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Vhat's New for Back to School

by James Rada, Jr.

With students back wandering the halls of Catoctin High and its feeder schools, they are seeing a lot of new faces, and they aren't all new students. The schools have new teachers, programs, and classes to get used to.

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Catoctin High School

When students returned to Catoctin High School, they returned to the Maryland Character High School of the Year. It was awarded through the Maryland Center for Character Education at Stevenson University, and this is the second year in a row that Catoctin won the award.

"It is a great honor for our kids, and the application process was spearheaded by guidance counselor, Dana Brashear," said Principal Bernard Quesada.

The school will also be getting a new scoreboard in the stadium. "We are also ordering new banners in the gymnasium that will recognize all the individual state champions since the school's opening in 1969," Quesada

New staff at the school includes: Rob Phelan as the new math teacher and assistant soccer coach and Alaine Nichols as the new English teacher.

Thurmont Middle School

Want to keep up with what's going on at Thurmont Middle?

You can now follow them on Twitter (@ TMSPanthers).

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The school is continuing to make improvements to the building. Last year, the school got new windows. This year's improvements include the chillers on the roof, oil tanks, and sidewalks.

"The biggest change with clubs is that our world famous show choir is now its own entity," said Principal Jennifer Powell.

The Thurmont Middle School Show Choir now

has its own board of directors and booster club. The change was needed as a way to allow them to do more overnight competitions.

Last school year, the school had also experimented with allowing gum chewing in school. However, it didn't



Emmitsburg Elementary School students, Wyatt Davis (5th grade) and Peyton Davis (3rd grade) are shown on their first day of school on August 25, 2014.

said Lynn Tayler, Advancement Office assistant. Other staff changes include: Sr.

Joan Corcoran, D.C. is the new assistant principal; Karen MacZura will teach Pre-K and physical education; Christy LaBarbera will be the Pre-K teacher's assistant; Sharon

Beard is the new fifth-grade teacher; Rachel Bevard is a new cafeteria assistant.

The new staff also means that some of the familiar teachers will be teaching new classes.

Thurmont Primary School

"Thurmont Primary was identified as a Title 1 school and that gives us extra federal money," said Principal Karen Locke.

The funds allowed Locke to bring on new reading and math intervention teachers. This will allow more students to get needed help reaching the reading and math standards.

The school is also starting an integrated special education pre-K program that introduces regular education students into the classroom to work alongside the special education pre-K students.

New staff at the school includes: Dawn Morton teaching reading intervention; Tabitha Costner teaching first grade; Tammy Ferrell teaching first grade; Ashley Lillard teaching first grade; Kathy Firor as a student support specialist; Meg Fetting teaching second grade; Kennetha Orsini teaching second grade; Dawn Kasperek teaching kindergarten; Connie Rankin will be a long-term art teacher substitute;

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Dear Reader:

A new school year has begun. My kids were out the door to the first day of the school year as if we had all had enjoyed a weekend instead of a whole summer. Time flies when we're having fun!

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Take note of our cover story that talks about what's new at each of our schools. We invited you to send in your first day of school photos. One was selected as our photo for the cover. Thanks to everyone who sent photos. More back to school photos may be viewed on our Facebook page.

There are several newsy stories this month. Conrad Weaver, a resident of Emmitsburg and owner of a video production company called Conjo Studios, Inc. in Frederick, premiered a documentary called The Great American Wheat Harvest, which chronicles the process of harvesting from field to table. R.S. Kinnaird Memorials in Thurmont celebrates 50 years in business. The "Crowning Jewels" of Thurmont were unveiled by the Thurmont Lions Club. Seth Adelsberger, an artist who was raised in Emmitsburg, currently has his artwork showcased at the Baltimore Museum of Art in Baltimore. This is a great honor and will allow Seth's talent to be seen and acknowledged by many.

The Thurmont and Emmitsburg Community Show will take place in September. Residents are asked to enter items in the show. These items could be things you make or grow or create. Come on out to the show. There is a lot to see and do.

Next month, Jim Rada, our Contributing Editor, will take a more hands-on role with The Catoctin Banner. You will begin to see him popping up more and more as he becomes more involved. We have a new photo journalist starting at the end of September. We are looking forward to the growth she will avail.

Enjoy the season, everyone. Don't forget to send in your good news. We'll see you when

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—Deb Spalding, Publisher



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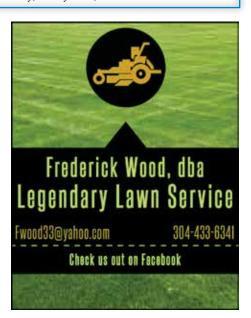




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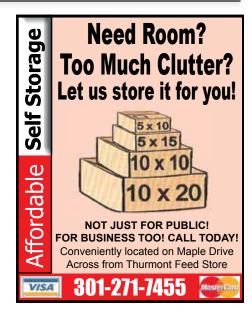




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Town Election, September 30

Two positions open for election are the Mayor's seat, currently held by Don Briggs, and one commissioner's seat, currently held by Chris Staiger. Mayor Briggs plans to run for re-election, and Commissioner Staiger has stated he will not run again. Joe Ritz, Emmitsburg resident, has stated his intention to run for the commissioner's seat. All positions are for a three-year term.

The election will be held at 22 East Main Street, from 7:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m. Last day to register to vote is September 9. For any further questions, call the town office.

Pippinfest 34th Annual Event, September 28 & 29

The local Pippinfest in Fairfield, Pennsylvania, is expected to draw large crowds this year. Pippinfest has been a cherished event for the past three decades, offering visitors a fine selection of arts, crafts, food, music, and many other fun activities. Pippinfest literally means "apple festival" and boasts many delectable apple treats at the event.

Live musical groups and organizations will be set up to celebrate the harvest, the local traditions, and the community. Anyone interested in participating in Pippinfest can call the Fairfield town office at 717-647-5640.

For more information about the Town of Emmitsburg, view the town's website at www. emmitsburgmd.gov or call the town office at 301-600-6300.

Thurmont AUGUST 2014

Limited Edition Prints for Sale

The Thurmont Lions Club is selling a group of 250 fine quality limitededition prints depicting the Thurmont Trolley Mural paintings by artist Yemi. All proceeds will benefit the Trolley Substation refurbishing project. Also for sale will be etched glass Christmas ornaments imprinted with "Thurmont Established in 1751." Anyone interested in these special collectibles can call Joann Miller at 301-271-6965.

Colorfest Planning

The Town of Thurmont is preparing for Colorfest, scheduled this year for October 11 and 12. The security contract was awarded to Tim May Investigations. Two other bids will need to be awarded for the port-a-potties and for trash pick-up. The town pays for these services via the Colorfest permits. This is the largest-drawing arts and crafts show in the State of Maryland. It has also grown into one of the largest yard sale events in the state as well. For any questions regarding permits, please call the town office.

Thurmont Planning for Town Lights

In planning ahead for future town lights along the main streets of Thurmont, town officials have decided to install conduits for wiring along sidewalk areas. The light installations will be done by the town's own electric company, as they have professional electricians, pole trucks, and so forth to do the job.

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

Farmer's Markets

• Thurmont •

(through September) Saturdays, 9:00 a.m.-Noon, Carnival Grounds, East Main Street, Thurmont.

• Emmitsburg •

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Indian Lookout Conservation Club

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Where Am I? Photo Contest

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

Last month's "Where Am I?" photo showed Devil's Race Course, located along Ritchie Road between Cascade and Smithsburg.

Last month's winner is Betty Trite.



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Photo by Irene Matthews

Hidden Object Game

Last month's Hidden Object was a smiling pink teapot. It was located on page 13 of the Thurmont Eye Care advertisement. The winner of the Hidden Object Game is Katie Bond. If the winner has not been contacted, please contact us to claim your prize.

This month's Hidden Object is a multicolored beach ball.

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 46)

- 1. Flabbergast (v.)
 - a) To waste or squander
 - b) To overcome with surprise; amaze utterly
 - c) To bring together; gather
- 2. Inclement (adj.)
 - a) Submissive; agreeable
 - b) Severe; harsh; merciless
 - c) Disagreeable; quarrelsome
- 3. Galvanize (v.)
- a)To arouse to awareness; stimulate to action
- b) To put up with: tolerate
- c) To examine critically; break down
- 4. Cumbersome (adj.)
 - a) Energetic; powerful in action b) Spotless; immaculate
 - c) Burdensome; awkward; weighty
- 5. Which word above would work best in this sentence?

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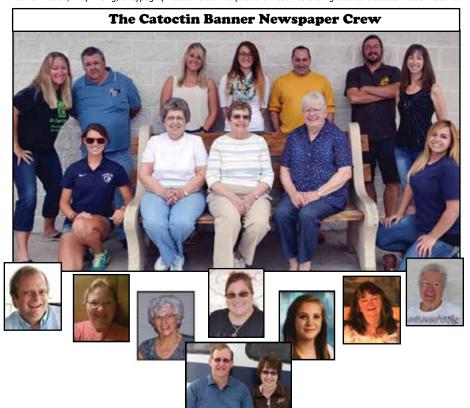
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Ashley Grimes, a junior at Catoctin High School, and Shane Biser, a seventh grader at Thurmont Middle School, took The Catoctin Banner newspaper along with them to the AIM Grand Championships in Sparta, Illinois, in August.

Read about The Frederick County Maryland 4-H Shooting Sports Team -Firepower's Participation in the AIM Grand Championships on page 32.



Ashley Grimes (Junior at Catoctin High School) and Shane Biser (7th Grader at Thurmont Middle School) both shot their career best at the AIM Grand Championships in Sparta, Illinois.

Who Will Be the Thurmont Volunteer of the Year for 2014

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Nominate someone who is making a difference in the lives of others working with children in the schools or helping at the food bank, a member of a service organization or church, a special neighbor who is always there to help whenever needed. The volunteer service work must be done in the area of zip code 21788. Forms are available at the Thurmont Regional Library, the Town Office, and online www.thurmontlionsclub.com. Send nomination forms to jananny@comcast.net or TLC, P.O. Box 306, Thurmont, MD 21788 ATTN: Joyce Anthony. Thurmont Lions Club members are eligible to be nominated for non-related Lions Club volunteer work. Nominations are due no later than October 1, 2014.

Friends of the Thurmont Regional Library to Hold Annual Book Sale at Community Show

All year long, the Friends of the Thurmont Regional Library collect donated books to sell at the Thurmont and Emmitsburg Community Show as way to support the needs of the library. The show is held at Catoctin High School in Thurmont and, this year, will be held September 5-7.

The Friends, with the help of Thurmont Scout Troop 270, will be setting up the sale on Friday, September 5, for a kickoff time of 6:00 p.m. for purchase of best selections. A nice variety of hardback books, paperbacks, music CDs, and DVDs will be available at great prices. Spend \$3.00 or more and get a chance to win a coupon to a local fast food restaurant.

Sale hours are: Friday, September 5—6:00-10:00 p.m.; Saturday, September 6—8:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m.; Sunday, September 7—8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Boxed donations are being accepted at the Thurmont Regional Library at 76 E. Moser Road in Thurmont until September 3, 2014. Call 301-600-7216 if you have a large donation of four or more boxes to make arrangements for drop-off at our storage facility.

All funds raised at this annual sale support the Thurmont Regional Library. Proceeds from the 2014 sale will support building a storage shed for donations. Here it is! Looking for a deal? Join Us from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. - Dine In Only **Hamburger • Cheeseburger** Mondays McDonald's in 4 pc. Chicken Nuggets Emmitsburg Includes child size fry, apple slices, and small soft drink. (Toy not included) for only 99¢ Tuesdays McDonald's in Thurmont Wednesdays McDonald's in Walkersville **McDonald's**

34th Annual Fairfield Pippinfest

The 34th Annual Pippinfest will be held Saturday and Sunday, September 27 and 28, 2014, from 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. in Fairfield, Pennsylvania. Pippinfest offers a family-friendly weekend of crafts, entertainment, a car show, apple dessert contest, community yard sale, selfguided walking tour, quilt show, great food, and many other activities.



Vendors are shown in Steelman Street craft area at Pippinfest, which offers crafts, food, entertainment. cruise in car show, all with free admission and parking.

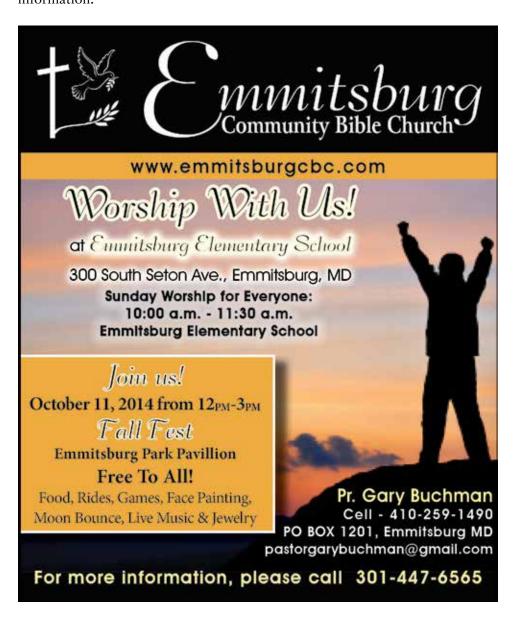
Saturday will feature a large

community yard sale. Some craft and food vendors will be present. Sunday is the main Pippinfest event day, featuring crafts, entertainment, cruise-in car show and swap meet, quilt show (both days), apple dessert contest, self-guided walking tours of Historic Fairfield (both days), many food vendors, children's rides (small fee-both days), and so much more. Admission and parking are free.

For more information about this great fall tradition, call 717-642-5640 during weekday business hours, visit www.pippinfest.com, or www.facebook. com/pippinfest. View their advertisement on page 32 for more information.

31st NWFCC Annual Car Show

On Sunday, October 12, 2014, come on out to the 31st Annual Car Show at Sabillasville Elementary School, located at 16210-B Sabillasville Road in Sabillasville. Event is 11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Registration begins at 9:00 a.m.; the entry fee is \$10.00. Sponsored by the Northwestern Frederick County Civic Association (NWFCC). The event benefits the scholarship fund. Please note that if rain is forecasted for the day, the event will be canceled. Don't miss celebrating the 40th Anniversary of Mountain Fest, October 11-12, at Sabillasville Elementary School. View their advertisement on page 29 for more information.



AROUND town

Indian Lookout Conservation Target Shoots

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The Indian Lookout Conservation Club is holding Shot Gun Shooting matches at 1:00 p.m. on September 28, October 12, October 26, and November 9, 2014. Prizes will be awarded. View their advertisement on page 4 for more information.

Sportsman's Bingo

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

Blue Ridge Sportsmen's Association September 2014 Events

Don't miss all the September events at Blue Ridge Sportsmen's Association, located at 3009 Waynesboro Pike in Fairfield, Pennsylvania: September 6— Yard Sale and Chicken BBQ; September 7—Cash Bingo, 1:00 p.m.; September 13—Gun Drawing and Dinner, 4:00-7:00 p.m.; September 14—Horseshoe Tournament, 11:30 a.m.; September 18-20—National Qualifier Shoot. View their advertisement on page 21 for more information.

Bingo Bash Pays Big

The Emmitsburg Volunteer Ambulance Company's Bingo Bash will be held on September 20, 2014, at 17701 Creamery Road in Emmitsburg. Doors will open at 4:00 p.m.; games will begin at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$35.00 if purchased in advance; \$45.00 if purchased at the door. View their advertisement on page 17 for more information.

Thirty-One, Coach & Vera Bradley Bingo at Mother Seton School

Mother Seton School is hosting a Thirty-One, Coach & Vera Bradley Bingo on Saturday, September 20, 2014, at 100 Creamery Road in Emmitsburg. Doors will open at 5:30 p.m. Games will begin at 7:00 p.m. Bingo features raffles, door prizes, and more! Tickets are \$20.00 if purchased in advance or \$25.00 if purchased at the door. View their advertisement on page 10 for more information and how to get your tickets today!

Spaghetti Dinner

Come enjoy homemade meatballs, homemade bread, salad, drinks, and dessert at the Spaghetti Dinner at St. John UCC Parish Hall in Sabillasville. View their advertisement on page 23 for more information.

Absolute Real Estate Auction

Come to the Absolute Real Estate Auction at the former bank building, located at 4 West Main Street in Thurmont, on Monday, September 29, 2014, at 1:00 p.m. View their advertisement on page 43 for more information and visit www.auctionEbid.com.

Gospel & Blue Grass Music Festival

Mt. Tabor Park in Rocky Ridge, Maryland, is holding a Gospel & Blue Grass Music Festival on Saturday, September 27, 2014, from 1:00-6:00 p.m. Admission is free. Event features local talents and blue grass music by the Carroll County Ramblers. Come on out for some great music, food, and homemade desserts. View their advertisement on page 16 for more information.

Don't Forget to Play Our Games!

You could be the winner of a gift certificate to one of our advertisers!

58th Annual Thurmont & Emmitsburg Community Show

Bring the whole family out to the 58th annual Thurmont & Emmitsburg Community Show on September 5-7, 2014, at Catoctin High School in Thurmont. Admission and parking is free. Event features activities for everyone, entertainment, great food, auctions, pet show, 4-H & FFA show, demonstrations, and so much more! View their advertisement on page 9 for more information about this not-to-miss yearly community event.

Shamrock's Half Way to St. Patrick's Day Party

You won't want to miss Shamrock Restaurant's Half Way to St. Patrick's Day Irish Party, being held September 12-21, 2014, featuring live Irish music, event activities, and a fabulous Irish menu. View their advertisement on page 11 for more information.

Guardian Hose Company Fall Festival & Holiday Bazaar

Spaces are available at the Thurmont Carnival Grounds for crafters for the Fall Festival on October 11-12, 2014.

A Holiday Bazaar will be held on Saturday, November 1, 2014, at the Thurmont Carnival Grounds in Thurmont. Crafters and Home Party Demonstrators are wanted. Spaces are \$25.00 for a table (\$20.00 for each additional table).

View their advertisement on page 10 for more information on these two upcoming events.

Guardian Hose Company's Cash Bingo

On Sunday, September 28, 2014, the Thurmont Guardian Hose Company will hold a Cash Bingo at the Thurmont Activities Building in Thurmont. Doors will open at 11:00 a.m. Bingo will start at 1:00 p.m. Lunch will be served. Tickets are \$25.00 if purchased in advance and \$30.00 if purchased at the door. Bingo features two \$1,000 jackpots! View their advertisement on page 10 for more information.

Looking for Something to Do?

Reference the **Community Calendar** on page 47 to view the calendar for events of interest, including bingos, breakfasts, dinners, benefits, dances, shows, library programs, and much more!











Business news

The Catoctin Banner Newspaper



A Taste of Ireland Right Here in Thurmont

by James Rada, Jr.

Located at the foothills of the Catoctin Mountains, this is an early photo showing the front of Shamrock Restuarant. Shamrock is a family-owned restaurant in business for more than fifty years.

It took more than the luck of the Irish to keep Fitzgerald's Shamrock Restaurant in business for more than fifty years.

"There were days and nights in a row that I wouldn't go home," said Mike Fitzgerald, who opened the Shamrock in 1963. "I would be working here doing whatever needed to be done and then I would sleep here."

Though the Shamrock Restaurant opened in 1963, the building actually had been around since the 1950s. It was a dance hall that didn't have the best reputation. This is why Fitzgerald was able to purchase it at an affordable price.

He also knew that he had to change the way in which people looked at the building in order to turn it into a successful restaurant.

"The walls were all covered with beer signage and paintings by George Crawford," said Donna Demmon, Fitzgerald's oldest child, who also works at the restaurant.

The walls were stripped and redone, turning the dance hall side of the building into the dining room. Only two rows of tables had tablecloths originally, and a smaller dance floor was left in place for weekend dances.

On the bar side, Fitzgerald raised the price of beers. This might seem counterintuitive, but apparently a lot of troublemakers came into the dance hall for cheap beer. Raising the prices caused them to look elsewhere for their drinks.

The Shamrock began as, and still is, a family business. Fitzgerald, his wife, his mother, and his nine children (as they grew old enough) all worked in the restaurant. Demmon started when she was thirteen years old.

"Everyone grew up in here working," Demmon said of her and her siblings.

Fitzgerald had been a machinist with Moore Business Systems, but

he had advanced as far as he could without moving out of state. He had grown up in a restaurant family, though. His parents had owned Fitzgerald's in Emmitsburg until his father died in 1940. Fitzgerald and his wife had decided that they could open a new restaurant and make it successful.

"They had to make it work," Demmon stated. "They had a family to feed."

The Shamrock was the first restaurant in Frederick County in 1965 to get a liquor license.

"In order to do that, they had to take all the bar stools out of the bar," Demmon said. This had to do with the stools indicating that it was a bar and not a restaurant. The stools were replaced with tables next to the bar.

Customers could not carry their drinks in the restaurant, either.

"If you wanted to go from the bar side to the dining room, a server had to carry your drink for you," said Demmon.

When Demmon graduated from St. Joseph's College in Emmitsburg, her father sent her on a trip to Ireland. Demmon wasn't looking forward to it, because her grandmother also went along as a chaperone. Much to Demmon's surprise, she was the one who wound up being the chaperone.

"My grandmother was an outgoing, social person, who would sit and talk with anyone, whether we were in a store or out on the road," Demmon remembered.

More than a vacation, Demmon and her grandmother visited many of the Emerald Isle's pubs, taking notes and lots of pictures. "We used them to redo the bar so that it had the atmosphere of a pub in Ireland," said Demmon.

