# Emmitsburg "Steals" Second Cal Ripken State Championship Title

by Davy Wantz, IV

Winning a state championship is an outstanding accomplishment and one that is hard to come by—and for Emmitsburg baseball, it took fifty-eight years to win their first in 2013. Emmitsburg, the defending Cal Ripken 12U 46/60 Maryland Champions, looked to repeat the win in 2014 in the tournament they hosted on July 5-7, 2014. Last year's team consisted of ten twelve-year-olds, which means that this year's team was younger, having only four returning players.

On Saturday, Emmitsburg opened up pool play against Frederick. The first inning went scoreless. Garrett Malachowski led the second inning with a single, sparking an eight run inning. Frederick battled back over the next few innings to take a 9-8 lead over the host, Emmitsburg. After falling behind 9-8, Emmitsburg quickly tied it at 9-9 in the bottom of the fourth, bases loaded. Dylan Click, a returning player from last year's team, blasted a grand slam to take back the lead, 13-9. Emmitsburg never looked back and went on to win 20-10.

In Emmitsburg's second pool play game against Smithsburg, the team found themselves down early, 3-0. Emmitsburg didn't score until



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Pictured from left are: (bottom row) Alex Wivell, Issiah "Bub" Wivell, Noah Oleszczuk, Colten Devilbiss, and Johnny Glass; (middle row) Evan Ott, Garrett Malachowski, Logan Harrington, Jordan Garner, Mason Joy, Dylan Click, and Sean Mazaleski; (top row) Coach Click, Coach Wantz, and Coach Malachowski.

Noah Oleszczuk crossed the plate in the third inning. Jordan Garner drove in another run in the fourth inning, cutting Smithsburg's lead to 3-2. Colten Devilbiss blasted a three-run homerun in the fifth to give Emmitsburg its first lead.



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Emmitsburg added some more runs in the sixth inning and won 10-4, ending day one of pool play with a 2-0 record.

On day two, Emmitsburg played Northeast, knowing that a win would give them a spot in the



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familiar state championship game on Monday night. Emmitsburg flexed its power hitting, as Mason Joy went 2-2 off the bench with an RBI. Emmitsburg hit six home runs, one each from Sean Mazaleski, Colten Devilbiss, Dylan Click, and Alex Wivell; the other two coming from Johnny Glass, who is locally known as Johnny Baseball. The defense was present as well, as Logan Harrington started an ESPN-worthy 4-6-3 double play, with an amazing backhand grab up the middle. Emmitsburg won the game 18-6 and clinched the one seed, meaning Monday night they'd play in the all-important state championship

Emmitsburg had to play its final pool play game before focusing on Monday night. The starting pitcher for the game, Issiah Wivell, took the mound against UMAC and pitched three hitless, shutout innings; he also hit a homerun in the fourth inning. Emmitsburg won 10-7 to finish pool play 4-0.

Smithsburg won their semi-final game over Frederick to advance to the final. Emmitsburg, who beat Smithsburg on Saturday, knew the championship would be a great game and that they had to play

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Gems of greatness can be found within us and around us. The articles, tales, and stories that make up any given month's Catoctin Banner Newspaper often contain surprises about people we thought we knew or places we thought we'd explored. Discovering new things about familiar things and people is my favorite part of publishing this newspaper. This month, Ann Marie Bezayiff shares some of Browns' Jeweler's owner, John Brown's, childhood memories around Fort Ritchie; Jim Rada, Jr. shares some of the political objectives of the County Executive candidates, Jan Gardner and Blaine Young; and we invite you to enjoy a new quarterly column, Mineral Bob's Great Outdoors, that debuts on

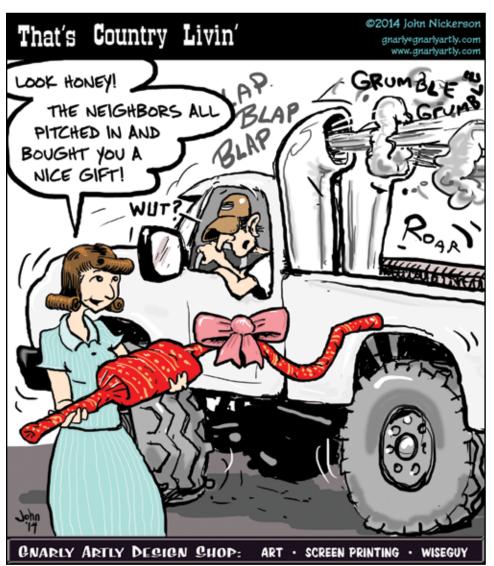
Our cover looks very similar to last August's cover since the Emmitsburg 12U All Stars became the State Champions at the Cal Ripken State Tournament for the second year in a row. Their state championship game vs. Smithsburg was exciting when Coach Davie Wantz told Issiah "Bub" Wivell to steal home. Bub slid into home, and when the dust cleared, Smithsburg's catcher had dropped the ball, thus justifying Bub's dirt stained britches and securing the win for Emmitsburg. We have some great coaches and athletes in our area, and it is our pleasure to share their successes and struggles. There have been more state-level club and league championship wins by some of our local teams. The Maryland Express Girl's 10U Fast Pitch softball team won a state championship, as well. Since we don't have staff who can cover these games—especially when it includes travel—please do not hesitate to send in your articles and photos. You never know, it may end up on the cover.

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—Deb Spalding, Publisher

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#### **Emmitsburg & Thurmont Community Show**

Everyone in the Catoctin High School feeder district is invited and encouraged to participate as an exhibitor and to attend the show and entertainment at Catoctin High School, on September 5-7, 2014. This annual show is a muchanticipated event and enjoyed celebration of local agriculture and craftsmanship for people of all ages. Watch for the community booklet of events/exhibitions/schedules at local businesses and stores for more information. Sponsored by the Thurmont Grange, Catoctin FFA Chapter, Catoctin Area FFA Alumni, Maryland Agricultural Fair Board and the Maryland State Grange, over \$12,000 will be offered in prizes to exhibitors for this event.

#### Election Judges Needed for 2014 Election

The Mayor and Board of Commissioners are seeking persons to serve as election judges for the September 30th Town Election. In





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accordance with the Emmitsburg Town Code, judges must be registered and qualified voters and not hold or be a candidate for any other Emmitsburg public office.

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To apply or for more information, call 301-600-6300 or e-mail townclerk@emmitsburgmd.gov.

#### Farmer's Market on Friday Afternoons

Enjoy the best of locally grown produce each Friday at the Emmitsburg Farmer's Market, from 3:00-6:30 p.m. The market is located on South Seton Avenue right next to the Firemen's Museum. The Market will be open through September 26.

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

#### Thurmont **JULY 2014**

#### **Thurmont Trolley Substation** Celebration

The Thurmont Lions Club will unveil a series of historic art murals at the Trolley Substation building on August 23 at 1:00 p.m. on East Main Street. This event represents a celebration of Thurmont's history that includes the Thurmont-Frederick Trolley Train. The murals, by artist "Yemi," depict scenes of the inspiring history of Thurmont that include our covered bridges, Cunningham Falls, Camp David, Main Street and the Catoctin Furnace. The murals are being called the "Crowning Jewel" murals as they will highly complement the culmination of the efforts of the Lions Club Trolley Trail Refurbishing Project. Participants can also enjoy hot dogs, ice cream

**1 Creamery Way** mmitsburg, MD 21727 301-447-3718 AX: 301-447-1722 and brownies during the celebration. The Lions Club and volunteers believe this interesting and beautiful project will become a tourist destination for the Frederick county

#### Project Open Space Funds for Thurmont

Thurmont is receiving \$147,985 from the Maryland Department of Natural Resources as part of the Project Open Space program. The program funding supports conserving natural resources and creating outdoor recreational opportunities for citizens. Thurmont will use the funds for paving the Trolley Trail which is a popular walkway through the town that follows the line of the former trolley. Some funds will also be used to improve the Eyler Rd. Lacrosse Field.

#### Farmers Market—Saturdays, 9:00 a.m.-Noon

Mayor John Kinnaird reports that the Thurmont Farmers market is doing quite well. There are ten regular vendors with a variety of fruits and vegetables for sale as well as a bakery vendor who makes homemade mini fruit pies. Flea Marketers are also welcomed to set up at the market. Cost is only \$5.00. The market is located at the Carnival Grounds. Please use the Boundary Avenue entrance.

#### **Road Construction Updates**

The State Highway Administration will be starting their work on the upgrade to the sidewalks and gutters this month. The priority is to work on the areas around the schools, so they can be completed before school starts.

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

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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.



Photo by Deb Spalding

Last month's "Where

Am I?" photo showed Mathwig Estates Barn on Graceham Road in Thurmont. Last month's winner is Anne Despeaux Reaver.

#### **Hidden Object Game**

Last month's Hidden Object was a red and green plane, flying a banner behind it that reads: "You've found the H.O.!" It was located on page 16 in the McDonald's advertisement. The winner of the Hidden Object Game is Debbie Kurz. If the winner has not been contacted, please contact us to claim your prize.

This month's Hidden Object is a smiling pink teapot.

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

Words for this month were taken from Valerie Nusbaum's "Happily Ever After" column

(Answers on page 46)

- 1. Saturnine (adj.)
  - a) Regretful; remorseful
  - b) Sluggish; slow moving
  - c) Gloomy; moody
- 2. Flummox (v.)
  - a) To agree or acknowledge
  - b) To take apart or destroy c) To perplex or confuse
- 3. Gloze (v.)
  - a) To explain away; minimize effect of
  - b) To report; declare
  - c) To retain; withhold
- 4. Acrimonious (adj.)
  - a) Assertive: bold
  - b) Bitter/harsh in manner, behavior, or speech
  - c) Extremely large; enormous
- 5. Which word above would work best in this sentence?

During the campaign, the politicians engaged in debate, each accusing the other of gross misdeeds.















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# MorningStar Family Church www.morningstarfe.org "A Place to Call Home, A Family to Call Your Own." 14698 Albert Staub Rd. Thurmont, MD 21788 301-271-3633 \* 240-575-1718 Sunday AM Service: 10:45am Children's Church: After Worship Wednesday Bible Study:



# James H. Mackley Golf Day

The Guardian Hose Company is hosting its James H. Mackley Golf Day on Friday, September 19, 2014, at the Maple Run Golf Course, located at 13610 Moser Road in Thurmont. The event will be best ball played and will have a shotgun start at 9:00 a.m. The event will take place rain or shine, unless the golf course is closed, in which case, the event will be rescheduled.

Thanks to the supporters from last year's event, the Guardian Hose Company awarded a \$500 scholarship to Emily Little at their Annual Banquet, and renewed the scholarships for the previous winners, Rachel Fogle and Kaitlyn Portner.

Once again, the Guardian Hose Company will be presenting a local graduating student with a scholarship in honor of James H. Mackley's name to a student that wants to continue with an education in the Public Safety field (Fire, EMS, Police, etc.). They are looking for sponsors in planning this event. Sponsors will be recognized at the tee, hole, or green of their choice.

If you have any questions, please contact Terry N. Frushour, Golf Day Chairperson, at 301-271-4289 or 240-372-6630.



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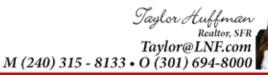
14512 Roddy Rd -Thurmont-Charming home on almost 2 acres with well & septic!



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# 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 31 for more information.

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# Rocky Ridge Junior Fire Company Yard Sale

The Rocky Ridge Junior Fire Company will be holding a Yard Sale on Saturday, September 20, 2014, from 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m., at the Activities Building. Spaces are available for \$10.00 per table; outside spaces are also available for \$10.00. View their advertisement on page 14 for more information.

# Guardian Hose Company's Yard Sale

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

On Sunday, September 28, 2014, the Thurmont Guardian Hose Company will be holding 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 6 for more information on both of these

#### 1st Annual Family Fun Night Fundraiser

The Frederick County Christian Eagles Football is holding their 1st annual Family Fun Night Fundraiser on Saturday, August 16, 2014, at 4:00 p.m., with Mountain Gate Family Restaurant serving dinner at 5:00 p.m. Tickets are \$20.00 for adults; \$10.00 for children, ages 5-12; and free for children, ages 4 and under. View their advertisement on page 9 for more information on how to get your tickets.

#### Mount Tabor Park Car Show

Don't miss the 1st annual Mount Tabor Park Car Show on August 9, 2014, at the Mt. Tabor Park in Rocky Ridge, Maryland. Registration begins at 11:00 a.m. The car show will take place at 12:00-3:00 p.m. Entry fee is \$5.00. Cars, trucks, and motorcycles are all welcome. Plaques, awards, raffles, food, and more! View their advertisement on page 23 for more information.

#### Mount Tabor Park BIG Picnic

You won't want to miss the BIG picnic at Mount Tabor Park in Rocky Ridge, Maryland. The event features music by Chasing Stars and JR Country, a car show, a baby show, bingo, and much more! Everyone is invited! View their advertisement on page 9 for more information.

# Mountain Fest — 40th Anniversary Celebration

Come celebrate the 40th Anniversary of the Mountain Fest on October 11-12, 2014, from 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., at Sabillasville Elementary School, located at 1621-B Sabillasville Road in Sabillasville, Maryland. The event features superb vendors, free parking, and annual car show (on Sunday), plus an expanded indoor display space. Mountain Fest is brought to you by the Northwestern Frederick County Civic Association. Volunteers are welcome. View their advertisement on page 27 for more information.

# 9th Annual Scotty's Ride Benefit Poker Run

All vehicles are welcome at the 9th annual Benefit Poker Run Scotty's Ride, being held on September 27, 2014. The ride will begin at Jubilee Foods in Emmitsburg at 10:00 a.m. The finish time will be 3:00 p.m. at Kerry and Valerie's, with food, drink, and entertainment to end your ride! Rider's entry fee is \$35.00 (eligible to win) or \$20.00 (non-player). View their advertisement on page 5 for more information.

# **Indian Lookout Conservation Target Shoots**

Every Thursday night from now until September 4, 2014, will be 3D Target Shoots at Indian Lookout, located on 17107 Riffle Road in Emmitsburg. Shot Gun Shoots will be held August 17, and September 7, 2014. View their advertisement on page 41 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 4 for more information.

#### St. John's Festival in Sabillasville

The annual St. John's Festival, sponsored by St. John's United Church of Christ, will be held on August 16, 2014. The event will take place at Willard Pavilion, located off Harbaugh Valley Road behind the church, and will begin at 3:00 p.m. Usual picnic fare will be sandwiches, St. John's Famous French fries, soups, drinks, hand-dipped ice cream, and homemade baked goods. Soda, water, and coffee will also be available. There will be games for the kids and raffles for the older generation. Cruise in your old/classic vehicle and receive a free ice cream! Music will be furnished by Blue Grass Chapel Band. View their advertisement on page 6 for more information.

# Blue Ridge Sportsmen's Association August 2014 Events

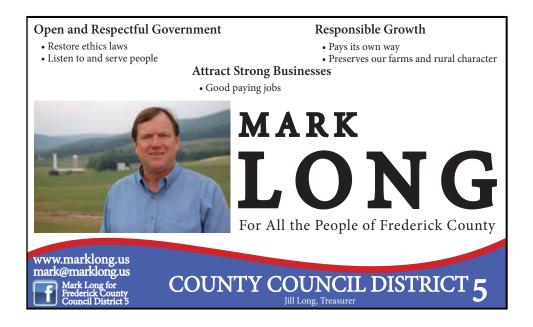
Blue Ridge Sportsmen's Association is holding many not-to-miss events in August: August 2—Archery 3-D Shoot and Hog Roast, 8:00 a.m.; August 3— Cash Bingo, 1:00 p.m.; August 16—Horseshoe Tournament, 3:30 p.m.; August 23-24—Concealed Weapons Class; August 30—Outlaw Shoot, 10:00 a.m.; August 30—Crab Feed, 1:00-4:00 p.m. View their advertisement on page 6 for more information.

# 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 5 for more information.

#### <u>Don't Forget to Play Our Games!</u>

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# Business news

#### **Critter Care by Greta**

by Deb Spalding

We all tend to ponder about our pets when we are not at home, and worry about how they are doing without us. You don't want to waste a moment of vacation stressing over things at home or become anxious about your pet being alone at home too long when you have to work later than normal. It's time to book appointments for the care of your domestic pets or barnyard animals while you are away from home on vacation or you are at work. Greta Gray, originally from Thurmont, has grown her small pet-sitting service to the next level by launching Critter Care by Greta, where she provides loving and professional care for your beloved critters at your house or hers.

She services the northern Frederick County, Washington County, and Franklin County areas. She will even consider additional areas upon request. She will care





Greta Gray is pictured with her pet pig.

for all critters, from guinea pigs and birds to hamsters and ferrets, from cows and horses to kitties and hounds.

Greta is a part-time groomer at the Thurmont Main Street Groomers, and she has an extensive background caring for horses, goats, sheep, and other animals, having also worked on both a dairy farm and a horse farm. Her love for animals sets a solid foundation for her business. "I don't just provide, I CARE!" said Greta. Greta, herself, has had dogs, cats, a horse, and a pet pig.

Prices for Critter Care are determined based on your individual needs, the number of animals, and the frequency of service. Like or friend Critter Care by Greta on Facebook, and call today to schedule your appointments.

Greta is bonded and insured, and will provide references upon request. Take some peace of mind with you when you leave home by calling Critter Care by Greta at 240-367-0035 to care for your loved pets.

View her advertisement on page 26.

# Grain Warehouse, Broom Factory, Bus Depot — the Carriage House Has Lived Many Lives Photo by Deb Spalding

by James Rada, Jr.

Bob Hance's first recollection of what would one day become the Carriage House Restaurant was walking into a building that had been the Tiki Inn and seeing three large woks filled with grease, although the restaurant had been closed for some time by 1980. The Tiki Inn was

a restaurant that served Polynesian-American fare in Emmitsburg, though apparently not for too long.

Having grown up in Twinbrook in Montgomery County, the 19-year-old Hance and his family had a wake-up call as to what they had walked into that day. "We used to think that going to Frederick was going to the country," Hance said.

Luckily, the Tiki Inn wasn't the first or last restaurant to occupy the building on South Seton Avenue. From research that Hance has done, they found that the building dates back to 1857. It was the Maxwell Feed and Grain Warehouse in 1877, and a broom factory in 1907. It also served as a bus depot.

The building occupying a restaurant began in 1953, when it was the White House. It was also Bucher's Restaurant and Motel. "Old timers who come in talk about partying at Bucher's," Hance said. "It was apparently the place to be in Emmitsburg."

The Hance Family set about trying to make it that way again. They opened Gentleman Jim's. Bob Hance's parents, Jim and JoAnn, had opened a Gentleman Jim's in Twinbrook. It was a pizza parlor that *Washingtonian Magazine* said had the best pizza in the area. "I am not exaggerating; our business tripled overnight," Hance said.

Keeping up with demand was hard, but Jim and JoAnn still managed to slip away occasionally for a relaxing weekend. One of the places they would stay was at the Cozy Inn. It was there that he heard about an auction for the Tiki Inn.

The auction was actually for a larger piece of property than the Carriage House sits on today. Jim Hance lost the auction to a man who wanted to build a Pizza Hut. However, the Pizza Hut only needed a small strip

of land. He sold the building to Hance and another section that allowed Paul's Pit Stop to be built.

