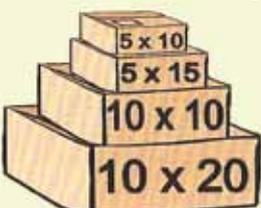



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For the fourth consecutive year, members of the Thurmont High School Class of 1963 have made a donation to the Thurmont Food Bank. This year, the contribution was \$1,030. Over the last four years, the class has given nearly \$4,000 to the Food Bank.

In January of this year, John Bollinger, a classmate and dear friend, died. Although John lived in Georgia, he remained a generous donor to the Thurmont Food Bank. John's classmates will remember him and his acts of kindness.

Class members making contributions this year were: George Ambroke, Marvin Cregger, Belva Dinterman, Larry Freshman, Vivian Hauver Gladhill, Beverly Weagley Hessong, Betty Harbaugh Kelly, Theresa Hackett LaBarge, Shirley Warner Long, Joann Miller, Ed Orndorff, Sam Royer, Carolyn Pearcey Sexton, Lewis Shapiro, Kay Fox Shook, Linda Rayfield Skewes, Charles Smith, Sally Baugher Spencer, Kay Stottlemeyer Stephens, Paul Toms, and Shelby Eyer Wangness.

Check the Community Calendar

Be sure to check the calendar on page 35 for bingos, breakfasts, dinners, programs, benefits, and many other events of interest.

Corrections to Last Issue:

These corrections have been made to our online May edition that can be viewed at www.TheCatocinBanner.com.

In the "Who Am I?" article about Bob Hurst, his youngest son, Brandon, was overlooked. Brandon was born just before the Hursts moved from Mississippi back to Maryland.

In the Emmitsburg Baseball & Softball League's Guy McGlaughlin award article, Tom Ryan was named as the award recipient for 2012, but his grandson, Evan Ott, was misnamed and Brendan Ott was misspelled.

Also, in the Emmitsburg Baseball & Softball Opening Day article, some sponsors were left out. They include Tahiti Sun, The Palm's Restaurant, Melissa Wetzel CPA, Eagle Oil, Emmitsburg Osteopathic Practice, Jubilee, Stateline Gun Exchange, and Zurgables Hardware.

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A number of the community churches, fire departments, and the Sons of the American Legion will be providing a wide selection of scrumptious food. Mountaintop Heritage Days is a key fundraising activity for these non-profit organizations. There is a parking fee of \$5.00 per vehicle. Visit www.onemountainfoundation.org for a detailed schedule.

Bill Carter, Chairman of the One Mountain Foundation, said, "The OMF volunteers really enjoy putting on what has become a great summer tradition here on the mountain. The many participating local non-profit organizations have collectively made over \$45,000 over the past five years. Hopefully, more can be made by them this year. Fireworks, great food, lots of entertainment, and things to do with the family and with good friends—what better way to spend a weekend? Mark your calendars - now! Bring a lawn chair and come on out!"

Sponsorship for this year's events include the PenMar Development Corporation, Specialty Granules Inc., Hagerstown-Washington County Convention & Visitors Bureau, The Sons of the American Legion Post #239, First Command Financial Services Inc., McLaughlin's Heating Oils & LP Gas, and the Fort Ritchie Community Center. The One Mountain Foundation wishes to thank all of our generous sponsors for their support.

Mountain Heritage and Children's Art Festival During June Saturday Stroll in Thurmont

Thurmont First, Inc., the Main Street organization responsible for Thurmont's economic development initiative, will host a Saturday Stroll event on June 16 from 1:00-4:00 p.m. June's theme is "Mountain Heritage". Visitors are encouraged to stroll through main street Thurmont to view the artwork of local students in the First Annual Children's Art Festival. Visitors can also shop the local merchants and street vendors. There will be a petting zoo and other fun activities throughout the main street area! Sit and listen to live entertainment while you enjoy great food and treats. For history buffs, the Thurmont Historical Society, Inc. will have their home, The Creeger House, open for tour and Civil War reenactors will be camped on the back lawn.

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If you would like to be a participating vendor, there is still time to sign up. Call Virginia LaRoche at 240-288-8226 for more information.

Emmitsburg Community Chorus Presents Spring Concert

On Friday, June 29, 2012, at 7:00 p.m., the Emmitsburg Community Chorus prepares to present the annual Spring Concert at the Emmitsburg Park, to open the annual Emmitsburg Community Day events.

The 2012 Spring Concert will feature a brief return to Broadway, highlighting music of Lerner and Lowe, with songs from shows such as Gigi, Paint Your Wagon, Camelot and Brigadoon.

There will be solo selections by Cheryl Carney, Mary Barrett-Friend, Betsy Graham, Chris Krietz, Mike Mathis, Paula Mathis, Steve Purcell, Marilyn and Tom Steigerwald, all members of the twenty-five member chorus.

Prior to the park concert, the chorus will sing on June 19 at 6:30 p.m. and June 23 at 2:30 p.m. for the residents and staff at both Heartfields and Crumland Farms, respectively.

The Emmitsburg Community Chorus Concerts, under the direction of Peggy Burrier Flickinger and Pianist Lisa Mattia since 2007, are made possible through grants from the Frederick Arts Council. The Emmitsburg Community Chorus recently sang at the annual Easter Sunrise service at the Grotto in Emmitsburg and shared their Easter music with Creagerstown Lutheran Church in their remodeled Union Chapel.

The chorus holds rehearsals Tuesday evenings from 7:00-9:00 p.m. at the Provincial House, September through December and February through June for their winter and spring seasons. The chorus would be delighted to have new members join them for the fall concert season, which will bring the chorus back to the Basilica for their annual Christmas Concert. For more information, call Mary Barrett-Friend at 301-845-1282 or Betsy Graham at 301-898-7821.

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AROUND town

Songs from the Camps, a Civil War Picnic Concert

The distinctive down-home sounds of banjos, fiddles, tambourines, and mandolins that entertained soldiers on the battlefield camps will fill the air on Sunday, July 8, 2012, at



Courtesy Photo

the National Shrine of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, as two Civil War era bands perform a FREE picnic concert on the grounds at 5:00 p.m.

The concert will feature the Hancock String Band and the 2nd South Carolina String Band, both acclaimed for playing authentic Civil War era music. According to the 2nd South Carolina String Band's website, "This is the music as it truly sounded to the soldiers of the Civil War."

Guests are invited to bring lawn chairs, blankets, and picnic food to enjoy; or purchase dinner from Carriage House Catering, which will offer on-site catering for the event. Rita's Italian Ice of Frederick will be on-hand for guests to purchase delicious cold treats during the evening.

"Civil War history is rich at the Shrine," said Rob Judge, executive director of Seton Heritage Ministries. "The war came to Emmitsburg in late July 1863, with the armies of the Potomac and Northern Virginia succeeding each other in St. Joseph's Valley."

"Approximately forty years after Mother Seton's death in 1821, her home was the site of the Union encampment in 1863. Union officers conducted a war council in St. Joseph's House, now known as Mother Seton's White House, to prepare for the battle of Gettysburg," explained Judge.

The event will also offer free access to the Charity Afire exhibit in the Seton Heritage Museum and Visitor Center. The exhibit features artifacts from the Civil War and tells the compelling stories of the Sisters and Daughters of Charity, and how they not only endured the war but tended to the spiritual and medical needs of soldiers from both sides.

For more information, contact 301-447-6606 or visit www.setonheritage.org.

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~ Anonymous

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Fun Ride with Deputies

On June 30, 2012, in conjunction with Emmitsburg Community Day, the Emmitsburg Community Deputies/Frederick County Sheriff's Office will hold a 7-mile fun ride for riders ages 10-17 and a shorter ride for ages 5-9. The event will start at 1:00 p.m. at the Emmitsburg Community Pool on Lincoln Avenue. Parents are invited to ride with their children.

The Community Deputies are hoping to make this an annual event to create and strengthen the relationship between the youth of Emmitsburg (and surrounding areas) and the deputies. The deputies have distributed flyers to both elementary schools in Emmitsburg and the Elementary and Middle School in Thurmont.

Free 2012 Outdoor Live Music, Jazz Clinic, and Summer Movies at Mount St. Mary's University

Mount St. Mary's free live music series is being held Wednesdays (except July 4) at the Fountain on the Patio by McGowan Hall, from 8:00 to 10:00 p.m. (rain or shine). The Mount Café will be open each week during these hours for anyone interested in refreshments. The public is invited to this series that includes a variety of music. Feel free to bring a chair or blanket.

Come to a free jazz clinic on Wednesday, July 25, from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. at Mount St. Mary's Delaplaine Fine Arts Center's Horning Theater. Led by world class jazz musicians and jazz educators, attendees are encouraged (not required) to bring their instruments and be willing to play what they are learning. Although free, registration is required by visiting: www.msmary.edu/freejazzclinic or calling 301-447-8329. This workshop is sponsored by Yamaha and Antoine Courtois Paris.

Mark your calendar for free outdoor summer movies (with free popcorn) at Mount St. Mary's University's Echo Field. On Friday, June 8, the *Muppet Movie* (PG) will be shown, and on Friday, July 6, *The Wrath of the Titans* (PG13). Movies begin at 9:00 p.m. If inclement weather occurs, all is moved indoors to Patriot Hall. The public is invited. Bring a blanket or chair and feel free to bring beverages. Teddy's Treats will be on hand to sell ice cream and novelties. Mount St. Mary's is an alcoholic-free campus. For more information, contact 301-447-8329 or visit www.msmary.edu/summermovies.

Weller United Methodist Church's Operation Overboard

Weller UMC will be hosting "Operation Overboard-Dare to go deep with God" on Sunday, June 24 through Thursday, June 28, 2012, from 6:15-8:30 p.m. Dive in and discover God's underwater universe! Kids journey miles below the water's surface into God's word to find what true faith is all about.

They will sing, play games, eat yummy snacks, and make cool crafts. You may register the first night of Bible School at the Church. If you would like to pre-register, please contact the church office for more information 301-271-2802. Registration is free and it is open to the community for ages Pre-K thru 5th Grade.

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Lewistown District Volunteer Fire Department Geared Up for G8 Summit

by Lisa Lessin

When Lewistown District Volunteer Fire Department (LDVFD) heard that the G8 Summit was coming to town, they immediately geared up to assist in any way that they could. They were notified that their fire station would become headquarters to multiple law enforcement jurisdictions during the May 18-19, 2012, economic summit being held at Camp David after being relocated from Chicago only months earlier. Usually, an event of this magnitude takes months and months of logistical planning. The volunteers at Station #22 did not have months to plan how to accommodate the large number of law enforcement apparatus, equipment, and personnel that was soon going to invade their territory in order to help keep the citizens of Frederick County safe.

Immediately, volunteers began pulling their resources together to plan just how this was going to work best for everyone involved – themselves, law enforcement, and most importantly, the Lewistown community. A prominent objective was feeding the 1,500 plus officers who would need to be fed at the staging location.

Volunteer fire and rescue personnel approached several grocery stores in the area to request food donations. Without hesitation, Thurmont Weis, Thurmont Food Lion, and Ron Terpko 7-11 in Lewistown, generously gave. “This is phenomenal and says a lot in this economical time,” remarked Steven Stull, Firefighter, EMT and Membership Chair at LDVFD. “Everyone has really pulled together to help. We are especially grateful to these stores in our community for their generous donations. Also, I would be remiss if I didn’t mention the generous contributions from the various police agencies in attendance. They insisted that we put out a ‘boot’ to collect donations.”

From Thursday morning through Sunday morning, several dozen LDVFD members worked around the clock to prepare and serve meals for law enforcement personnel. In addition to making sure that

Mary Elizabeth Ambrose places lunchmeat on a tray, while Karen Stull (in background) and Donald Stull help prepare a meal for G8 support staff.



LDVFD volunteers are shown back row, left to right: Delbert Stull, Jenn Toms, Vicki Martin, Donald Martin. Front row: Steven Stull, Kenny Miller.

Photo by Lisa Lessin

law enforcement personnel were accommodated, LDVFD volunteers staffed their own apparatus, in addition to Frederick County’s Mass Casualty Unit that was standing ready in case of a riot or protest.

“I watched the small, but highly dedicated staff work tirelessly around the clock to provide nearly 1,500 meals in just a few days. I would return from resting and find the same people diligently working, cleaning and cooking for our officers. I sincerely

appreciate the dedication to your community I witnessed by the people of the Lewistown District Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.,” commented Sergeant Dan Weaver, Counter Sniper Team Supervisor, with the Maryland State Police.

Lieutenant Gordon Geesey of the Frederick County Sheriff’s Department stated, “On behalf of Sheriff Jenkins, the entire agency appreciates the generosity and sacrifices made by the members of Company #22. Their willingness to open their facility for the use of the law enforcement and public safety response to the G8 Summit ensured that the event was handled in a safe and efficient manner.”

“It was an honor and privilege to be part of this,” stated Mike Toms, LDVFD Firefighter. “As tired as we all are, we would gladly do it again.”

“The G8 event was a learning experience for all of us. We discovered that we were capable of providing a service on such short notice,” commented Stull. “We are proud to say that we were part of history in the making!”

Lewistown District Volunteer Fire Department is currently seeking volunteer firefighters, EMT’s, auxiliary and administrative members. No experience is necessary and free training is provided. For more information, please visit www.GearUpFireRescue.com.



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From the May issue of *The Catocin Banner*, Sharon Lewis was the winner of the Hidden Object Game (\$25 gift certificate to the advertiser of his choice from the May issue). The stack of nickels was hidden in the Stone Worx ad on page 14. Last month's "Where Am I?" photo was taken by Irene Matthews and showed an eagle carving that can be seen along Kelbaugh Road in Thurmont. This month's Hidden Object is a snow cone.

Marsha Ridenour was the winner of the "Where Am I?" Game (\$10 gift certificate to the advertiser of her choice from the May issue). For the "Where Am I?" Photo contest, take a look at the photo 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. Call 240-288-0108 to leave a message or e-mail news@thecatocinbanner.com. Don't forget to leave your name and phone number.



Photo by Irene Matthews

Test Your Word Power
(Answers on page 34)



1. Ambivalent (adj.) a) Drab b) Obvious c) Wavering	3. Pretentious (adj.) a) Steady b) Snobbish c) Modest
2. Exorbitant (adj.) a) Excessive b) Reasonable c) Excitable	4. Perpetuate (v.) a) To carry on b) To probe c) To initiate

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Beckley's Camping Center Celebrates Award



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Employees of Beckley's Camping Center are pictured during an employee appreciation barbeque on Friday, May 4, 2012 at the dealership.