Besides Irish fare like shepherd's pie, Shamrock Irish egg, and corned beef and cabbage, seafood dishes are also popular items. "We serve a softshell crab sandwich with crabs from the Eastern Shore that is delicious," said Demmon.

Demmon remembers that her father used to get up early on Thursday mornings and drive to Baltimore, Maryland, to be there at 4:00 a.m. He would walk through the seafood market, buying crabmeat, fish, shrimp, and more before driving to a produce market on Caroline Street to buy any additional produce beyond what their garden could supply. "Then, he would have to hurry up and be back here in time to open [the restaurant]."

In those days, the restaurant was only closed on Christmas Day and New Year's Day.

"My dad used to try and close up early on Christmas Eve at 5 p.m.," says Demmon. "That was because he had to get home and put together toys for nine kids."

The restaurant also won a national award years ago for having the best St. Patrick's Day party in the nation. It was awarded by a corned beef company in Missouri. The Shamrock entered its menus, samples of its advertising, information about how long the St. Patrick's Day party had been taking place, and the media coverage the party had received.

"We also included notes from people who had come to the party," Demmon said. "At that time, we had people coming from Florida and Niagara Falls just to come to the party."

The Shamrock Restaurant is located at 7701 Fitzgerald Road in Thurmont.

Their hours are: 11:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday; 11:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m., Friday and Saturday; noon-9:00 p.m. on Sunday; weekday luncheons 11:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

For more information, visit their website at shamrockrestaurant.com.

R. S. Kinnaird Memorials Celebrates a Half Century

by James Rada, Jr.

John Kinnaird creates monuments and memorials from stone, but through his hard work, he has also created a memorial from his business that honors his father. R. S. Kinnaird Memorials is celebrating fifty years in business this year.

In the 1960s, Aberdeen, Scotland, was the place to be for stone carvers. It had the largest granite quarries in the world. Robert Kinnaird studied art and stone carving there and then served an apprenticeship with Anderson Brothers, one of Aberdeen's largest stone-carving businesses.

In 1959, he saw an ad in a trade magazine for a stone carver with Hammaker Brothers. An American salesman in Aberdeen interviewed Kinnaird for Hammaker Brothers Memorial Company and reported back to the business. Kinnaird was offered the job, and he emigrated to Thurmont in August 1959. His family joined him the following April.

He then worked for Hammaker Brothers as a master stone carver. The business was sold in 1963.

"The people who bought it went bankrupt almost immediately," said Robert's son, John. "Dad started his business in a garage in 1964."

R. S. Kinnaird Memorials specialized in custom memorial work, stone cutting, and also performing custom work for other memorial dealers.

During his early years in business, Robert Kinnaird spent a lot of time commuting to Washington,





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John Kinnaird of R.S. Kinnaird Memorials is shown working on a memorial in his shop that is loacted at 6 Boundary Avenue in Thurmont.

D.C., to do custom work for large contractors. His work can be seen in the National Cathedral, the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, and the Roosevelt Memorial, to name a few.

R. S. Kinnaird Memorials then branched into doing letter cutting on memorials. One of the first contracts they started work on was the lettering on memorials in Arlington National Cemetery.

"When we started on it, there was a four to five year backlog," John said. "Within four months, we got it down to a seven-day turnaround for lettering."

John started working part-time with his father in 1965, and doing letter cutting in Arlington was the first job he worked on.

In 1974, R. S. Kinnaird Memorials relocated into the old Hammaker Brothers buildings at 6 Boundary Avenue in Thurmont, continuing the site's service as a memorial business and making it the oldest continually operated memorial business in Maryland, according to the R. S. Kinnaird Memorials website. Hammaker Brothers had started operating on the site in 1874.

"I love this business," expressed John. "Everything I do I can go back and look at it and other people can go back and look at it, too. My work is visible."

Robert Kinnaird retired from the business in 1983 and died two years later. John continues running

the business that bears his father's name.

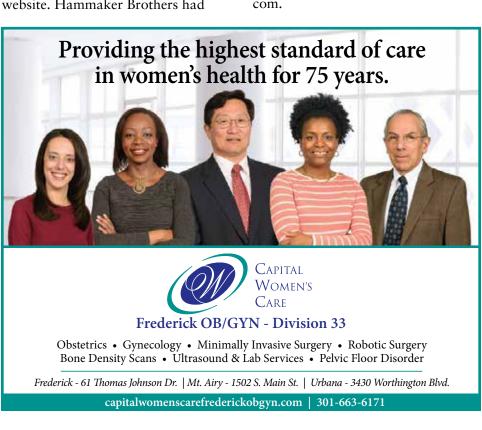
Over the years, the business has become more automated, which makes certain jobs easier; yet it still requires an attention to detail and a master's touch. Stone cutting is in John's blood. He is a fourth generation stone cutter.

He has also passed on that love of creation to his children. They all worked in the family business at some point while growing up. John's daughter, Heather Dewees, continues working there full time.

R. S. Kinnaird Memorials is a full-service memorial business. Design, lettering, sandblasting, and carving can all be done on-site. The business also offers installation. They work on large memorials and small markers.

"Those little jobs are just as important as the big ones," said John. "They mean something to the family buying them, so they mean something to us."

You can learn more about the company and see pictures of their work at www.kinnairdmemorials. com.









ESP Performing Company 4th Annual Autumn 5K Run Fundraiser

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Fall is a wonderful time to get out and run! The ESP Performing Company is pleased to announce their 4th Annual Autumn 5K Run Fundraiser. This year's event will be held on Saturday, October 18, 2014, at Mount Saint Mary's University in Emmitsburg. The dancers at ESP Performing Company always enjoy giving back to their community, almost as much as they love dancing. Last year, they were able to donate \$900 to The Hurwitz Breast Cancer Fund. The Hurwitz Fund directly benefits folks in our community by helping breast cancer patients at Frederick Memorial Hospital. ESP proudly dedicates the 5K fundraiser in memory of Pamela Grey Hobbs, a former dancer at

The ESP Autumn 5K Run is always a ton of fun. The event is open to all levels of fitness. The course is on the beautiful campus of Mount Saint Mary's University and includes both paved and soft surface terrain. There are a few inclines mixed in with quite a bit of flat, easy pathways. The ESP 5K is great for experienced runners and a wonderful opportunity for first-timers. First-timers should consider a "Couch to 5K" type plan to

prepare for the event. These training programs can be found on a number of sites online.

Sponsorship opportunities are available at several different levels. For sponsorship information or for runner registration, please contact any ESP Performing Company Dancer or contact David Mitchener at 240-315-4379 or email dmitch13@hotmail.com. All runners registered by October 11 will receive a custom Gnarly Artly ESP Fall 5K T-shirt.

In addition to fundraising and community service, the Award Winning ESP Performing Company loves to dance! The company dancers have just returned from Groove National Dance Competition in Atlantic City, where they received numerous awards and special recognition. The dancers are already hard at work preparing for the 2014-15 dance season. Your first opportunity to see them perform will be Saturday, September 13, 2014, at 11:30 a.m. at the In The Street Festival in downtown Frederick. October will bring their annual crowd pleasing Colorfest performances. ESP will dance both Saturday and Sunday Colorfest weekend in the

"Let It Be" choreographed by Kela Sicilia Marceron wins big at Groove Nationals in Atlantic City, New Jersey. Pictured from left are Olivia Ecker, Rose Weedy, Michael Wilson, Jack Estep, Lyla Zelenka, Catherine Etselle, and Ashlyn Summerall.

Thurmont Town Park. At the end of October, the dancers will return for a ghoulish performance at Halloween In The Park. In November, the ESP Performing Company begins their competition season, which will take them up and down the East Coast, culminating with Dance Makers National Finals in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, in June.

ESP Dance is currently enrolling students for the fall session.

ESP offers classes of all levels in ballet, tap, jazz, hip-hop, lyrical, acro, pointe, and Zumba. Additionally, they are offering an open percussion class on Sundays, 2:00-3:00 p.m. For more information about ESP Dance or

to register for classes, please call the studio at 301-271-7458 or stop by 15 Water Street in Thurmont, Monday through Thursday, from 4:00-8:00 p.m. The fall schedule is now available online at www. espdance.com. Check them out on Facebook.

View ESP Elower-Sicilia Productions' advertisement on page 8.









COMMUNITY news

Vigilant Hose Company's Clark and Davis Receive Promotions

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by James Rada, Jr.

Two of Vigilant Hose Company's most-active members are going to be

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Frank Davis

getting busier outside of the fire company. Frank Davis and Tim Clarke have been promoted in their day jobs and are taking on more responsibility.

Fire Chief Frank Davis has taken a new position in Clark County, Virginia, as the director of rescue and medical services. It's a brand-new position in the county, and he will

begin work on September 7, 2014. He will commute back and forth between Emmitsburg and Clark County.

"It's a small county, but it has a large farming community,' Davis said.

After working thirtyfive years in the government, Davis retired to take this

new position. He will also continue serving the citizens of Emmitsburg

in the Vigilant Hose Company.

President Tim Clarke is staying with the Frederick County Sheriff's Office; but instead of being a captain, he was promoted to the rank of major in June. He is now in charge of operations at the sheriff's office.

"It wasn't a big change from what I

was doing, and I've got a lot of good supervisors under me," Clarke said.

> Clarke has been with the sheriff's office for twentysix years and served as a captain for eight years. He applied for the job opening. When Col. Fred Anderson retired earlier this year, it caused a shifting of job positions in the sheriff's office.



Tim Clarke

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Lewistown Ruritan Appreciates Guest **Speakers**

The Lewistown Ruritan Club recently had two guest speakers at their monthly meetings. Barry Burch is the Frederick County Envirothon Coordinator. He described the envirothon program as a natural resources education program for high school students. The team focus is on aquatics,

forestry, soils, wildlife, and environmental issues.

Frederick County's Sheriff Chuck Jenkins gave a very informative presentation on the operation of the sheriff's department. He emphasized the department's on-going efforts to fight heroin problems in Frederick County.

Courtesy Photos



(above) Pictured from left are Ron Demory, Lewistown Ruritan President; Barry Burch, Frederick County Envirothon Coordinator; and Harold Staley, Lewistown Ruritan, Program Committee Chair.

(right) Pictured from left are Odale Martin, Lewistown Ruritan Treasurer; Frederick County Sheriff, Chuck Jenkins; and Ron Demory, Lewistown Ruritan President



EBSL 2014 Guy McGlaughlin Award Recipient



Lisa (Krom) Topper (left) is pictured with Mary Topper (right). Lisa was presented with the Guy McGlaughlin Volunteer Award by the Emmitsburg Baseball & Softball League for her vast accomplishments and contributions to the league.

Drop Your Change Don't forget to drop your

change to benefit area food banks.

The Emmitsburg Baseball & Softball League (EBSL) was honored to present Lisa (Krom) Topper with the Guy McGlaughlin Volunteer Award. Lisa became involved in the league when her two sons, Jason and Scott, started playing baseball. Lisa was scorekeeper for the Giants, her sons' team. She served as the league's Player Agent from 1994 to 2002. For four years, Lisa held two major offices: player agent and concession stand manager. For many years, Lisa assisted in planning and creating parade floats and end-ofthe-year picnics.

Her accomplishments and contributions to the EBSL are vast. She helped build tee-ball and minor league field dugouts; she was the first female league president; she remodeled the concession stand; she got the Oriole bird mascot for opening day ceremonies; she rebuilt the major league bleachers; she hosted the Girls' Junior Softball tournament; she installed the batting cage; she ran electricity to all fields; she held Hometown Heroes Opening day which honored Fire and Ambulance Companies; she ran the concession stand for two years while being president; and she helped with the 50th celebration for the league.

Lisa was presented a plaque with clock in appreciation for all the time she spent volunteering for league.

Opening Ceremonies at the 2014 Thurmont & Emmitsburg Community Show

The opening ceremonies at the 58th Annual Thurmont & Emmitsburg Community Show will be held on Friday, September 5, beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the auditorium of the Catoctin High School. The program will include a special patriotic ceremony honoring the 200th anniversary of "The Star Spangled Banner" (September 14, 1814 —September 14, 2014). In addition, the 38th Annual Community Show flag ceremony will feature over thirty organizations carrying flags. The bagpipes will be played by Bill and Andrew Douwes and Addison Eyler, a member of the Rocky Ridge 4-H Club and Junior Grange member, will sing "The Star Spangled Banner."

Tommy Grunwell will speak about patriotism to those in attendance. Tommy is the Chief of Staff, Mideast Division, Marine Corps League and will announce the 2014-2015 Catoctin FFA Ambassador. All past and present military members of the Army, Marine Corp, Navy, Air Force, Coast Guard, and Merchant Marines are invited to sit in the audience and will be recognized.

Hugh Warner of Frederick will also have a display of flags in front of the school on Friday evening.

Following the program, the annual cake sale will be held at 8:15 p.m., with the grand champion items being sold at 9:00 p.m.

The Thurmont Public Library will conduct its annual book sale beginning on Friday evening and throughout the weekend in the auxiliary gymnasium.

Frederick County Pomona Grange's Kute **Kids Show**

The Frederick County Pomona Grange is sponsoring a "Kute Kids" Show on Saturday, September 13, 2014, in the Farm & Garden Building at the Frederick Fair in Frederick, Maryland. Entries will be taken in the Farm & Garden Building, from 9:45-10:00 a.m. The contest will begin at approximately 10:15 a.m.

Categories are: Class A - Newborn (child born after July 1, 2014); Class B -Child born between July 1, 2013-June 30, 2014; Class C – Child born between July 1, 2012-June 30, 2013; Class D - Child born between July 1, 2011-June 30, 2012; and Class E – Child born between July 1, 2010-June 30, 2011.

Prizes will be awarded in each category to the Prettiest Girl and Cutest Boy. An Overall Best of Show trophy will also be given. Each child will have a brief time on stage and may be carried or escorted by an adult, depending upon the child's age. Judging will be based on beauty, neatness, and personality. Boys and girls of each class will be judged at the same time. All participants will receive a Participation Ribbon.

There is no advance registration required. All registration will be held on Saturday, September 13, 2014, from 9:45-10:00 a.m. All entrants must bring a completed 3x5 index card with entry information on it when registering contestant for show. Please PRINT all information. Index card must contain the class; child's name as you wish it announced; child's date of birth; town of residence; parent's name; parent's phone number. You can use the following format below:

Class A – Newborn

Name: John Thomas "JT" Doe

DOB: July 17, 2013 Frederick, Maryland

Parents: John & Jane Doe 301-000-0000

If you have any questions, please write to: Grange Baby Show, c/o Donna D. Wiles, 5543 Buffalo Road, Mt. Airy, MD 21771 or email: mdstgrange@ comcast.net.

Also at the Frederick Fair on September 13, the Grange will be having various demonstrations and performances in the Farm and Garden Building, including Ronnie Reese, Grange Singing Idol; Introduction of Grange by Maurice Wiles; Faye Reese, (Linganore Grange), home canning demonstration; Corn shelling demonstration by Bob Wiles (Thurmont Grange) and Maurice Wiles (Linganore Grange); Paul Leatherman, (New Market Grange), puzzle making (using antique jigsaw); Cheryl Lenhart (Thurmont Grange), homemade root beer demonstration.

Stop by the Farm and Garden Building on Saturday, September 13, 2014, for some great entertainment, farm and garden exhibits, and demonstrations.

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Thurmont High School Alumni Association Holds Annual Banquet



Pictured from left are Becky Linton, fund representative; Viola Noffsinger, fund representative; Kaitlynn Portner, scholarship recipient; and Cynthia S. Palmer, Community Foundation trustee and Scholarship Committee chair. Not pictured: Sarah Angell, Ashley Carter, and Patricia Smith.

The Thurmont High School Alumni Association held its annual meeting and banquet on June 7, 2014, at the Lewistown Fireman's Activities building with 276 members and guests in attendance. After a delicious meal served by the auxiliary, the president, Joan Freeze, conducted a meeting that honored those classes ending with 4 or 9. Veterans were also honored for their service.

Four \$500 scholarships were awarded to the following: Sarah Angell, Ashley Carter, Kaitlynn Portner, and Patricia Smith. In the fall of 2014, Ms. Angell and Ms. Carter will attend Frederick Community College. Ms. Portner will attend Stevenson University, and Ms. Smith will attend the University of Maryland University College. An anonymous person donated \$1,000, the class of 1964 donated a \$100 check, and several individuals also donated, all to the scholarship fund.

Teachers, Mary Fisher and Gail Slezak, were honored guests. Several door prizes were donated by Mountain Gate Restaurant, Hillside Turkey Farms, Shamrock Restaurant, and association members. Donald Lewis of Thurmont was the oldest member present and Ernest Snyder from Tucson, Arizona, came the longest distance.

The next banquet will be held on June 6, 2015, at the Lewistown Fireman's Activity building. All graduates of Thurmont High School and those from the 1969, 1970, 1971, and 1972 classes from Catoctin High School are encouraged to attend. The classes ending in 0 or 5 will be honored.

William Eyler, class of 1967, was elected president; Rebecca Linton, class of 1958, is treasurer; and Viola Noffsinger, class of 1958, is secretary. All inquiries or updated information are welcome and can be sent to Viola Noffsinger at 12510 Creagerstown RD, Thurmont, MD 21788.

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Reunions

Keilholtz Reunion

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The 70th Annual Keilholtz Reunion will be held on Sunday, August 31, 2014, in the Thurmont Community Park in Thurmont. President Travis Sanders invites all Keilholtz descendant families to bring the children and enjoy a time of fellowship. Come early, stay late. Fried chicken will be provided for the 12:30 p.m. picnic buffet. Families should bring a side dish or dessert, their table service, and beverage. Bingo players should bring a \$2.00 wrapped prize. Sue Keilholtz is chair of games and gifts.

R.D. Long Reunion

The R.D. Long Reunion will be held September 14, 2014, at the Creagerstown Parish Hall. Please bring a dish to share, your set-ups, and drinks. Meat will be furnished. Eat at 1:30 p.m. If possible, please contact Shirley Long at 301-271-7975 to let her know how many will be attending, so she knows how much meat to order.











Rocky Ridge 2014 Carnival and Parade

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The Rocky Ridge Volunteer Fire Company held their annual Carnival and Parade on August 11-16, 2014.

















Frederick County 4-H Therapeutic Riding Program Offers Fall 2014 Volunteer **Opportunities**

Volunteers are encouraged to sign-up for the Frederick County 4-H Therapeutic Riding Program (FC4HTRP) Fall Volunteer Training Session that begins September 6, 2014. During the training session, volunteers will tour the farm and watch a slide show presentation on the program, followed by a question and answer session. They will also receive hands-on instruction working with the students, learning to lead the horses and support the riders as side walkers.

Each year seventy-eight students receive therapeutic riding lessons free-ofcharge for seven weeks in the spring and seven weeks in the fall. The program, which was established in 1984 with sixteen riders, maintains a waiting list of hopeful riders each year. The FC4HTRP Program's expansion is limited to the number of volunteers who are available to assist with riders and horses, as well as donations received. This year over forty riders are waiting for the opportunity to participate in the program.

"We have been very fortunate to have such dedicated volunteers who commit their time to our program," said Debbie Endlich, president of FC4HTRP. "And, it's because of these dedicated people that we are able to offer our riders weekly 45-minute rides during the spring and fall sessions. However, going into the fall season, we are in need of more volunteers in order to offer our program to more students."

The FC4HTRP provides a recreational experience and therapeutic regimen to Frederick County citizens with medically certified mental, physical and emotional disabilities. Riders must submit physician, therapist, and teacher information about their condition before beginning the program. FC4HTRP therapists and instructors review the riders' medical history and develop a personalized program for each student in collaboration with his/her physician, therapist, teacher/employer, riding instructor, and family members.

The benefits of therapeutic horseback riding are profound. When Sandra (age 27) and Ben (age 23) Bell—both disabled due to cerebral palsy—were forced to take a break from their riding program due to illness, the impact was measureable, according to their mother, Carol Bell of Mt. Airy, Maryland.

Sandra, missing the sensory aspect of riding, became angry during her hiatus and since riding a horse gently forces the use of muscles used to walk, she also began to lose her ability to walk.

'When riding, Sandra doesn't realize how hard she is working because the movement of the horse is so much fun," said Carol Bell. "Once she was able to get back to riding, she was able to be relaxed again and her walking abilities came back quickly."

Ben, who also has a visual disability, worked hard to hold himself upright and balanced in the saddle when riding a horse. The strength he gained from riding diminished during his illness.

"The work he does riding is well worth it," said Carol Bell. "Ben also really missed his friends at the farm and the good humor and encouragement they provided. The people who volunteer at FC4HTRP are an amazing group of folks. For my kids, this contributes greatly to a quality life."

Volunteers Needed: To learn more about therapeutic horseback riding or to volunteer visit www.fc4htrp.org.

Donations and Rider and Horse Sponsorships keep this program going. To Sponsor a Rider (\$500 half-year or \$1,000 full-year) or Sponsor a Therapy Horse (\$1,000 yearly), please contact Debbie Endlich, FC4HTRP President, at 301-898-3587. Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/FC4HTRP.



The 58th Annual Thurmont & Emmitsburg **Community Show Schedule of Events**

The 58th Annual Thurmont & **Emmitsburg Community Show will** be held at Catoctin High School on September 5, 6, and 7, 2014. No entry fee, free admission, and free parking.

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

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

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

On Saturday, September 6, 2014, the Thurmont Grange will serve a buffet turkey and country ham dinner in the Catoctin High School cafeteria, from 3:00-7:00 p.m. Prices are: \$13.00 for adults; \$7.00 for children under 12 years old; and \$5.00 for children under age 5. Carryout dinners are \$14.00.