Gentleman Jim's opened in 1981. Business was alright, but not what it had been in Montgomery County. Jim and JoAnn evaluated where their business was going and decided that a country inn would do better.

"Over 1984 to 1985, we converted it to what it is now," Hance said.

For its first couple years, the Carriage House struggled. However, Hance said that around 1990, things just "clicked," and the business began seeing double-digit growth. Word spread quickly about the good food served at the Carriage House. It also didn't hurt that Hance got a lot of publicity out of the fact that President Bill Clinton dined there during a visit to the area.

"If we have a specialty, it's steak and seafood," Hance said. "We believe that you buy the best you can get."

For instance, the Carriage House buys only jumbo lump crab meat and certified Angus beef.

"Our crab cakes are made without filler, and you seldom find them anywhere like that," Hance said.

The recession caused a slowdown in business at the Carriage House, but it also allowed Hance to grow another area of the business. Hance saw his off-site catering business grow. Not only is the Carriage House an approved caterer for many venues in the region, but it is the exclusive caterer of the Lodges at Gettysburg, Springfield Manor, and Stone Manor. Catering is now an integral part of the Carriage House business.

"We work on two principles," Hance said. "Buy the best and keep it simple, and it has worked for us for twenty years."

View their advertisement on page 21.



#### A Small Town Orchard With a Well-Known **Taste**

by Ashley McGlaughlin, edited by Allyson Smith

Catoctin Mountain Orchard first opened as a small, strictly wholesale retail operation, owned by Ira Kelbaugh. His employee, Harry Black, helped Kelbaugh open an open-air retail market in 1948.

In 1961, Harry and Helen Black bought the Catoctin Mountain Orchard from Ira Kelbaugh, making many adjustments and improvements to the orchard over the next several years. The Blacks created irrigation systems to help with the fruits and vegetables, and added three cold storage rooms. Their daughter and son, Patricia and Robert Black, inherited the orchard of approximately 100 acres (eighty percent of land is orchard, and twenty percent is vegetables) in 2001.

Robert and Pat are second generation. The third and fourth generation also work at the orchard, and are hoping to continue the family tradition.

In addition to being well known for their tasty fruits and vegetables, they are also widely known for their popular bakery. They make a variety of fruit pies, including blackberry, apple, strawberry, peach, and many more. They also sell cookies, brownies, and ginger bread—a wide variety to satisfy any of your cravings.

Catoctin Mountain Orchard is known for their fresh produce, as well as for the owners' and the workers' positive attitudes. "Far away people are regular customers, too," said Pat





The back view, looking down on the Catoctin Mountain Orchard.

Black, owner of Catoctin Mountain Orchard.

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Currently, the newest selling fruit is the kiwi berry, which is grown here in the United States. The orchard relies heavily on their customers' opinion and feedback on their produce. "If people like it, we plant even more," expressed Pat Black.

Summer could not taste any better at Catoctin Mountain Orchard. Paula Red and Summer Rambo apples are available in August. Currently, Red Haven and White Lady peaches are available, along with plums, apricots, nectarines, and blackberries. Other varieties of peaches are available through mid-September, and many more apples in the fall.

In addition, they offer a beautiful "cut your own flower garden" through September. You can select from a wide variety of fresh flowers, including Zinnias, Black-Eyed Susans, Celosias, Snap Dragons, and

Catoctin Mountain Orchard Market is located at 15036 North Franklinville Road in Thurmont, and is open daily from 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Visit their website at www. catoctinmtorchard.com.

View their advertisement on page 19 for more information.



# **Double Rock Farm Raises Money for** Shriner's Hospital for Children

by Gracie Eyler

On July 4, 2014, the Long Family welcomed friends and fellow riders to join them in hopes of raising money for Shriner's Hospitals for Children. This event, held yearly, entices a large crowd to join in on the fun, silent auctions, BBQ chicken dinner, vendors, and relay riding events.

Some of the creative riding events include a "Dolly Parton Race," Egg Toss, Phonebook Relay, Ribbon Race, and many others. Forty-eight riders participated in the Riding Ring. Double Rock Farm raised almost \$4,500 from the evening, and hope to raise more before the end of the year.

All proceeds are donated to benefit children in need at Shriner's



Rick Long volunteers for the Dunk Tank to raise money for a very worthy cause.

Hospital. If you would like to make a donation, please call Bev or Rick Long at 301-606-6810.

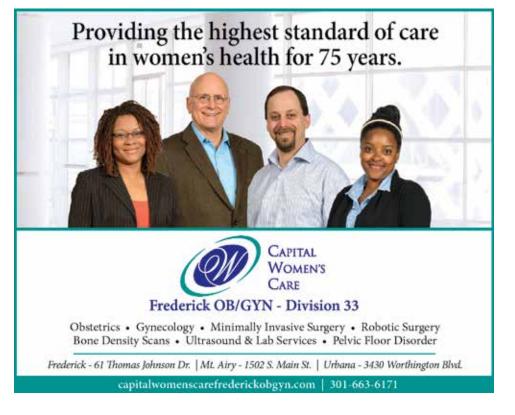


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# COMMUNITY news

# Thurmont Acacia Masons Donate to Thurmont Mural Project



Pictured are Lion President Don Keeney, Nancy Dutterer, Yemi, Joann Miller, Dr. John Hagemann, and Brian Speck.

Dr. John Hagemann and Brian Speck of the Thurmont Acacia Mason Lodge presented a check for \$5,000 to the Thurmont Mural Project "Crowning Jewels Unveiled." The five remaining murals will be unveiled on the Trolley Substation on Saturday, August 23, 2014, at 1:00 p.m. at the Carnival Ground entrance, along Main Street in Thurmont. For a second year, the Thurmont Lions Club has commissioned local artist, Yemi, to create these scenic murals that will be added to the substation.

# Ground Breaking of New Thurmont Ambulance Company Building

Thurmont Ambulance Company joined together with local commissioners and builders to celebrate the Ground Breaking of the new building location off of Strafford Drive in Thurmont, behind the ball fields. The new complex will be a "True Community Building," according to Jim Hummerick. Thurmont Ambulance Company looks forward to hosting their fundraiser activities at the new location, as well as utilizing the facility as a training center for EMT and Firefighting classes. Considered a Sanction Training Facility, the complex will serve as a location for training to become certified in CPR, as well as other types of life saving techniques for any member of the community. The complex will also be available for local organizations to hold scheduled meetings and as a rental facility for weddings, parties, or other celebrations. Construction will progress in the next two to three weeks. The builders estimate the outside shell to be complete in less than two months and completion in several months.



Denny Ott, Judy White, Jim Humerick, Dave Riffle, Randy DeMaris, Shirley Stackhouse, and Lowman Keeney are shown at the Ground Breaking ceremony.

# The 58th Annual Thurmont & Emmitsburg Community Show

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

Entry of exhibits will take place on Thursday evening, September 4, from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. and on Friday, September 5, from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. in the new gymnasium and in the agriculture department area. Judging will begin at 12:30 p.m. Commercial exhibits may be entered on Friday, September 5, from 3:30-5:30 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.

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

#### Hawley's Blue Ridge Summit Church

Rededication Service for Hawley Memorial Presbyterian Church will be held on Sunday, August 10, 2014, at 10:15 a.m., at Hawley Memorial Presbyterian Church, located at 14753 Charmian Road



in Blue Ridge Summit, Pennsylvania. The service is on the 125th anniversary of the first service held at the church.

The service will feature special music from the adult and children choirs, along with guest speakers. Following the service will be a church picnic, with special music and tours of the sanctuary. There will also be old fashioned games for children of all ages and a cakewalk!

They cordially invite past members of the congregation, as well as the general public, to come celebrate with their Hawley Church Family.

For more information, please contact Hawley Memorial Presbyterian Church at 717-794 – 2637 or by email at hawleych@innernet.net.

#### Thurmont Lions Receive Awards

During a recent meeting of the Thurmont Lions Club, several members were presented with awards.

Lion Vic Jagow received the Arnall Patz Fellowship, which recognizes a long-term commitment to Vision Research. Lion George Bolling was

awarded a Melvin Jones Fellowship for his service to the community and to the Lions Club. Lion George has been a member of the Thurmont Lions Club since 2007 and has served as President and Membership Chairperson, among other roles. He has been the driving force behind the very successful Leo clubs.

Lions District 22-W District Governor Kent Eitemiller presented the District Governor Medal of Commendation to Lions Charlie Frey and Deborah Schray for their outstanding service, and presented the International President's Certificate of Appreciation to Lion President Don Keeney for performing a significant service to Lionism during his year in office.



#### Meet the Candidates

The public is invited to meet and greet candidates for public office at the Thurmont Public Library on Saturday, October 4, 2014, from 2:00-4:00 p.m. The event is sponsored by the North Frederick County Dems and Friends and is free and open to the public.

All voters are invited to attend. Light refreshments will be served. The Frederick County Public Library system does not promote or endorse the views of program sponsors or presenters. For more information, contact Bill O'Toole at 301-447-2690, otoole@msmary.edu.

# "Crowning Jewels" Mural Coming Soon to Thurmont

Historic and colorful murals depict scenes celebrating the beautiful and inspiring history of Thurmont. The murals will feature Thurmont's covered bridges (Roddy Road & Loys Station Bridges), Cunningham Falls, Camp David, Main Street Thurmont, Catoctin Furnace Iron works and several historic buildings. These five additional murals will quickly become the "Crowning Jewels" that enhance the historic Trolley Substation building and complement the Lions Club Trolley Trail Refurbishing Project, which was dedicated in 2007. A beautiful tourist destination is expected to come alive right on Main Street in Thurmont! The unveiling/dedication of this "must see" artistic project is Saturday, August 23, 2014, at 1:00 p.m., at the Trolley Substation on East Main Street in Thurmont. Enjoy hot dogs, ice cream, and brownies, compliments of the Thurmont Lions Club!

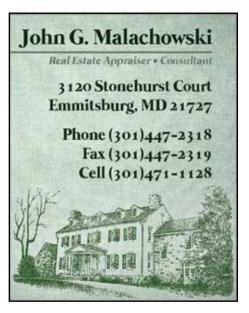
Last year, the first mural portrayed "Thurmont Rail History" and was featured on the historic Trolley Substation building on Main Street in Thurmont. The Thurmont Lions Club commissioned Artist Yemi to design and create the historic mural. For a second year, the Lions Club will continue the community project by commissioning Yemi to create several scenic murals, which will be added to the Trolley Substation building.

The project was made possible by the support of grant monies and matching funds from the Acacia Masonic Lodge No.155 AF & AM., in addition to funds from: Woodsboro Bank, Ramar Moving Systems, Resthaven Memorial Gardens, Frederick County Bank, Frederick Pediatric Dentistry, PNC Bank, The Thurmont Lions Club, Gateway Orthodontics, The Beauty Parlor, Timeless Trends Boutique, Catoctin Furnace Historical Society, Charles B. Frey Esq., Center of Life Chiropractic, Center of Life Pilates, Catoctin Mountain Trains and Hobbies, Susan Favorite, Nancy Dutterer, Shirley and Gene Long, Joann Miller, Kristen and Bill Long, Jr., Jimmy and Mary Frances Bostian, Pat Plum, Tillie Dishong, Karen and Kenny Simundson, George Bolling, Larry Mundy and Joyce Anthony, Trinity United Church of Christ, Mary Jane Lenhart, Russ Delauter. They have met 72 percent of the funding required to complete this exciting project!

It's not too late, you can also help them to meet their goal. All donors will be recognized on plaques at the mural site and in an accompanying commemorative book to be published by Frederick Magazine. Tax deductible donations should be made payable to "TLCF Inc." and mailed to the Thurmont Lions Club, P.O. Box 306, Thurmont, MD 21788 Attn: Joann Miller /Nancy Dutterer. ("TLCF Inc" is a 501c3 Foundation). For more information, visit website: www.thurmontlionsclub.com.







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# The carnival and parade held yearly in Thurmont are much-anticipated events. Every year, the local community, as well as visitors, come to enjoy rides, live

entertainment, good food, raffles, an exciting parade, and much more! This year was no exception, and a fun time was enjoyed by all.

View their Thank You ad on page 3 for details about parade and carnival winners, sponsors, and more.



The Ace Hardware float is shown.





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Lexie Angell and Katie Eyler play as the parade passes by



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#### Some Photos from the Frederick

County 4-H **Therapeutic** Riding **Program** Horse Show/ **Rodeo Results** 



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(above) Chris Creger, with volunteer Lori Forcino leading Jack, prepares to put the rodeo clown in the

(left) Eric Connelly, with volunteer Dave Pheobus leading Max, receives his American flag for a job well

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#### Cascade SAL Holds Benefit

Submitted by Bill Eiker, SAL Historian

On June 21, 2014, the Sons of American Legion (SAL) Post 239 of Cascade, Maryland, held a benefit drawing on the grounds of Fort Ritchie. Of the 2,000 tickets purchased, more than 700 people attended. Although the weather was damp and dreary, everyone enjoyed the fundraising activities and all were generously supportive.

Winners of the event were: M. Hair, J. Smith, D. McLeary, W. Harbaugh, C. Wilson, J. Mitchel, R. Bowders, W. Righter, D. Hess, M. Dexter, J. McIntyre, C. Davis, D. Donivan, M. Crilly, M. Kline, K. Massett, and J. Kahl.

Fisher House and victims of a house fire were among the recipients of the benefit. Also, a person in need from the community was recognized. The wife of an SAL member, Lana, was diagnosed with terminal cancer in early April. On the fourteenth of the month, a brain tumor was removed. After six weeks of rehabilitation, she was able to return home to her loving family. Her prognosis was less than encouraging, since the cancer was now throughout her system.

Though in dire distress, she was an inspiration to those around her. Her strength of character was amazing and touched everyone. Asked what she would like to do, she replied that she would like to be surrounded by family and friends and to see the ocean one more time.

In mid-June, the SAL received word of Lana's situation and responded posthaste, realizing the urgency of her timeline. Within a few days, Lana was on her way to Ocean City, Maryland. After a precarious and arduous journey, a much-needed night of rest followed.

Lana thoroughly enjoyed the next day with excited laughter, savoring the colorful sights, the cool sea breezes, the foaming waves, and the aromatic smells. She was also able to enjoy her favorite seafood: crab legs.

Lana's wishes had become a reality. She had achieved peace of mind. Lana was laid to rest on the morning of the SAL's benefit event at Fort Ritchie. May God bless her family and the heartfelt concern of the SAL members who so diligently endeavored for Lana to see the ocean one more time.

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# Catoctin High School Class of 1979 35th Reunion

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

The Reunion will be on Saturday, August 2, 2014, at the Emmitsburg Ambulance Company, 17701 Creamery Road in Emmitsburg. Social Hour will be at 6:00 p.m. Dinner will be served at 7:00 p.m., featuring a three Entrée Buffet. BYOB; mixers provided. Event will feature music and door prizes. The cost is \$30.00 per person.

If you have any questions, please call Denise Valentine at 301-447-6816 or e-mail Loretta Stouter at lssmickey@aol.com or Liz Stitely at stitree@aol.com. Invites have been sent to current addresses on file; if you did not receive one please contact one of the classmate listed.



# Getting Off the Grid with Renewable Energy

by James Rada, Jr.

As Emmitsburg prepares to have a solar array built along Creamery Road, individuals can also seek out alternative forms of energy to lower their energy costs. The State of Maryland even has programs to help residents make the switch to clean energy.

The Maryland Energy Administration (MEA) offers grants for solar photovoltaic systems, solar water heating, geothermal heating and cooling, and wind turbine systems. Maryland requires that twenty percent of the energy sold in the state by 2022 be from renewable sources, so it is encouraging residents to help in that effort by subsidizing the costs to switch over to renewable.

Maryland residents can get: (1) \$1,000 to help install 1 to 20 kW of solar photovoltaic cells. "Nearly every homeowner can benefit from solar power, and incentives make it more accessible than ever," according to the Maryland Clean Energy Center; (2) \$500 to install 10 to 100 square feet of solar water heating; (3) \$3,000 to install a 1 to 10 ton capacity geothermal heating and cooling system; (4) \$3,000 per kilowatt of normalized capacity of wind power systems. "Wind energy is a fully

domestic source of energy and one of Maryland's greatest homegrown and natural sources of energy," according to the Maryland Clean Energy Center.

Homeowners can receive more than one grant if they install different systems. According to the MEA website, "A home owner may receive awards that aggregate up to the maximum award per technology per fiscal year (from July 1 of any given year through June 30 of the next)."

Under the Maryland Home Energy Loan Program, the state helps you pay for your energy system conversion in an affordable way with loans of up to \$20,000 at 6.99 percent interest.

Although the grants won't cover the entire conversion costs, it significantly reduces them.

The remaining costs are made up in savings seen, because you are generating your own energy rather than paying for it. The U.S. Department of Energy estimates that the average family in the United States spends about \$1,900 a year on their utility bills. Imagine if that money was staying in your bank account rather than going to the power company.

If you are lucky enough to have a system that generates more energy than you need, you will be paid for that excess amount by the power company. For instance, the Maryland Clean Energy Center website notes that, "A solar electrical system can reduce your energy costs and earn credits for excess power generated from peak producing times that is sent back into the local power grid."

Renewable energy is already making its appearance in the region. Besides the Emmitsburg solar project, Mount St. Mary's University not only has a solar array that generates 22-million kW annually, but the Delaplaine Fine Arts Center and Bicentennial Hall are heated and cooled with geothermal energy. Even some individuals like Rev. Jon Greenstone have installed solar panels to reduce their energy costs.

The Thurmont town government at one time was considering building a biomass plant that could generate power from organic wastes, and discussions have been held in the past in Emmitsburg about the viability of windmills on the nearby mountains to generate wind power.

For more information: Maryland Energy Administration at energy. maryland.gov/Residential/index.html; Maryland Clean Energy Center at www.mdcleanenergy.org.





Devan Dewees



The parents, grandparents, sister, and Aunt Jo of Devan Dewees proudly attended her graduation at Salisbury University. Devan is now attending the University of Tennessee, as she pursues her career majoring in Social Working and Psychology. Devan graduated from

Devan graduated from Catoctin High School in 2010.



#### Meet the Candidates: Frederick County Executive

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 first in the series, as the candidates for the first Frederick County executive weigh in.

#### Blaine Young (R)

Why are you running for county executive?

I want to make a difference and be part of the solution. I am a unique candidate in that I am involved in many areas affected by our government: I own businesses; I have children in the public school system; I have children who attended community college and continued on to a state university. I volunteer in the community, I donate to many nonprofits, and I own property. These experiences help me empathize with the struggles of our county residents.

I am just like every other county resident who gets up in the morning with the same goals in mind: Go to work to pay the bills and hopefully have a little left over to save for my kid's college fund or my retirement, have time to see my kids play basketball or sing in a school play, all the while hoping that my children will be able to grow up healthy in a safe community and have opportunities better than anything I had. The residents I talk to want the ability to experience life with as little government intrusion as possible and keep as much of their money in their pockets as possible.

What are your qualifications to be county executive?

