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Where the Elite Meet to Eat

by James Rada, Jr.

The old radio show Duffy's Tavern used to have the tag line: Where the elite meet to eat. The same thing could also be said of Thurmont's Cozy Restaurant. For a small-town restaurant, it has seen more than its fair share of famous politicians, performers and businessmen.

On May 9, 1929, the *Catoctin Clarion* reported, "Mr. W. R. Freeze has purchased from Mr. J. Hooker Lewis a section of his meadow on the west side of Frederick Road and this week began the erection of an up-to-date tourist camp." So began Camp Cozy, which would eventually become the Cozy Restaurant.

Camp Cozy consisted of three cottages, tents, shower building, rest room and a gas station.

"He started in May and then the Depression hit in the fall and

he wound up living in a tent there for a while," said Cozy owner Jerry Freeze.

Freeze said the creation of Camp Cozy was part of his father's understanding of how society was changing.

"He knew that the public was about to venture further and further out on car trips and he also knew there were two places where there was a cut through the mountain. He built at one of them," Freeze said.

In 1933, a small bar and luncheonette that could accommodate twenty people was built next to the gas station. It was built because Prohibition had ended and alcohol could be sold again.

"He kept adding on and adding on, and it became a hopping place," Freeze said.

That small luncheonette is what has grown to become the oldest restaurant in Maryland that is still operated by its founding family. It is also in the Maryland Restaurant

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An early picture of Camp Cozy.

911, What's Your Emergency?

by Deb Spalding

For six decades, the Emmitsburg Volunteer Ambulance Company (Company 26) has served our community; but, as of April 14, 2014, Emergency services provided by Company 26 have been suspended. The two ambulances normally run by

Company 26 volunteers are sitting idle until the next hearing, which takes place on June 19, 2014, before the Frederick County Commissioners. The company's shutdown stems from a complaint submitted to the County in November by a disgruntled ex-

Company 26 member. The handling of the complaint by Frederick County has spiraled into something bigger than Company 26 volunteers could have ever imagined.

Complaints and disagreements are common among volunteers. It's

not easy to get along with others, let alone agree, especially when a person is doing a job for the good of others without the caveat of a pay check. But, in this situation, Frederick County's handling of it has

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Let's Play BALL!

Area baseball, softball, and t-ball leagues held season opening games and celebrations in April. See pages 18 & 19 in Sports.

Colton Appel, #8 on the Thurmont Diamondbacks, connects with the ball during his first at-bat of the 2014 season.



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Dear Reader:

Welcome to the May 2014 issue of *The Catoctin Banner* Newspaper. We knew this was going to be a big issue, and we planned accordingly. Midway through layout, we realized that the amount of ads and content was not going to fit in the 48 page issue we had planned. So, we added more pages, and we are now celebrating our biggest issue ever—56 pages! It's good stuff from cover to cover. Enjoy this issue of *The Catoctin Banner*!

This month, we need your feedback to make a decision. We usually receive a few requests each month to include editorials. From reading other newspapers, you know that letters to the editor can get pretty heated and heavy with personal opinions that sometimes volley points over time. This type of editorial makes sense in a daily newspaper. However, being a monthly, good-news newspaper, our Banner staff members are undecided about introducing a column called "Sticky Topics." In this column, we would not include personal rants with people complaining about loud neighbors or someone taking their parking spot. Local law enforcement would still handle that. We would include local snapshots of unfairness or issues of concern—topics that can be impacted by public comment and suggestions. It really comes down to what the readers want. So, we'll rely on you to tell us. Email news@thecatoctinbanner.com, stop by E Plus Copy Center in the lobby of the Emmitsburg Jubilee, send us a message on Facebook, or give us a call (301-447-2804) to let us know your opinion. When deciding, take notice of a quote from the editors of the *Emmitsburg Chronicle* in the "Read All About It!" article on page 39, "the value of a newspaper consists not so much in what we put into it, as in what is kept out of it." Let us know your thoughts.

Elections in Frederick County are coming up. Take a look at the candidates in our first ever Charter Home Rule Election on June 24.

As always, I urge you to patronize the advertisers who reach out to you through *The Catoctin Banner*. Our mission would not be possible without their support.

—Deb Spalding, Publisher

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town hall reports

by Michele Cuseo

Emmitsburg

APRIL 2014

Community Uniting for Drug Awareness/Issues

The town hosted a drug awareness seminar for the community in March, which was heavily attended. Those attending included Lions Club members, Seton Center Association members, Vigilant Hose Company, Emmitsburg Ambulance members, Frederick County Health Department, Knights of Columbus members, town commissioners, members of the Sheriff's department, and many others. Mayor Briggs stated that the result of the seminar has prompted the community to be united in helping to increase awareness and reduce drug use/abuse/dealers in our area. If you missed the seminar, you can find useful information from the National Crime Prevention Council online at www.ncpc.org. You can search under Resources/drug abuse and drug abuse prevention.

Emmitsburg Utility Late Payment Fee to Increase

If you pay your utility bill late for your water/sewer service, you will now pay a 5% fee. The previous fee was 2%. According to town staff, approximately 20% of customers have been paying late. The town staff is hoping this increase in a late fee will encourage more people to pay on time. Customers have thirty days to pay after receiving the bill. Customers can also pay online at www.emmitsburgmd.gov.

Emmitsburg to Contract Ball Field to Baseball League

The town of Emmitsburg is establishing a one-year contract with

the Maryland Storm Youth baseball league to use the Community Park #1 ball field. This youth league is a competitive traveling team, representing northern Frederick County 10U and 13U age groups that participate in tournaments. The state championship is supposed to be held in Emmitsburg. The field will be used for primary practices and for home field games.

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

Thurmont

APRIL 2014

Thurmont Voted 2nd Safest Town in Maryland

Mayor John Kinnaird found out that Thurmont was voted the second safest place to live in the state of Maryland by the Movoto Real Estate company. Movoto took into account the following: Violent crime (rape, murder, and assault), Property crime (theft, burglary, and motor vehicle thefts), and the chance a resident will be a victim of crime. The town of Hampstead, Maryland, came in first place. Thurmont was tied for second with Ocean Pines and Glenarden.

Taneytown and Brunswick also made it into the top 10 for safest places to live in Maryland.

Bulk Trash Pick Up-Mark your Calendar

You may have missed the bulk trash pick-up opportunity in April. The next bulk trash pick-up for Thurmont will be held on July 19. The town staff suggests that citizens notify the town office with what they

will be placing outside for pick up. Some items have a charge associated with them. Also, if your items are overlooked for pick-up, the town will document that you did place your items outside for pick-up and they can notify the county.

To view a list of acceptable items for bulk pick-up, contact the town office at 301-271-7313.

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

One Year of Progress for the Drug Drop-Off Box

Chief Eyler of the Thurmont Police Department said the Prescription Drug Drop-Off Program is "Going great!" In the first year, 550 pounds of unwanted prescription drugs have been collected. The lobby is open Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. The following is a list of what is accepted for drop off and what is prohibited.

Acceptable items: prescription medicines, over-the-counter medicines, medical samples, pet medications, medicated ointments, and lotions; Not acceptable: thermometers, IV bags, infectious waste, business medical waste, syringes, oxygen tanks, blood products.



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By authority Todd Working, Treasurer

Play Our Games

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

Where Am I? Photo Contest

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



Last month's "Where Am I?" photo was taken at the Emmitsburg Volunteer Ambulance Company. Last month's winner is James Davis.

Hidden Object Game

Last month's Hidden Object was a whale tail. It was located on page 34 in the Gateway Printing advertisement. The winner of the Hidden Object Game is Andrea Youngblood. If the winner has not been contacted, please contact us to claim your prize.

This month's Hidden Object is a unicycle.

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 47)

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| 1. Pensive (adj.)
a) Dreamily thoughtful; quietly sad
b) Bold; outgoing
c) Senseless; impractical | 3. Incongruous (adj.)
a) Unsociable; reserved
b) Slow moving; sluggish
c) Inappropriate; unbecoming |
| 2. Defray (v.)
a) To pay; settle or clear
b) To grant; award
c) To loathe; hate | 4. Accord (v.)
a) To be different; opposite
b) To grant; give consent
c) To set up; lay groundwork |

5. Which word above would work best in this sentence?
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Association Hall of Fame and the National Restaurant Association Hall of Fame.

Wilbur Freeze was a tireless promoter of his camp and restaurant. At times, the restaurant has had slots, wine shed, a menagerie and a bandstand. In one instance, he promoted that a man would jump out of a plane without a parachute. A lot of people showed up to eat and drink at the restaurant to see what would happen.

“Then out comes this thing that hits the ground and bounced up in the air,” Freeze said. “My father nearly got run out of town.”

"In the early Thirties "Cozy" was the scene of several balloon ascensions and one of its biggest attractions featured a man who was buried alive for several days. These outdoor attractions were enjoyed by children and adults alike. 'Cozy' was indeed a very popular meeting place and the food served to its patrons was the main reason for its growing popularity," George Wireman wrote in *Gateway to the Mountain*.

With the onset of World War II and the development of Camp Ritchie, the Cozy became a place frequented by servicemen who could get rowdy at times. But other people began to visit the Cozy, too.

H. Q. Miller who drew some of “The Shadow” comics drew pictures of the Cozy. Winston Churchill stopped in, because he wanted to play a juke box. Baseball greats Babe Ruth and Lou Gehrig stopped in for lunch one time. H.B. Reese, the man who created Reese’s Peanut Butter Cups, also stopped in for lunch. Other diners at the Cozy have included Henry Cabot Lodge, Tennessee Ernie Ford, and Charles McC. Mathias.

With the building of Shangri-La in the Catoctin Mountains, the

Cozy also began a Presidential relationship. President Herbert Hoover's fishing license is still on display at the Cozy. The hotel portion of the Cozy became the place where President Franklin Roosevelt's Secret Service detail stayed.

The development of U.S. 15 as a highway diverted traffic from running right past the restaurant.

"Fifteen went through in '57 and took two-thirds of our business just like that," Freeze said.

Freeze said that seeing his hard work disappear so quickly was a contributing factor to his father's death, because the business loss devastated his father. Wilbur Freeze died from a stroke in 1961.

The business continued under the ownership of Freeze and his widowed mother. They tried new things, including the upscale Catoctin Room in 1971.

“At one point you had to have a jacket and a reservation to get in,” Freeze said.

The serving girls wore 1890s outfits. Meals were served on nice china with real silverware and ruby glasses.

"It was pretty sharp. There was nothing like it in the area within 50 miles," Freeze said.

That Catoctin Room eventually became a pub as the other dining area began catering more toward family dining and buffet meals.

"It is without question, one of the finest and most popular eating places in the state, featuring only the finest in home-cooked food," Wireman wrote.

The Cozy Restaurant now seats 750 people, and the Country Inn has 21 President-themed rooms. According to the Cozy website, more than 20 million people have dined at the Cozy since it opened.

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First Election with New Form of County Government Approaching

by James Rada, Jr.

Mark your calendars if you want to have a say in the way things run in Frederick County and the State of Maryland. June 24 is the 2014 Primary Election. It is also the beginning of a historic election in Frederick County.

Frederick County voters approved changing the county's form of government from a Board of County Commissioners to Charter Home Rule. This election marks a tangible result of that change as commissioners are elected by district and a county executive is elected.

Charter Home Rule

Frederick County is one of six Maryland counties with Charter Home Rule. Under this type of government, Frederick County will now operate using a charter that has been approved by county voters. The charter is essentially Frederick County's Constitution. It sets out how the county will operate and the scope of its authority.

The charter can be amended if needed if the voters approve the changes. However, the first review of the county charter won't take place until 2018.

County residents who live in one of the county's municipalities should already be familiar with this type of government since all of the county's twelve municipalities are charter governments.

The new county executives and county council representatives will take office on December 1 after the general election.

County Executive

The county executive serves as Frederick County's executive branch. The state parallel for this position would be governor. The county executive is an elected position with the responsibility of overseeing county government and its operation. The Frederick County executive can also serve no more than two consecutive four-year terms.

The candidates for county executive are: Jan H. Gardner (Democrat) Frederick – www.jangardner.org; David Gray (Republican) Walkersville – sharongrayusa.aim.com; Mark W. Sweadner (Republican) Libertytown – Smarkwinfield@aol.com; Blaine R. Young (Republican) Frederick – www.blaineyoung.com.

County Council

The new Frederick County Council will be made up of seven members. Five of the members will be elected by district, and two will be elected at large.

County council members can serve no more than three consecutive four-

year terms. Unlike the county commissioners who meet weekly, the members of the county council will meet in annual legislative sessions lasting forty-five days. They can also meet in non-legislative sessions as needed.

Council members can introduce bills that will receive a public hearing. The council will then vote on whether the bill should become law. The county executive can veto a bill or voters can bring a voter to referendum if they do not agree with them.

The north county region is part of District 5. The district lines can be redrawn every ten years following the federal census report.

District 5 Candidates

Kirby Delauter (Republican) Emmitsburg – www.kirbydelauter.com; Mark Long (Democrat) Thurmont – www.marklong.us; Ralph Whitmore (Republican) Walkersville; Fred Wood (Democrat) Thurmont – www.fredwoodforcountycouncil.com.

At Large County Council Candidates (two positions)

Eric Besch (Republican) Frederick – www.EricBesch.com; Steve Bruns (Democrat) Frederick – www.stevebrunsforfrederick.com; Jennifer Charlton (Republican) Woodsboro – www.jencharltonforfrederickcounty.org; Wayne Samuel Creadick, Jr. (Republican) Myersville – www.facebook.com/creadickforCountyCouncilatLarge; Whitney M. Duck (Democrat) Brunswick – www.whitneyduckforfrederick.org; Susan Reeder Jessee (Democrat) Middletown – sej58@comcast.net; Dick Johnson (Republican) Buckeystown – friendsofdickjohnson@gmail.com; Justin M. Kiska (Republican) Frederick – www.justinkiska.com; Linda Marie Norris (Democrat) Middletown – www.lindanorrisforcouncil.com; Bud Otis (Republican) Middletown – www.budotis.com; Jonathan Pocius (Republican) Frederick – jon@votejp.org; Billy Shreve (Republican) Frederick – www.BelieveInShreve.com; Dave Twigg (Democrat) Tuscarora – adtwiggiv@gmail.com.

Sheriff Candidates

Three people are running for Frederick County's chief law-enforcement officer. Current Sheriff Chuck Jenkins is a resident of Thurmont. Candidates are:

Karl Bickel (Democrat) Frederick – www.frederickcountysheriff.com; Kevin V. Grubb (Republican) Jefferson – www.facebook.com/KevinGrubbforSheriff; Chuck Jenkins (Republican) Thurmont – sannjenkins@comcast.net.

Board of Education

Voters will be selecting four candidates to go onto the general election for the Frederick County Board of Education. Of the nine candidates, only one—Brad Young—is from the north county region. Candidates are: Liz Barrett (Frederick) – www.barrettforboe.com; Jonathan C. Carothers (Frederick) – jon.carothers60@gmail.com; Colleen E. Cusimano (Monrovia) – www.colleenc4boe.com; Mike Ferrell (Frederick) – Michael.Ferrell.31586@facebook.com; Millicent Hall (Frederick) – www.facebook.com/Hallforboe; Kenneth Kerr (Frederick) – www.kerr4boe.com; April Fleming Miller (Middletown) – www.amiller4boe.com; Richard S. Vallaster, III (Frederick) – www.friendsofrichvallaster.com; Brad W. Young (Walkersville) – www.youngforboe.com.

District 4 Maryland House of Delegates Candidates

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Also on May 10, 2014, don't miss the Spring in the Village at Collier's Log House, located at 12607 Catoctin Furnace Road in Thurmont, from 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Spring in the Village features flowers, heirloom plants, herbs, crafts, and more! This event is sponsored by the Catoctin Furnace Historical Society, Inc.

View their advertisement on page 56 for more information, and to find out Service times at Harriet Chapel Catoctin Episcopal Parish.

Vigilant Hose Company's Spring Fling

The Vigilant Hose Company's Annual Spring Fling will be held on Saturday, May 17, 2014, at Mount St. Mary's University Echo Field in Emmitsburg. This annual event features horseshoes, great food, live music, 50/50 tip jars, and much more! Tickets are \$60.00 each (good for two people). Great fun for everyone! View their advertisement on page 12 for more information.

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Come browse the beautiful assortment of hanging baskets, bedding plants, and potted plants at the Flower Sale & Chicken BBQ, being held on May 9 and 10, 2014, at the Fire Station, located at 21 N. Church Street in Thurmont. View their advertisement on page 41 for more information.

Family Fun Day at Breezy Hill Stables

Come and enjoy Family Fun Day at Breezy Hill Stables on May 3, 2014, from 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. This free event features pony rides, hay rides, moon bounces, face painting, and much more. The event is sponsored by LifeHorse non-profit organization. View their advertisement on page 13 for more information.

Mother's Day Concert at Trinity United Church of Christ

Don't miss the Mother's Day Concert at Trinity United Church of Christ on May 11, 2014. Enjoy the soothing sounds of Harpist, Sally Lay, at 10:30 a.m., with Worship at 11:00 a.m. View their advertisement on page 5 for more information.

Creagerstown Community Dinner

On May 10, 2014, come to the Creagerstown Community Dinner and enjoy fried chicken, country ham, pot pie, and more. This event benefits upkeep of Creagerstown Cemetery and street lights. The cost of tickets are \$15.00 for adults; \$7.50 for children. View their advertisement on page 53 for more information.

Pioneer & Covered Wagon Fest

On May 24 and 25, 2014, come be part of the Pioneer & Covered Wagon Fest, at the Eyler Campground, located at 14 Eyler Road in Thurmont. Bring your own string instruments for the Saturday Night Campfire. View their advertisement on page 53 for more information.

St. Joseph's Church Charity Golf Event

The Emmitsburg Knights of Columbus is sponsoring the 2nd annual St. Joseph's Church Charity Golf Event on Saturday, June 21, 2014, from 7:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. View their advertisement on page 33.

5th Annual His Place Car Show

The 5th annual His Place Car Show will take place on Saturday, May 3, 2014, at Mother Seton School in Emmitsburg. Registration will be from 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., judging from 12:00-2:00 p.m., and awards at 3:00 p.m. Entry fee is \$15.00 at door; \$12.00 pre-registration. Flea Market spaces available. View their advertisement on page 11 for more information.

Community Yard Sale

Blue Ridge Sportsmen's Association is holding a Community Yard Sale on May 31, 2014, at 3009 Waynesboro Pike in Fairfield, Pennsylvania. Rent a spot for \$10.00; rent tables for \$5.00 each. View their advertisement on page 7 for more information.

Thurmont Gallery Stroll

Take a stroll down Main Street at Thurmont Gallery Stroll on Friday, May 2, 2014, from 6:00-9:00 p.m. Don't miss this one-of-a-kind event! Event features artist displays, wineries, appetizers, music, and more! View their advertisement on page 45 for more information.

Peter Pan and Wendy at Christ's Community Church

Christ's Community Church's Drama Group will be performing *Peter Pan and Wendy* on Saturday, May 17, 2014, in the gym of the town office building. Bring your friends and family for this free, fun event! View their advertisement on page 8 for more information.

Jubilee Foods' Mom & Kids Day

Treat Mom like a queen and visit Jubilee Foods in Emmitsburg on Saturday, May 10, 2014, for Mom & Kids Day, from 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m., for fun-filled activities! Decorate a flower pot and Jubilee will add the flower for free! Plus, decorate a Mother's Day card, receive face painting, and much more! View their advertisement on page 42 for more information.

Benefit Dinner at St. John's Lutheran Church

On June 14, 2014, from 12:00-5:00 p.m., there will be a Benefit Dinner for Lola Noffsinger Doll and Billy Kolb at St. John's Lutheran Church in Creagerstown, Maryland. View their advertisement on page 8 for more information.

Sportsman's Drawing & Dinner

The Rocky Ridge Volunteer Fire Company is hosting a Sportsman's Drawing and Dinner on May 10, 2014, at the Rocky Ridge Fire Hall, located at 13527 Motters Station Road in Rocky Ridge, MD. Doors will open at 5:30 p.m. A \$25.00 donation admits one person (includes home-cooked meal). Event features money and gun jars, door prize, and more. View their advertisement on page 8 for more information.

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BUSINESS news

The Basement Coffee House Secret

by Allison Rostad

A little known fact: Every second Friday of each month, Elias Evangelical Lutheran Church in Emmitsburg holds The Basement Coffee House. On Friday, April 11, I found myself sitting in the basement of the church in the front row, listening to a performance from a local teen/adult band known as the Silver Lining Band. Following their performance, a popular, internet-success guest band, Seven X Seventy also performed.

About ten years ago, the director, Jenni Joy (a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church) started a musical ministry for kids. In 2004, she formed a non-denominational choir known as the Children's Praise Choir of Emmitsburg (for kids ages 4 to 12), which met at Trinity United Methodist. Also around that time, she began a teen ministry called Silver Lining Band (named by the members of the band at the time who all wore braces). Over time, the ministry moved to Elias Evangelical Lutheran Church, and with the help and support of Pastor Jon Greenstone, has been thriving.

"The band has had as few as two members and as many as fifteen," said Mrs. Joy, "and we play a variety of music from current rock and popular music, as well as Christian worship music." They meet once a week for two hours to practice and pass around new ideas for the band. Anyone is welcome to join, and they're always looking for new talent, as teens are coming and going with developing futures ahead of them.

Currently, the Silver Lining Band has approximately twelve members that come to practice and perform during events. I had the pleasure of meeting seven of them following the band's performance. Each of them have wonderful, individual talents. Reagan Joy, Miriam Warthen, and Rianna Joy are vocalists, while Seth Doxsey and Steven Funk are guitarists, as well as vocalists. On drums is Patrick Smatlack, and Ty Russell plays the keyboard and also sings. Other members are Bradey Triplett (vocals), Skye Ogle (guitar/vocals), and Josephine Issacson (vocals). All members belong to differing churches and denominations.

When asked why they enjoy being in the band and a part of The Basement Coffee House, they collectively agreed on the positive atmosphere. Miriam, age 15, of Fairfield, who recently had a call back from her AMTC (Actors Models & Talent for Christ) audition, said she has been involved with the band for about three years and joined because of the Christian aspect of it. She added that her favorite part was the "variety of music they perform."

In contrast, Seth, age 18, of Fairfield, didn't join the band for the Christian aspect, but decided to join for something to do, as he heard about The Basement Coffee

Photos by Allison Rostad



(left)

The Basement Coffee House's own Silver Lining Band

(below)

Guest band, Seven X Seventy



House through other friends who were already involved. A big music lover, Seth also agreed that the variety was his favorite thing about being a member, stating, "Music lives on!"