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

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

On Sunday, September 7, 2014, at 12:00 noon, the Catoctin FFA Alumni will serve a chicken Bar-B-Que dinner at the Catoctin High School cafeteria. Prices are: \$10.00 for adults; \$7.00 for children under 12 years old. Carryouts are \$11.00.

The 35th annual Robert Kaas horseshoe pitching contest will begin at 1:00 p.m. The Log Sawing Contest will begin at 1:00 p.m. The Catoctin Mountain Boys will perform an Elvis Presley Show from 1:45-2:15 p.m. in the auditorium. Taylor Brown will present an Elvis Tribute from 1:00-1:45 p.m. and from 2:15-3:00 p.m.

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

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

Some minor additions and deletions will be made in some of the departments. Departments include: Fresh Fruits, Fresh Vegetables, Home Products Display, Canned Fruits, Canned Vegetables, Jellies & Preserves, Pickles, Meats, Baked Products, Sewing & Needlework, Flowers and Plants, Arts, Paintings & Drawings, Crafts, Photography, Corn, Small Grains and Seeds, Eggs, Nuts, Poultry & Livestock, Dairy, Goats, Hay, Junior Department and Youth Department.

Please visit their website for updated information at www. thurmontemmitsburgcommunityshow. webs.com.

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'Crowning Jewels' of Thurmont Unveiled

On Saturday, August 23, 2014, the "Crowning Jewels" of Thurmont were unveiled amidst a sea of umbrellas appropriate for the rainy day. Five additional murals were unveiled at the entrance to the Thurmont Guardian Hose Carnival Ground on the historic Trolley Substation building. Many members of the Thurmont Community and surrounding areas were present to witness this event along with county and state dignitaries. The event was sponsored by the Thurmont Lions Club to celebrate their 85th anniversary in the Thurmont Community.

Last year for the 2013 Make a Difference Day project, the Thurmont Lions Club decided to do a "Beautify Our Town" project. Several Lions members along with co-chairs Nancy Dutterer, Joann Miller, and Shirley Long commissioned local artist Yemi to do a mural "Thurmont Rail History" depicting the Train and Trolley history of the area.

Earlier this year Lions Nancy and Joann felt that the project was not complete and jumped in and started working on the plans for additional murals to the substation. Once again artist Yemi was asked to do the murals according to the vision expressed to him by the committee. Yemi said, "Shirley, Joanne and Nancy were like sisters. Admonishing, encouraging and giving power so he complete this project."

With funding provided by grant monies from the Community Legacy Grant through the efforts of Main Street Manager, Vicki Grinder, and Shirley Long along with Jenifer H. Almond, Project Manager of Division of Neighborhood Revitalization, grant monies were awarded to the town of Thurmont for this project. Thurmont's Main

Street Manager, Vicki Grinder said, "We worked together throughout the entire weekend to re-work the grant to include the project. During discussion, Shirley brought up Yemi. I had no prior knowledge of Yemi and asked, 'What's a Yemi?'" As it turned out, Yemi is a very talented and colorful artist who brought the project to fruition after 500 hours of work a project he called, "a labor for love, Thurmont's precious jewel."

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The Acacia Masonic Lodge #155 of Thurmont also made a challenge to the Thurmont Lions Club and the Thurmont Community, that they would match up to \$5,000.00 excluding any grant monies that would be donated toward this project. The town of Thurmont along with area businesses responded in an overwhelming way and the funding for the project was well underway. This truly is a Community project reflecting the power of a partnership between two community service groups, private citizens, business and public government to create a legacy for the Town of Thurmont and visitors alike.

The five murals depicted represent attractions, both current and historical, of northern Frederick County, Main Street Thurmont, two area covered bridges, Cunningham Falls, Camp David, Mechanics Park, Memorial Park, Catoctin Furnace, orchards and agricultural areas, as well as historical buildings and houses both past and present.

Ten years ago, the Thurmont Lions Club began the Trolley Trail Project, celebrating their 75th Anniversary and the vision of then Lion President Shirley Long and her husband Gene, combined to ensure the success of the refurbishing of the Thurmont Trolley Trail which was dedicated in September 2007. This one mile trail from East Main Street to Moser Road has become a mainstay in the lives of many, many Thurmont residents. Whether walking, hiking, biking or running, the trail is an important part of the Thurmont Community. This mural project for 2014 is not only a complement to the Trolley Trail but also a celebration of the Thurmont Lions Club's 85th year of service to the community. Truly all six of the murals on the Trolley substation building are Thurmont's Crowning Jewels.

As part of the celebration, Commemorative items will be for sale at local businesses in Thurmont. Those businesses include Timeless Trends, Browns' Jewelry Store, Gateway Farm Market,

Catoctin Mountain Orchard, Mountain Gate Family Restaurant, Catoctin Mountain Trains & Hobbies and Springfield Manor Winery & Distillery. These items include a limited edition signed print of all six murals celebrating the 85th Anniversary of the Thurmont Lions Club. Prints of the individual murals and a "Thurmont Established 1751" etched ornament are also for sale.

Lion Joanne Miller gave special thanks to the Lions who participated in the project and the community for their donations to fund the murals. For more information about the Thurmont Lions Club, visit website:www.thurmontlionsclub.com.



Joann Miller is shown with "Crowning Jewels" artist, Yemi, during the dedication of the "Crowning Jewels" of Thurmont on Saturday, August 23, 2014







Well-Fit Running Dirty

Members of the Well-Fit Aerobic and Fitness Center participated in the Navy Seals Running Dirty 5-mile, 28-obstacle event in Frederick, Maryland, on August 9, 2014. The grueling event raised money for children with cancer. The Well-Fit Team finished the course in one hour and twenty-four minutes.

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(above) Shown climbing the wall are Gretchen Smith, Mackenzie Smith, and Scott McCaskill.

(left) Pictured from left are Jacob Wilson, Mackenzie Smith, Gretchen Smith, Scott McCaskill, Geoff Mellgren, and his son Ryan, and

Kyle Wyant to Attend Law School

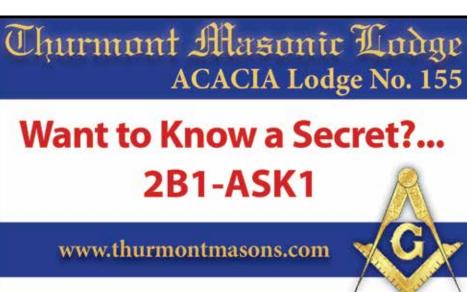
Kyle Wyant, Catoctin High School Class of 2005, graduated from Penn State Harrisburg in May 2014 with an undergraduate degree in political science. He will continue his studies as a member of the Fall 2014 entering class at the William S. Boyd School of Law, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, on a full academic scholarship. Kyle is the son of Cynthia Wyant, Thurmont, and Brian Wyant.













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6347 Debold Rd. Sabillasville, MD-\$429,950

This amazing home has 4 bedrooms, 4.5 baths w/ gorgeous Cherry hardwood floors on main level, a stone living room! Main level master and second master on upper level! Gorgeous gourmet kitchen with stainless appliances, 42" cabinets, pantry, wine cabinet & breakfast bar! Spacious family yard and incredible views! Great rental history! AS-IS. wrap around front porch!!



10198 Briarstone Ct. Frederick, MD-\$268,000

spacious split foyer offers 4 bedrooms, 1 & 1/2 baths, gorgeous custom kitchen with corian counter tops and large breakfast area with door to covered deck to enjoy the beautiful farm view! Wonderful Dining room w/hardwood floors, family room on lower level w/ firelplace! Lovely lot at the end of a dead end street, oversized detached garage & 2 sheds! This is a must see!



22 Pleasant Acres Dr. Thurmont, MD - \$284,900

Gorgeous and so well cared for! This 3 bedroom,2 full bath rancher offers spacious kitchen, dining & living rooms, fireplace, 9ft ceilings, hardwood floors, master bedroom w/walk in closet and super bath w/dual sinks, soaking tub and separate shower! Fantastic lower level w/ huge family room w/built in counter & full bath rough in! 2 car attached garage, 1 car detached garage & a lovely yard!



Call to see this cute 3 bedroom brick rancher with one car garage, Great back yard, unfinished basement with washer and dryer. Convenient to Rt 81 and 70.



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This stately country home offers 5 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, spacious kitchen with ceramic tile, an office, family room, living room, mud room 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!



13917 Graceham Rd. Thurmont, MD - \$109,900

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16111 Sabillasville Rd. Sabillasville, MD -\$224,900

Beautiful Cape This colonial offers spacious yesteryear charm but many kitchen, dining and living modern updates including room on main level with new roof, central A/C and half bath, laundry and mud heat pump installed 2008, hardwoods, open loft area on upper updated appliances and level with updated full bath. baths, some newer windows, Walk up attic and cellar. Roof etc. 3 Bedrooms, 2 full baths, less than 10 years old, new fireplace, lots of closets, walk water heater, large shed, up attic, beautiful views all on 1/2 acre of ground in lovely almost 2 acres! A must see!!



9629 Gravel Hill Rd. Woodsboro - \$229,900

spacious kitchen, dining room, living room, full bath and master bedroom while upstairs has 2 additional bedrooms, a 1/2 bath and a office/den/ nursery! Hardwoods floors throughout (under carpet). Roof replaced in 2009! Expansive lower level with walk up. Great covered rear porch, front porch and 2 car garage!



Sabillasville, MD -\$139,900

Lovely all brick cape cod with Cute 2 bedroom home tons of room and a sunny in great condition. Nice disposition! Main level offers a country kitchen, Laundry has been moved to first floor, large back yard with shed. Great front porch for evening relaxation.



117 Rouzer Lane Thurmont-\$214,900

Gorgeous , private lot! This 3 bedroom, 2 full bath colonial sits in a park like setting surrounded by trees and flowers! Laminate floors in living room with wood burning fire place, sunny kitchen, spacious first floor master with full bath, 2 bedrooms and full bath on upper level. Expansive deck for entertaining, shed, brand new roof (April 2014), HVAC system new in 2012! New Water Heater!



This 3 bedroom 1.5 bath duplex has so much to offer. Spacious living room, kitchen with ceramic tile and lovely dining room with hard wood floors and slider to rear yard. Large unfinished lower level just waiting for your finishing touches! Updated roof, windows, siding, exterior doors, water heater and attic fan! Wonderful yard, shed and deck for entertaining!

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Sports news

Catoctin Field Hockey Discount Cards Available Soon

Several businesses in the Catoctin area support the field hockey program at Catoctin High School (CHS) by honoring a discount for goods and services in their business ALL YEAR for people who purchase and carry a CHS Field Hockey discount card! The discount cards are the main fundraiser for the field hockey program and are very popular due to the businesses who honor their discounts throughout the year. Each discount card costs \$10.00 and all discounts are valid through December 31, 2015.

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A list of the businesses honoring discounts follows (all of these local businesses are long-time supporters of this program): Ace Hardware, Carleo Italian Pizzeria, E Plus Copy Center & Promotions, Gateway Candyland, Hobbs Hardware, Main Street Groomers, Ott House Pub & Restaurant, The Palms Restaurant, Peking Palace, Rocky's Pizza, Subway, and Zurgable Bros. Hardware.

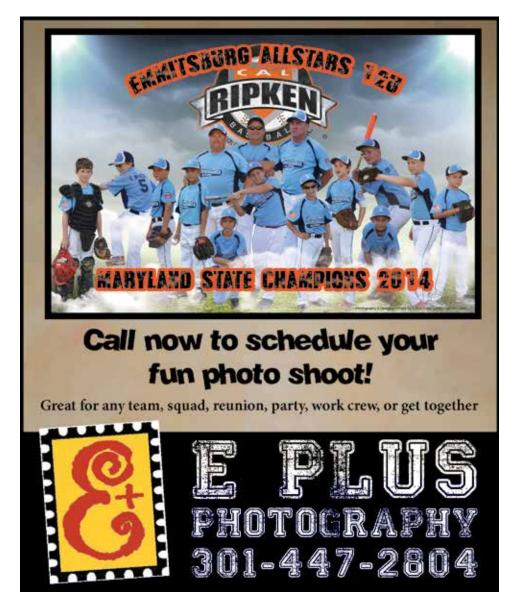
To purchase a discount card, seek out any of the current field hockey players OR visit E Plus Copy Center & Promotions, Ott House, or The Palms in Emmitsburg; or Gateway Candyland or Hobb's Hardware in Thurmont. Call Coach Heather Gray at 301-788-0427 with any questions.

Thurmont Little League Fall Baseball Registration

Registration for the 2014 Thurmont Little League Fall Baseball Season is currently open. Registration is open via the website at www.eteamz.com/ thurmont. Thurmont Little League will offer T-ball (ages 4-7), Instructional Machine Pitch (ages 6-8), Minor (ages 6-10), and Major Division (ages 8-11).

Information on in-person registrations will be announced via their Facebook page at "Thurmont Little League." Cost to participate in the Fall Baseball Program is \$65.00.

For questions about the program, please call 267-664-5059 or email thurmontbaseball@hotmail.com.







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Expert Answers to Your Health and Wellness Questions

by George Puvel, Anytime Fitness Owner

Question: I am someone who regularly skips meals and workouts, thanks to both a busy work schedule and family life. I'm wondering if you have any tips that might get me back on track?

Answer: Luckily, there are many people that lead busy lives while still finding the time for healthy meals and productive workouts—it can be done! You need to make sure that fitness and nutrition are priorities in your life. Once you make this commitment, doing the "right" thing will seem like a lot less work. Try taking an inventory of your week on Sunday night, figuring out which days are light and which ones are heavy in terms of work and family responsibilities. Then, you can schedule your workouts in your planner and resolve any meal planning issues as well. For example, maybe you need to pack more comprehensive snacks if you have a meeting during lunch, or maybe you need to create a reminder so you remember to take frozen meat

out of the freezer the night before you cook it. These seem like small, almost trivial changes, but they make a world of difference when you're in a time crunch. We typically schedule things we don't want to forget, so why not schedule meals and workouts, too?

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Question: Lately, my goal has been to eat healthier snacks during the day, since I'm a big fan of chips and candy bars. What do you guys recommend as alternatives?

Answer: We get asked this quite a bit, so we definitely have some favorites. If you want something similar to your candy bar, you could certainly go with a sports nutrition bar. The main difference is that the sports bars are a bit more balanced with additional protein and less fat. They also typically have more vitamins and minerals as well. As a result, they make for a better meal replacement than a traditional candy bar. If you want some "real foods," which we recommend, check out this short list:

- •Celery and carrots with low-fat dip;
- •Plain yogurt with granola and blueberries;
- •Whole grain crackers with hummus;
- Cottage cheese with apple slices;
- Trail mix with dried fruit and nuts;
- •String cheese and a banana;
- •½ whole grain bagel with peanut butter;
- •Low-sodium beef jerky;
- •Rice cakes with lean ham or turkey; and
- •Edamame (soybeans in the pod).

Question: Despite the focus on strength training in recent years, cardiovascular exercise still needs to be part of my routine, right? Assuming I'm correct, how much should I incorporate into my workout program?

Answer: Cardiovascular exercise should definitely be front and center when it comes to exercise. After all, your heart is the single most

important muscle in your entire body. There's really no reason to avoid cardio. In fact, the only reason to limit cardiovascular exercise is if you're a hard-gainer and your primary goal is to put on weight. Even in this scenario, you can do several sessions of low-intensity exercise per week, like walking or casual bike riding. For optimal health benefits, we can look to the 2008 Physical Activity Guidelines for Americans. Per the recommendations, adults should shoot for 150 minutes of moderate-intensity aerobic activity or 75 minutes of vigorous-intensity activity, ideally spread throughout an entire week. The guidelines go on to mention that doubling these numbers provides even greater health benefits. Regardless of these recommendations, what you really have to do is factor in personal variables, like your current fitness level and your schedule. Gradually work your way up to recommended levels, and don't forget to include strength training and flexibility as well.

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











School news

Acacia Masonic Lodge No. 155 in Thurmont

The Acacia Masonic Lodge No. 155 recently awarded its annual Mary and Robert Remsberg Memorial Scholarship to Catoctin High School graduate Donald Ames.

Mr. Ames, who will be attending The Citadel, was presented with the \$4,000 Scholarship at the Masonic Lodge Friends and Family Strawberry Night.

Acacia Lodge established the annual Mary and Robert Remsberg Memorial Scholarship in 1995. Scholarship funds are distributed at \$1,000 per year for up to four years of continued education with passing grades from an accredited college or university. This scholarship is available to all graduating high school level seniors from a Maryland state accredited public, private, and/or homeschool program that reside within the Catoctin High School district. Since 1995, Thurmont Masons have awarded over twenty-two scholarships totaling over \$70,000 supporting area students.



Pictured above with Dr. John Hagemann, Worshipful Master of Acacia Lodge No. 155 and John Hoke, Junior Warden and chair of the scholarship committee, are recent Scholarship winners: Brian Deroner, attending West Virginia Wesleyan University; Miranda Baker, attending West Virginia University; Donald Ames, attending The Citadel; and the Grand Lodge of Maryland Scholarship winner Hailee Grimes, attending Towson State University.

TMS Colorfest Yard Sale Spaces Available

Get your yard sale space in front parking lot of Thurmont Middle School (TMS) during Colorfest (October 11-12, 2014). Spaces are approximately 10x10 for \$25.00 (includes set up for both days and parking for one vehicle). Spaces are limited. View their advertisement on page 37 for more information.



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Recipients of the 2014 Mayor James Black Scholarship



Picture from left are: (front row) Derrick Kaas, Sarah Morales, and Officer William Dixon; (back row) Commissioner Bill Buehrer, Commissioner Wayne Hooper, Mayor John Kinnaird, Commissioner Marty Burns, and Commissioner Wes Hamrick.

Catoctin High Safe and Sane 2015 News

The tickets for the Steamed Crab Raffle have all been distributed. If you have tickets that you're unable to sell, please contact Shannon Wetzel (shanypany328@yahoo.com or 301-748-7068) to return them. All sold tickets and monies must be returned to Shannon prior to September 4, 2014—please contact her to make arrangements. Drawing will be held Sunday, September 7, during the Thurmont and Emmitsburg Community Show, where ten lucky people will win a bushel of crabs.

The tickets are selling quickly for the Sportman's Bingo on Saturday, September 20, 2014, at the Lewistown Fire Hall. If you're interested in attending, please be advised that this event requires a ticket for admission. Your \$40.00 donation includes dinner, drinks, and 20 games of bingo (10 for guns, 10 for \$200 cash). Please contact Cindy Grimes (cindy_grimes@msn. com or 301-788-5354) or Cheryl Phelan (bochph@aol.com or 301-524-3106) to get your ticket(s) before they're gone. This event will sell out. Volunteers are needed for this event. Please contact Cindy or Cheryl if you can help. Please bring your sold ticket stubs and money to the next planning meeting.

We are hosting a golf tournament on Saturday, September 27, 2014, at Mountain View Golf Course in Fairfield, Pennsylvania. There will be several prizes awarded, including the winning foursome(s), Longest Drive, Closest to the Pin, and a \$10,000 Cash Hole in One. We need golfers and sponsors for this event. Registration and sponsorship form is available online at www. catoctinsafeandsane.com. For additional information on this event, please contact Lori Zentz at lmzentz@comcast.net or 301-271-3148.

Volunteers are needed to assist with Colorfest parking (October 11-12, 2014). Please contact Vicky Simmel at vsimmel@gannonassociates.com if you can donate some time.

We are hosting a Crab Cake Dinner on Friday, November 14, 2014, at the Vigilant Hose Company. More information to follow.

We are hosting a Dance and Silent Auction on Saturday, December 6, 2014, at the Thurmont American Legion, where the band Red Line will perform. We are in need of donations for our silent auction. Please contact Cheryl Phelan (bochph@aol.com or 301-524-3106) if you have something to donate. More information to follow.

The next planning meeting will be on Wednesday, September 10, 2014, in the Catoctin High School Media Center. Meeting will commence at 7:00 p.m. All 2015 senior parents are strongly encouraged to attend. We need everyone's help to make this a successful year.

For more information and a listing of current events, please visit their website at www.catoctinsafeandsane.com and/or like them on Facebook – Catoctin High Safe and Sane 2015.

Changes for Students Back to School — *Continued from cover page*

Barb Cicmanec teaching math intervention.

Thurmont Elementary School

Thurmont Elementary School will be focusing on the expanding role of technology in the classroom. The school is working to develop a policy so that students can bring their own devices to school to work on the school's wireless network. Each grade level will also have its own Promethean board to use for lessons.

Thurmont Elementary and Thurmont Primary will be co-hosting a Back-to-School picnic at Thurmont Community Park on September 4, 2014, from 5:00-6:30 p.m. Students and their families are invited to come spend some informal and fun time with teachers and staff at the schools.

New staff at the school include: Jessica Ridenour teaching fourth grade; Matthew Luketic teaching fourth grade; Tyler Trone as the user support specialist.

Sabillasville Elementary School

Like many of the schools in the Catoctin feeder system, Sabillasville Elementary is introducing Positive **Behavior Intervention Systems** (PBIS), a proactive approach to dealing with school discipline.

"The students will be able to earn Mountain Money and spend it in the Mountain General Store," said Principal Kate Krietz. They will be able to earn rewards like extra recess and no homework.

New staff at the school include: Haleh Paciotti as the new literary specialist; Katie Dempsher as the new speech teacher.

Lewistown Elementary School

Lewistown Elementary School will be focusing on growth mindsets this year. It's a teaching philosophy developed by Carol Dweck and Mary Cay Ricci that encourages

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pushing your limits to reach your potential and how to deal with the times you come up short in that pursuit. "We think it will help our students develop perseverance and resilience that they may need as they face the new assessments," said Principal Shirley Olsen.