I was born and raised in Frederick City and have lived in the city or county my entire life. I served one

term as an Alderman in the City of Frederick, and am now in my fifth year as a member of the Board of County Commissioners, the last four years as President of the board. During this time under my leadership, the board has fixed the underfunded pension system, has streamlined government, has held the line on taxes, has increased funding for and moved up school construction projects, and has passed the largest tax credit for senior citizens in the history of the county. I have an A.A. from Frederick Community College, a B. S. from Frostburg State University, and am currently in the one-year accelerated ELMBA program at Mount St. Mary's and slated to graduate in October. I co-own a small business and have children in the school system.

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

First and foremost, Frederick County government needs to see to it that basic government services are provided at a reasonable cost to the taxpayer. School projects need to be built faster than programmed by prior boards, and that has been the policy of the current BOCC. Road projects need to be carefully chosen and then completed on time and on budget. The government bureaucracy should always be managed so that the taxpayer gets the most for his or her tax dollars. We need to continue the policies of the current BOCC to make the county as business friendly as possible. We have cut over 200 regulations, taxes, and fees and have streamlined the permitting process so that business feels welcome in this county, after many years of a hostile attitude from government toward business. Unemployment is

currently 4.5 percent, and we need to do everything we can to continue to have a pro-business environment, as it is the quickest way to get vehicles off the road leaving the county for employment. It is good for the economy, our budget, and the community when people can live here and work here.

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

As a County Commissioner, I have always made myself available to the citizens and leaders of the northern end of the county. I have listened and heard loud and clear that the folks in the northern end of the county want less government, less taxes, and less fees. As a Board of Commissioners, we have been successful in working with the Town of Thurmont and the Town of Emmitsburg on several projects. First, we successfully restored municipal relations and ended the lawsuit between municipalities and the county. We ended doubled taxation by restoring tax equity payments and ended discussion of charging the municipalities a fee to send out their tax bills. I have made sure that I have attended the municipal meetings in both towns and always respond quickly when the mayor calls. We are currently working with the Town of Emmitsburg and Mount St. Mary's on a major capital project for walking trails to benefit residents of the north county region.

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

I would have an open and transparent relationship with the council. I would ask them to please list their goals and objectives as individuals and as a body. First and foremost, I would listen to them, as they will decide how this county grows. As Executive, I will take their views into consideration in the management of the budget and the county employees. During this first ever term for a County Executive, I would have many neighbor and community meetings in the various council districts with their elected councilperson—regardless of party to work together in solving our many diverse and complex problems. I would also continue the practice of the current BOCC of working with the municipalities, rather than

treating them as adversaries, as was done by prior boards. We are all working towards the same goal of making Frederick County the best it can be today and for the future.

#### Jan Gardner (D)

Why are you running for county executive?

I am running to restore trust in government, ensure citizens a voice in the public process, and to provide full-time professional leadership as we transition to Charter Government. I love Frederick County and want Frederick County to be the best place to live, work, and raise a family.

I will focus on providing efficient and effective government services to ensure exceptional schools, safe communities, a vibrant economy, responsible growth management, and fiscal responsibility. I pledge honest government, to listen to competing views, and to treat citizens and employees with dignity and respect.

I bring back responsible growth management and end the millions of dollars of taxpayer subsidies to developers by the Young Board. Instead, I will focus taxpayer dollars on core services like education, public safety, and services to seniors.

What are your qualifications to be county executive?

I was a County Commissioner for twelve years, including four years as the board president. My private sector experience includes working in manufacturing and distribution for the Quaker Oats Company, as well as a variety of work experiences in finance and accounting. I earned a degree in Finance and Economics from the University of Notre Dame and an M.B.A. from Xavier University.

I have strong working relationships with state officials as a result of my experience as President of the Maryland Association of Counties in 2007. I will make sure Frederick County has a seat at the table in Annapolis and will work to obtain our fair share of funding for schools, roads, senior services, and public safety.

I will work hard every day in the best interest of county residents.

What are the biggest issues facing the county?

As I travel the county, I hear a constant concern that county

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#### Meet the Candidates — Continued from page 16

government is not open, that citizens who try to participate are treated disrespectfully, and concern that deals are being cut behind closed doors. I will propose the creation of a truly independent ethics commission. I will ask the council to restore ethics laws that make clear that county elected officials cannot do business with the county or profit from their position and will re-instate penalties for serious ethics violations. I will make sure that public processes remain open and transparent and will treat citizens and employees with dignity and respect.

Responsible growth management is essential to maintaining our quality of life and to managing the budget. Strong job creation is essential to decrease traffic congestion, to expand our tax base to keep taxes low, and to ensure a vibrant community. I will restore responsible residential growth policies that time residential growth with the ability to provide schools, roads, and services. The current **Board of County Commissioners** has not listened to the public, has

approved a tremendous amount of residential growth without adequate infrastructure or services, and has agreed to give away almost \$200 million in property taxes to residential developers instead of requiring them to pay their way. Existing residents should not be stuck with the bill for needed infrastructure and services to support new growth or with a diminished quality of life.

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People do not want to pay more taxes and want their money to be spent efficiently on core services to ensure excellent schools, a safe community, and services that people need. The current board has raised taxes by five to fifteen percent on most north county residents when the fire tax was merged into the county property tax. While many county jobs have been privatized, the county budget has increased by almost twenty percent or \$90 million. Spending is at an all-time high and county government is the largest in history. I will end privatization that is costing taxpayers more and will end the subsidies to residential development.

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

My accomplishments for northern Frederick County include building new schools, the Thurmont Regional Library, and renovating the Emmitsburg Community Center that now houses the town offices and an expanded public library. I worked with local officials, PTA, and community members to complete the addition to Thurmont Middle School and to build the Thurmont Primary School. I supported adding air conditioning to Sabillasville Elementary School and opposed proposals to close the school.

I partnered with the Town of Emmitsburg in supporting the UpCounty Family Partnership, a program discontinued after I departed county government. I was also pleased to support the Thurmont Senior Center and will pledge to work with local town officials and the senior advisory board to restore some of the cuts made by the current board of county commissioners.

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

I will continue the long-standing practice of holding monthly municipal/county meetings and will re-institute county staff meeting with municipal staff each month to resolve issues before they become major problems. My door will always be open to municipal officials and to citizens. I support tax equity and tax differential formulas, so citizens living in municipalities are not double taxed. These formulas need to be updated, which I will initiate.

I have always believed it is important for elected officials to show up and to meet people where they are in the community. As your County Executive, you will see me out in the community so I can hear directly from people, know the issues, and problem solve solutions. County officials should meet with people, as well as municipal officials.







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# Sports news

# Catoctin Baseball Club Takes Home Second **Place**



Pictured from left are: (first row) E.J. Lowry, Dylan Nicholson, Logan Simanski, Dylan Cevario; (second row) Matt Utermahlen, Dalton Williams, Ayden Shadle, Josh Skowronski, Ryan Heiss, Griffin Puvel, Connor Crum; (third row) Manager Ed Lowry, Coach Chris Skowronski, and Coach Jessie Williams.

Catoctin Baseball Club 9-10's took home second place in the 2014 Greater Washington July 4th tournament, hosted in Rockville, Maryland. The team beat the Clarksburg Keys 6-2, Capital City 3-1, and the Olney Buccaneers 15-1, before losing to the D.C. Dynasty in the Championship 2-0.

# Catoctin Baseball Club Announces 2015 Tryout Dates

Catoctin Baseball Club will conduct tryouts for the 2015 season on Sunday, August 10 and Sunday, August 17 at the Thurmont Little League, located at 275 Westview Drive in Thurmont, starting at 12:00 p.m.

The program will field 9U, 10U, 11U, and 12U Teams for 2015. Players from all areas/recreational leagues are welcome to tryout. There are no geographic restrictions. Player ages are determined as of April 30, 2015. All players must attend one tryout, but are encouraged to attend both.

Registration fees for players who make each team will be \$225, which includes uniform costs, indoor fees, speed and agility, and insurance. Indoor workouts start annually in January. Tournament costs, league, and umpire fees will be determined by each team depending on their league play and number of tournaments they decide to play in.

Founded in 2011, Catoctin Baseball Club's mission is to strengthen and promote player development in order to prepare each player for the summer All-Star season. They firmly believe in providing their ball players the opportunity to play against top level competition, while keeping each player locally to represent their respective organizations. They aim to provide the travel level experience while still maintaining a firm sense of community pride. In 2014, they had fifty-five players who represented the Catoctin mountain community. Questions regarding the program can be directed to catoctinbaseballclub@hotmail.com or by calling 267-664-5059. Like them on Facebook at "Catoctin Baseball Club," or visit their website at www. catoctinbaseballclub.org.

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# Thurmont Little League Nationals Win 2014 Major Division

The Thurmont Little League Nationals went 14-0-1 to win the 2014 Major Division Championship. They went on to represent Thurmont in the District 2 Tournament of Champions.

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Pictured from left are: (first row) Luc Martyak, Luke Minnick, Logan Simanski, Matt Utermahlen; (second row) Coach Wayne Rinehart, Nick Utermahlen, Matt Rinehart, Connor Wood, Griffin Puvel, Coach Tom Simanski; (third row) Manager Bill Utermahlen, Bryson Cabellero, Ryan Lucas, Phillip Millison, and Coach Troy Millison.

# 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 http://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.

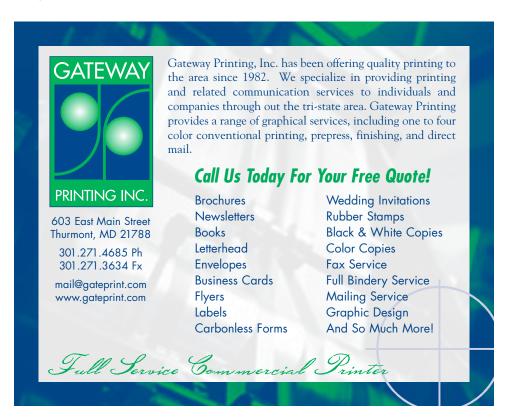
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#### Maryland Storm 2014 Baseball Tryouts

The Maryland Storm will be holding tryouts for their 12U and 14U teams. Tryouts will be Sunday, August 24, at 1:00 p.m.; Thursday, September 4, at 6:00 p.m.; and Saturday, September 6, at 10:00 a.m. Tryouts will be held at the Maryland Storm's ball field, located off Cedar Drive in Emmitsburg. The field is located behind the Emmitsburg Community Center (where the library is). Please bring equipment, cleats, a drink, and wear long pants.

For further information, please email marylandstormbaseball@gmail. com or call 443-889-7044. You may also visit their website at www. marylandstorm.com.



# Maryland Express 10U Fast Pitch Team Finishes Successful Season

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Maryland Express 10U Fast Pitch softball team had a great winning season. Two of the biggest highlights were: Winning the USSSA MD State Class B Championship, and Placing Fourth in the World Series in Salisbury, Maryland.

A great bunch of girls from all over Frederick County—congratulations to the team!

Courtesy Photo



Pictured from left are: (front row) Samantha Stephens, Gabby Krystofiak, Paige Smith, Natalie McMaster, Lauren Moore; (second row) Emily Stockman, Allyssa Albright, Courtney Eyler, Chayney Barnhart, Ellen Stockman, Amanda Ray; (third row) Hillary Remsberg, Todd Thomas, Dwain Stockman, Urban Moore, and



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He also tells us that, like taking off old clothes, we must get rid of anger, rage, malice, slander, filthy language and lies, Colossians 3:8-9. Since Christ lives in us and we are being changed into the likeness of our Creator, we cannot accept a way of life for ourselves that is contrary to the holiness of God. Reaching higher ground the Scriptures tells us that we must put on "new clothes," defining the eight pieces of the Christian wardrobe as compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, patience, forbearance, forgiveness and love, Colossians 3:12-14. To study more of God's Word because the Bible is our guide, worship with us. Visitors are always welcome.



# fitness matters

Expert Answers to Your Health and Wellness Questions

by George Puvel, Anytime Fitness Owner

Question: I've been following a high-protein diet, but I recently read something about this adversely affecting my kidneys? I plan to ask my doctor about this, but do you know of any correlation?

**Answer:** Good question, and one that used to come up pretty frequently when high-protein diets were all the rage. There are essentially two different scenarios that we need to address here. The first one involves those with a preexisting kidney condition. In this instance, following a high-protein diet, and specifically the induction phases of some of the most popular programs, can lead to a steeper decline in function. For these individuals, high-protein diets are not recommended. The second scenario involves people with normal kidney function. There isn't any research indicating that high-protein diets negatively impact these folks, but there's an important caveat here that

we can't ignore. How do you know if you have normal kidney function? Do you really know if your kidneys are working as well as they should be? Many with renal insufficiency (an early condition of declining function) are asymptomatic, and completely unaware of the potential for problems down the road. And, unfortunately, most folks don't see a doctor before starting a high-protein diet. Therefore, if you've committed to losing weight with this type of regimen, it might be a good idea to get your labs checked.

Question: I know stretching is incredibly important, but someone told me not to stretch before working out. This doesn't sound right to me at all. Can you clarify?

Answer: Whoever told you this is pretty smart. We all grew up with the notion that stretching prior to exercise would loosen up our muscles and help prevent injuries; however,

recent research has proven otherwise. It is now generally accepted that doing static stretches prior to a workout will likely make you slower and weaker during your exercise sessions, and might actually increase your risk for injury. Your best bet would be to do some active, sport-specific movements beforehand to adequately prepare your muscles for work. Then, you can focus on stretching after your workout, when your muscles are warm and much more elastic.

Question: I've noticed that sugar alcohols appear on the labels of some of my favorite foods. What are they, and do I need to count them as traditional sugars when tracking my calories and carbohydrates?

Answer: Sugar alcohols are basically hydrogenated carbohydrates, and are often used to replace table sugar in a wide variety of foods. In general, they are not as sweet as regular sugars and typically contain fewer calories as well. This is because they are incompletely absorbed in the small intestine, which makes them popular additions

to many different diet and diabetic foods. On average, sugar alcohols provide about two calories per gram consumed, as opposed to traditional sugars, which provide 4 calories per gram. It's important to note that some of them (sorbitol and mannitol specifically) can cause gastrointestinal upset in high doses, but people can also develop a tolerance to these issues over time. Some sugar alcohols are classified as food additives, while others have been given GRAS status by the FDA, which means they are Generally Recognized as Safe. The most common sugar alcohols include sorbitol, xylitol, maltitol, mannitol, and erythritol.

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

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# SCHOOL news

# Harriet Chapel Awards Scholarships

Harriet Chapel, Catoctin Episcopal Parish, has awarded the 2014 Frank V. Anders scholarships to Samantha Late and Ian McReal. Samantha, a 2014 graduate of Catoctin High School in Thurmont will be attending Wilson College this fall. Ian, a 2014 graduate from Frederick High School in Frederick, Maryland, will attend Webb Institute this fall.

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The Frank V. Anders Scholarship is a \$500 prize, awarded annually to deserving students pursuing post secondary education. The recipients are selected by a committee of Harriet Chapel parishioners. Preference for the award is given to active parishioners at Harriet Chapel and first time applicants. Non-parishioners may also be nominated by current parishioners of Harriet Chapel. Applications are available each spring. Harriet Chapel,



Pictured from left are Samantha Late; Reverend Sally Joyner Giffin, Rector at Harriet Chapel; and Ian McReal.

Catoctin **Episcopal** Parish, is located at 12625 Catoctin Furnace Road in Thurmont (just three miles south of Thurmont). For more information, visit their website at www. harrietchapel.

# **Emmitsburg High School Alumni Association** Scholarship Winners

The Emmitsburg High School Alumni Association (EHSAA) is pleased to announce the winners of their annual EHSAA scholarship program. Four \$1,000 scholarships are awarded each year. The scholarship applicants were judged on involvement in school and community activities. Their academic work, financial need, and honors were also considered, along with their work experience.

Two scholarship recipients are recent graduates from Catoctin High School (CHS) and were recognized at the school's awards annual awards ceremony on May 27, 2014. These recipients are Taylor E. Shank, daughter of Duane and Anita Shank, who will be attending Clemson University, with a goal to be an architect to design eco-friendly, safe and affordable structures; and Taylor Marie Joy, daughter of Elaine Moffett, who will be attending Stevenson University and majoring in Elementary Education.

The 22 other two recipients are former graduates of CHS, currently attending college. They are Elizabeth A Shriver, daughter of David and Denise Shriver, who is attending Delaware Valley College, working towards a Bachelor's Degree in Agronomy with a focus in Crop Science; and Shelby Maly, daughter of Scott and Barb Maly, attending Shepherd University, working toward a Bachelor's Degree in Sports Marketing.

This year, an additional \$1,000 scholarship was awarded, thanks to an anonymous gift from a member of the Class of 1952. It was given in memory of Mary Scott, a sixth grade teacher for many years in the old Emmitsburg School. The recipient of this scholarship must be the first in their family to attend college. This scholarship is also being awarded to Taylor Marie Joy, daughter of Elaine Moffett.

All recipients will be recognized at the Emmitsburg High School Alumni Association's 90th Annual Banquet to be held October 18, 2014.

# First Day of School Spotlight



Send us your child's "First Day of School" photo, and your photo could be featured in next month's issue!

# Three Catoctin High School Athletes to Run Division I Cross Country and Track

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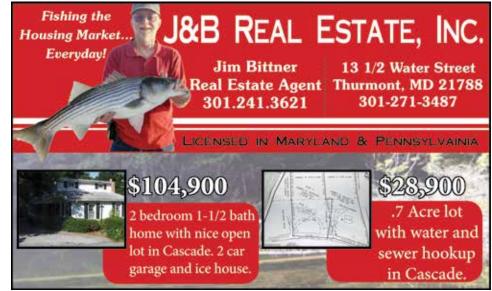


Pictured from left are: (seated) David Dorsey, Savannah Steinly, and Kevin Dorsey; (standing) Kevin McMullen, Athletic Director; Terri Gibbons, Track and Field and Cross Country Coach; and Marcus Allen, Assistant Principal.

On April 22, 2014, three Catoctin High School athletes signed their National Letter of Intent to run Cross Country and Track and Field at their respective colleges in the fall. David Dorsey and Kevin Dorsey, sons of Peter and Sheila Dorsey of Emmitsburg, will compete at St. Joseph's University in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. David will be majoring in English, and Kevin will be majoring in History. Savannah Steinly, daughter of Larry and Stephanie

Steinly of Thurmont, will be competing at UMBC in Baltimore, Maryland. Steinly plans to major in chemical and environmental engineering. Track and Field and Cross Country Coach Terri Gibbons remarked that the Dorseys and Steinly were "students first, and athletes second," and it was due to their hard work as both students and athletes that they were continuing on to the next level. The Dorsey twins led Catoctin High School to three state cross country titles during their time at the school. Steinly won two state championship titles and contributed to the indoor track team's Frederick County Championship title in 2012.





# Mother Seton School Principal Receives Mount St. Mary's University Honor

Mount St. Mary's University in Emmitsburg has a tradition of recognizing individuals whose dedication and contributions improve the community by bestowing upon them the President's Medal, one of the highest awards given by the university. This year, Mother Seton School principal, Sr. JoAnne Goecke, D.C., was one of the recipients. Sr. JoAnne was recognized for her years of leadership at Mother Seton School and her service to The Mount.



