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Catoctin High School Wrestlers Place at State Tournament, Two State Champions

by Charles Perella

The Catoctin High School (CHS) 2012-2013 Wrestling Team enjoyed yet another successful season, as it continues to grow and gain recognition throughout the State and beyond.

With Head Coach, Ryan Green, and coaches, George O'Brien and Tracy Eureka, along with the addition of assistants, Brad Maze and Garrett Baer, the Cougars enjoyed an 11-3 regular season dual meet record, just shy of a bid for regional duals. A 21-9 overall dual meet record was achieved in spite of losing four key wrestlers to mid-season injuries.

In tournament competition, Catoctin posted an 11-6 dual meet record, and as Coach Ryan would sum up the 3-4 showing at the Bauerlein Duals early in the season, "took it on the chin," but achieved a 7-2 record at the Catoctin duals that guaranteed the team a third place finish in a field of ten teams. Landing five wrestlers in finals resulted in a second place team finish at the 26th Annual Hub Cup out of eighteen powerhouse programs from

In a field of only ten teams, but where wrestling continues to gain popularity and get tougher,

CHS Wrestlers — Continued on page 13



State Place Winners (from left): Garrett Buckley, Tim Nordan, Coach Ryan, Charlie Perella, and

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Explore the Catoctin Area Scenic Trails

by Joseph Kirchner

Spring has sprung and what a wonderful time to explore the many beautiful trails in the scenic Catoctin area! Whether you are a walker, a hiker, a mountain biker, or even a serious trail runner, you will find an abundance of picturesque trails to meet your recreational needs. The local scenery is spectacular and the great outdoors will rejuvenate your whole being!

Emmitsburg Multiuser Trail

The Town of Emmitsburg, in conjunction with the Trail Conservancy, has been creating a stacked loop network of trails on Town-owned land near Rainbow Lake off Hampton Valley Road. These trails are natural surface trails intended for walkers, hikers, trail runners, and mountain bikers. The Beginner Trail, approximately two-and-a-quarter miles in length, is due for completion in mid-May. The Intermediate Trail, due to open in July, adds in excess of three miles of trail, with climbs which are somewhat longer and which require greater technical skills. The Advanced Trail, a challenging route which presents veteran riders with some serious climbs, is due to open in Summer 2014, and offers



Tom Fedor is shown walking his dogs recently in the Thurmont Community Park on the improved Fitness Trail.

approximately three more miles of single-track. The mountain scenery for all trails is spectacular with many beautiful water features.

Eventually, perhaps in Summer 2015 or 2016, the Town Connector Trail will be completed. This link will add four-five more miles of trail to the system and will allow riders to park in downtown Emmitsburg, ride the trails, and return to park in downtown Emmitsburg within walking distance of hot showers, public rest rooms, restaurants, and the Emmitsburg Community Pool.

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The Emmitsburg **Baseball & Softball** League and Thurmont Little **League Hold Their** 2013 Opening Day **Ceremonies**

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Coaches and players on the Emmitsburg Red Sox baseball team were acknowledged for their 2012 achievements during the season opening of The Emmitsburg Baseball & Softball League in April.

From the Publisher

Dear Reader:

Even though the weather is still chilly, spring HAS sprung! With it, a burst of events and activities has taken place. We've filled this issue of The Catoctin Banner from bottom to top with information that communicates and connects. Please be sure to go outside and enjoy some of our local events and fundraisers, or make use of some of the hiking and biking trails that Joseph Kirchner tells us about in his cover article on our local trails. I'll be out to Vigilant Hose Company's Spring Fling on May 18. I may even sell you some jar tickets to benefit the Emmitsburg Baseball & Softball League. This event is probably the largest one-day event held by-and for-local residents. It's like going to a big party (with shade) and seeing all of your friends and neighbors there. Don't miss it!

Michael Betteridge, with WTHU Radio, invited me to come out as volunteers did yard clean up and improvements at the Oxendale's house in Catoctin Furnace. I was surprised to see a large amount of storm damage from Hurricane Sandy in the woods that run parallel with Catoctin Furnace Road, on the non-highway side. The volunteer activities that took place at the Oxendale's on April 20 mainly provided cleanup for their yard and driveway. That still leaves a big mess of downed trees to contend with. If you have an interest in removing the trees that were uprooted from the storm, please let us know by emailing news@ thecatoctinbanner.com.

As always, I urge you to patronize the advertisers who reach out to you through The Catoctin Banner. It has existed due to the advertising support of those featured in each publication. All of our advertisers, especially those who have been on board long-term, are greatly appreciated!

Deb Spalding, Publisher

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Thurmont High School Alumni Association Dinner

The Thurmont High School (THS) Alumni Association dinner will be held Saturday, June 1, 2013, at the Lewistown Volunteer Fire Hall in Lewistown, Maryland. If you have not received an invitation by now to attend or would like your name removed from the list, please call Victoria Mathias or send the information to Victoria Mathias, 7929 Black Road, Thurmont, MD 21788.

The price for the dinner is \$20.00 per person. Paid reservations must be returned by Saturday, May 18, 2013.

For more information, contact T.H.S. Alumni Association President, Joan Freeze at 301-271-7387 or Secretary, Victoria Mathias at 301-271-7614.



Kid's Working to Pay for Camp

Student members of the Catoctin Recreation Council (CRC) are looking for some odds and ends jobs to perform at your home or work for donations in order to help pay for their attendance at summer camps. The jobs can include raking leaves, picking up sticks, cleaning out gutters, mulching, or any odd job that you've been putting off. These students will be supervised by an adult. They will be working through CRC, and they have Frederick County's permission to perform these jobs.

Once your job is completed to your satisfaction, CRC will ask for a donation that will be placed into an account for summer camps. The money will be given out according to the hours the student works.

CRC can arrange for pickup and removal of leaves and sticks for an extra hauling fee. Please look around for any odd job. Call Mick Bailey at 301-241-3762 or email mickbubba@netzero.comhide, so a work day can be scheduled.

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town hall reports

by Michele Cuseo

Emmitsburg April 2013

Emmitsburg Heritage Days Planning Large Celebration for Summer Event

On Saturday, June 29, 2013, Emmitsburg will hold the Emmitsburg Heritage Days to commemorate the 150th anniversary of Emmitsburg's participation in the Civil War's Battle of Gettysburg and the great Emmitsburg fire of 1863. The Event will be hosted by the Lion's Club and will include many activities involving local organizations, museums, crafters, and vendors. All the regular July 4^{th} activities (but held on June 29^{th}) are also scheduled (games, chicken barbeque, face painting, the parade, live band, and FIREWORKS). This year the Lion's Club is also inviting the public to participate in a big yard sale, from 8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Anyone interested in participating, either as a vendor (\$35.00) or a yard saler (\$5.00), please contact Lion's Club representative, Cliff Sweeney at 301-447-1712.

Emmitsburg Property Tax Rate to Stay the Same

The draft budget proposal for Fiscal Year 2014 calls to keep the town property tax rate the same as the current rate of 36.5 cents per \$100 assessed value. Also, Commissioner Joy requested that the town standardize more of what goes into the annual budget. The suggestion was welcomed by the other commissioners and would more clearly show where money is allocated and define the projects that are funded within the budget.

For more information about the Town of Emmitsburg, log onto www. emmitsburgmd.gov or call 301-600-6300.

Thurmont **April 2013**

Grass Pick Ups/Drop Offs Now **Available**

Leave your grass clippings curb side in a paper bag on Mondays before 7:00 a.m. and the town will pick up and dispose for you. Also, once a month, you can drop off brush, leaves, tree limbs (no larger than four inches in diameter), and small bushes at the Moser Road drop-off (located behind the Library). Dates for the once-a-month drop-off are May 11, June 15, July 13, August 17, September 14, October 19, and November 16.

Thurmont Invited to be Part of TV Show/Ad

Thurmont was approached by a TV producer to be part of a production called "Communities of Distinction" that would highlight the town of Thurmont and its scenery, businesses, parks, history, and so on as part of a 5-minute advertisement, narrated by Terry Bradshaw. The Ad proposal included a 1-time show on a major television station and 20time showing on local stations. The producer pitched this idea for the film as a great benefit for Thurmont, but then requested that the town of Thurmont pay a portion of the costs in the amount of \$28,400. The town turned it down due to the cost involved.

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

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

Where Am I? Photo Contest

For the "Where Am I?" Photo Contest, take a look at the photo above 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 inbetween.

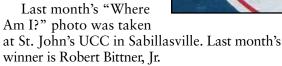




Photo by Irene Matthews

Hidden Object Game

Last month's Hidden Object was a parrot. It was located on page 11 in the Tahiti Sun advertisement. The winner of the Hidden Object Game is Nancy Huyser. If the winner has not been contacted, please call us to claim your prize. This month's Hidden Object is a spool of thread.

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

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Test Your Word Power

(Answers on page 34)

- 1. Proliferate (v.)
 - a) Puncture; deflate
 - b) Put off; postpone
 - c) Increase rapidly in numbers; multiply
- 2. Inexorable (adj.)
 - a) High priced; expensive
 - b) Impossible to stop or prevent
 - c) Indifferent; neutral

- 3. Insolent (adj.)
 - a) Rejected; denied
 - b) High rank or quality; noteworthy
 - c) Showing a rude/arrogant lack of respect
- 4. Ruminate (v.)
 - a) Repeat; reproduce
 - b) Deliberate; mull over
 - c) Break down; take apart
- 5. Which word above would work best in this sentence?

She attempts to hold down several jobs, but messes them all up being _____and careless.



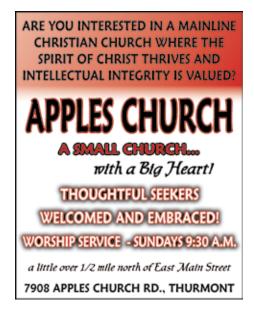




Plan to Treat Mom to a Day Out

On May 11, 2013, enjoy a leisurely day—with your Mom or daughter, aunt, grandmother—in the quaint village of Catoctin Furnace, located just south of Thurmont (on Route 806). Harriet Chapel will be selling beautiful planters full of flowers, crafts, home baked goods, barbeque, jewelry, garden ornaments, and gently used gardening tools. The church will be open to display artwork done by local children on the theme "The Whole World in His Hands," and there will be displays of antique and unusual religious items. You can buy mom a chance to win a quilt, a wall hanging, a beautiful necklace, or a "spring fling jar." Just down the street, you can tour the Catoctin Furnace and visit the Catoctin Furnace Historical Society, where you can buy herbs, plants, crafts, and traditional refreshments. Then you can take a short ride out to Creagerstown United Methodist Church and take home some Slippery Pot Pie, so mom won't have to make dinner. Make a full day of it and make Mother's Day weekend special for someone you care about.

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Thespians Hold Auditions for the Summer Children's Musical Honk! — May 18 & 20

The Thurmont Thespians will hold open auditions for children ages 6-13 only, for their summer children's musical *Honk!*, a retelling of the beloved Hans Christian Andersen fairy tale, *The Ugly Duckling*, with book by Anthony Drewe, music by George Stiles and lyrics by Anthony Drewe. "*Honk!* is a great reminder of all the things we hope kids learn: accept others for who they are, not what they look like, remember that being different is okay, and remember that out there somewhere, someone's gonna love you—warts and all!"

Director Beth Royer Watson will stage *Honk!* the last two weekends of July at the American Legion Auditorium, located at 8 Park Lane in Thurmont. The dates are Thursday-Saturday, July 18-20 and 25-27 at 7:30 p.m., with two Sunday matinees on July 21 and 28 at 2:00 p.m.

Matthew Albright will be Music Director and Jennifer Buchheister will be Choreographer.

This is an entry-level community theatre program, not a summer camp. There are no fees for any children to participate. ALL CHILDREN AUDITIONING WILL RECEIVE AN ON-STAGE ROLE IN THE SHOW, providing they obey these three simple requirements: (1) They must attend all performances and mandatory rehearsals; (2) They must memorize their lines and their movements; and (3) They must display courteous, polite professional conduct and respect to all theatre staff members throughout the rehearsal/performance cycle. The director reserves the right to terminate a child's participation in the play at any time if these requirements are not met.

Auditions and all rehearsals until July 7 will be held at the St. John's Lutheran Church Social Hall, located at 15 North Church Street in Thurmont. There will only be two auditions for all children ages 6-13 on Saturday morning, May 18, 2013, starting at 9:00 a.m. until concluded, and on Monday, May 20, 2013, starting at 7:00 p.m. until concluded.

Rehearsals will commence Thursday evening, May 23 starting at 6:30 p.m. and continue approximately three to four times weekly, including Saturday morning and some weekday early evenings.

This will be the 16th annual Summer Youth Musical for the Thurmont Thespians, beginning back in 1998 with "He Lived The Good Life". Each year the casting alternates between middle school pre-teens and high school teens 13 and up. For more information about *Honk!* Auditions, please e-mail director Beth Watson at beth.watson@myactv.net or call 301-416-0864.

View Thurmont Thespians advertisement on page 7.

Gettysburg Festival Fringe Event: Encounter Mount Misery — The Battle of Monterey Pass

Join the Martin House Bed and Breakfast, located at 1085 Jacks Mt. Road in Fairfield, Pennsylvania, on Sunday, June 9, 2013, from 3:00-8:00 p.m., for a Gettysburg Festival Fringe Event: "Encounter Mount Misery – The Battle of Monterey Pass." This year marks the 150th anniversary of the battle, which took place on July 4 and 5, after the three-day battle at Gettysburg. The afternoon's activities include three 2-hour narrated tours on an air conditioned trolley, which this year will take the path of the Union forces under General Judson Kilpatrick, including Gen. George Armstrong Custer, as they fought their way up the side of the mountain to intercept the retreating Confederate wagon train at Monterey Pass. Some easy walking is required on the tour. The retreating soldiers nicknamed the mountain pass "Mount Misery" due to the horrific conditions to which they were subjected. The battle was fought in the middle of the night in a terrible thunderstorm, and the roads were nothing more than wagon ruts etched deeply into the mud. Tickets for the tour are \$30.00 and include a picnic-style meal. The tour includes points of local history, as well as the battle. Additional activities— which are FREEinclude living histories, exhibits, book signings by several authors of Civil War literature, wine tasting, numerous local historians speaking on various Civil War topics, artists, great food, and desserts. Purchase of tour tickets in advance is highly recommended—these tours sell out quickly. All ticket holders will have a seat on the trolley; no one will be standing. Additional information is available at www.martinhousebandb.com or www.montereypassbattlefield.org, or call 717-642-5645. All proceeds from this event benefit the preservation of the Monterey Pass Battlefield.



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AROUND town

Benefit Bingo for Brooke

On Sunday, May 19, 2013, the Rocky Ridge Volunteer Fire Company is sponsoring a Benefit Bingo for Brooke Riggs, only 20 months old and battling stage 4 Neuroblastoma. Bingo features twenty Regular games, paying \$50.00; two Special games, paying \$100.00 Tickets are \$20.00 in advance; \$25.00 at the door. The Rocky Ridge Volunteer Fire Company is located at 13527 Motters Station Road in Rocky Ridge, Maryland. View their advertisement on page 4 for more information.

EVAC's Bingo Bash

On May 25, 2013, the Emmitsburg Volunteer Ambulance Company (EVAC) will be holding a Bingo Bash, featuring 22 games paying \$250 each, plus three big jackpots and a meal. Doors will open at 4:00 p.m.; games will begin at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$35.00 in advance; \$45.00 at the door. Ticket must be paid for by May 17 to be entered to win \$100 cash! View their advertisement on page 3 for more information.

4th Annual His Place Car Show

The 4th Annual His Place Car Show will be held on May 11, 2013, at Mother Seton School, located at 100 Creamery Road in Emmitsburg. Registration begins at 8:00 a.m. Dash plaques will be given to the first 200 cars to arrive. Featuring food, raffles, door prizes, music, and more! Entry is \$15.00 at the door; \$12.00 pre-registration via bkuhn3@yahoo.com. Event benefits Mother Seton School and the Emmitsburg Osteopathic Primary Care Center. View their advertisement on page 5 for more information.

Jermae Estates Community Yard Sale

Large Community Yard Sale at Jermae Estates, located off Moser Road in Thurmont, on Saturday, May 11, 2013, from 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. There will be over 25 families participating! View their advertisement on page 9.

Rocky Ridge Junior Fire Company's Walk-A-Thon for Brooke Riggs

The Rocky Ridge Junior Fire Company presents a Walk-A-Thon for Brooke Riggs, a 20 month old who was diagnosed with Stage 4 Neuroblastoma. The Walk-A-Thon will be held on May 24, 2013, from 6:00-8:00 p.m., at Mt. Tabor Park in Rocky Ridge, Maryland. Live music and food will be available. Please register two weeks in advance of event; a \$20.00 (or more)donation is required. View their advertisement on page 9 for more information.

Bingo at Beth Sholom Community Center

Play Sunday & Monday Night Bingo at Beth Sholom Community Center, located at 1011 N. Market Street in Frederick, Maryland. Doors open at 5:00 p.m., with Bingo starting at 7:00 p.m. Regular games pay \$100; featuring \$1,000 Jackpot and \$500 Jr. Jackpot! Holiday Bonanza Kicks off May 5 and May 27. Bring in their advertisement for a free jackpot! View their advertisement on page 33 for more information.