The school will be hosting a Tiger Trot for Technology on October 4. This is a walk and ride for new school technology. It will have a short run for students and 5-mile and 42-mile bike rides through scenic Frederick County. For more information, visit the school's website at www.education.fcps.org/

New personnel at the school are: Art teacher, Lauren Clore; 3rd grade teacher, Kaitlyn Miller; therapist, Alena Alsruhe; special education assistant, Jessica Kirkwood; special education assistant, Kimberly McTighe; and special education assistant, Lindsay Hewitt.

Emmitsburg Elementary School

Emmitsburg Elementary School was also contacted about their new changes, but they did not get back to the The Catoctin Banner before press time.



FFA Happenings

by John Kempisty, Chapter Reporter

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The Catoctin High School Future Farmers of America (FFA) chapter entered their float in both the Thurmont and Rocky Ridge volunteer Fire Department parades. The theme this year was "Agriculture throughout Maryland," featuring Maryland's diverse agriculture. The float placed first in the "Best Appearing Youth Entry" in the Thurmont Parade and took second place in the Rocky Ridge Parade.

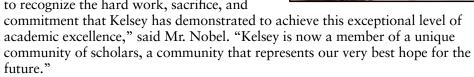
During the Thurmont parade, the Catoctin FFA Float also hosted guest from Tennessee, Mitch Baker, Secretary of the National FFA Organization.

The Catoctin High School FFA Chapter is starting its fundraisers for their trip to the 2014 National FFA Convention in Louisville, Kentucky, this fall. The Chapter is currently selling tickets for the "Cow Pie Bingo," which takes place at noon on September 7, 2014, during the 58th Annual Thurmont and Emmitsburg Community Show at Catoctin High School. The tickets are \$5.00 each; the winner wins \$100. Please come out and support your local FFA Chapter.

Local Student Receives National Honor

On July 21, 2014, The National Society of High School Scholars (NSHSS) announced Catoctin High School senior, Kelsey R. Stafford from Thurmont (pictured right), has been selected to become a member of the esteemed organization. The Society recognizes top scholars who have demonstrated outstanding leadership, scholarship, and community commitment. The announcement was made by NSHSS Founder and Chairman Claes Nobel, a senior member of the family that established the Nobel Prize.

"On behalf of NSHSS, I am honored to recognize the hard work, sacrifice, and



"Our vision is to build a dynamic international organization that connects members with meaningful content, resources, and opportunities," stated NSHSS President James W. Lewis. "We aim to help students like Kelsey build on their academic successes and enhance the skills and desires to have a positive impact on the global community."

Formed in 2002, The National Society of High School Scholars recognizes academic excellence at the high school level and encourages members of the organization to apply their unique talents, vision, and potential for the betterment of themselves and the world. Currently, there are more than one million Society members in over 160 countries. Membership in NSHSS is by invitation only. For more information about NSHSS, visit www.nshss.org.



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Meet the Candidates: Frederick County Council District 5 and At-Large

The Catoctin Banner Newspaper

by James Rada, Jr.



As the general election in November approaches, *The Catoctin Banner* asked candidates for some of the offices in Frederick County to talk to our readers. This is the second in the series, as the candidates for the first Frederick County Council District 5 Representative and At-Large Representative weigh in. While all of the candidates were contacted to participate, Billy Shreve did not respond to repeated e-mails and so his responses are not included.

Frederick County Council District 5

Kirby Deluater (R)

Why are you running for county council?

I am running for County Council because after serving four years as County Commissioner, I feel that I still have some ideas that will benefit the County taxpayers. I have implemented many tax saving ideas that have allowed the reallocation of County resources and funds to areas needed most, such as Sheriff Deputies, Fire Rescue, and Schools.

What are your qualifications to serve on the council for District 5?

I think the qualifications are simply to just have the desire to do the job of Councilman and implement your ideas to better this County. I am a small business owner, which allows me to bring a lot of everyday common sense and financial knowledge into the government arena. I am currently Chairman of the Thurmont Board of Appeals as well.

What are the biggest issues facing the north end of the county as you

I don't see any standalone issues that face just the north end of Frederick County. Improper use of

County resources and funding is an issue for all of Frederick County. This current Board of Commissioners (The Young Board) has taken our bond rating from AAA negative (left from the Gardner Board) to AAA stable, and we're hoping for a AAA rating here in 2014. Standard and Poor, Fitch and other rating agencies will not upgrade your bond status if they do not feel you have a grasp of the finances of the County. In other words, if they feel you are reckless with taxpayer dollars, they will downgrade your bond rating (as they did with the Gardner Board), which simply causes you to pay more interest on your borrowing that in turn does not allow you to borrow as much for capital projects, since more money goes toward interest.

Why should someone at the north end of the county want to see you as a county councilman?

I have a proven track record to look out for taxpayers. There have been many calls to my Commissioner office about issues facing constituents from all over the County. I can say that none of these calls went unanswered. I provided assistance to any and all that contacted me, whether it pertains to permits, zoning, schools, or anything related to County business. If they want true representation, they could only agree to keep me in as Councilman for District 5.

How will you go about representing the interests of the north end of the county as opposed to an at-large candidate?

I will approach it the same way as I do for my Commissioner seat. Anyone that contacts me with a County issue will get addressed just as it has for the past four years.

What kind of improvements would you urge for District 5?

That is one thing I did not like about Charter Government. I think it will pit one district against another vying for County dollars. I will not engage in that sort of politics. I feel we are one County, and we need to work together as one County and not get so wrapped up in the turf wars.

Given the contentious nature of politics, how would you build a productive working relationship with others in elected office throughout the county?

The same way I have with this current board. We discuss issues and, although we don't always agree, we work together for what is best for Frederick County. Even David Gray, who was staunchly against us the majority of the time, commended me for the elimination of the trailer tax, which was solely a tax that I brought to the table to eliminate. I run a business with forty-five employees and, in order to do that, I have to be willing to negotiate on a daily basis. Employees do not like dictators, and dictators do not make it in business very long.

Mark Long (D)

Why are you running for county council?

My family has lived in this area for many generations, so I feel an obligation to help ensure that Frederick County remains a great place to live. The current **Board of County Commissioners** has made decisions based on what was expedient for today, without taking into account the long-term consequences. Good leaders should plan for the well being of future generations.

What are your qualifications to serve on the council for District 5?

I was born and raised in this district and I know it well. I've owned and operated my own home inspection business, as well as worked in my family's construction business. I understand the importance of hard work, as well as creating and maintaining good relationships that are conducive to business.

I served on the Eastern District Executive Board of the Moravian Church for eight years and, during that time, provided oversight of programs and congregations in the northeast United States. I worked with people from various backgrounds and utilized skills to look at issues from a very broad and long-term perspective.

What are the biggest issues facing the north end of the county as you see it?

- 1. We need more good-paying jobs in our area, and I will support initiatives that bring those jobs to the north end of the county. We need to invest in and support our local business community. I want to support and build on the success of our business incubator, the Frederick Innovative Technology Center, Inc., and explore the possibilities of an agricultural incubator. This could help new farmers, or farmers looking to change their type of operation, adapt to and succeed in a changing agricultural environment.
- 2. The BoCC has allowed excessive growth at the wrong places and without sufficient developer funds for roads, schools, and other critical services. While most of this development has occurred in south county, this out-of-balance approach affects services and taxes throughout the county.
- 3. The heroin epidemic is a concern for all of us as a community. Yet the current county commissioners are minimally funding our valued schools and our children's education.

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4. With the selling of Montevue and Citizens, many senior citizens feel that their voices and concerns have gone unheard. I have heard that expanded public transit would be helpful for seniors to get to activities and appointments. I plan to explore that. This could also help workers get to jobs in other parts of the county as well.

Why should someone at the north end of the county want to see you as a county councilman?

I think this is a great place to live, work, and raise a family. I will carefully listen to the concerns of the people of this area and respectfully

consider all opinions when making decisions on the issues we face.

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How will you go about representing the interests of the north end of the county as opposed to an at-large

The north end of the county needs a representative on the council who will look out for the interests of our children and seniors, as well as protect our farmland from over development and help preserve our rural and small town way of life that we've come to expect.

What kind of improvements would you urge for District 5?

I want to bring together a variety of concerned people to discuss the heroin problem, attempt to discern the root causes of this problem, and develop comprehensive strategies for alleviating this problem.

I would work with municipality and business leaders to discuss ways that we might bring more good paying jobs to our area, so residents won't have to commute out of the area to find work.

I will also work to ensure that our planning and zoning policies keep the majority of our growth within or near existing towns, so we can protect our farms and rural heritage.

Given the contentious nature of politics, how would you build a productive working relationship with others in elected office throughout the county?

I will be respectful and courteous to all of my colleagues, as well as to all taxpayers and constituents. Making good decisions for our community should not be about political party or partisan politics, but should be about building consensus and finding reasonable solutions to problems we face.

Frederick County At-Large Council Member

Susan Reeder Jessee (D)

Why are you running for county

I am running for County Council At-Large because, as a lifelong resident of Frederick County, I am very concerned about certain decisions made recently that could have a long-term negative impact on many of the county issues for years to come. I am also a small business owner and know the issues that small business owners face. I have spent my career listening and working together with internal and external clients for the best possible outcome and will bring this ability with me as a member of the county council.

What are your qualifications to serve on the council?

My knowledge of Frederick County, my educational background, direct experience, and involvement in the community provides me with the solid foundation necessary for county council. These include the following: Graduate of the FCPS and Hood College; experience in business and economic development; experience in strategic planning, budgeting, and finance; experience in developing legislation in a government agency; experience in creating jobs; experience in caring for my elderly parents.

How will you be able to represent the interests of the north end of the county?

I have had the pleasure of living in four of the five districts throughout the county and understand that each district has its own unique strengths and challenges. I would take this understanding with me as a council member when making decisions that could affect each district. I have knowledge of the northern region of the county by growing up here and

still have many relatives that live in this area that I am close to, which provides me a great understating of the needs of this region.

Why should someone at the north end of the county want to see you as a county councilman?

The north end of the county is a very important region, based on its rich historical perspective in building America to the pure beauty of its rich environmental landscape. It's really important to understand the features that the north end of the county has for a basic foundation of success when decisions are made that affect that region. I have always worked together as a team and would do this in a council position.

What kind of improvements would you urge for District 5?

District 5 is dealing with specific issues and some are unique to this district and others are universal throughout the county.

- Land Preservation. District 5 has an abundance of history and natural resources unlike anywhere else in the county. It's important to preserve the historical significance of this region while protecting and preserving its environment.
- Aging Population. The senior population is the largest growing population in Frederick County. This makes it challenging and yet important to provide meals on wheels, subsidized senior housing, and transportation options for seniors in this area. Providing and not cutting funding and developing tax incentives for seniors, that rent is another option to affordable housing.
- Transportation. District 5 has the largest land mass in the county, which makes transportation for some a major issue with those that live in

the northern end of the county. It is important to properly budget for this and increase transit to this area and partner with the state for funding to address this issue.

• Drug Concerns. The rising drug problem in Frederick County and in District 5 needs to be addressed immediately. Education and early intervention is critical, and the county needs to provide the resources necessary to make sure another child or adult does not die. Partnerships between the community, schools, and law enforcement are key.

Given the contentious nature of politics, how would you build a productive working relationship with others in elected office throughout the county?

Respecting one another and the idea of our differences is something that is desperately lacking in this county right now, along with the dialogue with other elected officials and with the citizens of Frederick County. I would work together with others in a team environment towards a positive outcome for

the good of the region and county overall. I have done this throughout my career and it truly is that simple. Great ideas can be generated from thought-provoking discussions.

Linda Marie Norris (D)

Why are you running for county council?

I want to be known as the thoughtful, moderate and energetic at-large member of the new Frederick County Council.

I believe thriving business especially green businesses, but mainstream businesses that make good community awareness a staple of their success—are the key to environmental sustainability. I respect education as every individual's (and the community's) path to a better future, whether it's having excellent libraries, community colleges, or schools. I believe that EVERYONE'S VOICE must be at the table, from all sides of the growth debate; to residents of all races and cultures; to women, seniors and those struggling to make ends meet.

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the health jeanne

by Jeanne Angleberger, Shaklee Associate for a Healthier Life

Recently, yours truly took on a new challenge. It was an opportunity to really live my fitness and nutrition beliefs. Age was not a factor. It was the commitment I made to myself caring for my health and body.

Some of you may know how much I enjoy the sport of basketball. It is a real cardio workout. Playing twice a week and shooting baskets boasts my desire to keep moving.

"Not Too Late Basketball Camp" was recently held in Portland, Maine. The camp is an opportunity for women age 50+ to play basketball with women from all over the country! It was an amazing experience! The participants had four days of learning new skills.

Every day there were numerous skill stations lead by the coaching staff, which were awesome. Each

skill station offered a different play or skill for the game.

Games were played by previously assigned teams. Here, the women were really able to show their improving basketball skills.

How strength training can improve performance and prevent injury was presented by a personal trainer. Also, an orthopedic doctor gave her presentation on "The Keys to Healthy Knees!" The camp kept us all in shape in a healthy way.

When I'm older, I am never going to say, "I didn't do this" or "I regret that." I'm going to say, "I don't regret a darn thing. I came, I went, and I did it all."

Hoping you enjoy my "Not Too Late Basketball Camp" journal. I encourage you to find a new challenge and go for it!

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Would anyone deny that faith is not needed to accept Jesus as your Savior? James offers the example of Abraham as having a true, saving faith, James 2:21-24. God promised Abraham he would father a son in his old age, Genesis 18:1-15. God fulfilled that promise with the birth of Isaac, Genesis 21:1-8. However, God then told Abraham to sacrifice that son, Genesis 22:2. Abraham took Isaac and attempted to sacrifice him as God commanded. But God stopped his hand, and Isaac was spared. Genesis 22:9-14.

James through this example showed how belief and works, the response to God based on that belief, are inseparable. Abraham's great faith was predicted on his action of sacrificing Isaac, James 2:21. He was justified because his faith involved action, not belief in God alone.

Faith without action is useless to God, James 2:17, 20, 26. Stated another way, faith without action is incapable of accomplishing its desired tasks. If Abraham had believed God's Word but never laid Isaac on the altar, his faith would not have been faith. It would not have accomplished the tasks Abraham needed it to perform, namely justification and righteousness.

What use is it, my friend, if someone says he has faith but he has no works? James 2:14. The obvious point James was making is that belief without responding to the commands of God in trusting obedience cannot save the soul of anyone. Worship with us and learn about obedient faith that saves.

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What are your qualifications?

I was trained at the University of Maryland (B.S. 1984) to be a journalist, seeking out both sides of an issue. I may belong to a political party, but I have never looked at issues through ideology, but rather on a case by case basis. I have experience in both the private sector, working for a global construction products company, owning my own small business, and working for family-owned companies, as well as in the government and non-profit sectors. I have a vast knowledge of sustainability issues, especially the intersection of sustainability and business, having headed up LEED for Canam Steel and recycling for Frederick County Government, where our decisions had to be based more on what were good economics than simply heart-driven wishes for the environment. The truly sustainable decisions, when it comes to the environment, are those that make good business sense.

In the past fifteen years, I have become intimately familiar with the regulatory AND on the ground business environment through leadership in the Frederick County Manufacturers Roundtable during my time at Canam Steel; and participation in Business Networking International, Women's Business Network, Frederick County Chamber of Commerce (including the Public Policy Committee) and Middletown Chamber of Commerce (board member).

How will you go about representing the interests of the north end of the county as opposed to an at-large candidate?

As an at-large candidate, I see my responsibility as twofold: (1) to be aware of specific issues in the areas represented by district candidates; and (2) to have a clear vision of how these issues impact other areas of Frederick County.

I plan to consult regularly with the elected representative of District 5.

I plan to conduct monthly Random Act of Doorknocking sessions in a district one weekend per month. Instead of holding town hall/listening sessions, which require citizens to come to officials, I would prefer to go to the citizens in a randomly selected community in the district to hear what their issues are, much as I am during the campaign. I would probably spend a weekend doing this, being in each district twice per year.

Why should someone at the north end of the county want to see you as a county councilman?

I lived in the North County for twenty-five years and understand the towns, schools, people, and culture of the area.

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What kind of improvements would you urge for District 5?

Education: District 5 covers a vast but underpopulated area of Frederick County, and I would like to work closely with the Board of Education on issues in that area regarding school bus transportation, emphasizing resources to the older schools in that area. (My children were in the Catoctin District for many years, and I understand the early mornings and aging classrooms!)

Agriculture/Local Food/Tourism: District 5 provides incredible opportunities in both of these areas, and I would keep an open dialogue with the Farm Bureau, Preservation Board, Frederick County Young Farmers, and Extension Service to ensure that our farming heritage is not lost but instead carried forward in a way that the current "local food" market (especially in the wealthy Balto-Wash market) demands. Restoring our Economic Development position full-time with a trained economic development/ Ag specialist is important as well. We should continue listening to the farm community about economic ventures (wineries, stands, on farm composting, etc.) that need adjustments in the zoning ordinance and are done so timely so our farmers will succeed.

Older Adults: It is time to end the contentious relationship between Frederick County and the north County seniors, especially in Thurmont. Many seniors want to retire in their homes/communities, and we need to work to ensure that just because the district is distant from Frederick, it is not shortchanged in services, such as food support (Senior Center, Meals on Wheels) and assisted living facilities (my mom is currently in rehab in St. Catherine's; we need more facilities such as that and Montevue, and financial assistance for in-home care for the rapidly aging population!)

Given the contentious nature of politics, how would you build a productive working relationship with others in elected office throughout the county?

I have already begun to attend Town/City board meetings in our municipalities to reach out a hand of cooperation by understanding their local issues, and I intend to continue open dialogue, especially

about infrastructure needs that affect their region and taxation issues (if the town/city can/wants to provide a service that the County provides, they should see a corresponding adjustment in their citizens' tax rate).

Bud Otis (R)

Why are you running for County Council?

When I heard of the new form of government coming to Frederick County and, with it, Executive and Legislative branches of government, it peaked my interest. I spent twelve years as a Chief of Staff for our Congressman on Capitol Hill developing legislation, so I thought maybe I should offer to serve on the Council by serving in the new legislative branch of government. It is my desire to offer my experience in crafting legislation to benefit all the citizens of our great County.

What are your qualifications to serve on the Council?

I am a good listener and like to hear people out before I respond. Having grown up on a farm as a boy, I learned the value of hard work. I do my homework and then tackle problems. I love to solve problems and have been asked to go into businesses and help management figure out why they are losing money. If you know how to ask the right questions it usually doesn't take long to find the answers. I believe this training will come in handy while looking at the operation of our County and also of its budget. I believe most of all it is because I love people and enjoy helping people where I can.

How will you be able to represent the interest of the north end of the county?

I would like to see the north end of the county keep its pastoral setting of small town America, with its beautiful orchards and farms and University setting. Twenty years from now, I don't want to wake up and find it looking like Montgomery County. Being a farm boy at heart, you have a natural ally in me, as I really understand and valve what the farms and orchards bring to the economic strength of our county. Why are the citizens fleeing Montgomery County to come here? Because of what we now have and must hold near and dear.

Why should someone at the north end of the county want to see you as a councilman?

I view Frederick County as one Council district, as I am running to serve the whole County as a Councilman At-Large. I have already spent a lot of time in the northern part of the county while working in our Congressional office. I understand your issues and what some of the business problems are, and I have never thought of the northern part other than a great place to live, work, and play. You will never have to ask me twice to attend meetings in your area of the county, as you are so lucky to live in that part of our county.

What kind of improvements would you urge for District five?

First, I would consult with the District five member of the Council to see what their thoughts were before I would presume to urge suggestions on the District. Let me give you a suggestion that I feel: your current County Commissioner, Kirby Delauter, might like my help if we were both on the council now. Maryland's taxes are driving businesses out of our state; we must stop this trend now or there will be even fewer people paying even higher and higher taxes. As you know, the businesses along the northern border of the County have to compete with Pennsylvania for business. We must keep our taxes down for this and many other reasons. I have been a businessman myself, and I know how to compete, and I will promise you I will make sure our county becomes completive as we move forward in the future.

Given the contentious nature of politics how would you build a productive working relationship with others in elected office throughout the county?

We need to begin by respecting the other side's arguments. No two people are going to agree on everything, but we don't need to be disagreeable in the process. I repeat, "I like people" and, even though you and I may not agree, we can still be friends, if we don't challenge the other's integrity. I know it works, as I was successful in dealing with the other side of the aisle while working in Congress.

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The Legend of Catoctin Furnace, Part 3

by James Rada, Jr.

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

As America divided and fought its Civil War beginning in 1861, the next legend, and probably the leastdefensible one concerning Catoctin Furnace, arose. It was said that the plates for the ironclad U.S.S. Monitor, which fought its way into history against the Merrimac in 1862, were cast at Catoctin Furnace.

"The claim that Catoctin made iron for the Monitor is based on nothing more solid than a reference to 'Frederick Citizen' in a popular history of Frederick County, a reference that is worthless. Until reliable evidence is found, this claim will also have to be abandoned," according to the 1936 federal government report.

That book is the *History of* Frederick County by Thomas J.C. Williams and Folger McKinsey. It was published in 1910 and does not source the footnote. Other than this, no records exist to refute or verify the claim.

'What we do know is the H. Abbott and Sons of Baltimore supplied the rolled plates for the Monitor's gun turret. What we do not know—and are constantly on the lookout for—is with whom they, or in fact any of the firms associated with the Monitor, subcontracted. To date we have found nothing conclusive.