Beckley's Camping Center of Thurmont, Maryland, celebrated the announcement by Statistical Surveys of their recent award as the number one RV dealer in the State of Maryland. This year is the twelfth consecutive year that Beckley's has finished in first place.

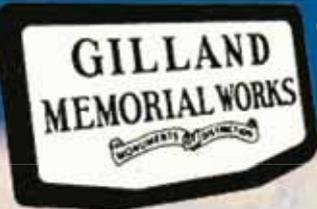
In announcing the award, Thomas Walworth, of Statistical Surveys wrote, "It is not easy to obtain and maintain this number one position. It is an honor to be able to present you with this award." Beckley's owners, Kelly Shanholtzer and Craig Beckley, agree that it takes focus and dedication to delivering outstanding products and services, as well as a dedicated staff, to keep winning the award year, after year, after year.

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Ms. Linda has dedicated her life to her students and to the

community. Her passion for the art of dance carries on and is shared by her three daughters, Kela Marceron, Kara Sicilia, and Kyra Fry, as well as many other instructors who teach at the studio. The studio prides itself not only on providing outstanding technical instruction in a fun, safe environment, but also emphasizes the importance of maintaining a positive attitude and respect for others. Students from ESP perform at a number of community events throughout the year including Colorfest, Halloween in the Park, local Christmas celebrations, and many others.

In addition to offering studio classes, ESP is also home to the ESP Performing Company, a non-profit dance troop that performs nationwide. The ESP Performing Company includes a group of dancers, the "Opening Act," whose main focus is community events, as well as the "Core Company" who travel to several competitions and workshops throughout the season. Every year, ESP Company dancers win numerous scholarships and titles and several have gone on to dance professionally. The ESP Performing Company is one of the most successful teams in the area, regularly winning top choreography and performance awards and bringing national recognition to Thurmont. Proof of this can be seen among the hundreds of trophies on display at the studio, as well as those held in the studio's storeroom. As a non-profit organization, the ESP Performing Company holds a number of fundraisers throughout the year. Linda Elower-Sicilia is grateful for the community support. "These kids work so hard and we would not be able to do this without the help of many individuals and local businesses throughout the area."

You can see the ESP Studio dancers and the ESP Performing Company in the annual dance recital to be held at the Weinberg Center in Frederick on June 17, 2012 (information and tickets available through the Weinberg Center).

In addition, the ESP Performing Company will hold their annual showcase on June 8, 2012, at the Cultural Arts Center in Frederick, with special guests the Let There Be Rock School and alumnus Patrick Cubbedge. Tickets are only \$10.00 with 100% of the profits going back to the ESP Performing Company.

For more information on classes and performance opportunities, visit the ESP website at www.espdance.com, or call the studio office at 301-271-7458. You can also email at esppofficemanager@aol.com, or stop by the studio at 15 Water Street in Thurmont during studio business hours: Monday-Friday, from 4:00-8:00 p.m.



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The ESP Performing Company (left to right)—Back Row: Robbie Doyle, Meredith Wilson, Toni Marceron, and Maria Hane; Middle Row: Brenna Nopenz, Emily Mitchener, Aiden Marceron, Lucy Estep, and Cheyenne Favorite; Front Row: Makayla Eibert, Olivia Ecker, and Lyla Zelenka.

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Kreative Korner Crafts and More is located at #2 (rear entrance) North Church Street and offers embroidery, quilting, crocheting, glassware, and hand-painted gifts all made by local artists and crafters. Closed Mondays and Tuesdays. 301-271-2440.

Busy Bee Maid Service, Inc. is located at 224 North Church Street. The business provides cleaning services to residential homes and commercial buildings. The business also offers bulk trash removal. 301-271-1170.

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For additional information on Thurmont's Main Street Program, please contact Cindy McKane-Wagester, Main Street Manager, at 301-271-7313 ext. 212, or via email at cindy@thurmontstaff.com, or visit the websites at www.thurmontfirst.com or www.thurmont.com.

Community Clothes Closet

When the Thurmont United Methodist Church Clothes opened over forty years ago, it was primarily an in-house operation, serving the church's congregation from one room. Donations grew and the Clothes Closet opened its doors to the community twice a month.

In 1988, the congregation moved to the new church at 13880 Long Road, and allotted a classroom and storage area to the ministry. The ministry saw tremendous growth over the next twenty-plus years. Volunteers had to become even more creative to keep the ministry going in such a small area.

In 2010, plans to build the present Community Clothes Closet building began. The ministry moved into the new building in January 2012.

Today, the new fully-stocked "free-to-shop" Community Clothes Closet is open the first Monday (6:00-7:30 p.m.) and the third Tuesday (10:00-11:30 a.m.) of each month for the community, and every Sunday for the congregation. The Clothes Closet is located in the building next to the church at 13880 Long Road in Thurmont. The purpose of this project is to carry God's love to people in the community and beyond through love, prayer, and free clothing. We are blessed to have donations and faithful volunteers. For more information, call 301-271-4511 or 301-271-2917.

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EBPA to Hold 2nd Annual Business Expo

The Emmitsburg Business and Professionals Association (EBPA) will hold their 2nd Annual Business Expo on Wednesday, June 13, 2012, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. in JoAnne's Ballroom at the Carriage House Inn on South Seton Avenue in Emmitsburg.

This event is free for visitors. For more information, please call Chris at 410-756-4450.

Catocin Mountain Scooter Shop

When people think of Thurmont, they think of the town as the Gateway to the Mountains, The Cozy Restaurant, and Colorfest. Do they also think of Thurmont as Scooter Town? Yes, Scooter Town! Thurmont is definably a scooter town. Although many cities and towns around Frederick County have taken up scooters as an alternative way to get around in recent years, none has taken to the scooter with quite the "open arms" as Thurmont. And when those scooters need to be serviced, they turn to Tommy "Thunder" Chaffee, owner of Catocin Mountain Scooter Shop.

Tommy Chaffee, known simply as Thunder, is no stranger to scooters. Originally, Thunder was one of the nay-sayers who rode motorcycles, and didn't get the "scooter thing."

However, once he started riding scooters, he was hooked.

In 2005, Thunder met Michael Milstead, the owner of Scootertronics, and became his mechanic. Thunder applied the skills he learned from years of working on motorcycles towards upgrading, repairing, and building fully customized scooters.

Scootertronics grew both as a dealership and as an online scooter retailer. Milstead focused on the online side of the business while Thunder worked the brick and mortar aspect of the business.

Shortly thereafter, Scootertronics relocated from Sykesville to Thurmont, however the partnership did not last long, and Thunder bought the physical store from his partner while ownership of the name Scootertronics and its online store remained with Milstead.

Once Thunder had parted ways with Milstead, Thunder renamed the store, Catocin Mountain Scooter Shop. Thunder prefers to work on the scooters himself, taking full accountability for the quality of his own work. He said, "I want my hands on everything myself. I've had other employees and I didn't like it. I like to do the work myself. If it's just me who does the work, I only have myself to blame if something is not done right."

The Catocin Mountain Scooter Shop specializes in 50cc scooters, but larger scooters, dirt bikes, and even ATV's can be ordered. "I sell a line called CPI, which is the top of line. I also sell TNG (Twist n' Go)," Thunder said.

The store sells both two and four stroke scooters. Two stroke scooters have a little more power and are better at climbing hills, but they are not as fuel efficient or as green as four stroke scooters of the same engine size. "I try to stick to [selling] two stroke scooters in town as four stroke motors are not as peppy for our hills."

Thunder did go on to note that he prefers to sell better-built scooters as opposed to the cheaper Chinese scooters sold elsewhere. The Chinese-built scooters are historically more prone to breakdowns and require more frequent visits for service. "I want people to have a quality scooter," Thunder stated. "I'd rather my costumers have a great quality scooter and see them come in a few times a year for service than having junk that I have to work on every month." Thunder said he will repair anything that comes through the door, but as a scooterist himself, he feels for a customer who has to visit him because of a breakdown.

Along with sales and service, The Catocin Mountain Scooter Shop can upgrade the performance of their existing scooters. Thunder noted that there are many performance upgrades available for 50cc scooters to increase fuel performance, acceleration or top speed (for racing). Even scooters that have difficulty climbing steep hills can be upgraded to fit the needs of the riders.

But the Catocin Mountain Scooter Shop is not in it just for the new scooters, Thunder also restores and services classic scooters made by Vespa, Lambretta and Cushman.

Today, Catocin Mountain Scooters offers one stop shopping for the area's scooting needs. And while Catocin Mountain Scooters is no longer associated with Scootertronics, Thunder continues to offer the same quality of service that existed prior to the change in name.

The Catocin Mountain Scooter Shop is located at 104 Frederick Road in Thurmont. Hours of operation are Mondays through Fridays from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., and Saturdays from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Call 240-288-8220 or visit <http://www.scooterthunder.com> for more information.



Courtesy Photo

Tommy Thunder stops to pose with his restored vintage Allstate scooter which appeared in *Scooter!* a renowned magazine dedicated to vintage scooters and the scooter lifestyle.

Lion Paul Cannada Elected District 22-W Lions Club District Governor

by Theresa Dardanell

The Thurmont Lions Club is proud to announce that our own Lion Paul Cannada was elected District Governor of Lions District 22-W at the 90th annual Lions Multiple District 22 convention in Salisbury, Maryland. He will travel to Busan, South Korea, in June to attend the Lions Clubs International Convention, where he will be inducted by the Lions Clubs International President.

Lion Paul will officially begin his term as District Governor on July 1, 2012. It will be the start of a very busy year. District 22-W consists of 59 clubs in Western Maryland, which include Allegany, Carroll, Frederick, Garrett, and Washington counties. Among other responsibilities and duties, our new District Governor will visit each of the clubs in his district.

Since he joined the Thurmont Lions in 2004, District Governor-Elect Paul has volunteered at fundraisers too numerous to count; served in many official capacities, including that of club president; attended many conventions and events; and received awards for his dedication and level of service. He is especially passionate about the pre-school vision screening program, which is free of charge and serves children from 6 months to 5 years old.

District Governor-Elect Paul shared a special memory with me:

“During my first year, I was enjoying working with all of the dedicated Lions and then an experience happened that would solidify my commitment to the organization. We held a benefit breakfast for one of Thurmont’s



Courtesy Photo

Lion Paul Cannada elected District Governor of Lions District 22-W.

residents who had terminal cancer. This event occurred in March; it was cold and raining, and I was thinking who in the world would come out on a day like this for a benefit breakfast. Once the breakfast started, Thurmont residents started showing up until the line went out of the dining room, up the stairs, out the door and around the block. These people could have gone to a number of places for breakfast without having to wait in line in the cold rain. People young and old, strong and weak were there to help a person in need in our community and the Lions made that happen. Since then, I have experienced a number of events like that and each time the rewards a volunteer feels by helping others is priceless.”

“Together We Will Make a Difference” will be the theme of Lion Paul’s year as District Governor. For more information about District Governor-Elect Paul, the Thurmont Lions Club, or the pre-school vision program, visit www.thurmontlionsclub.com or find us on Facebook.

Thurmont Lions Club Education Night

by Theresa Dardanell



Courtesy Photo

Scholarship Winners Daniel Pacazo, Lindsey Willhide, Kaleigh Sarber, and Ashley Smith with Lion Tim Stuart (far left) and Catocin High principal Bernard Quesada (far right).

It was a night to celebrate the outstanding achievements of students in the community. The Thurmont Lions Club presented scholarships and awards to young people at their annual Education Night ceremony on May 9, 2012.

Scholarships were presented to three graduating seniors from Catocin High School. Daniel Pacazo participated in sports, was very active with the Thurmont Fire Department, and was very involved with church activities, including mission trips. He will be going to the University of Maryland to study pre-med. Lindsey Willhide, who is a member of the National Honor Society, participated in Student Government and class clubs. She has been a 9th grade mentor for two years. She plans to study social work, education, and psychology. Kaleigh Sarber, member of the National Honor Society, has been active with the Miss Maryland Teen USA organization, as well as participating in class clubs and cheerleading. She will be attending Towson University to study elementary and special education. Also, Ashley Smith received the renewable four-year Lion Victor Jagow Scholarship again this year. She graduated from Catocin in 2011 and is studying respiratory therapy at FCC.

The Lion and Jr. Lion Awards recognize the students with the most volunteer hours. Thurmont Middle School 8th grade student, Kelly Kaas, was presented with the Jr. Lions Award. Graduating Catocin High senior, Hannah Stone, received the Lion Award. Kelly completed 188.5 hours of community service. She is a junior member of the Rocky Ridge Volunteer Fire Company and has served as

vice-president and secretary. She attends monthly meetings, takes minutes and maintains records for the organization, and volunteers at fundraisers and community activities, such as bingo, carnivals, parades, and more. She also participates in company training and drills. Hannah completed an amazing 946 hours of service. Hannah worked with her church youth group and volunteered as an assistant coach for the Catocin Youth Association Track & Field Team. In one season alone, Hannah performed 60 hours of service. As an assistant coach, she leads warm up, teaches high jump, and tries to be a positive role model for the young athletes.

The Thurmont Lions Club sponsors two LEO Clubs, one at Thurmont Middle School and one at Catocin High School. The students chosen as LEO of the Year demonstrate the motto of the LEO Clubs: Leadership, Experience and Opportunity. The Thurmont Middle School LEO of the Year is Labella Kreiner, an 8th grade student, who served as the PR officer for the Club, showing remarkable confidence in public speaking. During her two years as a LEO, she volunteered at many of the Lions Club activities, as well as the LEO Club service projects. Labella is the nominee for the Lions District 22-W LEO of the Year. The Co-LEOs of the Year for the Catocin High club are 9th grade students, Austin Frushour and Bubba Williams. Both have held leadership positions and have demonstrated initiative and dedication in completing many LEO Club service projects. Both have also been dedicated workers during Lions Club fundraising events and community service projects.

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EBPA Scholarship Presented

Gayle Sutch, Director of Donor Services at Community Foundation of Frederick County, receives check in the amount of \$920.00 from The Emmitsburg and Professional Association (EBPA). Chris O'Hanian, President, and Allen Knott, Treasurer, present check at EBPA Membership meeting on May 16, 2012, at The Carriage House Inn. This year's recipient is Meghan Stouter, a senior at Catocin High School.