Meet with a Doctor from TLC Laser Eye Center! Ask Questions & Get Answers! FREE! Find out if you are eligible for LASIK Learn how to prepare for the surgery Meet your LASIK Surgeon! May 30, 2013 • Thurmont Eye Care p.m. - 8 p.m. (APPT NEEDED) For More Info, Call Us Today! 2 East Main Street • Thurmont, MD 21788 • 301-271-0554

5th Annual Spring Fling

Get your tickets now for the Vigilant Hose Company's 5th Annual Spring Fling, which will be held on May 18, 2013, at Mount St. Mary's University Echo Field in Emmitsburg. The Spring Fling features live music, horseshoes, food, 50/50 tip jars, and much more—\$30,000 given in prizes! Spring Fling benefits Vigilant Hose Company and VHC Explorers Post. View their advertisement on page 3.

2013 Summer Camps at Fort Ritchie

Registration is now open at Fort Ritchie Community Center for summer camps, including weekly themes such as Eco Adventure, Sports at the Fort, Performing Arts, and many more! Camps are open to boys and girls, ages 6 to 13 years old. View their advertisement on page 10 for more information and visit www.TheFRCC.org.

Friday Night Lights at Thurmont Eye Care

Stop in Thurmont Eye Care, located on Main Street in Thurmont, on May 31, 2013, from 4:00-9:00 p.m., for their Friday Night Lights event. Meet new friends and local business owners; enjoy a snack and their open bar! View their advertisement on page 34 for more information on Thurmont Eye Care, as well as their advertisement below about a LASIK Consultation Night on May 30, 2013.

LifeHorse Family Fun Day

Breezy Hill Stables is hosting a LifeHorse Family Fun Day on Saturday, May 11, 2013, from 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. The event is free and features pony rides, hay rides, face painting, and much more. Breezy Hill Stables is located at 15117 Mud College Road in Emmitsburg. View their advertisement on page 27 for more information.

Good News Baptist Church is Moving

Beginning on May 5, 2013, Good New Baptist Church will be meeting at Fort Ritchie Chapel in Cascade, Maryland. View their advertisement on page 32 for more information and visit them on www.goodnewsmountainvalley.com.

Guardian Hose Company Yard Sale and Chicken BBQ

On Saturday, June 1, 2013, the Guardian Hose Company is sponsoring a Yard Sale and Chicken BBQ at the Thurmont carnival grounds, from 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. (Chicken BBQ, 12:00 p.m. until sold out). Breakfast and lunch foods will also be available. View their advertisement on page 24 for more information. To rent a space, please call 240-575-5469.

Mother's Day Flower Sale

The Guardian Hose Company is hosting a Mother's Day Flower Sale on May 10 and 11, 2013, at the Fire Station, located at 21 North Church Street in Thurmont. May 10—4:00-7:00 p.m.; May 11—8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. View their advertisement on page 8 for more information.



BUSINESS news

Prayer, Scones, and Pickers

by Ann Marie Bezaviff

McPrayer Meeting at McDonald's: Join Pastor Susan Beck for McPrayer on the second Friday of each month from 10:00-11:00 a.m. at Thurmont's McDonald's. McPrayer is open to all, not just St. John's Lutheran folks. Anyone from the community with a prayer concern can stop by, share it with us, and we'll do the praying together. And if you can't stay around, we'll pray for you. No need to bring a Bible, but it never hurts to have one handy just in case someone wants to share a scripture. Questions? Call 301-271-7877.

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Silver Bakery: The first time I walked into the Silver Bakery, I wasn't expecting to find scones, let alone the best scones I've ever tasted. If you like scones, this is the place to find them. I also tried some of their dainty cinnamon rolls—flaky and tasty. My husbans, David, is usually the doughnut guy, but he had no complaints with the apple turnovers. Located at 120 Frederick Road, it's definitely a place to go for homemade pastries.

Pickers: Are you an American Picker's History Channel fan? Well, we have our own picking places right here in Frederick County. Timeless Trends Boutique has reopened its vintage warehouse, located in back of its Thurmont store on Main Street, full of stuff right for the picking and for a great price. Plus, they'll paint, restore, or refurbish furniture. Open every other weekend, call 240-288-8226 for exact dates and times or check their website. The second hand store, Twice as Nice, is a few doors down and is a great place to find children's toys in good condition and electronic equipment for the guys. Goodwill has a store full of treasures, especially if you like books. One store that has my curiosity is located north on 550, just around the curve in Sabillasville next to P&M Transmissions. However, every time I pass by on my way to the gym at Ft. Ritchie, it's closed. I'll let you know what I find.

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Ft. Ritchie Community Center: Summer Day Camp, Outdoor Lab and School

by Ann Marie Bezayiff

For the fourth year in a row, Ft. Ritchie Community Center is offering eight weeks of awesome summer davcamp programs for boys and girls, ages 6-13, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. from June 17 to August 9 (except July 4th). This is a unique summer experience for children. Experienced specialists, educators, historians, artisans, crafters, fitness instructors, athletes and camp counselors have been assigned to lead weekly specialized immersion themes. Students will experience Shakespeare, laser tag, musical instruments, sports and games, kayaking and arts on FRCC 600 acre campus. They'll also have the opportunity to explore twin lakes, the geology and wildlife of the area and encounter raptors and reptiles, Native Americans, WWII veterans, athlete role models and military-style PT.

Weekly immersion themes: Eco Adventures: June 17-21 This includes canoeing & kayak instruction on Lake Royer, wildlife & microbial studies on and round the lake, raptor and reptile encounters, fishing and outdoor fun.

Sports at the Fort: June 24-28. Soccer, basketball and other sports, rules fundamentals, sportsmanship, plus indoor and outdoor games and mini-tournaments.

History Seekers I: July 1-5. Exploration of local Civil War and Native American history, geology and natural resources, WWII & the Ritchie Boys, Historical re-enactors.

Performing Arts: July 8-12 Workshops with the renowned Maryland Shakespeare Festival every day, music, dance, set design, costuming, improvisation and more.

Heritage Arts: July 15-19. Crafters and artisans lead interactive experiences with pottery, textiles, basket weaving, painting and sketching, carving and more.

History Seekers II: July 22-26. Exploration of local Civil War and Native American history, geology and natural resources, WWII & the Ritchie Boys, Historical re-enactors.

Kids Boot Camp July 29-August 2. Enjoy laser tag and other militarybased games, meet veterans, learn flag etiquette, intro to military-style physical fitness training.

Eco Adventure II August 5-9. This includes canoeing & kayak instruction on Lake Royer, wildlife & microbial studies on and around the lake, raptor and reptile encounters, fishing and outdoor fun.

Activities are age group appropriate and campers will be divided into two groups for most activities. Group A consists of 6-9 year olds (minimum age: 6 years of age before September 1, 2013 and must have completed Kindergarten). Group B consists of 10-13 year olds (Maximum age is 13 years; campers may not turn 14 before September 1, 2013).

Summer fees for FRCC members are \$90 per week, per child. The cost for non-members is \$110 per week, per camper. The July 1-5 session is \$75 for members and \$90 for nonmembers. Thanks to Washington County Gaming Commission, grant-funded financial assistance is available to Washington County, MD residents. Funding is limited but don't hesitate to make requests. Space is limited, so it's best to register as soon as possible. There are several forms that must be completed in order to register for our summer program. Visit FRCC website at www.TheFRCC.org to download the forms or stop by FRCC at 14421 Lake Royer Drive in Cascade (on the Fort Ritchie Campus) to pick up the forms. For more information, call 301-241-5085. FRCC is a tax deductible, non-profit organization. Anyone interested in becoming a sponsor for Summer Day Camp can contact Kristen Hubbard, Business & Development Manager at 301-241-5085. This program is a great opportunity for 6-13 year old students, educational and fun at the same time.





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Retired chief of police, Jim Holler (Liberty Township), is leading this workshop entitled, "The Internet - "A Molester's Paradise"..."I thought he was my friend." This training will help provide parents with tools and the knowledge



needed to oversee their child's use of the computer along with the basic steps they can take to help assure the safety of their children while surfing the internet.

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Earth Day Clean-Up by Kathleen Knill

Although few in numbers and small in size, three Scouts from Pack 270 bravely tackled the big work that needed to be done at Catoctin Mountain National Park this past Sunday. Webelos Scout, Seth Young, and Bear Scouts, Ayden Child and James Knill, along with Boy Scout, AJ Child of Troop 1011, spent the afternoon in Catoctin Mountain National Park working to clean leaves from beneath the cabins at Camp Greentop. The Scouts, along with their Den Leaders Sean Young and Skip Knill, and Committee Chair Kathy Child, assisted Ranger Debbie Mills in removing leaves, sticks, and trash from beneath nearly all of the cabins at Camp Greentop.

The Scouts and leaders were able to clean out from under six cabins in 2 hours allotted by the Park for the project. Not satisfied, they received permission from Ranger Mills to stay later and were able to finish seven more cabins and the craft barn before calling it a job well done. By doing this Earth Day project, the Scouts were helping to prevent forest fires from spreading beneath the wooden cabins and catching them on fire. Ranger Mills told the scouts that all the vegetation lying around can catch fire when it dries. This made the Scouts more eager to work, since they enjoy hiking the many miles of trails in the park and all wanted to help keep it clean and safe so they and everyone else can continue to enjoy the beautiful mountains and the park's many facilities. All involved agreed it was fun spending the afternoon outside and having fun with their Scout friends. To find out more about ways you can help Catoctin Mountain National Park or organize your group's clean-up project, contact Park Ranger Debbie Mills at the Park's Visitor Center (301-663-9388).

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For more information on Cub Scout Pack 270, please visit our Pack website at www.cubpack270.com.

Lions Club Dance Rocks On

On Saturday, April 13, 2013, the Emmitsburg Lions Club held its annual Rock and Roll dance, featuring the Rock and Roll Relics band, at the Emmitsburg Ambulance building hall. The event was a great success, and the Lions Club wishes to thank everyone who attended. The monies raised from this event helps the Lions Club support some of the many charitable initiatives the Club provides in the community.



Student Painters

by Deb Spalding

Aspiring young entrepreneur, Adam Flanick, is a freshman at Cedarville University in Ohio. He's learning about starting his own business by ...actually starting his own business. He's serving as the Branch Manager for a business called Student Painters during his internship in our area. From Keymar, Adam has worked as a waiter at Mountain Gate Restaurant in Thurmont and he has appeared in various Thurmont Thespians productions over the past ten years, most recently as Pharaoh, an Elvis-like character in Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat, and as the lovable Charlie Brown in Snoopy.

He visits home frequently to work at scheduling painting jobs for the summer while maintaining a full schedule at Cedarville, pursuing his double majors of International Business and Spanish. The company, Student Painters, offers internships that help students finance college while gaining business leadership experience. Adam started in February of this year by completing training in marketing, cold calling, creating estimates, public relations, and sales. Student Painters is in partnership with Sherwin Williams.

Seeking efficiency, effectiveness, and excellence, Adam has hit the road to find people who need exterior surfaces painted such as houses, businesses, decks, farm fences, sheds, etc. Additionally, since Adam hires his own painting crew, he is seeking outstanding high school and college students. Under the direction of Student Painters,



Adam Flanick of Student Painters.

Adam will, "help my crew develop leadership. I'm looking for people with a lot of drive. It's a win-win for students looking for a great job and for customers looking for a quality job at an affordable price."

Long term, Adam hopes to use his skills to help the people in his community and perhaps, someday, others around the world. "Everyone has a dream and I want to use my skill to assist others in making that dream reality."

Adam's Student Painters venture lasts until the end of August, so call now for a free, no-obligation estimate. The actual painting starts mid-May and continues until the jobs are done. Call Adam at 240-357-6027 for more information.

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COMMUNITY news

Five Generations of Reavers



Courtesy Photo

During Christmas 2012, five generations of Reavers were present for a family gathering. The five generations were represented by (shown left to right): Helen Wimert (brother to Sheridan Reaver, Ed's Dad) of Taneytown; her nephew Ed Reaver (son of Sheridan and father of Vince); Vince Reaver, Sr., (great-nephew to Helen Wimert); Tre (Vincent Reaver III) and Carter Reaver (great-great-great-nephews to Helen Wimert); and Vincent Reaver, Jr., great-great-nephew to Helen Wimert). All of the Reavers are from Emmitsburg.

Eagle Scout Court of Honor Announced for Scouts Korzeniowski and Root

Proud parents, Gary and Peggy Korzeniowski and Marjorie (Smith) Root, along with grandparents, Francis and Margaret Smith, and Boy Scout Troop 628 announce the Eagle Scout Court of Honor Ceremony for Branden Edward Korzeniowski and Nikolas David Ebbie Root. The Eagle Scout Court of Honor will be held Sunday, May 5, 2013, at 2:00 p.m. at the St. Timothy's Roman Catholic Church Parish Center, located at 8651 Biggs Ford Road in Walkersville.

Brandon and Nik have been best friends all during their schooling and scouting years.

Smith Signs with Shenandoah



Photo by Deb Spalding

Catoctin High School (CHS) senior, Mackenzie Smith (pictured front center), daughter of Brian and Gretchen Smith (pictured front, left and right), recently signed a National Letter of Intent to play softball on scholarship at Shenandoah University. Mackenzie was referred to as, "a throw back" by CHS Athletic Director, Mac MacMillan. MacMillan explained that "a throw back" is someone who is a starter during all three seasons of sports in school; Mackenzie also plays volleyball and basketball at Catoctin. Also pictured (top row, left to right) are Kevin (Mac) MacMillan, CHS Athletic Director; Jess Valentine, Head Coach of CHS's Varsity Softball Team; and Bernard Quesada, CHS Principal.

Chief Eyler Receives Award

The Sgt. Everhart Chapter of the Society of Sons of the American Revolution has selected Chief Gregory L. Eyler as their Law Enforcement Officer of the Year. Chief Eyler was selected as the result of a single outstanding event or any set of events that indicate outstanding dedication, loyalty, or service to the department and community.

Chief Eyler attended a luncheon at Dutch's Daughter's Restaurant on April 11, 2013, to receive his award. Congratulations, Chief Eyler!

The Buddy Project

To help brighten the lives of the disabled, the non-profit The Buddy Project is rounding up unwanted electronics for donation...whether they're "dead" (non-working) or "alive" (working): Computers, Printers, Monitors, Keyboards, Routers, DVD/VHS players, Cameras, you name it.

The Buddy Project is a Maryland-based 501(c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to making the lives of people with disabilities more independent through technology. For more information, visit www.TheBuddyProject.net or call 301-694-7250.

2013 Community Pillar Award Presented

Warren Suker (pictured left) of The One Mountain Foundation (OMF) presented the 2013 Community Pillar award to Roy Sanders (pictured far right) during a recent spaghetti dinner event at the Cascade American Legion Post #239. This event kicked off OMF's activities for 2013, including the 8th



Courtesy Photo

Annual Mountaintop Heritage Days. For more information, visit www.onemountainfoundation.org.

Water Boys for Jesus Inspire a Makeover

by Deb Spalding

A group called the Water Boys for Jesus go to the same table once a week for Bible Study in Thurmont. During one session, the Water Boys decided to coordinate a volunteer mission to makeover the yard at the home of Bob and Diane Oxendale in Catoctin Furnace. Thurmont. Hurricane Sandy damaged many properties in our area, but in Catoctin Furnace, the extent of the damage was great and is still prominent. During the Makeover at the Oxendale's on April 20, 2013, WTHU's Michael Betteridge said, "It looks like a bomb went off," in reference to the huge trees uprooted all around the property.

At the Oxendale's, Diane's wheelchair van was crushed by a downed tree. Their yard was littered with large uprooted trees, their home was damaged, and the property was



Photo by Deb Spalding

Carol Kaas takes a blower while making improvements to the Oxendale's yard.

in disarray. On this blustery Saturday, folks from Hawkin's Landscaping, Bill's Auto Repair, Lewistown Volunteer Fire Department, WTHU Radio Station, and the Water Boys for Jesus worked to makeover the Oxendale's yard. They made a difference!

Others who have a need that they think the Water Boys could consider, please call WTHU at 301-637-6736.

Sports news

Catoctin MYBA 12U DII Bracket Champions

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Catoctin MYBA 12U boys had a very successful 2012-2013 season. They got a slow start to the season with three loses; but that didn't discourage them, turning the season around to a 6-4 finish. Playing through the playoffs and into the final championship game, Catoctin played with passion and desire. Catoctin basketball was successful at every level this season. Congratulations to all Catoctin basketball programs!



Catoctin MYBA 12U DII Champions

Pictured from left are Eli Frei, Jacob Jesse, Bryant Palmer, Chase Wilhelm, Justin Barber, Christian Ahearn, Dylan Click, Garrett Mayhew, Mitchell Tester, Hayden Dextradeur, and (back row) Coach Darryl Dextradeur.

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CYA Wrestling Season Re-Cap

The Mason-Dixon wrestling championships were held on March 9 and March 10, 2013. Youth wrestlers from eighteen clubs representing four States converged to do battle on the mat and claim a spot on the podium. Awards were given to the top eight wrestlers in each age-specific weight class.

The Catoctin Youth Association (CYA) wrestling team had twenty Mason-Dixon place-winners, and four Mason-Dixon champions. Peyton Castellow, Owen Liller, Jacob Baker and Nathan Schwartzbeck each went undefeated in the tournament and took first place in their weight classes. Second place finishers included Griffin Puvel, Colby Keilholtz, and RJ Monaghan. Lonnie McLain received third place honors. Fourth place wrestlers included Jacob Bell, Colin Byrne, Justin Peters, and Cody Small. Jarryd Rosenberry took fifth place. Hunter Bradshaw, Ryan Fitzgerald, Ethan Fuss, and Joshua Small secured sixth place finishes. Keiten Castellow, Braden Bell and Caleb Peters each took seventh place.