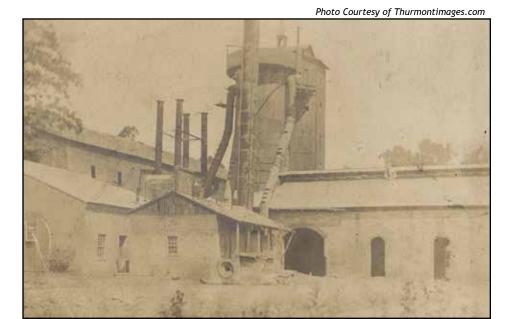
"According to information we have here on Catoctin Furnace, it appears that Catoctin primarily produced pig iron, so it is unlikely that they supplied iron for the turret plates. This is mentioned in William Still's 1987 work, Monitor Builders.

"It may be that Catoctin Furnace participated in the building of a monitor-class vessel—just not the Monitor. Again, there is no proof either way," wrote Anna Holloway, Chief Curator of The Mariners' Museum in Newport News, Virginia.

However, Holloway goes on to say that it can't be totally discounted. "What we are finding is that the names, invoices and such from a variety of firms are beginning to reveal themselves through newly discovered archival material relating to the Monitor," she wrote in an e-mail to the author.

During the war, the furnace was owned by Jacob Kunkel. Peregrine Fitzhugh had bought the furnace from John O'Brien in 1843. He built the charcoal furnace that was named Isabella. This is the furnace that still remains on the site of Catoctin Furnace. Isabella required a steam engine and engine house, a hot air oven to provide the blast, plus other support facilities. Though it was considered sophisticated,





A 1906 photo of the Catoctin Furnace Iron Works.

newer methods of smelting had been developed that used coal instead of charcoal to fire the furnace. However, the Catoctin region had trees not coal, so Catoctin Furnace operated the less-efficient Isabella.

Fitzhugh also built a mulepowered rail system to bring ore from the pits to be washed and then dumped in Catoctin Furnace.

Fitzhugh's improvements only served to drive him deeper into debt, and, in 1856, he had sold a half interest in the operation to Kunkel for \$35,000.

Jacob Kunkel and his brother John ran the furnace until 1866, when Jacob sold his interest to John. John ran it until 1885.

He built "Deborah," a 50-foot high anthracite coal and coke furnace, about 140 feet south of Isabella. It was a steam and water powered furnace with a daily capacity of 35 tons of pig iron. With Deborah and Isabella both producing coal, Catoctin Furnace's annual output doubled to 1,200 tons

During the Kunkel years, Catoctin Furnace also became a community of grist mills, 80 houses for workers, and a company store. The furnace employed 100 workers, plus 300 woodchoppers and colliers. It included 11,000 acres. It was a prosperous time for business. The ore banks were extended to accommodate the additional

When John Kunkel died in 1885, his children organized the Catoctin Iron Company. This only lasted until 1887, when the operation closed and went into receivership. The receivers operated the furnace for a year when Catoctin Mountain

Iron Company was formed. The operation output was 30 tons of pig iron a day and lasted until 1892, at which time the falling price of iron made it unprofitable.

The Blue Mountain Iron and Steel Company bought the operation in 1899 and began making pig iron the next year. The output was 40 tons a day and lasted until 1903.

Joseph Thropp bought the operation in 1906 for \$51,135. He dismantled the iron works but continued the mining operations. The ore was shipped to his furnaces in Pennsylvania to be smelted.

Lancelot Jacques and a Mr. Hauver bought the property in 1923. They sold the property off in tracts.

President Herbert Hoover's secretary Lawrence Richey bought one in 1929, and the president occasionally camped on the grounds until the land became a federal park during the Great Depression in 1937. The National Park Service turned over 4,500 acres to the Maryland Park System in 1954.

Not much remains today of Catoctin Furnace, but what there is can be seen near Cunningham Falls State Park, south of Thurmont.

Of the three furnaces, only Isabella remains. You can walk inside the casting shed and look at where the fires once burned.

The remnants of the ironmaster's mansion sit nearby, though it no longer overlooks the furnace. Some of the stone walls and fireplaces remain to give visitors an idea of how large the mansion used to be.

You can also walk on a selfguided trail that will take you between slag heaps that are now covered over with dirt and grass.

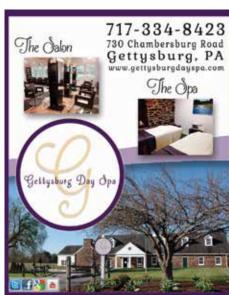


Randy and I will celebrate our twentieth wedding anniversary in October. People ask us the secret for a long and happy marriage. I've given this some thought and have come up with the answer—at least in our case. We've stayed married to each other for so long because no one else wants us. Seriously, there's no one out there-male or femalewho would put up with either one of us. You're scratching your heads and asking aloud, "How bad could they be?" and some of you are thinking that we seem like perfectly nice, normal people. Read on...

It was a Saturday morning in June. Randy and I had been talking about picking strawberries, and this seemed like as good a day as any. I was doing something else, so I handed Randy a newspaper ad and asked him to call a produce farm to find out the hours for picking strawberries. He dialed the number, paced around, fussed and fumed, and pronounced that the prerecorded message didn't pick up. He said he'd try again later and headed out the door to get a haircut.

Meanwhile, I did some chores around the house. The telephone rang, but I was in the bathroom, and I didn't make it to the phone before the caller hung up. There was no message, so I checked Caller ID and didn't recognize the name. I assumed the call was a wrong number and went about my business.

Randy was still out running errands when the phone rang again. I checked the ID and it was the same caller as before. I answered the phone to see what was going on, and a distressed-sounding lady asked why we had called her. I had no idea what she was talking about and I told her so in a nice way. She



insisted that we had called and said that our number was on her Caller ID. Dunce that I am, I still didn't make the connection, but I apologized for any inconvenience and told her that it had to have been my husband; I hadn't called anyone except my mother. The poor woman on the other end of the phone told me that she'd had surgery recently and wasn't able to get to the phone quickly enough to answer it, and that it was causing her pain and aggravation to have to try. Once again, I said I was sorry and hoped that was the end of it.

Sometimes, exercising on the treadmill clears my head and I'm able to think coherently. That Saturday morning while I was trotting on the belt, my foggy brain finally clicked on. I realized that Randy must have dialed the wrong number when he was trying to call the strawberry farm. That explained why he didn't get the recorded message telling us the picking times. I worked up a good head of steam thinking about how the lady had

chewed me out on the phone, so when Randy finally waltzed in with his new coif, I let him have it.

I accused him of dialing the wrong number. He vehemently denied it, because that's a man's natural response. Deny it. Say, "I didn't do it," no matter what. I grabbed the ad from the newspaper and the telephone and proved to my hubby that the two phone numbers were one digit off from one another. He grudgingly admitted that he "might" have misdialed. I was still ranting some, but we were somewhat seeing the humor in the situation when both of us noticed that there seemed to be someone outside saying "Hello." We looked at each other, and then out the window, and then we both realized that the sound was coming from the telephone. I had accidentally redialed the poor lady with the bum leg in my fervor to prove to Randy that I was right. She had actually managed to answer the phone this time because it had probably been ringing for ten minutes. Unfortunately, she hung up before either of us on this end realized that we had made another connection.

Never fear, though. She called back and was not happy with us. I made Randy answer the phone.

He apologized, tried to explain the situation, and promised never to bother her again. At that point, I was finding the whole thing hilarious and could not stop laughing. Don't get me wrong, I felt bad that we had been torturing the probably-nice lady all morning, but I found the level of our stupidity funny.

Anyway, a little while later, we struck out for the farm and picked strawberries in the rain. We felt that was an ample punishment for the morning's activities. This is a true story and no names have been changed to protect the innocent.

On a similar note, I have been having a lot of problems with my eyes this year. I've been worried about losing my sight, so I asked Randy if he would take care of me if I go blind. He gave me the look that says he was only half paying attention, but he knew that I'd asked him something that required a serious answer. I could see the wheels turning in his brain as he desperately tried to piece together what I'd said.

He grinned and said, "Of course I'll take care of you, but I don't think changing your hair color will make you so dumb that you'll need my help." I rest my case.



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White Tigers, Shere Khan & Keisha

White tigers are impressive to look at. They stand out among other animals because of their coloring, and that coloring is what makes them rare in the wild. A white predator in a jungle is easier to see coming than one that blends into its surroundings.

"About 1 in 10,000 tigers is born white. Although many people believe that the white

tiger is a separate species, it is not. The gene that causes the abnormal coloring is actually a genetic defect that more often than not causes many problems. Often cubs that are white (no guarantees, even with two white parents) don't survive," said Maureen "Mo" Figueira, with the East Coast Exotic Animal Rescue.

The East Coast Exotic Animal Rescue is a non-profit exotic animal sanctuary, located in Fairfield, Pennsylvania. The rescue recently acquired two white tigers. Shere Khan is the male, named for a character in The Jungle Book. Keisha is the female.

"They love to hang out in their pool," Figueira said. "These cats really love the water. One of Shere Khan's favorite games is to splash as much water as possible onto his caretakers and, believe me, he can splash a LOT of water! Keisha has been known to chew on and destroy the hose if it gets within reach!"

The tiger pair are about nine years old and have been together since they were just a few days old.

"Shere Khan seems to really enjoy play-stalking and interacting with his caregivers. Keisha has a very sweet and even-tempered personality. Having said that, they are tigers first and foremost," said Figueira.

Despite their friendly natures, caution is always taken with them, because they are large predators.

The tigers came to the



Shere Khan, a white tiger at the East Coast Exotic Animal Rescue.

rescue from an aging owner. "The owner is getting older and facing health issues that make it difficult for him to care for them," Figueira said.

White tigers are a sub-species of Bengal tigers. They are not albinos or a separate species of tiger, as is often thought. White tigers occur when two Bengal tigers, with a recessive gene that controls color, breed. If both parents pass that recessive gene to the cub, it will be white.

The difficulty in producing a white tiger, and their popularity, has led to them being deliberately bred.

"The popularity of the white tiger has created an entire tiger breeding industry. This creates a large number of unwanted standard orange tigers, in addition to many deformed, sickly, or weak white cubs," stated Figueira.

Keisha and Shere Khan have a large chain link enclosure at the rescue, with a grassy area and pool to play in.

"Keeping a tiger in an enclosure requires a very well-built, very strong one that includes chain link across the entire top as well," Figueira said.

The rescue would like to build the tigers a climbing area. It is in their future plans and will have to

be designed to be tiger proof. For more information about the East Coast **Exotic Animal** Rescue, visit their website eastcoastrescue. org.



The intent of the Ice Bucket

Challenge is to increase awareness

and funding for Amyotrophic



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Preparing for the 2014-2015 School Year Ahead

Back to school night, held on August 20, was a blast. It was exciting witnessing the liveliness of the students filling the halls of Catoctin High School (CHS) once again! CHS's 2014-2015 extracurricular activities and sports are now in full swing. Fall sports have been practicing and events have already been scheduled; fundraisers are being discussed and plans are being made for the Homecoming Dance. But that isn't all we have to look forward to up at Catoctin!

This past school year, CHS' athletic trainer, Kristi Voigt, as well as the amazing coaches, caught the eye of the National Athletic Trainers' Association, and Catoctin High School was awarded with the Safe Sports School 1st Team award. This award is given in recognition that Catoctin High School took all the recommended and required steps under the guidelines of the National Athletic Trainers' Association to keep their athletes injury free. Some of these steps include creating a wellestablished athletic health program, preparing pre-participation physical examinations, promoting safe practice and competition facilities, planning proper maintenance of athletic equipment, and many more. Catoctin High School will proudly hang a banner in their gymnasium and will hold the honor of this award for the next three years.

Our school also has new staff in some of the departments. Students and staff alike welcome the new staff



members as CHS Cougars and look forward to working with them during their time here at Catoctin. Also, we now have a new standardized testing format called the Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC), which is supposed to allow staff and parents to analyze how students are performing and how successful they may be in the future. This new format is directly linked to the change in curriculum in the past year, which incorporates the Common Core curriculum to our teaching processes, as well as to our new classes.

This school year, there will also be a change in how our busing system is going to be organized. In the past, students have had to memorize their bus numbers; however, this year, students will have to locate buses based on their route number instead. Our school's route numbers will consist of the first letter of our school, "C" for Catoctin, and the numbers 1-26 (C1-C26).

The Thurmont & Emmitsburg Community Show will be held at the school this year from September 5 through September 7. Students at Catoctin will be helping out with the event, as well as participating, as we will have livestock for show, artwork on display, and great food for everyone to eat. If you haven't already picked up an information booklet, you can find them around town. Come out to support our community!

This month, there will be plenty of opportunities for everyone to come out to our school. From a variety of upcoming sporting events, shows, homecoming, and fundraisers, there are many exciting ways for our community to interact with our students. I look forward to seeing everyone at our school in the weeks to come. Thank you for wanting to stay informed about our school and for reading. I hope everyone has an eventful month and a wonderful start to the school year. Thanks again for reading and God bless! If you have any suggestions as to what you would like to see in this article, feel free to email me at labellakreiner@hotmail.

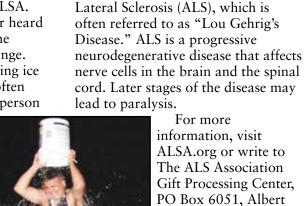
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The ALS Ice Bucket Challenge Drenches Locals

ALS Ice Bucket Challenge donations reached \$79.7 million as of August 25, 2014, as reported by the ALS Association on ALSA. org. Most everyone has either heard about the challenge, issued the challenge, or taken the challenge. The challenge involves dumping ice water over a person's head, often while being videotaped. The person

on whom the ice water is being dumped has the option of issuing a new challenge or donating to the cause to opt out of the challenge.





Alyssa Baker

Catoctin High School students Alyssa Baker, Tyler Alexander, and Jasmine Metal respond to the "Ice Bucket Challenge" to support about Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS).



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Get to Know the Holy Land

This summer, Thurmont residents, John Giffin and Rev. Sally Joyner-Giffin (Pastor Sally), visited Israel and Jordan, which make up part of the area known as The Holy Land. This area is considered holy not only to Christians but to Jews, Muslims,





A market in Jerusalem.

the Bahai, and the Druze faith. The Giffins wanted to walk in the places Jesus walked to get a better understanding of his life and ministry and also to have a context for events described in both the Old and New Testament. The Giffins were part of a group of Christians from around the world who visited historic sites built by Herod the Great; sites where Elijah, Elisha, and Moses listened to God; the site accepted as St. Peter's home; The Sea of Galilee; and the sites of Jesus' birth, death, and burial. Part of their reason for being there was to spend a lot of time in prayer, so they prayed at the places Jesus was known to visit; at the Wailing Wall; at the Via Dolorosa (the path Jesus walked on the way to the crucifixion); and at numerous churches and along the Jordan River. They also had the opportunity to

visit the Holocaust Museum in Israel and a mosque in Jordan.

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While they were there, the conflict between the Palestinians and Israel escalated. They found it ironic that as they visited places long considered to be holy by both the Jews and the Muslims, there were missiles being fired by both sides. Though they could see the missiles from their hotel room, the missiles were not what left a lasting impression on them. Having the Bible come alive is what they most appreciate. They would like to share their experiences and their slide show on Thursday, September 18, 2014, at 6:30 p.m. at Harriet Chapel, Catoctin Episcopal Parish, located at 12625 Catoctin Furnace Road in Thurmont (across from the Catoctin Furnace). Light refreshments will be served. Call Harriet Chapel 301-271-4554 if you have questions.

The 4-H Shooting Sports Team - Firepower Competes in AIM Grand Championships in Illinois



The Frederick County Maryland 4-H Shooting Sports Team - Firepower at the AIM Grand Championships in Sparta, Illinois.

The Frederick County Maryland 4-H Shooting Sports Team – Firepower participated in the AIM Grand Championships in Sparta, Illinois, on August

Squad members are Ashley Grimes (squad leader); Shane Biser; Kevin Horton; John Schroyer, Jr.; and PJ Hinch. Coaches are Chuck Farmer, Dan Neuland, and Paul Hinch.

The experience was unforgettable, and these kids did a great job representing Frederick County, 4-H and Maryland! Their accomplishments were vast: Kevin Horton (age 11)—3rd Place NRA 3-Gun Tactical; Ashley Grimes (age 16)—High Lady, 28 ga. 25 Bird Trap Event, High Lady, 50 Bird International Wobble Event; Shane Biser (age 12)—1st Place and HOA 28 ga. 25 Bird Trap Event, 1st Place International Wobble Event, 1st Place NRA Handgun Challenge, 1st Place NRA Rifle Challenge, 1st Place Doubles Champion, 1st Place Beretta Iron Shooter HOA, 3rd Place Annie Oakley Challenge. All of the members of the 4-H squad shot their career best at the

Two other teenagers from the Thurmont area also shot in the AIM Grand Championships (not with 4-H): Nathaniel Neuland and Cameron Moneypenny with The Thurmont Topshots also represented Maryland.



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Thurmont American Legion

September is here, school is back in session, and it is time for the Annual Community Show at Catoctin High School. Again, we will be presenting the colors during the opening ceremonies. This year, Tommy Grunwell will be giving a talk on the history of "The Star Spangled Banner," and will honor all active and past members of our military.

The leaves will soon begin to change color and that means that it won't be long until it is time for Colorfest. We, at the Edwin C. Creeger Jr. Post 168 American Legion, have several spaces that are available for our Octoberfest (the space rental includes a town permit).

September also brings our Annual Picnic. This year, it will be held on September 7. Along with all you can possibly eat, we will be honoring those members who have sixty or more years of membership in The American Legion.

Last month, several of our Legionnaires attended the Department Convention, where we attended some classes to help us to better serve the community and our Post. While at the Convention, we received several awards: the Arthur L McGee Memorial Trophy for Excelling in our Child Welfare Programs, the George Harman Memorial award for the Best Boy Scout Program in Western Maryland, the Reverend Anthony Dranginis Memorial award for having the Best Chaplains reporting from Western Maryland, and the Earl B Wright Memorial Trophy for the Most Outstanding Service Officers Activities in Western Maryland, service Officer Alvin Hatcher.

In August, we also held our annual Luau; lots of people attended and fun was had by all. In September, we will be holding Bingo on Thursdays. On Fridays in September, we will have entertainment in our lounge area: September 5—DJ Jake will be playing and doing Karaoke; September 12—DJ James will be doing the master of ceremonies and playing some good sounds; September 19—Big Al will be playing your favorites; September 26—Ralph Gann will be entertaining us with his excellent singing, as well as joining in with the Karaoke.

Our kitchen is open Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday evenings, from 5:00-8:00 p.m.

Women Soldiers in the Civil War

"Women Soldiers in the Civil War" will be presented by historical interpreters Tracey McIntyre and Audrey Scanlan-Teller at the annual auxiliary membership meeting at Homewood at Crumland Farms and Willow Ponds on September 23. Registration and a free breakfast bar will begin at 9:15 a.m., followed by the presentation and a short meeting. All auxiliary members and the general public are invited to attend this event. The presentation will feature hundreds of documented cases of women who fought disguised as men during the Civil War. Learn about some of the more fascinating women, how they accomplished their masquerade, and what motivated them to fight alongside men. Don't miss this exciting meeting. No advance registration is required. Find out what about the Homewood auxiliary and become a member. If you decide to join, the annual dues are \$3.00 per person or \$5.00 per couple. Comments may be directed to Barbara Rhoads, auxiliary president, at 301-663-6308.



Labor Day Fun Facts

First U.S. Labor Day Observance was in the Form of a Parade

Sponsored by the Central Labor Union, on September 5, 1882, ten thousand workers paraded through New York City. This is commonly considered the first observance of Labor Day in America.

What's outrageous enough to spur ten thousand people to parade through New York City? A 12-hour workweek! In the late 19th century, the average working day consisted of 12 hours. Held on a Tuesday, the first Labor Day rally was held in order to gain support for the 8-hour workday.

Thurmont AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary Post 7

On September 14, 2014, don't miss the Thurmont AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary Post 7 Classic Car, Truck, & Motorcycle Show at the Thurmont Guardian Hose Activities Building in Thurmont, from 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Registration fee is \$12.00 (10:00 a.m.-noon). Top 20 Awards will be at 2:30 p.m. Also featuring good food, drinks, raffles, 50/50, tip jars, and DJ. Everyone is welcome. Call Betty at 717-331-1510 or Diane at 301-748-6894 for more information. On September 6, 2014, they will be holding a Longaberger/Cash Bingo,

at AMVETS Post 7, located at 26 Apples Church Road in Thurmont. Doors will open at 4:00 p.m., with Bingo starting at 6:00 p.m. Tickets are \$20.00 if purchased in advance or \$25.00 at the door. The cut-off for tickets is August 29. Call Mary

McKinnon at 717-968-8026 or Diane Kelly at 301-748-6894. You won't want to miss two

fun upcoming events taking place in October 2014: October 11-Colorfest Breakfast and Lunch, AMVETS Post 7 Thurmont, 7:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.; October 18—Ladies Night Out Jewelry, AMVETS Post 7 Thurmont, 4:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Call Mary McKinnon at 717-968-8026 or





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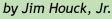












Roger Gene Melton E-4 Operations Specialist 3rd Class, United States Navv

Roger Gene Melton was born in Akron, Ohio, in 1954. He is the youngest of three born to Libby and Jack Melton. Jack, Roger's dad, was from Tennessee, and his mother, Libby, was from the South Western corner of Virginia. They were part of the great southern migration to the north, looking to find work in the 1940s. Jack was a carpenter and Libby was a homemaker. Roger has an older brother, Don, who became a Baptist Minister, and an older sister, Nancy, who became a school teacher. Roger grew up in Akron, and at that time, Akron was a very prosperous town due to all the rubber shops that were there; almost all of the automobiles built in America at that time had tires on them that were manufactured in Akron, Ohio. There were a tremendous amount of jobs in the Akron area at the time Roger was growing up. Roger's mother passed away when he was just eleven years old, which he said was the most traumatic thing in life for an elevenyear-old child to face.