Courtesy Photo
Chris O'Hanian, EBPA President and Allen Knott, EBPA Treasurer, are shown with Gayle Sutch, Director of Donor Services at the Community Foundation of Frederick County.

Recipients of the "Unsung Hero Award"

Thurmont Grange #409 Member, Rodman Myers, presented the "Unsung Hero Award" to Wyatt Farmer at the Catocin FFA Chapter Annual Banquet; and Bob Wiles, representing the Thurmont & Emmitsburg Community



Courtesy Photo
Pictured (left to right) are Rodman Myers, Wyatt Farmer, Bob Wiles, and Daniel Myers.

Show, presented their "Unsung Hero Award" to Daniel Myers. Wyatt, a junior at Catocin High School, is the newly elected and incoming President of the Catocin FFA Chapter. Daniel will be graduating this year from Catocin High School and has led the Chapter this past year as President. Both students have been very active in promoting Agriculture and representing the Chapter.

"Life is short, but there is always time enough for courtesy."

~ Ralph Waldo Emerson

The Town of Emmitsburg Honors Jim Click



Courtesy Photo

Pictured left to right are: Tim O'Donnell, Town Commissioner; Glenn Blanchard, Town Commissioner; Don Briggs, Mayor; Jim Click, Director of Public Works; Chris Staiger, Town Commissioner; Patrick Joy, Town Commissioner and Cliff Sweeney, Town Commissioner.

Jim Click was recently honored with 20 years of employment service with the town of Emmitsburg. Jim is the Director of Public works, and he is often called first when an emergency arises with the town. Emergencies are not uncommon for Jim, who also serves as the first assistant chief for the Vigilant Hose Company (VHC). He spends many countless hours volunteering his services to the community. He has also been honored by the VHC as Outstanding Member of the year 2009 and Hall of Fame 2006.

Teacher of the Year

Congratulations to the 2012 Thurmont Lions Club Teacher of the Year, Melanie Ware, a Language Arts teacher at Thurmont Middle School (TMS). This award was presented during the Education Night ceremony on May 9, 2012. The following quotes were



Courtesy Photo

Teacher of the Year, Melanie Ware (center) with Thurmont Middle School principal Donna Faith and Lion Tim Stuart.

taken from her nomination: "Melanie maintains a positive rapport with her students, parents, and colleagues"; "Melanie works hard to bring memorable experiences to her students. As an example, last school year, Melanie was instrumental in inviting a Holocaust survivor to come to TMS and speak to our seventh graders about her experiences"; "This school year, to help promote literacy in our community, Melanie was instrumental in organizing a student-parent book club."

One teacher from each of the Catocin area schools was chosen as that school's teacher of the year. Ms. Ware was one of eight teachers chosen from nominations received from parents, staff, and students. The other finalists were: Curtis Howser, Catocin High; Charlene Rippeon, Emmitsburg Elementary; Christina McKeever, Lewistown Elementary; Elizabeth Vines, Mother Seton School; Pamela Ellenberg, Sabillasville Elementary; John Ridenour, Thurmont Elementary; and Heather Hommey, Thurmont Primary.

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Perfect Weather Set the Stage for Fun at the Spring Fling

While the G8 Summit demonstrators in Thurmont were occupying some of our locals' attention, approximately 2,400 of us attended and enjoyed good food, ideal weather, good friends, and a chance to win cash during Emmitsburg's Vigilant Hose Company's Spring Fling on Saturday, May 19, 2012. While we may see the Spring Fling as a one-day function, it actually requires planning all year long. In fact, plans are already underway for next year's event which will be held on May 18, 2013. Vigilant members, their children and grandchildren, put in thousands of volunteer hours to make this day possible. This year, there were approximately 150 volunteers, ranging in age from 3 to 80, who worked during the event. Thanks to these many volunteers and their dedication, the Spring Fling was beautifully executed and problem-free.

Vigilant Hose went through approximately 800 pounds of beef, 600 cases of beer and wine coolers, and a ton of chicken.

The Spring Fling volunteers would like to send out a warm thank you to thank Hobb's Trucking, Butcher Block, Jubilee, Mount St. Mary's, and Guardian Hose Fire Co. They would also like to thank the Leesburg Volunteer Fire Company who served as the fill-in crew for the



Approximately 2,400 people attended this year's Spring Fling on May 19, 2012, making it the largest in past history. Many enjoyed good food, ideal weather, good friends, and a chance to win cash during Emmitsburg's Vigilant Hose Company's Spring Fling.

Photos by Deb Spalding

day. They did run a ladder truck call during the event. Guardian Hose Company also stood by during the event.

Thirty thousand dollars in prize money was raffled off to many lucky winners! The big money winners were: Dale Welk (\$4,000); Jack Davis (\$2,500); Tricia Tarr (\$1,500); and Joseph Harbaugh, Tracy Williams, Stephen Nees and Angie Goetz (\$1,000). The prize tracking sheet is posted in the Jubilee lobby on the E Plus Copy Center window. Winners are also listed online at www.vigilanhose.org. Be sure to check the sheet to see if you won! Thanks to all patrons and helpers who made this a huge success.



Volunteers barbeque chicken during the Spring Fling.



Kids enjoy plenty of fun, including a moon bounce, games, crafts, and lots of ice cream.



Heather Gray, Ashley Barber, and Ashley Brown enjoy the fun event.



Chris Stahley and Gabe Baker, event volunteers, discuss strategy.

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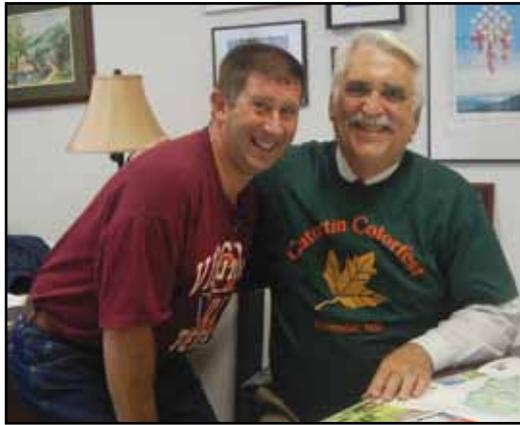
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A Visit to Blacksburg, Virginia

Timmy sent an email to Mayor Rordam expressing his sympathy about the students and faculty at Virginia Tec regarding the anniversary of the student shootings on campus at Virginia Tec, and the death of a police officer. After several email correspondences and discussions with Blacksburg's Town Clerk, Donna Boone-Caldwell, Mayor Rordam invited Timmy to visit. Timmy, driven by his neighbor, Gwen Frye, visited on April 18, 2012. Upon arrival in Blacksburg, Timmy called Mayor Rordam and, within five minutes, met with him in the Mayor's Office.



Courtesy Photo
Timmy Bentz visited the Town Office and Mayor of Blacksburg, Virginia, Ron Rordam.

Timmy took a letter as an ambassador of the Town of Thurmont, Colorfest t-shirt, a copy of *The Catocin Banner*, Thurmont's Gateway to the Mountains brochure, and a parking meter candy cane decoration that Timmy made with a Virginia Tec theme to Mayor Rordam.

During the visit, Timmy got a tour of the Town Council Meeting room, where he sat in the Mayor's seat. He also enjoyed time at the mayor's desk. Timmy said, "The Town Council room was WOW! The town office was really nice and clean. It looked beautiful."

Upon leaving the office, Timmy asked where the best place to eat was. Timmy and Gwen visited the memorial dedicated to the thirty-two students and faculty who died on April 16, 2007, during the campus shooting on the grounds of Virginia Tec, behind Morris Hall. They enjoyed walking around the campus and headed home. Timmy said, "The memorial was so pretty and so depressing and tearful." He was touched.

After five hours down and five hours back, Timmy said the visit was very productive. The mayor got some ideas from *The Catocin Banner* for a similar publication in Blacksburg, and the parking meter decoration idea was one that they may try in the future. Timmy's outreach of kindness to the town and Mayor of Blacksburg was rewarded with appreciation and kindness. Timmy said, "That's what it's all about."

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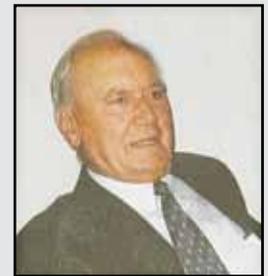
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Dr. William H. Carr, 84, of Emmitsburg, Maryland, died May 22, 2012. He was the husband of Chata I. Carr.

Born in Ossining, New York, on March 28, 1928, Dr. Carr served in the US Army during the Korean War, returning home to earn a degree in veterinary medicine from the University of Pennsylvania. Settling in Emmitsburg, he established a veterinary practice for both large and small animals. He served as a member of the Board of Directors of the Thurmont Bank; he became President of the Maryland Veterinary Medical Association; he was a member of the Western Maryland Veterinary Medical Association. Dr. Carr was an Elder of the Emmitsburg Presbyterian Church, a member of the Masonic Order and the VFW. Following his retirement in 1988, he successfully ran, and was elected, Mayor of Emmitsburg. He served as mayor for more than 10 years.

In addition to his wife, Dr. Carr is survived by daughters and sons-in-law: Nancy and John Neighbours of Fairfield, Pennsylvania; Jennifer and Bill Struble of Buckhannon, West Virginia; Shelley Carr of Buckhannon, West Virginia; Leslie DePaola of Tomstown, Pennsylvania; 11 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by a son William H. Carr, Jr. He will be dearly missed by all who knew him.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, June 2, 2012, at 2:00 p.m. at the Emmitsburg Presbyterian Church, 415 West Main Street, Emmitsburg, Maryland.

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Your Place for Poetry & Verse

by L. Claire Cantwell

Have you ever memorized a poem or thought of doing so? As a youngster, I know I felt the urge upon hearing Robert Frost's "Stopping by the Woods on a Snowy Evening" or Tennyson's "The Eagle," when they were read to us at rest time by my teacher. Frost's masterpiece made me envision that I was driving that horse through deep snow pondering whether to ever leave the quiet mystery of those dark woods. "The Eagle" took me up with that winged majesty to soar above the world and then swoop to a perfect landing where I'd "clasp the crag with crooked hands."

I didn't intentionally set out to practice elocution, nor was it offered in my primary or secondary education, but I ended up knowing those two poems by heart simply out of desire. I once knew a gentleman who could recite Robert W. Service's humorous tale of "The Cremation of Sam McGee." He quoted all 72 lines with charm and punch. What an astonishing feat for these harried, distracting times! Shakespearean

actors deserve humble adoration and envy. Not many of us in our lifetimes are going to memorize sonnets as found in "Romeo and Juliet," or the bawdy classic lines of the battle of the sexes as in "The Taming of the Shrew."

So, if you can't recall a poem that you know, think again. We all know nursery rhymes. Many can recite the 23rd Psalm or Lord's Prayer. What about all those songs you can sing without missing a beat? "Let it Be" by The Beatles or "Scarborough Fair" by Simon & Garfunkel, are works that glide through our minds easily and, when spoken, have such lyrical quality, imagery, and meaning. The latter song, which was made popular by the duo in the late 1960s, is actually derived from an old English ballad (1889) that had its origins dating back to the late 1600s. Think of it, some three hundred years later, what may have been the poem of a courtier became a sing-a-long folk rock hit in 1968.

Here's yet another example of contemporary poetry that you may

have memorized: When my son was a toddler he insisted that we tell him stories on long road trips. Exasperated after taking turns making up stories for hours, we got the bright idea to recite old TV theme lyrics. We'd each take a turn on every other verse. So, without missing a beat (and stifling our snickers), we began speaking, not singing:

"Come and listen to a story 'bout a man named Jed," I said.

"Poor mountaineer barely kept his family fed," continued my husband.

"Then one day he was shootin' for some food."

"And up from the ground 'came a bubbling crude."

We spoke in unison, "Oil that is, black gold, Texas tea!"

You get it. Better known as the theme from *The Beverly Hillbillies*, the actual song is "The Ballad of Jed Clampett," written by Earl Flatt and Lester Scruggs. Now, recite another poem, "Green Acres." Isn't this fun?

Another piece of poetic wonder that got much radio play is "Fireflies." Written by Adam R. Young and recorded by Owl City, this ditty certainly qualifies as poetry in my book. I caught myself being transported back to the childhood contest of seeing who could catch a

gazillion lightening bugs to create a nightlight in a jar:

*". . .Cause I'd get a thousand hugs
From ten thousand lightning bugs
As they tried to teach me how to
dance*

*A foxtrot above my head
A samba beneath my bed
A disco ball just hanging by a
thread. . . ."*

Countless poems of yesterday and today are deserving of an audible read. Why not give it a whirl 'round the campfire, while sipping your favorite beverage on the porch or at the dinner table? If your kids or spouse look at you like you've morphed into some odd old maid, beatnik or Renaissance man, keep trying!! Poetry is to be heard. I encourage you to read or recite poetry ALOUD.

Next month we'll feature reader's original poetry. Please send in your submissions to news@thecatocinbanner.com by June 20.

Upcoming "Poetry ALIVE and ALOUD" Events

June 1, 2012 – Ragged Edge Coffee Shop, Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, at 6:00 p.m., "Open mike" poetry readings.

June 10, 2012 – Martin House Bed and Breakfast, 1085 Jacks Mountain Road, at 3:00 p.m. I'll be reading a few original Civil War poems and telling the story of a Sabillasville woman who warded off Confederate raiders. Other Civil War historians will be making presentations throughout the evening.

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SPORTS news

Thurmont Little League & Babe Ruth 1st Annual 5K Race/Fun Walk

Come and support Thurmont Little League and Babe Ruth Little League for their 1st Annual 5K Race & Fun Walk at Mount St. Mary's Waldron Stadium at the PNC Sports Complex, on Saturday, June 16, 2012. All proceeds will benefit Thurmont Little League and Babe Ruth. Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. The race begins at 8:30 a.m. The cost is \$20.00 per person. There is a family sponsorship for \$100.00, which includes race registration for your family, and your family's name on the t-shirt.

Do not miss out on this great opportunity to exercise and support your local Little League! We are expecting great participation in this event. Register today at: www.active.com/running/emmitsburg-md/Thurmont-Little-League-5k-race-and-walk-2012

For additional information contact: Lisa Lowry at 301-447-2171 or lislamlowry@gmail.com.