The Maryland State Wrestling Association (MSWA) State Youth Championships was held on February 16 and 17, 2013. Colby Keilholtz (8U 72 pounder), representing the Frederick Fight Club, won a State championship title by securing a first round bye, pinning his opponent in semi's, and winning a 6-0 decision in finals. Former CYA wrestler Zachary Bryant (14U 80 pounder) pinned his way to the finals match, but lost a 10-5 decision to take second place. In addition to being a finalist in the State tournament, Zachary also placed third in the Capital Area Wrestling League (CAWL), or Beltway League in the 75U division and had a season record of 35 wins and only 10 losses. Jacob Baker (10U 85 pounder) placed third at the State tournament, and also received the award for the most pins in the least amount of time. Baker lost his first match to the eventual State champion, but won four matches in a row, recording four falls in a total time of six minutes thirty-eight seconds.

CYA Celtics 2012-2013 Intramural **Basketball Champions**



CYA Celtics 2012-2013 3rd, 4th, 5th Grade Intramural Basketball Champions

Record 12-1: (front to back, left to right): Josh Bently, Brendan Ott, Ayden Child, Logan Harrington, Kyler Bower, Garrett Malachowski, Christopher Lipscomb, Jesus Molinero, Connor Kock, Jacob McIlvaine. Coaches: John Malachowski and Ed Bitondo. Ball Boy and Practice Squad: Logan Malachowski.

CHS Softball Team to hold Crab Cake Dinner

The Catoctin High School (CHS) Softball Team will hold a Crab Cake Dinner Fundraiser at the Vigilant Hose Company Fire Hall in Emmitsburg, on Thursday, May 2, 2013, from 4:00-7:00 p.m. You may eat in or carry out. Tickets are \$15.00 each (dinner includes: 2 crab cakes, baked potato, green beans, coleslaw, roll, dessert and beverage—iced tea, lemonade, or water). Please call Coach Jess at 301-788-0976 to reserve your ticket.

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CHS Wrestlers — Continued from cover page

Catoctin slipped from a third place the previous year to a fifth place finish in the 2013 Frederick County Championships. However, jumping from a fifth place finish last year, the Cougars placed three champions at the 2013 1A-2A West regionals to secure second place out of 22 teams behind State dual champs Winter's Mill. Catoctin made significant strides by placing fourth, up from 13th, at the MPSSAA State tournament with 99 teams in the running, and earned an overall ranking of 21st in the State out of 198 teams by the Maryland State Wrestling Association. In addition, Catoctin received the honorable mention for dual meet teams and is ranked 14th in the State among tournament teams.

The team was put at an unfortunate disadvantage when four varsity wrestlers suffered injuries that would end their participation prematurely. Sophomore, Joey Puvel, went 9-5 before he was sidelined with a knee injury. Kevin Simmel, also a sophomore, and also with a knee injury, was 23-7 before his season was cut short. Simmel also received an honorable mention bid to the all-MVAL team. A junior, and first-year wrestler, Donnie Ames was 9-20 before he was forced to sit out, and Dan Biser, a junior as well, went 9-17 on the year.

Individually, the Cougars had eight county qualifiers and three county champions, advanced five of seven regional qualifiers also with three champions, and placed four wrestlers in the State tournament including two State Champions, adding to the accomplishments of former Catoctin High School wrestlers, Shane Tiffany (State Champion 1995) and Seth Chilson (State Champion 2010).

The University of Maryland's Cole Field House in College Park is the annual destination for wrestlers representing 198 public high schools throughout the State of Maryland. Each year the vast, state-wide field of wrestlers is dramatically reduced, through attrition and elimination, to just fourteen seeded, weight-specific brackets of sixteen participants. Qualifying for and advancing to the State tournament is a feat in itself, all while managing weight, maintaining health and hygiene, and remaining free from injury. For the second consecutive year, Catoctin qualified and sent five wrestlers to the State tournament on March 1st and 2nd including Garrett Buckley, Tim Nordan, Charlie Perella, Patrick Guilday, and Colin Schildt.

Garrett Buckley, the 108 pound sophomore, is no stranger to the

big stage. Capturing third as a freshman, Buckley was Catoctin's highest placing wrestler at States the previous year. He came out swinging in his preliminary match knocking off the Eastern regional champion by a score of 11-6. He continued his success with a 7-1 quarterfinals win, but lost in a semifinals rematch against the number one seed and soon-to-be State champion. A 7-2 loss in consi-semis forced Buckley to regroup and focus on his last match of the season. Determined, Buckley captured 5th place with a 7-5 victory in consi-finals. Also a Hub Cup finalist and a perfect 14-0 in regular season dual meets, Buckley wraps up his sophomore season with an impressive 36-10 record, all-MVAL and Frederick News Post all-area first team status, an all-Gazette second team bid, and an overall ranking of 14th in the state.

Wrestling as the number one seed, 115 pound senior Tim Nordan made his second appearance to Cole in as many years. Nordan, with only one loss on his record for the year, walked through his first opponents in dominating fashion recording falls at just 15 seconds into his first bout and at 2:40 in his second bout and continued his dominance with a 10-6 decision in semifinals. Nordan scored first in his finals match, but gave up a reversal and nearfall points after being put on his back. Keeping his composure and trailing 5-3, Nordan fought hard off his back and narrowly escaped being pinned. His opponent extended the lead by one point going into the third. Down 6-3, Nordan scored six points, returning the favor by throwing a headlock of his own, putting his opponent in criteria for a five count and coming from behind to claim his first State title by a score of 9-6. Tim Nordan, undefeated in regular season dual meets and at the 2013 Bauerlein Duals, is a twotime Hub Cup champ, Frederick County champ, regional champ, and Maryland State champ. The all-MVAL, all-Gazette, and Frederick News Post all-area first team honoree ends the season with an astounding 42-1 record, closes his high school career with a 140-42 record, and is currently ranked 4th in the State.

Also wrestling out of the number one spot, 134 pound sophomore Charlie Perella made his second appearance at States, finishing 4th as a freshman the previous year. A 7-2 decision in prelims and a second period pin in quarterfinals set up a very tough semi's match against the Eastern regional champion. In a rough and physical contest that was stopped numerous times to clean the mat and doctor bloody



Regional Qualifiers (from left): Garrett Buckley, Coach Tracy, Colin Schildt, Charlie Perella, Coach George, Tim Nordan, Kyle Wathen, Patrick Guilday, Ethan Shriner, and Coach Ryan.

noses, Perella won a hard-fought 4-0 decision. In a rematch of the regional championships, Perella scored first in his finals match against the current State champ with a quick double leg, but gave up an escape almost immediately. An escape of his own would extend his lead 3-1 going into the third. The action started on the mat but soon both wrestlers were on their feet, Perella holding on, his opponent looking to get free. A quick inside trip by Perella sent his opponent to his back for a five count, the pin 19 seconds into the third period, and his first State title victory. Perella is the Hub Cup Champion and that tournament's outstanding wrestler, the Frederick County Champion, Regional Champion, and Maryland State Champion. Named to the MSWA's All-Academic Team, the All-MVAL first team, the all-Gazette First Team, and the Frederick News Post All-Area first team, Perella wraps up his sophomore season with a 39-5 record and an overall ranking of 4th in the State.

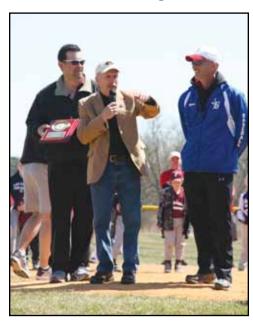
Patrick Guilday, the 147 pound junior, also made his second trip to the State Championship Tournament. In an unexpected loss, Guilday dropped his first match to a very dangerous opponent by a score of 7-3. After some 'one-on-one' time to reflect with Coach Ryan, he wrestled a tough match and edged out his next opponent in a very close 3-1 victory. Needing two consecutive wins to place, Guilday's hopes were cut short when, in a sudden twist of fate, he landed on his back and was pinned with only one second left in the first period of the second round of consolations. Guilday is a Hub Cup finalist and was one win away from an undefeated record in both the Bauerlein Duals and Catoctin Duals. Named to the All-MVAL First Team and receiving an All-Gazette Second Team Mention, he ends his junior year with a perfect 14-0 dual meet record, a season total of 38-7, and a State ranking of 23rd.

Colin Schildt, in his fourth appearance at States, also came into the tournament with only one blemish on his record for the year. Seeded first, Schildt looked dominant as he recorded falls in both his preliminary and quarterfinals matches in a total of just five minutes of wrestling. In his semifinals bout, Schildt man-handled his opponent winning by a 15-4 major decision. Schildt started his finals match uncharacteristically slow against the returning Southern regional and State champion, an opponent that had only allowed four points against him thus far. Schildt gave up three first period takedowns in rapid succession and countered with two points in escapes. Another Schildt escape after a takedown rounded out the second period. Down 3-8 to start the third, Schildt added another escape point and a takedown of his own to cut the lead to two. In a frenzied attempt to close the gap, Schildt attempted a series of lethal crossfaces, cradles, and tilts only to have time expire in the 8-6 loss. Schildt was named to the MSWA All-Academic team, the all-MVAL first team, the all-Gazette first team, and the Frederick News Post all-area first team. Schildt is a threetime Frederick County champion, a two-time regional champion, fourtime State qualifier and 2013 finalist, and three-time Hub Cup Champion. Undefeated in regular season dual meets and at the Bauerlein Duals, Schildt finishes the season with a 42-2 record, a State ranking of 6th, and as the all-time CHS wins record holder with a career high school record of 143-23, surpassing the 15 year old 108-16 record attained by Jeremy Fuss in 1998.





Emmitsburg Baseball & Softball League 2013 Holds Opening Day Ceremony



(above) Bill Wivell, center, is shown receiving the Guy McGlaughlin Volunteer Award. Pictured (left) is EBSL Vice President, Jeff Topper and (right) is league President, Bryan Devilbiss.

(below) EBSL Orioles fall in line during the EBSL Parade on April 13, 2013.

(top right) 2012 EBSL Cardinals are shown with their championship banner.

(bottom right) 2012 EBSL Wildcats are shown with their championship banner.

The volunteers of the Emmitsburg Baseball & Softball League held their season opening activities on April 13, 2013 in Emmitsburg. Coaches and players gathered on DePaul Street to ride or walk in the league's parade. Parade participants traveled through the town square down South Seton Avenue, ending at the Major League field in the ball park.

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At the park, volunteers, players and coaches were introduced as they lined the field. Bill Wivell was the 2013 recipient of the Guy McGlaughlin Volunteer Award for his contribution to the league. He coached, umpired and served as president to the league for many years. He even donated the front door from his house to use as the door to the press box.

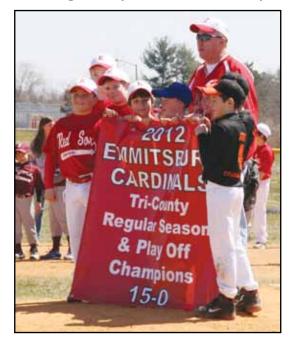
2012 champion teams were acknowledged for their achievements. They include the 2012 Wildcats Softball Team who were League Champions; the 2012 Red Sox who were League and Tournament Champions; the Giants who were League Champions; and the Renegades who were 19-1 in the Frederick County Babe Ruth League.

The season was launched as players and coaches threw their hats in the air for their annual photo by Rosensteel Studio. League rival Major League teams, the Red Sox and the Giants, held their season

kick-off game. The Red Sox won 11 to 8.

A thank you is extended to the folks at Groom Lawn who donated materials for field improvements this year. Thanks also to all of the league and team sponsors.

This July 6-10, the EBSL will host the State Baseball Championship in Emmitsburg. Teams from all over the state of Maryland will visit our area to participate. In preparation for this event, sponsors for additional field improvements and an additional score board are being solicited. Contact Bryan Devilbiss for more information at 301-742-0711.







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Thurmont Little League 2013 Holds Opening Day Ceremony



The board members, coaches, and sponsors of the Thurmont Little League (TLL) were pleased to announce the opening of the 2013 baseball season on Saturday, April 13, 2013, at the Thurmont Little League Complex on East Main Street in Thurmont. TLL volunteers seek to develop teamwork, sportsmanship, and a strong sense of community amongst its members. With a tradition of success, Thurmont Little League has won numerous District Titles, as well as their most recent State Title in 2005. TLL is a proud partner with the District 2 Challenger League to provide support for players with physical or developmental disabilities to participate in Baseball to the maximum of their individual abilities.

During Opening Day, players and coaches were introduced onto Leisner Field, as they built lines of teams on the base lines. Bridey Puvel sang the National Anthem, followed by the ceremonial first pitch, thrown by Noland Kinna #12 on the Minor League Phillies. Noland is a five-year Thurmont Little League veteran, aspiring baseball player, and fan to the game. He was diagnosed with a benign, inoperable brain tumor and is currently undergoing his first round of chemotherapy treatments at Children's National Medical Center in Washington, D.C.

Despite this difficult time for Noland, he is trying his best to be with his teammates to play and support them as much as he can. He realizes that what he is going through is not easy. But with his determination, he WILL get through it and strive for his dream to become a New York Yankee just like his idol and all-time favorite player, Derek Jeter, short stop for the New York Yankees.

For more information about the Thurmont Little League or Thurmont Babe Ruth, please contact Mike Randall at 301-271-3958, email Michael.randall@bea.gov or visit http://www.eteamz.com/thurmont/.



Members of the Minor League Tigers are shown looking on with anticipation just before the Thurmont Little League's 2013 Opening Day Ceremony. Pictured close to far are Isaac Dugan, Kadon Fossett, Ayden Child, Josh Skowronski, Skyler Payne, Luc Martyak, Buddy Thompson, Logan Simanski, Cadin Valentine, Asher Clingerman. Team members not pictured are Matthew Hadeed and Matthew Utermahlen. Tiger coaches include Tom Simanski, Rich Clingerman and Chris Hadeed.

(right) The Ceremonial First Pitch, thrown by Noland Kinna, at the 2013 Thurmont Little League Opening Day Ceremony.

(below) As team members and coaches are introduced, players lined the baselines of the field.



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CYA Competition Cheerleading Takes First Place

Congratulations to the Catoctin Youth Association (CYA)
Competition Cheerleading squad for a First Place win at the Cheerstarz
Nationals, held at Mt.
Saint Mary's University on April 13, 2013. Team Members are Shaelynn Bissell, Natalie Paige, Olivia Barbour, Dakota Poole, Courtney Putnam, Ashley Kuhn, and Morgan Cato.

CYA Competition Cheerleading sign-ups will be held on May 22,



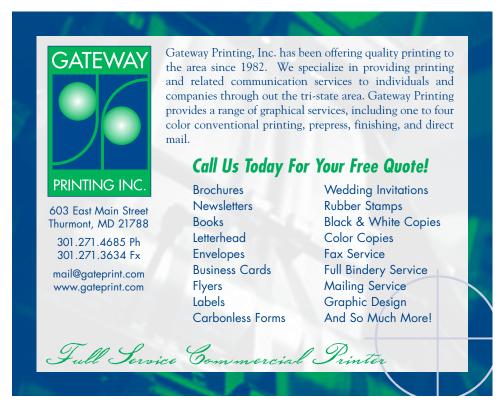
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2013, at 6:30 p.m. at the Thurmont Town Park in the last pavilion. They are accepting girls and boys ages Kindergarten up to 18 years old. If there are any questions, please feel free to contact Penni Wiltrout at 301-748-0765 or Carrie Ridenour at 240-315-5021. Follow them on Facebook at Catoctin Cheerleading.

CYA Football/Cheerleading Fall 2013 Registration for Fall 2013 & Upcoming Fundraiser

Registration for the Catoctin Youth Association (CYA) Football and Cheerleading fall 2013 season will be held on two dates at the Thurmont Ambulance Company: Sunday, May 19, 2013, from 1:00-5:00 p.m.; Saturday, June 29, 2013, from 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. These will be the ONLY registration sessions. Football players (even returning players) will need to bring a copy of their birth certificate. Practice will begin Monday, July 22, 2013, at 6:00 p.m. at Thurmont Middle School. Any questions or for more information, please call Sherry at 301-447-3430 or Rob at 301-305-1132.

CYA Football and Cheerleading is sponsoring a Wing Feed fundraiser on Friday, May 10, 2013, at the Vigilant Hose Company in Emmitsburg. Doors will open at 5:30 p.m., with dinner served from 6:00-10:00 p.m. The menu includes wings, French fries, hot dogs, Maryland Crab soup, and other finger food and assorted desserts. There will be tip jars and 50/50 drawing. DJ during dinner by TCB Entertainment. Tickets are \$15.00 per person. Please call Sherry at 301-447-3430, Rob at 301-305-1132, or Dave at 301-639-0467. The Vigilant Hose Company is located at 25 West Main Street in Emmitsburg.