Msgr. Steven P. Rohlfs, STD, Vice President and Rector of Mount St. Mary's Seminary (left), and Thomas H. Powell, Ed.D., KSG, President of Mount St. Mary's University (right) present Sr. Joanne Goecke, D.C., principal of Mother Seton School (center), with the Mount St. Mary's President's Medal

"This award is really for each member of our staff and faculty at Mother Seton School," Sr. JoAnne said. "Since there can be no leader without a dedicated, creative, energetic team.'

Sister JoAnne is a Baltimore native who received her Bachelor's degree in Education from St. Joseph's College in Emmitsburg, as well as a Master's degree in Education from the University of Dayton. Since becoming a member of the Daughters of Charity in 1961, she has served in nine parish schools and eight different southeastern dioceses. She accepted the position as Principal of Mother Seton School in 2006, and oversaw the development of the Learning Center, which provides special services and interventions to students with identified needs, as well as the expansion and modernization of the school's technological capabilities. At the end of this school year, after eight years of faithful service, Mother Seton School said good-bye to principal, Sr. JoAnne.

# Four Scholarships Awarded

Four \$500 scholarships have been awarded to the following students: Danielle Eyler, 2014 graduate of Smithsburg High School, who will attend Salisbury University in Salisbury, Maryland; Alisha Kelley, 2014 graduate of Fairfield Area High School, who will attend Lebanon Valley College in Annville, Pennsylvania; Kurt Schlosser, 2014 graduate of Waynesboro Area High School, who will attend Bucknell University in Lewisburg, Pennsylvania; and Whitney Wenmoth, 2014 graduate of Catoctin High School, who will attend McDaniel College in Westminster, Maryland.

The scholarships were funded by an annual spaghetti dinner held at Cascade American Legion and sponsored by One Mountain Foundation.

The One Mountain Foundation provides services for the four county/two state area. This time, the bases were well-covered.





#### Thurmont Middle School Leo Club News

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Thurmont Middle School Leo Club.

Thurmont Middle School (TMS) sponsored a campaign for "Leukemia and Lymphoma Society Pennies for Patients." Boxes were placed throughout the school, students donated spare change, and the Thurmont Leo Club members collected a total of \$2,476.76—surpassing their original goal of \$2,000. What an accomplishment! The TMS Leos are dedicated to the Leo club motto: Leadership, Experience, Opportunity. They certainly provide service to their community. Congratulations to the TMS Leos; their Leo School Adviser, Mary Lee Quealy; and Lions Advisers, Gayle DiSalvo and Joyce Anthony.

# Catoctin High Safe and Sane 2015 News

The Catoctin High School (CHS) Safe and Sane 2015 Committee would like to thank all the parents and students who volunteered their time at the goldfish stand during the Thurmont Firemen's Carnival. The weather did not dampen any spirits, and everyone had a good time.

The CHS 2015 Safe and Sane Committee is currently selling tickets for a Steamed Crab Raffle. Tickets are \$5.00 each. Ten lucky folks will win a bushel of crabs. The drawing will be held on Sunday, September 7, 2014, at the Thurmont and Emmitsburg Community Show. They need all 2015 parents to help with ticket sales. Contact Shannon Wetzel to get your tickets at shanypany328@yahoo.com or 301-748-7068.

They will also be hosting a Sportsman's Bingo on Saturday, September 20, 2014, at the Lewistown Fire Hall. Tickets are now available for this event. Your \$40 donation will include dinner, drinks, and twenty games of bingo (ten cash; ten guns). Doors will open at 5:00 p.m., with dinner served at 6:00 p.m. and bingo beginning at 7:30 p.m. Contact Cindy Grimes (cindy\_grimes@msn. com or 301-788-5354) or Cheryl Phelan (bochph@aol.com or 301-524-3106) for more information or to get your tickets.

They will be hosting a golf tournament on Saturday, September 27, 2014, at Mountain View Golf Course. If you are interested in participating or sponsoring this event, please contact Lori Zentz at lorizentz@gmail.com.

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

The next planning meeting will be on Wednesday, August 13, 2014, at 7:00 p.m. at Rocky's Pizza in Thurmont. Any and all 2015 parents are encouraged to join them. They have many great activities planned already, but need everyone's help to make this a successful year for our seniors.

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.



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# Mother Seton School Class of 2014 Honors **Outgoing Principal with Legacy Gift**

Members of the Class of 2014 present Mother Seton School Principal Sr. JoAnne Goecke, D.C. with a St. Joseph's statue and plaque as part of their Legacy Gift. Pictured from left are: (front) Grace Mazaleski; Jane Bramson; Kimberlee Ahlers; Hallie Mauk; Sr. JoAnne Goecke, D.C.; Molly Shea; Dahlia Nogales; Julia Laug; Maya Hand; Madison Herring; (back) Ashley Glass; Nora Stocksdale; Alycia Smith; Nicholas Ford; Noah Wivell; Penny Poetzsch; Gunnar Marshall; Max Kirby; Timothy O'Donnell; Caroline Mace; Michael Kiley; Elizabeth Gillis.

Each year, the graduating class at Mother Seton School is asked to contribute a Legacy Gift to the school as a reminder of their time here and in appreciation of the education and values they will take with them. This year, the Class of 2014 chose to honor Principal Sister JoAnne Goecke, D.C. with their gift—a garden statue of St. Joseph.

In his speech presenting Sr. JoAnne with the gift, Student Council President Max Kirby said, "This year, our school says good-bye to our principal, Sr. JoAnne. It has been eight years that she has served our school, spreading the good news of God's goodness and love." The statue, which will be placed at a location on the grounds of Sr. JoAnne's choosing, is accompanied by a plaque that reads: "In Honor of Sr. JoAnne, Our Principal in St. Joseph's Valley, From the Class of 2014." St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, the school's patron and foundress, had great devotion to St. Joseph as guardian and protector of her school, and referred to the Emmitsburg valley as St. Joseph's Valley. Kirby explained that it was this devotion that inspired the gift.

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# Mother Seton School Introduces New **Principal**

The 2014-2015 school year brings with it changes in Mother Seton School's leadership. The school welcomes Sister Brenda Monahan, D.C. as the new school principal. She will replace Sister JoAnne Goecke, D.C., who served in the role for the past eight years. Sr. JoAnne will begin a new mission in Wilmington, Delaware, this fall.



Mother Seton School welcomes new principal, Sr. Brenda

Sr. Brenda was born in

Cape May County, New Jersey, but has called Tallassee, Alabama, home since 1980. After graduating Tallassee High School in 1982, she received a B.S. in Elementary and Early Childhood Education from the University of Montevallo in Montevallo, Alabama. In 2002, she completed a Master's in Educational Leadership and Administration with the University of Dayton. Previously, Sr. Brenda was a principal at St. Barnabas School in Birmingham, Alabama, and then Director of Beacons of Hope, Inc., an organization of the Diocese of Birmingham that provides financial and administrative assistance for Catholic school students and their families.

Sr. Brenda said she looks forward to getting to know the students, faculty, and parents, and working "to form an alliance that enlightens hearts, creating a vibrant relationship with God and providing each child with an academic program that challenges students to strive for personal excellence."



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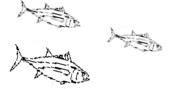


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Myra Derbyshire fly fishing at Otter Creek in May 2013 with the Potomac Valley Fly Fishers Project Healing Waters outing.



Rachel Knight Misner, Jennifer Grimes, Jo Kerns, Shannon Burd Brown, Kay Knight.



Joshua Wivell's catch when he went fishing with his father, Justin Wivell.



Isaac Mellott holds his catch.



Todd Wilhide's catch of the day.



Renee Knight-Fraley "hugs" her catch of the



Blayne Houck, 3 years old, at Fairfield Park Pond on May 24.

Two guys are talking about fishing. One says to the other, "I am NEVER going to take my wife fishing with me, ever again!" "That bad, huh?" asks the other guy. "Yes...she did everything wrong! She did everything wrong! She talked too much, made the boat rock constantly, tried to stand up in the boat, baited the hook wrong, used the wrong lures and WORST of all... she caught more fish than me!"





# the health jeanne

by Jeanne Angleberger, Shaklee Associate for a Healthier Life

Recently, I read an excellent article in a nutrition newsletter about ways to increase fiber in our diets. What a perfect time to evaluate our diets to see if we can increase our intake.

I've learned that research shows we should be eating more whole grains, legumes, veggies, fruits, and nuts to meet our fiber needs.

According to scientific research, dietary fiber boosts our immune health and benefits our digestive system.

But, are we falling short? Are we choosing the highest fiber level foods? The fiber kings are legumes, beans, dried peas, and lentils, along with whole grains. Brown rice is good, but barley contains twice the amount of fiber. The highest fiber fruits and

veggies are berries, artichokes, and pears.

Try boosting your fiber intake with these tips.

For breakfast, stir fresh or dried fruit and/or ground flax seed into your oatmeal. Prepare a fruit and vegetable smoothie. Add high-fiber veggies to your lettuce salad. Look for at least three grams of fiber per serving when selecting whole grain products. Go nuts. Top salad, yogurt, and even casserole with nuts. Have a fresh or frozen fruit for dessert.

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# Frederick County 4-H Therapeutic Riding Program Receives Donation from Kiwanis Club of Suburban Frederick

The Frederick County 4-H Therapeutic Riding Program (FC4HTRP) received a \$500 cash donation and lighting fixtures from the Kiwanis Club of Suburban Frederick. The donation will be used to upgrade lighting in the tack room where the equipment for the horses used during therapeutic riding is stored.

"We are thrilled with the support we have received from the Kiwanis Club of Suburban Frederick," said Debbie Endlich, the president of FC4HTRP. "Not only have they provided us with funding and lighting material to make these necessary improvements to our facility, their members have also donated volunteer hours to the program assisting our riders during therapy sessions."

The check was presented to FC4HTRP President, Debbie Endlich, by Kiwanis Club of Suburban Frederick (KCSF) President and FC4HTRP volunteer, Patrick Long, and KCSF Board of Directors member, Steve Penn.

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.

Volunteers are 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 to Sponsor a Therapy Horse (\$1,000 yearly), please contact Debbie Endlich at 301-898-3587.

To make a donation, please send checks or money orders to 11515 Angleberger Road, Thurmont, MD 21788. Follow them on Facebook https://www.facebook.com/FC4HTRP.

The FC4HTRP is a non-profit therapeutic riding program that was

established in 1983 to provide horseback riding experiences to physically, emotionally, and mentally disabled Frederick County individuals. FC4HTRP exists only on donations from individuals, businesses, and civic-minded organizations. Donations are tax deductible under IRS Tax Code 501(c)3.

The Kiwanis of Suburban Frederick is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to changing the world, one child and one community at a time. The Kiwanis of Suburban Frederick works to improve the lives of disadvantaged children in their community. For more information, visit http://www.suburbanfrederickkiwanis.org.





#### **Emmitsburg AllStars** — Continued from cover page

well to win. Emmitsburg, similar to Saturday's game, found themselves down early 1-0 after the first inning. In the bottom of the second, Emmitsburg's Evan Ott reached base on an infield single to start a rally in which Issiah Wivell hit a laser three-run homerun over center field fence. Emmitsburg scored two more to make it 5-1 after two innings. Emmitsburg added another run in the third inning on another Issiah Wivell hit, making the score 6-1. In the fourth inning, Smithsburg got another run to make it 6-2; but in the bottom half of the inning, Johnny Glass hit a 2-run homerun. After four innings, the score was 8-2 in favor of Emmitsburg. In the fifth inning, however, Smithsburg rallied and Emmitsburg was forced to make a pitching change; Colten Devilbiss pitched five strong innings. Issiah Wivell came in to pitch and finish the inning. It was now tied at 8-8 going into the bottom of the fifth. Alex Wivell hit a threerun homerun to give Emmitsburg an 11-8 lead heading into the final inning. Smithsburg led off the inning with a homerun, cutting the lead to

just two. Smithsburg tied the game again at 11-11. Dylan Click made a great play at shortstop to end the inning and prevent another run from Smithsburg, which would have given them the lead. Emmitsburg headed into the bottom of the sixth, tied 11-11, looking for one run to give them the state championship. With one out, Issiah Wivell grabbed his fourth hit of the game to put the winning run on base. After a wild pitch, he managed to make it to second base and in scoring position. Smithsburg recorded out two and needed only one more to send the game to extra innings. Another wild pitch put Issiah Wivell on third base, so Smithsburg intentionally walked Alex Wivell and Colten Devilbiss to load the bases and make a force play available at every base. Johnny Glass stepped in with the bases loaded. On the third pitch of his at bat, when the catcher threw the ball back to the pitcher, manager Dave Wantz told Issiah Wivell to steal home. The umpire, after waiting for the dust to clear, saw the catcher did not have possession of the ball and called Issiah Wivell "safe." The hometown



Emmitsburg AllStars celebrate their second Cal Ripken State Championship title.

had won the state championship for the second consecutive year. Issiah Wivell went 4-5 in the game, with 4 RBI's. He was the winning pitcher and the winning run that sent Emmitsburg to the regional championships in Eastchester, New York. Alex Wivell batted .650 in the tournament, with 12 RBI's. Colten Devilbiss had 16 RBI's in the tournament. As a team, every player drove in at least one run, and the team batted .497 for the tournament.

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In the Middle Atlantic Regional tournament in Tuckahoe, NY,

Emmitsburg went 1-3 in pool play. Defeating Metro NY runner-up 10-7, losing 12-3 to Southern NJ, losing 12-10 to Waynesboro, PA, and losing to the host Tuckahoe, MNY 8-5. Tournament stand-outs were Issiah Wivell, who batted .333 with 5 RBI's; Alex Wivell, who batted .357; Colten Devilbiss, who batted .500 with 5 RBI's; and Johnny Glass, who batted .455 with 5 RBI's. Emmitsburg's 12U All-stars had a great season, winning states with a young team and playing competitive ball in New York.







# looking back

# The Legend of Catoctin Furnace, Part 2

by James Rada, Jr.

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

In the midst of its war for independence, the colonial government sought material to carry on the war. It found assistance in Catoctin Furnace.

In 1776, "The Council of Safety wrote Colonel James Johnson in mid-July, inquiring as to his ability to supply 60 cannon, 40 swivels (smaller than regular cannon and mounted to swing on a pivot), and 200 iron pots. A week later, and without waiting for an answer to their first letter, they increased their 'order' to 175 cannon," former Catoctin Mountain Park Superintendent Frank Mentzer wrote in a series of articles about the history of Catoctin Furnace in The Frederick News.

Thomas Johnson replied saying that his company could supply about 60 kettles and Dutch ovens, with the expectation that more could be made within a short time. The Committee wasn't interested in them.

As for the cannon, Johnson was doubtful of his ability to make them at Catoctin Furnace. He wrote the Council, "We shall also attempt to cast such guns as are wanted but cannot contract for them in all Events because the metal may not suit, though we have every Reason

making good Gun the Public may have them del'd at Baltimore at 40 L a Ton the Guns being proved at the works at the public Expense, that swivels at their common price, but I should be glad if you would ascertain the length & other Descriptions as the make of cannon carrying the same shot vary very much. If any Body also will contract for a Certainty, I wish he should be preferred even at a greater price."

Casting cannon required a specialized knowledge that the ironmasters at Catoctin Furnace didn't have, according to Mentzer. The molds were made of a special mix of sand and clay and used a similar technique as used for casting bells. The molds were then lowered into pits near the mouth of the furnace, and earth was carefully packed around them. "Instead of filling the mold from the top, which could trap air and cause defects, a vertical runner was made to fill from the bottom, forcing the air out of the top."

There is no record of cannon being successfully cast at Catoctin Furnace, but the ammunition for the cannon the Continental Army did have...now, that's a different story.

"Henry Knox, Washington's Colonel Commandant of Artillery, to expect it will. If we succeed in noted in his 1781 inventory that **Decks - Patios &** Improvements LLC Walkways - Retaining Walls Pool Decks - Treated Decks Free Estimates (301) 271-4263 - www.frederickpatios.com



This 1890 view shows the Ironworks, the Catoctin Furnace Supply Store, and the Manor House.

they had on hand 950 ten-inch shells cast at Catoctin Furnace," Mentzer wrote.

While the dates would have allowed those shells to be used at the decisive Battle of Yorktown, as legend and the Maryland State Road Commission sign at the park notes, the only reference to this event is unverified letters the Johnson Brothers wrote.

Following the Revolutionary War, Catoctin Furnace's next venture into legend related to James Rumsey's steamboat. Rumsey was a Maryland inventor who built a steam-powered water-jet that propelled a boat upstream on the Potomac River.

Baker Johnson's great-greatgranddaughter told the Columbia Historical Society in 1913 that Thomas Johnson had been with Washington to witness the steamboat on March 14, 1786, and that some of the machinery was manufactured at Catoctin Furnace.

"Afterwards the machinery was taken back to Catoctin and for many years the cylinder, four inches in diameter, stood three feet above ground as a boundary between the Catoctin Furnace property and the land of William Johnson," according to the Records of the Columbia Historical Society, Vol. 16.

Though this shaft was never found, The Baltimore Sun noted in a 1925 article, "A large iron shaft, which marks as a cornerstone a street in Frederick, was cast for one of Rumsey's boats at Governor Johnson's forge." This shaft is encased in cement at the corner of West Patrick Street and Maxwell Avenue. It is said to be a marker on the National Road, but it is unlike most markers on the road, which lends credence to the idea that it could be a shaft from Rumsey's

However, the 1936 federal government report on the historical features of Cunningham Falls State Park looked at the historical claims of Catoctin Furnace and found, "we have proof that the boiler, pumps, and pipes were made in Baltimore and that other parts were made at Antietam Iron Works," Charles Porter wrote in Catoctin in 1936. Mentzer also wrote that Catoctin Furnace wasn't able to manufacture the thin-walled cylinders that the Rumsey needed and, instead, copper cylinders were made for him in Frederick Town.

Lacking hard evidence, this is one of the historical claims about the furnace that remains in doubt.

The Johnson Brothers dissolved their partnership in 1793, and Thomas and Baker Johnson took control of the furnace. They ran it unsuccessfully until 1803. Baker then bought out his brother and took sole control of the furnace. He, in turn, rented the property to Benjamin Blackford for ten years at \$1,100 (about \$13,000 in today's dollars), according to Frederick County land records.

However, after Baker Johnson's death in 1811, the land was sold to Willoughby and Thomas Mayberry. They paid 12,500 pounds for the land. Their partnership was later dissolved, and Willoughby took over the operation until 1820.

During their tenure, they started producing ten-plate stoves that could be used for cooking as well as heating. "Thus the thrifty Germans of the Monocacy Valley were among the first people of America to have the advantages of this more efficient method of heating," Mentzer wrote in *The Frederick* News.

John Brien bought the furnace and made extensive improvements to the operation. During his ownership, the 32-foot high furnace produced 12-18 tons of pig iron a week, which slaves floated down the Monocacy to the markets.

Brien's wife, Harriet, died in 1827. He built a small stone chapel for her near the furnace operations. Harriet Chapel was consecrated in 1833 and continues to serve the Episcopal community.