According to Jenni Joy and the rest of the band, word-of-mouth has always been the best way for them to be recognized and heard about. Pastor Jon even called the Silver Lining Band and The Basement Coffee House "the best kept secret" in Emmitsburg.

Even though the Basement Coffee House is the Band's normal place to

perform, they do participate in other local events, like Emmitsburg Heritage Community Day and An Evening of Christmas Spirit. The Basement Coffee House events are free and everyone is welcome!

Be a part of the secret! Mark your calendars for the second Friday of every month and head on over to Elias Lutheran Church at 100 W. North Avenue in Emmitsburg and join the positive atmosphere! You may find the event calendar for the church online as well at www.eliaslutheranchurch.org.

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Customers of the accounting office are on board with the collections. You can get up to \$5.00 off of your tax return preparation fee for bringing in five food items to support the Emmitsburg Food Bank. Each year the campaign does better.

Melissa said, "This is my home town, and this is my way to give back to the community. This collection is one of the things I do to volunteer." Melissa is also a board member of the Emmitsburg Osteopathic Primary Care Center (EOPCC) in Emmitsburg, and she recently started selling Emmitsburg High School Alumni Association Community Yearbooks (\$25.00) out of her office at 301 West Main Street. Last year, Melissa came up with another way to give back. She purchases tickets to local charity events and then gives them away to a few lucky clients.

She's not the only one in her office who contributes to the community. Everyone who works with Melissa is a volunteer in one organization or another. Kimberly Valentine, Delivery/Maintenance Person, supports Melissa in her volunteering; Receptionist, Mary Flickinger (her mom), volunteers as a member of the Emmitsburg Lions Club; Personal Assistant, Bobbie Click, volunteers with the Ladies Auxiliary of the Vigilant Hose Company; Data Entry Specialist, Pam Bowers, is the Treasurer of Weller United Methodist Church in Thurmont; and Receptionist, Jill Ott, helps with fundraisers for Fairfield High School Sporting Events.

When Melissa delivered her collection to the food bank last year, she was surprised to learn that a new family in the local area signs up for food donations every week. The need is growing and growing.

If you would like to donate to the Emmitsburg Food Bank, they are open Tuesdays and Wednesdays, from 7:00-8:00 p.m.; Fridays, 1:00-2:00 p.m.; and Saturdays, 10:00-11:00 a.m. The Emmitsburg Food Bank is located at 502 East Main Street in Emmitsburg. Email kellyphy@comcast.net for more information.



Pictured from left are Melissa Wetzel, Mary Flickinger, and Bobbie Click.

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Catoctin Mountain Orchard Recognized

Mr. Chris Black, a third generation entrepreneur of Catoctin Mountain Orchard, was recently recognized by students and teachers of Walkersville Elementary School, following his presentation at the school. Mr. Black recently spoke to over 120 second graders regarding the changes in agriculture, various products harvested, and the innovative irrigation system currently utilized at the orchard. The students learned that Catoctin Mountain Orchard offers a variety of fresh fruits, vegetables, canned and bottled goods, including jams, preserves, honey, maple syrup, salad dressing, relishes, and ciders. He explained to the students that the orchard also has an assortment of baked goods, fresh pies, and frozen pies for sale at their market. Mr. Black brought samples of the various types of apples grown and other products sold at Catoctin Mountain Orchard for the students and staff members to enjoy. Following his presentation, students had the opportunity to have a question and answer session concerning the human, capital, and natural resources needed to be a successful entrepreneur.

This year, students throughout Frederick County participated in the first Annual Frederick County

Social Studies Fair. In preparation for the 1st Annual Frederick County Social Studies Fair and the 33rd Annual Frederick County Science and Engineering Fair, Walkersville Elementary School students explored various science and social studies topics to prepare presentations and displays for the fairs.

Second grade students identified products found in Frederick County and researched how resources could be used to produce those products. Additionally, second graders learned how resources have changed over the years. Each second grade class selected specific products sold in Frederick County, and the students identified the capital and natural resources needed to successfully market their merchandise. After electronically researching their products, students had the opportunity to hear presentations by Frederick County business persons regarding various identifiable resources.



Mrs. Jessica Zentz-Ridenour, Walkersville Elementary School Team Leader, recognizes Mr. Chris Black, of Catoctin Mountain Orchard, for his contributions on behalf of the students and staff of Walkersville Elementary School.

Courtesy Photo

hands-on opportunities for learning, with the students.

In addition to the presentation from Catoctin Mountain Orchard, students also met with Mr. Ed Mordan of Beekeepers in Frederick County. Mr. Mordan spoke to the students regarding how honey is harvested. He brought honey sticks, and students were able to taste the different types of honey. Ms. Jessica Siverd, a Walkersville Elementary School Hood College Intern, also spoke to the students about the process of shearing sheep for wool at Ewe-reka Farm.



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In preparation for the Social Studies Fair, the second grade students at Walkersville Elementary School heard a variety of speakers give presentations. Walkersville Elementary School second grade students learned a great deal about Frederick County resources by attending the guest speaker presentations. The students then utilized the information they learned from the speakers to finalize their projects. They enjoyed meeting with business representatives from across Frederick County as they shared their knowledge, and provided

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The Mason Dixon Welcome Center would like to invite the local community to join them for National Travel and Tourism Week. The Center will be hosting three days of this celebration on May 8, 9, and 10, 2014, from 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. each day. Vendors will be set up with information about travel and tourism in Maryland. This is a great opportunity to see the Welcome Center and view their exhibits. The exhibits showcase Heroes of the Fire Service, National Shrines, The Mason Dixon Survey, and Catoctin Mountain Highway. Stop by and get information on vacations and things to do in the great state of Maryland. Don't leave without getting a free copy of their Destination Maryland Guide and 18 scenic driving tours in Maryland. For more information call the Mason Dixon Welcome Center at 301-447-3719.

Catoctin High School Drama to stage *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*

One of the most enduring shows of all time, Tim Rice and Andrew Lloyd Webber's *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* is the irresistible family musical about the trials and triumphs of Joseph, Israel's favorite son. Retelling the Biblical story of Joseph, his eleven brothers and the coat of many colors, this magical musical is full of unforgettable songs including "Those Canaan Days," "Any Dream Will Do," and "Close Every Door To Me."

The show features the talent of Randy Stull, a junior, who portrays Joseph with wonderful depth, a charming smile, and a rich baritone voice. The part of the narrator is shared between junior Katelyn Claxton and sophomore Veronica Smaldone. The use of two narrators moves the story along quickly and gives many opportunities for the ladies to harmonize. The Pharaoh, performed in the style of Elvis, is senior Ethan Larsen. The other leads, Potiphar and his evil wife are portrayed by our very talented juniors, Dan Miller and Meredith Wilson.

The cast is completed with the talents of Cameron Hallock, Kylie Reed, Matt Ochs, Sarah Wolfe, Taylor Garner, Alyssa Imes, Emily Smallwood, Tyler McNally, Maddie Wahler, Justin Cissel, Colton Bennet, Anthony Robertson, Ashlee Leib, Josephine Isaacson, Lily Bean, Bryanna Grimes, Victoria Hoke, Robbie Doyle, and Whitney Grim.

The play is directed and choreographed by CHS Drama Director, Karen Stitely. The music director is Ben Zemostny. The student stage manager is Colleen Slotwinski. Assistant Choreographers and Dance Captains are Meredith Wilson and Alyssa Imes.

The play will be performed May 1-3, 2014, at 7:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m. on May 3. All tickets are \$8.00. Please call 240-236-8141 for further information or to reserve tickets.

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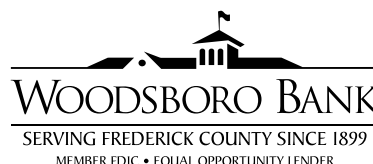
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COMMUNITY news

Thurmont Scouts Retire 700 Flags

by James Rada, Jr.

Flag Day is typically the day when American flags that have served their duty are disposed of in a respectful manner. However, the Thurmont American Legion had accumulated so many flags since last June that representatives asked the Thurmont Boy Scouts to hold a flag retirement ceremony.

"We've got around 700 flags here. It was going to be too much to do on Flag Day," said Scoutmaster Dwayne Snyder.

The scouts had gathered early in the afternoon on April 4, 2014, to fold the flags in the proper manner. They had been shoved into boxes and garbage bags to await disposal. Unfortunately, not all of the flags could be folded properly. Some were so tattered that the red and white stripes had separated. Other flags were a pale remembrance of their once vibrant colors.

"The Boy Scouts have been doing this since there have been Boy Scouts," said Scout Committee Member B. J. Bosche. "Legend says it was one of the first ceremonies the scouts did."

Title 36 Section 176 of the U.S. Code describes the proper disposal of U.S. flags. "We are respectful and dispose of the flags in a way fitting something that is the symbol of our country," Bosche said.

The ceremony began with Bosche explaining the flag's history to the gathered crowd at the American Legion. Fires had been lit in two large half barrels. Scouts added four symbolic pieces of the wood—redwood for American blood spilled to defend the country, oak for American rugged strength, cedar to protect against pestilence, and walnut for the rich soil. The elements of the flag—individual stripes and blue field of stars—were then added to the fire as their significance was explained.

A color guard fired a 21-gun salute and Taps played to mark the beginning of the incineration.

Photos by James Rada, Jr.



A solemn procession of uniformed Boys Scouts, Cub Scouts, and Girl Scouts, along with adult leaders, began adding the hundreds of flags to the fire, one at a time. Once all the flags had been burned, the ashes were buried.

Success in a Big Way — Meet Rick Sharer

Close to the end of 2009, Rick Sharer (pictured right) noticed a blister on his foot from a new pair of shoes. Little did he know where the journey with this pesky sore would lead him. A very stubborn infection soon set in, and Rick was referred to a podiatrist, which began nearly three years of weekly medical visits in an attempt to heal his wound. After consulting with his doctors at Georgetown about his options on October 17, 2012, it was clear to Rick that there was only one option left. Two days later, surgery for the partial amputation of his left leg took place. He may have been separated from his limb, but Rick's resolve remained intact. On December 12, 2012, Rick received his first prosthesis. The day after Christmas that year, he was plowing snow on his ATV. By January 21, 2013, Rick was released to return to work without any restrictions.

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While victory was claimed at the end of this trial, the path through it was not easy. During this challenge, Rick was forced to leave thirty years of fire and rescue service in Frederick County and his vocation as a fire and sprinkler system inspector. Because of the slowly escalating severity of his injury and relentless infection, Rick needed to request medical disability, which eventually led to unemployment when work with his employer became unavailable altogether. He was then faced with an additional hurdle when the first prosthetic's design caused yet another infection. Rick was informed he needed a \$2,000 deposit to have a more compatible prosthesis created; a huge amount for someone surviving on disability and unemployment. That's when Rick went to Seton Center, Inc. in Emmitsburg to see if they could help.

Because of the support they receive as a sponsored ministry of the Daughters of Charity and from grant funding and the community, Seton Center, Inc. was able to provide the funds Rick needed to place the order for his second prosthetic, which were later reimbursed through the discovery of an insurance claim error. However, this immediate emergency assistance was just what was needed to keep Rick moving forward in his recovery.

During Rick's initial visit, Seton Center staff was deeply encouraged to learn that Rick had already applied and interviewed for the position of Power Plant Operator with the Daughters of Charity in Emmitsburg, for which he was ultimately hired. In his new work, Rick walks an average of five miles a day—all without pain, thanks to his amazing surgeon, prosthesis designers, and his own determination. Rick's gait is so unaffected by what could be considered a "disability," that many of his new co-workers were unaware of his use of a prosthetic until two weeks into his employment.

This potentially devastating experience has never deterred Rick from staying positive and reclaiming independence. Among Rick's many accomplishments, he has the distinction of being the ONLY amputee certified by the All-Terrain Vehicle Safety Institute as an ATV instructor in the United States. Working as a co-instructor, Rick is the demonstrator of all the skills needed for students to receive certification.

Rick also serves with the Amputee Coalition as a Certified Peer Visitor. In this role, he is certified to visit with patients who have recently lost a limb or who are scheduled to have an amputation. Rick serves as an ear to hear what they are dealing with and as a mentor; relating to them through what he's experienced and found to be helpful in the recovery and maintenance of daily living.

Rick's success is a shining example of how personal perseverance, support from family and friends, excellent medical care, and a caring community can tear down barriers and propel people toward achieving once previously unimaginable goals!

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If you are interested in having a care package delivered to troops and their immediate family, please contact Thurmont Lions Club President Don Keeney at 301-271-0558 or donkeeneyjr@gmail.com by May 15, 2014.

Lions Club Annual Rock & Roll Dance

On March 29, 2014, the Emmitsburg Lions Club held its annual Rock & Roll Dance, featuring the Rock & Roll Relics band, at the Emmitsburg Ambulance building. The event was a great success.

Over 175 dancers attended and kept the building rocking all night. The Lions Club wishes to thank everyone who participated. All proceeds from the event go towards helping charitable initiatives in the community.



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Check Presented to Blue Ridge Summit Library



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Warren Grove, Jr. (pictured left) of the Acacia Lodge 155, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, of Thurmont, presented a check for \$300 to Lynn Martin (pictured right), President of the Blue Ridge Summit Free Library Board of Directors.

The Lodge's annual donation is to support the vital services the library provides to the community.

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Thurmont Ranked 2nd in Maryland's 10 Safest Places

In a recent research article circulating Facebook, Movoto, a real estate brokerage and information company, published "The 10 Safest Places In Maryland." Thurmont was identified in a three-way tie for second place, with two other Maryland towns: Ocean Pines and Glenarden.

Movoto collected facts from the FBI's most recent crime report for Maryland that was completed in 2012. They compared statistics about violent crime, property crime, and the chance a resident will become a victim of crime in towns or cities with population totals in excess of 5,000.

Movoto summarized that residents in Thurmont had just a 1 in 109 chance of being a victim of a crime as compared to residents in Maryland's least safe city, Ocean City, where residents had a 1 in 5 chance of being the victim of a crime.

This doesn't suggest that Thurmont residents should leave their doors unlocked and their keys in their cars, but this knowledge may allow us to appreciate Thurmont's police force and the quality of our neighbors. We're good people in a good area—let's keep it that way!

Dedication/Rededication Service Planned

St. John's United Church on the corner of Route 550 and Harbaugh Valley Road is planning a service of dedication for the refurbished sanctuary. The original pews were restored, pew cushions added, and the floor re-carpeted.

Many hours of volunteer labor have been invested in this project. The service will take place Sunday, May 25, 2014, at 11:15 a.m., followed by a light lunch. It is hoped that all the pews will be filled with parishioners for this special service. Everyone is invited.

A Birthday Celebration



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Sandy Wormley is shown celebrating her 70th Birthday with her family.

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Worman's Mill Garden Club Supports Community Foundation Fund

The Worman's Mill Garden Club made a \$3,000 contribution to The Maryland Master Farmers Scholarship Fund, a component fund of The Community Foundation of Frederick County. Averaging fifty members, the Worman's Mill Garden Club provides educational programs about horticulture and agriculture to the Worman's Mill community. Part of their mission is to support Frederick County students continuing their education in the fields of horticulture and/or agriculture. The partnership between the club and the fund is fitting, as the fund provides scholarships to students pursuing a career in agriculture. This is the third donation from the club.

For more information about the Community Foundation, visit www.FrederickCountyGives.org.



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Billie Homberg (center), Worman's Mill Garden Club Vice President, presents a check to fund representatives C. Rodman Myers (left) and De Willard (right).

Frederick Chapter DAR Flag Committee Stays Active

The Frederick Chapter National Society Daughters of the American Revolution attended the 109th Maryland State Society DAR Conference in March. The Frederick Chapter DAR Flag of the United States Committee was presented with the Chapter award for First Place for Greatest Number of Flag Events at the Conference. The Flag Committee Chairman, Karen Myers, is a Thurmont resident.

It was a sunny, blustery day when Frederick Chapter DAR members met at Mount Olivet Cemetery to place a Memorial Wreath at Frances Scott Key Monument to commemorate the bicentennial anniversary year of the Star Spangled Banner. A wreath of white carnations, one placed for each DAR member throughout the State who passed in 2013, was placed at the Monument. A prayer was offered by Chaplain Kathy Casto. The group sang the "Star Spangled Banner." On September 14, 1814, Frances Scott Key, while aboard a ship in Baltimore Harbor, wrote of the poem that became our National Anthem. For information about Flag Code, Commemorative events, or membership in Frederick Chapter DAR, send an e-mail to FrederickDAR@gmail.com.



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Chairman Karen Myers holds the Flag Committee Certificate awarded to Frederick Chapter DAR by the Maryland State Society Daughters of the American Revolution.

Thurmont Grange #409 Welcomes New Members

The Thurmont Grange welcomed nine new members into their organization at their March meeting. The Grange is an organization promoting Agriculture on a Local, County, State, and National Level, as well as supporting the youth in 4-H and the FFA.



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Pictured from left are: (Back row) Butch Sharer, Randy Ruby, Matthew Lenhart, Jim Barth, Noah Barth; (Front row) Caythee Ruby, Ashley Ridenour, Hannah Barth, and Kay Barth.

Thurmont High School Alumni Association to Hold Dinner

The Thurmont High School Alumni Association dinner will be held Saturday, June 7, 2014, at the Lewistown Fire Company Activity Building. This event is open to anyone who attended Thurmont High School and to the classes of Catocin High School 1969 to 1972, even if they did not graduate. If you did not receive an invitation, please contact Viola Noffsinger, secretary, at 301-898-9898 or send the information to her at 12510 Creagerstown RD, Thurmont, MD 21788.

The social hour will begin at 5:00 p.m., followed by a fried chicken, baked ham and fried shrimp dinner at 6:00 p.m. The cost for the dinner is \$22.00 per person. No tickets will be sold at the door. Entrance will be by paid reservation only. Reservation payment must be received no later than Tuesday, May 20, 2014. Classes ending with 4 and 9 will receive special recognition.

The winners of four \$500 scholarships will be announced that evening. Applications for these scholarships are received by The Community Foundation of Frederick County each year. Check their website for exact time to apply.

For more information, contact Joan Freeze, Thurmont High School Alumni president, at 301-271-7387 or Viola Noffsinger, secretary, at 301-898-9898.

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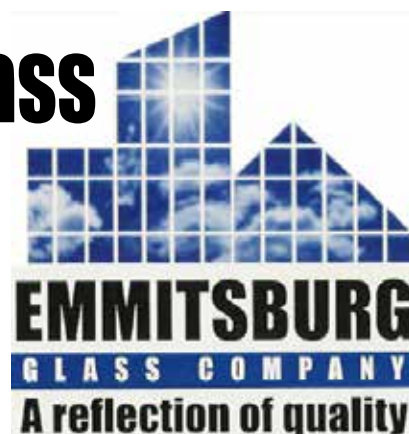
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SPORTS news

Thurmont Little League Opening Day 2014

The Thurmont Little League celebrated opening day for the 2014 season on Saturday, April 12, 2014. Mackenzie Hadeed sang the National Anthem as members of Thurmont Boy Scouts and Crew 270 Color Guard raised the flag. Thurmont Mayor, John Kinnaid, threw out the first pitch to a catcher in costume—the Frederick Keys' mascot, Keyote. Master of Ceremonies was Thurmont Little League President, Michael Randall, who welcomed the crowd to the event and the season, promising “hot dogs, snow cones, and dirt stains that just won't come out.”

Thirty-one teams and about 350 players make up Thurmont Little League and Babe Ruth this spring. The season coincides with the 75th Anniversary of Little League International. Randall said, “We are very honored to celebrate the 75th Anniversary of Little League International with all of the current and past players in our community. We hope to provide an experience for the kids like none other while providing competitive baseball and upholding the ideals that built Little League.”

Teams were introduced, and sponsors were thanked, including WFRE Radio and Criswell Chevrolet. League sponsor, P. J. Roofing, really stepped up to the plate to prepare for this season by contributing invaluable repairs and renovations to the complex. Their investments in Thurmont Little League are greatly appreciated.

Sponsors for the season include Thurmont Paving, G & S Electric, 40 West Auto Care & Towing,

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Members of Thurmont Little League's Athletics t-ball team line up during team introductions during opening day activities April 12, 2014.



(above)

Thurmont's Mayor, John Kinnaid, threw the first pitch of the season to the Frederick Keys Baseball Team mascot, Keyote.

(below)

Teams are introduced during Opening Day celebrations on April 12, 2014.



(below)

Pictured is Mason Younkins, #1 on the HotRods.



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11U Catoctin Baseball Club Finishes Second in Tournament

The 11U Catoctin Baseball Club finished in Second Place at the Hershey, Pennsylvania, "Indoor War." The tournament consisted of teams from Maryland, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and New York.



Pictured from left are: (Kneeling) Zack Whitmore, JJ Zirkle, Hayden Dextradeur, Garrett Mayhew, Bill Heise; (Second row) Colby Horning, Bryson Caballero, Kolbie Romeril, Matt Rinehart, Logan "Yoda" Smith; (Third row) Coach Mike Whitmore, Manager Darryl Dextradeur, and Coach Rich Mayhew.

Town of Emmitsburg Gives Baseball Team a Field to Play On

The parents and players of The Maryland Storm 12U baseball team would like to thank the Town of Emmitsburg for giving the team a field to play on. It will be nice to have a home field for the boys to finally hold practices and host games on. They would especially like to thank Commissioner Chris Staiger for his efforts in helping the team obtain the field.

The Storm is made up of boys from Emmitsburg and Fairfield who were looking to add onto their recreational baseball schedules. The team is registered for the Sunday Travel League and will be participating in tournament play. To find out more about The Storm visit their website at www.marylandstorm.com. To keep up to date with the team like them on Facebook: The Maryland Storm Youth Baseball Club.



Players on the Maryland Storm 12U team include Sean Mazaleski, Johnny Hoffman, Logan Harrington, Nick Wheeler, Nate Roberts, Colten Devilbiss, Garrett Malachowski, Evan Ott, Noah Olesek, Brent Hamilton, Jayson Howard, Rolando Proctor. Coaches Bryan Devilbiss, John Malachowski, Rolando Proctor, Carlton Mazaleski and Rick Olesek (manager). Bat boy Logan Malachowski.

Wivell Memorial Fund

The Wivell Memorial Fund benefits Catoctin High School (CHS) sports. CHS athletes have enjoyed the benefits of the funds generated for this cause to offset expenses, such as the costs of camps for players, team uniforms, and so on. If you would like to continue to support Catoctin High School athletes, please send donations to the Wivell Memorial Fund, 9511 Appolds Road, Rocky Ridge, Maryland 21778.