Competitive Cheer Team Makes FIERCE Impact

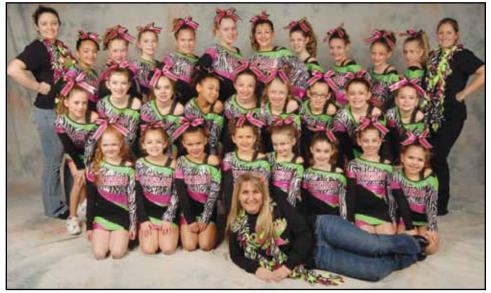


Photo Courtesy of Fort Ritchie Community Center

The newest competitive cheerleading program in the area brought home multiple awards during its first round of competitions recently. Fort Ritchie Community Center (FRCC) added a cheerleading program last fall in response to community needs, and the program quickly grew to over sixty participants in four age brackets. The team name, FRCC Fierce, was suggested by Coach Bethany Coyle and inspired by the Shakespearian quote, "And though she is but little, she is fierce."

At their first competition in February 2013 at Mount Saint Mary's University, the Junior Team, led by Randi Nash and Kathy Jo McKenzie, placed first. Coaches Shawn Kiehl and Razell Byrne led the Mini Team to a second place win at the same competition, with the Tiny Team, lead by coaches Danielle and Dennis Ulrich, placing fourth.

At a national competition held at Hershey Park Arena on March 9, 2013, the FRCC Fierce Youth Team coached by Brittany Sprecher, Bethany Coyle, and Holly Frazer, placed third. Coach Brittany Sprecher, who also acts a coordinator for the entire Fierce team, has been impressed with development of the athletes in the program. "We, as coaches, are very proud of what our cheerleaders have accomplished in such a short time. We are so impressed with their commitment that we have added another National competition to our schedule."

Bob Spence, executive director of FRCC credits the success of FRCC Fierce to the collaborative passion of the coaches, cheerleaders, and parents. "This is the kind of program that truly speaks to our mission of increasing access to healthy choices for the community. The coaches are excellent, the parents are involved in raising funds, and both are dedicated to the cheerleaders' success. As a result, these athletes have grown in poise and confidence as they participate in a program that builds physical skills and fitness. It is gratifying to see them being rewarded for the hard work we see them put in every week. FRCC is very proud of our cheerleaders!"

An FRCC Fierce cheerleading mini-camp will be held this summer, and dates for the 2013-2014 cheerleading season will be announced soon. There will be an informational meeting on May 29, 2013, at FRCC for our upcoming cheerleading season. For more information, visit www.TheFRCC.org.





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School news

Local Student Goes Above and Beyond

Kylie Norwood, an 8th grade student from Thurmont Middle School. recently completed over 40 Student Service Learning hours. Her Family and Consumer Science teacher, Sandra Zimmerman, challenged her class to complete 10 SSL hours. After brainstorming with Mrs. Zimmerman, Kylie decided to piggyback onto a cause she was already involved



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Kylie is pictured handing out books at Pangborn Elementary School.

with: the literacy of English Language Learners (ELL). Kylie collected over 400 books to start literacy libraries for all of the ELL students in Washington County Public Schools (WCPS).

Essay Contest Winners Announced

Congratulations to the outstanding students who participated in the Lions District 22W American Heritage and Patriotism Essay Contest. The elementary school essay contest participants answered the question: "Who is my favorite U.S. President and why?" The middle school students answered the question: "How can citizens who are not yet able to vote help to elect our next president."

Amelia Myers, a 7th grade student at Thurmont Middle School, gave insightful ways for young people to participate in elections; Ella Slaby, a 4th grade student at Lewistown Elementary School, chose George Washington as her favorite president; and Garrett Toms, a 5th grade student at Sabillasville Elementary School, chose Franklin D. Roosevelt as his favorite president.



Pictured from left are Amelia Myers, 7th grade student at Thurmont Middle School; Ella Slaby, 4th grade student at Lewistown Elementary School; and Garrett Toms, 5th grade student at Sabillasville Elementary School. Amelia and Garrett were awarded first place by the Thurmont Lions Club. All three students also received awards from Lions Club Region 3, Zone 1, which includes Emmitsburg, Middletown, Myersvile, Thurmont, and Yellow Springs.

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Local Students "Imagine Peace"

Congratulations to MacKenzie Kirby, an 8th grade student at Mother Seton School, and Scott Little, a 7th grade student at Thurmont Middle School. They were the winners of the Thurmont Lions Club Peace Poster Contest. Lions Clubs around the world invite



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MacKenzie Kirby and Scott Little, winners of the Thurmont Lions Club Peace Poster Contest.

students, ages 11-13 years old, to participate in the Lions International Peace Poster Contest and share their vision of peace with their community and the world.

2013 Thurmont Lions Club Teacher of the Year Finalists

Congratulations to the 2013 Thurmont Lions Club Teacher of the Year finalists. The reception for the nominees was held on April 8, 2013, at Thurmont Middle School in Thurmont. The 2013 Thurmont Lions Club Teacher of the Year will be announced in May.



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Pictured are Berna La Force, Thurmont Middle; Donna Schisler, Mother Seton School; Christopher Barnhart, Thurmont Primary; Julie Skowronski, Lewistown Elementary; Nancy Progar, Emmitsburg Elementary; Kati Heefner, Catoctin High; and Christy Williams, Thurmont Elementary. Marnie Mortenson, Sabillasville Elementary, was not available for the photo.

CHS 2013 Safe and Sane Upcoming Events

The Catoctin High School (CHS) Safe & Sane Committee is holding several upcoming, fun-filled fundraisers in May.

A Cash Bingo will be held on Sunday, May 5, 2013, at the Thurmont AMVETS Post #7, located on Apples Church Road in Thurmont. The Bingo will start at 2:00 p.m.; doors will open at 12:00 noon. For more information, call Karen Schildt at 240-285-8076.

A Wing Nite will be held on Saturday, May 11, 2013, at the Lewistown Fire Hall, located on Hessong Bridge Road in Lewistown, beginning at 5:00 p.m. Tickets are \$20.00 per person and include meal, wings, and beverages. For more information, call Lisa White at 240-367-6996 or Brian Smith at 301-748-6230

Car Raffle: Win a 2006 Nissan Xterra X, automatic V6, MD Inspected, all wheel drive. The car was graciously donated by South Mountain Collision and Shockley Honda of Frederick. Tickets are \$5.00 each. Call Brian Smith at 301-748-6230. Drawing will be held on May 29, 2013.





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I'm Not All Right

by Valerie Nusbaum

A few months ago, Randy and I hosted a birthday party for Randy's mother, Mary. The husband of one of Mary's friends made a comment to me that proved to be the last straw in a lifelong battle I've been fighting. The man in question thought he was being witty and making a joke. I felt insulted and demeaned, and I'm not going to take it anymore.

Brace yourselves. I'm about to reveal something about myself. I hope you won't judge me or find me lacking, but the truth is...I'm left-handed. There! I said it. That's right people. I write with my left hand. Make of it what you will.

Apparently, to some of the smug right-handers out there, we lefties are somehow defective. We're a weird anomaly meant to be ridiculed and commented upon in public. If I had a nickel for every time someone has said to me, "Oh my, you're left-handed," while wearing a condescending expression, I'd own most of Thurmont. My mother-inlaw's friend was only too happy to point out that my mother must have had a hard time dealing with a child as imperfect as I must have been.

Compose yourselves, my friends. I know this has been a shock to you, but it's high time I set the record straight.

According to my research, approximately 13-15 percent of the population is left-handed. Out of this group, there are "true" lefties—people who use their left sides for everything from writing to eating to opening doors, etc. Next, there are the people who use their left hand only for writing and use their right side for everything else. Then, there are some people, like me, who can write with either hand, and switch back and forth for eating, bowling

and other things. I prefer to use my left hand, because it feels more comfortable to me and I consider myself a left-handed person.

Perhaps the whole stigma attached to being left-handed comes from the origin of the word "left." It is derived from the Anglo-Saxon word "lyft," which loosely translates to "weak" or "broken." I can assure you that I am neither of those things. Just ask my husband.

When a person writes with his or her left hand, it generally means that the right side of that person's brain is dominant. Let me interject here that I've had studies done of my brain, and the neurologist has assured me that I'm "ridiculously" normal, with higher than average abilities in math and spatial relations. This could explain why my brother used to call me "Rain Man." I've read a lot of studies on the whole "right brain/ left brain" issue, and it would seem that right brain dominance causes the person to be more athletic, to think more quickly, and to be more creative or artistic. I completely agree. I disagree with the notion that all lefthanded people are clumsy. That only pertains to me, and I'm OK with it.

Are left-handed people more intelligent than right-handed people? Emphatically, yes. Let me explain. We lefties live in a world where almost everything is geared to the righties. Have you ever seen a left-handed person try to use regular scissors? Ever watched someone who is left-handed sew, crochet, or knit? Eating, opening doors, playing sports—all of it leans to the right. Did you know that left-handed people are not allowed to play polo?

I took a course in American Sign Language some years back. The instructor delighted in picking on me in the beginning, but she gave it up when I showed her that I could sign with BOTH hands. We lefties have to teach and train ourselves to operate in a world where things aren't made for us. That makes us smarter. It's a proven fact that a right-handed person has more trouble using a left-handed object than a left-handed person does using an object meant for a righthander. I'm not making this stuff up. It's on the internet, so it must be true. Think about how we suffer and overcome. Pens on chains at the local bank? Easy for you maybe. Check stubs? I'm an artist, and I've taught myself to draw from right to left. Let's see you do that, Rightie-roo. A study conducted at St. Lawrence University in New York confirmed what all of us left-handers already knew. We have better problemsolving skills and a higher IQ.

Do you know how many times I've been called a "Southpaw"? The term was coined by a sportscaster in Chicago in the 1800s. It refers to baseball pitchers who throw with their left-hands, and it came about because when those pitchers were standing on the mound in Wrigley

Field, their pitching arms faced the area of Chicago known as the South Side. I'm not a southpaw, people. I don't play baseball. And I throw with my right hand.

Say what you will about me, but I'm in good company. Michelangelo and Leonardo Da Vinci were both left-handed. Can you imagine what the Sistine Chapel would look like if that weren't the case? If Benjamin Franklin hadn't been left-handed, we might still be without power. Sir Isaac Newton was sitting under that apple tree penning a poem with his left hand. If he'd been using his right hand instead, he probably would have gotten a big bump on his head and let it go at that. Paul McCartney, George H.W. Bush, Bill Clinton, and Barack Obama are all left-handed, and the list goes on.

I learned one very interesting thing through my research. There is an annual International Left-Handers Day. It's celebrated each year on August 13th. That just happens to be my birthday. So there. If you're a fellow leftie, I hope you'll celebrate with me. Let's be proud of how special we are.

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Please come out to pitch in on the Trail Workday, scheduled for May 5, from 9:00 a.m.-Noon at Rainbow Lake! Your help is greatly appreciated and will be rewarded by bagels and juice in the morning and a barbecue to follow. For more information, please contact Town Commissioner Tim O'Donnell at todonnell@emmitsburgmd.gov. He will be happy to hear from you!

Thurmont Community Park Fitness Trail

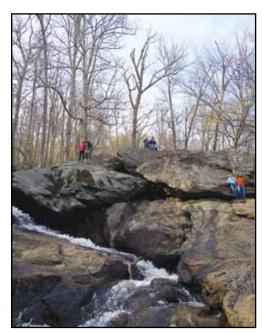
One of Frederick County's best kept secrets, this park is tucked between 15 North and Frederick Road, just past the Cozy Restaurant. The park features picnic tables, grills, slides, swings, merry-go rounds, jungles gyms, basketball courts, tennis courts, picnic areas, horse shoe pits, and public restrooms. For the athletic or those just seeking a little sunshine, there is something here for you! The fitness trail, approximately one-half mile long, is fine gravel and easily walkable. Along the trail are ten fitness stations, which provide an area to perform various exercises, including calf stretches, a balance walk, and pull-ups. By using the parking lot and driveway, the trail becomes a circle and may be traversed several times for those seeking a more strenuous workout.

Cunningham Falls State Park

Located in the picturesque Catoctin Mountains, Cunningham Falls State Park is managed by the Maryland Department of Natural Resources and is divided into two separate areas. The William Houck Area, located three miles west of Thurmont on Route 77, comprises the lake area, the falls, and the camping area. The Manor Area, off Route 15, three miles south of Thurmont, has the Scales and Tales Aviary, camping areas, and the historic Catoctin Iron Furnace.

No trip to this beautiful park would be complete without a trip to the scenic seventy-eightfoot waterfall for which the park is named. Known locally as McAfee Falls, Cunningham Falls is the largest cascading waterfall in Maryland. The falls can be accessed via a short trail from the lake area or a boardwalk from Route 77 for visitors with mobility impairments. On every bright spring and summer day, you may join the many adventurous souls who climb the rock face near the falls to enjoy the spectacular view!

Of course, you will find many great trails here as well! The Cunningham Falls State Park trail system varies from short, flat hikes suitable for nearly everyone, to steep, rocky ascents, strenuous enough to



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challenge even the fittest hiker. Trail distances range from a short half-mile all the way up to seven-and-a-half miles. Though a trail guide available for purchase is temporarily out of stock, you may find further detailed information at: Cunningham Falls State Park, 14039 Catoctin Hollow Road, Thurmont, MD 21788. Phone: 301-271-7574. Website: www.dnr. state.md.us.

Catoctin Mountain Park

Though contiguous to Cunningham Falls State Park, Catoctin Mountain

Park is managed by the National Park Service. It has many beautiful trailsmany interconnect—varying in levels of difficulty, ranging from short, paved loop trails to serious hiking trails. A horse trail (approximately six miles) is open from April 15-December 31; horses are not allowed on any other park trails.

To encourage exploration and fitness, the Park has formed the "Healthy Parks Healthy People Challenge." Simply pick up a "passport" at the Visitor's Center. Each time you complete a portion of the challenge (hiking one of the many trails), stamp it with the park's cancellation stamp. Then bring your completed passport to the Visitor Center for formal recognition of your achievement!

I strongly encourage you to stop at the Visitor Center, located on State Route 77, three miles west of Thurmont, and pick up a detailed brochure, which lists the trails (with helpful maps) for both Cunningham Falls State Park and Catoctin Mountain Park, as well as a host of other valuable information about these recreational areas. The Visitor Center is open daily, from 9:30 a.m.-7:00 p.m.; and Saturday and Sunday, from 8:30 a.m.-7:00 p.m. It is located at 14707 Park Central Road in Thurmont. Phone: 301-663-9388. Website: www.nps.gov/cato.











the health jeanne

by Jeanne Angleberger, Shaklee Associate for a Healthier Life

Health seminars are wonderful opportunities to learn more about taking care of your health and body. Yours truly always takes advantage of them. How fortunate for me to attend Dr. Susan Silberstein's presentation and to purchase her book titled, Hungry For Health.

She shares the fact that there is a significant connection between our diets and our health. One clear observation is that Americans aren't very healthy.

Are we overfed and undernourished? How many people consume the RDA for 10 essential nutrients? If you're eating fast food, it is unlikely that you are getting the "recommended daily amount."

Dr. Silberstein talks about the four principles of healthy eating, which are as follows:

Number 1 is to eat primitive. This diet is a lot of plants, including roots and fruits, greens and beans, seeds and some fish. Today, we seem to consume more fat-content food, especially saturated animal fats.

Number 2 is to eat colorful. We can do this by eating loads of fruits and vegetables. Much research tells us the importance of these to human health. Dr. Andrew Weil recently reminded us "that a diet high in fruits and vegetables is associated with a lower risk of 15 types of

Number 3 is to eat alkaline. Do a search online to learn more about alkaline verses acidic. There are charts listing alkaline and acidic foods. Think of a scale from 0-14 (0 being the most acid and 14 the most alkaline). Yours truly tends to keep the level around 7.3 (optimal level).

Number 4 is to eat organic. Organic means more nutrients are left in the food, like minerals and phytonutrients. I have learned organic farmers rotate crops so that the same crop doesn't deplete the same minerals every year when planted. After all, we want to eat the veggies and fruits that contain the most nutrients.

Learning about healthy eating is a daily lesson. Begin evaluating your dietary habits. Believing you can be healthy is your choice!

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Pen Mar Carousel

On one of those rare warm days this past spring, David and I explored the site of the original Pen Mar Amusement Park. On the way up, we purchased sandwiches and drinks at Sanders Grocery Store and had lunch at the outlook. Now, that is a view! Breathtaking, to say the least. After our scenic lunch, we followed a well-used path and found markers labeling the locations of former buildings and sites. The park had started out as a picnic pavilion and lodge, but gradually turned into an amusement park—miniature steam train, a penny arcade, swimming pools, gambling halls, a dining room, inns, and a dance pavilion were added. Now long gone, all that remains are placards where the rides and buildings once stood.

I stopped at a placard, labeled "Carousel." A Carousel! My alltime favorite ride as a child! Every summer, our family vacations included a ride on a carousel, located along the boardwalk near some beach. I could hear calliope music, relive the dizziness from circling lights, and feel the catch of metal rings in my hands, hoping for the brass ring and a free ride. Sadly, all that is left of the Pen Mar Carousel is the marker, dirt patch, and lots of questions: Where was it built? How did it get here? What happened to it?