Thurmont Little League & Babe Ruth provides a positive and fun baseball experience for approximately 300 youth participants, spanning the ages of 4 to 18. Thurmont Little League is currently the home of the 2011/12 Maryland District 2 Champions and Frederick County Tournament of Champions.

CYASC 2012 Fall Soccer Registration Open

Registration for the CYASC Fall 2012 Soccer season is now open. CYASC offers recreational soccer programs for age groups U6 through U14. Players can register online at www.cyasc.com.

The CYASC U6 Camp is held two nights a week: Monday and Wednesday. Monday sessions focus on developing individual skills in a fun learning environment. Wednesday is a game night, with 3v3, 4v4, and 5v5 games. Registration is \$50.00 through July 7. After July 7, registration goes up to \$60.00.

CYASC places its U8 and older teams in the Frederick County Youth Soccer League (FCYSL). Games are held on Saturdays and Sunday afternoons through October, with a season-ending tournament the first weekend of November. The cost to register a player on a U8 or older team is \$80.00 through July 7. After July 7, the cost is \$90.00 and placement on a team is subject to availability.

Discounts are available for multi-player families when all players are registered through July 7, 2012.

The final day to register for the fall season is July 21. Training starts in August.

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CYA Runners Excel in the 10th Annual Frederick Half-Marathon



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Lillie Perella, Coach John, and Leigh Rankin are all smiles as they show off their finisher medals upon completing the Frederick Half-Marathon on May 6, 2012.

Long-time youth runners Lillie Perella of Thurmont, Maryland, and Leigh Rankin of Frederick, Maryland, set personal best finish times at the 10th Annual Frederick Half-Marathon on Sunday, May 6, 2012. Running in the foggy, misty weather certainly seemed to pay dividends for both girls, as they bested their previous half-marathon result—albeit on the trails—by well over 24 minutes each, respectively.

Lillie Perella, the daughter of Christine and Charles Perella, ran her third half-marathon and finished in 3rd place in her age group (19 & under) in a time of 1:47.58. She finished in 531st place.

Leigh Rankin, the daughter of Connie and Glenn Rankin, finished her second half-marathon in 8th place in her age group (19 & under) in a time of 1:53.22. She finished in 876th place. There were a total of 3,972 finishers in the half-marathon.

Both runners compete in local and regional trail races throughout Pennsylvania and Maryland, and have been active in youth track and field programs in Frederick County for several years, specifically with the Catocin Youth Association (CYA) in Thurmont. Lillie is a seventh grader at Thurmont Middle School, and Leigh is an eighth grader at New Market Middle School in New Market, Maryland.

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Catoctin-Ettes Compete in National Baton Twirling Championships

The Catoctin-Ettes, Inc., a local baton twirling organization for youth, recently competed in the National Baton Twirling Association's MD State Championships.

The marching group, Catoctin-Ettes, Inc., earned the title of Advanced Maryland State Street Parade Corps Champion. This title complimented the earlier title of Mid-Atlantic Regional Street Parade Corps champion for the year. In addition, the group's competitive pom teams earned the State and Regional Pom Pom Team championship.

Along with these group wins, several individual twirlers from the organization earned awards for their solo events. Alexis Bond captured the title of Novice Miss Maryland State Queen for her modeling routine.

Abigail Adams won first place in the Novice pageant modeling event, which included participation in three events for an overall title. Adams also placed 6th in the beginner division of the three-part event, which consisted of modeling, twirling, and strutting. In the open events, Adams earned a second place and a fifth place in the novice division in strutting and third place in modeling.

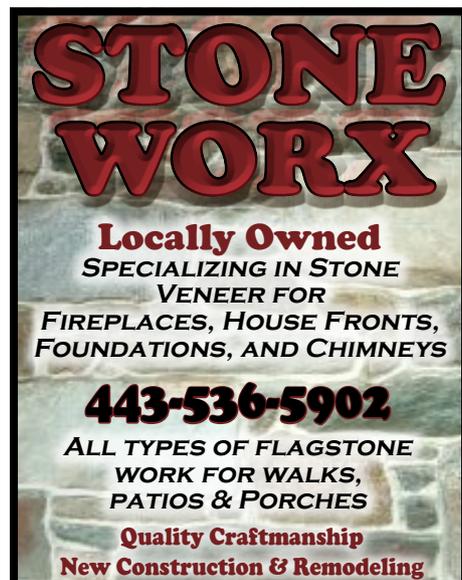
Caitlyn Purdum won first place in advanced basic marching and took second place in the advanced state basic marching event. She also earned second place in beginner state twirling solo with an overall 3-part placement of fifth. Previously, Purdum captured the Beginner Mid-Atlantic Regional Solo Twirling title, having also earned a second place in the strut event.

Abigail Lane won the first place award for beginner strut with a third place in the State strut event. She also earned third place in the Beginner open solo twirling event, with a sixth place in the state twirling event. She finished an admirable fifth place in the beginner state pageant, a contest of three events.

Sarah Lane earned second place in the Novice State strut event and was awarded fourth place in the open strut. In State Solo, Lane was named to fifth place in both the state and open solo twirling events. She finished sixth place in the overall 3-part event.

Competing only in open events, Amber Rothhaupt won the Advanced Open Basic Strut event and earned third place in solo twirling for the intermediate division, with a sixth place in Intermediate Strut.

The group is now working towards competing in the Capital Area Marching Association's contest season and its championship event, held in September.



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The Northwestern FCCA

The Northwestern Frederick County Civic Association, Inc. (NWFCCA) will meet on June 6, 2012, at 6:30 p.m. in the Sabillasville Elementary School. Tony and Travis Lantz will give a Car Show plan update, and George Kuhn will review the October Mountain Fest plan. The strong community support for the Mountain Fest has allowed them to triple the number of scholarships given this year. The NWFCCA supports community interests in the Northwestern Frederick County area. Please join them for this meeting. For more information, please call George Kuhn at 301-241-3997.



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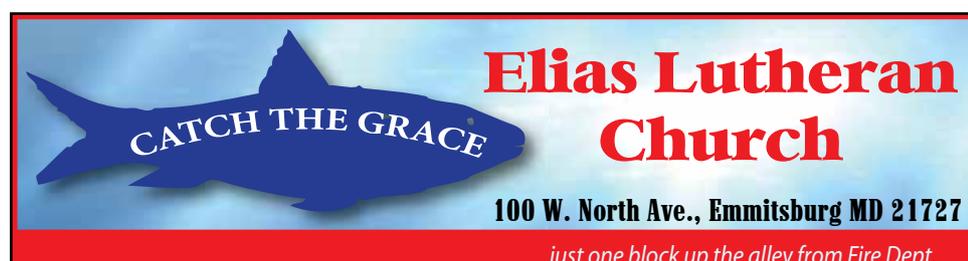
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Photos of G8 can be viewed on G8Thurmont.com and ThurmontFirst.com as well as Catocin Banner Newspaper on Facebook.
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Sherry Greenfield of the Gazette interviews Thurmont's Mayor Burns on how the town intends to handle the influx of media and protesters for the G-8 Summit.

in case the protests turned violent. "Freedom! Freedom!" shouted one demonstrator, while ringing a cow bell. "Our people need to be free from fear." Residents observed the activity with caution. The demonstrators, while quite vocal, remained peaceful and no arrests were made as of Saturday night, according to the Thurmont City Police Department.

square of Thurmont and Main Street from the square west to Altamont Avenue. These roads were closed to vehicle traffic.

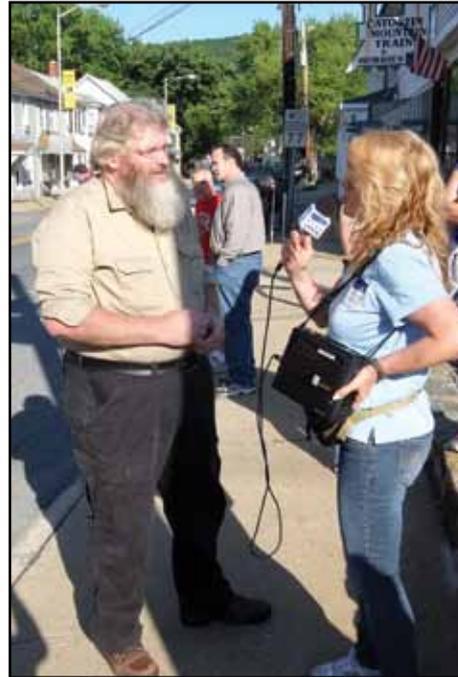
An hour later, several tour buses with more protesters arrived. The additional demonstrators effectively took over the square, at which point traffic from Water Street, Boundary Avenue, and Center Street were also closed to traffic. As a precautionary measure, riot police were dispatched by the Maryland State Police and Frederick County Sheriff's Office

the protest ended. The local area residents had already left. Remaining protesters totaled less than fifty. They marched to the Thurmont Community Park, where they held post-rally discussions before boarding buses and leaving town.

By the end of the day, many residents were pleased that they were able to witness a new chapter of Thurmont's history. Business owners, however, had mixed feelings, since they did not see the expected increase in visitors who might have

patronized their stores.

Law enforcement was pleased that everyone remained safe. Mayor Burns stated that the town worked very closely with the police departments and protest organizers to ensure everyone exercised their rights to gather and speak, yet remain safe.



Thurmont Town Commissioner, John Kinnaird is shown speaking with a reporter from WFMD on Friday morning.



On Thursday morning, real time Twitter feed messages were painted in several languages on a half mile stretch of the west-bound lane of Route #77 leading to the park entrance signs.



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Catoctin Furnace Historical Society's First Spring in the Village Show

On Saturday May 5, 2012, the Catoctin Furnace Historical Society, Inc., hosted the first "Spring in the Village" arts and crafts show at the restored Collier's log house on Catoctin Furnace Road. The show featured the following local artists and craftspeople: Marjan Benjamins and Beth McGee (pottery), Tim Beachley (blacksmith), Gayle Mosier (baskets), Nancy Rice (painted gourds, etc.), Suzanne Kijowski (candles and soap), Sheri Kuhn (sewn items), Dawn Cramer and Cindy Rhoderick of East Street Beads (beaded items), and Cam Miller (tiles and notecards).

Delicious baked goods—many from village recipes—and a fruit punch were also available. Nancy Anderson made lovely mini gardens, some with "pass along plants" from Catoctin Furnace gardens. Esterly Antiques of New Market furnished the log house with period antiques.

Thurmont artist Valerie Nusbaum debuted a new watercolor painting titled "Catoctin Furnace." Prints of the painting are available for \$12 (8" x 10") and \$18 (11" x 14"), with a portion of the proceeds going to the Catoctin Furnace Historical Society, Inc., in order to help with the installation of a new roof on the log house. Call 301-898-8919 if you would like to order a print.

The organizers of the event (Chris Gardiner, David Gardiner, Jacob and Carla Beck, Joel Anderson, Elizabeth Comer, Anne Comer, Kathleen O'Connor,



Painting titled "Catoctin Furnace," by artist Valerie Nusbaum.

Mary Rae Cantwell, Harold Craig, Colleen Clapp, Mary Ethel Michael, Jerry and Nancy Anderson, Beth McGee, Joann Miller, Nancy Dutterer, Beverly Hoke, and Adrien Tudor) wish to thank everyone who participated, including those who donated baked goods, and Harriet Chapel Episcopal church for providing parking.

The Catoctin Furnace Historical Society, Inc., will hold the second annual Traditional Village Christmas on Saturday, December 1, 2012. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend this event! For more information on Catoctin Furnace and the surrounding village or to make a donation, visit the website www.catocinburnace.org

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Traveling Monk

by Aaron Heiner

Many area residents have lived in the Thurmont region their entire life. However, some residents have migrated to the Thurmont area from Pittsburgh, most all of whom made the trip from Pittsburgh to Thurmont in three hours. But one man made the trek on foot, taking fifteen days.

Buddhist Monk, Toyoshige Sekiguchi of Hiroshima, Japan, walked the entire distance of 175 miles, with a message of peace for those attending the G8 Summit at nearby Camp David.

Sekiguchi-sama arrived on May 16, 2012, representing the Hiroshima Peace Cultural Center, which sponsors the Mayors for Peace program. This program has generated participation of over 5,200 cities in 153 countries around the world, with 191 of those cities within the U.S.

The Mayors for Peace program's ambitious goal of eliminating nuclear weapons by 2020 may seem an impossible accomplishment by many; however, Sekiguchi-sama is unswayed by the challenge.

Despite a few honking horns or shouts from passing cars, Sekiguchi-sama spent Friday walking along Main street, from the town square along Water Street and Frederick Road. Every few moments, the monk would knock on a small drum.

Sekiguchi-sama's town of Hiroshima was one of only two cities (Nagasaki, the other) in the world who had experienced first-hand the results of nuclear [atomic] weapons during the second World War.

The bombing of Hiroshima resulted in the death of approximately 160,000 people.



Photo by Aaron Heiner

Sekiguchi-sama beats a drum for peace along Water Street in Thurmont on May 17.

Sekiguchi-sama's personal mission is to keep in the minds of people that unless the world is free of nuclear weapons, the risk of their use again could arise.

Asuka Sato, originally from Tokyo, resides in New York and shared Sekiguchi-sama's concerns on nuclear weapons. Sato-san also wished to deliver a similar message, warning Americans that while tensions since the cold war have declined, the dangers of nuclear proliferation still remains. Sato-san went on to state that unless the current Administration does not take immediate action, America could once again find itself using nuclear weapons.

"If America's policy towards nuclear arms does not change, it is inevitable that the United States will use these weapons again." Sato-san said.

Since the end of the cold war, the U.S. has reduced the number of nuclear weapons in its arsenal by two-thirds, to under 10,000 warheads.

Additional information: <http://www.mayorsforpeace.org>.

Local Film Maker Reveals New Movie Title

Local independent Film Maker, Conrad Weaver of Conjo Studios, LLC, made the announcement, along with Miss America 2011 Teresa Scanlan, who endorsed the documentary project by filming a public service announcement to help recruit interest in sponsorship in her hometown area of Gering and Scottsbluff, Neb. Conrad lives in Emmitsburg and is a former president of The Emmitsburg and Professional Association (EBPA).

Set to release in spring of 2014, the *Great American Wheat Harvest* documentary will follow the wheat harvest 10-state region from Texas up to the Canadian border, featuring the stories of America's wheat producers and the hard-working harvesting crews.