Roger started kindergarten in Akron in 1959 at the Rimer School and remained there through the sixth grade. He then went to Ennes Junior High School and then to Kenmore High School, where he graduated in 1972. He was on the high school swim team. While in school, Roger did odd jobs, like mowing yards. When he turned fifteen, he got his first tax-paying job as a stock boy in a grocery store, and then at a drug store as a soda jerk, followed by working at gas stations pumping gas. Roger bought his first car in 1971: a 1965 Dodge Dart with 225 cubic inches of fire-breathing power with a three-speed transmission—it remains his best and most favorite vehicle he has ever owned. He also bought a green 1966 Honda 305 motorcycle around the same time, but he had to keep it hidden because he was forbidden by his father to own or ride a motorcycle. He sold it before he left for the Navy.

While in high school, Roger joined the Navy in February of 1972 on a delayed entry program. He reported for duty on August 14, 1972, in Cleveland, Ohio, and spent

all day processing; he then left and went on his first-ever plane ride to report to boot camp. He arrived at O'Hara Airport in Chicago, Illinois, and reported to Great Lakes Naval Base for his training. He started out in RD (radar) School. He got four weeks into the curriculum—a sixteen-week school—and was designated OS (operations specialist), so when he graduated, it was from the OSA (A being the first school you take in the Navy) School.

After Boot Camp, the recruiters had him help with some recruiting, so he got to go home for two weeks and didn't have to charge for leave. Then he reported to the USS John F. Kennedy CDA67; it was the newest carrier in the fleet at Norfolk, Virginia. Roger boarded the carrier in late March or early April of 1973. When the air wing was on board, she carried about five thousand service men and women and a thousand ton displacement. Roger was then out to sea and on a beautiful Saturday before Easter Sunday 1973, his shipmates came down to him-now, you have to remember that Roger was new to the ship—with a set of orders signed by the navigation officer that he was to report the next morning and stand the mail buoy watch. He was bound and determined to follow orders. There was a little area he had to report to and there was a report that the weather was going to get bad, so his mates helped him into his foul weather gear and he began to follow his orders to stand on the bow of the ship, watching for that mail buoy. Every five or ten minutes, he was to turn around and wave to the bridge, so they knew that everything was alright. It turned into a beautiful day, and Roger went out onto the deck in his foul weather gear to look for the mail buoy. He was told a plane would fly by and drop a mail bag attached to a buoy, because they were so far out and the only way they could receive mail was from the mail buoy, and it was his job to spot that buoy. Roger was there with his binoculars, watching, and the wind was blowing hard. And every so often, he would turn and

wave to the bridge. He was told later that the captain came to the bridge and said, "What is that man doing down there?" They told him that Roger was standing mail buoy watch, and they said he laughed so hard he couldn't even talk. They sent a mate (Charlie Summers) out after about forty-five minutes to tell Roger he missed the mail buoy. Roger asked where it went and was told it went down the starboard side. So, Roger runs down the starboard side, trying to find the mail buoy to no avail. His mates finally left him in on the joke; he said he laughed and thought it was a good joke.

The ship then took him into the Mediterranean Sea to Gibraltar. Roger said there is no Prudential Insurance sign on the Rock of Gibraltar. His mates tried to get him on that one, too, but Roger had wised up. Roger visited nine or ten different ports, staying a week at most of them. The ship was so big that they usually had to anchor out in the harbor and ride liberty boats (held approximately seventy) in to shore. Roger said Barcelona, Spain, was a beautiful city, as well as Athens, Greece. He really enjoyed his visit to the Acropolis, which was still opened at the time. He said, "Here I was, an eighteen-year-old kid from Akron, Ohio, standing inside the Acropolis—how awesome is that?" Roger stayed in the Navy for four years, three-and-a-half of those years he was on the ship, and I can tell he had some great times. Roger left the Navy in July 1976.

Roger's first daughter, Melissa, was born in August 1975, while he was in the Navy. When she was a week or two old, she had spinal meningitis. The doctors didn't think she was going to live, so they flew Roger home from Naples. Roger said that he arrived at the hospital in his dress blues; they took him to this room and there was this little baby with an IV needle in her head. He said that when she first opened her eyes and saw him, he swears she winked at him, as if saying "don't worry, dad, everything is going to be alright." In 1978, Roger had another daughter who they named her after his mother, Libby. Roger said they are wonderful girls, and he loves them very much; they have never done anything but make him proud and he is very fortunate to have them.

Roger's first job after returning home was at Diamond Salt, where he packed 100 lb. bags of salt. He then



Roger Gene Melton

started driving trucks and, at that time, the rubber shops had started moving out of Akron, so finding a job was getting harder and harder. A guy Roger was in the Navy with knew he was out of work, and he asked Roger what he remembered about his job in the Navy. Roger told him he remembered quite a bit; he went to work with his buddy at a company in Rockville, Maryland. There, he met Ed Supercynski (another Navy man I hope to write about in the near future). Roger worked there for three or four years. Being in a cubical, with the same routine and seeing the same faces every day, Roger had decided wasn't going to be the life for him. Roger then went to work for a foundry in Pennsylvania; he moved to the immediate area, where he now resides, in July of 1984. One of the first persons Roger met was Gary Stouter, owner of Mountain Liquors, and he jokingly says he has never been the same since. He said that he and Gary shook hands, and they have been good friends ever since. Roger worked for Gary at Mountain Liquors part-time for seventeen years. In 1994, Roger went to work at Fort Detrick in Frederick, Maryland—twenty years as of August 2014. Roger joined Francis X. Elder Post 121 in 1986; he is a past Post Commander and is currently President of the Board of Directors. He met Ernie Gelwicks at the Post, and they became friends. Ernie helped Roger gain employment at Fort Detrick. Roger said "I may not be rich, money-wise, but familywise and friend-wise, I am fortunate enough to be one of the richest men alive." Roger also belongs to Post

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7 AMVETS in Thurmont and has friends there as well; he also has been seen singing karaoke there on some Saturday nights. Roger likes to read in his leisure time, and he belongs to a band by the name of Midnight Riders; they play Rock and Roll and Roger sings. He also sings country and western classics and does a great job.

Roger has four beautiful grandchildren: granddaughter, Mallie, named for Roger's mother's actual first name; grandson, Gage; granddaughter, Marin; and granddaughter, Jaden. He said they are all sweethearts and they light him up. They all will soon be living closer and that means more time to spend together.

Roger said, "I have traveled over a lot of the world and over this great country of ours and, after all that, I chose this area to be my home. I think kids today need to cut the apron strings; they need to get in the military or they need to get into something that takes them out of their comfort zone, so they learn how to be self reliant. The military was the way I did it and I don't regret it. I hated it when I was in there, but I don't regret it. In the military, you make friends that are life-long friends. I made contact with some of my shipmates a couple of years ago; about six, seven, or eight of us got together. I hadn't seen them in over thirty years, and we just picked up where we left off. You always look after your shipmates. That is one of the most important things they taught me in the Navy, and you expect the same from them. We did look out for each other. We tried to get each other out of the bars before the shore patrol came."

Roger said he would like everyone to know what pretty much sums up what being in the Navy was like for him with this: Reflections of a Blackshoe by VADM Harold Koenig, USN (retired).

I like the Navy. I like standing on the bridge wing at sunrise with salt spray in my face and clean ocean winds whipping in from the four quarters of the globe-the ship beneath me feeling like a living thing as her engines drive her through the sea.

I like the sounds of the Navy. The piercing trill of the boatswains pipe, the syncopated clangor of the ships bell on the quarterdeck, the harsh squawk of the 1MC and the strong language and laughter of sailors at work.

I like Navy vessels- nervous darting destroyers, plodding fleet Auxiliaries, sleek submarines and steady solid carriers.

I like the proud names of Navy ships: Midway, Lexington, Saratoga, Coral Sea,- memorials of great battles won. I like the lean angular names of Navy "tin-cans": Barney, Dahlgren, Mulliix, McCloy - mementos of heroes who went before us.

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I like the tempo of a Navy band blaring through the topside speakers as we pull away from the oiler after refueling at sea. I like liberty call and the spicy scent of a foreign port. I even like all hands working parties as my ship fills herself with the multitude of supplies both mundane and exotic which she needs to cut her ties to the land and carry out her mission any where on the globe where there is water to float her.

I like sailors, men from all parts of the land, farms of the midwest, the small towns of New England, from the cities, the mountains and prairies, from all walks of life. I trust and depend them as they trust and depend on me-for professional competence, comradeship, for courage. In a word they are "shipmates".

I like the surge of adventure in my heart when the word is passed "Now station the special sea and anchor detail - all hands to quarters for leaving port", and I like the infectious thrill of sighting home again, with the waving hands of welcome from family and friends waiting pier side.

The work is hard and dangerous, the going rough at times, the parting from loved ones painful, but the companionship of robust Navy laughter, the 'all for one one for all" philosophy of the sea is ever present.

I like the serenity of the sea after a day of hard ships work, as flying fish flit across the wave tops and sunset gives way to night.

I like the feel of the Navy in darkness- the masthead lights, the red and green navigation lights and stern light, the pulsating phosphorescence of radar repeaters - they cut through the dusk and join with the mirror of stars overhead. And I like drifting off to sleep lulled by the myriad noises large and small that tell me that my ship is alive and well, and that my shipmates on watch will keep me safe.

I like quiet midwatches with the aroma of strong coffee - the lifeblood of the Navy permeating everywhere. And I like hectic watches when the exacting minuet of haze-gray shapes racing at flank speed keeps all hands on a razor edge of alertness. I like the sudden electricity of "general quarters, all hands man your battle stations", followed by the hurried clamor of running feet on ladders and the resounding thump of watertight doors as the ship transforms herself in a few brief seconds from a peaceful work

place to a weapon of war - ready for anything.

And I like the sight of space-age *equipment manned by youngsters* clad in dungarees and sound powered phones that their grandfathers would still recognize.

I like the traditions of the Navy and the men and women who made them.

I like the proud names of Navy heroes: Halsey, Nimitz, Perry, Farragut, John Paul Jones. A sailor can find much in the Navy, comrades-in-arms, pride in self and country, mastery of the seaman's trade.

An adolescent can find adulthood. *In years to come, when sailors* are home from the sea, they will still remember with fondness and respect the ocean in all its moods the impossible shimmering mirror calm and the storm-tossed green water surging over the bow. And then there will come again a faint whiff of stack gas, a faint echo of engine and rudderorders, a vision of the bright bunting of signal flags snapping at the yardarm, a refrain of hearty laughter in the wardroom and the chief's quarters and mess decks.

Gone ashore for good they will grow wistful about their Navy days, when the seas belonged to them and a new port of call was ever over the horizon. Remembering this, they will stand taller and say,

"I was a sailor once. I was part of the Navy: The Navy will always be part of me."

It is very hard to get Roger's entire story in one column; therefore, there will most likely be a follow-up story at some time in the future. Roger Melton is a member of Francis X. Elder American Legion Post 121's family, and you will be surprised when you meet him. He doesn't look anything like the picture of him when he was a mere eighteen years old; but stop in and you can probably pick him out—he will be the crooner at the bar with a hardy laugh. Walk up to him and shake his hand, because he is a veteran and appreciates a thank you for the service he has rendered our country.

Thank you, Roger Melton!

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senior moments

by Helen Deluca

Hello to all seniors, young and old. As the saying goes, "Time flies when you're having fun." It's been three years since the Thurmont Senior Center (TSC) became an approved 501(c)(3) independent, non-profit organization, and we continue to have fun. We enjoy the 50/50 Bingo, singing, exercising, Wii bowling, Tai-Chi, card games, puzzles, reading, various presentations that are pertinent to our seniors' cares, computers, dancing, entertainment, fellowship, and delicious hot lunches (catered by Mountain Gate Restaurant). If you haven't joined us yet, now is as good a time as any to come by, say hello, and see what's happening at the TSC. Lunch is still \$5.00. Call ahead to reserve; we use the honor system to pay. But please know that you don't have to have lunch to come in and join in the fun.

One dear lady who comes almost daily to have lunch expresses herself this way, "What having lunch at the Center does for me: It saves me gas and time when I don't have to run to the grocery store. I don't have to put groceries away. I don't have to prepare the meal or clean up afterward. I save on electric when I don't cook, and I save on water and electric in the dishwasher. A delicious lunch, plus companionship at the Center is a good idea." Sounds good to me. Care to join us?

If you missed the Pen Mar picnic, you missed a very pleasant afternoon. Weather-wise, it started out cold and gloomy, but gradually the sun came out. Good food as always, along with some crazy "brown bag Bingo." Good fun.

I am happy to tell you that we have a knitters group that will meet the first and third Tuesday of each month, starting on Tuesday, September 2, 2014, at 10:00 a.m. Personally, I'm a klutz when it comes to doing anything with any kind of a needle, so I'm totally in awe of what these ladies can do. If you knit or crochet, you are most welcome to join the group. I'll just stand and watch!

Starting in October 2014, on the first and third Thursday of each month at 1:00 p.m., Carol Long is starting a club for quilters. No cost, except you have to bring your own thimble. Carol also does the Treasures and Memories Class. If you are interested in knitting, crocheting, or quilting, please call the Center at 301-271-7911. Carol will be available at the TSC booth at the Community Show on Friday and Saturday evening to answer any questions you may have regarding quilting, or you can call her at 301-271-2186. The finished quilt will be donated to the Center for a raffle in

Did you like the sweatshirts and t-shirts that John Nickerson designed and were sold at the Center? The profits from the sales are a help to the Center. There will be another opportunity to order again next month. Stop in at the Center to order or look for us at the Community Show on September 5-7, 2014, at Catoctin High School.

Please join us on September 27, 2014, for our next dance. We had so much fun at the 50s/60s dance, we are doing it again. This time it's a SQUARE DANCE, from 5:00-8:00 p.m., with Bob Meunier doing the calling. I can hear you saying, "But I don't know how to square dance." Who cares? Half the fun is in trying, plus it's a wonderful way to laugh and have a good time. Light



August Birthday Party at the Thurmont Senior Center

Pictured from left are Frank Riffle, Shirley Riffle, Moe Snider, J.R. Hamilton, Rachel Weiler, and Dottie Plumer.

refreshments will be available and admittance is by donation. We'll be looking for you!

Soon, thoughts of fall housecleaning will be on our "to do" list. If you have any usable or working items you can't or won't use any more, drop them off at the TSC. We are having our annual indoor yard sale on October 9-10, 2014, during Colorfest weekend. Your contributions and donations go a long way in supporting the TSC, and we do appreciate all you do for us.

Coming up in November 2014, we are planning a special event to honor all the Veterans in the North Frederick County area. Once the word for our plans got out, we were amazed at how many want to participate in making it a very special event. Commissioner Bill Buehrer, our liason to the Town office; an associate of Stauffers Funeral Service; Vickie Grinder of Thurmont Main Street; Deb Spalding, publisher of *The Catoctin* Banner; J.R., president of the Lions Club; the DAV; AmVets; American Legion; Civitan Club; and Chuck Fisher, the entertainer who was such a hit here at the Center, are all on board to make this a great afternoon celebrating and honoring all of our Veterans. The date is November 8, 2014, with open house from 12:00-4:00 p.m. If you or your organization would like to participate or contribute in any way, please call the Center at 301-271-7911. Our Veterans served us; let us honor them. If you are a Veteran, mark your calendar now to join us at TSC. It will be our pleasure to honor you and your family with an enjoyable and informative afternoon.

Don't forget these upcoming 2014 dates: every Friday at 11:15 blood pressure checks; September 11—birthday party, 12:30 p.m.; September 12—presentation by Sue Osterman of St. Joseph Ministeries, 11:30 a.m.; September 17—50/50 Bingo, 1:00 p.m., all are welcome and bring a friend; every Monday at 12:45 p.m.—Canaries rehearsal; September 23-24—basic computer skills class, 11:00 a.m.; every Thursday—exercise and Tai-Chi at 9:30 a.m., Wii bowling at 11:00 a.m., and 500 card game at 1:00 p.m. Come and join us for any or all of these great activities.

It's important to also tell you that all of us here at the Center want to thank Doris Roman and Joan Follin for all of their years of service as treasurer and assistant treasurer.

Both of these ladies chose to pass on the responsibilities they shared to Kathy Dowling (Treasurer) and Margaret Cornejo (Assistant Treasurer). You will still see Doris and Joan at the Center helping out and enjoying the Center, but at a more leisurely pace. Again, many thanks from all of us.

And, finally, a thought for the day: Take time to play, it's the secret of perpetual youth. And always remember to SMILE.



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Home Away From Home at The Martin House Bed and Breakfast

Tucked away at 1085 Jacks Mountain Road, Fairfield, Pennsylvania, is The Martin House Bed and Breakfast, a serene place to vacation in country comfort.

The owners, Lynn and Duke Martin, are known for their service to the area through volunteer work and community activities. They genuinely enjoy people. This is one attribute that they believe is inherent to the success of a bed and breakfast. Thanks to the global reach of the internet, Lynn and Duke have hosted not only Americans, but many international guests at their charming bed and breakfast.

The main house was home to Duke's grandparents since 1929. His grandfather ran a fruit farm on the property. Duke spent much of his childhood helping his grandfather work at the farm. Lynn and Duke chose to make their home in a loft apartment behind the main house before they began renovations—with the help of Duke's son Lee— on the main house, with the goal of opening a bed and breakfast. They left a section of the original log structure as a feature surrounded by the manual tools a carpenter may have used to construct the home in the 1890s.

Lynn and Duke decided to take another step that sets The Martin House apart from most in the hospitality industry. In consideration of the comfort of guests who have chemical and/or environmental sensitivities, no chemically scented

concoctions or cleaning products are used in the house, so guests won't see or sense plug-in air fresheners, scented candles, dryer sheets, or harsh cleaning products.

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Lynn and Duke Martin's goal of assuring that all of their guest's needs are met during their stay surpasses what one might reasonably expect of the average

Imagine a bed and breakfast where your hosts might ferry you hither and yon. It's not an expected perk when staying at a B&B nor is it necessarily offered, but the Martins have accommodated some guests who were stymied by directions to their destination, by offering to hop in their own vehicle and lead the way. The Martins once provided drop-off/pick-up service to guests so they could attend The Remembrance Day Ball in Gettysburg in Civil War era dress.

The gift shop in the Martin House sunroom showcases an array of works by many local artists and authors. Lynn and Duke are like proud parents who enthusiastically portray the accomplishments of beloved offspring when speaking of the artists who've provided unique prints, pottery, books, and music to The Martin House.

The artwork is casually displayed around the comfortable sun room, overlooking the patio and side yard. Civil War art is reflected in much of the art and reflected in the Martin's position as Certified



(left) Owners, Lynn and Duke Martin, are shown outside of The Martin House Bed and Breakfast.

(below) Owners, Lynn and Duke Martin, are shown in the gift shop located in The Martin House sunroom, which showcases a variety of works by many local artists and authors.

Tourism Ambassadors for The Journey through Hallowed Ground. Many art pieces are interspersed throughout the house to augment the home's décor.

Lynn told of one breakfast service when a guest admired a juice pitcher of which Lynn was particularly fond.

The guest inquired if it was available for purchase. After breakfast, the pitcher was washed, dried, and packed up for the grateful guest.

The over-twenty-five acres of The Martin House grounds is a nature lover's delight. Lynn and Duke have encircled the house with gorgeous flower beds, rampant with a variety of color, texture, and motion as the breeze dances through the taller perennials and ornamental grasses that are visited by goldfinches, rubythroated hummingbirds, and a range of songbirds. The flower beds off of the sunroom are terraced, so guests seated in the sun room or patio are eye level with two levels of lovely flower blossoms.

The backdrop to the side patio off the sunroom is verdant lawn. flower islands, and specimen trees. Beyond that is an unobtrusive entrance to the woodland walking path, another world that offers a tall, cool canopy by virtue of an

immense stand of mature tulip poplar trees. Younger poplars are off to the right, having taken root in what was once Duke's grandfather's peach orchard. Hikers who choose to trek to a higher elevation in the twenty acre forest will find other tree species native to Pennsylvania, such as oak, ash, beech, and maple.

Anyone interested in visiting the gift shop are urged to call 717-642-5645 in advance. For more detailed information about The Martin House Bed and Breakfast, go to their website at www.martinhousebandb. com.

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Emmitsburg Senior News

by Susan Allen

Here comes September—bringing us Labor Day, the Thurmont & Emmitsburg Community Show, the first day of fall, and The Great Frederick Fair! September brings with it a change in the weather, too, although which way it will change is a mystery, since we had fall-like temperatures in August. Still, it's the start of my favorite season of the entire year.

The season begins with a holiday for us seniors; the center will be closed on Monday, September 1. Then, we've got some special activities and events to keep you moving throughout the month. NSL Wii Bowling starts on Thursday, September 4 (and every Thursday in September). There will be regular Wii Bowling on Fridays during the month. We'll have Brown Bag Bingo on Wednesday, September 17 at 12:30 p.m. Best of all, there's an open house and free lunch on Tuesday, September 23 at 11:30 a.m. Come out the next day, on Wednesday, September 24, for an evening card party at 7:00 p.m.