Catoctin Youth Football & Cheerleading Registration

The Catoctin Youth Association's Football & Cheerleading Registration is now underway for the 2014 season. Early registrants, prior to May 15th, receive \$10.00 off of their registration. Registrations may be completed online at stonealley.com. In-person registration will be held on June 21, 2014 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Thurmont Ambulance Building (upstairs) 27 North Church Street Thurmont. For more registration information, please visit catoctinfootball.net. Any registration received after June 21 will assessed a \$20.00 late fee. Please contact Rob or Sherry Myers at 301-305-1016 or 301-447-3430 for more information.

1st Annual Cougar Basketball Camp

Catoctin High School's Boy's Basketball Coach, Aaron Meekins, will host his first annual Cougar Basketball Camp in the Catoctin High School gymnasium this summer. The camp is for boys entering grades 4 through 9 and helps them master the fundamentals of basketball. Camp highlights include shooting competitions, camp awards, team coaching, defensive moves and positioning, offensive attack, concessions, and prizes. Each registrant receives a free camp t-shirt.

Camps take place June 23-26 (12:30-4:30 p.m.) or July 7-10 (8:00 a.m.-12:00 noon) Mondays through Thursdays. Camps cost \$80.00/session if received on or before June 1, or \$100/session if received after June 1. Mail checks payable to Cougars Boys Basketball to Cougars Boys Basketball Camp, Attn: Coach Meekins, 14745 Sabillasville Road, Thurmont, MD 21788. This camp is sponsored by Catoctin High School Boosters.

For more information, please call Coach Meekins at 301-524-7970 or emailameekins82@hotmail.com.

Emmitsburg Holds Season Opening Games



Photo by Deb Spalding

Timmy Wetzel of the Emmitsburg Rednecks American League Team pitches to a player on Thurmont 2 American League Team on during their season opening game on April 13, 2014.

Calling All Catoctin Softball Alumni

The Catoctin Softball Program would like to invite all softball alumni and their families to the 1st Annual Catoctin Softball Alumni Game on Thursday, May 1, 2014, when the Cougars will take on Walkersville High School at 4:45 p.m. They are celebrating the 35th year of the program, and they would like to include all of you! Please email Coach Jessica Valentine at jessica.valentine@fcps.org to be added to the information/email list. They are looking forward to seeing the history of their success all together!

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2014 Catoctin High School Safe and Sane Activities

The 2014 Catoctin Safe & Sane Graduation Committee will hold a meeting of interested parents of the graduating class of 2014 on Wednesday, May 14, 2014, at 7:00 p.m. at Catoctin High School (CHS) in the media center. Any and all interested senior parents are asked to attend this meeting to assist with food pick-up and other activities the night of graduation.

Event announcements and meeting minutes can be seen on the website at <http://catoctinsafeandsane.com> or visit our Facebook page – Catoctin High Safe & Sane Class of 2014.

On Friday, May 2, 2014, from 7:30 p.m.-1:30 a.m., there will be a fundraiser at Crusaders Bar, located along Route 15, next to Eunice's Restaurant in Frederick. There will be a DJ starting at 8:30 p.m. and a \$5.00 cover charge to benefit the Safe and Sane Committee. There will also be drink specials and food menu items available.

Tickets are now available for a Crab Raffle to benefit the CHS Class of 2014 Safe and Sane. Ten winners will be drawn and each will receive a bushel of No. 1 crabs, courtesy of Rubes Crab Shack of Emmitsburg. Tickets are \$5.00 each, and the drawing will be held on May 14, 2014, at the meeting of the Safe and Sane Committee.

For tickets or other information regarding the Safe and Sane activities, please contact Lisa White (lmwhite88@msn.com) or 240-367-6996 or Laura Imes at imesla@yahoo.com or 301-788-6458.

Don't forget to visit Trout's Family Restaurant in Woodsboro, Maryland, during the week of May 19-25, 2014; the restaurant will donate \$1.00 toward the Safe and Sane Committee for each milkshake, omelet, and dessert sold.

The Catoctin High School Baccalaureate Service will be held on Monday night, May 26, 2014, at 6:30 p.m. at St. John's Lutheran Church, 15 North Church Street, Thurmont, Maryland.

The Catoctin High School Senior Awards ceremony will be held on Tuesday, May 27, 2014, at Catoctin High School, and the CHS Senior Picnic will be held on Wednesday, May 28, 2014, from 12:00-3:00 p.m., at the Cunningham Falls State Park – William Houck area.

CYA Wrestling News, 2013-2014 Season Re-Cap

The Catoctin Youth Association (CYA) wrestling program wrapped up its most successful year ever. The Cougars posted their best winning percentage in history at the annual Mason-Dixon Championships, held in Winchester, Virginia, to capture a 4th place finish out of nineteen teams, representing four states—the squad's highest placement ever at this tournament. Catoctin youth wrestlers have settled for a 6th place team finish for the last three consecutive seasons. The squad had twenty-four individual medal winners, including seven finalists and four Mason-Dixon Champions: Jacob Bell, Braden Bell, Jacob Baker, and Cody Small.

Runners-up included Colby Keilholtz, Ethan Fuss, and RJ Monaghan; 3rd place finishers included Hunter Bradshaw, Ryan Fitzgerald, Ian McLain, Wyatt Payne, Caleb Peters, and Jarryd Rosenberry; coming in at 4th place were Dewey Pittinger, Owen Liller, Nate Schwartzbeck, Connor Smoak, and Dennis Pittinger; 5th place finishers included Keiten Castellow, Joey Risser, and Nolan Brightshue. Peyton Castellow placed 6th, and Gavin Watkins and Riley Hopcraft each took 8th place. The hard work and dedication of these young wrestlers, as well as the constant support and encouragement of the coaches and volunteers, have continued to allow the CYA wrestling program to grow in quality, success, and recognition.

Also for the first time in CYA history, the Cougar youth squad came away with the team championship trophy at this year's Cougar Challenge, the club's annual home tournament. Champions included Jacob Bell, Nolan Brightshue, and Ethan Fuss. Samantha Lookingbill, Zachary Bryant, and Cody Small each took 2nd place. Hunter Bradshaw and Jarryd Rosenberry both placed 3rd.

The Maryland State Wrestling Association (MSWA) held its 11th annual youth state championship in Westminster on February 15 and 16, 2014. Jacob Baker was Catoctin's lone representative, and represent he did. Jacob, wrestling out of the number one seed, was able to advance to finals with a hard-fought, ultimate tie-breaker

victory in his semi-final match. He was able to carry that momentum into finals, edging out his opponent by a 3-0 decision and becoming a State Champion in the 12U, 108 pound bracket. Jacob became the fifth Catoctin Youth wrestler to win this title and joins the company of previous CYA youth state champion wrestlers Colin Schildt (2008), Seth Chilson (2008), and two-time youth state champs Charlie Perella (2010 and 2011) and Zachary Bryant (2010 and 2012).

The Maryland Wrestling Association for Youth (MDWAY) state tournament was held at the University of Maryland, Baltimore County campus, on February 23, 2014. Two Cougar wrestlers came away with hardware: Jacob Baker and Ethan Fuss. Baker was a finalist, but settled for a 2nd place finish. Ethan Fuss sported a near-perfect exhibition, losing only one bout. He was edged out in a close semi-finals match by a 2-1 decision by the subsequent first-place winner. A composed Fuss wrestled back and recorded a first period pin, resulting from a high-amplitude throw during his next contest. Fuss kept things rolling and locked up a 3rd place finish as he ran away with a tech-fall in his finals match. Zachary Bryant, former CYA wrestler, won the tournament and became the 5th CYA wrestler to claim this honor joining Kane Richardson (2012), and Charlie Perella, Jacob Baker, and Gage Randall, all MDWAY state champions in 2011.

Four Catoctin youth wrestlers placed in the Middle Atlantic Wrestling Association (MAWA) district tournament in Waynesboro, Pennsylvania, and all four made it to the finals in their respective age/weight classes. First place winners were CJ Hagahs, Intermediate 105; Nolan Brightshue, Intermediate 128; and Zachary Bryant, Advanced 93. Ethan Fuss, the Intermediate 85 pounder, earned 2nd place. Nolan and Zachary both advanced to the MAWA Eastern National Championship in Salisbury, Maryland, in May, by placing in the top four at the MAWA regional tournament in Shippensburg, Pennsylvania.

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Expert Answers to your Health and Wellness Questions

by George Puvel, Anytime Fitness Owner

Question: I hear that keeping a food journal might help me lose weight. Can you give me some tips on how to get started and the best way to journal?

Answer: Several studies have shown that people who keep food journals are more likely to be successful in losing weight. The simple act of food journaling is an excellent way to bring instant awareness to what, how much, and why you are eating. Journaling helps identify areas where changes might need to be made, whether it's recognizing a food allergy or sensitivity, or realizing that many of your daily calories are coming from mid-afternoon beverages and late-night snacks. Decide on what type of journal will work for you. You might choose a simple notebook and manually log or you could use a smart phone app (like Anytime Health) and track digitally. Next, start logging your food. It makes the most sense to log right after you eat, whenever possible. Be sure to include time of meal, food amount/portion size, and degree of hunger. Be as honest and thorough as you can. It's easy to forget the handful of M&M's at the office or that Alfredo sauce on your lunchtime pasta. Review your journal weekly, either on your own or with a dietitian, to determine eating patterns that are positive and those that need a change to help you move towards a healthier lifestyle.

Question: Can you please explain what Tabata is? I know it's a form of intense exercise, but what exactly do you do?

Answer: Tabata training is a specific type of high intensity interval training that is short in duration but extremely HIGH in intensity. Japanese scientist Dr.

Izumi Tabata and his team of researchers in Tokyo discovered Tabata Training. Tabata's research was done on two groups of athletes: one group training at moderate intensity (five days a week for six weeks for one hour at a time) and the other at a much higher intensity (four days a week for six weeks but for only four minutes at a time). The high intensity group showed a substantially larger increase in their aerobic system than group one, and increased their anaerobic system by 28 percent. In other words, they literally got fitter faster! You can see how this is becoming a popular method of training. The Tabata protocol is only four minutes of exercise but within those four minutes, you perform twenty seconds of extremely high intensity exercise, followed by ten seconds of recovery, and repeat eight times in a row. In order to get the results Tabata saw in his study, you need to work out as hard as you possibly can for each and every second of the intervals (to a place where you literally cannot say a word and do not feel like doing the work again). You can choose any exercise that allows you to achieve the intensity described. Tabata workouts are intense, but great if you are short on time, need to break through a plateau, or you are just looking to change up your exercise routine. You should always build in significant recovery after a Tabata workout (easier workouts the next day or two) and keep in mind that if you are doing Tabata training right, you will not want to go for very long!

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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by Jeanne Angleberger, Shaklee Associate for a Healthier Life

What do your teeth and gums say about your health? Your oral health is more important than you may realize. Dental health is crucial to the healthiness of your physical body.

As a retired dental assistant, I know that keeping those pearly whites healthy is a must. Dental care is near and dear to my heart.

According to research, ninety percent of diseases affecting the body as a whole, including heart disease and diabetes, have oral symptoms.

Regular dental checkups with your dentist may help prevent serious dental health problems.

Gingivitis, or inflammation of the gums, is usually caused by plaque buildup. If left untreated, it can advance to periodontitis. It spreads below the gum line, and the gums begin to pull away from the teeth. A Vitamin C deficiency can cause swelling, redness, and bleeding of the gums.

Worn-down teeth may indicate grinding or clenching. A dental exam can address this problem.

Oral cancer detection is part of a dental exam. Request this exam when having your routine dental visits.

Remember, a small cavity (decay) is easier and less expensive to restore than a super large one. Daily brushing and flossing is required. No excuses!

It's very important to have the child's first dental visit before there is a problem. The baby teeth must be kept until the permanent ones are ready to erupt. Teach them to brush and care for their teeth during the toddler age.

Chewing your food well is important to digestion, another reason to make your dental health a priority.

Teeth are expected to last a lifetime. So, care for your overall health by caring for your dental health.

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Local Rail Service

Along with the raw beauty of this area, the trains add their own mystical charm and appeal. At a time when most rural areas in the United States find their train tracks pulled up or remade into jogging paths or asphalt walkways, we continue to experience trains moving through our area. So, I was pleased to learn about a local train historian, Francis Tortoro.

I was introduced to him at Gateway Printing, where he is an employee. I learned about Francis Tortoro and his expertise when it comes to the history of the Thurmont area's railroad system.

I met with him and the amount of information he shared was overwhelming. As a boy, he witnessed freight trains traveling through Thurmont on a daily basis and observed the operations in the nearby yards first-hand. Two of his life-long friends, Tim Bentz and Michael Eyler, share his enthusiasm and knowledge of rail history.

Rail service began with Baltimore lines in 1852 and lines were connected to Thurmont and Hagerstown in 1872. After decades of takeovers and acquisitions, the current Maryland & Midland Railroad (MMID) was bought by Genesee & Wyoming in 2007. The Genesee & Wyoming is a short line railroad company that owns or has interests in 63 railroads throughout six countries. It, too, has a rich history, beginning as the Genesee & Wyoming Railroad in 1899.

Today, the MMID runs between Blue Ridge Summit, Thurmont, Taneytown, Walkersville, Westminster, Finksburg, and Reisterstown. A map of the area served is located at www.gwrr.com. Today the train cars we see carry aggregates, brick and cement, chemicals, and forest products. The trains run through our area three days a week on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Not much else has changed, though there's talk of repainting and renaming some of the engines and sending four engines to the Central Oregon and Pacific Railroad. In return, four six-axle engines may be added to the Maryland Midland Railway. I'll try to keep everyone updated on the possibility.

A few words from Francis Tortoro, April 2014:

Having been born and raised in Thurmont, Maryland, I have lived my entire life within sight of the Western Maryland, now the Maryland Midland Railway's mainline through our community. Many are the memories of watching massive Western Maryland freights in the 1960s with multiple diesel locomotives on the point, mid-train helpers and pushers on the rear of seemingly never-ending freights carrying coal, cement, automobiles and trailers on flatcars.

Though the passage of time has witnessed a change in ownership of the former Western Maryland

Mainline through Thurmont, much remains the same.

Today, one can still witness the passage of the Maryland Midland freights as they head west to Highfield from Union Bridge, Maryland, with up to as many as six locomotives hauling cement up grade and bringing lumber and boxcars in return for NVR Building Products facility.

Though the frequency of operations and motive power has changed over the years, one constant remains the same: Thurmont continues a 143-year tradition of hosting rail freight service through our community along the famed Western Maryland's Fast Freight Line, providing the shortest route linking the port of Baltimore with the Midwest and beyond.

Tortoro appeared on the George Wireman radio show in 1994, 1995, & 1996. He has written



Photo by Francis Tortoro

several books published by Gateway Printing, Thurmont. Copies for purchase are available at Thurmont Historical Society.

Books by Francis Tortoro: *Western Maryland Railroad Mainline to the Mountain*, published 1994; *Maryland Midland Railroad Mainline Review*, published 1995; *Western Maryland Mainline Memories: a Photographic Depiction of the Past and Present Railway Heritage of Thurmont, Maryland*, published 1996.

Articles by Tortoro: The News Post Leader, Frederick, Maryland, November 21, 1994. Karen Gardner, Assistant Family Editor.

The Catoctin Hope Chest, Moving Forward

Owning an arts and crafts business has been a dream of Deborah Mascaro since high school. There, she studied arts and crafts and knew it was something she wanted to do with her life. She started her business in 2007, above the Goodwill, and moved to a building at the back and across the street from the Cozy Inn in 2008. On March 2014, she reopened her arts and crafts consignment shop in a building a few hundred yards in front of her previous studio.

Today, the business houses forty-two local vendors from Frederick and Washington counties and from Pennsylvania. Her idea is to have a business that supports arts and crafts artists in this area and allows them to earn money for their work. As a quilter, she knows from experience that covering the cost of materials and time involved can be a challenge. She also has a monthly display featuring one of the artists or crafters. Her youngest vendor is 12 years old and the oldest is in her eighties.

Mascaro is pleased with the variety of gift items displayed in her store. Her jewelry selection includes hand-made, one of a kind items, created from authenticated Chinese

Gaming Pieces, painted black Onyx necklaces, Wedgewood pieces and whimsical bracelets made from discarded watches. One section of the shop is set aside for pet gifts. Custom made cathouses, designer dog beds, animal treats and puppy wear are just a few of the selections for animal lovers.

She has a special section for children's purchases. Candles, Mr. Ed's candies, pillows, pottery, photography and crocheted items line shelves around the store. Mascara displays her quilt kits along one side of the room. The list is endless. There is something for everyone with a wide choice of prices.

As for the future, Mascara plans to continue taking custom orders as she has done in the past, but also wants to add classes for those interested in learning arts and crafts. She welcomes the extra workroom space that comes with the new building.

The Catoctin Hope Chest is located at 104 Frederick Road across from the Cozy Inn. It is opened from Tuesday through Saturday from 11-5. For more information call 240-344-0870. A perfect place for finding unique gifts and art pieces for the home.

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Alex Bolinger—TMS LEO of the Year

Thurmont Middle School (TMS) student, Alex Bolinger, was presented with the TMS LEO of the Year Award at a recent meeting of the Thurmont Lions Club. Alex has consistently demonstrated the qualities of leadership and dedication to service. Her volunteer service includes assisting disabled children with therapeutic horseback riding; raising money for many charities, including St. Jude Children's Research Hospital; and working with the TMS Extended Learning Opportunity program. According to Lion Joyce Anthony, Alex "has dedicated herself to being a leader and mentor for her club. She is always eager to support worthy causes and to get members of the club involved."

Alex was also selected as the Lions District 22W LEO of the Year because of her outstanding leadership. District 22W includes Allegany, Carroll, Frederick, Garrett, and Washington counties. The LEO Club program is an official program of Lions Clubs International. Lions clubs sponsor more than 5,700 Leo clubs in almost 140 countries. The Thurmont Lions Club sponsors LEO clubs at Thurmont Middle and Catoctin High School.

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Pictured from left are Don Keeney, Thurmont Lions Club President; Sam Foster, Lions District 22W LEO Chairperson; club adviser Gayle DiSalvo; LEO Alex Bolinger; and club adviser Joyce Anthony.

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TMS Bingo Big Success

The PTA Thurmont Middle School (TMS) Bingo was held on April 6, 2014. It was a huge success, raising over \$3,000 for TMS students! The TMS PTA would like to thank several of their TMS parents and TMS staff for all the donations and for purchasing tickets to the Bingo.

The PTA greatly appreciates all of their help and support. They are looking forward to doing another bingo next year.

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Thurmont Students Win Essay Contest

Congratulations to the outstanding students who participated in the Lions District 22W American Heritage and Patriotism Essay Contest. This year, the focus of the contest was patriotism. Caleb Manahan, a student at Sabillasville Elementary school, wrote the winning essay when he chose Ben Franklin as his favorite patriot. The middle school award was presented to Thurmont Middle School student, Rachel Handler. Her essay explained how she is a patriot—her belief in America and support of American troops. Catoctin High School student, Jennifer Alexander, described in her winning essay how she displays her patriotism through helping others and proudly celebrating patriotic holidays. The awards were presented at a recent meeting of the Thurmont Lions Club.

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Pictured from left are Don Keeney, Thurmont Lions Club President; Jennifer Alexander; Rachel Handler; and Caleb Manahan.

Catoctin High School Students Share Award

Katelyn Mills and Jessica Late were presented with the 2014 Catoctin High School LEO of the Year Award during a recent meeting of the Thurmont Lions Club. Both Katelyn and Jessica spent many hours volunteering in the many club fundraisers and activities. The "Feed the Hunger Games" food drive, Halloween in the Park, Christmas in Thurmont, Community Night, and Colorfest were just some of the projects in which they participated. According to club advisor, Wendy Candela, "They both not only volunteered for most of the events, but took the lead to sign-up, organize, train, and support the club, together committing a total of almost seventy service hours between them."

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Pictured from left are Katelyn Mills and Jessica Late.

Sabillasville Elementary Holds Its Annual Science Fair

Sabillasville Elementary School held its annual Science Fair on March 11, 2014. The Science Fair was well attended. Students enjoyed watching volcano explosions and completing a trivia quiz that guided them to many interesting projects. Appreciation is extended to everyone who was able to attend and help make this a fun learning event for all.

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Sabillasville Elementary School held its annual Science Fair on March 11, 2014. Rylee Burd is pictured with her science fair project on how Chickens Hatch.

Mother Seton School Student Advances to National Spelling Bee

There was nothing incongruous about Stephen Hochschild's win at the Frederick County Spelling Bee on Sunday, March 16, 2014. After twenty-five rounds—which may be the most ever for the County Bee—Stephen correctly spelled “incongruity” to capture the championship and win the right to represent Frederick County and Mother Seton School at the National Spelling Bee in May 2014.

Stephen earned the opportunity to compete in the county-wide Bee after correctly spelling “pontiff” in the eleventh round of the school-wide Bee. He's excited to be participating in the National Spelling Bee. In addition to receiving a trophy, Hochschild also received lodging and spending money to help defray the costs of competing in the National Bee. “I was honestly really grateful,” the eighth-grader said after his win.

The E.W. Scripps Company administers the National Spelling Bee, which is in its 87th year. The Frederick County Spelling Bee is sponsored by the *Frederick News-Post*, Frederick County Public Libraries, and Frederick County Bank.



Richard Davies, SVP Frederick County Bank (left) and Geordie Wilson, Publisher of the *Frederick News-Post* (right) present the trophy to Stephen Hochschild (center), 8th grade student at Mother Seton School and winner of the Frederick County Spelling Bee, who will be representing Mother Seton School and Frederick County at the National Spelling Bee in May.

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Save the Date for CHS Class of 1994 Class Reunion

The Catoctin High School (CHS) Class of 1994 20-Year Reunion will be held on September 13, 2014, at 7:00 p.m., at The Ott House in Emmitsburg. There will also be a Family Picnic on September 14, 2014 (location TBD). NO invitations will be going out; a Facebook page named Class of 1994-Catoctin High has been created for the CHS Class of 1994 to join for updates and information. Please spread the word!

Middle School Students Win Peace Poster Contest

“Our World – Our Future” was the theme of the 2014 Lions Club International Peace Poster Contest. The Thurmont Lions Club sponsored the contest for children, ages 11-13, at Mother Seton School in Emmitsburg and Thurmont Middle School in Thurmont. The school winners were recognized during the annual Thurmont Lions Club Youth Night. The winning posters were created by Jordan Manahan and Justin Peters from Thurmont Middle School, and Amina Beasley and Kimberlee Ahlers from Mother Seton School.

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Pictured from left are Thurmont Lions Club President Don Keeney, Kimberly Ahers, Justin Peters, Jordan Manahan, and Amanda Beasley.