Visit the website at www.greatamericanwheat Harvest.com to find out how you can help and make a financial contribution to the development and education of telling this vital story of American agriculture production. A digital file of the promo trailer also is available upon request. For more information about sponsorship packages, media interviews, speaking appearances of the filmmaker and questions, contact Jody L. Lamp, Lamp Public Relations & Marketing, call (406) 698-9675 or by email at jody@lamprandmarketing.com.

TES STEM Club Challenge



Photo by Michele Tester

STEM Solar Car Challenge Team at Oakdale High School for the STEM Showcase (left to right): Haley Kopper, Moriah Frazier, Melanie Topper, Mitchell Tester, Ryan Fisher, Elijah Moser, Josh Miller, and Mr. Scharp.

Thurmont Elementary School (TES) has had four sessions of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) Club this year. Each session was about five weeks long and was comprised of 12-15 students from 3rd-5th grade. During each session, the students were given an engineering problem to solve. The students' job was to walk through the 5-step Engineering Design Process: *Ask* what's the problem; *Imagine* some solutions; *Plan* a diagram; *Create* a plan, carry it out; and *Improve* the design to make it better.

Mr. Scharp, a 5th Grade teacher at TES, headed meetings every Friday afternoon for STEM Club, where students would brainstorm, design, and construct a solution to an engineering challenge. Mr. Scharp acted as a facilitator as the students walked through the design process. The last STEM session's goal was to design and build a solar powered car that could travel 25 feet in the least amount of time. The group was given a solar panel and motor. The rest was up to the kids.

The TES STEM Club participated in the Science and Engineering STEM Showcase at Oakdale High School on May 19, 2012. They raced their car against cars from other elementary school STEM Clubs. The students in TES STEM Club rose to the challenge and designed and built a great solar powered car that performed wonderfully at the Showcase.

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Impact of Eagle Scouts

by Carie Stafford

Recently written by Norm Feldser, District Eagle Advisor: "A new independent study was recently released that provides evidence confirming what Scouts and Scouters have known for 100 years: becoming an Eagle Scout makes a huge difference in a young man's life. The study conducted by Baylor University—Merit Beyond the Badge—found that Eagle

Scouts are more likely than men who have never been in Scouting to (1) Have higher levels of planning and preparation skills; (2) Be goal-oriented, and network with others; (3) Be in a leadership position at their place of employment or local community; (4) Report having closer relationships with family and friends; (5) Volunteer for religious and non-religious organizations; (6) Donate money to charitable groups; and (7) Work with others to improve their neighborhoods. For more details of the study, go to <http://www.marketwatch.com/story/new-research-illustrates-tremendous-impact-of-eagle-scouts-on-communities-nation-2012-04-10>."

The next Eagle Project to be highlighted this month is the one Joel Norris put together. A freshman at Walkersville High School, he chose a project that benefitted members and guests at the Catoctin Church of Christ. Since 2008, the Church has allowed the scouts to use their



Photo by Carie Stafford

Joel Norris' Eagle Project: Building picnic tables for Catoctin Church of Christ. Pictured (left to right) are Joel Norris, Dwayne Synder, Jared Synder, and Trevor Bostian.

parking lot for parking cars during Colorfest. Showing his gratitude, Joel and Troop 270 got together on a beautiful, cool Saturday in October and built picnic tables.

The scouts learned how to use a wide range of tools, and learned to use a template to keep all tables consistent. Joel and scouts learned there was more to building picnic tables than taking a piece of wood and putting nails in it. Over 133 hours later, and having to use math and art skills, Joel and the scouts measured and cut and assembled all pieces to form ten picnic tables. A scout test was performed to ensure all benches and tables were safe; how many scouts can you fit on a bench?

Next month, they will highlight another Eagle project and upcoming Eagle Scout from Boy Scout Troop 270 in Thurmont. The troop is sponsored by the Lions Club in Thurmont and meets every Thursday at 7:00 p.m. at the Scout House on Elm Street.

Check the Calendar

Be sure to check the calendar on page 35 for bingos, breakfasts, dinners, programs, benefits and other events of interest.

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Expert answers to your health and wellness questions
by Inga Olsen

Question: I have a few friends encouraging me to buy organic. There are obviously two sides to every story, so I'd love to hear your take on the pros and cons of organic foods.

Answer: There is definitely an ongoing debate about whether you should eat organic foods or not. Some say eating organic is a no-brainer because of the potential ingestion of hormones, antibiotics, pesticides and other dubious additives found in conventionally grown foods. On the other hand, some argue that organic foods are similar in nutritional quality, yet they cost more and aren't all that accessible. Here's the real deal. Although it's true that organic foods are more expensive, there is a legitimate reason for the added cost. More care, time, and money go into growing organic crops, and those costs are typically passed on to the consumer (much like products in other industries). Even if they are more expensive, many folks would argue that the added cost is worth it because organic foods are healthier for you. Though this may seem logical, there really isn't a lot of research to back up this claim. Several studies tout the benefits of eating more fruits and vegetables regardless of how they're grown. If the nutritional quality of the food doesn't sway you, there's also this idea that organic farming is better for the environment. This may be true, but you need to remember to buy locally-grown foods. If you happen to live in California, but your organic produce is grown in Florida, you're

doing more harm than good from an environmental perspective. Bottom line—if you can afford it, and you can buy local, go for it! If you do decide to make the switch, focus on purchasing these foods first: peaches, apples, sweet bell peppers, celery, nectarines, strawberries, cherries, lettuce, imported grapes, pears, spinach, and potatoes. These are known as the “Dirty Dozen” and generally have the highest concentrations of pesticides. You should also get in the habit of washing your produce thoroughly before eating!

Question: I just joined Anytime Fitness, but I'm a little lost as to what I should be doing. Someone suggested getting a personal trainer, but they can be pricey. Is hiring a trainer worth it?

Answer: Absolutely! The right personal trainer can literally transform your life. They're there to educate, motivate, and inspire, and frankly, that's worth its weight in gold. From goal setting and proper exercise form to program design and diet advice, trainers will have the answers. But that's not even the best part. Trainers offer accountability, friendship, and a much-needed support system as you embark on your wellness journey. Let's face it—we all struggle with getting to the gym now and then. But trainers can make working out a lot of fun, and they can challenge you consistently,



Lewistown Ruritans

Kirby Delauter, Frederick County Commissioner, was the guest speaker at a recent meeting of the Lewistown Ruritan Club. He discussed various items of interest concerning Frederick County. He also took the time to answer questions from the members.



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Pictured (left to right) are Harold M. Staley, Program Committee; Kirby Delauter; John Hamilton, local businessman; and Ton Demory, Ruritan President.

which will ultimately get you better results. Look at it this way...if your car needs to be fixed, you take it to a mechanic because they know what they're doing. The same can be said for your body. Take care of it as best you can, and if you need help, seek out an expert at your local club. Just make sure they have solid credentials, and a strong background in fitness, kinesiology, strength and conditioning, or sports medicine.

Question: Everyone seems to do something different when it comes to carbs, proteins, and fats. Some advocate higher carb, some higher protein, and some very low fat. How do I know who's right?

Answer: This is a great question, and a somewhat difficult one to answer, since it really depends on your goals. Keep in mind, there is an Acceptable Macronutrient Distribution Range (AMDR) for each macronutrient. Generally speaking, you should shoot for 45-65% carbohydrate, 20-35% fat, and 10-35% protein. If you're an athlete or you're focused on the cardio end of the exercise spectrum, then you should be more liberal with your carb intake, while getting adequate protein and fat. If you're focused on

strength training and you're looking to add mass and size, you'd be wise to aim for 50% carbohydrate, 25% protein, and 25% fat. If you want to lose weight, it may be advisable to decrease carbohydrate intake (to a level of 40-45%), and then slightly increase healthy protein and fat consumption. Remember, these percent changes may not seem like much, but there's varying calorie levels associated with each of these goals. Again, the recommendations above are generalities, but hopefully they shed some light on the direction you might want to head in based on your specific health and wellness goals. And, of course, the focus should be on consuming whole grains, unsaturated fats, and lean proteins whenever possible. As always, if you need more personalized recommendations, talk to a certified personal trainer or a registered dietitian.

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senior moments

by Helen Deluca

Hello, again, to all you seniors and soon to be seniors! It sure has been a very busy time at the Thurmont Senior Center. It started with the Grand Re-Opening on April 4, 2012. What a great day that was; but, we were already preparing for the next big event: the Big Cash Bingo fundraiser.

The Thurmont Ambulance Company of Thurmont hosted the Bingo party for the Center. Bob Lookingbill and his wife, Joy, along with Lohman Keeney, and all the members of the Ambulance Company worked so hard to make the evening a huge success. We only had one complaint: it was "too crowded." I personally feel that a complaint like that is not so bad, considering it was the first time the Senior Center had a Bingo fundraiser. Joan Follin, a member of the Center Board of Directors, took responsibility for the Center's participation and the whole event. Joan, along with Doris Roman, spent many hours getting the supplies, making tickets, making flyers, and just coordinating necessary details. They both lost many hours of sleep worrying if all would go well. As it turned out, it was a fun evening for all, and we look forward to doing the Bingo again. Our sincere thanks goes out to all who helped so much.

The support of the community continues to boost the morale of everyone who works so hard to keep the Center operating.

As soon as the fundraiser was over, the planning went into the next special event: the annual Birthday Party! On May 16, 2012, the party was catered at the Cozy Restaurant; there were 119 seniors present. Each year, volunteers decorate a table for each month of the year. Patt Troxell, President of the Board of Directors, introduced the ladies who did such an outstanding job of coming up with a different theme for each month. When you make your reservations, you can choose to sit at the table of your birthday or with your partner. What a nice way to meet new people. We had door prizes, and if you had raffle tickets, we want you to know who the winners were: 1st prize went to Marlene Delauter; 2nd prize went to Willie Hensley; and 3rd prize went to Gene Beard. As you can see by the pictures, we show the January table with snowmen (above) and the August table with a grand luau (top, right). We will be doing the party and the raffle again next year.

But, for now, on to the next special event: June 20, 2012 will be the next general meeting at the Center. This is your chance to hear what's happening, and for you to

participate in what is happening. It also is the day for our pot luck dinner. Oh, what good cooks we have in our midst! Bring a dish or pay \$4.00. Sign up or call the Center ahead, so we can be



Courtesy Photos



card game days (we are getting more card tables). Computer classes are by appointment; call and ask for Shannon if you are interested. Also, ask about exercise classes, knitting,

flower arranging, crafts, and Wii bowling, just to name a few. Lunches are always available; just call 24 hours ahead. The plaques are on the chairs that you sponsored. Thanks to John Nickerson of Gnarly Arly Arts. The Center is available for rent on the weekends. Cost is \$150 plus a refundable deposit of \$50. For more details, call the Center at 301-271-7911.

In the meantime, be happy! You're on the green side of the grass and that's good news!

prepared to take care of you. We are planning a luau theme for the day. Lunch will be served at noon. Our next planned event will be on August 1, 2012. That's the day for the Pen Mar picnic. If you haven't been to the Pen Mar picnic, you are missing out on a lot of fun. More information on this event will be coming at a later date.

In the meantime, the Center's activity list and lunch menus are always available at the front desk. Tuesdays and Fridays are usually

Emmitsburg Seasoned Artists Conclude Open Studio Sessions



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Students and instructor stand in front of student projects (left to right): Donald Creager, Kathy Delauter, Instructor Dorothea Barrick, Becky Griffin, Jack Umbel, Bruce Sprague, and Brooke Little-McGee.

Emmitsburg Senior Center hosted a reception to honor participants of the Monday Afternoon Open Studio sessions on Monday, May 21, 2012.

The six students worked on individual projects each week throughout the spring under the tutelage of instructor, Dorothea Barrick. The exhibited pictures included landscapes, portraits, and still life in a variety of mediums.

Monday Afternoon Open Studio will resume in September for adults interested in working in a supportive group setting to improve techniques. For information about this and other Senior Center programs, contact Linda Umbel, Coordinator, at 301-600-6350 or lumbel@frederickcountymd.gov.

Emmitsburg Senior Center Trip

The Emmitsburg Senior Center is hosting a fabulous "Olde Southern Christmas Trip" to historic Charlotte, North Carolina, on November 28-30, 2012. Participants will enjoy a guided tour of historic Salem, where costumed men and women portray daily life of the 18th and 19th centuries. Also, there will be chances to visit the Moravian Cookie Factory, enjoy dinner and a Christmas show at The NarroWay Theatre, and tour the Billy Graham Library and the NASCAR Hall of Fame.

Included with the price of \$324.00 per person—double occupancy are: two nights hotel accommodation; two full hotel breakfasts; and one evening reception at the hotel. Standard taxes, baggage handling, deluxe motor coach transportation, and gratuities for motor coach driver and meals are included in the price. For more information and to reserve a spot, please call Linda Umbel at 301-600-6350.

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tickling our taste buds

by Denise Valentine, *A monthly column by a community member who loves to cook!*

Hello, everyone. I'm sure, for most of you, the idea of cozying up with a good book involves a mystery or romance novel, or perhaps a biography of someone famous.

My idea of a good book is any kind of cookbook. I don't really have a lot of free time to just sit and look through a cookbook for the pure enjoyment, since I'm usually looking for something to prepare for dinner or a picnic.

Like everyone, I have my favorites, but I do like to look for new ideas. I have a lot of cookbooks, but some of my favorites are from local churches. The recipe I am sharing with you this month comes from the 250th Anniversary Cookbook from St. John's Lutheran Church in Creagerstown. It was printed in 1982, and one of the first books in my collection. The cover is gone and many of the pages are stained, but I still have many recipes to try.

I was looking for a quick and simple dessert recipe recently and found one called 5-Cup Salad. It was submitted to the cookbook by my friend Bonnie. I always ask permission to share the recipe in this column if I know who the contributor is. When I checked with her, she also offered an alternative to the recipe for a healthier choice. This is an excellent recipe for summer picnics, because it needs to be made in advance in order to chill and it can easily be doubled or tripled. Enjoy!



5-Cup Salad

- 1 cup miniature marshmallows
- 1 cup shredded coconut
- 1 cup pineapple chunks (drained)
- 1 cup mandarin oranges (drained)
- 1 cup whipped topping

Combine all ingredients in a large bowl and chill at least 2 hours before serving. Healthier choice: substitute vanilla yogurt for the whipped topping.
Coconut substitute: use seedless green grapes (halved)—this also makes the recipe similar to Southern Ambrosia.