# happily ever after

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W o r dD a v

The English language is fascinating—to me, anyway. Whenever I think I've learned the rules, I find there's an exception. Words are funny things. Some of them are spelled just the way they sound; others are not. Some words mean precisely what you'd expect, while others...well, let's just say it's confusing.

For example, there are some medications that are self-explanatory: Aciphex is used to treat intestinal disorders and Damitol helps people deal with anxiety. One company that manufactures porta-potties is called "Gottugo," and bathroom stalls are built by "hiney hiders."

Don't even get me started on American idioms, slang, and sayings. Our phrases don't make sense to people from other countries, and explanations can get complicated and funny. On You Tube, there is a series of short videos by a man called Flula. He's Scandinavian or pretends to be, and he takes our sayings very literally: shooting fish in a barrel, party pooper, and some others that I can't print. Check him out sometime. He's pretty good.

My mother once exclaimed that "there's more than one way to skin a cat!" Mom said this at McDonald's, and the young woman who was working there was originally from Guatemala. She was horrified that

Mom would want to skin a cat. Other phrases that come to mind are "You're a good egg" and "He's just as happy as if he had good sense." Mom often says that she has to go around Robin Hood's barn to find something. I'm pretty sure the actual phrase is "Robinson's barn," because Robin Hood lived in the forest and I don't think he had a barn.

Randy was at work the other day when I got the bright idea to do an experiment: learn a new word every day for two weeks. If it had no other benefit, I'd walk away with fourteen new words in my vocabulary. I sent Randy an email and asked if he'd like to join in. I suggested that we discuss our new words over dinner each evening. He agreed, so I jumped in and looked up a word of the day.

That evening, we decided to eat dinner at Mountain Gate. I asked Randy to share his new word. He asked me if the word had to be one that he didn't know. I scratched my head at that question, and explained the definition of a "new" word. He said that he might have a problem.

"How am I supposed to find a word if I don't know it already?" he asked. "That's like trying to look up a word in the dictionary when you don't know how to spell it."

I suggested that he page through the dictionary. He reads several newspapers daily and also reads the news online. Surely there would be some words he didn't recognize. Failing that, I told him that he could type in "word of the day" and see what popped up.

Randy had been confusticated by my directions, but he seemed to have a firm grasp of the task by that point. He came up with the word kerfuffle, which means "a disturbance."

The new word thing was working out for me, because the next day, I managed to gloze the fact that I shrunk Randy's favorite tee shirt in the wash. Randy's word that day was freegan. A freegan is an activist who goes through the trash at restaurants and other sites in search of viable food to reduce consumption of resources. We discussed the fact that there are now at least two operating wineries in the Thurmont area. We visited Catoctin Breeze Winery a while back, and we recently went to Springhill Manor Winery and Distillery. I wasn't sure what that had to do with our new words, but Randy felt sure that bad batches of wine have to be discarded somehow.

Over the next two weeks, I discovered that a lot of Randy's new words were ones I was familiar with: incongruous, parenthetically, turducken, and gauntlet. It seemed incongruous to me that he didn't

know those words, but I was diffident to call him on it at first. Eventually I did question him, and he was flummoxed that I doubted him. He accused me of behaving in an acrimonious manner, and he wondered aloud if I were sophomoric. I looked it up in the dictionary and then I smacked him.

I learned that a scofflaw is someone who flouts the law. A gallinipper is an insect that stings or bites, such as a mosquito. *Triskaidekaphobia* is the fear of the number 13. Randy came home with the words hashtag and fracking. I questioned him on his choices, and he said that maybe he was just obtuse, as evinced by his vocabulary. I could sense a portent of bad things to come, so I changed

A lot of Randy's new words had something to do with food, and he hails from farm country, so I referred to him one day as agrarian. He smiled and said, "Thank you," but I could hear him muttering something about me being saturnine. I looked it up and then I smacked him.

Was our experiment a success? I'm not sure. We laughed and had some good discussions, but I confess that I've already forgotten a lot of my new words. I will, however, continue to be fascinated by our language.

The other day, a group of co-workers were talking about what they do as part of their fitness program. They asked me about mine. I said, "I'm all about fitness! Every morning I hold up my pants and wonder if I'm gonna fitinthis." ~ Mark Spalding

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by James Rada, Jr.

# Passing on the Knowledge, One Scout to Another

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Jacob Dumbrowski, Trevor Bostian, and Devin Stafford of Venturing Crew 270 teach Cub Scout Pack 270 members, Matt Place, James Knill, and Kyle Cantwell, how to use sling shots safely during the Cub Scout Pack 270 campout and family day at the Thurmont American Legion Post 168.





As children head back to school, watch for school zones and school buses.

A reminder for drivers: Flashing yellow lights on the school bus mean "Slow Down." Flashing red lights, along with the red stop sign that opens out on the side of the bus mean "Stop." Vehicles may not pass until the lights and signals are turned off.

Watch for and obey signals from school crossing guards, and pay extra attention to the lower speed limits in school zones.

So, give yourself a little extra time on the road, and take care to watch for the buses and their students.





# Lady, Tye, Evita, Phoenix, and Sheba

When the temperatures rise in the summer, the big cats at the Catoctin Wildlife Preserve and Zoo take their naps in the shade. On really hot days, they take a swim in their pools.

The zoo has four species of large cats: an Amur leopard, a snow leopard, a jaguar, and two Bengal tigers. Lady is an Amur leopard, which is a critically endangered species.

"There are only thirty Amur leopards left in the wild and approximately 150

in protected environments in this country, and approximately 150 in protected environments in Europe and Asia," said Catoctin Zoo Executive Director, Richard Hahn.

The Amur leopard's coat is soft and fairly long. The coloring can differ somewhat between summer and winter. The winter coat is more yellow, varying from light yellow to yellowish-red. The summer coat is brighter, with more vivid coloration.

Male Amur leopards grow to be around 4.5 feet long and 2.5 feet high at the shoulder, with tails that are approximately 2.5 feet long. They can weigh anywhere from 70 to 105 pounds. Females, like Lady, are slightly smaller.

Tye the snow leopard is harder to find, even when it isn't hot out. "He's amazing at not being seen," Hahn said. "Even in the winter when he's fully exposed, it's hard to see

Snow leopards are roughly the size of Amur leopards. Their bodies show adaptations to the colder mountain environments that they are used to. For instance, they have large nasal cavities that help them breathe the thin, mountain air.

An interesting fact about snow leopards is that they can't roar. They rely on hisses, mews, growls, and

"The snow leopard and Amur leopard are on loan to us as part of a

Evita, the jaguar at Catoctin Wildlife Preserve and Zoo, is a member of the largest cat species in the Western Hemisphere.

species survival plan," Hahn said.

Evita the jaguar is a member of the largest cat species in the Western Hemisphere. Unlike leopards and tigers, jaguars can be found in the United States.

While a jaguar's coloring resembles a leopard's, the jaguar is larger. Some male jaguars can weigh over 300 pounds, though they typically weigh 125 to 210 pounds. They also range in length from 4 to 6.5 feet, not including the length of the tail.

Catoctin Zoo's pair of white Bengal tigers is brother and sister, named Phoenix and Sheba. Because of their coloration, the white tigers can trace their ancestry back to India, where the white variation of Bengal tigers was first discovered.

Despite being siblings, the tigers—as well as all large cats, except for lions—tend to be solitary creatures.

The big cats at Catoctin Zoo are fed five to ten pounds of meat daily. How much they get depends on their

A healthy diet and good medical care means that these large cats will probably live twice as long as they would have in the wild.

These large cats, along with hundreds of other species of mammals, birds, amphibians, fish, and reptiles, can be seen daily at the Catoctin Wildlife Preserve.

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# by Labella A. Kreiner Catoctin Chronicles

Our summer break is quickly coming to a close and our admirable staff at Catoctin High School (CHS) has already set up various events to help incoming freshmen—as well as our veteran students—get accustomed to their new schedules for the 2014-2015 school year. Such events include our Cougar Camp and our Back to School Night. However, it isn't only our staff who is trying to encourage students to take on a full agenda for the next school year. The CHS Leos have already done two events to help recruit new members, and our athletic teams have already held team meetings to help prepare our student athletes for their summer

Our Cougar Camp was an incredible opportunity for our incoming freshmen. By going through an orientation around the school, students were able to get their bearings around our building, as well as meet some outstanding staff and upperclassmen. Held on July 26, the event worked out beautifully, meeting the demands of our students and helping parents get their questions

answered concerning their child's high school career. The CHS Leos also participated in this event by setting up a table and talking to students about volunteering in our community and how joining would be beneficial to meet graduation requirements.

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The CHS Leos also walked in the Thurmont parade on July 11, using the theme: "Lions are building a stronger community." While supporting the Lions Club by being examples of their dedication to the Leo Club International program, the Leos also worked on recruiting as they passed out candy to our citizens and took the opportunity to broadcast encouraging slogans about joining the club. Also, these miraculous students volunteered in a community lunch program during the week of July 21 through July 25, teaming up with the Thurmont Ministerium. Leo Katelyn Mills participated in other weeks as well, gaining over twelve volunteer hours for her service.

Our cross country team has already hosted a couple of "fun



Thurmont Middle School Leos and Catoctin High Leos are pictured walking in the Thurmont parade on July 10, 2014.

runs" this past month to help our student athletes interested in cross country—or any other sport that requires running-to work on training for the upcoming fall season. Coach Gibbons already passed out workout calendars for those who wished to get a head start on their training, and many of our promising athletes have chosen to use them to their advantage for upcoming competitions. Also, a note to our athletes: fall sports training starts this month on the August 13.

Finally, though the date for our Back to School Night has not been released, it is a wonderful event for all students to attend. Students are given their full schedule and are able to walk around the building in order to figure out appropriate travel routes to take between classes. Also, this

is a great time to meet our teachers from most of our departments, and to ask them any last minute questions before the start of our first semester. Freshmen should not miss this event as it is very beneficial in the means of understanding the layout of the school and how a typical school day will run.

For any last minute events, I would advise all parents and students to frequently look on our school website. Also, for our fall athletes, physical forms will be due for participation in any of our sports, so please be sure to get those done as soon as possible. Thank you all so much for reading once again and God bless. If you have any suggestions for what you would want to read in this article, please email me at labellakreiner@hotmail.com.









# Dear Friends and Neighbors

Hunger does not take a vacation in the summer, yet people often forget to make donations to our food bank when the weather is warm. Actually, in the summer, families with children need more food since the children are not receiving breakfast and lunch at school. Right now, there is a critical need for food and financial assistance at the Thurmont Food Bank. Today, many of the shelves are bare, and we can't keep purchasing food at the pace we have been forced to keep. Our financial resources are at a low point, because people think the recession is over. But many people in our area are out of work or cannot work because of poor health, lack of transportation, or because they are elderly. Please start a food collection in your neighborhood, place of business, place of worship, in your own home, or in your club or organization.

Donations can be dropped at the Town Office on Monday through Friday — 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.; at the Thurmont Food Bank, located at St. John's Lutheran Church, 15 North Church Street, on Tuesdays — 5:00-7:30 p.m., and Fridays — 2:30-5:00 p.m. Financial Contributions can be sent to The Thurmont Food Bank, P.O. Box 74, Thurmont, MD 21788.

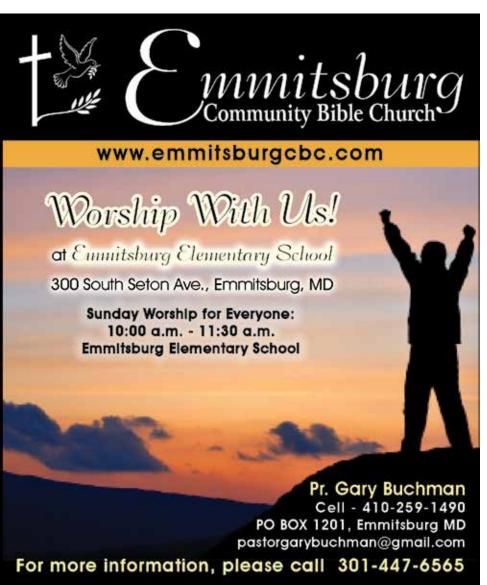
Thank you for your much-needed and appreciated support! The Thurmont Food Bank is a place where neighbors help neighbors.

> — Sincerely, Pastor Sally Joyner-Giffin, Thurmont Food Bank Coordinator, and Members of the Thurmont Ministerium

"The purpose of life is not to be happy. It is to be useful, to be honorable, to be compassionate, to have it make some difference that you have lived and lived well."

~ Ralph Waldo Emerson





# IN THEIR OWN WORDS

oving A Tribute to Jean Myers

October 31, 1937 - June 30, 2014

Jean's husband, Rodman, their children, Patty, Cheryl, Robert, and Andrea, their grandchildren, and great-grandchildren would like to offer this tribute to their wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother.



We always remember mom talking about attending Sunday school at Mt. Tabor Lutheran Church in Rocky Ridge. She was active in the church's youth programs. She talked about when she and her sister, Peggy, sang "Whispering Hope" in church as a duet. Their mom forced them to sing it, but it turned into a great memory.

She learned the importance of voting in elections from her father and was a dutiful constituent.

She served as safety patrol officer in school and worked at the Thurmont Cooperative and Claire Frock Company soon after she and Rodman were married. She told stories about how Rodman would come home for lunch when he worked for his father on the farm. He would watch their kids while Jean ran to the store or completed other errands.

She worked side by side with dad on the farm, milking cows, doing field work, and driving the truck through the fields to gather up bales of hay or straw. She always liked driving Dennis Mathias around in the truck from farm to farm while he was combining.

She was proud that she and Rodman were able to purchase several neighboring farms in the area. She loved to watch the crops grow and be harvested.

While we were milking cows, one of mom's duties was to walk back to the pasture to bring the cows in to be milked. There was one stubborn cow who would not come in from the pasture. Mom often told stories about how she would have to climb a hearty hill she named "heart attack mountain," just to bring the one cow in to be milked.

Mom would usually get her hair done on Thursday mornings and then would run all of her errands, like going to the bank, grocery store, post office, etc. She and Rodman enjoyed eating at Mountain Gate Restaurant, where she enjoyed the soup and

salad bar. She had a sweet tooth and enjoyed eating ice cream and Reese's Peanut Butter Cups.

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She would listen to music: the Bob Miller Radio Show and the Blaine Young Show. She liked to watch airplanes and liked to attend the Thurmont community concerts on Sunday nights in Memorial Park.

Her children remember going to Williamsburg, Virginia, for their first vacation where their mom enjoyed looking at antiques. They also ventured to Florida to visit Disney World, Sea World, and the Kennedy Space Center in 1975. The kids remember eating at a different Red Lobster Restaurant every night for dinner.

Over the years, Jean and Rodman enjoyed attending National Grange Conventions and milk conventions where she would go on the women's tours. She visited the National Baseball Hall of Fame, as well as Nashville, Tennessee, with Sonny and Marie McNair. She visited the Biltmore Estates and Niagara Falls. She also enjoyed the Calgary Stampede and the chuck wagon races. Jean and Rodman also had the opportunity to travel to Europe to visit their daughter, Andrea, when she lived overseas. Jean and Rodman recently visited Las Vegas in February with Patty and Dave. Jean also enjoyed occasional gambling in Charles Town, West Virginia, and loved attending the 4-H and fire company 20-20 dinners, as well as the Thurmont High School Class reunions every year, where she assisted with organizing her class reunion.

Mom was a good cook and enjoyed baking. She was well known for her delicious coconut cake, which won her Grand Champion at the Thurmont & Emmitsburg Community Show two years in a row. She also enjoyed making brownies for the kids to eat at the fair and making peanut butter pies for the Rocky Ridge carnival, where

she liked helping in the kitchen. Mom always made great tasting strawberry preserves, cobblers, pickled beets, angel food cake, and baked beans. The family's friend, Dave Harman, nick-named her "Jean, Jean, the lean mean baking machine.'

She helped with the Baked Products Department judging and the Grange dinner at the Community Show, helped to sell sourdough products at Payne's Hill, and helped at the Grange Hall during the Catoctin Colorfest. She was looking forward to this year's community show Friday night program, when the 200th anniversary of the "Star-Spangled Banner" will be honored, with Tommy Grunwell as the speaker.

She enjoyed serving on the St. John's Lutheran Church Christian Preschool Board of Directors, where she attended board meetings, helped with planning the preschool graduations.

She liked to read newspapers and magazines and would get up early in the morning to get the newspaper and read it. She also enjoyed watching Regis and Kathy Lee, Jeopardy, and Wheel of Fortune, and she liked to feed the birds and the cats.

Mom enjoyed attending the Guardian Hose Company Parade, playing bingo at carnivals and church festivals, and going to the Frederick fair to watch her grandkids show their animals. She especially enjoyed watching the 4-H dog show on Monday morning during the fair. She helped to sell cookbooks in the Farm & Garden Building during the fair, and served on the cookbook committee for the grange for several cookbooks that were published. Her children remember typing a lot of recipes to be printed in the books.

Jean also liked to give Rodman lots of advice, whether he needed it or not. The kids remember Sunday night drives to look at the crops, as dad would say, and then would end up at the Market Basket in Thurmont



Jean Myers is pictured with her Grand Champion Coconut Cake during the Thurmont & **Emmitsburg** Community Show.

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for ice cream. They usually parked right beside the McNair family.

Mom got along well with everyone who worked on the farm: her son-in-laws, daughter-in-law, and her grandson-in-law, and enjoyed attending her grandchildren's sporting events on occasion. She always had ice cream sandwiches, popsicles, and snacks available while hay and straw wagons were unloaded. She enjoyed watching her grandchildren when they were little, bringing her bag of toys and Play-Doh. Stephanie remembers mom coming to pick her up from school when she was sick; she had the car lined in trash bags and a bucket, in case it was needed on the ride home. She always had a bell for a sick kid to ring if they needed anything, but she said that if you were too sick to go to school, then you were not allowed to watch TV either. She would give Stephanie a quarter if she would take a nap. This past Mother's Day, she laughed so much watching her great grandchildren, Madison and Owen, riding around in their little car and being pulled through the yard really fast in their red wagon.

In closing, we would like to offer words of advice that were printed in a Maryland State Grange cookbook by Mae Moser, who was a member of the Thurmont Grange.

#### Life's Recipe

1 cup of good thoughts 1 cup of kind deeds 1 cup of consideration of others 1 cup of sacrifice for others 3 cups of forgiveness 2 cups of well beaten faults

Mix these thoroughly and add tears of joy and sorrow and sympathy for others. Fold in 4 cups of prayer and faith to lighten the ingredients and raise the texture to great the height of Christian living. After pouring all of this into your daily life, bake well with the heat of human kindness. Serve with a smile.

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by Jim Houck, Jr.