Mother Seton School Confers Seton Values Award at Annual Recognition

On Tuesday, March 18, 2014, several area business owners and professionals gathered at Mother Seton School (MSS) for the annual MSS Business and Professional Recognition Reception and Awards Ceremony. The event was given in their honor to show appreciation for the support that the business and professional community give to MSS throughout the year.

“It is a privilege for our school community to honor the dedication and contributions of our business and professional partners,” said Sr. JoAnne Goecke, D.C., principal of MSS. “Their long standing dedication and contributions to the educational mission of Mother Seton School is a treasure not only for our school but the entire community.”

Awardees were Dr. Thomas Powell, President of Mount St. Mary's University, and Tony Testa, owner of Rocky's Pizza in Thurmont. Dr. Powell and Mr. Testa were each presented with the 2014 Seton Values Award, which is given to one business and one professional in recognition for their outstanding

support to Mother Seton School and to continuing the legacy of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton.

Dr. Powell has been President of Mount St. Mary's since 2003, and was recently reappointed for another two years. His wife, Irene, is the coordinator of the Mount Family Association. Dr. Powell expressed his gratitude for the award in remarks made to the crowd, but also emphasized that his work isn't done. “Receiving the award is the easy part,” he said. “However, what really matters is what happens after the award is received. For me, this award requires my continued resolve to live my life more like St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, to try my best to exemplify her life and her commitment as a servant and leader. To be more like St. Elizabeth Ann Seton means to be more willing to say ‘yes’ when God calls. For me, it means that ‘no’ is not an option.”

Mr. Testa has owned Rocky's Pizza in Thurmont for twenty-four years. He and wife, Assunta (Tina), immigrated to the United States from Napoli, Italy, in 1985. His support



(right)

Mother Seton School honored Dr. Thomas Powell, President of Mount St. Mary's University, with the Seton Values Award for his support of the school's mission. Pictured from left are Sr. JoAnne Goecke, D.C., Principal; Dr. Thomas Powell; and Irene Powell.

(left)

Mother Seton School honored Tony Testa, owner of Rocky's Pizza of Thurmont, with the Seton Values Award for his support of the school's mission. Pictured from left are Sr. JoAnne Goecke, D.C., Principal; Tony Testa; Assunta (Tina) Testa; and Debbie Frazier, MSS Staff Member.

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of Mother Seton School is just one of the ways in which he gives back to the community. He was surprised and delighted by the award. “It was very nice to receive this award,” he said. “I'm grateful to be honored in such a way.” He added that he was happy to support the school and would continue to do so in the future.

Goecke acknowledged how grateful she was for the support from local businesses and professionals, most especially from Dr. Powell and Mr. Testa and his wife. “The leadership, dedication, and generosity of the Testas and Dr. Powell and the Mount Community are models for our students to strive to emulate.”

Teacher of the Year Finalists

Congratulations to the 2014 Thurmont Lions Club Teacher of the Year finalists. The reception for the nominees was held recently at Catoctin High. Pictured (below) are the finalists from each school: Doug Williams, Catoctin High; Laura Estep, Thurmont Elementary; Mike Franklin, Catoctin High; Donna Schisler, Mother Seton; Susan Valenti, Emmitsburg Elementary; and Susan Guissinger, Lewistown Elementary.

The following teachers were not available for photo: Mary Quealy, Thurmont Middle; Rachel Hamscher, Thurmont Primary; and Barbara Doney, Sabillasville Elementary. The 2014 Thurmont Lions Club Teacher of the Year will be announced in May.

Other outstanding teachers who received nominations were: (from Mother Seton School) Claire Beccue, Leah Bennett, Sister Ann Clair Rhoads, and Danielle Kuykendall; (from Lewistown Elementary) Julie Skowronski; (from Thurmont Middle) Lori Reginer, Gerty Lambert, Natalie Weinmann, Bethany Webster, Susan Mize, Berna LaForce, Jilian Johnson, Alicia Kuchinsky, Richard Fagan, Jeffrey Entwistle; (from Catoctin High) Theresa Hutchinson, Mary Ellen Newcomb, Susan Weaver; (from Thurmont Elementary) Bev Adams, Craig Scharp; (from Emmitsburg Elementary) Teresa Krantz, Adam Satterlee, Larissa Keller, Karen Adams, Justin Stone.



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"Education is the passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to those who prepare for it today."



Congratulations...
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Encouraging Future Scientists

by James Rada, Jr.

Students at Thurmont Elementary School (TES) are building rockets and robots and doing it for fun.

The STEM Club, which meets after school on Wednesday afternoons, works to make science and technology interesting and keep students engaged.

"It's not really about what you're doing, but how you go about teaching and learning," said Robert Scharp, a science teacher at the school who runs the STEM Club. STEM stands for Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics.

The Maryland Department of Education has eight STEM goals that Scharp incorporates into each project the group undertakes.

Because of the strong interest in the club's activities, fifteen to twenty students rotate through the club in eight-week intervals. Each group has enough time to complete two

projects during their time in the club. In March, work groups of two or three students designed air-powered rockets capable of accurately hitting a target at a given distance, and built programmable robots.

Another aspect of teaching STEM is that it crosses disciplines, incorporating writing, science, and math.

"I like technology because you discover new things," said student Sophia Degennaro. "There are so many things—TVs, computers, and a lot of stuff that we take for granted—that wouldn't be here if it wasn't for science."

She and her work partner, Paige Baker, tested their small rocket, constructed from plastic straws, clay, paper, tape, and a balloon. The rocket quickly crashed to the floor after its launch, and Sophia and Paige decided

Art Angels Learn Service Through Art

by James Rada, Jr.

Matthew Imes, an 8th grader at Mother Seton School (MSS), enjoyed art, but he didn't realize how much until he heard about the Art Angels Club at the school. Then a friend of his got him to join the club. "I like it," Matthew said. "I got to do more art than I could do in school, and be creative."

The Art Angels meet every Tuesday and Wednesday morning, from 8:00-8:25 a.m. and then from 2:40-3:15 p.m., in the art room with advisor Karolyne Myers.

The students work on their own projects, but they also work on various service projects. For instance, a recent project had the students painting the centerpieces for an upcoming donor banquet at Mother Seton School. They have also designed banners for community businesses, holiday cards, and props for the annual Mother Seton School Carnival. They also experiment with art-oriented technology, such as digital photography and desktop publishing.

"The student can develop leadership skills by leading art projects," Myers said. "They learn responsibility and teambuilding as they work on projects."

Maria Torborg, a 7th grader, got involved with the Art Angels after she did a summer art program at the school. "I like drawing and painting and I get to see my friends," Maria said.

Photo by James Rada, Jr.



Members of the Art Angels are shown working on table centerpieces for an upcoming school banquet at Mother Seton School.

Eighth grader, Julia Laug, joined the Art Angels in the 6th grade, along with some of her friends. "You get to do art, but you also get the opportunity to work on service projects like making holiday cards with the Baby Jesus on them," she said.

A non-art project that the students participate in is collecting soda can tabs to donate to the Ronald McDonald House. All of the service project time counts toward the students' service hours requirement, and they have fun doing it.

"The club is unique, because it combines art and service," Myers said. "We are planting the seeds of charity with them."

A big night for the Art Angels will be the upcoming MSS Fine Arts Night on May 5, 2014. The Art Angels will show off their art work, along with other students at the school. There will also be drama performances and musical performances.

Photo by James Rada, Jr.



Eamonn Law-Knotts, Daniel Dutrow, and Max Moulton work on their Lego robot. Will Payton, Matt Hadeed, and Ryan Horning test how far their rocket will fly.

that they needed to reduce their rocket's weight. They went back to the drawing board to redesign their rocket.

Although this particular project heavily involved engineering design, Paige said her real interest was with chemistry. "I like watching chemical reactions and seeing what they do," she said.

In another room, a group of boys, led by a middle-school student who had been a previous student of Scharp's, constructed a robot out of Lego bricks around a CPU. Once the construction was complete, they programmed in simple commands to see if the robot would actually respond. This proved successful. Their next step with the

project was to work on customized programs for the robot. Daniel Dutrow said that they chose their project because, "We wanted to figure out how to build a robot." And that is one of the goals of the club. It encourages students to experiment and find ways to solve engineering problems.

Pack 727's Blue and Gold Dinner was "Out of this World"

Cub Scouts from Emmitsburg's 727 Pack had quite the surprise during their annual Blue and Gold dinner: Visitors from a galaxy far, far away. Cub Master, Doug Lowe, invited re-enactors from Rebel Legion, Terrapin Base, an international organization whose members dress up as *Star Wars* characters for charity events. The *Star Wars* team mingled with the scouts, had their photos taken, and judged the father-son, spaced-themed cakes. The Blue and Gold dinner is where rank advancements from a year's worth of work take place. Pack 727 is sponsored by St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Emmitsburg.

Courtesy Photo



Pictured are: (Back row) ATAT Pilot, Hans Solo, Obi Kenobi, Jedi Knight, Tie Pilot, and Jango Fett; (Front row) R2D2, Luke Buchheister, Finn Ridenour, Chris Yingling Jr, Blaise Ridenour, Timmy McCarthy, Jonah Longenecker, Jack Guinan, Nicholas Lowe, Brendan Guinan, Ethan Taylor, Joel Miller, Hayden McKenney, and Dominic McKenney.

Easter Photos



(right)

Adeline Harper Ridenour, daughter of John Ridenour and Jessica Zentz-Ridenour, searches for eggs at a local Easter Egg Hunt.



(left)

Jen Terry's Easter photo.



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looking back — 1889

“Thurmont Under Water”

by James Rada, Jr.

The rain started on May 31, 1889. According to the *Catoctin Clarion*, it fell steadily, but not particularly heavily throughout the evening and overnight. Then around 10:00 a.m. on Friday morning, “the stratum of warm moist air over the mountains was reached by the cold current, when came the fall that turned our streams into seething rivers,” the *Clarion* reported.

The result was a “phenomenal precipitation” that included—according to eyewitness reports—at least two frogs falling from the sky. Hunting Creek and Owens Creek quickly breached their banks.

It was a cause for concern, though most people in Thurmont would not have known why at the time. About 120 miles northwest of Thurmont, the same rains that were now pounding Thurmont had contributed to the collapse of a dam in Johnstown, Pennsylvania, which led to the Great Johnstown Flood and the loss of more than 2,200 lives. While the dam’s collapse intensified the effect of the flooding in Johnstown, the *Clarion* noted, “There can be no doubt about it, never in our experience had we seen water fall in such astounding quantity. Seeing it, one could readily understand how the mountain rain-sheds furnished the torrents that poured out of the gorges west of town.”

West Main Street became a rushing river. Small out buildings were washed away, as were top soil

and gardens. At William Lidie’s home, water poured in the windows and piles of rocks replaced his once-thriving orchards. The flood also left his spring covered over.

Along the Frederick and Emmitsburg Turnpike, other homes suffered damage. The flooding led W.L. Shaffer’s cellar filled in with mud. Water Street Extended lived up to its name as it became a river.

“In our town at about 10 o’clock on Friday night an alarm was given that some families and a large amount of live stock was in danger, and wading in the water in some places waist deep, several families were carried from their homes,” the *Clarion* reported.

Many hogs were carried away in the flooding, though it seems that horses and cows were heavy enough and tall enough to generally make it to the safety of high ground. Sometimes, they had to be encouraged to flee, though.

“The editor of *The Clarion* gained lots of cheap notoriety by losing his foothold in the current while urging a badly frightened cow to flee from the destroying element: he was grabbed and pulled out valiantly by Mr. Charles G. Black, who to render the scene more tragic ducked the lantern under the water and enveloped the result in doubt and darkness,” the newspaper reported.

The speed and power of the water was astounding. The newspaper noted that a large flat rock near William Flohr’s house couldn’t be

moved by two horses, but after the flood, the stone was gone, washed away.

Though no one seems to have been killed, there were some close calls. William Miller, a teacher, went wading in the water looking for cattle. He slipped and fell into the river, but managed to catch a tree branch and pull himself to safety. However, he was forced to remain in the rain overnight and pray that the roots held firm. The next day, Joshua Ohler attempted to rescue Miller in a boat, but it capsized, throwing Ohler into the river. He also managed to grab onto a nearby tree and climb to safety, but the two men still had to wait hours before another rescue attempt could be successfully completed.

“Only those who have seen the rush of water in a flooded mountain stream have even a remote idea of the fierceness of its current. Our stream passes along here with a fall of 100 feet to the mile and its fury on last Friday was calculated to tame those who approached it,” the *Clarion* reported.

Roads and bridges were washed away. Miller’s Bridge, which had stood for fifty years at the time, was pushed from its foundation and floated down river until it smashed

to shore near the Creagerstown and Woodsboro Turnpike.

The iron trestle west of town that the Western Maryland Railway used was seriously damaged. Another bridge west of it was washed away and a third was slightly damaged.

“Hundreds of yards of track, bent and twisted, spans gaping chasms or life many feet from the road bed under trees and rocks weighting thousands of pounds,” the *Clarion* reported.

One bridge was saved, though. Railroad officials had several heavily laden cars taken to the Monocacy Bridge, which was already underwater. “The cars were shoved on the bridge, the men remaining on them to tighten the brakes. It is believed that three hundred thousand pounds thus placed on the bridge saved it,” the newspaper reported.

Following the flooding, the newspaper reported that the streams had carved themselves new channels.

As the residents began to clean up the mess left behind from the flooding, Thurmont became the terminus of the main stem of the WMRR for two weeks until the track could be repaired.

Residents also realized just how lucky they had been as news of the tragedy at Johnstown reached them.

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by Valerie Nusbaum

Paying it Forward

I'll start off this month by wishing a very happy Mother's Day to my mom and my mother-in-law, and to all the other mothers out there, too. Being a mother is a long, hard, thankless job—or so my mother tells me.

Speaking of my mother....the other day Mom said those six words that I'd hoped I wouldn't hear again for a long time. She said, "I need to go to Walmart." I'd rather get my teeth cleaned than go to Walmart, but I took her. Being a daughter is a long, hard, thankless job.

My mother-in-law doesn't ask me to take her shopping. She does ask me to do some shopping for her. It usually goes something like this: "Valerie, there was something I was going to ask you to pick up for me when you're out shopping, so when you remember what it was, you can get it for me. I won't need it by then, but that's ok." Being a daughter-in-law...well, you know the rest.

Being a wife isn't always easy either. We wives spend a lot of our time explaining things to our husbands. I'm constantly amazed that Randy and I read the same newspapers, listen to the same news on television, and see the same posts on the internet. Although, what he takes away from all that is very different from what I get out of it.

For example, Randy went to McDonald's a while back to pick up two salads for our lunch. I like their Southwest salad and he likes salad dressing. Anyway, he came

home and stood in the middle of the kitchen clutching his takeout bag and said, "You're not gonna believe this!"

He proceeded to tell me a tale about a group of college-age young men in the car in front of him at the drive-thru. One of them had come running from the Weis store with a bag of something and jumped in the car with the others. I was expecting to hear the words "robbery" or "donuts" but that wasn't where the story was going. The young men got their McDonald's order and drove away.

Randy had ordered our salads, but when he pulled up to the pay window, the cashier told him that the young men had paid for our order. Poor Randy. He had never heard of "paying it forward," so he thought it was some kind of hoax. He looked around for the reality TV cameras. He told me that by the time he got to the other window and picked up our order (which he was convinced had been poisoned), the carload of young men was nowhere to be found. He couldn't chase them down to ask what the heck they were up to. My poor hubby was so distressed when he got home that it took me quite a while to calm him down.

I sat him down and explained to him that something really nice had just happened, and we should be grateful. I detailed the whole "Pay It Forward" concept for him, and he swore he'd never heard of it. I

shouldn't have asked him, but I did it anyway. I asked, "Did you, by any chance, pay for the person in line behind you?" I got a blank stare in answer.

"Why would I do that?" he said. "They might have ordered fifty Big Macs." Then, I literally saw the light go on behind his eyes as he made the connection. "Oh man. Now I feel bad." I told him that he should feel bad, because the pay-it-forward chain had probably been going on for something like fourteen hours and he had broken it. We wives get our jollies where we can, right ladies?

I suggested all kinds of ways that Randy could make it even, such as paying for someone in the grocery line, or offering to buy someone's meal at a restaurant. He could get a bouquet of flowers and hand them to someone, but he said he'd be afraid he'd get arrested for doing that. He has a point. Anyway, there are lots of ways he can make it up to the universe. I don't want him worrying about Karma coming down on him, but it was pretty funny that day. I enjoyed my salad all the more knowing that someone had been so thoughtful. Randy still thinks it might have been some sort of college project, and that the guys were hiding somewhere and documenting his reaction. It's possible. I prefer to think that sometimes people can be nice.

I also prefer to believe that the movie *Titanic* was a love story. Randy says the movie is about a big ship that hits an iceberg, because the captain isn't too bright.

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by James Rada, Jr.

Baby Pygmy Goat

An adorable baby pygmy goat arrives at Catoctin Zoo...

Taylor Mathena of Westminster celebrated his third birthday at the Catoctin Wildlife Preserve and Zoo, located in Thurmont. While he is just a young boy, he saw animals that were even younger than him. Spring means new animals at the zoo, and Taylor enjoyed petting the month-old African pygmy goats.

"Sometimes, they will have a litter of two and occasionally three, but first-time mothers usually have only one," said Richard Hahn, executive director of the Catoctin Wildlife Preserve.

Pygmy goats are small, domestic goats. Often they are kept as pets, but they can also be used to produce milk.

Males may grow to be about two-feet tall at their withers and eighty-six pounds. The females are slightly smaller, growing to weigh around seventy-five pounds. The small herd at the zoo has grown by three this year with new births. Pygmy goats can give birth twice a year when they are as young as a year old. "They are very precocious and active when they are young," Hahn said.

African pygmy goats are originally from West Africa, but Europe and the United States began importing them in the 1950s for zoos and research facilities. Because of their friendliness and good-natured personalities, private citizens began breeding them.

Photo by James Rada, Jr.



Casey Mathena of Westminster, with her children, Ryder Mathena and Taylor Mathena, take delight in meeting the month-old African pygmy goat.

Pygmy goats are fairly adaptable to different climates. However, the Catoctin Wildlife Preserve is a "fusion-fission" zoo, according to Hahn. This simply means that when the weather turns cold, the animals are moved indoors to heated buildings and kept there until the temperatures warm up.

"We keep the goats outside until the snow falls," Hahn said. "Then we move them into the barn. They are more comfortable and it's easier to care for them that way."

The Catoctin Wildlife Preserve has a hundred species of mammals, hundreds of species of birds, and dozens of species of reptiles and amphibians that they care for. "We have as many animals, in number, as the Baltimore Zoo," Hahn said.

You can enjoy the pygmy goats and other animal babies at the zoo. June is National Zoo Month, since there are lots of new baby animals to see and the weather is usually nice for an outing.



by Labella A. Kreiner

Catoctin Chronicles

Winds of Change

It's almost the end of the 2013-2014 school year and already our students are making outstanding plans for the upcoming months. Plus, our seniors graduate at the end of this month! In the next few weeks, Advance Placement Exams will be held, and many of our sophomores, juniors, and seniors will be participating in these college-level national exams. And finally, many of our students have reached new heights and will be striving to challenge themselves once again with upcoming certifications.

This past month, many of our students were able to pass their Microsoft Certification Training Exams in Word, Excel, and Powerpoint. Ricky Adkins, Matt Athey, Marialison Bailey, Kenyon Beeman, James Bolin, Madison Bryant, Tyler Cuffe, Miriam Dart, David Dorsey, Jacob Dumbroski, Jordan Eiker, Nicholas Figgatt, Whitney Grim, Danielle Harrington, Joseph Laamanen, Brietta Latham, Hank Lowe, Dawson Norris, Travis Peters, Casey Rickerd, Rachel Robbins, Emily Ruffner, Lillian Shumaker, Kelsey Spisak, Noah Stone, Maya Swiderski, Ryan Talbot, Trafford Trevorow, Dayna Valek, Jammond Waddy, Jansen Waltz, Bubba Williams, and Cortney Wright were able to pass their Microsoft Word Specialist exams with flying colors. Maya Swiderski broke our county record for the Word exam with 977 out of 1,000 points. Jen Alexander, Sam Bennett, Cameron Bolyard, Sam Forrest, Mark Goff, Robert Hood, Molly Janc, Kelly Kaas, Nick Lewis, Sarah Pfefferkorn, Macy Randall, Tony Reina, Rachel Robbins, Justin Study, Michaela Stull, Ed Turner, Brandon Ubiera, Kiley Waltz, Maddie Wetzel, and Brett Wood passed their PowerPoint Specialist exams.

Sam Swanson broke the PowerPoint exam record with a perfect 1,000 points! And finally our Microsoft 3 class had a 100 percent pass rate for the Expert Word exam and included Ashley Grimes, Dakota Houck, Camden Kilby, Peyton Laramore, Serena Lertora, Nick Lewis, Nicole Mavridis, Megan Paul, Zach Rockwood, Karianne Schaefer, and Codi West. Some other great performances included Cameron Bolyard and Dylan Crowder who

tied the county record for Expert Excel with 775 points; Cameron Bolyard, Nicole Mavridis, and Zach Rockwood tie the county record for Expert Word with 864 points; Emmalee Miller tied the Excel record with 975 points; and Megan O'Neill tied Outlook record with 800 points.

Later this semester, Catoctin's MCT I students will be taking exams for the Excel 2010, MCT II students will take the exam for Access 2010, and MCT III students will be taking the Expert Excel 2010 exam. "These students have worked VERY hard to master this technical material and should be proud of their accomplishments!" said Mrs. Campbell, who teaches the Microsoft Certification Training classes. We look forward to seeing these students make top notch performances again on their second rounds of testing this semester.

Dayna Vallek, a sophomore attending Catoctin, is running for the Student Member of the Board, which will enable her to voice the needs of students in the upper areas of the county to the Board of Education. She is highly capable to handle this position as she has participated in our Thurmont Student Government clubs since middle school, is highly involved in other school functions, and is a great example to her peers and fellow students. We are hoping that she will succeed and become a great representative for not only our student body, but also the student bodies of many schools who seem to be "overlooked" in our education system.

Catoctin's sports teams have also been doing well this past season, but updates on that will be covered in next month's issue, as the spring season closes out and summer sets in. Please look out for our AP students as they review for their exams, and for seniors who will be setting out into the "real world" within the next few weeks.

Thank you for reading, and I hope you enjoyed the updates from this month's accomplishments within the "intellectual side" of Catoctin. If you would like to see a topic in next month's article or have any suggestions, please feel free to email me at labellakreiner@hotmail.com. Once more, thank you all for reading and God bless.