Send Us Your Fishy Pics!

Pics will be featured in August issue.

Email them to news@thecatocinbanner.com, mail them to 515B East Main Street, Emmitsburg, Maryland 21727 or 13425 Moser Road, Thurmont, Maryland 21788, or stop by E Plus Copy Center in Emmitsburg. Remember to include where the picture was taken and who is featured in your photo!

Happy Fishing!

Catoctin High School's FFA Chapter Shines



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Pictured front row (left to right): Karly Smith, Lauren Schur, Shelby Hahn, Kristen Myers, Taylor Clarke, and Kelsey Hurley; back row (left to right): Amy Jo Poffenberger, Elizabeth Shriver, Kayla Neff, Brandon Marshall, Daniel Myers, Wyatt Farmer, Phil Kolb, Richie Doney, Cody Stitely, Matt Lenhart, and Brian Hendrickson.

The Catoctin FFA chapter had wonderful results at their state FFA judging contests on April 24, 2012, at the University of Maryland in College Park.

Ag Mechanics team placed 1st: The team consisted of Wyatt Farmer who was 1st individual; Richie Doney, 6th; Phil Kolb, 9th; and Cody Stitely, 11th.

Milk Quality and Products team placed 3rd: The team consisted of Shelby Hahn 1st individual; Daniel Myers, 12th; Brandon Marshall, 18th; and Kelsey Hurley, 26th.

Horticulture team placed 2nd: The team consisted of Kristen Myers, 7th; Taylor Clarke, 12th; Lauren Schur, 21st; and Carley Smith, 25th. Individuals that also participated were Kayla Neff and Matt Lenhart.

FFA advisors are Amy Jo Poffenburger and Brian Hendrickson.

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SCHOOL news

Emmitsburg Brothers Receive Academic Scholarships

The Banner School awarded two Emmitsburg brothers academic scholarships for the 2012-2013 school year. Third grader, William Vargas, won the Elinor Miller Science Scholarship, which is given to a student who has demonstrated a record of academic success in the classroom and an intrinsic love of science. Kindergartner, Edward Vargas, won the Stauffer Miller Spanish Scholarship, which is awarded to a student who has demonstrated an aptitude for Spanish language. Both boys wrote essays as part of the scholarship application process.



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Edward Vargas (left) and William Vargas (right) win scholarships from the Banner School.

Catoctin High School Students Doing Great Things

A total of 8,860 books were collected during the National English Honor Society Book Drive. Students were rewarded with a “free cookie day” in the cafeteria during their lunch shift.

Congratulations are in order for a great showing at the 2012 FBLA State Leadership Conference at the Hunt Valley Marriot in May by Rebecca Bittner, Taylor Gordon, and Annabel Nichols. They placed third in Business Plan. They missed the chance to compete at the national conference by only one spot. For their event, they had to submit an official business plan and do a formal presentation to Maryland business professionals. Brian Sweeney placed fifth in Healthcare Administration. Alexis Hess represented CHS as a voting delegate.

Maryland has over 3,100 FBLA members. CHS students were among 800 of the top FBLA members from across the state competing.

The CHS Envirothon teams did very well at the county competition in May. The first team of Eric Stone, Amelia Poole, Matt Thompson, Julia Steinly, and Diana Burch won second place overall, first in the Soil Category, second in Forestry and Aquatics, and third in the Fifth Issue.

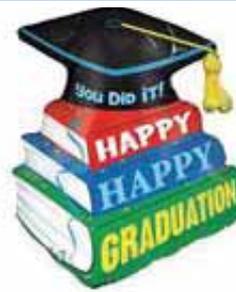
The second team of Courtney Wilcom, Abby Greco, Karianne Schaefer, Hunter Krantz, and Hannah Stone won sixth place overall.

The alternate team members, Makayla Rexroth and Sydney Reaver, did better than two other schools’ regular teams. Congratulations to all these students!

Wishing All Fathers a Happy Father’s Day!

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to School Day, May 4



**Congratulations...
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Catoctin High School Graduation 2012 will be held on Wednesday, June 6, 2012, at 7:00 p.m., at the Knott Arena at PNC Sports Complex on the campus of Mt. St. Mary’s University.

Cougar Consignments

Don’t know what to do with this year’s prom dress? Donate your gently used formal/semi-formal dresses, shoes, and accessories to the Cougar Consignments. We will take donations in the library daily until 3 pm until the end of the school year. All items will go on sale during homecoming and prom months. For more information, contact Kati Heefner at kati.heefner@fcps.org

Sabillasville Elementary Students Enjoy Family Fitness Fun

Students, their families, and Sabillasville Elementary School (SES) staff enjoyed some fitness fun on the beautiful afternoon of Friday, May 11, 2012. SES Physical Education teacher, Mrs. Stark, coordinated the “Little Cougars 1-Mile Fun Run/Walk” event to promote family fitness. It took place on the scenic grass fields behind the school, where volunteers set-up an easy-to-navigate course. Participants ran or walked at their own pace and were able to view their time at the finish line. After the event, all were treated to nutritious snacks and refreshments that were donated by WalMart Store 2233, which adopted SES for this school year. Students were also given a shoe token as a reward for participating. Thank you to everyone who helped to make this a fun event!

TMS Students Recognized by Thurmont Lions Club

Congratulations to the following Thurmont Middle School (TMS) students for receiving recognition from the Thurmont Lions Club at their May 9, 2012, meeting: Kelly Kaas (Grade 8)—honored for having 180+ volunteer hours; Katelyn Mills (Grade 8)—honored for 1st place in the Peace Poster contest; Justin Peters (Grade 6)—honored for 2nd place in the Peace Poster contest; and Labella Kreiner (Grade 8)—honored as our LEO of the Year.

A congratulations also goes to Ms. Ware who is the Thurmont Lions Club Teacher of the Year. Ms. Ware was honored at the Thurmont Lions Club’s May meeting.

“Think about your Dream all the time, no matter what else you’re doing. Live your Dream in your imagination. Become obsessed by it. Love it. Be passionate about it.”

~ Anonymous



the health jeanne

by Jeanne Angleberger, *Shaklee Associate for a Healthier Life*

When wanting to quench your thirst, what beverage do you choose? Is it the one that tastes sweet and carbonated or the healthier one: water?

I've learned that water is the most important nutrient in our diets. It's best to get your water from no- or low-calorie options. Therefore, you'll nourish the body and mind, without packing on the pounds!

Research says you can add about 200 extra calories every time you have a soft drink. There are other reasons for choosing water instead of cola.

Have you read the ingredients on a can of coke? The ingredients are water, HFCS, caramel color, phosphoric acid, natural flavors, and caffeine. Water is a good thing. High Fructose Corn Syrup is about 55% fructose and 45% glucose. All fructose must be metabolized in the liver. It can change a healthy liver to an unhealthy one over time with the consumption of high amounts of cola.

Phosphoric acid gives your cola drink more fizz. The ph level of Coke is 2. This level is not helpful keeping your body in an alkaline state. A

level of 7 is neutral or the perfect balance between acid and alkaline. Your body functions best when the ph level is between 7.365 and 7.390.

The body will use its alkaline minerals, such as sodium, potassium, magnesium, and calcium to neutralize the acid to help return it back to normal. In this process, the body tries to maintain a balanced concentration of them. The onset of the phosphorus causes declining levels of calcium, which triggers the body to dissolve calcium from the bones to restore this balance. Over time this can lead to osteoporosis.

Caffeine is a stimulant. It revs the nervous system and lowers levels of melatonin (a sleep hormone). It may increase your mental awareness and overcome fatigue. But, too much caffeine diagnosed the rapid heartbeat my husband was experiencing a few years ago.

There is a list of potential health risks from dark cola drinks vs. water. Research has included the following on this list: diabetes, headaches, high cholesterol, kidney stones, overweight/obesity, emotional disorders, Alzheimer's disease, depression, and poor quality sleep.

They are not saying that drinking cola is the primary cause of these health issues. What they are saying is that many of the ingredients in dark cola drinks have been linked to these health issues.

The question is: Are you providing good nutrition or poor nutrition to your cells when quenching your thirst? Remember to choose wisely. Every day you get a brand new opportunity to change your health—make that day today!

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SCHOOL news

Catoctin High School Students Receive Medals at MD SkillsUSA Competitions

One-hundred and twenty students from the Frederick County Career & Technology Center (CTC) traveled to Anne Arundel and Baltimore counties to compete in the Maryland State SkillsUSA technical and leadership contests on May, 5, 2012. They competed in 47 contests against over 1,000 students from across the state. In contests ranging from teamworks (a four person team that builds a house section from the masonry to the electrical, plumbing and drywall) to video production and welding fabrication. The contests are designed and judged by business and industry professionals who donate their time to support the development of young professionals. At the awards program held in the UMBC field house, 56 Frederick County students received medals for placing in the top three in the state. An amazing 30 of those 56 medals were Gold, while 21 students brought home Silver medals, and 5 students received Bronze medals.

The Gold medalists now qualify to travel to the SkillsUSA National Conference and competitions in Kansas City on June 23-28, 2012, where they will compete against over 5,000 students from all 50 states and territories in an effort to prove that they are the best high school students in the nation in their respective fields.

The Career & Technology Center will be holding several fundraisers in the next few weeks in an effort to raise the nearly \$65,000 it will cost to send the students and advisors to Kansas City. Please visit us at www.careertech.net if you would like more information on how to support these outstanding young professionals who are the best in the state as they continue their quest for the Gold at the national level.

Congratulations to the following Catoctin High School students: Bryce Buckley—1st, Audio/Radio Production; Samuel Zanella—1st, Television Video Production; Jacob Wilson—1st, Video Product Development; David Gros—1st, Web Design; Robert Bodmer—2nd, Carpentry; Sarah Weddle—2nd, Commercial Banking; Alison Dart—2nd, Job Skill Demo A; Hayley Humerick—2nd, Nail Care.

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In cases where registration is not required, guardians must bring the student's ID, report card, or school schedule for identification purposes on distribution day. For the Catoctin feeder schools, contact Jennifer Harbaugh at 240-236-1764. No registration is required. Donation drop-off is scheduled for Monday, August 6, 2012, from 10:00 a.m.-noon, at Graceham Moravian Church, 8231-A Rocky Ridge Road in Thurmont. Distribution is on Tuesday, August 14, 2012, from 9:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m., at Graceham Moravian Church, 8231-A Rocky Ridge Road in Thurmont.

TMS Reading Challenge

Thurmont Middle School (TMS) Community Reading Challenge! is now at 5,340 books. Even though we may not meet our goal of 7,500 books by June 15, we have already surpassed last year's goal of 5,000! Let's continue to Reach For the Stars! Keep reading!

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Who Am I?



Who Am I? Next Issue

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Article and photo by Olivia Sielaff

Your clues were: *"Grew up on family farm; travels with her age group; fan of Lady Cougar sports; was a nun and then a queen; 5 grand and 2 great-grands; proud graduate of EHS."*

Kenny Clabaugh and Susie Free guessed the Who Am I? correctly this month.

I am Linda Umbel

This month's "Who Am I" is Linda Umbel. She serves as Senior Center Coordinator at the Emmitsburg Senior Center, as well as wife, mother, and active member of the Emmitsburg community. Linda was raised on her family's farm on Keysville Road by her parents, the late Raymond and Gladys Keilholtz. When they were young, Linda and her siblings—Robert, Barbara (late), Jim, and Richard—helped on the Glad-Ray Farm by bailing hay and feeding the animals. Also, Linda was one of the first members of the Rocky Ridge Progressive 4-H Club. Linda's brother, Jim, and his wife, Sharon, own the farm now.

Linda spent her school years at the Emmitsburg School, which was located, ironically, in the same building where she currently works at the Emmitsburg Senior Center. In the school year of 1966-1967, Linda played the role of the nun in *The Sound of Music* musical at Emmitsburg High School. She said it was a great success and a fun experience. Their production was

so popular, it was taken "on the road" to Frederick High School. Linda also spoke of the annual May Day celebrations in town. In 1967, she was selected as the "Queen of May" by her schoolmates. This was a great honor to her and very special, because her mother was crowned "queen" thirty years earlier.

Not only is she a talented person, Linda is also a loving wife to her husband, Austin, and mother to her son, Chad. Linda was introduced to her husband Austin in a special way. While Linda was working at the Emmitsburg Library, Austin enlisted his young friend, Frankie Davis, to plan their meeting. While visiting Linda at the library, little Frankie "accidentally" took Linda's sweater to Austin, where he worked at the firehouse. Later that day, Austin bravely walked into the library to return Linda's "missing" sweater. About Austin, Linda said, "I couldn't have a better husband. He's wonderful." She is also thankful for her son Chad, his wife Sandy, five grandchildren, and two great-

grandchildren. The only regret she has is that she wishes her family could have been raised in the '50s and '60s, because she enjoyed growing up in that time period. Reminiscent of her slow-paced childhood she said, "Our lifestyles have become so hectic."

Speaking of hectic, Linda is a busy member of the Emmitsburg community. Her energy is mainly focused on serving the local seniors at the Emmitsburg Senior Center as Coordinator. For twenty-one years she has worked with the Frederick County Department of Aging, dedicating her time and talent to the aging. For some years, she worked in Frederick with the Department of Aging before serving at her current position in Emmitsburg. Reflecting on her time at the Senior Center, Linda has become more tolerant and understanding of the aging process of those she serves. Linda says some of the elderly never see themselves as old, which makes for entertaining times at the Senior Center. There are a myriad of things to do with seniors, so Linda tries to cater to her seniors' specific interests. The Emmitsburg Senior Center is a great place to socialize, relax, and play board games (there were a group of seniors playing Chicken Scratch when we visited Linda). There are no specific times or regulations that the seniors are expected to follow, which contributes to the relaxing environment. Linda finds it amusing that she works in the same building she had attended high school in. In fact, one of the seniors at the Center used to be her teacher, whom she still finds herself addressing by his last name.



Linda can also be found volunteering as an auxiliary member of the Vigilant Hose Company and as a member of Mt. Tabor Lutheran Church, where she plans on joining the choir this fall to continue exercising her singing talent. Furthermore, Linda is a member of the Willing Workers Group, which helps the church throughout the year, especially during apple butter season. In her free time, Linda likes to golf and fish. She bought a new rod recently, and she hopes to find time to use it soon. Among her hobbies are collecting old mixing bowls and cow creamers. She has collected over 300 hundred cow creamers in the years she's been hunting them down.