# Lyman Stambaugh Spec 4 U.S. Army Co. A 2nd Battle Group 28th Inf. 24th Div.

Born December 15, 1936, in Thurmont in the old Rouzer Home Place (still standing today) to Maurice Melvin and Ethel Favorite Stambaugh, is a son they named Lyman. Lyman had four sisters: Francis, Doris, Lois, and Cecelia; and a brother named Charles, who died at an early age, and a stepbrother, Lee, who was killed in Korea in 1951 and is buried at Creagerstown, Maryland. The family moved to Woodsboro, Maryland, and Lyman went to school there through third grade; his family then moved back to Thurmont where Lyman was born. Lyman finished his schooling at Thurmont, where he excelled at playing baseball for the school team for three years, starting as short stop the first year and moving to third baseman for his last two years. He also subbed for the catcher, losing two teeth; he was also on the school's soccer team until he graduated in 1955. Lyman delivered newspapers and then started to work for Vernon Myers at the old Shell station in 1953, while in high school, and then continued to work there after graduating school.

In December 1959, Lyman joined the U.S. Army 82nd Airborne and went to Fort Polk, Louisiana, for four weeks of basic training; he then went on to Fort Hood Texas, where he was assigned to the 2nd Armored Division (Lyman didn't like jumping from planes, so they left him out of that). Following that assignment, he then went to Fort Dix with orders

for Korea, but after the orders were changed, he went to Fort Hamilton and was put on the U.S. Darvy for fourteen days, headed for Germany. He was to be stationed right outside of Munich, Germany, in a little place called Henri Concern, and then was assigned to Berlin, where he pulled guard duty while the Berlin Wall was being finished. Lyman then returned to Munich, Germany; while there, he took leave to visit Spain (Barcelona, Madrid) and ran with the bulls. Lyman was then sent to Cairo, Egypt, for some problems that needed police action. Lyman was getting ready for discharge in 1961, but the Bay of Pigs incident developed. He was put on an airplane and flown to the Congo, where he was squad leader for a while, but didn't like it. He then went to Rome, Italy, where he was inoculated before he could return to Germany. When Lyman returned to Germany, he was awarded the CIB Badge—a Good Conduct Badge—and a Sharpshooter Badge. Lyman got out in May 1962. However, at that time, it was mandatory to stay in the reserves, in case there would be a call to action in Vietnam if necessary. A full Honorable Discharge was awarded to Lyman in 1965.

Lyman returned to Thurmont and went back to work for Vernon Myers at the gas station. He decided to go to work for Moore's Business Forms, where he stayed for thirty-one years and then retired. After retiring, he went back to work at Moore's for

another fourteen years as a temporary employee, for a total of forty-four years. He also continued to work for Vernon Myers fourteen years part-time while working full-time for Moore's.

Lyman has been married forty-nine years to Betty Lou Smith Stambaugh and has two children: Kim Cromwell, and her husband Jim, and Lyman C. Stambaugh, and wife Carol. Lyman also has three grandchildren: Jamie West and husband Curtis, Megan Miller and Corey, Samantha Stambaugh, and a great grandson, Curtis C. J. West.

Lyman remembers his first car was a 1941 Chevrolet with vacuum shift. Lyman met his love, Betty Lou Smith, at Donald Lewis's Confectionary on the square, where she worked behind the counter. I'm sure if that old Chevy could talk, it would tell a lot of stories. Lyman, Betty Lou, and the kids lived in Sabillasville, Maryland, for thirty-four years, and then moved within walking distance of his fulltime job. Lyman is a life member of AMVETS Post 7 Thurmont and a life member of the American Legion Thurmont, where he was Post Commander two years in 1985 and 1986. He is a member of Post 7 Honor Guard and marches in most parades, stands guard at funerals, and fires at graveside services. Lyman is a life member of South Mountain Rod and Gun Club, and likes to fish and

Lyman is 75 years old, going on 50, and I am proud to know him. He is energetic, intelligent, funny, and an extremely pleasant and easy-going man. I can picture him at 100 years old, marching in parades with that big smile on his face. Thank God for such a positive good-hearted veteran as Lyman Stambaugh.



Lyman Stambaugh Spec 4 U.S. Army

I wrote this article about Lyman three years ago in my column in The Catoctin Banner. Lyman is now 78 years old and still going on 50. I can honestly say Lyman still comes to Color Guard practice and does guard duty at Veterans caskets. He still marches in parades. Lyman does everything the younger men do, and it seems to come to him easily. He can tell you some interesting stories about what he has seen and experienced in his 78 years.

I can truthfully say that I have great respect for Lyman, and I hope to remain as positive and good-natured as Lyman is when I reach 78.

God Bless You, Lyman Stambaugh, and may I still be writing about you when you reach 100...still going on 50.







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# Sons of AMVETS Squadron 7

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

#### **AMVETS Post 7**

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

#### 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 Ruth Joy at 301-305-2859.

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# Law Enforcement Officer of the Year

OFC Daniel Fitzgerald, a Thurmont native, was recognized as the AMVETS Department of Maryland Law Enforcement Officer of the Year during this year's Convention. His selection for this award was mandated by his dedication to duty, devotion to law and order, outstanding character,



Pictured from left are Post 7 Commander Tom Joy, Officer Daniel Fitzgerald, and 1st Vice-Commander Ed Superczynski.

unswerving loyalty, and community service. The above attributes are highlighted by receiving several awards, including three from the Midwestern Region Traffic Safety Coalition, as a Traffic Safety Specialist, as well as being awarded the Police Department's Life Saving Award.

His character is evident in his selection as Officer of the Year and community involvement by participating in "Shop with a Cop," "Fish with a Cop," as well as representing the department at the Community Show. Deputy Chief of Police added that OFC Fitzgerald is extremely self-motivated, volunteers for nearly every available special assignment, and does his best to adapt his workload in an effort to assist with fellow officers' needs. Congratulations to OFC Fitzgerald from AMVETS Post 7.

#### 1LT Rob Seidel III Memorial Golf Tournament

The 1LT Rob Seidel III Memorial Golf Tournament to benefit the 1LT Rob Seidel Wounded Soldiers Fund will be held on Friday, September 12, 2014, at The Links at Gettysburg in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, with double tee time at 7:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.; 18 hole best ball scramble. The cost is \$100 per person; \$400 for a foursome.

All proceeds benefit the men and women returning home from this "War on Terrorism" with life changing injuries. Our freedom is because of these brave men and women who have sacrificed so much.

For information on registration and

sponsorships, please contact Sandy at robseidelwsf@comcast.net.

1LT Rob Seidel III was killed in action outside of Baghdad on May 18, 2006, when his Humvee was struck by an IED killing all five inside. He was a 2000 graduate of Catoctin High School and a 2004 graduate of the United States Military Academy West Point. Your sponsorship money will go to the 1LT Rob Seidel Wounded Soldiers Fund set up in Rob's name to benefit our returning wounded soldiers.



# senior moments

by Helen Deluca

Hello to all. I'll start by asking you: have you ever planned a party or special event, then worried if everything will go as planned? That's what we did here at the Thurmont Senior Center when we planned the 50s and 60s dance. But as kids would simply say: what's to worry about? And they would be right. We had a grand time, a great crowd, good music, and excellent entertainment. Kevin Booth provided music that the folks could dance to and did some outstanding impressions of Elvis Presley and Conway Twitty. As you can see, you're never too old to enjoy a serenade from Elvis. So much fun; we were surprised by how many danced and asked to do it again. So on September 27, 2014, we are planning another dance, but this one will be a Square Dance. Bob Meunier has agreed to do the calling, and if you don't know how to Square Dance, just join the group! It's more fun to watch and learn. Look for more information on the time and so forth in the next issue of The Catoctin Banner, Channel 99, the sign outside of the Center, our monthly menu, and/or activities flyer.

Before I get into what's coming up in August 2014, I would like to remind everyone of a few things. The sales of the T-shirts were good, and we thank all of you who placed an order. Also, if you or anyone you know is homebound and need someone to bring you a good hot lunch, just call the Center at 301-271-7911 for information. Teresa will answer any questions you have and will make arrangements to have the meal delivered to you. Also, if you are anxious to learn more about your computer or just want to learn the basics of a computer, we have

a volunteer who is willing to help you. Again, call Teresa. On Friday, the Thurmont Ambulance Crew is available to do blood pressure checks at 11:15 a.m. There is no charge. Also, if you don't have air of order, you are always welcome to cool off at the Center. If you're looking for a place to hold a party for a small fee.

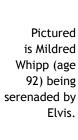
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because we have some big "do-ins" coming up in August. August 6 is the annual Pen Mar picnic. The cost is \$13.00, with plenty to eat and drink, as well as brown bag bingo. It's an opportunity for a beautiful day out and to meet old friends. It all starts at 11:00 a.m., with food served at 12:00 p.m. Call the Center by August 4 to reserve; if you need a ride let us know. On August 7, come to hear Nurse Cathy do a presentation on diabetes and other health issues at 10:30 a.m. August 14 is the date for the August happy birthday party at 12:30 p.m. On August 20, 50/50 bingo will be at 1:00 p.m. Proceeds from that bingo go toward subsidizing the lunch program. Come and join us and bring a friend. You don't have to be a senior to play 50/50 bingo. All are welcome. On August 27, our friends from St. Joseph's Ministries will be joining us to play brown bag bingo at 2:00 p.m. They are providing the prizes and will bring a few of their residents with them. So, come on out to meet them and enjoy another exciting day of fabulous brown bag bingo. We had a great time the last time they visited us, and we are looking forward to seeing them again.

For those who haven't heard the sad news, Anna Rollins, the

conditioning, or it is temporarily out on a weekend, the Center is available Now, get out your calendars,







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Thurmont Senior Center 'Alive and Kicking" award for best senior float.

dear coordinator we had several years ago, passed away on July 1. She fought a long, hard battle with cancer, but she knew several months earlier that she was losing the battle. A memorial service was held on July 12, and the huge crowd present was a testimony to Anna's loving and caring nature.

As you know, the carnival was in town the week of July 7. Only in a town like Thurmont can you line the sidewalks at 7:30 a.m. with chairs to watch the parade at 6:30 p.m. You go to work or about your daily business and come back at 6:30 p.m. and your chairs are still there where you put them! Think about that! Incredible! What a nice community we live in. We are so fortunate. How much we take for granted. We are fortunate to have a police, fire, and ambulance department always at the ready. We have churches, a library, a town office, and great restaurants. We have merchants who depend on us and are so generous when we depend on them. We even have

a Farmers' Market every Saturday morning. I could go on and on about what a great community we live in, but all you have to do is look around you—you can see it for yourself. We are also very excited to announce that the Senior Center won an award for best senior float.

We are looking into several things for the future. One is the Transit System. Teresa is getting more data on that, and I will pass it along to all of you. We are also trying to get Nurse Steve on a monthly basis. He is a favorite at the Center, but, as of now, he is only available for a quarterly visit. We are also hoping we will get a few updated computers. In addition, we are planning a special day for Veterans in November. More information will be coming on all of these things in next month's issue. Just don't forget the Square Dancing on September 27, 2014.

For now, you know you're getting old when all the names in your black book have an MD after them. Just SMILE—it feels good!

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#### Gemstones and Music Boxes

When I first stepped into Browns' Jewelry and Gift Store in downtown Thurmont, the music boxes were the first items I noticed. My childhood friend had a similar one on her bureau and, when the lid opened, her ballerina turned and danced to princess music. It was magic. The music boxes in Browns' Jewelry and Gift Store are magical, too—each one unique. In addition to the music boxes they offer, the owner was able to repair a set of pewter and silver earrings from my college days. The owner, I learned, is John W. E. Brown. He has owned and operated the store for the past thirty-four

His father, Stanley Brown, was the third person hired at Ft. Ritchie, where he worked for forty years. Brown grew up in Cascade, and Ft. Ritchie was his playground. He'd fish and swim at the lake, wander through the horse stables, and play in the remnants of simulated Japanese and German villages. He even managed a ride in a tank, courtesy of the men in the motor pool. "The movies were the best. The military always showed the latest and best movies available. It was a wonderful childhood," said Brown.

After college, he took a job in a chemical laboratory at Ft. Detrick in the government's Biological Warfare Program. The program was disbanded in 1960 after Nixon and Khrushchev agreed to ban further study of biological warfare. He then worked for the state of Maryland in its animal health laboratory in Frederick. While there, he met a retired animal science professor from Pennsylvania who was an adamant geologist. He introduced Brown to the world of stones and gems. Brown was hooked and became a lapidary artist. He studied jewelry making, the art of cutting, grinding, polishing and setting stones. "My science background was an important part of understanding stones,' stated Brown. He operated a side business out of his home for eight years before taking the risky step of opening a full-time business.

Meanwhile, after thirty years running a jewelry store in Thurmont, Bruce and Lois Davies decided to retire, and offered to sell their business to Brown. They agreed. Brown and his wife, Betty, both worked in the store until her death, four-and-a-half years ago.

Barbara Barbe is the other face behind the counter. She began working at the store in 1992 as a part-time employee and now works there full-time.

Brown does custom work and designs special order pieces. "Everything is done in the store, not shipped out." He works directly with color stone and diamond dealers to ensure the quality he wants. He does repairs, redesigning, and restoration: watches, pewter, crystal, and clocks (antique and modern). "I appreciate the support I've received from the entire community over the years," Brown expressed.

An ongoing tradition is the store's annual two-week February sale, celebrating the anniversary of its opening-perfect timing for Valentine's Day and anyone who might enjoy the magic of a music

Brown has one daughter, a professor at Mount St. Mary's College, and two grandchildren.

Browns' Jewelry and Gift Store is located at 9 Water Street in Thurmont. The store is opened on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday, from 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.; on Friday, from 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.; and on Saturday, from 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. They are closed on Wednesday and Sunday.

For more information, please call 301-271-7652.



## History of Fort Ritchie Speakers Series

On Thursday, August 7, 2014, the Fort Ritchie Community Center is presenting its first program in a new Speakers Series. Art Callaham, a former intelligence officer, will open the series as the keynote speaker and speak on the History of Fort Ritchie. Tickets are \$25.00 for couples and \$15.00 for individuals. The evening event is from 6:00-8:00 p.m. and will take place at the Lakeside Hall (the former officer's club). Finger foods and a beverage are included in the ticket price. The evening will include displays of memorabilia and articles from the World War II era and the Signal Corps. Fort Ritchie is presenting the program in partnership with Pen Mar Development Corporation and sponsored by Susquehanna Bank. Fort Ritchie is a nonprofit community center. For more information and tickets, call Fort Ritchie Community Center at 301-241-5085.

# "The Little Library That Could" Capital Campaign

The Blue Ridge Summit Free Library Board of Directors is very excited to live by their mission statement: "Preserving Yesterday, Informing Today, Inspiring Tomorrow!" They are now asking the local communities to help support the "Preserving Yesterday" part by contributing to their capital campaign, "The Little Library That Could."

Their capital campaign goal is \$100,000, which will cover painting the exterior, including the 40' turret; replacing the current leaking roof with a standing seam metal roof (much like the original train station built in 1891); and replacing storm windows and the handicap accessible patron's door. The board is applying for grants to help defray costs. Receiving the Alexander Stewart Grant for the fourth year covers the cost of the windows and handicap entrance.

On the library's front wall, watch as their train climbs the tracks, showing the progress to their goal. Currently, the train has reached \$20,000! Any questions regarding the Capital Campaign may be directed to Lynn Martin, Board President, at 717-642-5645.







## **Tech Training from Those in the Know**

by James Rada, Jr.

When Jean Trappen sat down in front of her husband's computer after he died, she was intimidated by it. Her children thought that it might be easier for her if the computer was smaller, so they bought her an iPad.

It didn't help, because Trappen just wasn't used to using a computer. She would accidentally tap a button and find herself in a program where she didn't want to be. So she wrote all of her questions down and brought them to the Thurmont Regional Library.

The library is offering crossgenerational tech training. It is a program where senior citizens can sit down with a tech-savvy teenager for one-on-one instruction about whatever electronic device is vexing them.

Trappen sat down with her iPad and questions for Carrie Ritchie, a recent Catoctin High School graduate. Ritchie began by showing her how to download apps. In a mixture of verbal and hands-on instruction, Trappen was soon

downloading her own apps. She took notes on how it was done so that she wouldn't forget.

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The hands-on instruction also allowed Trappen and Ritchie to deal with any particular quirks that popped up along the way, such as when Trappen hit the wrong button.

Trappen seemed to take to the instruction quickly. "It's different if you've got somebody to guide you through it," she said.

The half-hour instruction went quickly, and Trappen said she would be signing up for additional sessions.

Ritchie also enjoyed the session. "I want to teach you more stuff," Ritchie said to Trappen. "I'm learning stuff as I'm doing this, too."

The library will have one additional training session on Wednesday, August 13, 2014. The half-hour session runs from 2:00-2:30 p.m. in the library's community room. You can call the library at 301-600-7212 to register for a time and date.

## **Emmitsburg Senior News**

by Susan Allen

August is upon us, traditionally the month that brings us the "dog days"—hazy, hot, and humid. This sort of weather can make outdoor pursuits downright dangerous for folks our age. We have a picnic planned for the Utica District Park on Friday, August 15, from 10:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m. We'll be sure to retreat indoors if it's too hot.

We have several opportunities to listen to interesting topics and have our questions answered. On August 1, find out about the Top Ten Ironrich Foods that should be part of your diet. Nurse Steve will join us on Tuesday, August 19, with facts about flu shots. Ever wonder what the Neighborhood Watch program is all about? A representative from the Sheriff's Department will be with us on August 21 to give us the facts. You can get information about the Transit system, with time for questions and answers, on August 23. All these programs are at 11:30 a.m.

Come out on Wednesday, August 27, for an evening card party and a meal; call Linda to check on the time

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.; Pinochle (Thursdays), 12:30 p.m.; Canasta (Fridays), 12:30 p.m.; Cards, Games & Puzzles (August 4, 11, 18, & 25). The "Man Cave" (pool room) is open on Wednesdays.

The senior citizens encourage everyone 50 years of age and older to join their activities at the Emmitsburg Community Center. Persons 60 and over are eligible for the hot lunch program. For information on the lunch program and all other activities, contact the coordinator, Linda Umbel, at 301-600-6350 or email LUmbel@ FrederickCountyMD.gov.



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# Pet Well Care Assistance Program Receives Grant

The Frederick County Humane Society (FCHS) is excited to announce they have received a \$7,500 grant from Banfield Charitable Trust to assist low-income County residents with annual exams and vaccines for their pets!

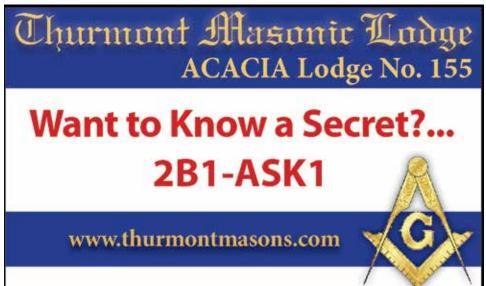
The FCHS receives phone calls each week from local residents who need help with the cost of their pet's annual exams and vaccines. With the help of Banfield Charitable Trust, we are able to offer assistance to these families. The veterinarians in our area give so much to our community, we are happy to be able to help them continue the great care they provide.

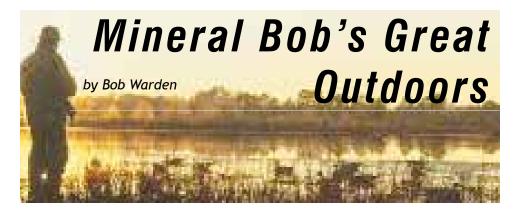
The FCHS is the county's oldest non-profit organization dedicated to the humane care of animals. For more information, visit www.fchs.org.