So, I was off to the Blue Ridge Summit Library to do research. I discovered that the Pen Mar Carousel had a unique history aside from the park. The original Pen Mar Carousel was built in Philadelphia and brought to Pen Mar in 1907 by August Karst and William Libby. The menagerie of animals was carved by two famous carvers at the time: Gustav Dentzel, two of his chariots were on the original carousel, and the Muller Brothers. It was a beauty, nicknamed the Grand Carousel: twelve rows of hand carved animals, three in each row and two coaches that seated six people with an animal on the rim. It was a standing machine; the animals were stationary and didn't move up and down like some of the other carousels of the time. After the park closed in 1942, Karst's son eventually bought the carousel, removed some of his favorite animals, and placed them on the Forest Park Carousel in Hanover, Pennsylvania. His father sold the rest of the carousel to Alfred

Hagen from Wasilla, Alaska. It was abandoned in 1968, and only a few animals survived. In 1968, Roy Hofheinz, an entrepreneur from Houston and founder of the Astrodome, bought the Forest Park Carousel with many of the original Pen Mar animals. In 1975, he sold Astro World to Six Flags.

Not many photos of the actual Pen Mar, Maryland, carousel survived. I found a couple in the Pen Mar Story by Schlotterbeck, 1977; but the most complete picture is from an oil painting by Virginia Bruneske. Is it possible that someone on South Mountain or in Pennsylvania has one of these animals? Maybe two? They are around, I'm sure. As recently as April 18, an ad from an auction house in St. Louis, Missouri, listed a Pen Mar horse for sale: horse-stander, outside row Dentzel Roach Mane, c. 1920, restored by Tony Orlando of Dearborn Heights, Michigan, from Pen Mar Carousel, Alaska. Could it be an original from the Pen Mar Amusement Park Carousel on South Mountain?

Footnote: On a trip to the Eastern Shore, David took me to Americana Antiques in Oxford, near Easton. The owner, Donald Donohue, has carousel animals and horses for sale in his store. There, he shared his Pen Mar story with me. After the Pen Mar Carousel was closed, the lead horse was placed on display at the Leesburg Farm Hill in Leesburg, Virginia, for decades. It was carved with the stars and stripes and had a congressional medal of honor between its mane and the saddle. When Donohue was asked to appraise its value, the owners decided it was too valuable to keep and decided to sell it. Donohue did own it for a short time, but sold it to a private collector where it remains today.



Does anyone recognize this as the lead horse from the Pen Mar Carousel?



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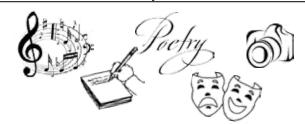
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A Mother In My Mind

by Don Shorb

A Mother's the one, when you were a child -She always called you "cutie." She's sweetness, tenderness, understanding I guess you call it beauty. A Mother's the one who loves you From the first moment, through the years, She's the one when you were sad She also shed some tears A Mother's the one who helps you In problems and in doubts Anytime you need her She always helps you out A Mother will always remember you When you're thousands of miles away She sends you cards and letters Nearly every day. My Mother's one who loves me And I know I love her, too I imagine women like my mom Are far and very few A Mother's someone special Like someone from above A definition for my Mom



In my words, would be LOVE

by Olaf 4/16/13

This morn a heavy mist arises from Toms Creek so white it hides parts of our valley floor as it twists and turns above low lying fields.

Now, WOW! so silently it has crept across the lowlands and starts to climb the "Ridge" that bounds its eastern rise.

And no, so quick it has dispersed itself into a fog and Barbara's house is just a roof – dark shingles peering o'er the misty cloud.

Now, watch it once again waver and retreat within its river banks. we see again the plaids of green and brown where spring is springing from the fertile fields.

And now, it's gone! A gentle southern breeze and rising warming sun whisk away the white and spring grows on as usual!

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Former MSM Professor Publishes Book on Adventure

Dr. John R. Hook, former professor in the School of Business at Mount St. Mary's (MSM) College, recently published a book encouraging a mind set for adventure titled, *Adventuring: It Is Not Just for the Young and the Strong*. As one reviewer said on-line, "This book inspires—making the reader realize there are adventures waiting for all of us, everyday, if we just recognize and pursue them!" Through his book, Dr. Hook broadens the definition of adventure to include not just physical activities, but any activity—physical, intellectual, emotional, and spiritual—that causes a person to step out of his or her comfort zone to try something new and exciting. Anyone interested in leading a richer or more rewarding life would like this book. It is available at Amazon, and the Kindle version is only 99φ .

Art Exhibit: Frederick Plein Air Artists Bring Member's Exhibit to the Thurmont Regional Library Gallery

The Thurmont Regional Library Gallery, a satellite location of the Delaplaine Visual Arts Education Center, will feature the works of the Frederick Plein Air Artists (FPAA) from May 6-July 24, 2013.

The French term "plein air" translates as "the open air." Plein air painters work out-of-doors, in the open air. Though landscapes and nature themes usually predominate, plein air art showcases all genres.

The Frederick Plein Air Artists had their first outdoor painting session in July 2011. They meet weekly, weather permitting, from spring through late fall. Since FPAA's inception, membership has doubled and continues to grow. FPAA members regularly exhibit their work at community events and galleries all over Frederick County. The artists' work can be seen throughout the library during regular business hours.

For more information about FPAA and plein air art visit the website at http://frederickpleinairartists.blogspot.com/.

On Saturday, May 18, the Thurmont Regional Library will celebrate "Creative Unity"—an all day art event for all ages. The day will center on the creation of the Thurmont Regional Library's Community Garden mural. There will be special art activities planned for children, as well as altered book art projects for teens and adults.

For more information please call 301-600-7212 or visit us at www.fcpl.org.



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My Final Night Time Prayer

by Nancy Luick, written for her kids and grandkids

O Grand and Glorious Father, I lay here in your loving arms, and before my aged and confused mind grows dim, I ask that you bestow this my Final Legacy to My Children and Grandchildren:

It is my prayer that you grant them peace and understanding in this fast-paced world in which I have trouble keeping up. I ask that they slow down and watch the sunrises in the morning or the sunsets at the close of the day; that they treat those they meet as special people blessed by God; that they stop constantly scurrying to catch up and occasionally just stop and savor the moment, and enjoy the time they have with their families that they have left; and remember that they know that although it's good to plan for the future, we sometimes get so wrapped in our planning that we don't live for today. I ask that they remember to live by the Golden Rule — That we give unto others as we would want them to give unto us; and that they don't forget to pray to God every day, and throughout the day, for Peace and Understanding and Love. This is my final nigh time prayer at this time of the turning of the 21st century for you are coming soon with love.

A Grandma says Amen Dear Lord, Amen.

Thurmont EDC Presents 1st Annual Children's Art Festival April 22-May 11

In honor of the Civil War and the 150th Anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg, many Thurmont businesses and the Thurmont Library have opened wall space for an awesome display of Civil War themed art by our local students. Support children's creativity by stopping in and voting for your favorite artwork! The businesses will be awarding prizes at their establishments for the art with the most votes. There will also be prizes awarded for Best of each grade level category. A number of businesses are also offering specials and/or incentives to the children while the art is on display.

The Economic Development Committee (EDC) would like to thank the following for displaying the fantastic art: Brown's Jewelry & Gifts, Bollinger's Restaurant, Busy Bee Maids, Catoctin Mountain Tub & Spa, Catoctin Mountain Trains, Cozy, ESP Dance Studio, Gateway Candyland, Goodwill, Hearts & Hands, Here's Clyde's, Hobbs Hardware, The Intowne Barber Shop, J&J BBQ, Jen's Salon, Kinnaird Memorials, Kountry Kitchen, Main Street Groomers, Mare (Ranger Boats), Morning Star-A Perfect Gift, Mountain Gate Family Restaurant, Office Solutions, Pizza Hut, PNC Bank, Quiznos, Red Canary Tattoo, Roddy Creek Auto, Silver Bakery, Simply Asia, Tecjunkies, That Rebel Place, The Beauty

EDC Board Members Bill Gorman and Mary-Margaret Bittle sort through some of our local student's 300+ works of art. They are on display at businesses around Thurmont through May 11, 2013.

Parlor, Thurmont Bar & Grill, Thurmont Barber Shop, Thurmont Eye Care, Thurmont Library, Thurmont Tattoo, Timeless Trends Boutique, ToastyCo, Twice As Nice, and Verizon.

On Saturday, May 18, 2013, from 1:00-4:00 p.m., all winning artwork will be displayed for second round popular voting for the Grade Level prizes at the Guardian Hose Activities Building at the Carnival grounds. Winners will be further honored at the June 15 Civil War/Mountain Heritage Festival by participating in a sidewalk parade down Main Street with a Fife and Drum Corps and costumed participants. Art will also be displayed on the EDC float in the Fireman's Parade. A committee spokesperson commented, "The children are our most valuable resource based upon the artwork received. It far exceeded our goal to inspire imagination, creativity and a sense of history for the children.

The continued recognition for the children will be determined by the votes of residents, students, and visitors within our community, county, as well as those in the surrounding region." So, get out there and see some art!



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looking back — 1970

Thurmont's "Cat Lady" Lived in an Old Bus

by James Rada, Jr.

Mae Carbaugh lived the quiet life of a hermit. She rarely left her home along Route #81 (now Route #550) close to the Western Maryland Railway tracks near Thurmont. Yet, in the months before she died in 1974, her life was national news.

Carbaugh wasn't a native of Frederick County. She was born on a farm in Delaware in 1896. Deciding that the farming life wasn't for her, Carbaugh left home at age 16. She wound up working as a hotel restaurant waitress in Emmitsburg until the hotel closed.

She married Charles Carbaugh and the couple had a daughter. Charles was an alcoholic and didn't work much; so when he died in 1953, he left his wife with nothing. Mae found work as a housekeeper for an elderly bachelor, though.

"When the old bachelor died," she, "had no place to live. So she bought a bus for \$100 fifteen years ago, parked it on public land, and has lived there ever since," the *Baltimore Sun* wrote about her in

"I've been wanting a house all these years. But the houses in Thurmont rent for about \$50 a month, and I don't have that kind of money," she told *The Frederick Post*.

While the old bus was Carbaugh's home, many people considered it an eyesore. Some of them tried to get her evicted, but Frederick Wilhide, the property owner, told them that as long as Carbaugh wasn't causing any problems, she could stay.

Although Carbaugh didn't cause problems, she was the focus of some problems. Vandals had caused a lot of damage to the bus over time. The windows were covered with wood or sheet metal because rocks had

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broken the windows.

"Although most townspeople don't associate with the old woman, neighborhood kids do pay visits. They start small fires near her camp site, toss rocks at her gray and blue bus, and sneak up in the dead of night and hoot and howl like enraged witches. 'On Halloween night it's really bad,' she says, her voice quivering, 'All these kids come up and throw rocks at me and my cats. I don't know why they want to hurt us,'" the *Hagerstown Mail* reported.

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To make her bus livable, Carbaugh added a small wood stove inside with a stove pipe that could be seen protruding from the roof of the bus.

"It's a hard time firing the stove for 24 hours to keep from freezing," Carbaugh said.

There was also a bed and piles upon piles of used clothing that sometimes grew moldy.

However, the bus had no indoor plumbing. "She kept a pot inside and when it got full, she buried its contents in the woods, using a shovel she kept there for that purpose," the *Baltimore Sun* reported.

The *Baltimore Sun* reporter who met with the 74-year-old Carbaugh described her as having a wrinkled face "almost obscured by a knit cap pulled down on a swarthy forehead." When the reporter from the *Hagerstown Mail* interviewed her, he noted that she wore a torn red dress and one black shoe and one brown one.

She survived by picking up soda bottles off the side of the road and taking them into a nearby gas station for the deposit. People passing by in cars would also stop and give her food and clothing.

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Her daughter, Mary, had lived away from her parents from the age of five and never visited her mother in Thurmont.

She said of her mother in *The Frederick Post*, "Some people don't like to be around lots of people. Everybody has their own individual mind. I couldn't live that way. I like to be around people. I don't like to be alone. There are lots of possibilities why she was the way she was. She wasn't crazy. She was peculiar. She lost both her parents when she was 16, you know. We don't know what that may have done to her."

Following the publication of the *Baltimore Sun* story in 1970, a Baltimore businessman gave Carbaugh a green trailer.

"The businessman suggested she move into a modern trailer camp, but Mrs. Carbaugh would have none of it. She refused to move from the spot near the stream where she gets her drinking water in a bucket. And she refused to take the hint that she change her ways," the *Hagerstown Mail* reported.

Around Thurmont, Carbaugh was known as "The Cat Lady," because she kept two or three cats as pets.

When Carbaugh died on October 23, 1974, *The Frederick Post* called her trailer a landmark. After all, it had been in the same location for twenty years.

It was a landmark that quickly disappeared, though. "The piles of wood and debris were gone, the worn trailer was empty, locked and lonely, the green wooden doghouse overturned and deserted. On the leaf-covered ground, some spilled navy beans, tired scraps of foil and bits of cloth — materials for next spring's birds nests — were all that told of a once strange and independent existence," the newspaper reported shortly after her death.

The *Baltimore Sun* said of her, "To some she was the last of a hardy breed . . .an eccentric who lived her own life as she saw fit, who wanted to be alone and to be left alone."

Her funeral services were held at the Creager Funeral Home and Carbaugh was interred at Blue Ridge Cemetery on October 26, 1974.

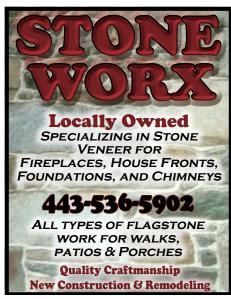
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Joseph C. Joy

by Gloria Joy Bauerline

Joseph C. Joy (Joe) was born August 8, 1927. He is the son of Hubert and Gertrude (Sebold) Joy, born west of Emmitsburg on Fowler Hill—home place of his mother. He is one of eleven children, fourth in line. He attended St. Euphempia's School. He married and had three children.

Joe was a member of the V.F.W. 6658 and was drafted for the Korean War in 1952. He was sent to Camp Meade, and then on to Ft. Ord, California, for three months, and then to Camp Cook, California, for eight months. Orders took him to Camp Kilmer, New Jersey, and from there he shipped out from New York on a troop ship to Brannkoren, Germany. In Brannkoren for only a week, he was sent to Berlin, Germany, at his own request, since his brother Kenneth was stationed there. The brothers were in contact

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with each other for six months until Kenneth was shipped home.

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While in Berlin, Joe was a guard at the Spandau Prison. The city of Berlin was divided into four sectors: British, French, Russian, and American. The prison was located in the British sector. In World War II, the four sectors were allies against Germany. While at the Spandau Prison, Joe guarded Rudolf Hess, second in command to Adolf Hitler. He also guarded Albert Spears, Racklech Hemler, and Martin Borman, all prisoners from Neurenberg Trials who were imprisoned for war crimes and crimes against humanity.

In 1955, Joe shipped home. It wasn't until 1987 that he read about the death of Rudolf Hess, the last member of Adolph Hitler's inner circle. He learned that Hess died at Spandau Prison at the age of 93 from an apparent suicide. He had found an electric cord and somehow choked himself. After Hess—who was the last man at Spandau Prison—died, the building was torn down.

Joe was one of seven brothers in the service: Robert Joy, Army; John Joy, Navy; Kenneth Joy, Army; Donald Joy, Army; Francis (Jerry) Joy, Army; Michael Joy, Marines; and Joe Joy, Army.

Joe is 85 years old and resides in Baltimore, Maryland.

Spandau Prison in Berlin

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(right) Joseph C. Joy was a member of the V.F.W. 6658 and was drafted for the Korean War in 1952.





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Help Hot Line Food Bank by Arietta Grimmett

As the former chairperson of the Board for the Help Hot Line Food Bank, I wanted to show our folks on the mountain, and the surrounding area, how the area churches and individuals bless our less fortunate.

May 2013

A total of thirty-two families were presented with an Easter box, and their children received an Easter Basket. The mountaintop is very fortunate to have such caring people. I am proud to have been part of this wonderful organization.

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Board Chairperson for the Help Hot Line Food Bank is Dorothy Buhrman from the Mt. Zion Methodist Church and the newest member is Jerry Campbell from the Hawley Memorial Presbyterian Church.





fitness matters Expert Answers to your Health and Wellness Questions by George Puvel, Anytime Fitness Owner

Question: I love fast food, but I am trying to lose weight and improve my health. Is it okay to eat fast foods while on a diet program?

Answer: Yes, but as always, there are a few important points to keep in mind. We all know fast food isn't necessarily the healthiest meal in town, but we also know that setting realistic goals is an important component of any successful weight loss program. Therefore, it doesn't make sense to completely deprive yourself of fast food, especially if it's appropriate for your specific situation. In other words, if you're crunched for time, fast food may be the only reasonable option. That said, if an occasional trip turns into four or five weekly trips, your weight loss efforts and health goals will likely suffer as a result. The key is to become a savvy shopper and watch out for calorie-laden foods with added sugars, sodium, and fat. Look for a Nutrition Facts pamphlet in local restaurants and educate yourself on their menus. If you make the effort, you'll be able to find a sensible meal no matter where you go. Remember, balance, variety, and moderation are the words to live by when it comes to food. If you apply these principles regularly, you won't have to sacrifice your health and wellness goals when eating out.

Question: I've heard some people say dieting just doesn't work and that you should focus on exercise if you want to lose weight. Is this true?

Answer: No, this is simply not true. If you've ever looked at food labels and compared them to the calorie counters on your exercise equipment, you'll likely come to some startling conclusions. It is much easier to decrease your calorie intake by 300-500 calories per day than it is to expend that many more calories each

day through exercise. Researchers have addressed this issue as well, and it is generally accepted that diet is the more important variable when it comes to weight loss. Exercise is still beneficial, however, and actually plays a much more prominent role in weight maintenance. Here's the bottom line: Incorporate both healthy eating and exercise no matter where you are in the weight loss process.

