Covering the Emmitsburg Region



Gaining Strength from One Another

September 1999

Emmits burg's Mason-**Dixon Line Fall Festival**

Planning Committee has scheduled two exciting days of entertainment in Emmitsburg on September 25 and 26.

On both Saturday & Sunday the Mason-Dixon Line Preservation Partnership will provide displays and programs featuring Chas. Mason & Jeremiah Dixon's work. A surveyors' campsite and self-guided auto tours of nearby Mason-Dixon Line mile markers and slide presentations are among the

The Lions Club will prepare their delicious barbecue on Saturday beginning at 10:00 a.m. The Emmitsburg Library will be open Saturday from 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. with a variety of children's programs, face painting and a book sale. The Emmitsburg Arts League will display their work outdoors at the Community Center on both days. On Saturday local artists will sponsor "Christmas in September," which will showcase their arts and crafts. This will also be located at the Community

The area behind the elementary school will be converted into a rugby field for what promises to be an exciting match between the Mount Saint Mary's Rugby Team and the Naval Academy's

The Mason-Dixon Line Fall Festival Team. You won't want to miss this event; it begins at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday.

> Saturday will also feature a Horse Farm and Stable Tour. Five farms/stables in northern Frederick County, Maryland, and five in southern Adams County, Pennsylvania, are on the tour. Mount Saint Mary's Equestrian Team will provide a demonstration at their home stable, Breezy Hill Farm, as part of the tour events. Tour tickets will cost \$5 per person and will be sold at the Community Center on Saturday, September 25. To purchase advance ticket(s) phone 301-447-3110.

Sunday will feature a Taste of Emmitsburg from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. in JoAnn's Ballroom at the Carriage House Inn. A number of area restaurants are sponsoring this event: Carriage House Inn, Ott House, Main Street Grill, The Palms, One More Tavern, Subway, Piggy Dukes, Stavros and McDonalds. Other events on Sunday include: an antique car display, a silent auction from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., and the popular Mount faculty jazz band Physical Therapy will perform at 4:00 p.m. at the pavilion in the park.

The Adult Literacy Center of

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Community Show Educates, Inspires, and Entertains

By Ann Marshall In the beginning, over 43 years ago, the Thurmont Grange voted to sponsor a community agricultural show and appointed C. Rodman Myers to organize it. It has turned out to be pretty much a lifelong assignment.

Today, Mr. Myers' title is President of the Thurmont and **Emmitsburg Community Show** Committee. The show will be held September 10, 11, and 12 at Catoctin High School in Thurmont, Maryland. As many as 10,000 people (attendance depends a lot on the weather, says Mr. Myers) may turn out that weekend to show their livestock, their produce, their handcrafts, to watch demonstrations of sheep shearing, log sawing, quilting, spinning and weaving. There will be auctions, commercial displays, good food and, at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, music by the Frederick County Sheriff's Traveling Posse Band.

It's an enormous undertaking and I asked Mr. Myers what keeps him at it. One thing he's very proud of is that the show provides experience for area youngsters and has given them confidence to go on and win at county, state, and even national ag shows. He also takes pleasure in the fact that the committee is made up entirely of volunteers. "It works because it's a true community

"Everyone takes responsibility," he says, mentioning in particular the contributions of his vice president, Robert Valentine, and the committee secretary, Robert Beavan. "And this year Helen Troxell indexed our brochure for the first time. That booklet has grown to 142 pages and, believe me, an index was needed." He adds that his wife Jean is a major volunteer who helps with finances and advertising.

Mr. Myers speaks warmly of William Baker who, when the show began, was the ag teacher in both Thurmont and Emmitsburg and was generous with time and knowledge to get the show up and running. Mr. Myers adds, "Bill lives in Creagerstown but he comes and checks out the show each year to see that we're doing it right."