Don't forget to check in with Nurse Steve on Tuesday, September 16, and Elly Jenkins with information and assistance on Thursday, September 18. There's always something to learn at the senior center.

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Regular Activities include our Walkers group (Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays), 9:00 a.m.; Bowling (Mondays), meet at 12:15 p.m.; Strength Training (Tuesdays & Thursdays), 10:00 a.m.; Bridge (September 10 & 24), 12:30 p.m.; Canasta (Fridays), 12:30 p.m.; Cards, Games & Puzzles (September 2, 9, and 16). The "Man Cave" (pool room) is open on Wednesdays.

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

Frederick County Masonic Lodges Hold **Annual Picnic**

The Frederick County Masonic Lodges held their annual Picnic on August 24, 2014, at Kumps Dam Park in Emmitsburg. The annual event is for Masons and their families and friends, and is hosted by the six different Lodges. This year's picnic was hosted by Tyrian Lodge 205 Emmitsburg and Acacia Lodge of Thurmont. The weather was excellent and a large crowd was on hand. There was a moon bounce for the kids, and horseshoes and corn hole games for the adults. The attendees were treated to great food and a great time was had by all.



The 6 Worshipful Masters of Frederick County Lodges are shown (l-r) Rich Kreh, Columbia 58 Frederick; Dr. John Hagemann, Acacia 155, Thurmont; Tom Johann, Philanthropic 168 New Market; Robert Kotchenruether, Fervency 200 Point of Rocks; and Ernie Gelwicks, Tyrian 205 Emmitsburg.



Retirement Ain't What it Used To Be

According to the Association of Mature American Citizens (AMAC), "retirement ain't what it used to be. The Great Recession hit us all hard, especially older Americans."

The meaning of the word "retirement" has changed in recent years as a result of the downturn in the economy, according to Dan Weber, president of the Association of Mature American Citizens.

The U.S. Census reported that the average net worth of Americans sixty-five years of age or older took a nose dive in the 2007 to 2009 as a result of the Great Recession. And, we don't need statistics to know that the recovery has been slow, at best.

"And so, many of us are continuing to work in either full-time or parttime positions in order to supplement retirement savings and income," Weber said. "We're also making life-style adjustments such as reassessing our housing needs."

He noted that more than eighty percent of those in the sixty-five-plus age bracket own their own homes in the United States and that in the great majority of cases their homes are their single biggest asset. "So, it stands to reason that when the kids grow up and move on, many of them start thinking about moving into more efficient housing."

For example, Weber explained, trading your house in for a condominium apartment or townhouse can provide a financial cushion, not to mention that it can also help put a cap on maintenance expenses. It might also reduce the number of daily chores such as mowing the lawn and shoveling the snow. And, it might even provide an extra measure of security.

"Whether you are thinking about a condo or a smaller home, making such

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a lifestyle change may seem daunting at first, but the more you think about it and plan for the future, the more you may come to realize how much sense it makes at this stage of your life."

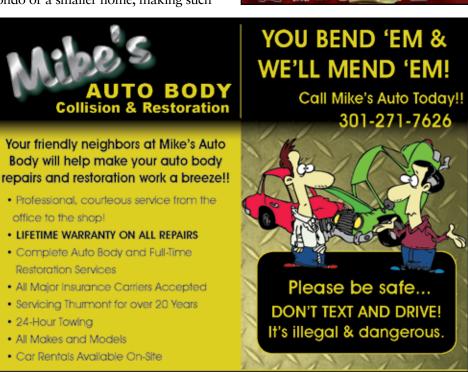
But be sure to keep your options open, he says. For example, don't make the mistake of moving from a spacious home into too small a residence. Those kids will be coming back for extended visits, and you'll need at least enough room to accommodate them.

Also, be sure to check out prospective neighborhoods before making your choice. Is it easy enough to get to the stores? How far away are your medical facilities? Is public transportation accessible?

"And, if you are thinking about moving to another part of the country where the weather is better, the cost of living is lower and there are no local income taxes, do your homework. It's a big move and there are other considerations such as proximity to friends and family." For more information, visit www.amac.us.



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Fort Detrick VA Clinic Offers a Multitude of Services of Use to Our Local Veterans

James Burger, CBOC Coordinator, will be on hand at the Thurmont Senior Center's Veteran's event in November to answer questions about benefits and services for local Veterans.

Nestled in the heart of the Fort Detrick Army Garrison in Frederick, Maryland, the Fort Detrick VA Community Based Outpatient Health Clinic (CBOC) offers a variety of health care services



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The Fort Detrick VA Community Based Outpatient Clinic, located at 1433 Porter St., Fort Detrick Army Garrison, Fort Detrick, Maryland.

to local Veterans. Opening in June 2011, the Fort Detrick CBOC has grown to serve over 2,900 Veteran patients and has expanded health care services in their primary care and specialty care clinics.

Based on the Veterans Health Administration's Patient Aligned Care Team (PACT) model, the clinic focuses on whole-person care, individual needs, and health care goals. Each Veteran is assigned a primary care provider, a nurse to serve as a case manager, a nurse to serve as a clinical associate, and an administrative clerk.

In addition to primary care, the CBOC offers treatment in orthopedics, podiatry, physical therapy, clinical nutrition, mental health, anticoagulation management, dermatology, social work, and women Veteran services. A fulltime pharmacist is available to answer questions about prescriptions, and a complete medical laboratory is available to conduct medical tests.

The Fort Detrick CBOC also offers telehealth services in podiatry, psychiatry, and retinal imaging. Telehealth services are designed for Veterans who are not physically able to make it to another medical center or CBOC, but need to meet with a provider there to discuss a health care need. Telehealth services allow patients to come to the Fort Detrick CBOC and meet with an outside provider through video-conferencing equipment. Telehealth services facilitate real-time interaction between a patient and a provider.

Last month, the clinic added an audiology test booth, along with a fulltime Audiologist, to assist Veterans with hearing evaluations, fitting of hearing aids, audiometric testing and auditory brainstem response testing, and maintenance and repairs of previously issued hearing aids. In a shared agreement with the Barquist Army Health Clinic on Fort Detrick, the clinic also provides radiology services to both active-duty military and Veterans who need it as part of their treatment.

The Fort Detrick clinic staff is comprised of a dedicated team, many of whom have served in the military themselves. James Burger, the CBOC coordinator, served twenty-one years in the military and is a Navy Veteran. "It is an honor and privilege to serve both Veterans and active-duty military," said Burger. "I am very proud of my staff because a lot of them are Veterans and dedicated to meet the medical needs of our nation's heroes."

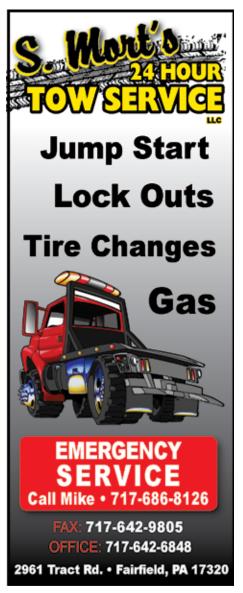
In an effort to maximize the communication between Veterans and their primary care provider, the clinic encourages Veterans to sign-up for MyHealtheVet. Offered by the Department of Veterans Affairs, My MyHealtheVet is a free on-line personal health record offered to Veterans, their dependents and caregivers. My MyHealtheVet provides an option for patients to communicate with their health care provider through secure messaging. Providers at the clinic are required to answer secured messaging questions in three business days. My MyHealtheVet also provides patients access to clinical notes during appointments or hospital stays, appointment reminders, immunization history, detailed lab reports, a list of current medications, and on-line prescription refills. Secure Messaging allows direct access to the CBOC team.

The Fort Detrick CBOC provides Veterans with accessible, coordinated, and comprehensive primary and specialty care health care options.

To find out more about the Fort Detrick VA Community Based Outpatient Clinic, call at 301 624-1200 or visit the clinic website at www.martinsburg. va.gov or http://www.facebook.com/MVAMC. The clinic is open Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m., and is closed on weekends and all federal holidays.

Mackenzie's Light Bereavement and Drug **Addiction Education Program**

Becky Freeze of Thurmont has struggled with coping after the passing of her granddaughter, Mackenzie Freeze, at age 20, to drug addiction in 2013. In Mackenzie's memory, Mrs. Freeze is starting a monthly bereavement and drug addiction education program. The first gathering takes place on September 29, 2014, at the Thurmont Regional Library at 6:30 p.m. Any community member, grandparent, parent, sibling, friend, and so on, who is interested in learning about how to deal with the pain of loss and pain of daily interaction with this serious problem is welcome to attend. There is no charge to attend. Call 301-524-8064 for additional information.







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Catoctin Wildlife Preserve and Zoos Family is Growing

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The Catoctin Wildlife Preserve and Zoo is excited to announce the successful rearing of another endangered species, Madagascar's largest carnivore, the Fossa. These very rare animals gained their notoriety in the Disney film Madagascar.

The young pups were born to CWP zoo's fossa pair on June 17, 2014. Fossa are highly endangered in the wild. The pups were pulled for rearing by Laurie Hahn, the zoo's certified veterinarian technician, after the first-time mother lost interest in their care. At four days of age, their eyes were still closed and they weighed just eighty grams. The infants required feedings every two hours around the clock for the first two weeks. Only a few zoos in this country have successfully bred and raised fossa pups.

The pups now weigh over five-hundred grams and are starting to eat solids, in addition to their special liquid formula. The zoo is planning to build an exhibit in the Madagascar section for their parents and welcome sponsors for the materials and labor.

The Catoctin Wildlife Preserve and Zoo, in partnership with Global Wildlife Trust (GWT), is a 501(c) (3) nonprofit organization. GWT strives to provide the highest level of competent care for its resident wildlife ambassadors and to support the conservation of their wild counterparts in unspoiled habitats.

For more information, contact Catoctin Wildlife Preserve and Zoo at 310-271-3180. Visit them online at www.cwpzoo.com or follow them on Facebook at www.facebook/cwpzoo.

Mount St. Mary's Board of Trustees has Re-opened its Search for the University's 25th President

Board member Francis W. Daily, C'68, is chairing the search committee comprised of fifteen members of the Mount community, including trustees, faculty, administration, staff, students, and alumni.

"I am honored to serve as the chair as we search for our 25th President," said Daily. "The team assembled is impressive, and I look forward to working with them."

The committee held its first meeting on August 7, 2014, at the Mount's Frederick Campus and developed a comprehensive search prospectus that will be shared with all interested candidates and nominees expressing

According to the prospectus, the next President will "be a transformative leader with an entrepreneurial spirit of impeccable integrity, high energy, good humor, exceptional public speaking and communication skills, and financial acumen."

In addition to significant and successful leadership at the senior levels of administration, key areas of emphasis for the next president include: providing strategic leadership and vision; identifying new sources of revenue to support the Mount's mission; nurturing and protecting the Mount's strong Catholic identity; exercising fiscal leadership, a demonstration of superior communications skills; and providing academic leadership.

For full consideration, applications should be submitted by September 30, 2014. The search committee expects to conduct neutral-site interviews in Baltimore in late October, plans to invite finalists to campus in mid-to-late November, and hopes to conclude an appointment by early December. The successful candidate would assume office no later than July 1, 2015.

The Washington, D.C. based firm, Academic Search, is assisting the Mount in this national search, with Dr. Jacqueline Doud and Ms. Maya Kirkhope serving as lead consultants.

For a listing of the committee members and updates on the search, visit www.msmary.edu/Presidential_Search.

"You gain strength, courage, and confidence by every experience in which you really stop to look fear in the face. You are able to say to yourself, 'I have lived through this horror. I can take the next thing that comes along.' You must do the thing you think you cannot do."

~ Eleanor Roosevelt

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Scholarship

The children of Mary Scott, a teacher at the Emmitsburg Elementary School for forty years, wish to acknowledge the \$1,000 scholarship to a local high school graduate. This scholarship was generously given by a member of Emmitsburg High School Class of 1952. We were pleasantly surprised to learn of the scholarship and wish the recipient, Taylor Marie Joy, success as she begins her college studies.

> — Sincerely, Joseph H. Scott, Jr., Mary Jane Foster, Alice E. Boyle, and Agnes E.Bentley

Keeping the Food Bank in the Public Eye

Dear Friends,

I just wanted to say a huge thank you to everyone who found extra dollars to send to the Food Bank account. We are just now able to pay for the next two or three months of purchased food. Please keep your prayers and contributions coming. It was God's good work in you that blesses the Food Bank. A huge THANK YOU!

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Tickling Our Tastebuds

by Denise Valentine



Hello, everyone. I get a chance to promote the Thurmont & Emmitsburg Community Show again before the big weekend occurs (September 5-7). You can find a Community Show Book at many of the area businesses.

The cookie recipe that I am sharing this month is called Toffee Bars. This is a simple bar cookie that combines the delicious flavors of buttery brown sugar and chocolate. If bar cookies aren't your favorite, try one of the many other categories that we have in the Baked Products Department at the Community Show.

Good luck and I hope to see you at the show!

Toffee Bars

1 cup butter or margarine, softened

1 cup brown sugar (packed)

1 egg yolk

1 teaspoon vanilla

2 cups all-purpose flour

¼ teaspoon salt

4 bars (7/8 ounce each) milk chocolate candy

½ cup chopped nuts (optional)

Heat oven to 350 degrees. Grease a 13x9x2 baking pan. Mix thoroughly butter, sugar, egg yolk, and vanilla. Blend in flour and salt. Press evenly in bottom of pan.

Bake 25 to 30 minutes or until very light brown. (Crust will be soft.) Remove from oven; immediately place separated squares of chocolate candy on the crust. As soon as chocolate is soft, spread evenly. Sprinkle with nuts. While warm, cut into bars, about $2x1\frac{1}{2}$ inches.

*This recipe is taken from Betty Crocker's Cookbook





Ring in Constitution Week -September 17-23

by Anna L. Peterson

This year, September 17 marks the 227th anniversary of the signing of the Constitution. The U.S. Constitution has endured longer than any other constitution in the world and has been used by many other countries as a model for drafting their own constitutions.

Frederick Chapter DAR sponsors Bells Across America throughout Frederick County. All citizens are encouraged to contact churches, schools, courthouses, fire houses, Veterans' homes, city governments, and individuals and request them to ring bells on September 17. Ringing the bells at 4:00 p.m. EST in all time zones is encouraged so that they are heard simultaneously from coast to coast.

Please send bell ringing group name, location, and photo when possible to FrederickDAR@gmail. com for recognition.

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Thurmont area residents are invited to request for free Constitution Week literature while supplies last.

Constitution Week Programs at the Thurmont branch of Frederick County Libraries. Look for displays and free preamble bookmarks (while supplies last). Children's programs are scheduled for September 16 at 6:30 p.m., and bell ringing on the September 17 at 4:00 p.m.

Students will meet Ben Franklin, sign the Constitution, present Proclamations, and more. Inquire at

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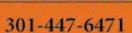


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We often complain of too much rain til the wells run dry from a tearless sky and the wrinkled earth produces a dearth of corn and wheat for us to eat.

How soon we forget it feels good to be wet so we fall to our knees to ask God if He please to send us some rain so we can complain.

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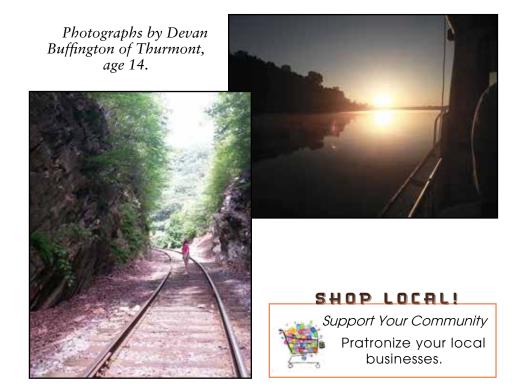
"Art on the Mountain"

"Art on the Mountain" is an art show designed to showcase the skill and creativity of our gifted local artists. The show features paintings, photographs, pottery, and local authors. Hosted by Hill Country Hunt Club of Fairfield, Pennsylvania, and sponsored by Amazing Heart Farm (Orrtanna) and Ivy Moon Studio (Fairfield), the event takes place on September 13, 2014, from 5:00-8:00 p.m., and September 14, 2014, from 2:00-5:00 p.m., at 519 Gladhill Road in Fairfield, Pennsylvania.

The event is also a fundraiser with proceeds benefiting Lab-Rescue of Silver Spring, Maryland. So come out and enjoy some wine and cheese, beautiful works of art, books to get lost in on a rainy afternoon, and make a difference in the life of a wonderful down-on-his-luck dog.

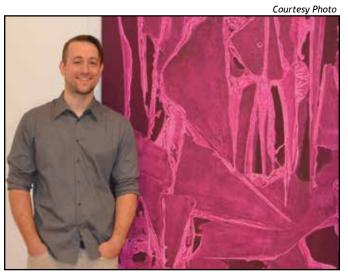
For more information on this event, you may call 717-321-4255 or visit their website at www.facebook.com/artonthemountainfairfieldpa.

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Seth Adelsberger's Work Opens at Baltimore Museum of Art

Seth Adelsberger, a 34-year-old painter and printmaker, grew up on East Main Street in Emmitsburg, but now resides in west downtown Baltimore, Maryland. He is the son of Karen and Ed Adelsberger. Seth graduated from Catoctin High in 1998 and received his Bachelor of Arts Degree from Towson University in 2002.



Seth Adelsberger is pictured at his current exhibit at the Baltimore Museum of Art, on display through November 2, 2014.

He showed an early interest in

drawing—as far back as first grade—when he won first place for his picture of Noah's Ark in an art contest at the Emmitsburg Public Library. He then took art lessons from local artist, Patricia Topper, for a short time during the 1980s. His love of art continued through middle and high school, where his art teachers, Mr. David Stellitano, Mr. Jim Mattison, and Mr. Kevin Miller, encouraged his talent. When it came time to enroll in college, he received several scholarships from local organizations and an academic scholarship from Towson University. From 2002 to 2008, Seth worked diligently at his art—exhibiting mostly in the Baltimore and Washington, D.C. areas—and also worked at several odd jobs to pay the bills. He was also represented by Sara Nightingale in Watermill, New York.

He received an "Individual Art Award" from the Maryland Arts Council, which allowed him to travel to Germany to meet fellow contemporary artists and engage in the art scene in Europe.

Later that year, he and his girlfriend, Alex Ebstein, opened an art gallery in Baltimore called Nudashank. Together, they encouraged local young artists to pursue their creative work and held many exhibits that showcased the contemporary art scene in Baltimore. Because the gallery was taking time away from their own work, Seth and Alex closed the gallery last August. During the years that they ran their gallery, they learned more about themselves and how they wanted to create their own art.

Seth's paintings really grab your eye and are interesting to the viewer. "He's exhibiting talent that is considered 'unproven,'" by Kristen Hileman, the BMA's museum curator, as reported in the Baltimore Sun. She sees similarities in his work to that of Jackson Pollock, Willem de Kooning, and Frank Stella in the 1950s and 1960s.

His most recent paintings resulted in his current exhibit at the Baltimore Museum of Art (BMA). The "Front Room," located on the second floor, is dedicated to his display. The Baltimore Sun called Seth, "A talent to watch."

If you are in Baltimore any time this summer or fall, be sure to drop in to the BMA to see Seth's art exhibit. It is well worth the visit to see this local artist's accomplishments!

Seth Adelsberger's art will be on display at the BMA, 10 Art Museum Drive in Baltimore, Maryland, through November 2, 2014. Admission to the exhibit is free. Call 443-573-1700 or go to arthma.org for more information.

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Local Film Maker Announces Maryland Premiere of The Great American Wheat Harvest Documentary

Documentary filmmaker and video producer, Conrad Weaver of Emmitsburg, announces that his film, The Great American Wheat Harvest, will make its Maryland debut at the Holiday Cinemas in Frederick, Maryland, on Thursday, August 28, 2014. The evening will begin at 6:00 p.m. with a meet and greet with Weaver, with the film showing at 7:15 p.m. There will also be a Q & A time after the film shows.

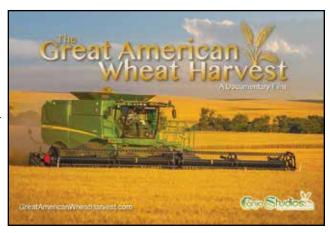
Weaver produced the documentary over the past four years that took him on a journey of more than 100,000 miles. "The Great American Wheat Harvest is a compelling story that few people know about. It's a story about agriculture, and about the process of harvesting that helps get our food from the field to the table," Weaver explains.

The film tells the story of five harvesting families and crews who travel from Texas to the Canadian border each year harvesting wheat. "At first I thought it would be a

film about big farm machinery and beautiful landscapesand those things are there—but it's really a story about people." The

harvesting families and farmers Weaver met over the past four years have become some of his best friends, and the film explains how they take incredible financial risks most people wouldn't dream of taking in order to make a living. The work they do enables the rest of us to have food on our tables.

The Great American Wheat Harvest had its national Premiere at the National Museum of the American Indian in Washington, D.C., on National Ag Day in March, and has since been screening in



already seen the film and the response is overwhelmingly positive. Weaver says he hopes people will have a better understanding of where their food comes from and what it takes to get a loaf of bread to the table.