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A Tribute to Roger Ridenour

Roger Ridenour made many friends as the patriarch of the Thurmont Kountry Kitchen Restaurant in Thurmont. He and his wife, Pat, went out of their way to make sure diners in their establishment felt welcome and appreciated. The Kountry Kitchen family grew one patron at a time.

In the original restaurant, Roger cooked behind an island of parlor stools in the open dining area. He could interact directly with his friends, diners, and family as he cooked their dinner. He told stories, jokes, and kidded his friends while wielding his spatula or tempting them with a new recipe. Though Roger cooked where you can no longer see him from the dining area after the restaurant's addition in 1999, his antics, and Pat's special hellos, are some of the reason that he, and his family, became such valuable friends to an entire community.

Roger passed away peacefully in his home on March 28, 2014. Pat and Roger celebrated forty-five years of marriage and thirty years of operating their popular restaurant business in 2014. In their eulogy,

his granddaughter, Jayden, and great-granddaughter, Madison, told everyone who attended his funeral service, "he was a good man, and a great cooker."

Roger is survived by their three daughters: Tracy Boyd (husband Bruce), Andrea Shafer, and Sherry Myers (husband Rob); grandchildren: Bruce Boyd Jr. (and Amanda), Beth Ohler (and husband David), Greg and Mandy Shafer, Paris Perez, Bobby, Nick and Jayden Myers; and four great-grandchildren: Madison and Jordyn Ohler, Kendall and Kellan Boyd. In addition, many nieces, nephews, friends, and special acquaintances round out the family. He is also survived by his beloved Pugs, Candi and Scrunchy.

The foundation of respect and love that Roger shared with Pat extended to all. This special relationship does not go unnoticed or unappreciated. In today's world, it is more and more rare to witness such a strong bond that made strangers feel

like family and that nurtured a community.

Pat, Tracy, Andy, Sherry, and family would like to thank everyone for the beautiful flowers, cards, prepared foods, the many blessings, and the monetary donations received. They said, "During a time like this, we realize how much our friends and relatives really mean to us. Your expressions of sympathy will always be remembered."



Sympathy



(left)
Roger Ridenour

(below)
Roger and Pat Ridenour



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IN THEIR OWN WORDS

(The following was sent in response to the featured article about Dr. Harper and Dr. Pickard that appeared in The Catoctin Banner's April 2014 issue.)

Immeasurable Gratitude

The article that was written about Dr. Harper on the cover of your last issue was truly moving, because he has a special place in our family's heart. In the article, there is mention of Dr. Harper reviving a small boy that seemingly drowned. That little boy is our son, Stephen Sunday, who was 14 months old at the time of the accident. While this day was just another day at the office for Dr. Harper, it changed our lives forever.

April 28, 1980, is a day we will never forget. It could have been the worst day of our lives. Thanks to Dr. Harper, our son survived. We never had to go through the loss and tragedy of losing a child. We want to thank him for the son we got to raise and love and for the grandsons we never would have had. Even though Dr. Harper may feel he was just doing his job that day, in our eyes he was our angel.

— Sincerely, Gary and Teresa Sunday



"The right way is not always the popular and easy way. Standing for right when it is unpopular is a true test of moral character."

~ Elizabeth Bibesco

Remembering My Brother, Staff Sgt. Robert L. Joy

Bob is deceased as of January 9, 1994

Robert L. Joy was born November 12, 1924. He was the son of Hubert and Gertrude (Sebold) Joy, born west of Emmitsburg on Fowler Hill, the home place of his mother. He was one of eleven children, second in line. He graduated from St. Euphemia's School and Emmitsburg High School. He was drafted in the U.S. Army shortly after his 18th birthday



in 1942. His basic training was at Fort Hood, Texas. While still eighteen, he was sent to England and then on to active duty in Germany. There, he had duties in the European Theater of Operation. He was in command of ten men in an anti-tank gun crew, mounted with 57 mm guns. He was also responsible for coordination of crew and tactical advance in combat. He was Ammunition Bearer (610), Antitank Bearer (610), and Section Leader (610). He was wounded in active duty and awarded the Purple Heart Medal. He also received five battle stars and his major battle was the Invasion of Normandy, Battle of the Bulge.

Bob, as he was called, was one of seven brothers in the service: John Joy, Navy; Joseph Joy, Army; Donald Joy, Army; Kenneth Joy, Army; Francis (Jerry) Joy, Army; Michael Joy, Marines; Robert Joy, Army.

On his return home on November 3, 1945, he was proud to join the V.F.W. Post 6658 in Emmitsburg.

I remember the day he got off the bus on the square in Emmitsburg. He was met by Greta Keilholtz who carried his duffel bag to his home at 203 S. Seton Avenue, where his family was waiting for him.

— Submitted by his Sister, Gloria (Joy) Bauerline

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our neighborhood veterans



by Jim Houck, Jr.

Richard (Dick) Fleagle AMVETS Post 7 Thurmont AMVETS Son of the YEAR 2013

Neighbors, I am honored to have as a friend and comrade, one of the most respected men I have had the privilege of knowing. Dick Fleagle—known by many in our veterans organizations as Uncle Dick—takes pride in serving all veterans and is an asset to the many veteran organizations in which he is a member. Dick is the heart of Thurmont AMVETS Post 7, and if anyone at the post needs something done, Dick is the “go to man.”

Dick is 1st Vice Commander of The Sons of AMVETS Squadron 7 Thurmont, and part of his job is taking care of membership. This is a job that he does not take lightly, as he pours his heart and soul into making sure everything is done right in aiding our membership. Dick can probably tell you the names of all

our members and, unless they have recently moved, their addresses, also. Dick puts hours and hours into keeping the membership straight. When he knows he is right about something, and someone tries to change his mind, the 5-foot-4-and-a-half dynamo cannot be budged. Dick has great integrity and will follow the rules set by our parent organizations to the letter.

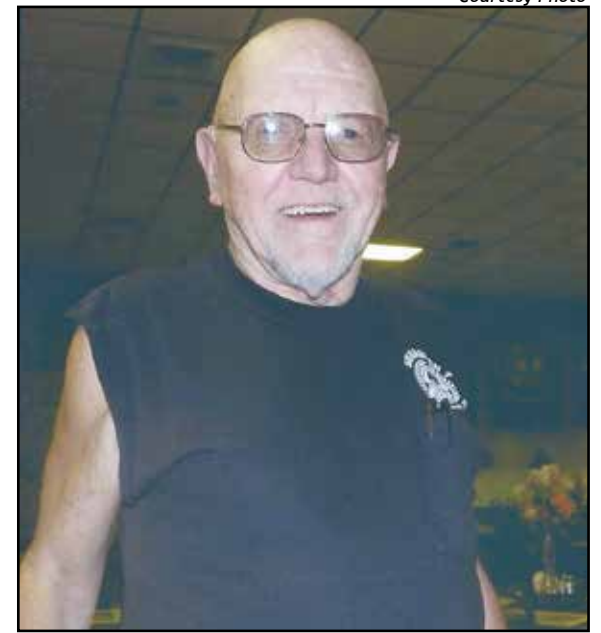
The functions given by our family of veterans, Auxiliary and Sons, knows that Dick will be there helping in any way that he can if possible. Dick will only miss being at any of the events if he had already committed to another event before that one was scheduled, or if he or one of his family were ill.

AMVETS Post 7 held their 1st Annual “Member of the Year”

awards last year, and Dick was the Sons of the AMVETS recipient of the award. Dick was very deserving of the award and was very proud to accept it.

Dick is a member of our Post 7 Honor Guard and doesn’t miss many functions that the Honor Guard participates in. He also belongs to the musical group “The Catoctin Hollow Boys,” and, folks, you will just have to go see them when Doctor Mudcat does karaoke and DJ’s at various functions at the post. The group is well worth coming to see. The members at Post 7 are all so proud of Dick, and it doesn’t take much to get them talking about what a great person he is and how he has helped AMVETS Post 7.

Dick is a member of the Department of Maryland Sons of AMVETS and is their Chaplain. He belongs to VFW Men’s Auxiliary Post 6658 in Emmitsburg, and is a first year trustee. Dick also helps with many functions that the Men’s Auxiliary sponsors. He also belongs to Sons of the American Legion Squadron 121 Emmitsburg, where he is Chaplain and also aides in SAL functions.



Courtesy Photo

Dick is a man of many talents and wears a lot of different hats at different places. He is a man of integrity and energy that never seems to fade. I am proud to call this man my Good Buddy and hope we can remain friends for a long time. The next time you see Dick, shake his hand and tell him you are proud of the things he has been doing for our veterans. You will find out how humble this man is, who just wants to do things the right way.

Thank you, Dick!



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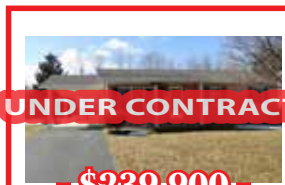
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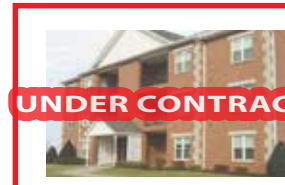
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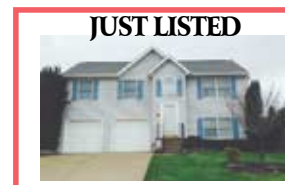
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Thurmont American Legion

by Edwin Creeger Post 168

First things first: Thank You, Thank You, Thank You to our Local Boy Scouts Troops 270 & 168 for the terrific job they did with the flag retirement ceremony on April 5. They folded and disposed of more than 700 American Flags of all sizes—job well done, boys!

Our Ace of Hearts Drawing is up to \$3,000 plus. We have a drawing every Wednesday; tickets are \$5.00 for 10 tickets. The cut-off for ticket sales is 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday and the drawing is at 7:30 p.m. Membership is not required to take part, so come on out, take a chance, have some good food, and have a fun time.

We have a few things going on this Month: Karaoke with Ralph Gann on the May 2; DJ Big AL will be here on May 9; and The Crossing is playing on May 16.

On May 24, there will be a Breast Cancer Benefit upstairs in our Ball Room with The Crossing. The cost will be \$5.00 at the door; bring your own snacks and enjoy.

On the traditional Memorial Day, May 30, there is a Memorial Day Ceremony in Memorial Park in Thurmont. Refreshments will be served following the ceremony at our Post Home.

We still have bingo every Thursday evenings, from 7:00-9:00 p.m. The kitchen is open.

We have our meetings here in our social hall. The Legion members meet the third Tuesday of each month, the Auxiliary meets on the third Wednesday, and the Sons of the American Legion meets on the second Thursday. All meetings are held at 7:00 p.m.

Our Kitchen is open on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, from 5:00-8:00 p.m. and on Saturday, from 3:00-6:00 p.m.

Don't forget: our Smoke-Free Ballroom and our Pavilion is available for rent.

Sons of AMVETS Squadron 7 Thurmont

The Sons of AMVETS Squadron 7 is hosting a Community Breakfast to Honor All Veterans on Sunday, May 18, 2014, from 7:00-11:00 a.m., at 26 Apples Church Road in Thurmont. Breakfast will be open to the public. The cost is \$5.00; \$2.50 for children under 10 years old. All veterans will eat free! Come on out to our breakfast and thank a veteran.

VFW Men's Auxiliary Post 6658 Emmitsburg

Don't miss the Annual Shrimp and Chicken Feed on April 26, 2014, from 4:00-7:00 p.m., at VFW Post 6658, located at 12 West Main Street in Emmitsburg. Doors will open at 3:00 p.m. The cost is \$25.00 per person. The event benefits children in our community.

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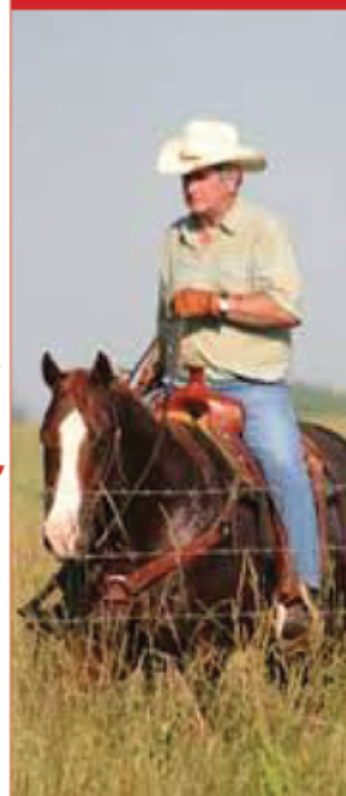
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senior moments

by Helen Deluca

Hello to all Seniors, young and old!

The Thurmont Senior Center had a full house for the Property Tax Seminar. We were expecting Ms. Diane Fox, Director of the Frederick County Treasury, and were pleased to welcome Kathy Shea of the Department of Aging, and Stacey White of the Office of Home Energy Program. Each lady gave an informative presentation of what is available from their department. The necessary forms and directions were and are available at the Center for those interested in filing for credit. If you were unable to attend the seminar or if you need more help or information, you can call Diane Fox at 301-600-1111, Kathy Shea at the Department of Aging at 301-600-1605, or Stacey White at 301-600-2410. Each lady has assured us that you will get to speak with a "real human being," not a recorded message.

Some changes are happening at the Center. George Anzelone now serves as the president of the Board of Directors; Kathy Dowling is now the Center's treasurer. She is replacing Doris Roman who did an outstanding job, but wanted to make a change. Doris will serve as corresponding secretary replacing Eila Tegethoff who resigned because of other personal commitments.

Another big change is our Coordinator. Kay Knepper is leaving the Center. We are sorry to see her leave and she will be missed by many. Our new Coordinator is Teresa Kempisty. Kay has been working with Teresa, and we are looking forward to having Teresa with us. Our sincere thanks to Kay for all of her help, and we wish her well in all she does in the future. Come in and say hello to Teresa.

I'm sure you are all aware that Frederick County Government will also be making their changes. There will be a County Executive with Council members rather than the Board of Commissioners. The primary election will take place on June 24, 2014. There are four candidates from District 5. District 5 consists of Myersville, Emmitsburg, Thurmont, Sabillasville, Rocky Ridge, Woodsboro, Johnsville, and Wolfsville. The Republican candidates are Kirby Delauter and Ralph Whitmore. The Democrat candidates are Fred Wood and Mark Long. If you would like to discuss an issue with these gentlemen, Fred Wood will be at the Thurmont Senior Center on Wednesday, May

7 at 1:00 p.m.; Mark Long will be at the Center on Friday, May 9 at 11:00 a.m.; Kirby Delauter will be at the Center on Friday, May 16 at 11:00 a.m.; Ralph Whitmore will be at the Center on Friday, May 23 at 11:00 a.m.

Reserve a lunch and meet the candidates. Call a day ahead; lunch is \$5.00 or on the honor system. The lunch menu and activities schedule is always available at the Center or call 301-271-7911. Teresa, or whoever is manning the phone, will be happy to help you.

Before I give the list of May activities, I want to clarify the operating hours of the Center. The hours are 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Some activities continue past the closing at 3:00 p.m. The Thurmont Senior Center only closes when the schools are closed because of inclement weather. When the schools are open two hours late, the Center is open on time.

We asked for volunteers who would drive our van to take seniors grocery shopping or to keep doctor appointments. We do have two volunteers, but are asking again because it would be nice to have some "backup drivers." If you, or someone you know needs help, call the Center to set up a time for pick up. The van will be available in the local area, any day but Friday. There is no charge, but if you are able, a donation of \$5.00 will be appreciated to offset the cost of operating the van.

Now, get your calendars ready: I already told you May 7, 9, and 16, are candidate days. On May 8 at 11:30 a.m., Kristen Long from PNC Bank will make a presentation. On May 13 at 11:00 a.m., Senior Benefits will talk about Medicare changes. On Wednesday, May 15, at 6:00 p.m., is the Annual Birthday Party at Cozy Restaurant; cost is \$13.00. The raffle will take place at the party; you do not have to be present to win, but be sure to turn in your tickets. On May 20 at 11:00 a.m., Maryland Recall Phone Service will make a presentation. May 21 at 1:00 p.m. is 50/50 Bingo. Bring a friend; reserve lunch and have a fun afternoon of Bingo and socializing. All are welcome. At 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, May 28, the Taylor Marie fashion show will be held—just in time for all the spring and summer fashions. All in all, May is a busy month; it's time to get out of the house and take advantage of the beautiful weather.



Photo by Irene Matthews

Thurmont Senior Center Property Tax Seminar

Don't forget the pot luck lunch and General Meeting on April 30 at 12:00 p.m. Bring a dish or pay \$5.00. Call the Center to let us know your choice. The General Meeting is an opportunity for you to know or question how the Center is operating financially or otherwise.

If you have any suggestions, ideas, comments, or talents you

would like to share with others, we would love to hear from you. It's your Center, and we are here to make you welcome and appreciated.

Thought for the day: Don't watch the clock; do what it does. Keep going. Take time to play, it's the secret for perpetual youth. Smile, spring is sprung.



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Emmitsburg Senior News

May is here at last, and, coincidentally, it is Older Americans Month. That's us, folks! To celebrate the occasion, we will be holding an Open House on Wednesday, May 14, with Bingo at 1:00 p.m. There will be a Care Connection brunch at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, May 27, and we will end the month with the Senior Carnival at the Frederick Senior Center on May 30, from 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.; the Emmitsburg Center will be closed on that day.

Other special features for the merry month of May will include an evening program, "Backyard Birding," at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 7, and an evening '500' card party on Wednesday, May 28, also at 7:00 p.m. Please don't forget to honor our service veterans, those lost in military action, and others still among us—"the greatest generation"—on Memorial Day.

Regular Activities include our Walkers' group (Monday, Wednesday, Friday), 9:00 a.m.; Bowling: Mondays, 12:15 p.m.; Art Class: Mondays, 1:30 p.m.; Bridge & 500: May 7 & 21, 12:30 p.m.; Strength Training: Tuesdays & Thursdays, 10:00 a.m.; Pinochle: Thursdays, 12:30 p.m.; Canasta: Fridays, 12:30 p.m.; Cards, Games & Puzzles, May 6, 13, 21, and Friday afternoons.

The "Man Cave" (pool room) is open on Wednesdays; call Linda if you are interested in joining.

The senior citizens encourage everyone fifty years of age and older to join their activities at the Emmitsburg Community Center. Persons sixty and over are eligible for the hot lunch program. For information on the lunch program and all other activities, contact the coordinator, Linda Umbel, at 301-600-6350, or email LUmbel@FrederickCountyMD.gov.

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Care Connection Offers Opportunities for Friendship and Support

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The goal of the Care Connection is to create an environment that promotes socialization, friendship, and support. There is no formal agenda, although resource information is available each month.

Participants will enjoy brunch at the Emmitsburg Senior Center, and each participant is asked to contribute \$2.00 towards the meal. The full cost of the meal will be offset by donations from different local agencies and businesses each month.

The Care Connection will meet the last Tuesday of every month, beginning on April 29, 2014, at the Emmitsburg Senior Center, located at 300 South Seton Avenue in Emmitsburg. Reservations are requested to Linda Umbel at 301-600-6350.

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know?

Memorial Day Facts

Memorial Day is a United States federal holiday observed annually on the last Monday of May. It was formerly known as Decoration Day, originating after the American Civil War to commemorate the fallen Union soldiers of the Civil War. By the 20th century, Memorial Day had been extended to honor all Americans who have died in all wars.

Memorial Day is a day of remembering the men and women who died while serving in the United States Armed Forces.

From the practice of decorating graves with flowers, wreaths and flags, the holiday was long known as Decoration Day. The name

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**7 Emmitsburg Rd.
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This 3 Bedroom, 2 full bath colonial has been completely renovated! Laminate floors throughout, main level laundry, updated HVAC with an oil furnace back up, lovely sunny kitchen that opens to large dining room, spacious living and an office/den! Attached apt/in law with Kitchen, full bath, bedroom and living room that has been renovated. Fenced yard, plenty of parking and a deck for entertaining! This is a must see!



**10940 Hessong Bridge Rd.
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**14330 Pleasant Valley Rd
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A MUST SEE! This gorgeous 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath colonial features hardwood floors, tile floor in kitchen, granite counter tops, washer and dryer and new windows in 2008 except bay window was reglazed. Water heater 5 years old, A/C installed in 2013, and furnace 4 years old. Perfect for the nature lover/hunter. Move-in ready! Closet door in bedroom will be installed.



**817 Company Farm Rd.
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This stately country home offers 5 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, a spacious kitchen with ceramic tile, an office, family room, living room, mud room and wonderful sunroom that overlooks the private, 2 acre woodland setting and pool. Finished attic with 5th bedroom and storage, unfinished lower level and laundry hook up in Mud Room. New Roof! This is a must see!



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**35 Water St.
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Read all About It! North County's Newspaper History

by James Rada, Jr.

Editor's Note: This is the first in a series of articles about the history and evolution of newspapers in the Catoclin area.

Although Thurmont and Emmitsburg are only seven-and-a-half miles apart, in the early 18th century, it was probably a two-hour trip from one town to the other. While a person could make a round trip in a single day, it wasn't something people wanted to do daily if they didn't have to. This made the communities neighborly yet very independent. This could be seen in the publishing of different newspapers—a separate one for each community.

Emmitsburg was the first of the two communities to get a newspaper. "The first paper, the *Emmitsburg Banner* was published in 1840 by a Mr. McClain. The *Emmitsburg Banner* was published only a few times before it ceased operation," according to a 1951 article in the *Emmitsburg Chronicle*.

The second newspaper in Emmitsburg was the *Emmitsburg Star*, published in 1845. It was published by C. Grate and focused on literature and fine arts.

These early newspapers failed to find a large enough subscriber base to sustain them for more than a few issues.

Thurmont got its first newspaper in 1860, when Isaiah Wolfersberger published *The Family Visitor*. "The only known copy of the newspaper, a single tattered page dated May 30, 1862. This page was obtained by the Enoch Pratt Library and a photo copy of it given to the Town of Thurmont," according to *A Thurmont Scrapbook: Glimpses of History*. This paper was also short-lived. In the case of the fleeting *The Family Visitor*, the story goes that it was because Wolfersberger was a Confederate sympathizer in a town that largely supported the Union.