About \$6,000 in prize money can be won by area exhibitors who are asked to bring their submissions to CHS gymnasium on Thursday, Sept. 9, from 6:00 to 9: 00 p.m. or on Friday, September 10, from 8: 00 a.m. to 12 noon. There are 24 departments, a place for practically every type of exhibit from produce to baked goods to photography. Four thousand brochures were printed and, if you're lucky, you can still pick one up at Jubilee or other local businesses to learn the categories

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...AND, that's how the elephant got its trunk



Storyteller Gary Lloyd, Children's Librarian from Fairfax, Virginia, captured the attention of 45 parents and children at the 2nd annual Evening Story Time in the park sponsored by the Frederick County Public Library.

A Dispatch Photo

New at Emmitsburg: Fall Adult Coed Volleyball League

Register Now for Frederick County Parks and Recreation's new and exciting fall adult coed volleyball league in Emmitsburg, Md. The registration deadline is September 17, 1999, and there is room for only 6 teams. League play begins Tuesday, September 21, 1999, at the Emmitsburg Community Center. Also in October look for flag football, basketball, and after-school adventures for kids!! Call now at 301-696-2936 for registration infor-

For more information call 301-631-2383 and ask for Jeremy.

Letters to the Editor

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The *Dispatch* encourages its readers to express their thoughts about issues that appear in this paper or affect the community. Letters must be exclusive to the *Dispatch*. They should be brief and must be signed and include the writer's address and daytime phone number to be used for verification. Deadline for letters is the 3rd Thursday of each month.

Just Peachy!

Editor's note: 100 years ago last month Mr. Beachley had a peach tree that bore fruit that ripened at different times. It was a puzzlement so we issued a challenge to Dr. William Meredith, retired professor of biology, to come up with an explanation and here it is.

In response to your remarks in the "100 Years Ago" column of the 'last *Dispatch*, the unusual peaches Mr. Beachley found on his tree in August, 1899, would have been called "sports" in those days.

Their sudden appearance would have been unexplainable at that time; the basis for the explanation was actually established by the work of Gregor Mendel in 1865, but no one understood it then. The science of Genetics was not born until 1900, a year after Mr. Beachley's discovery, when the works of Mendel came to light. Even then, it took several years of basic research before genetics was applied to crops. Now, a century after the fact, it is understood well enough to be included in any elementary genetics textbook.

Tree growth results from the division of cells called meristem, which are located in buds. The buds lie dormant through the winter; growth

occurs when the meristem cells begin dividing rapidly in the spring, causing the buds to burst open and producing new twigs and leaves. Normally all of the meristem cells on a tree are identical, so the new growth is the same all over the tree. Occasionally, however, a mutation occurs in a meristem cell. If a bud contains such a mutated cell, the twig it produces will be different from the rest of the tree.

These mutations may be of two types: changes in the DNA which makes up a single gene, or changes in the number of chromosomes in the cell. Both types are well known in fruit trees. For example, McIntosh and Baldwin apples and Bartlett pears are just a few examples of varieties that originally appeared as unusual fruits on single branches of parent trees; they were originally propagated by grafting. You can guess the names of the farmers who found them. Mr. Beachley may have missed his chance to become a household word; the Beachley Peach, besides providing work for ad writers, might have been worth some money.

If your medium is able to contact Mr. Beachley, I hope he will not be too disappointed at having missed his chance for fame and fortune.
Bill Meredith. Emmitsburg

Success

The Vigilant Hose Company Auxiliary recently sponsored a Bingo Bonanza to benefit the Topper Children Educational Fund.