In addition to the film, Weaver has recently published a coffee-table book containing beautiful photos of harvest scenes he and his crew shot while making the documentary. The photo book is available for purchase at the film website: GreatAmericanWheatHarvest.com

and will be available at the Frederick

Weaver is releasing a DVD and Blu-ray disc in October that will contain the feature film, as well as many extra features not seen in the

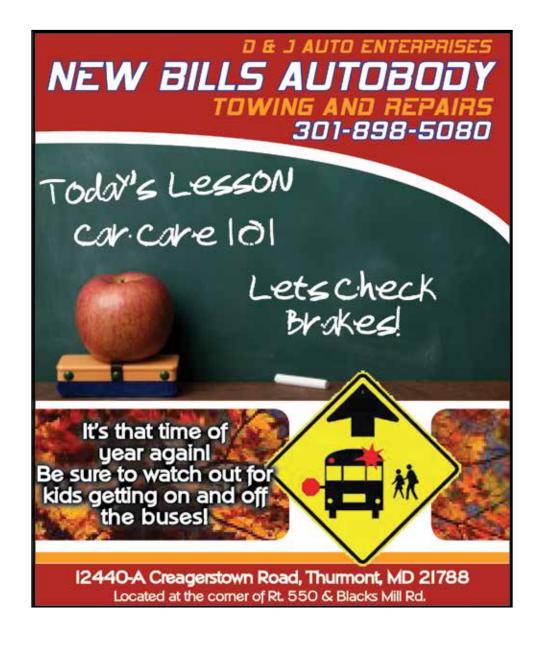
For more information about the film, or to pre-order a DVD or Blu-ray, visit www. GreatAmericanWheatHarvest.



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Where Community & Ideas Connect

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

The Thurmont Regional Library will host a variety of programs this

Let's Explore the Moon - Fun and learning come together in this two-part after school STEM workshop for kids, ages 8-12, with hands-on experience learning about the moon, craters, and more, September 22-29, 2014, at 4:30 p.m. Registration is a must and limited, so sign up early.

Storyland and Playdate on The Deck - Frederick County Infants & Toddlers Program and Frederick County Public Libraries partner to host a unique Storyland program at the Thurmont Library on the second Friday of every month, at 10:15 a.m.; playgroup follows outside at 10:45 a.m. In the event of rain, playgroup is moved to Community Room. Register: 301-600-7212; www.fcpl. org. Drop in; visitors welcomed for playgroup.

Clothing Swap Fun - Teens and Tweens can go green and glam at the first-ever Clothes Swap on Thursday, September 18, 2014, at 5:00 p.m. Clean out your closet and bring gently worn clothing, jewelry, and accessories to swap for new-to-you items. Everyone (open for boys and girls) will go home with something special to add to their wardrobe. Craft table and refreshments included. Registration required.

Celebrate the Constitution - The whole family is invited to join us on Tuesday, September 16, 2014, at 6:30 p.m. to celebrate the Constitution. Meet in front of the library to officially "ring-in" Constitution Day! Ben Franklin will join us for a brief chat about colonial times and provide hands-on colonial activities to help us learn about life at the time of the signing of the Constitution.

Annual Book Sale Kicks off the Season - Everyone loves to shop at the Annual Friends of the Library Book sale at the Community Show at Catoctin High school on September 5-7, 2014. Sale hours are: Friday, 6:00-10:00 p.m.; Saturday, 8:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m.; Sunday, 8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

New Storytime Sessions for Ages 0-5 - Look for all regular storytime programs to begin new sessions in September. Find times and locations at www.fcpl.org. Interactive, exciting programs for young children (0-5) are offered several times every week. Although some of our storytimes require registration, we invite you to stop in and visit a storytime with no obligation. If your child loves it, you

can register for the whole session. Another regular weekly program we provide is Starlight Storytime for Families on Tuesday nights.

Computer Basics Series - This is designed for adults who are beginners and want to discover simple strategies for using a computer. The fall series will be held in three parts on Wednesdays. Dates are September 17, October 1, and November 5, from 6:30-7:45 p.m. Registration is required for the series and is limited to eight participants. Call 301-600-7212 to register. This series is hosted by library volunteer, Mike Mathis. Mike has been helping people improve their computer skills at the library for the past four years. The winter and spring sessions will repeat the same information if you can't make this session.

Community Volunteer Fair - The Thurmont Regional Library will be hosting a Community Volunteer Fair at the library on Thursday, October 2, 2014, from 4:00-6:30 p.m., and your organization is invited to participate. Last year, eighteen organizations participated. Key goals for this event include providing information to those seeking volunteer opportunities in the Northern Frederick County area, targeting young people (ages 14-22) who seek volunteer opportunities to build skills and improve their résumé, and sharing information with 55+ residents who are retired and want to give back to the community. If you are interested in being part of this free event, please send contact information for you or your representative to edingle@ frederickcountymd.gov. I will reserve your table and send you further information.

The Thurmont Regional Library and the Emmitsburg Branch Library seek new ways to be connected to our communities. Public libraries are the ideal location to bring people together for a common purpose. Don't hesitate to contact me at edingle@frederickcountymd.gov if there are ways we can work together.

Visit www.fcpl.org for information about all Frederick County Public Library services, programs and e-Library materials.

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WANTED: Seeking part-time Housekeeper/Helper for family in Emmitsburg. Flexible Hours/Days-Approx. 4 to 8 hours a week. References required. Please call 202-253-8488.

WANTED: Any unwanted lawn mowers, tillers, snow blowers or yard items. Will pick up FREE. Call 301-271-4266.

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2 NASCAR racing tires made into small tables with legs: 1st tire is an actual Dale Earnhardt Sr. tire with a glass top, with a Dale Earnhardt Sr. silhouette face and the #3 engraved into the glass top; 2nd tire was run at Richmond in the mid '90s by Brett Bodine and the #26 team. This tire also has been made into a table with Dale Jarrett silhouette engraved into the glass along with the #18, (Joe Gibbs racing). Would prefer tires to be sold together. \$125/OBO. Call 301-271-4280.

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FOR SALE: Top of the line Treadmill by Sole. Folding for ease of use. \$800. A steal!; Beautiful solid wood DR table with 6 chairs and removable leaf. \$500; Black 4 legged wall table with pull drawer and ornate spindle legs. Like new. \$99.00; Inlaid beveled glass top sofa table. \$175; Beautiful! 2 black end tables with beveled inlaid glass tops. Lower shelf. \$100.00 each; Granite top cart on wheels Includes wine rack for 5 bottles, pull drawer, lower shelf, with 3 side pegs. \$129.99. Call Jim 240-344-4155, all offers considered.

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Seeking Organist/Choir Director - St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Utica, 6 Miles north of Frederick. 10-12 Hours per week. Call 301-898-9945 or send resume to pastorbert@splcutica.org.

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Yard Sale Spaces for Rent Colorfest Weekend, \$15/day, or 3 days for \$40. Saturday ONLY, \$20.00. Victory Tabernacle Chuch. Route 806, turn onto Kellys Store Road. Call 240-288-8007 for info.

Community Yard Sale, Pembrook Woods Subdivision, Emmitsburg. 140 West to Tract Rd, first right into subdivision. Sat. Sept 13, 8 am-2 pm. Raindate Sun. Sept. 14.

august

- 28....Documentary The Great American Wheat Harvest début, Holiday Cinemas in Frederick, MD. 6:00 p.m.; meet and greet with filmmaker and video producer, Conrad Weaver of Emmitsburg 7:15 p.m.
- 30....20th Annual McLain Celtic Festival, Two Mile House, 1189 Walnut Bottom Rd., Carlisle, PA. 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. \$10/person; Free/children <10. 717-249-7610; www.historicalsociety.com.
- 30....Summer Sandwich Sale, Thurmont Lions Club at Bell Hill Farm. 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Benefits local community and vision-related causes.
- 31....Special Mass for Mother Seton's Birthday, celebrated by Archbishop William E. Lori, National Shrine of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, Emmitsburg. 1:30 p.m. Family Fun Day Event to follow Mass. amanda. johnston@setonheritage.org.
- 31....ThorpeWood's 7th Annual 5K/10K Trail Run/Walk, 12805-A Mink Farm Rd., Thurmont. Register: www.active. com/thurmont-md/running/distancerunning-races/thorpewood-trails-5kfun-walk-and-10k-trail-run-2014.
- 31....70th Annual Keilholtz Reunion, Thurmont Community Park, Thurmont. All Keilholtz descendant families invited. Fried chicken provided for 12:30 p.m. picnic buffet. Families bring side dish or dessert, their table service, & beverage. Bingo players bring \$2.00 wrapped prize.

september

- 1......Free Community Meal (served first Monday of each month), Graceham Moravian Church, 8231A Rocky Ridge Rd., Thurmont. 5:30-7:00 p.m. All are welcome. 301-271-2379.
- . Annual Labor Day Festival, Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish, Church St., Thurmont. 12:00-5:00 p.m. Family-style fried chicken/ ham dinner: \$13/Adults; \$6.50/ages 6-12; Free/ages 5 & under. Air conditioned dining room/ample parking. Live music, bingo, bake sale, & more. Carryout available. www.emmitsburg.net/sasolmc.
- . Thurmont Primary and Elementary Schools 3rd Annual Back to School Picnic, Thurmont Town Park, Thurmont. 5:00-6:30 p.m.
- . Book Sale, Catoctin High School, Thurmont. Sponsored by Friends of the Thurmont Regional Library. 6:00-10:00 p.m. Proceeds support Thurmont Regional Library.
- 5..... Annual Golf Tournament, Lewistown Ruritans at Maple Run Golf Course, Moser Rd., Thurmont. Benefit local scholarships. Harold Staley 301-748-1708.
- 5-7... 58th Annual Thurmont & Emmitsburg Community Show, Catoctin High School, Thurmont. No entry fee; free admission; free parking. www. thurmontemmitsburgcommunityshow. webs.com.
- 6.....Longaberger/Cash Bingo, AMVETS Post Ladies Auxiliary Unit 7, 26 Apples Church Rd., Thurmont. Doors Open 4:00 p.m.; Bingo 6:00 p.m. \$20/in advance; \$25/at door. Cut-off for tickets: August 29. Mary McKinnon 717-968-8026 or Diane Kelly 301-748-6894.
- ..2nd Annual "KING of the MOUNTAIN" Car Show & Craft Show Event, Fort Ritchie Community Center, Cascade, MD. 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Trophies for winners of car show; grand prize winner will receive HUGE King of the Mountain Trophy. Craft vendors. Free event. Admission fee to enter car or truck in car show; all proceeds benefit the Children's Miracle Network & Fort Ritchie Community Center. 301-241-5085 (ask for Bev Coyle).

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- 6.....Book Sale, Catoctin High School, Thurmont. Sponsored by Friends of the Thurmont Regional Library. 8:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m. Proceeds support Thurmont Regional Library.
- .Frederick County Chapter of the Hearing Loss Association of America (HLAA) Meeting, Edenton Retirement Community, Manor House, 5800 Genesis Ln. Frederick, MD. 10:00 a.m., social time to follow. All are welcome.
- 7......Book Sale, Catoctin High School, Thurmont. Sponsored by Friends of the Thurmont Regional Library. 8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Proceeds support Thurmont Regional Library.
- .Lewistown Ruritan Chicken BBQ, US 15 North & Fish Hatchery Road.
- .Thurmont American Legion Post 168 Annual Crab Feed Picnic, at the pavilion. 1:00-5:00 p.m. \$10/person (can be purchased at Post). This is a members-only event.
- 7.....Shot Gun Shoots, Indian Lookout, 17107 Riffle Rd., Emmitsburg.
- .Wii Bowling begins (and each following Monday evening), Thurmont American Legion Post 168, Thurmont. 7:00-10:00 p.m. Daily drink specials available. Open to members & their guests. Check out Facebook for future events.
- .Suicide Survivor Support Group (meets Thursdays: Sept. 11-Oct. 30), Hospice of Frederick County Office, 516 Trail Ave., Frederick, MD. 6:00-7:30 p.m. Call 240-566-3030 to register by Sept. 5.
- 12....1LT Rob Seidel III Memorial Golf Tournament, The Links at Gettysburg, Gettysburg, PA. Double tee time 7:30 a.m. & 1:00 p.m.; 18 hole best ball scramble. \$100/person; \$400/ foursome. All proceeds benefit the 1LT Rob Seidel Wounded Soldiers Fund. Sandy robseidelwsf@comcast.net.
- 12-21. Shamrock Restaurant's Half Way to St. Patrick's Day Irish Party. Irish music, activities, great food, & more. 7701 Fitzgerald Rd., Thurmont. 301-271-2912
- .Sportsman's Bingo, Lewistown District Vol. Fire Dept., 11101 Hessong Bridge Rd., Lewistown, MD. Doors open 5:00 p.m.; buffet 6:00 p.m.; games 7:30 p.m. \$40/person.
- 13....St. Mark's Peach Festival and Yard Sale. 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Homemade soup, sandwiches, peach desserts, & bake table. Large Yard Sale, benefiting Dylan Seiss Scholarship and church roof fund.
- 13....Frederick County Pomona Grange sponsoring "Kute Kids" Show, Farm Garden Bldg., Frederick Fair, Frederick, MD. Entries taken in Farm & Garden Building 9:45-10:00 a.m. Contest 10:15 a.m. Questions: mdstgrange@comcast.net.thegreatfrederickfair.com.
- 13,14..... "Art on the Mountain" art show, 519 Gladhill Rd., Fairfield, PA. Sept. 13: 5:00-8:00 p.m.; Sept. 14: 2:00-5:00 p.m. 717-321-4255; https://www.facebook.com/ artonthemountainfairfieldpa.
- 13,14.....Rooted in History Program/Tour, National Shrine of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, Emmitsburg. Program includes children's activities; free seedlings will be given to the first 50 attendees each day of event. 3:00 p.m. www. setonheritage.org or 301-447-6606.
- .Thurmont AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary Post 7 Classic Car, Truck, & Motorcyle Show, Thurmont Guardian Hose

- Activities Bldg., Thurmont. 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Registration: \$12 (10:00 a.m.-noon). Awards 2:30 p.m. Good food, drinks, raffles, 50/50, tip jars. DJ: Oldies Music. Everyone welcome. Betty 717-331-1510; Diane 301-748-6894.
- 14....R.D. Long Reunion, Creagerstown Parish Hall, Blacks Mill Rd., Creagerstown. Eat 1:30 p.m. Shirley Long 301-271-7975.
- 16....Frederick County Christian Eagles Football's 1st Annual Family Fun Night Fundraiser, 4:00 p.m.; Mountain Gate Family Restaurant to serve dinner 5:00 p.m. \$20/Adults; \$10/ages 5-12; Free/ages 4 and under. 240-357-0544; email: frederickeaglesfootball@gmail.com.
- 16....Celebrate the Constitution, Thurmont Regional Library, Moser Road, Thurmont. 6:30 p.m. Meet in front of the library to officially "ring-in" Constitution Day! After the Bell Ringing Ceremony, Ben Franklin will give a brief chat about colonial times and provide hands-on colonial activities.
- . John Giffin and Rev. Sally Joyner-Giffin (Pastor Sally) Share Experience visiting The Holy Land (slide show), Harriet Chapel, Catoctin Episcopal Parish, 12625 Catoctin Furnace Rd., Thurmont. 6:30 p.m. Light refreshments served. 301-271-4554
- . Clothing Swap Fun for Teens and Tweens, Thurmont Regional Library, Thurmont. 5:00 p.m. Clean out your closet and bring gently worn clothing, jewelry, and accessories to swap for new-to-you items. Everyone (and this is open for boys and girls) will go home with something special to add to their wardrobe. Craft table and refreshments included. Registration required.
- .Guardian Hose Company's James H. Mackley Golf Day, Maple Run Golf Course, 13610 Moser Rd., Thurmont. Best ball played; shotgun start 9:00 a.m. Rain or Shine. Terry N. Frushour, Golf Day Chairperson 301-271-4289 or 240-372-
- 19 Virginia Crawford, Poet-in-Residence of the Maryland Arts Council will read from her work at Catoctin Voices Evening of Poetry, Holy Grounds Café, Emmitsburg, MD. 7:00 p.m. Open readings precede. Free and open to public. Please bring poetry to share! tomandlisa@wildblue.net.
- 19,20. Dwell Richly Marriage Seminar, hosted by WCF Church of Sabillasville. Sept. 19-7:00 p.m.; Sept. 20—9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Free (but donations appreciated). Taught by Pastor Chris Peeler and wife, Linda, of Making the Gospel Known Ministries. www.walkersvillechristianfellowship.org. Register: 301-241-2022 by Sept. 15.
- 19-21. Taneytown Family Fun Days, Taneytown's Memorial Park, Taneytown, MD. Sponsored by Taneytown Lions Club. Friday, 6:00-10:00 p.m.; Sat., 8:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m.; Sun., noon-7:00 p.m. Arts, crafts, car show & much more. Free parking/ Sponsored by Taneytown admission. Lions Club. Benefits community. www. taneytownlion.org.
- Catoctin Pregnancy Center's 10th Annual Run for Life, Mount Saint Mary's University, PNC Sports Complex, Emmitsburg. Registration 7:30 a.m.; 1 Mile Fun Run/Walk 9:00 a.m.; 5K Run/Walk 9:30 a.m. Entry fee: \$25 (w/shirt); \$15 (w/ out shirt). Jim Lowrie 717-642-0196 or jimlow@embarqmail.com; Stephen Quinn Stephen.quinn@kofc-1860emmitsburg.org.
- 20....Bingo Bash, Emmitsburg Vol. Amb. Co., 17701 Creamery Rd., Emmitsburg. Doors open 4:00 p.m.; Games 7:00 p.m. \$35/in advance; \$45/at door. Mary Lou 240-285-3184; Diane 301-748-6894.

- 20....Rocky Ridge Junior Fire Company Yard Sale, Activities Building, 13516 Motters Station Rd., Rocky Ridge, MD. 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.; set up Sept. 19 6:00 p.m. Spaces are available for \$10.00 per table; outside spaces are also available for \$10.00. Connie Humerick 301-271-4682; Teressa Kaas 301-271-3781.
- 20..... 31, Coach & Vera Bradley Bingo, Mother Seton School, 100 Creamery Rd, Emmitsburg. Doors open 5:30 p.m., games begin 7:00 p.m. \$20/advance or \$25/door. 410-756-1815.
- .Pet Fest, Fort Ritchie Community Center, Cascade, MD. Bring your favorite pet. 1:00-3:00 p.m. Pet parade and other contests available for your pet. Awards given in several categories. Door prizes, raffles, photo contest, & much more! Fun event for whole family. Bev Coyle 301-241-5085.
- 20....Sportsman's Bingo, Lewistown Fire Hall. \$40/person (includes dinner, drinks, & 20 games). Doors open 5:00 p.m.; Dinner served 6:00 p.m.; Bingo 7:30 p.m. Cindy Grimes (cindy_grimes@msn.com or 301-788-5354) or Cheryl Phelan (bochph@aol. com or 301-524-3106). Benefits 2015 CHS Safe and Sane.
- 23.....Women Soldiers in the Civil War, at Annual Auxiliary Membership Meeting, Homewood at Crumland Farms and Willow Ponds, Frederick, MD. Presented by Tracey McIntyre and Audrey Scanlan-Teller. Registration/free breakfast bar 9:15 a.m. 301-663-6308.
- 23.... Tour of building, Absolute Real Estate Auction, Former Bank Building, 4 West Main St., Thurmont. www.auctionEbid. com; Kelly Strauss 540-226-1279.
- .Unforgettable toe-tapping Gospel Bluegrass Music, performed by the Wissmann Family, WCF Church of Sabillasville. 7:00 p.m. Free Concert; all are welcome. www. walkersvillechristianfellowship.org or 301-241-3022.
- .ThorpeWood's 2nd Annual Barn Dance, 12805-A Mink Farm Rd., Thurmont. 7:30-10:30 p.m. \$20/ticket. Benefits The YMCA of Frederick County. 301-271-2823. www. thorpewood.org.
- ..Gospel & Blue Grass Music Festival, Mt. Tabor Park, Rocky Ridge, MD. 1:00-6:00 p.m. Admission free. Local talents and blue grass music by the Carroll County Ramblers. Great music, food & homemade
- 27.... Spaghettie Dinner, St. John's UCC Parish Hall, Sabillasville. 4:00-7:00 p.m. Adults/\$10, ages 5-12/\$5, 5&under/free.
- 27.... 7th Annual Wine Tasting & Silent Auction Benefit for Emmitsburg Osteopathic Primary Care Center (EOPCC), Mount Saint Mary's Seminary Dining Room (on campus in Patriot Hall). 4:00-7:00 p.m. 301-447-2690 or 301-447-3797. RSVP required.
- 27....9th annual Benefit Poker Run Scotty's Ride. Ride starts at Jubilee Foods, Emmitsburg 10:00 a.m.; finish 3:00 p.m. at Kerry & Valerie's, 11322 Harney Rd., Emmitsburg. Food, drink, entertainment & door prizes to end ride! Entry fee: \$35 (eligible to win); \$20 (non-player). Don't want to ride, but want to join them: \$20 donation (\$10/ ages 7-12; Free/6 & under). All vehicles welcome. 301-447-3260 or 301-271-6600.
- 28....Bingo Bash, Guardian Hose Company, Activities Bldg., Thurmont. Doors open 11:00 a.m.; Bingo 1:00 p.m. Lunch served. \$25/in advance; \$30/door.
- . Gospel Music featuring Keystone State Quartet, Deerfield U.M. Church, 16405 Foxville Deerfield Rd., Sabillasville. 6:00 p.m. Everyone welcome. Free. 301-241-
- 29....Mackenzie's Light Bereavement and Drug Addiction Education Program, Thurmont Regional Library, Moser Rd., Thurmont. 6:30 p.m. Free. 301-524-8064 for information.
- 29 Absolute Real Estate Auction, former bank building, 4 West Main St., Thurmont. 1:00 p.m. www.auctionEbid.com.



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