Thurmont's second newspaper fared much better. William Need

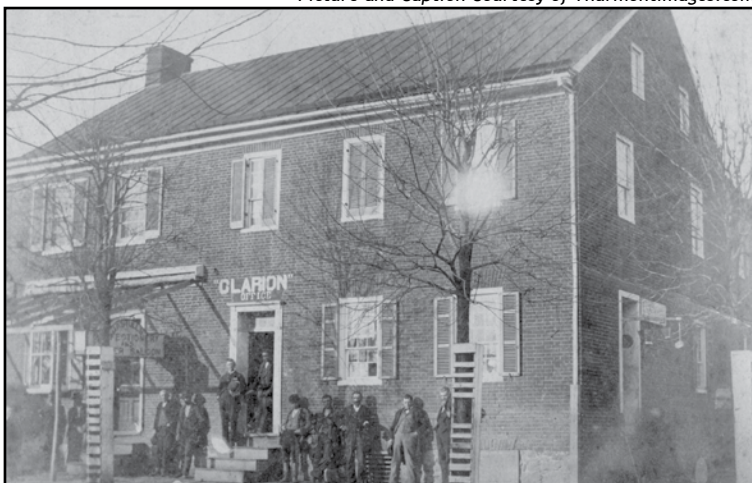
began publishing the *Catoclin Clarion* on March 4, 1871. Need served as both the editor and publisher, but he had to sell the paper because of health issues. However, it continued to receive strong support from the community under new

owners. This is largely due to the hard work of editors like Charles Cassell, H. Q. Miller, James Firor, J. K. White, and Carl Cassell.

The 1870s also proved a good time to start a newspaper in Emmitsburg. Princeton University graduate Samuel Motter started the *Emmitsburg Chronicle* on June 14, 1879, with an annual subscription costing \$1.50.

The debut editorial stated the goal of the newspaper as this: "Our first aim shall be to present the CHRONICLE as a medium through which the outer world may learn our aims, our hopes and high resolves. We shall not try to amuse our readers with rhetorical flourishes, nor with sonorous sentences, neither shall we indulge in meaningless jests, nor silly observations, but endeavor, in an unpretending way to give our readers the current news of the times, with such items of local interest that may present themselves: we shall try to practice the recent suggestion of an esteemed clerical friend, who we estimate as a model

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The offices of the *Clarion* newspaper located in the Osler Building with "Stull's Confectionery and Saloon" next door. Identified are L.R. Waesche at far right next to tree, Git Lidie third from the right, and Tup Lucas standing in the doorway.

editor, substantially, that 'the value of a newspaper consists not so much in what we put into it, as in what is kept out of it.'"

In another issue of the paper, Motter talked about the newspaper's equipment and warned off potential thieves, writing, "Sneakthieves are warned to avoid this office. Go round, be distant. Our weapons, offensive and defensives, consist of a carbine nearby. Our apprentice has a single barreled pistol in his vest pocket; the muscular development of the foreman are just nicely symmetrical. He is skilled in the use of his composing and shooting sticks, as well as, of good solid mallet which he uses in a sinister way; the devil has a way of grinning that is significant of his capabilities; but best and most reliable of all, is our pair of crutches, stout and seasoned, which have sustained us in many an emergency, during not a few years; we are thus in good practice; unoffensive we trust, in deposition, but nevertheless on our guard. Avaunt Ye!"

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The Other Side of Catoctin Mountain Park

by Susan Burke, Supervisory Park Ranger

Spring is here and it's time to get your hiking boots out of the closet and take a hike. Most visitors who come to Catoctin Mountain Park want to see the Falls, but many also want a good vista, rocks to climb, and creeks to splash around in. Some do not want snakes, bears, bugs, or any creepy crawly, yet still want to see nature and all that it offers. You may experience a prize sighting of a turkey or a deer, or most excitedly, a bear with cub. You can closely examine every leaf and twig to see what you might discover. You might find morel mushrooms or millipedes mating. Who would have thought a cicada was so beautiful? Magnificent florescent colors!

So, look beyond the east side trails and head west.

There are many secrets hidden on the west side of the park. One of these is the Browns Farm Trail. Before the park was here, farmers eked out a living in these rocky hills. If you are observant, you can see the cellar hole. Picture the house built of chestnut that once stood on the stone foundation. The Browns raised four daughters in the eight-room

house. There was no electricity; they used oil lamps for light. They drew water from a nearby well for cooking and washing. Today, asters grow at the well, brightening the landscape in late fall.

Don't forget to stop at the sawmill. The streams on the west side of the park provided power for the lumber industry. The sawmill near the entrance to Owens Creek camp ground is a replica of the original mill that stood on this spot. The exact date of construction and first operation of this vertical sawmill is unknown, but it is shown on an 1857 map with the same area indicated as deeded back to 1808, mentioning rights to water ways. The same 1857 map also shows four additional sawmills on Owens Creek and one on Big Hunting Creek near the present day Visitor Center. The sawmill near the present day Owens Creek Campground probably operated until after the late 1890s. This reconstruction of the mill was built by the Youth Conservation Corps.

While you are on the west side of the park, pull into one of the picnic

areas and enjoy lunch. The area is away from traffic, quiet and peaceful. But, of course, if you have a van full of active children, they can run and play safely while you light up the grill and cook some burgers and hotdogs.



Courtesy Photos

(above) The Sawmill.



(left) The florescent colors of the cicada.

Dogs are also welcome, but remember to keep them on their leash.

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Catoctin Mountain Park to Host the Second Annual Frederick County Outdoor School Reunion at Camp Greentop

On April 5, from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m., Catoctin Mountain Park is partnering with Catoctin High School to hold a reunion of the Frederick County Outdoor School alumni as part of the National Park Foundation's Park Stewards program. The Park Stewards Program, launched in 2009, gives high school teachers and students the opportunity to explore how national parks are relevant to their lives. High school teachers and park rangers work together to develop curriculum and service-learning activities benefitting the students and the parks. The Catoctin High students will apply academic knowledge and critical thinking skills to collect oral histories documenting the history and impact of the Frederick County Outdoor School Program that operated at Camp Greentop from 1957 until 1996.

The Outdoor School Reunion will be held in an open house setting at Camp Greentop and will provide opportunities for Outdoor School alumni to revisit Camp Greentop, share their outdoor school memories, and tour this special place with family and friends. Catoctin High School National Park Club members will be on-site to conduct oral history interviews with alumni willing to record their memories as a way of documenting the activities and impact of the Outdoor School program. Former Outdoor School principal Eddie Main will staff a display of Camp Greentop memorabilia. The day will feature opportunities to interact with former Outdoor School students, teachers and principals and to participate in activities reminiscent of camp activities.

Activities include recognition of Outdoor School alumni at 9:30, 10:30, 1:30, and 2:30. Members of Boy Scout Troop 270 will manage a campfire from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. that will be available for visitors who would like to roast hot dogs and marshmallows brought from home. Former teacher Avadna Coghill, known to many as "Pocahontas" will tell Ken the Wardog and other stories at the Rec Hall at 2:00 p.m. Selected camp buildings will be open for self-guided tours.

Outdoor School alumni willing to share pictures, letters or other memorabilia from their experiences at Camp Greentop are encouraged to bring these items to the reunion. Catoctin High Students will scan the pictures and documents and photograph other memorabilia. The electronic versions will become part of the Catoctin Mountain Park Historic Archive. All items will remain in the possession of their owners. Please visit the Facebook page, "Frederick County Outdoor School Reunion at Catoctin Mountain Park" to share your thoughts and learn more about the day's events.

Catoctin Mountain Park is one of over 400 units administered by the National Park Service, U.S. Department of the Interior. Correspondence should be addressed to: Superintendent, Catoctin Mountain Park, 6602 Foxville Road, Thurmont, MD 21788. Our website address is www.nps.gov/cato. The Visitor Center is open from 9:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. daily.

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Tickling Our Tastebuds

by Denise Valentine

Hello, everyone. Well, hopefully that blast of winter that we had recently will be the last of the season. I'm ready for some nice sunny weather. I thought that I'd share a simple recipe for cinnamon rolls that the children can help prepare for a Mother's Day breakfast for mom.....just sayin'!

The funny thing is that I searched my cookbooks for a "simple" recipe that used biscuits, so it would be easy for youngsters to help with the baking. I was telling my daughter, and she said she would look on "Pinterest." She forwarded this recipe to me, and it was exactly what I was looking for! There is no author listed but the recipe is delicious. Happy Mother's Day!



Sticky Bun Breakfast Ring

- 2 small tubes of refrigerator buttermilk biscuits
- 3 tablespoons butter, melted
- ½ cup pancake syrup (any brand)
- ⅓ cup packed light brown sugar
- ½ teaspoon cinnamon
- ½ cup chopped nuts (your favorite), optional

Preheat oven to 375 degrees.

Spray a fluted pan with non-stick spray. Combine the melted butter and syrup in a small bowl and set aside. In another bowl, combine the brown sugar, cinnamon, and nuts (if desired).

Place half of the syrup mixture in the bottom of the pan. Then sprinkle half of the brown sugar mixture on top. Lay the biscuits on the bottom of the pan, overlapping edges (closely together) to form a ring. Top with remaining syrup and sugar mixtures.

Bake for approximately 20-25 minutes or until golden brown. Cool for 1 minute in the pan, then invert onto a serving platter and enjoy.

Follow My Tweet, Friend!

by Ashley McGlaughlin

Using social media has become a standard process in communications, marketing, and promoting businesses. Today, well-known entities such as *USA Today*, *Discovery*, and even the singing competition, *American Idol*, use social networking websites as a tool to market their company across the world. You can Tweet live during an *American Idol* show. According to a Harvard Business Review, fifty-eight percent of companies are currently engaged in social networks like Facebook, microblogs like Twitter, and sharing multimedia on platforms like YouTube (Ennes, 2014).

Social media websites can help your business or even completely destroy it. An average person spends about 3.2 hours on social websites, putting out their opinions for anybody to see. There are about 1,310,000,000 active Facebook accounts today, and 645,750,000 active twitter accounts, according to Statisticbrain.com. Both of these sites allow users to communicate and debate through direct messaging, creative writing, and product promotion. Job seekers can even communicate with potential employers.

Twitter and Facebook are used to post almost anything—factual or opinion-based. However, Twitter is

used for more frequent posting than Facebook. According to Statisticbrain.com, the average number of tweets per day is fifty-eight million. Twitter users can "tag" other businesses or friends, and their followers. This allows users to also view that same tweet. One retweet, and millions could encounter that news flash or idea. There is a star icon in shades of gold where users can "favorite" a tweet. By "favoring" a tweet, the tweet will be saved and other users can then access your "favorited" tweets.

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911, What's Your Emergency? — Continued from cover page

put the ambulance company under a microscope. A close examination of an organization is not a bad thing, as sometimes improvements can be made that will make operations better in the long run. In this case, I feel there is an issue of concern.

So far, the career EMS staff has been relocated from Company 26 to the Vigilant Hose Company. That ambulance has been running first-due calls from Vigilant Hose Company since December 8, 2013. Company 26 volunteers were handling second-due calls until April 14, when all activity was halted after the hearing with the commissioners.

Unfortunately, none of the residents of Emmitsburg were made aware of the situation until a newspaper article was published the day of the hearing. After reading the article, everyone could assume the Emmitsburg Ambulance Company really messed up. We'll get to the volume of the situation in a minute. First, I need to stress the problem. Due to the suspension, second-due ambulance calls cannot be run by volunteers at Company 26, where two ambulances are currently sitting idle. This means that the entire Emmitsburg community and surrounding areas have one ambulance staffed with career staff

running first-due calls.

If that one career-staffed ambulance goes on a call, and the second-due call goes out for another emergency in Emmitsburg or the surrounding 5-mile area, there are two ambulances with engines that will not be started, whether or not there is a volunteer ready to handle the call.

Let's say that I had a life and death health emergency while working at my copy center store in the lobby of the Emmitsburg Jubilee. My co-workers call 911. Let's say the first ambulance was already out on a call. Now, I need EMTs in an ambulance to rescue me. Did I say NOW? I'd want the second-due ambulance that was in town less than 5 minutes away to help me before I'd want an ambulance that is 10 to 15 minutes away to help me. I might really need help! But, now I might die, because I had to wait for my EMT friends from Thurmont, Fairfield, or Taneytown to show up. As someone who may be in need of emergency services, I don't really care about some disgruntled volunteer's complaint. Yet, I do care that ambulances are sitting nearby—not moving when I need them.

Reader, I wouldn't be taking your time to read this article if the

Emmitsburg Ambulance Company had received a complaint about running a safe operation or having unqualified volunteers that would endanger anyone's safety. Company 26 was not called before the County Commissioners because they had endangered or caused harm to an individual. Their volunteers are qualified, the company well-run. Those two ambulances should be operating.

Company 26's President, Mary Lou Little, said, "We haven't been in the spotlight since 2004, when career staff was being introduced." She noted that the problems dissolved once career staff were placed in service, and added, "It was just volunteer pride across the county at that time that caused ripples of resistance to career help. We have a great working relationship with our county personnel and can't wait for them to come back."

In the investigation conducted by Frederick County after they received the complaint, they found that the Emmitsburg Ambulance Company did not meet the county standards in regards to the "10 List." The State of Maryland has 10 List requirements also. To meet State standards, you need to have 10 EMTs in your company, regardless of where they reside. While the State of Maryland's 10 List doesn't care about volunteer


residency, Frederick County requires 10 EMTs within your company to live within your first-due area or five miles from your station. Company 26 is currently out of compliance with the County's 10 List, due to the residency of their volunteers. Mary Lou said, "We'll be compliant in June. Right now, since we're suspended from call dispatch, we're using the time to recruit EMTs and drivers to grow our membership, so we don't experience this problem again."

Company 26 is planning an EMS Day, which will be held at the Emmitsburg Ambulance Company Station on Creamery Road in Emmitsburg on May 24, 2014, from 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. This event features blood pressure and glucose screening, a car accident demonstration, and volunteer information.

About the investigation, Mary Lou said, "They're making it sound like there have been issues since 1998. To set the record straight, we've been meeting regulations since 2004, which is when the county provided Company 26 with career staff. Since then, we have had no issues. We are working on correcting our residency requirements for the 10 List, and we will be compliant before the hearing with the Commissioners on June 19, 2014."

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New Book Tells the Untold Stories of Gettysburg

Most people know about the Battle of Gettysburg, but how many of them know about how soldiers in WWI were trained in tanks on the same battlefield? Do they know that Gettysburg was home to one of the creators of the Studebaker automobile or a Hall of Fame pitcher? Can they tell the story of when 57,000 Civil War veterans descended on Gettysburg to remember the battle or when a different battle was fought before the Supreme Court to try and preserve the battlefield?

These are the untold stories of Gettysburg. They are the stories of the people, places, and events that happened in and around Gettysburg, outside of the famous Civil War battle; and, in many cases, these stories are just as interesting as the Battle of Gettysburg. *The Catocin Banner* columnist James Rada, Jr. has written a new book filled with these stories. *Beyond the Battlefield: Stories from Gettysburg's Rich History* is a collection of forty-six stories and fifty-six photographs that give you a fuller picture of Gettysburg. "I've always enjoyed writing about history and the stories that are a little bit off the beaten path," says Rada.

Rada looks through newspapers and history books searching for his source material. He isn't looking for the "big" stories that have been written about many times before. Instead, he searches for stories that are lesser known but just as interesting and illustrative of the history of the area.

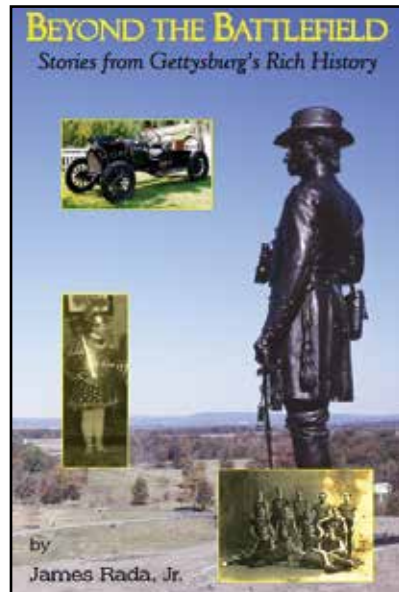
Beyond the Battlefield has something for everyone. Covering more than 200 years of history, you'll find stories of a massive manhunt for a chicken thief, George Washington's visits to Adams County, the hunt for the murderer of a Pennsylvania State trooper, the mysterious disappearance and reappearance of the chair Abraham Lincoln sat in during the Gettysburg Address, and many more. Rada pulls stories from history and crafts them into fascinating pieces that will turn casual readers into history fans.

He writes a weekly local history column for the *Gettysburg Times*, and his articles frequently appear in magazines like *Celebrate Gettysburg*, *Pennsylvania*, and *Pennsylvania Heritage*.

James Rada, Jr. is an award-winning writer who *Midwest Book Review* called "a writer of considerable and deftly expressed storytelling talent." *Small Press Bookwatch* listed Rada's *Saving Shallmar: Christmas Spirit in a Coal Town* as "highly recommended." He has two dozen writing awards from the Associated Press, Society of Professional Journalists, Maryland-Delaware-DC Press Association, Maryland State Teachers Association, and Utah Ad Federation.

Rada is the author of four historical fiction novels and six non-fiction history books. He has written about Gettysburg before in *No North, No South...: The Grand Reunion at the 50th Anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg* and *Battlefield Angels: The Daughters of Charity Work as Civil War Nurses*.

Beyond the Battlefield: Stories from Gettysburg's Rich History retails for \$19.95 and is available at local bookstores, online retailers, and ebookstores. For more information about James Rada's books, visit his website at www.jamesrada.com.



Brothers

by Jerry Campbell



(Dedicated to my niece, Sherry Turner, who helped get the words right.)

Soldier, Sailor, Airman, Marine,
They sat and talked – a quiet scene.
Each spoke of places he had seen,
How he'd survived through thick and thin.
The Leatherneck said, "We're the few,
Each one knows well what he must do."
The Sailor fought from way off-shore,
His aim was good, his guns – big bore.
The Soldier had his buddy's back,
He said, "To win, you must attack."
The Airman said, "Not true, my friend.
It was my mission to defend."
Each one had been there; each had fought,
Each one had done as he'd been taught.
For flag and country each stood tall,
And volunteered to give his all.
They served their nation – served it well,
And caused our hearts, with pride, to swell.

The Winter Snows Have Melted

by Dorothy Coyle of Cascade, Maryland

Winter snow is melting
and spring is in the air.
The birds are courting
and flitting everywhere.
More robins are appearing
as the days go by.
They will be finding nesting places
to raise their young

and teach them how to fly.
Tulips are pushing through the ground,
eager to appear.
Soon daffodils will be blooming;
then the tree blooms will appear.
And let us know that, at last,
Spring is here.

Phone In Heaven

by Linda E. Calhoun



My phone won't be ringing,
your voice I will no longer hear.
But...wouldn't it be great if
Heaven had a phone up there?
I would still call you as I always did,
and we could continue to share our day.
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Oh how I wish there was a phone up there,
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The Beautiful Woodcarving of Richard Mathias

by Joseph Kirchner

How many times in life has a “chance” occurrence led a person to a whole new life, a brand new opportunity, another way to live life fully? This serendipity—making a fortunate discovery by accident—is often the source of meeting one’s mate or even finding one’s life work. And such was the case with a fortunate happenstance that began Richard Mathias on his fascinating journey of woodcarving.

Back in 1999, Richard traveled with his son for a spring getaway and decided, on a whim, to visit the Ward World Championship Wildfowl Carving Competition, held annually in Ocean City, Maryland. Completely uninitiated in the art of woodcarving, he was “amazed at what the artists created out of a simple block of wood.” Thus, he bought some carving books at the event, without the intent of immediately starting a new hobby. However, at the suggestion of a friend, Richard (then in his early fifties) began woodcarving lessons with master carver Woody Miller in New Oxford. He would do so for two hours per week from May through September for the next four years. At that time, Woody told Richard that he had learned all that the master could teach him, and that practice alone would help his student become more expert in the art.

Because he was “always interested in shorebirds,” the first bird Richard carved was a Sanderling. It turned out beautifully, and Richard was hooked! He made a “woodcarving room” in his basement and began to acquire all the necessary tools of the trade. Today, this room is fully equipped, and the little Sanderling that he completed in 1999 is the first of 167 Mathias woodcarvings. (Richard dates each woodcarving, numbers it, and records where each one finds its new home.)

This writer, completely unaware of the art of woodcarving, was privileged to tour the woodcarving room with Richard, who explained the process of creating a fine woodcarving.

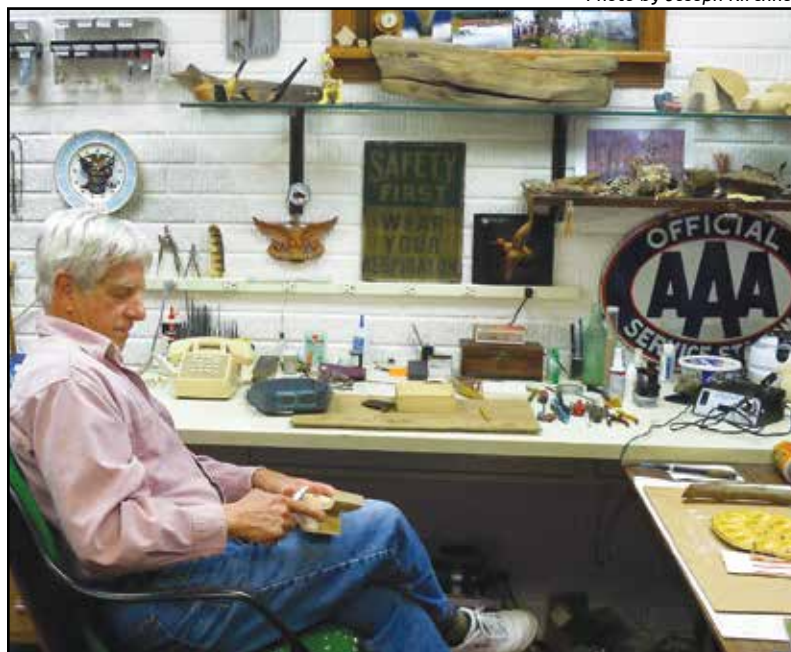
I was amazed at the process, which is very involved and requires a multitude of skills. After deciding on the type of bird one wishes to carve and finding a

perfect photo (for which Richard often uses one of his many field guides for birds), the artist chooses a type of wood and cuts out a “rough profile” using a band saw (Richard uses many types of wood:

basswood, cherry, walnut, maple, oak, cedar, and tupelo). He draws a centerline to guide his carving and to ensure that the carving is symmetrical. He then uses a great assortment of different knives to fashion the wood further into the shape of the desired bird. Then he employs a Fordham grinder (which has over fifty attachments) to refine the carving. If indicated, he then draws a feather pattern and etches this pattern into the wood. Then the artist undertakes a very fine sanding before finally painting the bird (an entire art unto itself) and mounting it on an appropriate medium. All in all, this is a very demanding and exacting process, which takes years to master.