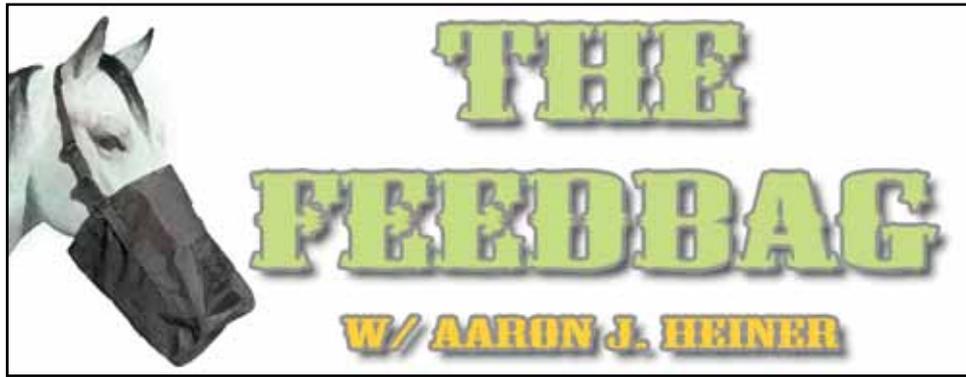
All in all, Linda Umbel has a generous and spirited character that she shares with those around her. The Emmitsburg and surrounding communities are very grateful for the dedication she puts into her service. Perhaps, she will have some time off soon to catch up on her hobbies. But, until then, Linda can be counted on to assist the people of this community with her many talents.

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Pizza Hut

There was once a time in American history when folks dressed up to go on a plane. There was also a time when the family would pile up in Grammy's old station wagon for dinner at the Pizza Hut. Times have changed. With the delivery promise of the 30-minute pizza from Domino's, Pizza Hut—once the classic American pizza establishment—also moved on to delivery, making the days of having to go out and dine-in a thing of the past. As time progressed, Pepsi Co., and subsequently Yum Brands, purchased Pizza Hut, but faithfully kept the dine-in experience.

Not much has been altered over time, aside from corporate ownership of Pizza Hut. Today, one can walk into a Pizza Hut and see the same familiar red seats and dark wood trim as you may have found thirty years ago. Little has changed since those days, except the prices, of course, as well as all the new variety of pizzas offered to appeal to modern taste.

Don't get me wrong, my little sister's first job was a pizza maker at Pizza Hut, in the Walkersville location. The pizza is as good today as it was then, or even back in the 1980s, when Greg T. Nielsen told his daughter in the movie *Poltergeist* to get dressed, the family was going out for pizza. An American classic should never *really* change.



On a couple of occasions, I had the pleasure of sitting down with my boss, Deb Spalding, the publisher of this newspaper, to mull over articles, ideas, and general business strategies at both the Emmitsburg and Thurmont Pizza Hut locations. A few months back, the boss opted for the lunch buffet. On another visit, we simply ordered a pizza and some sides.

The great thing with Pizza Hut is that the pizza is pretty consistent no matter where you go, with the exception of Japan, which offers squid and mayonnaise pizza. (Personal experience has taught me it is not as great as you would be lead to believe.) Luckily, that consistency is pretty evident in both Northern county locations.

With plenty of comfy seating, and consistent pizza quality, one would be hard-pressed not to enjoy an American classic like Pizza Hut pizza. Next time you crave pizza, try dining-in for a quiet night out.

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IN THEIR OWN WORDS

A Sincere Thank You

During the G8 Summit, which was held May 18–19, 2012, the Thurmont Police Department's goal was to protect life and property and maintain peace and order. I believe this was accomplished. However, we did not do it alone. With the support from allied agencies—to include the Maryland State Police and the Frederick County Sheriff's Office—we demonstrated that law enforcement in Frederick County can and will provide the most effective police response in any situation to ensure a safe and secure environment for our citizens and visitors. My thanks and appreciation goes out to all participating agencies.

I would also like to thank the citizens of Thurmont for their patience, understanding, and cooperation during the event. Without it, our job would have been much more difficult.

To the members of the Thurmont Police Department: a job well done. You are professionals and your performance was exemplary. All of you should be proud of your accomplishment.

Again, I extend my thanks and appreciation to everyone.

—Sincerely, Chief Gregory L. Eyler

MSP Trooper 3

by Thomas Gipe, Cub Scout Pack 270



Courtesy Photo

Pictured (left to right): Back Row: Jeff Geyer Webelos Den Leader, Brian Seiss Den Leader, MSP Officer, MSP Officer, Peter Ambrose Den Leader, Webelos Scouts Nate Willard, Issac Love, Thomas Gipe, Colby Horning, Marshall Hahn, Pete Ambrose Jr. Tiger Cub, and Tigers Nicholas Willard Alan Chmiel, Tanner Seiss, Aubrey Summerall, Carter Loher. Not pictured: Chris Farkas & Charlie Farkas.

One day, myself, Issac, Colby, Nate, and Marshall—from Den 1—went to the airport to look at Helicopter Trooper 3! We had so much fun! All of us got to get in the trooper and learn how to work it. It was confusing, because there were too many buttons and stuff! We also got to sit in a big metal basket, which is for the pilot to drop down to the injured people to sit in, and the pilot picks it up to carry into the trooper. After that, they take them to the hospital. I wonder if everyone liked seeing the trooper? I had so much fun! I hope you guys liked it!

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Learning As We Go

by Valerie Nusbaum

Travel can be both fun and informative. Randy and I love visiting new places and learning about them. It's been our experience that it's always a good idea to take some kind of guided tour whenever we're in a strange city or town. The tour guides usually do a good job of providing interesting and entertaining tidbits about their hometowns.

Here are some interesting facts we've gathered from our travels:

In Bermuda, we learned that Michael Douglas is really, really rich. We garnered that fact from a boat captain named Herb, as we were taking a water tour of the inlets around Hamilton. Michael and his family have a home there, high on a hill overlooking the harbor, and it's huge. Considering that a hamburger in Bermuda costs about \$20.00 - well, you do the math.

We took a trip down South and stopped in Savannah, Georgia, where we learned from a trolley car driver named Grace that Spanish moss is neither Spanish nor moss. I can't remember what it is exactly, but I do know that it's full of parasites that bite. I know this because we filled a bag with the stuff and put it in our car.

In Ogunquit, Maine, we learned that ghosts inhabit most of the old houses in the town. We also learned that the historical society was expecting about a dozen people to take the "Ghost Tour," and when more than a hundred of us showed up, they were a bit overwhelmed. Luckily, we got there early before the brownies and apple cider ran out, and I got to carry the lantern.

On that same trip to Maine, we learned that it's not a good idea to pick up sand dollars off the beach and leave them in the car overnight. It took a week to get the smell out.

We really have to stop putting things in the car.

Ketchikan, Alaska, is the salmon capital of the world. We took a duck tour there. A "duck" is a vehicle that travels both on land and water. Our host was a college freshman named Joel. Joel was wearing a pair of wrap-around sunglasses like Tom Cruise wore in *Risky Business*, and he was so cute that I wanted to bring him home for my niece. Randy nixed the idea. Now that Randy has met our niece's boyfriend, he wishes he'd listened to me. But I digress. Joel taught us that there are five kinds of salmon in Alaska, but he explained it by using each finger on his left hand, by which he associated each digit with a salmon. The thumb is "chum." The index finger is "sockeye," because that's clearly the finger you would use to sock someone in the eye. The middle finger is the longest, so it's the "king." Since we tend to wear rings on our fourth finger, it's known as "silver"; and obviously, the little finger is "pink." I've never forgotten Joel's lesson. Randy enjoyed the smoked salmon samples we had on the whale watch tour. I don't like salmon, but he ate mine and several more.

A couple of years ago in Cape Cod, we rode a bus over to catch the ferry to Martha's Vineyard, and Marge, our bus driver, got into a loud discussion with another passenger that went something like this:

Marge: "Where are you folks staying?"

Some man: "I forget. The name of the town starts with a 'B.'"

Marge: "Oh, it must be Barnstable (which she pronounced Barn-stay-ble)."

Some man: "That's it. Barn-stay-ble."

Marge: "You're sayin' it wrong. It's Bahn-stuh-bull. You Southerners don't know how to talk."

The lesson Randy and I learned from that exchange is that no matter where you go, you're a tourist and the locals like to make fun of tourists. I try to sit quietly and blend in, but that's hard to do when I'm traveling with the guy wearing the printed tee shirt and crazy hat, with the camera around his neck and the travel brochures and maps sticking out of his pockets.

I have to give the devil his due, though. Randy is an excellent travel planner. Whenever we decide to go someplace we've never been, he gets out the above-mentioned maps, and he surfs the internet to try and find out everything he can about the place before we actually leave home. That

way, when we arrive, he already has suggestions for places to go and things to do, and he pretty much knows where everything is located. I'm constantly surprised at that, considering at home, he can't find his socks.

Randy and I most recently traveled to San Antonio, Texas. We learned a lot of things, but one of the most memorable came from a trolley bus driver named James, who told us that the state tree of Texas is the pecan tree. He stressed that the pronunciation is "puh-khan" and told us that a "pee-can" is something you put under Grandma's bed.

I can't close out this month without giving a shout out to my pal, Barb. I really appreciate all of your kind comments about my stories. Thanks so much.

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Bennett James Sargent — TSGT U.S.A.F. RET.

by Jim Houck, Jr.

Born in Martinez, California, on January 27, 1954, to Michael Espizito and Carol Cathlene Espizito, was a son she named Bennet James. Carol and Michael were divorced and Carol remarried John Sargent. John adopted Bennett (Ben) and was his father for the majority of his life. Ben grew up in Las Vegas, Nevada, and went to elementary school and Rancho High School in north Las Vegas; he graduated in 1973. Ben loved to play sports of any kind. He played on the school baseball and football teams and ran track all through junior and senior high school. He liked being in the water, because Las Vegas was always hot, and what better way to stay cool than swimming. He learned to swim very well and was on the school's swimming and diving teams. He won numerous awards playing on the various teams while he was growing up.

After graduating from high school, Ben went to work for United Airlines. In 1975, there was a strike and he decided to find another job. Three days before Christmas, he decided to talk to a recruiting officer and before the day was over, he was signed up for the USAF. The date was December 22, 1975, and his report date was June 1, 1976 to San Antonio, Texas, where he took his basic training. Then, in August, Ben went to tech school in Wichita Falls, Texas.

Ben's first duty assignment was in October 1976, at Randolph Air Force Base in San Antonio, where he stayed for two years and then was reassigned to Nellis Air Force base in Las Vegas (back home where he was raised). He was there for two years and then was reassigned to Osan Air Force Base, Korea; he liked it so



Courtesy Photo

well that he stayed for four years. After his four years, he came back to the states to Ellis Air Force Base for fifteen months, then got another assignment back to Osan Air Force Base, Korea, where he stayed for one year. Ben then went to McClellan Air Force Base in Sacramento, California, where he was stationed for five years. After which he was reassigned back to Osan Air Force base Korea for one year, and then back to the states to Buloxi, Mississippi, where Hurricane Andrew hit about three months before he retired. The three months went fast because he was busy cutting trees and cleaning debris from the storm. Ben spent eighteen years in the Air Force before retiring. He would do it all over again if he had the opportunity.

Ben moved to Odenton, Maryland, after retirement to a job he had waiting for him with a construction company that was working on the new Baltimore Convention Center, right beside the Stadium on Conway Street. He directed traffic for a few weeks while

waiting to go back to school to get his licenses for refrigeration. He didn't need them in the military at the time he was in, but the military requires them now. So, he went to school and then took the required test and got the licenses he needed to venture out on his own. He had a grade one stationary engineer's license, refrigeration license and a gas fitters license; he has been doing the kind of work the licenses cover since he retired. Ben worked for BG&E and now works for the Federal Government at the National Naval Medical Center in Bethesda, Maryland.

Ben resides between Emmitsburg, Maryland, and Fairfield, Pennsylvania, and belongs to the Francis X. Elder American Legion Post 121 Emmitsburg, where he supports the functions and helps whenever needed. Ben is a board member and can be seen helping the Lead Bartender, Judy. He also belongs to the Gettysburg VFW and is in the process of joining the

Fairfield AMVETS. He hopes to continue residing in the area for a long time to come.

Ben has done a lot of fishing but has not hunted since he has been in the area. However, he finally got all of his rifles and guns out of storage, has cleaned them, and has them in his gun cabinet ready for next hunting season. He likes to bowl and play golf, but has had surgery on his shoulder and had a tumor removed from his left leg. Now, after two and a half years, he has just been released by the doctors, so he plans to enjoy both sports from now on. He has a passion for a great drinking sport called darts and belongs to a dart league. He is in the process of building a deck around the house and keeps busy most of the time as an all-around handyman. I consider Ben to be a valuable asset to the community, and I am proud to call him a friend and neighborhood veteran.

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American Legion News

by Edwin G. Creager Post 168 Thurmont

June is here. Soon, schools will be letting out and families will be vacationing. Our patio is finished and open for you to enjoy a snack or two. Our Ladies Auxiliary is having the following snacks available for sale Saturday through Wednesday: ham sandwiches, pickled eggs, steamed shrimp, and veggies & dip. Doreen has our kitchen open with a pretty good menu and some specials on Thursday and Friday evenings.

On June 4, 2012, our Commander, Gary Speagle, and Scholarship Committee Chairman, Mac Maguire, will present four scholarships to graduating students at Catocin High School. Two scholarships are available for \$1,000 (renewable for 4 years), and two are for \$500 (renewable for 2 years).

The Cub Scouts will be having an overnight camp out at our own pavilion. This will be the first time some of the scouts have had an overnight campout. So, it will be a great experience for them. The Thurmont American Legion will be renewing our sponsorship with the scouts this coming month. The Rock and Roll Relics were here once again on the June 1. It was a big time with lots of good music and fun for all who attended.

The American Cancer Society's Relay for Life will host a Golf Tournament on June 9. The 19th hole is to be held at our Legion

Pavilion, with refreshments available.

On June 14, the Sons of the American Legion will hold their monthly meeting, with refreshments following the meeting. Our Ladies Auxiliary is holding their meeting on June 21.