Send us your child's "First Day of School" photo, and your photo could be featured in next month's issue!





It feels like spring turkey just ended, but, before you know it, the summer months will be gone and the new hunting seasons will be upon us. I hope your weapon of choice didn't just collect dust in the off-season. During the off season, we owe it to ourselves and the game we hunt to practice, practice, practice! Whether it is shotgun, rifle, or bow—especially with a bow—we should start way ahead of time to have our equipment in the best possible condition to be able to make clean, ethical shots.

In the off-season, actually starting with the January outdoors shows, I check out and read up on new products. There is never a shortage. This year, there are many "new and improved" products that they say will make us better hunters. I read many trade magazines and read outdoorwire.com to see what I may want to try out in the up-coming seasons.

Every year, there are new broadheads and some redesigned old ones. Two that caught my eye were the new Rage 3 Blade with Kore technology that looks like it was designed by NASA, and G5's new 2 blade Havoc. I heard feedback on the Havoc; I was told it performed well on African plains animals. According to the folks in some of the bow shops, one to keep an eye on is the Ramcat, which has been out for a few years but seems to be getting some air time.

In the trail camera department, they seem to get smaller and more technical each year. This year, we see more blackout designs, meaning there is no visible flash or glow when a picture is taken. Some think the red glow would spook deer when it takes pictures on the visible infrared models. Anyway, one that really made me take notice was Cuddeback E3 Blackflash with its 20 megapixel camera. It's hard to believe a few years ago we were putting film in a trail cam and the flash was so bright that it was whiting out the photo when it went off at night. We also had to run to a one-hour film development to see if we had any pictures. Now we can carry a viewer in the field and instantly see what we have.

If you have any beginner bowhunters, there are some great ready-to-hunt set-ups. The ones I like are the Diamond Infinite Edge, which adjusts from 5lb to 70lb draw weights and 13-30 inch draw lengths for around \$350.00; or the new Bear Cruzer which is also 5lb to 70lb draw weight and 12-30 inch draw lengths for around \$400.00. Both come with everything you need with the exception of a release and some arrows.

These are just a few products that stuck with me. We could fill this paper up with everything that's new. If it interests you, sign up for daily emails from the outdoorwire.com, and you can keep up with everything that's going on in the industry.

With a few weeks to go, I also start getting my camo ready by washing it in the scent-free products, hanging it outside to dry, and packing it in scent-free bags. My camo of choice for early season is Mossy Oak Obsession because of the amount of green in it. As the season progresses, I switch over to Mossy Oak Break-up because of its darker shades. Don't be afraid to wear a different camo patterned shirt or jacket and different camo patterned pants. I mix and match all the time, depending on the cover I am hunting in.

In a short time, you will be sitting in a goose blind or sitting in a tree, full of anticipation, while waiting for that first flock of geese to pitch in or that first deer to come within bow range. Whatever your choice, make sure you read your MD Hunting Guide. There are some changes in antler restrictions, antlerless bag limits, and Sunday hunting, depending on where you hunt. Get permission and carry a written permission slip and an ID. IT'S THE LAW!

As always, check your equipment and have a safe and successful season!

Some opening days to remember: Resident Goose—September 1, 2014; Doves—September 1, 2014; Archery Deer—September 5, 2014; Fall Turkey—November 1, 2014; Junior Deer—November 15-16, 2014; Deer Firearms—November 29, 2014.

# "New & Improved" Products

(right) Rage 3 Blade Mechanical Broadhead

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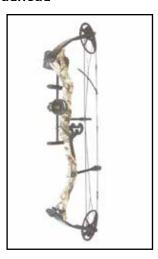


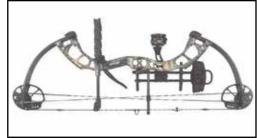
(left) **G5 Havoc** Mechanical **Broadhead** 



(left) **New Cuddeback** E3 20 megapixel

(right) **Diamond Infinite** Edge

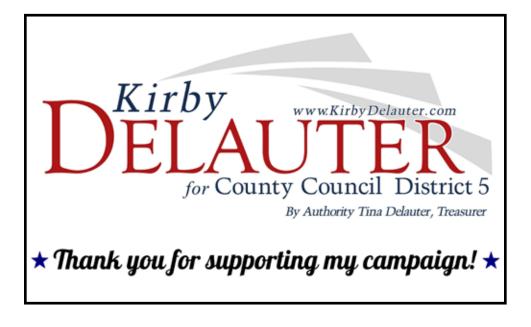


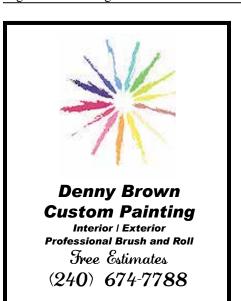


(right) **New Bear** Cruzer

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## The Thurmont Historical Society: Their Past, Present, and Future

by Pam Eyler

A recent request from a friend to join the Thurmont Historical Society has led me on a path to a new adventure. I must admit, it is a path I am relishing!

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Growing up in Thurmont, I passed by the Creeger House on North Church Street on a daily basis, but never gave it much thought. I had heard rumors that the owners had abandoned the home when their son was killed in a war. Other than that, I just knew the house was falling into disrepair, and, to be honest, I didn't really care about its history or the owners. I don't know what it is about getting older, but you start to ponder these things. You begin to think about leaving a legacy for your children and grandchildren, especially after your own parents pass away.

So, here I am finding myself in strange territory and wanting to learn as much as I can, so I can pass on this information to future generations.

My first question was: "What is the Thurmont Historical Society?'

Their mission statement reads: "Our purpose is to foster and promote an interest in the history of Thurmont and Northern Frederick County. To further this purpose we collect, classify and display the artifacts, photographs and other items of Thurmont's physical and cultural heritage."

Having established the purpose, the next step was to research the Creeger House. Who owned it and how did it come into the Society's possession?

What I found was that in late 1987, a group of interested people in Thurmont decided to "form a

historical society for the purpose of collecting, classifying, preserving and displaying photographs, documents, artifacts, and other material pertinent to Thurmont and it's environment." All items collected by the society were stored in an unused administrative area of the Thurmont Bank (which at that time was the Sovran Bank).

When the Society was formed, it was agreed upon by the Directors that the long-term goals would include the acquisition of a permanent home for historical research, storage, and display.

In November 1989, Society President Sterling Kelbaugh wrote to the owner of the empty house on North Church Street, asking if they would donate the house to The Thurmont Historical Society. The owner, Mrs. Ethel M. Creeger, agreed and deeded the house and property at 7-11 North Church Street to them.

It has taken the past twentyfour years to restore the Creeger House to its present state. There is constant upkeep needed, including recent repairs to the roof, chimneys, and plumbing.

Besides membership (which is only \$15.00 per year for individuals and \$20.00 per year for a family), there are many ways to help: interior and exterior projects, gardening, fundraising, archiving, and clerical work, just to name a

Our current fundraising project is our "Buy A Brick Fundraiser." We are selling red clay bricks to build a Heritage Walkway off the back porch of the Creeger house. Bricks are \$50.00 each and can be engraved in memory of a loved

one, in honor of someone, with a business name, with your own name, or with a family member's name, and so on.

Help us keep the goal fulfilled of having the Creeger House open to the public to use the research library and to view pictures and artifacts of Thurmont and its surrounding area.

For more information about becoming a member or to order bricks, contact any of the following members: Pam Eyler (Publicity) at 240-674-6469; Carol Ford (Secretary) at 301-271-7608; Donna Voellinger (President) at 301-271-





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## **Managing Kitty Colonies in Thurmont**

by Deb Spalding

Recently, on the grounds behind Catoctin High School, a tiny black kitten followed student, Ginny Kelly, and her friends, as they walked through the parking lot. Girls being girls, they picked up the cute kitten. When they tried to put it in a safe place to leave it, the kitty accidentally jumped into a 12-foot rain well.

Catoctin's helpful custodial staff quickly came out to help brainstorm a way to get the kitty out of the hole. They were not successful. Next, some folks at the Catoctin Vet Clinic were contacted and arrived at the school to see if they could offer assistance. Eventually, Frederick County Animal Control was called. Ron from Animal Control fished a net with food down the hole, and the kitten crawled into the net and was pulled to safety unharmed.

Ginny and her mom, Nicole, of Emmitsburg, volunteered to foster the black kitten temporarily. If you are interested in adopting the kitten, please email news@ thecatoctinbanner.com.

The little black kitty was not the only kitten behind the school, there was actually a colony of about fifteen or so cats. Karen Kinnaird of Cuddles Cat Rescue in Thurmont has been working diligently to help gain control of our area's feral cat population, including those at Catoctin High School. On July 24, 2014, she said that she took three cats for sterilization—shots and spay and neuter. Two of them were from the high school. Another two kittens had already been adopted from the high school, and a vet is housing four more kittens. Four from the

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high school were spayed and neutered and are now at a horse farm in Emmitsburg.

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Karen said that rehoming the cats using the nationwide TNR (trap, neuter, and return) Program is helping to manage our local colonies. Once the males are neutered, it keeps other cats away. Right now, some monies for these purposes were made available through a great Pet Smart grant, partnered through the Frederick County Humane Society. Unfortunately, this grant money is winding down.

Karen said, "Now that we [Cuddles Cat Rescue] are nonprofit, I can apply for grants." She addressed the rescue's current needs, stating, "Right now, we can use old towels and newspapers, bed pads, cat food, etc."

Karen stressed that once the cats are sterilized, one of their ears is tipped. So if you see a feral/wild cat with a tipped ear, it has already been through the TNR Program.

Cuddles Cat Rescue is looking for volunteers to help with feeding and trapping the feral cats and driving them to and from the veterinarian for sterilization. They are also looking for volunteers to be foster families for the kittens and adult tame cats before they are adopted. Eventually, their goal is to have their own building to keep food, supplies, traps, cages, and to house an adoption center.

Please help Cuddles Cat Rescue by donating your supplies, time, and/or money. Also, if you or anyone you know has an empty building that could be used, please

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# Day Retreat Program Welcomes Hundreds to Experience Mother Seton's Home

In order to further the Shrine's mission, The National Shrine of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton recently expanded their day retreat program with support from the Knott Foundation. From large confirmation retreats with 80 eighth graders, to faculty and staff retreats from area Catholic schools, to small parish groups, the Shrine is now a bustling retreat center hosting hundreds of pilgrims.



"The sense of the sacredness that pilgrims experience when praying before the burial place of Mother Seton in the Basilica is something that many retreat participants recall for a long time after the retreat is over," says Rob Judge, the Shrine's executive director. "They take home with them that connection to the sacredness that is inborn here."

Karen Flores, recently attended a retreat through her parish, and said that exploring the beautiful grounds of Mother Seton's Shrine during her retreat was a "tremendous experience." Flores found that learning about the life and legacy of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton through the Seton Way tour her group took through the historic houses and grounds added a welcome touchstone to her day.

The Seton Legacy Garden and the beautiful scenery of the "Valley of Blessings," as Mother Seton called the area, allows for a peaceful and reflective atmosphere. "I found so much peace... I was able to completely disconnect from my electronics and from my worries... In the quiet, I could consider how God has blessed me with so many good things," said Flores.

Several retreat rooms are available, and they can be arranged to accommodate gatherings of 15, such as a parish council, or 100, such as a confirmation class. Sue Swift of St. John the Evangelist Parish in Frederick, Maryland, who recently held a staff retreat at the Shrine, found the retreat rooms "bright and professional," adding, "the hospitality was outstanding."

Retreatants also point to the magnificent Basilica, with its Italian mosaics and German stained glass, as an important part of their day. Flores retreat group celebrated Mass, a holy hour, and prayed the rosary. Reflecting on these experiences, she said they were "so wonderful I can't even begin to put it in words." Corporate and private devotions are usually part of each retreat group's itinerary, and the Basilica where Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton is entombed is a perfect venue for these aspects of the day.

Swift described the Shrine staff as always ready to assist with anything that was needed. "They really made our staff retreat day special," she said. Flores echoed this sentiment and said "everyone was very helpful and very friendly. I spent about an hour in the gift shop, and the staff there went above and beyond in helping me find a book I wanted to purchase."

We strive for all retreatants to have a positive and spiritually rewarding experience," said Becca Corbell, retreat and worship coordinator at the Shrine. "It is really gratifying for us to watch people unwind throughout the day. The peacefulness of this place seeps in and opens hearts to God's grace."

For more information on the retreat program or to book a retreat, contact Becca Corbell at 301-447-7058 or retreats@setonheritage.org.





# **Tickling Our Tastebuds**

by Denise Valentine



Hello, everyone. This is the time of year I remind everyone that the Thurmont & Emmitsburg Community Show is coming up and when I share a recipe with you to try to encourage you to enter in the show. This year, the recipe I'm sharing is from Jean Myers, a dear friend of our family and one of the assistant superintendants in the Baked Products Department. I am sad to say that Jean passed away the end of June. Her presence at the Community Show will be greatly missed. Jean was famous for the Coconut Cake she made and entered in the show. The cake itself was delicious, but I really loved the sticky, sweet icing that she used. I asked her years ago if I could get the recipe. I had to search through my recipes to find it since I haven't made it for a while. I think I will keep it out and make it for the show this year. I hope you give it a try, too.

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#### Coconut Cake

#### **Hot Milk Sponge**

2 cups flour 1 teaspoon of salt

2 teaspoons of baking powder 2 teaspoons of vanilla

1 cup hot (not scalding) milk 4 eggs

2 cups of sugar

Sift together flour and baking powder and set aside. Beat eggs until very light. Beat in sugar, salt, and vanilla. Beat in flour and baking powder until well mixed. Then add hot milk and beat well. Pour into two 9-inch round pans (greased and floured) or a 9x13x2 inch pan. Bake at 350 degrees for 25 to 30 minutes.

#### Fluffy Boiled White Icing

1 cup of sugar 1/8 teaspoon of salt

1/3 cup of water 2 egg whites

1 tablespoon white corn syrup

1 teaspoon vanilla

Combine first four ingredients in saucepan and mix well; boil slowly until mixture will spin a long thread. In large bowl, beat egg whites at high speed until stiff. Slowly pour hot syrup over egg whites, beating constantly at high speed. Beat until mixture holds its shape; add vanilla and beat until blended. Spread on cake and cover with grated coconut.



## FCPS to Welcome Students on Monday, August 25

Frederick County Public Schools (FCPS) are preparing to welcome more than 40,000 students on Monday, August 25. Here's how FCPS is shaping up for the 2014-15 school year:

- Enrollment will slightly rise again this year, having increased three percent over the last decade. Schools expect about 40,800 students. If you have a child not yet enrolled, please contact your local school immediately, as staffing is based on enrollment.
- FCPS offers more ways than ever to get the newest information about what's going on in county schools. The Back-to-School section at fcps.org/backtoschool is a single stop for school-supply lists, back-toschool nights and orientation dates, forms, school meals information, new testing requirements, transportation updates, the new Calendar Handbook and more. Also online are links to FCPS social media sites such as Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, Instagram, LinkedIn and Pinterest, as well as the mobile FCPS app for Android and i-devices.
- Online bus routing is slated to go live Friday, August 15. Mechanics are prepping more than 400 yellow

school buses to travel more than 38,000 miles each day, as drivers transport 30,000 kids to and from school. It is essential that parents notify the school right away of any changes expected in transportation this school year; transportation staff are determining routing now. Forms for reporting transportation changes are online.

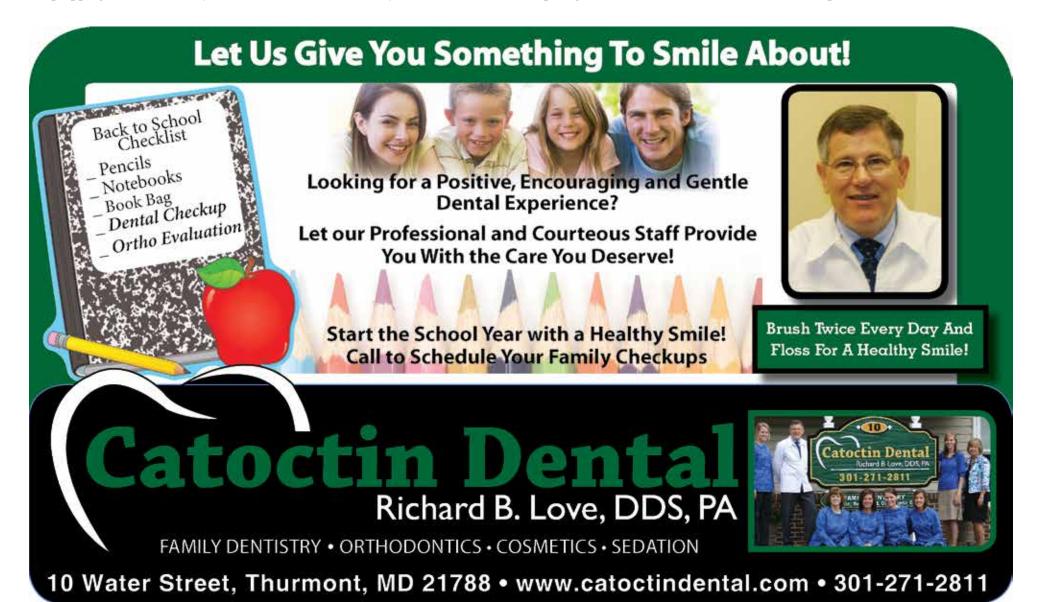
- Full-price lunches and milk prices are the same as last year, but breakfasts have gone up by 25 cents to \$1.35 for elementary students, and \$1.60 for middle and high. For prepaying and monitoring school meals, FCPS invites parents to use www.myschoolbucks.com. Cafeterias continue to offer wholegrain options, fresh vegetables and fruits, and low-fat choices daily. Families may apply for free or reduced-price student meals using a Meal Benefit Form distributed to all families when school starts.
- Graduation requirements have changed for the coming school year. Details are linked from the fcps.org home page and in the back-to-school section.
- Student Information Cards will go home on the first school day personalized with the information FCPS has for every student. FCPS

urges parents to verify or legibly update their child's forms and return them to school as soon as possible.

- This year it remains important that parents legibly complete the email section of the Student Information Form. FCPS is working to transition FindOutFirst to email addresses registered in the Student Information System. FindOutFirst continues to offer phone text messaging for emergency closing notices. Subscribers will need to update their schools and grade levels of interest and add their smartphone numbers and carriers to receive emergency text messages.
- In addition to watching FCPS TV online at fcps.org/tv, watch school videos at the FCPSMaryland YouTube page. Comcast subscribers can tune to Channel 18 for FCPS TV broadcasts such as live Board of Education meetings.
- This year, FCPS is scheduling half days off for parent-teacher conferences November 24 and 25 for elementary and middle schools only. FCPS will provide students a 2014-15 Calendar Handbook on the first school day, with additional important dates and information. Meanwhile, the Calendar at a Glance is online: fcps.org/calendar. Look for the new

tear-out page with Calendar At-a-Glance on one side and emergency procedures on the other.