Moreover, Richard employs three quite distinct types of carving. One is “antiquing,” in which he attempts to create a carving “of the past.” This type of carving is not detailed but will have some worn off and/or peeling paint with an aged appearance. A second type is the “smoothie,” in which the carving is sanded very smooth and the base coat painted. In this carving, Richard then paints feathers on the base coat and blends them together while the paint is still wet. The third type of carving is “carved with detailed

feathers.” In this method, Richard carves and sands the bird smooth, draws feather patterns on the bird and then relieves the feathers by using a Gesswein hand-powered grinder. After



Richard Mathias is pictured carving in his workshop.

detailing the feathers, they are sanded and smoothed into a beautiful feather pattern. The feathers are then “burned in” the carving using a wood-burning pen with very small razor-sharp tips—a very exacting process with no room for error. Then the carving is sealed with a clear sealer and painted with acrylic paint. Finally, the artist selects and fashions a mount for the carving.

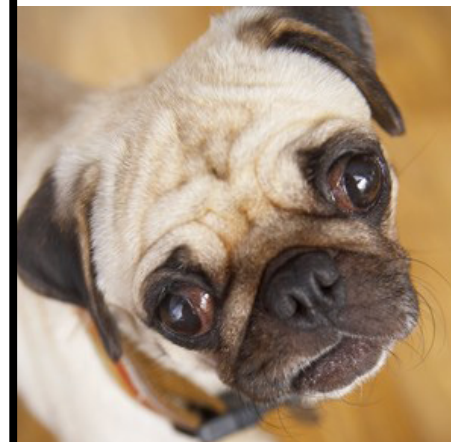
Richard is now a master carver but is not the least bit interested in competitions or even with making his avocation a profitable business. He says, “I find that woodcarving is a very challenging and rewarding hobby, and I only carve when the mood strikes me. There have been times when I’ve not carved for several months.” Richard carves simply for the enjoyment and fulfillment it brings him by creating



One of Richard Mathias' many woodcarving creations.

Photo by Joseph Kirchner

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beautiful works of art. Having seen many of these woodcarvings myself in Richard’s charming home, I can vouch for their great beauty! The humble woodcarver does carve birds and ducks on commission, working for about six-nine months on his projects. If you are interested in obtaining a Mathias original, please contact him at 301-271-7614.

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The Last Trolley Ride

The Last Thurmont Trolley

by Jim Rada, Jr.

February 20, 1954, was an overcast Saturday in Frederick County, with drizzling rain in the morning. The somber weather matched the feeling of many people as they watched trolley cars No. 171 and No. 172 pull out of the East Patrick Street car barn in Frederick and head north. About one-hundred people were crammed on the trolley. This number represented more passengers than it had seen on a single trip in a long time. One report noted that the leather hand straps riders could hold onto inside the trolley cars were as good as new. This was because the cars were rarely crowded enough for them to be used.

The Thurmont Trolley had transported 3.8 million riders around Frederick County in 1920; but by 1940, that number was down to 500,000 riders. With ridership dropping and the popularity of cars skyrocketing, the decision had been made to end trolley service between Frederick and Thurmont. It was the last interurban trolley in Maryland.

"The last interurban passenger trolley in Maryland, the Frederick-Thurmont line, will roll into discard and the occasion can only put mist in the eye and a sentimental ache in



Car No. 172 is shown leaving Thurmont at the Carroll Street crossing at 12:15 p.m. on February 20, 1954, as it began its final run to Frederick, Maryland.

the heart of the middle aged," Betty Sullivan wrote in *The Frederick Post*. "To them the clang, clang, clang of the trolley turns thoughts backward in a time when life still centered in the local community and a twenty-mile journey was a venture abroad to be undertaken with forethought and definite plan."

Each passenger on this final journey had a souvenir ticket to mark the occasion. The exterior of the trolley had been decorated with

bunting so that it could proudly make its final 34-mile roundtrip.

The Hagerstown Daily Mail reported, "Uncounted hundreds of rolls of film were consumed during the event, by dozens of people who turned out at every hamlet along the trolley's route, and by the passengers. Some persons brought along movie cameras. One unidentified man drove from Allentown, Pa., in time to accompany the trolley to Thurmont and back, via auto. Driving along the roads that came closest to the trolley's tracks, he made an endless series of moving picture scenes of the vehicle in progress, because his hobby consists of taking pictures of trolley cars."

Inside, the riders could see one of the reasons the trolley service was ending. The trolley was antiquated. "The no-spitting sign is yellow with age. Some of the advertising signs had been there since the days of World War Two, because they referred to beer that would still lead the field after peace came," reported *The Hagerstown Daily Mail*.

However, the aged appearance of the trolley cars didn't keep the passengers from reminiscing about their time on the trolley during the hour-long ride. It may have even encouraged it.

The Thurmont Trolley began life in 1886, when the Monocacy Valley Railroad Company built a steam train line to haul iron from Catocin Furnace to Thurmont and the Western Maryland Railroad. Two years later, the Northern Railroad Company extended the line to Frederick. In 1908, the lines became electric. Finally, in 1913, the Northern Railway Company connected to the Washington County railroad lines and the Hagerstown and Frederick Railway Company was formed.

The Thurmont Trolley was unique, because it operated on tracks that were of regular width for trains. Trolleys generally used narrower rails. It was this fact that allowed it to have a life beyond that of a passenger trolley.

When the last trolley arrived at the Thurmont station, it was greeted by a small crowd of about one-hundred people. Thurmont Mayor Ray Weddle, Jr.; Potomac Edison President R. Paul Smith, and Frederick Mayor Donald Rice made short remarks to the gathering because of the rain. The trolley then began its return to Frederick.


On the return trip, *The Hagerstown Daily Mail* noted, "Passengers sang 'I've Been Working on the Railroad' and 'Auld Lang Syne' and stops were made at two points—Yellow Springs and Lewistown."

When the trolley returned to the car barn, buses took the passengers to a luncheon at the Francis Scott Key Hotel. During the luncheon, Smith said, "Progress eventually overtakes all of man's previous works. This is true in existence of the trolley car, as it was when it first came into being. The passing of the trolley closes, except in our memories, and to those contributions to our lives both socially and economically, a great era of expansion and development."

Though trolley service had ended, former passengers could ride a bus between Frederick and Thurmont. The tracks continued to be used for regular railroad freight service that continued until 1958.

The Thurmont Trolley's impact on the region is still felt. Because of the power demands for electric trolleys, their existence necessitated the creation of a high-capacity power generating plant. It's this power network that grew profitable, while the trolleys it powered became less profitable. The Hagerstown and Frederick Railway became the Potomac Edison Company in 1923.

Thurmont also turned its trolley right-of-way into a walking path through town, and the town continues to restore one of the trolley cars that used to run on the line.



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Thurmont Trolley Sub Station Building Mural Phase II

In cooperation with the Thurmont Lions Club, Frederick County artist, Yemi (pictured right), is currently painting five new mural panels as part of Phase II of the Thurmont Trolley Sub Station Building Murals Project. These paintings will be printed on aluminum substrate and then installed directly as panels on the Power Station Building that is located adjacent to the Trolley on East Main Street in Thurmont.

The five panels that comprise Phase II will be unveiled in late August. They will show a collage of Thurmont landmarks, including Cunningham Falls, a view of West Main Street, Catoclin Furnace Iron Works, two local covered bridges, and more.

The cost for this Phase II project is approximately \$39,000. Sponsorship and donations are encouraged to support this local endeavor. The Acacia Masonic Lodge of Thurmont has challenged the community to become part of this project by matching donations up to \$5,000—excluding grant money. Contributions are tax deductible and greatly appreciated. Checks should be made payable to "TLCF Inc." and mailed to Thurmont Lions Club, P. O. Box 306, Thurmont, MD 21788, Attn: Joann Miller/Nancy Dutterer.

This fall, a gift line of products showcasing Phase II art will be available for purchase. Items include Christmas ornaments, mugs, wine glasses, and a picture book of the art and history, and will include recognition of donors and contributors to the mural project.

About the project, Yemi said, "It has been such a joy to work on depicting the illustrious history of Thurmont. As an artist, and as a Thurmont neighbor, I am proud to work on this project in association with the Thurmont Lions Club! Thurmont, in my mind, is one of the most beautiful parts of the U.S., and I look forward to showing our beautiful town off to the whole world!"

Yemi attended Pratt Institute in New York City where he received both a Bachelor of Fine Arts and Master of Science in Art and Communications Design. For the years he has been an artist, he has created drawings for more than 100 of the Fortune 500 companies, including AT&T, American Express, *Fortune* Magazine, *New York Times*, Haagen Dazs, UPS, General Motors, Budweiser, and so on. Yemi has illustrated several children's books and products, designed more than 300 postage stamps for various countries, and designed more than 200 greeting cards.

His Girl Group stamps are a part of the permanent collection of the Rock~N~Roll Hall of Fame in Cleveland, Ohio. He has won several illustration awards including ADDY's and Illustrators Club awards.

You can view some of his murals in the Courtyard by Marriot lobby in Frederick, The Common Market in Frederick, and Creekside Plaza in Frederick. His The Pillars of Frederick mural is one of the biggest murals in Maryland at 1,280 square feet!

After Phase II of the Mural Project, the addition of landscaping and benches will make the Thurmont Trolley and Trolley Sub Station Building area into a park-like setting. Yemi said, "It will be a jewel box for Thurmont residents and visitors as well as the whole world to see."



Rebecca Pearl Unveils New Painting of Thurmont Trolley

Courtesy Photo

Local artist, Rebecca Pearl, has created a unique memory with her newest painting "Last Trolley Ride" (pictured right). The painting will be unveiled at her art show in Thurmont on Friday, May 2, 2014, at Timeless Trends Boutique on Main Street.



The show will run from 6:00-9:00 p.m. as part of Thurmont Main Street Gallery Stroll. You will be able to purchase limited edition prints signed by the artist that evening. Children's author, Lois Noffsinger, will be signing her book, and Yemi will also be displaying his artwork. Refreshments and wine tasting will also be available along the Stroll.

Growing up in a family of artists, Pearl has been drawing and painting since she was a child. She started on her career as a portrait painter when she was twenty-five years old, after receiving training at Schuler School of Fine Art and the Maryland Institute College of Art in Baltimore. Her paintings feature landscapes, architecture, historical scenes, animals, people, and florals.

In June 2004, she personally presented a piece of her artwork honoring St. Elizabeth Ann Seton to Pope John Paul II in Vatican City. She was also commissioned to paint thirty-four original illustrations for the book *Red Hat Wisdom*.

The hours for the The Rebecca Pearl Gallery on West Main Street in Emmitsburg are Thursday through Saturday, 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. or by appointment at other times. For more information, call Pearl at 301-447-1911 or visit her website at www.rebeccapearl.com.

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by James Rada, Jr.

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"Buying from local orchards is not only fresher, but the fruits and vegetables are usually better quality," said Pat Black with Catoctin Mountain Orchard.

In late May, you can find the first fruits of the season: strawberries. Vegetables available around the same time include: lettuce, kale, broccoli, cabbage, tomatoes, and squash. Later in June, you'll be able to find fresh blueberries, black raspberries, and sweet cherries.

"What you should look for to get the freshest fruits and vegetables is different depending on what you are looking for, but as a general rule, you don't want anything that looks wilted," Black said.

Here are some other tips for selecting the freshest produce: (1) Use your senses. You can thump a melon, smell berries, and feel

tomatoes for rotten spots. Your senses may not be foolproof, but they can help you avoid some bad produce; (2) If you want to pick your own produce at a farm, call the farm before going to make sure that it's ready to be picked; (3) If you are searching for organic growers, contact the Agricultural Extension Office to see if there are any within your driving distance; (4) For specific things to look for with different fruits and vegetables, you can look at this list of tips from Good Housekeeping at www.goodhousekeeping.com/recipes/cooking-tips/picking-the-best-produce.

While farm stands and pick-your-own orchards offer the freshest produce, Black said that grocery stores have come a long way in providing fresher produce. One of the ways they do this is by buying from local farms. If you want to buy direct from a farm, there are a number of farms and orchards in northern Frederick County, as well

as farmers' markets throughout the summer. "Buying from local farmers helps the local economy," Black added.

The following is a list of some of the produce that you can find fresh by season (compiled by www.straighten-up-now.com):

- Spring: Asparagus, Blackberries, Green Onions, Leeks, Lettuces, New Potatoes, Peas, Radishes, Rhubarb, Spinach, Strawberries.

- Summer: Apricots, Blueberries, Cherries, Eggplant, Herbs, Green Beans, Hot Peppers, Melon, Okra, Peaches, Plums, Corn, Peppers, Tomatoes, Zucchini.

- Fall: Apples, Broccoli, Brussels Sprouts, Cauliflower, Collard Greens, Grapes, Kale, Pears, Persimmons, Pumpkins, Squash, Yams.

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Survey of the Evangelical and Reformed Charge, Sabillasville, Maryland

by the late Rev. Claude H. Corl, Emeritus who was pastor at St. John's Charge in Sabillasville 1930-1936 and again 1947-1974 after serving in World War II.

This survey takes in portions of Adams and Franklin Counties of Pennsylvania and Frederick and Washington Counties of Maryland.

Inasmuch as the constituencies involved in this survey are confined pretty largely to the territory south of the Mason and Dixon Line, I shall give a brief résumé of the two counties involved, Frederick and Washington Counties, Maryland.

Frederick County: The territory between the Monocacy River and the Catoctin Mountains was known as "The Monocacy," and was the earliest settlement of people in Western Maryland. Some Germans came as early as 1710 or 1712. Germantown, now a part of Philadelphia, founded by David Pastorius in 1684 was a rendezvous for the protestant refugees fleeing from the relentless persecutions, which devastated some of the fairest portions of France and Germany.

From Germantown as a center, the immigrants spread over southern Pennsylvania into what are now Lancaster, York, and Adams counties of that state. Many of them found their way across the boundary line into Maryland and Virginia. Some of them settled in the "Monocacy" as early as 1729-30.

An Indian trail from Wright's Ferry, now Wrightsville, Pennsylvania, led through Maryland to the Potomac River. It later became the great highway to the south and was known as "The Monocacy Road." By this route many of the permanent German settlers drifted into Maryland. When they came to the rich lands of Frederick County, which could be rented for one cent an

acre per year, many of them located on the west side of the Monocacy River. These settlers were predominantly of the Reformed and Lutheran faith. Between the years 1730 and 1732 they jointly built the first German Church in Maryland known as "The Church of the Monocacy."

In 1735 about 100 families from the Palatinate, Germany came into this territory by way of the Chesapeake Bay and settled on land which became Frederick, Maryland. These people turned the wilderness of Frederick into a blooming garden. Reverend Michael Schlatter of St. Gall, Switzerland, came to this country in 1746 sent by the Reformed Churches of Holland to minister to the German and Holland settlers. Using Philadelphia and Germantown as a center, he set out upon horseback and visited all of this territory and organized Reformed churches. Dr. Muhlenberg did the same for the Lutheran churches.

Among the German immigrants came many Swiss who have often been confused with them. Harbaugh's Valley, in which two of the churches of this survey are situated, was largely a Swiss community, the first settler being George Harbaugh, a native of Switzerland who came to Maryland from Pennsylvania. He brought a considerable party with him, probably attracted by the mountainous country. They arrived at their new home while the ground was covered with snow. Sabillasville was settled by these people. Many of them were Moravians. The Hauvers, from whom the district derived its name, were Germans. The greater

number of the German immigrants to Frederick County were Lutherans and German Reformed. Many were Mennonites, Disciples of Christ, Dunkers or German Baptist Brethren, and Moravians. A few were Episcopalians.

One of the chief men in organizing the first Episcopal Church in Hagerstown and for many years a vestryman of the parish was Jon Stull, a German. It has been noted that the distinguished minister, Dr. Muhlenberg, when he visited the Lutheran Church at Monocacy, preached at the Episcopal Church in Frederick, which was at the time without a rector. J. W. Wayland, "German Element in the Shenandoah Valley," says, "there has been a protracted controversy as to whether Muhlenberg was a Lutheran or an Episcopalian. It is believed he adhered to the Lutheran church, but had been ordained as a priest of the Church of England. The vestry of All Saints could not have legally elected him rector of the parish unless he had been so ordained."

Washington County, which is the next oldest in point of settlement in Western Maryland, was created on September 6, 1776 by an act of the Provincial Convention of Maryland. Montgomery County was also created by the same act. Originally, Washington County was part of Frederick County and embraced the present counties of Washington, Allegany, and Garrett. As now constituted it is bound on the north by Pennsylvania, on the east by the South Mountain, which separates it from Frederick County, on the south and southwest by the Potomac River, dividing it from Virginia, and on the west by Sidling Hill Creek, which separates it from Allegany County. It is nearly triangular in shape and its southern and southwestern boundary, running with the course of the Potomac River, is extremely irregular. The surface like that of Frederick is undulating and picturesque and contains in the classification of the states' soil that is known as "Hagerstown Loam" which ranks highest in the state agriculturally speaking. Along the eastern edge extends the South Mountain in which is located part of the community under survey.

Since the Western Maryland Railroad occupies a large place in the

community as the map shows, I shall give a short résumé of its history. Of all the railroads that center at Baltimore, the Western Maryland was the last to be completed. Although projected in 1830, its trains did not enter the city on its own tracks until 1873. The Baltimore and Ohio would have been located upon this line if the engineers could have found a practicable route across the South Mountain.

The country approaching Mechanicstown, today known as Thurmont, is beautifully diversified and undulating and embraces one of the richest agricultural regions of the state. Ascending the Blue Ridge from the east, the railroad makes a complete semicircle around the town of Sabillasville which is familiarly known to excursionists as the "Horseshoe Curve." Here a lovely view of the Harbaugh's Valley is obtained.

Before the war Pen Mar (the word being a contraction of Pennsylvania and Maryland) was established where passengers alight for High Rock, a point one mile distant, and situated near the summit of the mountain, whence a view is had of the Cumberland and Shenandoah Valleys on the north, west, and south, covering an area of two thousand square miles of the most charming scenery. High Rock is about 2,000 feet above sea level, and 1,400 feet above the base of the mountain. As far as the eye can see, the valley is thickly studded with towns, villages, hamlets, farmhouses, and orchards and the landscape consists of undulating plains, silvery streams, projecting mountain peaks, and in the distance, the blue crests of loftier ranges. Through glasses, the spires of churches in Chambersburg, 24 miles away, can be seen.

This whole community is fast changing its complexion from a summer resort of unoccupied homes throughout the winter months to that of a community of permanent home dwellers, not the idle rich but homemakers whose daily tasks and occupations take them into the neighboring towns of Waynesboro, Chambersburg, and Hagerstown.

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of the mountain across the Mason and Dixon Line in Franklin County, Pennsylvania.

Before we can rightly begin to understand the community and religious life of the people in this area, we must also investigate a state institution located within the confines of this terrain. There is located at Sabillasville the Maryland State Tuberculosis Sanatorium which was erected under an act of the legislature of 1906. The site of the sanatorium is in the heart of the Blue Ridge Mountains, 1,450 feet elevation, overlooking the Hanover and Gettysburg valleys and immediately adjacent to the Western Maryland Railroad. The property contains 198 acres, embracing almost an entire mountaintop with sufficient cleared land around its base for farm and garden purposes. The sum of \$10,250 was paid for the land. The General assembly of Maryland at its session of 1906 appropriated \$200,000 for the construction and equipment of the sanatorium. The total sum of about \$240,000 was expended in the work with most satisfactory results.

There is an administration building and infirmary, 8 pavilions for patients, each containing 20 beds, a powerhouse for heating, lighting and laundry purposes, as well as a cottage for the farm superintendent and his assistants. There are officers and assistants' quarters, a dining hall, and cottage equipment, a water supply established and the best possible sanitary arrangements are supplied.

Since the first installment of buildings, a large nurses' home has been added, a 520-bed hospital, a cinema, a store, a post office, a chapel, and other miscellany. The group of buildings stand on the south slope of what is known as Loop Mountain overlooking the village of Sabillasville. A special railway station known as State Sanatorium Station has been erected upon the property by the Western Maryland Railroad for the special use of the patients and their friends. The sanatorium is open to all citizens of Maryland who have been residents of the state for a certain length of time.

Camp Ritchie is a sizable military camp and plays a big part in the community during the war where German intelligence was developed. Today a contingent of the National Guard holds forth with a squad of civilian secretaries. The hospital is being run by the state for incurables and running at full capacity.

Harbaugh's Valley

Harbaugh's Valley was first settled by 3 Harbaugh brothers in 1760 or 1761. They came from the Kreitz

Creek settlement in York County, Pennsylvania where the pioneer organizer of the Reformed Church in America, Rev. Michael Schlatter established a Reformed Congregation already in 1747. Being from Switzerland originally, they naturally became identified with the Reformed Church on the first opportunity when they came to the New World.

Previous to 1822, they worshipped at Apple's Reformed Church near Thurmont, and owing to the scarcity of ministers, frequently had their services every 4 to 8 weeks on Thursday instead of Sunday. They were glad to take such spare time as pastors of large charges at a distance could give them. They thought nothing of walking 6 or 8 miles along mountain roads and bypaths to the Lord's House and generally the sanctuary was well filled with devout worshippers.

In 1822, Rev David Bassler, then pastor of Emmitsburg Charge, organized Jacob's Reformed Congregation, as it is written in the older records as St. Jacob's. At first, services were held in the adjacent log school house (known as Herbach's School House), but the congregation erected the stone church edifice in the following year, 1823. Today it stands forth strong and beautiful in its simplicity, an enduring monument to the heroic faith and piety of the Reformed fathers and mothers who reared it in the primeval forest. At the Pennsylvania end of the Harbaugh Valley, near a never-failing spring of excellent water, amid the forest-crested mountains, they reared this neat and massive temple to the service of the Triune God of their Reformation fathers.

Rev. Bassler, the founder, served it 6 years as part of the Emmitsburg Charge. Rev. Elias Heiner served for 2 years, Samuel R. Fisher for 2 years whose ministry was especially fruitful, Andrew P. Freeze for 2 years, William Phillips for 3 years, and George W. Aughinbaugh for 6 years. After this in 1852 or 1853, the Jacob's Congregation was separated from the Emmitsburg Charge and connected with the Millerstown or Fairfield Charge with Lewis W. Kefauver as pastor for 4 years. During his ministry in 1855, the brick church of the St. John's Reformed Congregation was erected in Sabillasville which drew away much of the strength of Jacob's Congregation residing in the more southern part of Harbaugh's Valley.

In 1891 a special committee on the interests of the Sabillasville Charge recommended the building of a church at Highfield in Washington County, Maryland and make it the center of the Charge. The hopes of

the Classis for the development of a strong congregation at Highfield were not realized. In 1899 it was reported that no progress had been made at Highfield, that there was no increase in membership, and that the members were for the most part indifferent.