Question: My wife thinks she'll get big and bulky if she starts lifting weights with me. How do I convince her otherwise?

Answer: This comes up all the time, and it's one of the biggest myths out there. First of all, women simply don't have the proper hormonal balance to put on large amounts of muscle tissue. Secondly, even if they did have the right physiology, it would take some serious training to do it. Getting bigger muscles requires highvolume workouts (lots of sets and repetitions) and a pretty high intensity level as well. Picking up a few weights here and there isn't a recipe for building mass—it's what you do and how you do it that really makes the difference. Remind your wife that weight training programs can always be tailored to specific goals, so if she doesn't want to put on large amounts of muscle, that's just fine. Generally speaking, a full-body circuit with higher repetition ranges, a few days per week, would work well if she's just looking to tone up or maintain her current level of muscle tissue. If she wants to get an individualized program based on her goals, look for a qualified personal trainer in your

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



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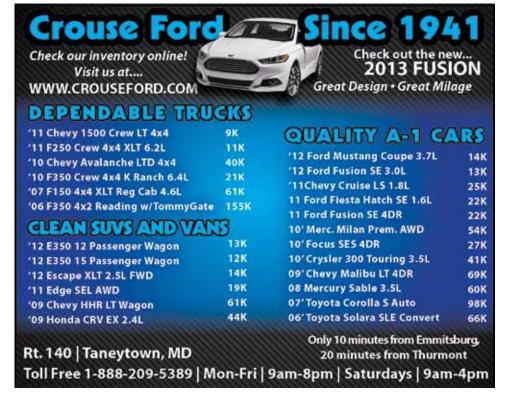
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our neighborhood veterans

by Jim Houck, Jr.

Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 6658

On April 14, 1946, three years and fifteen days after I was born, Veterans of Foreign Wars Memorial Post 6658 was given a Charter. The original Charter members were as follows: James O. Adelsberger, Harold M. Hoke, John K. Stonesifer, Wales E. Rightnour, Francis E. Arnold, Thomas Hoke, Lewis H. Stoner Jr., Lewis H. Stoner Sr., Raymond M. Baker, Robert L. Joy, Leo B. Topper, Joseph H. Zimmerman, Clarance H. Baumgardner, Clifford O. Keilholtz, George E. Wagerman, Howard P. Tull, Francis A. Beall, Ralph K. Kelly, Bernard E. Elliot, Murry E. Valentine, Joseph R. Boyle, James L. Kessler, John E. Cool, Lester G. Wastler, Everett J. Chrismer, Joseph D. Lingg, James O. Hughes, Morris A. Wastler, Collsie Combs, Kermit B. Lowe, Luther L. Kelly, Frederick B. Bower, George W. Combs, Charles A. McNair, Roger Zurgable, Nino T. Briseuse, Samuel E. Combs, Maurice H. Moser, George W. Baker, Charles Lingran, Thomas Combs, Charles A. Myers, Jack Bubrick, Thomas C. Harbaugh, Bernard E. Cool, Luman A. Norris, Quinn E. Favorite, Francis A. Hemler, Clifford J. Eyler, Louis H. Rosensteel, Paul C. Callahan, Guy J. Kessler, Clyde J. Eyler, William C. Ryder, Francis I. Hardman, Robert G. Myers, Rusell J. Eyler, Charles E. Rowe, William J. Kerrigan, David C. Neighbours, Henry J. Favorite, Charles J. Rowe, Eugene R. Kreamer, John R. Payne, John J. Garner, Gerald W. Ryder, Robert W. Poulson, Joseph W. Payne, William A. Garner, Gerald N. Ryder, James E. Leffer, William T. Rogers, Archie L. Gochenour, Jason E. Sanders, Richard H. Rosensteel, Millard H.

Shuff, Marshal L. Sanders, James A. Bouey and John W.G. Keilholtz. There were seventy-nine original signers and, as of this writing, only a few original signers remain. The remaining signers are Thomas Hoke, William C. Ryder, George W. Combs, Frederick B. Bower, Wales Rightnour, James O. Hughes, and Howard Tull.

At that time, a discharge from the military was not necessary to join Post 6658, because World War II was over and almost every man from Emmitsburg was in the war and were well-known because of it. The Post was well populated by the veterans and ladies of Emmitsburg. The fact is that The Ladies Auxiliary had more members than the Veteran Membership. The two entities worked well together in supporting the Emmitsburg Community, Veterans, and children. Post 6658 also had a large group of social members at that time, which later had to be dissolved due to an order from the IRS.

Post 6658 bought an ambulance on March 1, 1948, and provided free service to the community. The first ambulance was a green Cadillac, and the first patient to be transported was Tom Hoke's wife, Ethel. Ethel was going into labor with Tom's child and the next day she gave birth to a bouncing baby boy they named Jack. He is still bouncing. The VFW also loaned hospital beds, crutches, wheel chairs, and many other things the community might need to help restore their health. All were free to use the items by signing a paper that stated they would return them when they no longer needed them. The next ambulance was bought in 1957, a Ford box-type vehicle. It was the only one in Frederick County,

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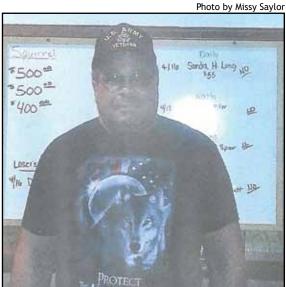
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Maryland, at the time. The service calls came in on the fire phones to Post 6658 to Alan Davis, who was the owner of The Palms Lunch, or to John Hollinger. This was before there was a central alarm system. Fire phones had been installed at Post 6658 and at Alan and John's homes. The ambulance drivers were mostly veterans like Alan Bouey, Tom Gingell, Harold Hoke, Donald Byard, and Paul Humerick. Guy Baker, Jr. was the first Ambulance Chairman. He had that position for years. When he stepped down, Mike Boyle took over. The calls would then come in to Boyle's Store or Mike's home, and I can remember when Mike would take off running to the Fire House. He would get there before most of the firemen driving their cars. Jim Kittenger was the next and last Ambulance Chairman for Post 6658. After that, they became Ambulance Captains. Jim was the first Captain and the second Ambulance Captain was Don Shriner. In 1972, Jack Hoke's wife was the first woman in Frederick County to serve on an ambulance service. She opened the door for many women in the emergency service since then. After many years of service to the community, Post 6658 gave up Ambulance service and The Emmitsburg Fire Department started their Ambulance Service, but some of Post 6658 members remained and gave their service to

The VFW Post 6658 has done a great many things for the community and, since they're not known to toot their own horn, I feel that they deserve to have their horn tooted for them. I know, for instance, that they donated most of the money for the Town of Emmitsburg to have a swimming pool, but I don't see that mentioned on the plaque at the pool. I know for a fact that Post 6658 gave a no-interest loan to Dr. Carroll to bring him in to help Dr. Morningstar, but I have never heard a thank you from anyone in the community, because it wasn't done for recognition. It was done because the community was in need. I know there was not a bit of hesitation when the members of Post 6658 were asked to help start and sponsor little league baseball teams in Emmitsburg. I know that several thousands of dollars was given to The Fire Department of Emmitsburg when they needed it in order to give better service to the community. I know for a fact the VFW POST 6658 started the Christmas programs for

The Firemen's Ambulance Service.



Marty Williams, VFW Post 6658 Commander.

the kids by going to the schools in the community and having Santa give out oranges and candy to each student at the schools, and they still do it. I know that The VFW Post 6658 has—through the years done so many good things for the community of Emmitsburg. I know that a great many of the original member's families still live in the Emmitsburg community, so why don't you do your grandfathers, grandmothers, fathers, mothers, aunts, uncles, cousins, friends, neighbors, and all veterans a favor: stop in and say hello and maybe a thank you or two. Anyone one can enter the Post and, if not, a guest will be signed in by a member. The VFW Post 6658 is a non-profit veteran's organization. In order to serve our community, they need your help by patronizing the scheduled Post events and by just coming in and meeting a great membership that actually do something for you when you are in need. I think of the VFW as not a place where the drinks are cheap, but as a place of family and friends.

VFW Post 6658 owns Kump's Dam Park out Harney Road, situated along Tom's Creek. This park is open from May 1 through September, and it is available to rent for picnics, family reunions, or just parties. The details are available at the post or call 301-447-6141 after 1:00 p.m.

I am going to list the Commanders of Post 121 from the Charter date until now. You may know, or have known, a few of them: Charles J. Rowe—1946-1948; Vernon G. Keilholtz—1948-1949; Wales E. Rightnour—1949-1951; Harold M. Hoke—1951-1952; Fern R. Ohler—1952-1954; Phillip H. Sharp—1954-1955; Thomas C. Harbaugh—1955-1957; Harold M. Hoke—1957-1959; Fern R. Ohler—1959-1960; William L. Topper—1960-1962; Raymond M. Baker—1962-1964; Donald F. Topper—1964-1966; William



Our Neighborhood Veterans—Continued

M. Topper—1966-1968; Thomas P. Saylor—1968-1970; Robert I. Zurgable—1970-1971; J. Alan Bouey—1971-1973; Lumen F. Norris—1973-1975; Edward E. Pryor—1975-1978; James A. Pryor III—1978-1984; Emmett J. Norris—1984-1985; Michael A. Orndorff-1985-1987; Daniel Lind, Jr. —1987-1988; Charles Spalding—1987-1988; Emmett Norris—1988-1989; Robert Troxell-1988-1991; J. Alan Bouey-1991-1992; Robert Dinterman—1992-1993; Stanley Lupinsky—1993-1997; Daniel Lind Jr. —1997-2000; Robert Dinterman—2000-2012; Marty Williams—2012- present.

Auxiliary Presidents: Mary Hoke—1947-1948; Anna Stoner-1949-1950; Anna Law and Madiline Rightnour—1951; Rosalee Bond—1952; Etta Mae Norris—1953; Helen Dougherty—1954; Helen Sanders—1955; Blanche Kielholtz—1956; Norma Nusbaum—1957; Lorretta Adelsberger—1958; Jane Orndorff—1959; Anna Marie Koontz—1960; Dolores Hanke—1961; Carmen Topper—1962-1963; Rita Byard—1964-1965; Rita Byard and Mary Bowne—1966; Catherine Hodge—1967; Mary Bowne—1968; Gloria Martin—1969-1971; Judy larsen—1972-1973; Evelyn Ott-1974; Delores Hanke—1975-1976; Anna Bushman—1977-1978-1979; Maxine Kielholtz—1980-1981; Mary R. Topper—1982; Sandi Seidel— Present.

I was a proud Social Member of VFW Post 6658 when I joined in

1964, up until the IRS said the Post had to dissolve the social membership or the Post charter would be taken away. I am now proud to be a member of VFW Men's Auxiliary Post 6658. Leo Hobbs is the President of the Men's Auxiliary and, in my opinion, is doing a great job. I recommend The VFW Post 6658 to all Veterans that have served overseas in time of war, and to those who have grandfathers, grandmothers, fathers, mothers, brothers, or sisters who were overseas in war-time. Stop by to see if you are eligible to join. I know that if you become a part of our family, it will truly be a great experience for you.

VFW Post 6658 is—and always will be—open to all first responders such as ambulance crews, firemen, and police officers, including the women that are involved in these great lines. I know that we are living in different times and things have changed, but I also know that if it were not for the Veterans and first responders staying on track and working selflessly together, things would be a lot worse than it is. That, my friends, is the heart of a great community—when all of the people work together to help each other all the time, not just when an emergency pops up, and not for the glory

Note: Tom Hoke, Jack Hoke, and Marty Williams were interviewed and contributed information to May's Column

Names listed were taken from the original Charter (67 years old). My apologies if I have used a wrong middle initial; they were very hard to read.

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community veteran event board

AMVETS Post 7, 26 Apples Church Road, Thurmont

Ladies Auxiliary Bingo on May 8 and May 22; Sons Squadron Meeting on May 6 at 7:00 p.m.; Ladies Auxiliary Meeting on May 6 at 7:00 p.m.; House Committee Meeting on May 20 at 7:00 p.m.; Veterans Membership Meeting on May 23 at 7:00 p.m.; AMVET of the Year Presentation on May 4 at 1:00 p.m.; Honor Guard Presenting Colors at Keys Game on May 10 at 7:00 p.m.; Meet at Post 7 at 6:00 p.m.; Honor Guard Marching in the Woodsboro Parade on May 26.

VFW Post 6658, On The Square, Emmitsburg

Veterans Membership Meeting on May 1 at 7:00 p.m.; Ladies Auxiliary Meeting on May 1 at 7:00 p.m.; Men's Auxiliary on May 1 at 7:00 p.m.; Kump's Dam Park Opens on May 1.

Francis X. Elder American Legion Post 121, 105 N. Seton Avenue, Emmitsburg

Post 121 Veterans Membership Meeting on May 7 at Kump's Dam Park at 7:00 p.m.; Ladies Auxiliary Unit 121 Meeting on May 7 at Post Home at 7:00 p.m.; Post 121 Sal Meeting on May 7 at Kump's Dam Park at 7:00 p.m.; Son's of the American Legion Dec Meeting on May 19 at Kump's Dam Park at 1:00 p.m.

Sons of the American Legion Squadron 121

Sons of the American Legion Squadron 121 Annual Kids Fishing Derby at Kline's Pond will be held on Sunday, June 2, 2013. Ages 3-15 will be awarded trophies and prizes: age 3-6—Group 1; age 7-10—Group 2; Age 11-15—Group 3. Registration starts at 7:30 a.m.- 9:00 a.m.; Fishing Begins at 9:00 a.m.- 11:00 a.m.; Judging and Prizes awarded at 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Everything is provided free of charge to the kids; food and refreshments provided free of charge for kids and parents/guardians.

Last year, we had 183 kids register. Come out and enjoy watching the kids fish! This is a Catch and Release Program.

Thurmont American Legion News for May 2013

It seems as if summer jumped right in and pushed spring right out of the way; May is here and it is time to celebrate. Memorial Day is only a few weeks away, the official start of the summer season.

What a way to start off celebrating: the Sons of the American Legion are holding a Dinner and Dance on May 4. To follow up with all the entertainment, Ralph Gann will be here on May 10 for Karaoke and DJ in our "Back Room."

Now that fun is in the air, Sticktime—the area's Premier Classic Rock Band—is coming here. They will be here at the Legion on May 11. Tickets are on sale in our Lounge or at the door. Why not come on in for dinner and then stay for the dance?

Let's not forget that every Thursday Evening at 7:00 p.m., we have Bingo, delicious meals, and our own "Mac" calling the numbers.

Our last event of the month is on Memorial Day, May 30, at Memorial Park. There will be food and drinks at the Post following the ceremony.

On Friday, May 31, the Cub Scouts will be having their "Camp Out" at our pavilion. For some of the kids, this will be their first time camping out and sleeping in a tent. What a special time for them. We wish that they all have a memorable and fun weekend.

Please don't forget our kitchen; they are serving every Thursday, Friday, and Saturday evenings (carryouts available). Here is a sampling of their specials for the month of May: Friday, May 3 – Hot Turkey Sandwich with gravy, fries, and coleslaw; Saturday, May 4 – Broasted 1/2 Chicken, AuGratin potatoes, and salad; Friday, May 10 – Chesapeake Chicken, mashed potatoes, and vegetables; Saturday, May 11 – Clam Strips & Shrimp, fries, and cole slaw; Friday, May 17 – Country Fried Steak, mashed potatoes, and vegetables; Saturday, May 18 – Broasted 1/2 Chicken, potato salad, and applesauce; Friday, May 24 – Spaghetti, salad, and garlic bread; Saturday, May 25 – Steak & Crab Cake, baked potato, and salad; Friday, May 31 – Roast Beef, stuffing, mashed potatoes, & vegetables.

Starting in June: Crabs! Call for availability: 301-271-4411.



(left) Ralph "Bogy" Bogdanowicz (shown on right) is presented an award for 50 continuous years of service to Edwin C. Creeger, Jr.

Courtesy Photos

(right) Joe Clabaugh (shown on right) is presented an award for 50 years of continuous years of service to the American Legion.

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Tickling Our Tastebuds by Denise Valentine

Hello, everyone! Towards the end of May, we will be celebrating Memorial Day...my official kick-off to summer. As I was thinking about what type of recipe to share with you this month, I was undecided between a salad-type recipe or a dessert recipe.

My decision was made when I demonstrated a great new recipe at a Pampered Chef party from our new seasonal cookbook. It is created—yes created—because it actually looks like a work of art in a trifle bowl. It is called "Pina Colada Trifle," and it is just delicious.

It can be made the day of your picnic and chilled until it is time for dessert. If you use a trifle bowl with a removable base, it will also travel well if you are celebrating somewhere other than home. I hope you have fun with this—I did. Have a wonderful holiday.