- The new North Frederick Elementary is on track to open on schedule to accommodate 725 students in grades pre-kindergarten through five. In addition, Hillcrest Elementary is getting a 12-classroom modular building that will include separate group restrooms for boys, girls and staff.
- Some charter schools have added grade levels. Carroll Creek Montessori will serve pre-kindergartners age 3 through grade five. The Frederick Classical Charter School will accommodate grades kindergarten through seven. Monocacy Valley Montessori will serve pre-kindergartners age 3 through grade eight.
- The county and state have committed about \$21.5 million for new schools, renovations, additions, technology and land, down from \$44.5 million last year. The FY '15 operating budget is \$539.5 million, up from \$532.7 million in FY '14, primarily due to an increase in state funding. Over 97 percent of the FCPS budget goes directly to schools and school support, the physical plant, and student transportation, with less than 3 percent to administration.







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# Things Have Changed

#### by Sue E. Clabaugh

August 2014

(Written for her great granddaughter, March 2014)

Things never get done around here anymore, Where does my time seem to go?
The house used to be tidy,

With everything clean,

Very few things I'd ignore.

Now all that seems to have changed-in a way-

If the place is a mess – too bad for today!

I'd rather be doing important things with my life,

Like watching two feet learn to walk.

And listening when a little voice,

Trys so very hard to talk.

I'd rather be watching two little hands Learning to roll a ball.

I'd rather be singing a baby to sleep

Than waiting for more dust to fall. And then – There's a sweet little face

Who thinks I hung the moon.

I run to her crib,

Pick up her and her toy,

Things won't get done here very soon.

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# Nightmares

## by Janice Campbell

I'm deep in the clouds No room to breathe I suck in the tides They're drowning me I can feel my lungs fill With the red liquid Thick with a scent Not a soul could forget I'm filling with sickness I'm going Insane I feel the thoughts thicken All align I feel my heart skip In perfect rhyme I don't know the feeling Or the lost touch I can't feel me breathing Spinning round and round To fast to feel I'm falling now Back into the alertness of the hell below Screaming from my empty lungs Drifting along the cold black river Waking with the taste of death on my tongue

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he Safe Zone
by Linda Calhoun

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Past a mirror I go an image I see. So many hurts lookin' back at me. My eyes don't sparkle, only stare. Welcome to my world but please beware. What I have been through you can't even imagine. Your worst nightmare, I'm put to the test. Stripped of my pride in so many ways. How to explain that I have to stay. Where I have been or where I will be. No choices do I have, I just have me. Rules don't apply, my world is not safe. The only world I know of has such hate. Lost is my soul, buried deep inside. Too afraid to show it, it's so easy to hide. My soul is mine, something you can't control. Only if I let it, does it come out of its hole. Fear is my life day in and day out. Won't somebody please help me, I just want to shout! I don't understand why they do this to me. Am I that bad; just tell me please. I hide from within my soul truly scared. For if it showed, it would be bare. Stripped of my identity so long ago, The whys are too many where did I go? Hang tough if you can for help's on its way. Your soul is worth saving, you have today. Get through it you will with your head held up high. Your soul within, WILL survive. Don't lose hope, there are people who care. Reach way deep inside your strength is there. Do what you have to until help arrives. You're stronger than you think you must survive. When your world is crashing and blown all apart. Think of these words and take them to heart. You were given life and special you are. Don't give into temptation, you've come this far. Be what you can, only show what you want. For you have control of your very own heart. No one can reach it for within it lies. In your safe zone; you can hide. Away from the world and all of the pain. You'll have your safe zone so you can maintain. A secret it is and no one will know.

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But when the time is right, please share with me ~

A place within; you call home.

The soul you were given is yours to keep. No one can hurt it, it's way too deep. In your safe zone, safe you'll be.

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#### by Francis Smith

Earth's eternal cycle; golden sunrise dazzling noon golden sunset silver moon; sometimes: a splash of rain successful rainbow; sometimes: gloomy overcast in cloud and fog; often: super hot; frequent: freezing cold; all: such perfect change: sunset, moon sunrise, noon man's eternal cycle living in my soul.

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by Tara Lebherz, Assistant Branch Administrator and Children's Services  $Supervisor. \ Thurmont\ Library,\ tlebherz @ frederick countymd. gov$ 

#### **Summer Reading**

Have you been to the Thurmont Library lately? We've had quite a summer so far! Summer Reading is in full swing; we've got nearly 9,000 kids signed up already, and we have another month to go. If you haven't signed up your kids or teens yet, drop by and register for this free game. There are many prizes that you could possibly win.

Are you looking for something fun to do? Summertime is also one of our busiest times for programs. Check out all of our program offerings at our website: www.fcpl. org. There are many interesting highlights for the month of August. Play Date on the Deck will be held on August 8, from 10:45-11:45 a.m.; for kids 6 months-5 years. We've partnered with Frederick County Infants and Toddlers to bring you a fun outdoor play-date activity. We set up the toys, the blocks, and the water table. You and your kids just drop in and have a good time making friends and playing.

#### Jump into Kindergarten

Jump into Kindergarten is on Monday, August 18, at 2:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.; for kids entering Kindergarten in the fall. This program is geared to be a gentle introduction to what Kindergarten is going to be like. Mrs. B will tell fun stories and set up stations (just like in a real kindergarten class), so kids can get a feel for what's coming up the following week. Space is limited, so call or drop by the library today to register for this free program.

#### Music on the Deck

Music on the Deck: Kenny Ray Horton will be held on Sunday,

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August 17, at 2:00 p.m.; for all ages. Our final installment in our "Music on the Deck" series this summer will feature Kenny Ray Horton. Kenny Ray Horton honed his craft in Nashville before returning to the mid-Atlantic area. His years of entertaining and songwriting have made him a seasoned musician who music lovers and musicians alike love to be entertained by. No registration necessary—just drop in.

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#### Goodwill Job Assistance

If you are unemployed or underemployed or just wanting to change your career path, you can get personalized free help at two libraries. Patie Elsberry Goodwill of Monocacy Valley now partners with both the Thurmont Regional Library and Emmitsburg Branch Library to provide free job counseling. In Emmitsburg, those interested in this service can stop in on August 13, anytime between 3:00-5:00 p.m. Patie will be at the Emmitsburg Library every month on the second Wednesday. In Thurmont, Patie will be available in the small meeting room on August 12 and 25, from 3:00-5:00 p.m. She is at the Thurmont Library every other Tuesday. As part of the Goodwill job-seeker assistance session, Patie includes one-on-one help with interviewing, resume writing, online application help, and computer training. She will meet with clients more than once if necessary. If you have questions, you can reach Patie at 301-662-0622, ext. 209. FCPL will be closed all day on Sunday, August 31 and Monday, September 1.

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- 29 .... Festival at Mt. Tabor Park, Mt. Tabor Church of Rocky Ridge hosts. 4:00 p.m. Music by "Full Effect" 6:00-9:00 p.m. Christian Fellowship; good time for all ages.
- 29 .... Soolah Hoops, Thurmont Regional Library, Moser Rd., Thurmont. Grades K-8. 6:30-7:15 p.m. Hoops provided. 301-600-7200.
- Shazam! Magic, Thurmont Regional Library, 10:30-11:15 a.m. Magician Peter Wood. 301-600-7200.
- 30.... Parental Grief Support Group, Hospice of Frederick County, 516 Trail Ave, Frederick, MD. (July 30- Aug. 20) 6:00-7:30 p.m. 240-566-3030 to register by July 25.

# august

- 1,2...CHS Class of 1979 35th Reunion. August 1: Social, Taverna 5450, 5450 Fairfield Rd., Fairfield, PA. 7:00 p.m. 717-642-5887. If plan to dine, call prior to event. August 2: Emmitsburg Amb. Co. Bldg., 17701 Creamery Rd., Emmitsburg. Social hour 6:00 p.m.; dinner 7:00 p.m.; BYOB mixers provided, music, door prizes. \$30/ person. Denise Valentine 301-447-6816; Loretta Stouter lssmickey@aol. com; Liz Stitely stitree@aol.com.
- .Annual Garfield Church Picnic, Corner of Garfield and Brandenburg Hollow Roads, Foxville. 10:00 a.m. Live music by Buck Fisher, Paul Chaney and the Bluegrass Travelers, great food, fun and games. 301-416-0350.
- 2.....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. Followed by indoor potluck picnic. Meat, drinks, paper goods & utensils provided. Everyone welcome.
- 2.....Third Annual St. Jude 5K Walk, benefits St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, Baker Park, 121 N. Bentz St., Frederick, MD. 8:00 a.m. www. stjude5k.yolasite.com to register/ information.
- 4-8 .. Tom's Creek United Methodist Church's Wilderness Escape Vacation Bible School, 10926 Simmons Rd., Emmitsburg.. 6:00-8:00 p.m. Families and individuals of all ages welcome. 301-447-3171; www.tomscreekumc.
- 7......3D Target Shoots, Indian Lookout, 17107 Riffle Rd., Emmitsburg. (Every Thursday night until September 4.
- 7.....New Speaker's Series, Lakeside Hall, Fort Ritchie Community Center, Cascade, MD. Speaker: Art Callaham, former intelligence officer. History of Ft. Ritchie. 6:00-8:00 p.m. \$25/couple; \$15/person. Finger foods/beverage included in price. 301-241-5085.
- .Rocky Ridge Annual Big Picnic, Rocky Ridge, MD. Home of the Big Slide. 11:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m. Soup, sandwiches, pie, & ice cream. Car Show w/ Plaque Awards, People's Choice, Participant's Choice, 50/50 Raffle. Entry fee: \$5. Noon-3:00 p.m. Baby Show (2 yrs & under) 1:00 p.m. Bingo 7:00 p.m. Games for all ages. Jr Country Band 6:00-9:00 p.m. Benefits Mt. Tabor Church.
- ..Mt. Bethel U.M.C.'s Annual Picnic, Stottlemyer Rd., near Foxville (picnic woods adjacent to the church). 11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Food, drinks, & baked goods available. Entertainment by Chapel Blue Grass Band. 301-271-
- 10....Lewistown Ruritan Chicken BBQ, US 15 North & Fish Hatchery Road.

# community calendar

- 10....Rededication Service for Hawley Presbyterian Memorial Church. Presbyterian Memorial Hawley Church, 14753 Charmian Rd., Blue Ridge Summit, PA. 10:15 a.m. 717-794 – 2637.
- 13....Catoctin High School 2015 Safe and Sane Meeting, Rocky's Pizza, Thurmont. 7:00 p.m. Any and all 2015 parents encouraged to attend. www. catoctinsafeandsane.com.
- 16....Vera Bradley & 31 Bag Bingo, VHC Auxiliary at Vigilant Fire Hall, W. Main Street, Emmitsburg. Doors open 5:30 p.m., games begin 7:00 p.m. \$20/ ticket. Bags are filled. 301-447-2374 or tickets at door for same price.
- 16....Old Fashioned Pig Roast, hosted by Sons of AMVETS Squadron 7, 26 Apples Church Rd., Thurmont. Eat 3:00-7:00 p.m.; DJ 7:00-11:00 p.m. \$15/person. Doors open 2:00 p.m. Must be 21 years or older. 301-271-3371. Pig Roast Catered by Dirty's Custom BBQ.
- 16....St. John's Festival, Willard Pavilion, Harbaugh Valley Rd. (behind church), Sabillasville, MD. Sponsored by St. John's United Church of Christ. 3:00 p.m. Great food; hand-dipped ice cream; games for kids; raffles for older generation. Cruise in your old/classic vehicle & receive a free ice cream. Music by Blue Grass Chapel Band.
- 16....Thrift Shop of Seton Center \$5 Bag Sale, 16840 Seton Ave., Emmitsburg. Sponsored by Daughters of Charity. 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Bags provided. Fill bag for \$5; overflow bags \$7. 301-447-6102; www.setoncenterinc.org.
- 16....Thurmont Guardian Hose Company's Yard Sale. 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.; set up 7:00 a.m. Chicken BBQ available. Spaces available: 301-271-4289.
- 16....Play American Girl Molly's "War on the Home Front," Children's Museum of Rose Hill Manor Park, 1611 N. Market St., Frederick, MD. 1:00-2:00 p.m. Free. 301-600-1650 or www. rosehillmuseum.com.
- 16, 17....WW II Weekend, Children's Museum of Rose Hill Manor Park, 1611 N. Market St., Frederick, MD. 11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Displays, activities, food booth, music & more. Sat. afternoon-40's musical concert; Sun.-Antique car show. Free. Fee for food & manor. 301-600-1650 or www.rosehillmuseum.com.
- 16....Back to School Bash, Fort Ritchie Community Center, Cascade, MD. 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Yard sale, games, food & activities. Yard sale spaces available: \$10 /\$15. 301-241-5085.
- .NFL Punt, Pass and Kick, Fort Ritchie Community Center, Cascade, MD. 11:30 a.m. FREE and open to boys and girls, ages 6-15. Grab your sneakers (no cleats). 301-241-5085.
- 16.... Indoor Yard Sale at Faith United Church of Christ, 9333 Opossumtown Pike, Frederick, MD. 7:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Sandwiches and drinks available.
- 16....Annual Utica Picnic, 7515 Lewistown Rd. (4 miles south of Thurmont). Hot fried chicken/country ham; served family-style, all you can eat. 1:00 p.m. \$15/Adults; \$6/ages 3-10; Free if 100 yrs. old. Carryouts \$1 extra. Games; hayride; entertainment. Held by St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Utica. Rain or Shine. www.splcutica.org.
- 17....Shot Gun Shoots, Indian Lookout, 17107 Riffle Rd., Emmitsburg.
- 23....Wing Feed, AMVETS Post 7, 26 Apples

Church Rd., Thurmont. Five flavors of wings, sides, desserts, AMVETS milk, soda, & water. Doors open 4:00 p.m.; food served 5:00-8:00 p.m. DJ Dr. Mudcat 5:00-8:00 p.m.; Karaoke 8:00-11:00 p.m. \$15/person. Must be age 21 or older to attend.

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- 23....Unveiling/dedication of "Crowning Jewels" Murals, Trolley Substation, E. Main St., Thurmont. 1:00 p.m. Hot dogs, ice cream, brownies (compliments of Thurmont Lions Club).
- 24....Guyton Reunion, Mt. Tabor Activities Building, Long Rd., Rocky Ridge, MD. 1:00 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 under 10. 717-249-7610; www.historicalsociety.
- .Summer Sandwich Sale, hosted by Thurmont Lions Club, Bell Hill Farm. 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Menu includes pit beef, pork, turkey and ham sandwiches (alone or as platter w/cole slaw, drink, & fresh cut French fries or baked beans. Benefits local community and vision-related causes.
- .Mother Seton's 240th Birthday with a Special Mass, 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: http://www. active.com/thurmont-md/running/ distance-running-races/thorpewoodtrails-5k-fun-walk-and-10k-trailrun-2014.

# september

- 5-7...58th Annual Thurmont & Emmitsburg Community Show, Catoctin High School, Thurmont. No entry fee; free admission; free parking. www. thurmontemmitsburgcommunityshow.
- Longaberger/Cash Bingo, AMVETS Post 7 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 and 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 and The Fort Ritchie Community Center. Like to be a vendor or have questions concerning car show? 301-241-5085 (ask for Bev Coyle).
- .Lewistown Ruritan Chicken BBQ, US 15 North & Fish Hatchery Road.
- .Shot Gun Shoots, Indian Lookout, 17107 Riffle Rd., Emmitsburg.
- 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. Registration/sponsorships, robseidelwsf@comcast.net.
- .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.
- .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-
- .Frederick County Christian Eagles Football's 1st Annual Family Fun 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.
- 19....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 240-372-6630.
- 20....Bingo Bash, Emmitsburg Amb. Co., 17701 Creamery 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....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.
- .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.

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#### 16432 Sabillasville Rd. Sabillasville - \$554,900

This spectacular 5 bedroom, 4 full bath colonial has so much to offer! Gorgeous hardwoods & ceramic tile throughout! Gourmet kitchen with double refrigerator/freezer, double ovens, granite counters, etc! 2 Story family room with gas fireplace! 2 master suites (one on main)! Upper level master has a luxury bath and enormous walk in closet! Great deck, fenced rear yard and incredible views!



#### 5739 Buffalo Rd. Mt. Airv - \$424,900

Tucked away on a picturesque 4.3 acre wooded lot this spacious home offers 4 bedrooms, 2 full baths, family room and living room on main level, 2 brick fireplaces, equip kitchen with wall oven, cooktop, large island, built in desk and breakfast area! Gorgeous screened porch with vaulted ceiling and Jenn-Air grill! 2 car garage, large lower level, fenced rear yard, shed and paved drive! A must see!



# 13626 Catoctin Furnace Rd. Thurmont, MD - \$175,000

Spacious home on over 3/4 of an acre, currently 3 separate units. Could easily be returned to a single family. Roof, baseboard heat, electric, updated in the last 10 years. Unit A offers 2 bedrooms, Kitchen, Living and Dining (or could be 3rd bedroom), Unit B offers 2 bedrooms, Kitchen and Living Room and Unit C offers Kitchen, Living Room and Bedrooms/Loft. Great rental history! AS-IS.



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

Beautiful Cape with yesteryear charm but many modern updates including new roof, central A/C and heat pump installed 2008, refinished hardwoods, updated appliances and baths, some newer windows, etc. 3 Bedrooms, 2 full baths, fireplace, lots of closets, walk up attic, beautiful views all on almost 2 acres! A must see!!



#### 7313 Black Rd. Thurmont, MD-\$289,900

Fantastic Value!! This gorgeous log home has so much potential! 5 bedrooms, 3 full baths, upgraded kitchen w/ granite counters, main level laundry, hardwoods, sunny loft off master bedroom that overlooks great room. Master has private balcony, soaking tub in bath w/ separate shower and walk in closet! Several decks, front porch w/ ceiling fans, 2 carports, run-in shed and large out building! AS-IS...



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

Lovely all brick cape cod with tons of room and a sunny disposition! Main level offers a 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!



# 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 - \$289,900

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!



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5 bedroom 2 1/2 bath rancher, 2 car garage,shed, partially finished basement, country kitchen, laundry room off kitchen, on one acre. #AD8403934



817 Company Farm Rd. Aspers, PA - \$310,000

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



Emmitsburg, MD- \$154,900

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

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# **Beautiful Lots!**



Affordable 1.73 acre lot with endless possibilities! 4 bedroom conventional perc! Seller will drill well at this price prior to closing. Winter views of the Loys Station Covered Bridge and short walk to Loys Station Park. Country living with easy commute to Rt. 15. Come build your dream home! Take advantage of this affordable price, this won't last!



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



Two Gorgeous perced lots (sand mound) 3.88 Acres (\$165,000) and 2.11 Acres (\$155,000) both with 15 GPM wells! Beautiful veiws all around and just seconds from town with no town taxes! Call for plat today! Lovely, wooded 16.2 acre building lot with well (8 gallons per minute) and 7 bedroom perc . Build your dream home and enjoy nature! Secluded setting with abundant wildlife including deer and turkey. Log road cut in to top of lot. Call for Plat.

16.2 Acres Lot Ward Kline Rd

Myersville, MD - \$170,000