For all of you who enjoy *Dancing With the Stars*, our Dance Club will be in our ballroom on June 23. They are the real deal, with a full band, tuxes for the men, and gowns for the ladies. On Saturday, June 26, the Wounded Warriors Program will be here. Some of our heroes from our military hospitals will come to Camp Airy for some fishing, good food, and some much needed R & R.

Camp West Mar is a week-long encampment for boys, ages 9-12. It is located in the beautiful Catocin Mountains. Anyone interested, please call Bob Brennan at the American Legion at 301-271-4411. All applications are due by July 1, 2012.

The Ladies Auxiliary goes to the Martinsburg V.A. Center on the first Wednesday of each month. They take baked goods and hold karaoke for the veterans. They also help with Memorial Day and Flag Day, as well as selling poppies during the month of May. Their meetings are held the third Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Dues for 2013 will soon be due and will be \$20.00 this year. All are welcome to come and visit and to see how to become a member.

Happy Father's Day!

—from all of us at *The Catocin Banner*

Joke sent in by Don Joy:

Boy to teacher, "I have a question: What weighs 5 pounds, has many wings but can't fly, and is frozen solid?"

Teacher, "That's a tough question, but my guess is it's some small prehistoric creature that likely lived 15,000 to 20,000 years ago and was found frozen in the glaciers of the North Pole."

Boy to teacher, "Sorry, Teacher, bad guess. It really is a 5 pound box of chicken wings that's been frozen in the freezer for a week."

Annual Purple Heart Car Show at the Mount Supporting Injured Military and Law Enforcement Men and Women

The Mount St. Mary's University Criminal Justice Student Association and Student Veterans Association are hosting the 3rd Annual Purple Heart Car Show on Saturday, June 2, 2012. Event and registration of vehicles begin at 9:00 a.m.

"The Purple Heart Car Show is part of the CJSA and the Veterans Association's commitment to supporting U.S. military and law enforcement personnel in overcoming the adversities that come after being injured in-the-line-of-duty," says Joseph Vince, Mount professor of Sociology and Criminal Justice. "This is also a fun day for car enthusiast and families alike."

The Purple Heart Car Show is co-hosted by Rolling Thunder's Chapter 2 of Maryland & their Salute Our Troops, and the SAAC Group of Maryland. These dedicated organizations work to support U.S. troops and other charitable causes.

Any car, bike, or truck enthusiast is invited to show their rides with all classes welcomed. Unique Purple Heart Trophies, as well as prizes, will be awarded to the best in each class.

Find the Purple Heart Car Show on Mount St. Mary's University's Bicentennial Hall parking lot, just off US Rt. 15 in Emmitsburg, Maryland.

Admittance to this event is free, and it coincides with Alumni Week at the University. Plenty of food and drink will be available on-site, as well as an auction.

For more information, please contact Professor Joseph J. Vince, Jr., by office telephone at 301-447-5373 or email at vince@msmary.edu.

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by Erin Dingle, Administrator, Thurmont Regional Library

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We are especially excited about the programs on the beautiful outdoor deck this summer brought to you by the Friends of the Thurmont Regional Library.

Thanks to a grant from Citizens for Maryland Library, the Friends of the Thurmont Regional library are hosting Nighttime Nature on the Deck for families. Celebrating the mysteries of the night through interactive, night-themed programming, the series is totally underwritten by the CML Mary Lou Dewey Advocacy and Awareness Grant. The nature programs will be held on the third Thursday starting at 6:30 p.m.

- June 21—Stories & Songs of the Night featuring nature stories and traditional campfire songs with professional local storyteller Roger Troxell and musicians Brent & Patty Progecene.

- July 19—The Nocturnal Sky Above featuring Skip Bird-The Astronomy Guy, from the Westminster Astronomical Society.

- August 16—The Wetlands Wake Up at Night featuring night sounds and local creatures of the dark featuring Cunningham Falls State Park/Scales & Tales, an informational presentation using live animals.

The funds raised throughout the year are also allowing the Friends of the Thurmont Library to host the very popular Music on the Deck lineup of bluegrass, old timey porch music and an Elvis tribute this summer on Sunday afternoons at 2:00 p.m.

- June 24—Carroll County Ramblers return to the deck with a variety of traditional bluegrass tunes. Performing together for over 30 years, the Ramblers are one of the area's most popular bluegrass bands.

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- 1.....Rock n Roll Relics, Thurmont American Legion Post 168, 8 Park Lane, Thurmont. Benefits Veterans Programs. Tickets on sale at the bar. \$10/advance, \$12/door. 301-271-4411 or 301-524-1733.
- 2.....Crab Leg & Shrimp Feed, Thurmont Ambulance Company, N. Church Street, Thurmont. Doors open 5:00 p.m., meal served 6:30-8:30 p.m. 301-748-5359 or 301-271-3820. www.thurmontambulance.com
- 2.....Breakfast, Tom's Creek United Methodist Church. 6:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m.
- 2.....Canadian Bands in Concert, Knott Arena, Mount St. Mary's University. 1:30 p.m. \$10/adults, \$5/12 & under. 301-447-5700.
- 2.....Indoor/Outdoor Yard Sale/Flea Market, The Fort Ritchie Community Center. 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Spaces (indoor/outdoor) \$10-\$15 dollars. Benefit the FRCC gymnastic team. The Cascade American Legion Post 239 providing food for sale. 301-241-5085 or www.TheFRCC.org.
- 3.....Annual Fishing Derby for Kids, Route #15 at Lohr Road, Thurmont. Sponsored by The Sons of The American Legion Post 121 Emmitsburg. 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Registration 8:00-9:00 a.m.; fishing 9:00-11:00 a.m., weigh-in and prizes 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Hot dogs, snacks, soda, and water provided. Free for all kids registered and their family.
- 4.....7th Annual CYA Football/Cheerleading Golf Tournament, The Links of Gettysburg, 601 Mason Dixon Road, Gettysburg, PA. Shotgun start 8:00 a.m. Heather Knighton 240-405-8341 or silvergirlh1@aol.com.
- 8.....Free Movie -- The Muppet Movie (PG), Mount St. Mary's Echo Field. 9:00 p.m. Rain or shine. 301-447-8329.
- 9.....CYA Football & Cheerleading Registration, Thurmont Ambulance Building (upstairs), North Church Street, Thurmont. 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. 301-447-3430.
- 9.....The Annual Ron Eyler Memorial Golf Tournament, Maple Run Golf Course, Thurmont. 8:00 a.m. Four Person Scramble—Shot Gun Start. Benefit the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life Team, G.O.L.F. C.L.U.B. team, \$60/person before May 30, \$70 after that date (includes dinner after tournament at Thurmont American Legion Pavilion. Contact Alice Eyler 301-271-7960 or Facebook - G.O.L.F.C.L.U.B.
- 9.....Festival & Albert's Yard Sale, St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 17015 Sabillasville Road, Sabillasville. 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. 301-241-3287.
- 9.....Fried Chicken and Country Ham Dinner, Saint John's Lutheran Church, 8619 Blacks Mill Rd., Creagerstown, MD. 12:00-5:00 p.m. \$13/Adults; \$7/Under age 12; Free/under age 6. Carryouts/\$14. 301-898-7905.
- 9,10.Timeline of American History: Early American-Frontier and Colonial, Children's Museum of Rose Hill Manor Park, 1611 N. Market St., Frederick, MD (Fred. Co. Div. of Parks & Rec.).

Play Our Games

See page 11 to take part in our "Where Am I?" and Hidden Object games.

See page 29 to play the "Who Am I?" Game

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community event calendar

- June 9—11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.; June 10—1:00-4:00 p.m. Free. 301-600-1650 or visit www.rosehillmuseum.com.
- 10....Chicken Barb-B-Q, Lewistown Ruritan Club, U.S. 15 North & Fish Hatchery Road, Lewistown.
- 10....Gettysburg Festival Fringe Event, Lee's Retreat and the Battle of Monterey Pass, The Martin House B & B, 1085 Jacks Mt. Rd., Fairfield PA. 3:00-8:30 p.m. Benefit preservation of Battlefield at Monterey Pass. 717-642-5645. www.martinhousebandb.com.
- 13....EBPA 2nd Annual Business Expo, JoAnne's Ballroom, Carriage House Inn, South Seton Avenue, Emmitsburg. 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Free for visitors. Chris 410-756-4450.
- 14....Rabies Clinic, Frederick County Health Department at the Thurmont Community Park, Thurmont. 5:00-8:00 p.m. Rain or Shine. \$8/animal (pre-registration not required). For dogs, cats, and ferrets (3 months or older). Animals need to be properly contained, leashed, or in carriers. 301-600-1717.
- 16....Thurmont Saturday Stroll, Mountain Town Heritage theme, Main Street, Thurmont. 1:00-4:00 p.m.
- 16....Thurmont Little League & Babe Ruth 1st Annual 5K Race/Fun Walk, Mount St. Mary's Waldron Stadium. All proceeds benefit Thurmont Little League and Babe Ruth. Registration 7:30 a.m.; Race 8:30 a.m. \$20/person; family sponsorship/\$100 (includes race registration and family name on t-shirt). Register: www.active.com/running/emmitsburg-md/Thurmont-Little-League-5k-race-and-walk-2012. 301-447-2171 or lisamlowry@gmail.com.
- 16....Thurmont Lions Club Hosts Summer Sandwich Sale, at Bell Hill Farm, 1 1/2 miles north of Thurmont along MD 15. 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. (or until sold out). Call 301-271-0558, visit www.thurmontlionsclub.com, or follow "thurmontlionsclub" on Facebook.
- 17....ESP Dance Recital, Weinberg Center, Frederick, MD. \$10. 301-271-7458.
- 20....Thurmont Senior Center General Meeting & Luau, Thurmont Senior Center. Noon.
- 21... Stories & Songs of the Night, Thurmont Regional Library, Moser Road, Thurmont. Local storyteller Roger Troxell and musicians Brent & Patty Progecene.
- 22....Amateur Golf Tournament, Maple Run Golf Course. Shotgun start 8:00 a.m. Benefit TUMC Community Clothes Closet Building Fund. \$55/player, \$220/team of 4. 301-271-2917.

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- 24....Annual Seton Legacy Classic Golf Tournament, The Links at Gettysburg. 1:30 p.m. Benefit Seton Heritage Ministries. \$125/person, \$500/foursome (includes greens fees, cart rental, dinner, prizes and refreshments). Individual registrations welcome (teams will be assigned). Sponsorships available. Ashley Long 301-447-6981 or along@setonheritage.org.
- 29....Emmitsburg Community Chorus Spring Concert, Emmitsburg Park. 7:00 p.m.
- 30....Emmitsburg Community Day & Parade, Emmitsburg. John Sanders 301-447-3638.
- 30....Mountaintop Heritage Days, Cascade, MD and Blue Ridge Summit, PA. See page 6 for details.

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- 6.....Free Movie, The Wrath of the Titans (PG13), Mount St. Mary's Echo Field. 9:00 p.m. Rain or shine. 301-447-8329.
- 8.....Chicken Barb-B-Q, Lewistown Ruritan Club, U.S. 15 North & Fish Hatchery Road, Lewistown.
- 8.....Civil War Picnic Concert. Seton Shrine, South Seton Ave., Emmitsburg. 301-447-6606.
- 14....CYA Football & Cheerleading Registration, Thurmont Ambulance Building (upstairs), North Church Street, Thurmont. 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. 301-447-3430.
- 19... The Nocturnal Sky Above, Thurmont Regional Library, Moser Road, Thurmont. Featuring Skip Bird-The Astronomy Guy.
- 25....Free Jazz Clinic, Mount St. Mary's Delaplaine Fine Arts Center's Horning Theater. Pre-register at www.msmmary.edu/summermusic or by calling 301-447-8329.

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- 5.....Chicken Barb-B-Q, Lewistown Ruritan Club, U.S. 15 North & Fish Hatchery Road, Lewistown.

- 11....MD Crab & Shrimp Feed, Thurmont Ambulance Company, N. Church Street, Thurmont. Doors open 5:00 p.m., meal served 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. 301-748-5359 or 301-271-3820. www.thurmontambulance.com
- 18....Thurmont Saturday Stroll, Pack a Backpack theme, Main Street, Thurmont. 1:00-4:00 p.m.



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NEW PRICE!

125 Cody Dr. #12

Thurmont-\$169,900

This is a great condo! Offering 2 bedrooms and 2 baths with lots of personal touches. Windows were replaced 2 1/2 years ago, toilets and exhaust fans replaced in both bathrooms, beautiful wood floors and separate storage room. This is a must see! Subject to third party approval.



9 Meadow Lane

Thurmont - \$149,900

Practically Brand New! This home is so well done! 2 bedroom, 1 bath newly renovated rancher. Sunny kitchen offers, custom cabinets, ceramic tile floor and new appliances. Updated BA. Hardwood floors, crown molding, new vinyl siding, front porch, central heat and a/c and so much more!



3 E. Main St.

Thurmont- \$149,900

Excellent opportunity to own a retail storefront with 2 one bedroom apartments upstairs (both currently rented), laundry on second floor for tenants, many possibilities! Recently updated. Storefront currently offered for rent. Call Bonita Smith!

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Tower Road,
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3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath rancher, attached garage plus large storage shed/garage, on 1.09 acre wooded lot. Needs a little TLC.

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Cascade/Fort
Ritchie-\$199,900

Commercial property offers so many options! Solidly constructed brick 2 story bldg. ready for occupancy. Approx 2900 sq. ft with a 3 bedroom, 2 bath apartment on second floor (currently rented) could also be used as a 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment with separate office w/bath.

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22 ALTAMONT AVE., THURMONT - \$289,900 30 X 40 GARAGE/WORKSHOP!

This Spacious 1920 Bungalow offers high ceilings, 3 bedrooms, 2 full baths, fireplace, hardwoods, window seats, transoms, sunny kitchen, inviting sun room and a master



suite on upper level. Tons of original character with wonderful new renovations including windows, roof, geo thermal heat, central A/C, etc.



13884 Moser Road
Thurmont - \$484,900

This spacious 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath Colonial sits on 7.5 acres. Home offers a large sunny kitchen that opens to the family room with a fireplace and hardwood floors, formal living and dining with moldings and hardwoods. 4 bedrooms and large finished basement. 4 Fenced paddocks, 4 stall horse barn w/tack room and barnyard! Fabulous!