Pina Colada Trifle

11/2 cups of sweetened flaked coconut

- 1 can (20 oz) pineapple chunks in juice
- 1 container (8 oz) frozen whipped topping, thawed
- 1 jar (7 oz) marshmallow cream
- 1 teaspoon of rum extract
- 1 jar (10 oz) maraschino cherries, without stems
- 1 prepared angel food cake

Microwave coconut in micro-safe container, uncovered, on high for 2-3 minutes or until golden brown, stirring every 30 seconds. Spread coconut on parchment paper to cool. Drain pineapple chunks over a measuring cup, reserving juice. Mix the whipped topping, marshmallow cream, rum extract and half of the reserved pineapple juice in a large bowl. Fold in 1 cup of the toasted coconut. Drain and rinse cherries. Set aside three of the cherries for garnish. Coarsely chop the remaining cherries. Firmly pat dry with paper towels. Cut angel food cake into 1-inch cubes and place in another large bowl. Toss cake cubes and remaining pineapple juice.

To assemble trifle, place half of the cake cubes over the bottom of the trifle bowl. Place half of the chopped cherries and pineapple chunks over cake cubes. Spoon half of the coconut cream mixture over pineapple, gently spreading to edges. Repeat layers again.

Garnish with the remaining ½ cup of toasted coconut and the three reserved cherries.

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senior moments

by Helen Deluca

Hello to all Seniors, young and old!

You know that each month we have a birthday party to celebrate the birthdays of that month. We don't always know the age of each celebrant, but in the past two months we have added two special ladies to our "90s" Club. Anna May reached the grand age of 90 in March, and Gene Fox did the same in April. We now have nine members in the "90s" Club.

Anna May, who is originally from the Baltimore area, started coming to the Thurmont Senior Center in 1991. She uses the Senior van to come in daily for lunch, socialize, do the puzzles, and still sings with the Canaries—the Center's singing group. She's always ready to sing a solo. Anna says "the improvements to the Center and the van service were certainly worth waiting for."

Gene Fox, originally from Sabillasville, started coming to the Center in 1976. She remembers Mrs. Elower who started the Center. She and her husband enjoyed traveling, raised four boys, and now she says about the Center, "It's my life, it's a very important part of my life."

These two grand ladies now share their days with the other club members: Mildred Whipp still volunteers in the kitchen; Pauline Duble made all of the lovely quilts that have been raffled off to raise money for the Center; Mitzi Band serves on the Board of Directors; Beulah Zentz volunteered in the kitchen well into her ninety's; Clara Schumacher took care of our "library"; Louise Blair sings with the Canaries; and last but not least, Emory Motter for many years organized the Thursday night card games. What a wonderful inspiration all of these special people are to the other volunteers who work so hard to keep the Center the happy place that it is.

For the "younger" seniors, the lunch and fashion show was a very nice affair. As you can see, our own models were quite impressive. The fashions were great, shopping was fun, and the fresh flowers that Chooi-Hah arranged around the Center really added to the atmosphere.

In addition to the crafts, knitting group, instructed exercise classes, card games, the Canaries, Bingo, and puzzles, the seniors are also busy working with the EDC on their upcoming Children's Art Festival. The seniors are preparing the ballot boxes and registering the art work. The children's artwork will be displayed at the various businesses and the Thurmont Library from April 22 through May 11, 2013.

Have you thought about joining us for Bingo? The third Wednesday of each month at 1:00 p.m. we have 50/50 Bingo. Come for lunch at 12:00 p.m.; stay for Bingo at 1:00. It's not "big time" Bingo, but it's an afternoon of fun. The next Bingo should be on May 15, but that day

Dental Services for Seniors

Do you know a senior in need of Dental Services? Thanks to a Senior Center Operating Fund grant from the Maryland Department of Aging, you may qualify for free dental services through June 30, 2013. You must be a financially challenged Frederick County resident, age 60 or older to participate. To see if you qualify, contact one of their partnering agencies to schedule an appointment: Seton Center in Emmitsburg at 301-447-6102.

Law Day — Advanced Directive Prepared at No Cost

The Frederick County Department of Aging Senior Centers is hosting local attorneys on Wednesday, May 1, 2013, to prepare Advance Directives for older adults at no charge.

An Advance Directive allow an individual to create a customized legal document addressing personal choices regarding life sustaining procedures such as nutrition, hydration, and medical interventions; instructions for end of life conditions; desires regarding organ or body donation; and the appointment of a health care agent(s). In addition, preferences and desires regarding funeral, burial, cremation, memorial services, and other final instructions may be included.

Free appointments may be scheduled at the following local Senior Center: Emmitsburg Senior Center at 301-600-6350, from 10:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Law Day is sponsored by the Elder Law Section of the Maryland Bar Association and the Frederick County Department of Aging. Visit www. FrederickCountyMD.gov/aging for other senior center locations to schedule a free appointment.



(above) Recent fashion show models were Susan Berry, Norma Jean Buice, Joan Leo, Chooi-Hah Monroe, and Joan Brantner.

(right) We now have nine seniors in our 90s Club. Anna May and Gene Fox recently joined the club.



is set aside for the annual birthday party, so for May, the 50/50 Bingo will be rescheduled for May 29.

The Annual Birthday Party will be at Cozy at 6:00 p.m. on May 15. Cost is \$13.00 and reservations are required. Call the Center at 271-7911 and reserve a seat at the birthday month of your choice. Raffle winners will be chosen at the dinner and if you have any unsold raffle tickets on hand please return them to the Center by May 10. More raffle tickets are available at the Center

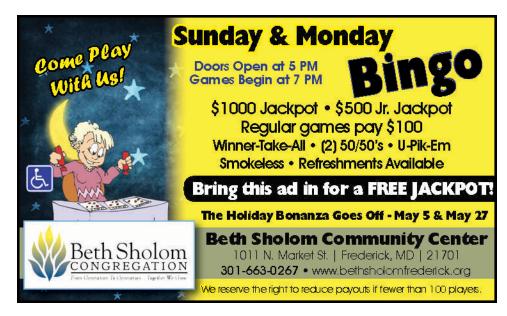
Mark your calendars now for these upcoming events in May: May 1 is Advance Directive Day by appointment only. May 15, 6:00 p.m., Annual Birthday Party at Cozy. May 16, 11:00 a.m., Antique appraisals. May 29, 1:00 p.m., 50/50 Bingo. May 30, May birthday celebrations.

Do you get frustrated adjusting your TV volume because of commercials? Under the new Commercial Advertisement Loudness Mitigation Act (CALM). Ads cannot be louder than the program itself. Call 888-225-5322 if you have a complaint. Look for additional ways to air your frustration in the April issue of the AARP Bulletin, page 6. You can go on-line or write to complain. Call the Center for more information.

On behalf of all the members of the Board of Directors, let me express our thanks to all the volunteers and to all the contributors who continue to support our Center. Your response is always helpful, encouraging, and appreciated.

You make it easy for us to smile. Spring is finally getting here; smile and enjoy it.









2013 Plans for 57th Annual Thurmont & **Emmitsburg Community Show**

Plans are underway for the 57th Thurmont & Emmitsburg Community Show that will be held at Catoctin High School on September 6, 7, and 8, 2013. Community Show Committee Officers elected officers at a recent meeting: President, Rodman Myers; Vice President, Robert Valentine; Secretary, Brian Hendrickson. Other committee members: Sue Keilholtz; Jessica Valentine; Robert Wiles; David Harman; Cheryl Lenhart; Alan Brauer, Sr.; Kelly Neff; Humberto Benitez; Michael Lewis; Milton Mills; Denise Valentine; Amanda and Paul Dennis; Paul Schur; Clifford Stewart; Helen Troxell; Jane and Dave Savage; Cathy Little; Karen Myers; Sue Sanders; Patty Johnston; Laura Keilholtz; Sarah Shriner; Thad Bittner; Wyatt Farmer; and Daniel Myers.

The Show will kick off on Friday night at 7:00 p.m. Following the Community and Civic Flag Ceremony, the Show Committee will honor the 50th Anniversary of the Catoctin Colorfest. Also on Friday night the 2013-2014 Catoctin FFA Chapter Ambassador will be announced. The baked goods auction will start at 8:15 p.m., following the program and the grand champion cake, pie and bread will be sold at 9:00 p.m.

Entry of exhibits will take place on Thursday evening, September 5, 2013, from 6:00-9:00 p.m. and on Friday, September 6, from 8:30-11:30 a.m. in the new gymnasium and in the agriculture department area. Judging will begin at 12:30 p.m. Commercial exhibits may be entered on Friday, September 6, from 3:30-5:30 p.m. The show will open to the public at 6:00 p.m.

On Saturday, September 7, 2013, the show opens at 9:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m. Activities include a Market Goat, Beef, Sheep and Swine Fitting

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& Showing contest, from 8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. at the Ag Center at the school. The petting zoo and pony rides will also be held on Saturday and Sunday.

The Thurmont Grange will serve their Turkey and Ham dinner in the school cafeteria from 3:00-7:00 p.m. on Saturday night.

The 37th annual Catoctin FFA Alumni Beef, Sheep & Swine sale will begin at 7:00 p.m. in the Ag Center area on Saturday night.

Activities begin on Sunday, September 8 at 9:00 a.m., with the Goat Show, followed by the Dairy Show and Decorated Animal Contest. The decorated animal contest will begin at noon. Also at 12:00 noon, the Catoctin FFA Alumni Chicken Bar-B-Que will be held in the cafeteria. The 334th annual horse school pitching contest will begin at 1:00 p.m. The Log Sawing Contest will begin at 1:00 p.m. under the show tent in the Ag Center area.

Exhibits must be removed on Sunday, September 8, 2013, from 3:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m. Please note the new deadline to pick up items.

If you would like to be a new advertiser in our show booklet, please contact Rodman Myers at 301-271-2104 to obtain advertising information. Past advertisers will be mailed letters shortly. The community show booklets can be found in local Thurmont, Emmitsburg, and surrounding area businesses in late July or early August. New residents of the community are urged to enter and be a part of the Community Show—the largest in the State of Maryland. Some minor additions and deletions will be made in some of the departments. Departments include: Fresh Fruits, Fresh Vegetables, Home Products Display, Canned Fruits, Canned Vegetables, Jellies & Preserves, Pickles, Meats, Baked Products, Sewing & Needlework, Flowers and Plants, Arts, Paintings & Drawings, Crafts, Photography, Corn, Small Grains and Seeds, Eggs, Nuts, Poultry & Livestock, Dairy, Goats, Hay, Junior Department and Youth Department. There is no entry fee. Please visit our website for updated information at www. thurmontemmitsburgcommunityshow. webs.com.

The Community Show is sponsored by the Thurmont Grange, Catoctin FFA Chapter, Catoctin FFA Alumni, the Maryland State Grange and the Maryland State Agricultural Fair Board.





by Labella A. Kreiner

Catoctin Chronicles

Making a Difference

This past month, there have been two major clubs at Catoctin High School that really made a difference by doing certain events that have changed the lives of others in and outside of our community. Making a difference in the lives of others is important to our students, and every single one has a spot in their hearts to reach out to those in need. You may not believe it, but these miraculous teens do more than text, eat, sleep, and talk. They are the builders of our future, and they truly are going to go places in life.

Our high school has a club called The S.H.O.P Club. Though you may believe it is for people who like to make things out of wood, you would be mistaken. S.H.O.P stands for Students Helping Other People. This past month, they have helped thousands of people. Together with the American Red Cross, these young adults took the time out of their day to run a blood drive to help those who are in need. Any teen over the age of sixteen was able to participate and donate blood. Let me tell you, there were a lot of teens who participated. Though I don't know the exact amount, there was quite a long line of teens who patiently waited for their turn. One day, the blood they donated will save another person's life.

Another club that is moving mountains is the Catoctin Leo Club. As young Lions, these students dedicate their time according to the Lions moto: "we serve." The Leos hold their heads high as they help those in need. You've probably witnessed their acts of kindness before, possibly at Colorfest. They assist the Lions and fundraise to help those who are caught in the tides of hopelessness.

This month, the Catoctin Leo Club made one boy's 9th birthday a day to remember. Many of us have family members who have suffered from cancer, or had tumors that weren't related to cancer at all. This boy has a brain tumor, not cancerrelated; however, he still has to go through Chemotherapy, which had his spirits down. When the Leos heard of this, they decided to hold a fundraiser to raise money for this brave boy's birthday.

"This is the kind of stuff that people will remember," Laura Day, Leo Advisor for the Catoctin Leos, said. And she was right. The Leos held a fundraiser for one week to raise money for this boy. Just one week, mind you. Within that week, the Catoctin Leos raised around \$1,300! Can you believe it? This proves that the teens at Catoctin High School, and their families, are truly amazing people. With that money, the Catoctin Leos were able to go purchase gifts for this boy's special day. They bought him an iPad mini, a gift card, an autographed baseball by Derick Jeter, and many other wonderful goodies.

Catoctin is truly making a difference. Everyone is trying to help out in order to change the lives of the wounded, restless, hopeless, and weak-hearted.

With many other events in store, are you excited to end this year school year with a bang? Well, I know I am, and I know the students are, too. So, here's a challenge. Go out and do something nice for someone today. Make a difference, and see what blossoms from your kindness.

Any suggestions for next month's article? Contact me at labellakreiner@hotmail.com.

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— The Brandenburgs

Reaching Out

Our family is reaching out to all of Ed Little's friends for help. As you know, Ed has cerebral palsy and is confined to a wheelchair. Ed relies heavily on his electric porch life, Hoyer life and his electric bed to assist him with his daily living routine. In July, as we all remember, Emmitsburg was hit with a storm that left us all in the dark. Ed was confined to his bed for several days because his home was without power. Then Hurricane Sandy hit and Ed was forced to stay in bed for three days since his equipment can't work without electricity.

A house generator is our only solution. If we can raise enough money, through your help, Ed will not have to live in fear of being without the electric power that enables him to be the independent spirit we all know. If you can help Ed, please send your donation to PNC Bank, ATTN: Ed Little Building Fund in care of the Emmitsburg Lion's Club at P.O. Box 279, or you can drop it off at the bank.

Thank you for your generosity and support.

— The Little Family

Thanks Pastor 21788

I'm taking this "overdue" time to say "Thanks" to a 21788 pastor for going above and beyond for (her) "our" community. She's been ministering for nine years, serving her first seven years in Ohio. In mid-2011, she was blessed with the opportunity to transfer to Thurmont, her hometown, to minister. That was great news for her mom and other family members. Her short time here has been a blessing to many, doing her compassionate work and showing her love for Him and for His people. Her church family prepares and serves a community meal once a month at Graceham Moravian Church. If I've calculated correctly, our 21788 zip code area has 18 churches (excluding schoolhouse churches)—wow! Imagine the glorious expression on God's face should all 18 participate in providing such a service!

Even though Pastor had so much on her plate, she somehow manages to spread her wings to many in need. Should it be transporting someone to the hospital, the doctor, or a trip to the grocery store, or even assisting one to find shelter; she'll make time, somehow. It doesn't matter if you are a member of her church family or even if you attend the Lord's house of worship! As we all know, it's not all about receiving; it's also about giving back.

As I write this and publish this, Pastor is unaware of my doing so. I'll end

by again saying, "Thanks Pastor, for all you've done and for all you're going to do for others. May you continue to spread His divine love to His people and may He bless you and yours."

— Jerri

"As you grow older, you will discover that you have two hands, one for helping yourself, the other for helping others."

~ Audrey Hepburn



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Large 2-family Yard Sale on May 24 & 25, at 15611 Kelbaugh Road, Thurmont.

All Country Antiques Massive Yard Sale, Thursday through Monday, May 23-27, 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. (rain or shine), 17058 Harbaugh Valley Rd. Sabillasville, MD. Furniture, Kitchenware, Country Collectibles and much more. New items added every day. 301-241-3907

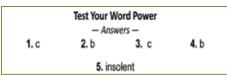
Saturday, May 4 – Emmitsburg Senior Center (inside). 8:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. 301-600-6350.

Apples Church Yard Sale Benefit Brooke Riggs, May 4 & 5, 7908 Apples Church Rd., Thurmont. 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Yard Sale Donations Welcome

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your public library

Where Community & Ideas Connect

by Erin Dingle, Administrator, Thurmont Regional Library/ Emmitsburg Branch Library, edingle@frederickcountymd.gov

Dig Into Summer Reading on May 1. Stop by either Thurmont or Emmitsburg to pick up a reading game board and start your reading fun. The program is for all agesfrom babies to college freshmen. Kids and teens can register online or in person at any FCPL branch. Kids complete simple reading tasks and receive prizes after completing a certain number. Teens keep track of their accomplishments online and are entered into gift card drawings for each task they complete. For all ages, merely registering by August 10 enters them into the grand prize drawing—a \$300 gift certificate to Great Wolf Lodge, plus \$300 in spending money, PLUS an evening with special box seating at a Frederick Keys game!

Whether or not your child reads this summer could have an impact on academic achievement. The Summer Reading program at the library is the easiest way to ensure our children have a head start!

Studies have found that children and teens who participate in Summer Reading programs at their library start the school year ready to learn, have improved reading achievement, and display stronger motivation, enjoyment, and confidence in reading. That's your cue to bring your child to the closest Frederick County Public Libraries branch, so he or she can participate in the Summer Reading Program! There's no better way to help your child WANT to read. Ask a librarian for help in picking out appropriate books. Kids need books that interest them, but you don't want the books to be so challenging they get frustrated. A simple way to evaluate if a book is too difficult is to use the "five-finger" rule with your child. Choose a book, let your child read a page or two, and have him put up one finger for each word he can't understand. If he holds up five or more fingers, the book is probably too hard. Last summer, Frederick County children logged in 338,249 minutes of reading!