Other Charges in the Community

At the turn of the century there were in the vicinity of Jacob's Church on the north side of the Mason and Dixon Line 3 other churches. The Wesley Methodist is still holding Sunday School, but for the most time is without a pastor. The Church of the Brethren has since closed and the building was purchased by the Jacob's Congregation and used for a Parish Hall. The Pentecostal group have somewhat split off into 2 groups or churches.

In the Sabillasville area 2 United Brethren churches have ceased. The one in the village has been torn down and the other is still standing but is fast falling down. There is another United Brethren Church at Deerfield a few miles to the east that is still holding on. The Lutheran Church in Sabillasville is still active.

In the Blue Ridge Summit-Highfield area there is an Episcopal Church and Parish Hall. Most of the church services and functions are conducted in the Parish Hall since the influx of summer residents has ceased and the church seems to be feeling this transition.

The Presbyterian Church is active, growing out of first a Congregational Church, then it became a Methodist Church, and now it seems to have more stability being a Presbyterian Congregation. To the south of this inhabited community in sub-marginal mountain land, the Church of God has built a stone church which is very imposing and at a great indebtedness. There are rumors that a small group at Pen Mar sponsored by the United Brethren are trying to start a church. There is also a Catholic Mission.

It would seem to me that this is a very much over-churched community, but as the churches are small, the more progressive have a lot of non-churched material on which to draw.

Farming Versus Industry

The farming is centered mostly in the Frederick County area of this Survey. Farmers are progressive and had, until just recently, produced all the milk that was used at the State Sanatorium. Dairying, in many cases, is being replaced by poultry and turkey raising with a good many going into the fruit business. On these farms many of the high school graduates are remaining within the vicinity of their farm homes but are

working in the shops, factories, and airplane plants in the neighboring towns of Waynesboro and Hagerstown. Some have started their own private businesses like making furniture or upholstering, or working in the garment industry in Thurmont.

The constituency of the three churches of the Evangelical and Reformed Church Charge is made up of the rural and urban types. A great many college and normal or State Teachers' College graduates have married and returned to their old community. There have been a great many new homes built by retired farmers and the younger set who have remained in their home community. Those who have gone to cities farther away still retain their membership here and because of the ease of transportation, keep up a rather active status in their home church.

Health

This community is served by 2 doctors and health nurses who are active in the consolidated schools in the community, one in Sabillasville, as far as Foxville and one at Highfield or Cascade which draws from that sector of Washington County. There is also a school in the Monterey sector of Pennsylvania.

There are about 200 who have Blue Cross Insurance in this sector. The 2 hospitals that serve the community are Waynesboro Hospital and Washington County Hospital in Hagerstown. A few of the residents in the north end of Harbaugh Valley go to the hospital in Gettysburg.

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Steven Dobbin Guest Speaker Catoctin Area Civitan Club Meeting

A recent Catoctin Area Civitan Club program featured Steven Dobbin as the guest speaker. Steven was born in Washington D.C. He has received his degrees from Indiana University, The University of Southern California, and George Washington University in Fine Arts, Ceramics, and Education, respectively. Since 2006, he has taught at the Frederick High School in Maryland, where he started a program to teach life skills to intellectually disabled students and was named special educator of the year for Frederick County. Prior to this, he taught at the Phillips School for Contemporary Education, where he developed an arts program for severely emotionally disturbed children.

Formerly represented by Meyers/Bloom in Santa Monica and by Chi Contemporary in Brooklyn, New York, he currently has "A Lot of Art is Boring" exhibition at Causey Contemporary in New York. Steven's art reflects the concerns and hopes he has for the futures of the developmentally or emotionally challenged students whom he teaches. He often explores the tragic circumstances of their lives and responds to the impact of their uninformed and seemingly arbitrary personal choices. The works often pose deeper questions on how the

next generation may find the world altered due to the political, environmental, and social decisions being made by those in positions of power today. His sculptures are in collections throughout the United States and the UK.

As a Life skills Instructor, Mr. Dobbin teaches students how to manage everyday tasks they may struggle with. He works with students—one-on-one or in small groups—to help them with unique challenges, such as cooking, hygiene, and money skills. Learning these skills helps gain independence and allows them to move forward in life.

The Catoctin Area Civitan Club meets at Thurmont Pizza Hut (205 Frederick Road, Thurmont) at 6:30 p.m. on the second and fourth Monday of each month.

Civitanians are everyday citizens who come together in communities around the world to socialize, learn, and serve their neighbors.

Here in Thurmont, they work hard to meet the needs and improve the lives of those within the community.



Pictured from left are Steven Dobbin, guest speaker at recent Catoctin Area Civitan Club meeting, and the club president, Ginger Malone.

Through service projects, they work with the town of Thurmont and the surrounding area to improve their neighborhoods and address concerns of all different varieties and types.

Some of their projects support their international focus on improving the lives of people with developmental disabilities.

If you are interested in becoming involved in their service projects, or you know of someone in need, please contact the club president, Ginger Malone, at 301-606-6891.

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Thinking Day

Members from Brownie Troop 81114 stopped by Daisy Troop 81224's booth to learn about Costa Rica on Girl Scouts Thinking Day, held in February, at the Thurmont American Legion.

Pictured from left are Miriam Wallace (Troop Leader for Brownie Troop 81114), Ella Hamilton, Emily Erich, Jaden Merrian, and Karen Garst; Daisy Troop 81224 Joanna Genenans and Aliyaa McLain; (Back row) Kelsey Stafford, Ambassador Troop 81200 and Julia Cool, Senior Troop 81200.

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Summer Reading Program

May is upon us, and you might be surprised to learn that at the library, May means the beginning of Summer Reading! We love to get started a little early so that eager students have the opportunity to sign up before school is out. This year, Summer Reading runs from May 1 through August 9; it's a fun, free program that is open to any child or teen in Frederick County.

You may be wondering what is Summer Reading, exactly? It's a very easy way to reward kids and teens for reading throughout the course of the summer. They might think that they're reading for prizes and for pleasure (which, of course, they are), but they're also keeping their skills sharp for the beginning of the next school year.

It works like this: Kids and teens sign up either online or at the library. Once you sign up, you pick up your game board and begin the program. Kids complete simple reading tasks (e.g. read outside, read for "X" minutes, tell a librarian about a book) and receive prizes each time they complete a certain number of tasks. The teen program is slightly different: Teens keep track of their accomplishments online, and they are entered into gift card drawings after each task they complete. For all ages, registering by August 9 enters you into the grand prize drawing, as well as multiple smaller prize drawings. This year our prizes include a trip to Great Wolf Lodge, Kindle Fire, a Sony Playstation4, gift certificates for

movies and dinner out, and much, much more.

Our big Summer Reading kickoff will be held at the Westview Promenade (in Frederick, Maryland, in front of the movie theaters) on May 10, 2014, from 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. This will be a lot of fun—drop by for a free concert by Mr. Jon & Friends, crafts, and your favorite costumed character, Curious George.

Other Fun Events in May

Looking for something fun to do this summer? Summer Activities Fair will be held on May 1, from 4:00-6:00 p.m.

This fair will give families an opportunity to visit informational tables hosted by local organizations and businesses offering fun summer activities for children under age 18. Summer camps, sports activities, theater groups, and more will be represented. This fair is for information only—there's no pressure to sign up for anything.

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2.....Gallery Stroll, Thurmont Main Street. Rebecca Pearl Returns to Main Street for a showing. 6:00-9:00 p.m.

2,3.....Apples Church Benefit Yard Sale, 7908 Apples Church Rd., Thurmont. Benefits American Cancer Society THE GOLF CLUB Relay for Life Team and our church parking lot. 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. ltwing@gmail.com.

3.....His Place Car Show, Mother Seton School, 100 Creamery Rd., Emmitsburg. 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Sponsored by His Place, Inc. Registration: 8:00 a.m. Judging: noon-2:00 p.m.; Awards 3:00 p.m. Free to attend; \$15/vehicle (\$12/advance via bkunh3@yahoo.com). Proceeds benefit Mother Seton School and Emmitsburg Osteopathic Primary Care Center. Rain date: May 10. Bill Kuhn 1-800-529-5835.

3.....Emmitsburg Lions Club Chicken BBQ & Yard Sale, across from Getty Mart, next to Zurgables (corner of Rt. 15), Emmitsburg. BBQ 11:00 a.m.; Yard Sale 6:00 a.m. Space avail. \$5 donation appreciated.

3.....Cancer Benefit for "Country Dave" Shelton, AMVETS Farm, 9602 Baltimore Rd., Frederick, MD. 12:00-8:00 p.m. \$10/person; Kids free. BYOB. DJ music 12:00-4:00 p.m.; Live Band 4:00-8:00 p.m. Donations appreciated. Laurie Wolfe 301-676-9719. Wear green to support Liver cancer awareness.

3.....Wing Feed, CYA Football and Cheerleading at Emmitsburg Fire Company, West Main Street, Emmitsburg. Doors open 5:30 p.m. Music by "Lights, Camera, DJ" and Charles Estelle. \$20/person. Tickets 301-447-3430.

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3.....Nature Fest, Catoctin Creek Nature Center, 2929 Sumantown Rd., Middletown, MD (Fred. Co. Div. of Parks & Rec.). 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Free. 301-600-2051.

3.....Covered Bridge Bicycle Tour, Thurmont Town Park, Thurmont. 8:00 a.m. Sign-up: <http://form.jotform.com/form/2894954237>. \$25/person (if by May 1); \$30/person after May 1. Will Lyons 571-334-6142; Patty Goff 301-271-4555. Benefits Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, St. Anthony Shrine, & St. Joseph's Parishes Work Camp Teens.

3.....Family Fun Day, Breezy Hill Stables, 15117 Mud College Rd., Thurmont. 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Free. Pony rides, moon bounce, & more. Sponsored by LifeHorse non-profit organization.

4.....Saxophone Trio, Trinity United Church of Christ, 101 E. Main St., Thurmont. 11:00 a.m. Saxophonists Lucas Hogan, Matt Lind, & Rocky Birely, accompanied by Trinity organist, Lana Sorenson Emery.

4.....Gospel Concert, Deerfield United Methodist Church, 16405 Foxville Deerfield Rd., Sabillasville. Featuring Mercy's Vessels. 10:15 a.m. Everyone welcome.

5.....Mother Seton School Fine Arts Night, 100 Creamery Rd., Emmitsburg. 9:30 a.m./7:00 p.m. 301-447-3161 or www.mothersetonschool.org.

6.....Mother Seton School Take-a-Tour Tuesday, 100 Creamery Rd., Emmitsburg. 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. & 7:00-8:00 p.m. 301-447-3161 to set up private tour. www.mothersetonschool.org.

6,20..Daytime Grief Support Group, Hospice of Frederick County, 516 Trail Ave., Suite A, Frederick, MD. 2:00-3:30 p.m. 240-566-3030; email lkinna@fmh.org or dwatterson@fmh.org.

7.....NorthWestern Frederick County Civic Association Meeting, Sabillasville Elementary School, 1621-B Sabillasville Rd. (Rt 550), Sabillasville. 6:30 p.m. Neighbor to Neighbor. Everyone is welcome.

8.....Hospice Taste of Gourmet Fundraiser, Holiday Inn FSK Grand Ball Room, 5400 Holiday Drive, Frederick, MD. 5:00-8:00 p.m. \$50/person in advance only. 240-566-3030; visit www.hospiceoffrederick.org.

9.....Mother Seton School May Crowning Procession, 100 Creamery Rd., Emmitsburg. 10:45 a.m. All invited. Bring your own flowers to lay on the altar. 301-447-3161 or www.mothersetonschool.org.

9.....Spring Quarter Mania, Taneytown Fire Company Auxiliary, Activities Bldg., Taneytown, MD. Doors open 6:00 p.m.; Games 7:00 p.m. \$5 advanced reservations - 2 paddles; \$8 at door - 1 paddle. Shirley 410-756-4208.

9.....Spaghetti Dinner, Elias Lutheran Church, 100 W. North Ave., Emmitsburg. Pr. Jon's famous Spaghetti Sauce, Garlic Bread, Salad Bar, Iced tea & Dessert. 4:30-7:30 p.m. \$7.50/Adult; \$4.50/Child; or donation for Emmitsburg Council of Churches Mission to Kenya. 301-447-6239.

9.....BBQ fundraiser, Catoctin High School Track & Field in the Catoctin High School Cafeteria, Thurmont. 4:00-7:30 p.m. Take-out or eat-in \$10/person. Coach Gibbons @ teresa.gibbons@fcps.org or call 240-236-8100.

9.....Bluegrass at Elias Coffee House, 100 W. North Ave., Emmitsburg. The Home Comfort Band, 6:00-7:30 p.m., followed by Silver Lining Band. 301-447-6239.

9,10..Flower Sale & Chicken BBQ, sponsored by Guardian Hose Co., 21 N. Church St., Thurmont. Fri.: 10:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.; Sat.: 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

10.....Rocky Ridge Vol. Fire Co. Sportsman's Drawing & Dinner, 13527 Motters Station Rd., Rocky Ridge. Doors open 5:30 p.m. \$25.00 donation admits one (meal included).

10.....Creagerstown Community Dinner, Blacks Mill Rd., Creagerstown Parish House. Noon-5:00 p.m. Fried Chicken, Country Ham, Pot Pie. \$15/Adults; \$7.50/Children. Benefits Upkeep of Creagerstown Cemetery and Street Lights.

10.....Sportsman's Drawing & Dinner, Graceham Fire Co. Doors open 4:00 p.m. \$25 donation admits one person. Please bring canned good for food bank. 301-573-4786; 301-418-0325.

10.....Saint Anthony Shrine & Our Lady of Mount Carmel Wine Tasting/Auction, Catoctin Breeze Vineyard, Roddy Rd., Thurmont. 4:00-7:00 p.m. Benefits parishes. Tours of Vineyard & Wine Cellar (with barrel tastings): 4:00-4:30 p.m. Hors d'oeuvres. Live Music 4:00-5:00 p.m. Dress business casual. \$40/person. Admission by prepaid tickets only. Tickets: Parish Office, 16150 St. Anthony Rd., Emmitsburg. 301-447-2367.

10.....Frederick County Genealogy Society Meeting, multipurpose room of Homewood at Crumland Farms, 4707 Willow Rd., Frederick, MD. 1:00-3:00 p.m. Presentation by Jim Bartlett. Guests welcome & refreshments served.

10.....Basket & Vera Bradley Bonanza Bingo, Thurmont Activities Bldg., Thurmont Carnival grounds, Thurmont. Doors open 12:00 p.m.; Bingo 2:00 p.m. \$20/in Advance; \$25/at Door. 301-748-7645; 443-244-0591. Proceeds support Students competing at the National SkillsUSA.

10.....Sarah's Garden Social at Harriet Chapel, 12625 Catoctin Furnace Rd., Thurmont. 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Bedding plants, hanging baskets, craft vendors, bake sale, food. Choose a gift and enjoy some time with mom!

10.....Jubilee Foods' Mom & Kids Day, Jubilee Foods, Emmitsburg. 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

11.....Mother's Day Concert, presented by Sally Lay, Professional Harpist, Trinity United Church of Christ, 101 East Main St., Thurmont. 10:30-11:00 a.m.

12.....Grief Support Group, Hospice of Frederick County, 516 Trail Ave., Ste. A, Frederick, MD. 5:00-6:30 p.m. 240-566-3030, lkinna@fmh.org; dwatterson@fmh.org.

13.....Mother Seton School Take-a-Tour Tuesday, 100 Creamery Rd., Emmitsburg. 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. & 7:00-8:00 p.m. 301-447-3161 to set up private tour. www.mothersetonschool.org.

15.....Women's Check-Up Day, WellSpan Adams Health Center, 40 V-Twin Dr., Gettysburg, PA. 3:00-6:00 p.m. Get screened for important health risks. \$10 fee. Registration and pre-payment required (deadline is May 5): www.wellspan.org.

16.....Annual Golf Tournament, sponsored by The Maryland Storm 12U Baseball Team, Mountain View Golf Course, 4099 Bullfrog Rd., Fairfield, PA. Tee-Off 9:00 a.m. \$65/golfer; \$260/foursome. Includes cart, range, balls & lunch. Tanya Roberts 717-387-9436 or Tanya.m.roberts@chase.com.

16.....Holy Grounds Cafe, Emmitsburg. 7:00 p.m. "Catoctin Voices Evening of Poetry" presents guest poet, Sandi Polvinale, reading from her work. Open mic preceding. tomandlisa@wildblue.net or 301-418-3375.

17.....Vigilant Hose Company's Spring Fling, Mount Saint Mary's University Echo Field, Emmitsburg. Live music, horseshoes, food & much more. \$60 (good for 2 people). 301-447-3081; 301-447-3648; www.vigilanthose.org.

17.....Fort Ritchie Community Center Fishing Tournament, Cascade. 6:30 a.m.-noon. Register online or in person. \$50 (\$55 if using credit card). 301-241-5081.

17.....Ladies Day Program: Growing in God's Garden, sponsored by MorningStar Family Church & Trinity United Methodist Church, 14698 Albert Staub Rd., Thurmont. Free women-only event. Fran Eyler 301-447-2723/feyley1217@aol.com; Diana Wetklow 301-271-5073/djwetklow@verizon.net. Reservations by April 30.

17.....Peter Pan and Wendy, Christ's Community Church Drama Group, in town office bldg. 7:00 p.m. 301-447-4224.

18.....Annual Spring Concert, presented by Emmitsburg Community Chorus, Apples Church, 7908 Apples Church Rd., Thurmont. 4:30 p.m.

18.....Saxophone Quartet, Trinity United Church of Christ, 101 E. Main St., Thurmont. 11:00 a.m. Lucas Hogan, Matt Lind, Will Lopez, & Rocky Birely.

18.....Choir Festival, Elias Lutheran Church, 100 W. North Ave., Emmitsburg. Bells, Organ, Praise Bands & choirs Emmitsburg Churches. 3:00 p.m. Free-will offering

supports the Council of Churches Mission to Kenya. Light refreshments served following concert. Free event. 301-447-6239.

18.....Community Breakfast to Honor all Veterans, Sons of AMVETS Squadron 7, 26 Apples Church Rd., Thurmont. 7:00-11:00 a.m. Open to public. \$5/Adult; \$2.50/Children under 10. Veterans eat free.

19-24.....Mother Seton School Carnival, 100 Creamery Rd., Emmitsburg. 6:00-11:00 p.m. Sponsored by Mother Seton School. Rides, games, food, & entertainment. www.mothersetonschool.org.

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22-24..Yard & Bake Sale, Saint Anthony Shrine, Emmitsburg. Space available: \$15/one day, \$25/two days, \$30/all three days. Must bring own table/s. Food/baked goods available 8:30 a.m. Friday & Saturday. All BAKERS, donations are needed: Helen Reaver 301-447-6431; parish office 301-447-2367.

23.....Hospice 101, Hospice of Frederick County, Suite C, 516 Trail Ave., Frederick, MD. 5:00-7:00 p.m. Register by May 16. 240-566-3030.

23.....Motivational Videos by Dr. Wayne Dyer, Hospice of Frederick County, Suite C, 516 Trail Ave., Frederick, MD. 9:00-10:30 a.m. Free. Preregister 240-566-3030.

24.....Sandwich Sale, sponsored by Thurmont Lions Club, Bell Hill Farm, 15202 Catoctin Mountain Hwy., Thurmont. Pit beef, pork, turkey, and ham sandwiches, alone or as a platter (Cole slaw, drink, & side). 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

24.....EMS Day, Emmitsburg Ambulance Company 26, Creamery Road, Emmitsburg. 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Blood pressure and glucose screening, a car accident demonstration, and volunteer information.

24.....Emmitsburg Community Chorus, Crumland Farms, 7612 Willow Rd., Frederick, MD. Trombonist Jay Gible. 2:30 p.m.

24,25.Pioneer & Covered Wagon Fest, Eyler Campground, 14 Eyler Rd., Thurmont.

25.....Dedication/Rededication Service, St. John's United Church (on corner of Rt. 550 and Harbaugh Valley Rd.), Sabillasville. For the refurbished sanctuary. Many hours of volunteer labor invested in this project. 11:15 a.m. Light lunch following service. Everyone invited.

25.....Flute Soloists, Trinity United Church of Christ, 101 E. Main St., Thurmont. 11:00 a.m. Linda Moss & Rocky Birely, accompanied by Trinity organist, Lana Sorenson Emery.

26.....Grief Support Group, Hospice of Frederick County, 516 Trail Ave., Ste. A, Frederick, MD. 5:00-6:30 p.m. 240-566-3030, lkinna@fmh.org; dwatterson@fmh.org.

27.....Emmitsburg Community Chorus, St. Joseph's Ministries, Emmitsburg. 7:00 p.m.

28.....Traumatic Grief Support Group, Hospice of Frederick County, Suite A, 516 Trail Ave., Frederick, MD. 6:00-7:30 p.m. (through July 16) Register by May 23. Free. 240-566-3030.

31.....Community Yard Sale, Blue Ridge Sportsmen's Association, 3009 Waynesboro Pike, Fairfield, PA. Rent spot \$10; tables \$5 each.

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3.....Emmitsburg Community Chorus, Gettysburg Lutheran Home, 260 W High St., Gettysburg, PA. 7:00 p.m.

5.....Rabies Vaccination Clinic, conducted by Frederick County Health Dept., Thurmont Community Park, Thurmont. 5:00-8:00 p.m. All dogs, cats, & ferrets 3 months or older. \$8/animal. Animals need to be properly contained, leashed, or in carrier. 301-600-1717.

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Sarah's Garden Social

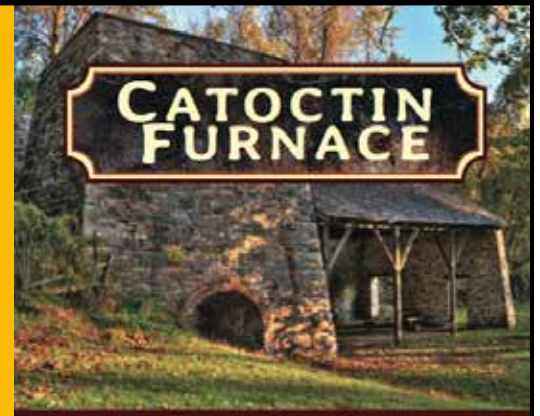
Event Includes:

Plant Sale
Hanging Baskets, Bedding
Plants, and Cuttings from
Area Gardens.
Blessing of the Animals
(11am & 1pm)
Craft Vendors
Antique Tractors
Homemade Baked Goods
Fantastic Food

Pick Up the Perfect Gift for Mom!

Saturday, May 10
8am until 3pm

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Featuring crafts, flowers, heirloom plants,
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- Vital Music Ministry with several groups
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- Wednesday Mornings Prayer Service at 8:45
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- Outreach Ministry supporting local
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- FallFest 2014 - Saturday, October 11th,
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