The Summer Reading Festival is new this year and will be held at the Westview Promenade Courtyard from 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Kids will enjoy crafts, costumed characters, and free entertainment by Mr. Jon and Friends.

For details of the Summer Reading Program and a list of all events, go to fcpl.org/summer or visit your local library branch.

EDC Children's Art Festive and Creative Unity ARTner-ship: Our library is one of over 40 voting locations for Thurmont's Economic Development Committee children's art from local schools. Beautiful artwork is on display at locations all over town and you are invited to vote for your favorite "Journey Through Hallowed Ground" Civil War themed art. See the art and vote through May 8, 2013.

Visit the Thurmont Library all day on May 18, 2013, to celebrate Frederick County Public Libraries Satellite Gallery "ARTner-ship" with The Delaplaine Visual Arts Education Center. Creative Unity: A Library and Delaplaine Partnership Celebration is a full day event with art related activities for all ages.

All summer long, we invite you and your family to use and enjoy our comfortable outdoor deck. Make summer easy. Visit one of our local restaurants to pick up a picnic to go and enjoy it at one of our café tables when you're coming in for a program, your weekly DVDs, or some good summer reads.

Mark your calendar now for our annual "Music on the Deck" concert held every fourth Sunday at 2:00 p.m., rain or shine (the deck is covered). The series is totally underwritten by the Friends of the Thurmont Regional Library: June 23: The Martin Family Band; July 28: Alex Mitchell/Zan McLeod; August 25: Mountain Ride.

Our family-friendly feature this summer is "Nighttime on the Deck." This family series is held on third Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. and is sponsored by the Thurmont Lion's Club. Bring the entire family for these free outdoor programs: June 20: Awesome Animals: Catoctin Creek Nature Center; July 18: Fountain Rock Nature Center shares their "Amazing Animals" program; August 15: Slightly Spooky Stories with storyteller Kit Bloom.

Find FCPL at www.fcpl.org, Facebook, Twitter and Pinterest. Call us anytime at 301-600-7212 for information.

"When your mother asks, 'Do you want a piece of advice?' it is a mere formality. It doesn't matter if you answer yes or no. You're going to get it anyway."

~ Erma Brombeck

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- 1......Children's Art Festival first round of voting for your favorite piece of art. Door Prizes every day. Morning Star: A Perfect Gift, Thurmont Plaza (through May 11) 10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. 301-271-3733.
- 1.....Gardening with Eric Carle, Emmitsburg
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 fcpl.org.
- Catoctin High School Softball Team Crab Cake Dinner Fundraiser, Vigilant Hose Company Fire Hall, Emmitsburg. 4:00-7:00 p.m. Eat in or carryout. \$15/ person. Call Coach Jess 301-788-0976 for tickets.
- 4.....Emmitsburg Lions Club BBQ & Yard Sale, S. Seton Ave., Emmitsburg. BBQ 11:00 a.m. until chicken dinners are gone; yard sale 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Table space/\$5.00. Call Zurgable Hardware 301-447-2020.
- 4.....American Legion Post 168, Steak and Shrimp Dinner and Dance, featuring "Don Stone Looking 4 Tunes." Dinner 6:00-8:00 p.m.; Dance 8:00-11:00 p.m. \$20/person (Dinner includes 1 NY Strip and 1 lb. Steamed Shrimp).
- 4......Hook, Line & Sinker! Emmitsburg Branch Library. Preschoolers, elementary, children w/adult. 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Register 301-600-6329 or fcpl.org.
- Boudoir at the Barn by Dawn Kearney Photography. Call 443-975-4356 for more details.
- Yard Sale & Flea Market, Saint Anthony Shrine (corner of US 15 and St. Anthony Rd.), Emmitsburg. \$10/spot. Food sales reserved for St. Anthony Parish. 240-529-2737.
- 5.....Trail Workday, Rainbow Lake, Emmitsburg. 9:00 a.m.-Noon. Help greatly appreciated; bagels/juice in morning & barbecue to follow. Contact Town Commissioner Tim O'Donnell at todonnell@emmitsburgmd.gov.
- 5......Cash Bingo, Thurmont Post #7 AMVETS, Thurmont. 7:00 p.m. Benefits Catoctin High School (CHS) 2013 Safe & Sane. Karen Schildt 240-285-8076.
- 6.....Graceham Moravian Church free community meal "Served with Grace," (first Monday of every month), 8231 A Rocky Ridge Rd. (Rt. 77), Thurmont. 5:30-7:00 p.m. All welcome. 301-271-2379.
- 6......Thurmont Community Clothes Closet Open Today, Thurmont United Methodist Church, Long Rd., Thurmont. 6:00-7:30 p.m. FREE baby, youth and adult clothing, & more. 301-271-4511.
- 6.....The Thurmont Regional Library Gallery features the works of the Frederick Plein Air Artists (FPAA), from May 6-July 24, 2013. 301-600-7212 or www.fcpl.org.
- 10....Wing Feed Fundraiser, sponsored by CYA Football/Cheerleading, Vigilant Hose Company, Emmitsburg. Doors open 5:30 p.m.; dinner served 6:00-10:00 p.m. DJ by TCB Entertainment. \$15/person. Sherry 301-447-3430.
- 10....Karaoke and Open Mic Night. Music and snacks. Morning Star: A Perfect Gift, Thurmont Plaza, 6:00-8:00 p.m. 301-271-3733.
- 10....McPrayer Meeting at McDonalds, Thurmont, with Pastor Susan Beck (second Friday of each month) 10:00-11:00 a.m. Open to all. Call 301-271-7877.

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- 11... Community Dinner, Creagerstown Parish Hall, 8608 Blacksmill Rd., Creagerstown, MD. Noon-5:00 p.m. \$15/Adults; \$7/Children 6-12; Free/ under 6. \$17/Carryouts. Benefit for Street Lights and Cemetery.
- 11....Wing Nite, Lewistown Fire Hall. 5:00 p.m. \$20/person. Benefits Catoctin High School (CHS) 2013 Safe & Sane. Lisa White 240-367-6996 or Brian Smith 301-748-6230.
- 11....Spring in the Village, sponsored by the Catoctin Furnace Historical Society, Inc., Collier's Log House, ca. 1810, 12607 Catoctin Furnace Rd., Thurmont. 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. www.catoctinfurnace.org.
- 11....Mother's Day Tea Party, Thurmont Regional Library, (children w/adult, preschoolers, elementary). 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Be sure to wear your "fairy best"! Register 301-600-7214 or fcpl.org.
- 11....Sarah's Garden Social, Harriet Chapel, 12625 Catoctin Furnace Rd., Thurmont. 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Proceeds benefit the gardens and grounds of Harriet Chapel.
- 11....American Legion Post 168 Dance, featuring Stick Time, American Legion Auditorium. 8:00 p.m.-12:00 a.m. \$10/ in advance; \$12/at the door. Members and guests welcome.
- 11....Mother's Day Craft Program, Emmitsburg Branch Library. Preschoolers, elementary, children w/adult. 11:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m. Register 301-600-6329 or fcpl.org.
- 11....Summer Reading Family Festival (all ages). 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Westview Promenade, Crestwood Blvd. No need to register. Free concert by Mr. Jon and Friends. (Inclement weather backup inside at Champions).
- 15....Northwestern Frederick County Civic Assn. Meeting, Guest Speaker Nancy Bert (Blue Ridge Summit Free Library) at Sabillasville Elementary School. 6:30 p.m. President George Kuhn 301-241-3997.
- 18....Thurmont Thespians Open Auditions for children's musical Honk! (Children ages 6-13), St. John's Lutheran Church Social Hall, 15 N. Church St., Thurmont. 9:00 a.m. Rehearsals will commence May 23 6:30 p.m. Beth Watson at beth.watson@myactv.net or 301-416-0864.
- 18....Creative Unity, Thurmont Regional Library, Thurmont. An all-day art event for all ages. 301-600-7212 or visit us at www.fcpl.org.
- 18....Children's Art Festival Display, all winning artwork displayed for second round popular voting for the Grade Level prizes, Guardian Hose Activities Building (Carnival grounds), Thurmont. 1:00-4:00 p.m.
- 18....6th Annual Deer Dash 5K Run/Walk, Deer Crossing Elementary, New Market, MD. 8:30 a.m. Registration online through May 13. www.deerdash.com.
- 19 ... 2nd Annual Children's Fishing Rodeo, One Mountain Foundation hosts, Lake Royer, Fort Ritchie, Cascade, MD. Check-in 8:00 a.m.; fishing 8:30-11:30 a.m. Age divisions: 5-6, 7-9, & 10-12. Register online www. onemountainfoundation.org/2013events or by emailing info@onemountainfoundation. org. Only 100 children allowed to enter the rodeo. Advance registration highly encouraged. Frank Mummert, Fishing Rodeo Director, 717-794-2609.
- 19....Lewistown Ruritan Chicken Bar-B-Q, U.S 15 North & Fish Hatchery Road.
- 19....Registration, fall 2013 CYA Football/ Cheerleading, Thurmont Ambulance Company, Thurmont. 1:00-5:00 p.m. (Also June 29, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.) Only two registration dates. Sherry

- 301-447-3430 or Rob 301-305-1132.
- 19 ... Yard Sale & Flea Market, Saint Anthony Shrine (corner of US 15 and St. Anthony Rd.), Emmitsburg. \$10/spot. Food sales reserved for St. Anthony Parish. 240-529-2737
- 19....Benefit Bingo for Brooke Riggs, sponsored by Rocky Ridge Vol. Fire Co., 13527 Motters Station Rd., Rocky Ridge, MD. Brooke Riggs is 20 months old and battling stage 4 Neuroblastoma. Doors open 11:30 a.m.; Games 1:00 p.m. \$20/advance; \$25/at door. Pat 301-845-4568; Bonny 301-271-3370; Linda 301-271-9170.
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- 23-25 Yard and Bake Sale, St. Anthony Shrine, Rt 15 at St. Anthony Road, Emmitsburg. 8:30 a.m. until. \$15/one day; \$25/2days; \$30/3 days. Helen Reaver 301-447-6431 or Parish Office 301-447-2367.
- 24....60's Theme Youth Night (for Grades 6-12).
 Dress 60's style, play games, eat snacks.
 Morning Star: A Perfect Gift, Thurmont
 Plaza, 6:00-8:00 p.m. 301-271-3733.
- 24....Walk-A-Thon Benefit for Brooke Riggs (18 mos. old), Mt. Tabor Park, Rocky Ridge. 6:00-8:00 p.m. Live music, food. Free t-shirt with \$20 donation and preregistration two weeks in advance. 240-

- 397-0351, 240-315-2086, 240-674-4944.
- 25....Bingo Bash, Emmitsburg Vol. Ambulance Co., Emmitsburg. Doors open 4:00 p.m.; Games 7:00 p.m. \$35/in advance; \$45/at door. (Tickets must be paid for by May 17 to be entered to win \$100 cash! Mary Lou 240-285-3184; Pam 717-642-9335; Diane 301-748-6894.
- 25....Summer Sandwich Sale, hosted by Thurmont Lions Club, Bell Hill Farm, 15202 Catoctin Mountain Hwy., Thurmont. 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. (until sold out). Pit beef, pork, turkey, & ham sandwiches (platter w/ cole slaw, drink, & French fries or baked beans). 301-271-0558; www.thurmontlionsclub.com.
- 31....Spanish Storytime, Thurmont Regional Library. Children 2-5, w/adult. 10:30-11:00 a.m. Cynthia Fraga-Canadas from Mount St. Mary's University. Register 301-600-7214 or fcpl.org.
- 31....Friday Night Lights, Thurmont Eye Care, Main Street, Thurmont. Live music, open bar, catered food, local vendors, & more. 4:00-8:00 p.m. 301-271-0554.

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- Thurmont High School Alumni Association, Lewistown Volunteer Fire Hall, Lewistown, MD. \$20/person. Paid reservations must be returned by May 18. Joan Freeze 301-271-7387; Victoria Mathias 301-271-7614.
- Safe Summer Event. Little Sister Band, Souls Fire, Balloon Guy and many exhibits. Waynesboro YMCA outdoors. Free admission. Noon-3:00 p.m. 301-271-3733.
- 2......Sons of the American Legion Squadron 121 Annual Kids Fishing Derby, Kline's Pond. Ages 3-15 will be awarded trophies and prizes. Registration 7:30- 9:00 a.m.; Fishing 9:00-11:00 a.m.; Judging/Prizes 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Free. Catch and Release Program.





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217 E.Main St. Emmitsburg - \$155,000

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8607 Crystal Fountain Rd. Emmitsburg - \$299,900

Lovely 3 bedroom, 2 full bath, stone rancher located on over eight beautiful acres nestled in the Catoctin Mountains, close to Rt. 15 and Mount St. Mary's. Property includes a 2 car garage, gleaming hardwood floors throughout, and a stone fireplace on BOTH levels! New roof in 2010. A must see, call Cindy Today!



LOTS-13430 & 13312 Jimtown Rd., Thurmont

Two Gorgeous perced lots (sand mound) 3.88 Acres (\$165,000) and 2.11 Acres (\$155,000) both with 15 GPM wells! Beautiful veiws all around and just seconds from town with no town taxes! Time to build that dream home and take advantage of historically low interest rates! Call for plat today!



109 Old Oak Place Thurmont - \$129,900

The 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath townhouse will surprise you! Spacious kitchen with island that opens to dining area and wonderful laundry/mud room with cabinets and laminate floor. Well cared for with updated windows, new sliding door, newer flooring throughout and gorgeous back yard with paver patio, shed and vinyl fence.



14635 Hilltop Road Cascade - \$175,000

Charm and character fill this beautiful Colonial with 5 bedrooms, 3 full baths, hardwood floors, fireplace, and wraparound porch it has so much to offer! Spacious living area and lots of original architecture! Lovely yard and 3 car detached garage! As-is property. Third party approval required.



Hemler Road Thurmont -\$249,000

3 bedroom, 2 bath rancher on almost one acre. Family room with gas fireplace, living room with wood burning fireplace, master bedroom with full bath, club room with wet bar, 3 sheds, above ground pool, brick barb-que. Nice peaceful setting.



9 West Main St. Thurmont-\$279,000

This home has been completely remodeled inside with a new kitchen, bathrooms, carpeting, etc. Can also have business in home. Property to right, 7 West Main St. is also Included, but needs TLC. Could be apartment or store front. Garage in rear. Call Bonita Smith!



125 Cody Dr. #12 Thurmont - \$140,000

This is a great 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo with lots of personal touches. Windows were replaced 2-1/2 years ago, toilets and exhaust fans replaced in both bathrooms, beautiful wood floors, separatre storage room. A must see!You won't be dissapointed! Call Bonita Smith! PRICE REDUCED!



306 East Main St. Thurmont - \$349,900

Brick Colonial offers 5 BR/2.5
BA and has been restored and updated! Hardwood floors throughout. Lower level offers a sunny family room and office along with an expansive storage area! Gorgeous Screened rear porch, wrap front porch and in-ground swimming pool!



10655 Bailey Springs Ln. #38 **Waynesboro - \$46,500**

Very well cared for 2005 manufactured home on lovely lot in Ashton Heights. Spacious home offers 3 bedrooms, 2 full BA,largelivingroomandfamily room! Fully equipt kitchen with separate dining space and laundry/mud room with door to rear yard. Wonderful master bath with soaking tub and separate shower!



11 Easy St. Thurmont - \$195,000

This lovely 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath end-unit townhome in Albert Courts offers a large living room with bay window, sunny kitchen and dining area that lead to extra large deck, and family room in lower level with walk out to patio and a one car garage!



9141 Longs Mill Rd. Rocky Ridge - \$549,000

This spacious farmette offers 3 bedrooms, 2 full baths, an expansive living room with hardwood floors and gas fireplace with french doors that walk out to a 20 x 40 in ground swimming pool and maintenance free deck! Custom bath just off the pool w/gorgeous walk in shower! New Roof!! 5.25 acres, 30 x 60 barn w/ 10 Ft. overhang, fenced pastures, run in shed and manure building!



13 Ironmaster Dr. Thurmont - \$259,900

This 4 bedroom, 2 full bath Split Foyer offers a large dining room/sun room addition. Newer hardwood floors in living, dining and kitchen! Newly renovated lower level bath with ceramic tile. Spacious lower level family room with fireplace with wood stove insert. Great fenced in back yard with above ground pool and deck. This is a must see!

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Tower Road Thurmont Area

3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath rancher, attached garage plus large storage shed/garage,on1.09acrewooded.lot. Needs a little TLC. Call Bonita Smith



468 Frick Ave., Waynesboro

Beautiful 3 bedroom 2 1/2 bath end unit town house, Beautiful kitchen with lovely cabinets and appliances, great master bedroom with walk in closet and full bath, laundry room on 2nd floor, one car garage. Fantastic home for the price!

PRICE REDUCED



25441 Cascade Rd. Cascade , MD

Three bedroom one bath cottage, Nice size shed on almost 1 1/2 acres. This home is in good condition for the price. Call Bonita Smith for details!

Wigville Rd, Thurmont

3 gorgeous building lots. (\$199,900- 13.35 Acres, 6 BR, perc, well) (\$149,900- 5 Acres, 5 BR, perc, well) (\$159,900- 5.57 Acres, 6 BR, perc, 2 wells)

Old Frederick Rd Rocky Ridge

1.73 acre Building Lot with 4 Bedroom Conventional perc! Winter views of Loys Station Covered Bridge!! Call today - \$41,000