We would like to thank the following businesses who supported this function and made donations to assist us in having a profitable fundraiser: 140 Mini Mart; American Legion; Bollinger Construction; Briggs Associations, Inc.; Carriage House Inn; DeMarillac Center; Dr. Christine Curley; Emmitsburg Car Wash; Emmitsburg Child Care; Emmitsburg Video; Emmitsburg.com; Ewing Oil; Fingertipz; Jubilee Foods; Miller's Service Center; Mystic Tan; One More Tavern; Paul's Pit Stop; Piggy Dukes;

Shriver's Meats; Skiles Funeral Home; South Seton Auto Repair; St. Joseph's Provincial House; Stavros Pizza; Subway; The Main Street Grill; The Ott House; The Palms; Total Look Hair Salon; VFW; and Zurgable Brothers. In addition to these Emmitsburg businesses, we received donations from several VHC Auxiliary members: Austin & Linda Umbel (Emmitsburg), David & Barbara Martin (Emmitsburg); Chris' Beauty Shop (Thurmont); Catoctin Apple Orchard (Thurmont), Pauline Smith (Thurmont); and the Greenmount Community Fire Company (Gettysburg). The Auxiliary very much appreciates the support given during this fundraiser.

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Emmitsburg will have an exhibit outside the library on Saturday. Several of the volunteer tutors and current students will be on hand to acquaint the public with the center. Books and other materials used in the tutoring program will be displayed.

It's not too late if you would like to

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participate in the Fall Festival by selling crafts/yard sale items; providing a display; or volunteering at the event. Please contact one of the following individuals: Don Briggs, 301- 447-3110; Bob Gauss, 301- 447-2222; Linda Winkler Jünker, 447-5306; Hope Mahony, 301- 447-6522; or Elizabeth Prongas, 301-271-4459.

Town News...

Welcome!

The *Dispatch* will open its new office, Sept.7, 1999, at 130 South Seton Avenue in Emmitsburg in the old Sperry Ford garage. (next to Don Briggs Associates real estate office.)

The office will be open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. - 12 noon. It will be manned by volunteers who are donating their time to support our efforts. Come in and chat; tell us what's going on. Let us know what kinds of articles you would like to see in the paper.

This will be your place to bring in your news about birthdays, weddings, reunions, special events, Your news is what the *Dispatch* is about. Our new phone number will be 301-447-3039.

Where is Emmitsburg?

You know and I know. But don't rely on the *Frederick News-Post* to know because they apparently have only the vaguest notion that historic Emmitsburg is even in Frederick County.

The newspaper recently published its annual supplement, a 176-page insert called "Hello, Frederick County." Except for a few general listings (branch libraries, for example) Emmitsburg is not mentioned. A seven-inch article on page 167 lauds the record of Coach Jim Phelan. It

refers to Mount Saint Mary's College and the Catoctin Mountains but scratch the word *Emmitsburg*.

A map on page 21 shows Rockville (Montgomery County) and Taneytown (Carroll County) but draws a line across Route 15 before it reaches Emmitsburg.

Perhaps in the interest of truth and accuracy, the newspaper will either recognize our town as part of the county or title next year's edition "Hello, Frederick County, Excluding Emmitsburg."

Ann Hall Marshall Emmitsburg

Excellence

We at St. Joseph's Parish want to brag a little, or maybe a lot, about three graduates of Mother Seton School who achieved the honor of Valedictorian at their respective high schools. A little history follows concerning their families and where each student will attend college. The evidence of their superior performance can be noted by the fact that each was awarded numerous scholarships and grants to the colleges they will attend.

Jennifer Eaton, daughter of Chuck and Tina Eaton of Taneytown, attended Delone High School in McSherrystown, Pa. She will attend Villanova University in Pennsylvania. She has been awarded scholarships to the University.

Sophia Ritz, daughter of Joe and

Susan Ritz of Emmitsburg, attended Catoctin High School in Thurmont. She will attend Mount St. Mary's College. She has been awarded several grants and scholarships to the Mount.

Jeffrey C. Tracey, son of Mrs.
Joan Tracey of Emmitsburg and
grandson of Curtis Topper of
Thurmont, attended St. John's
Literary Institute in Frederick. He
will attend Villanova University. He
has been awarded several scholarships and grants to the University
where he was awarded a Villanova
grant and scholarship. In addition,
Mr. Tracey has been selected to participate as a first year student in the
"Visions of Freedom" program.

Rev. Fr. Michael Kennedy, C.M., Pastor, St. Joseph's Church Emmitsburg

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What's black and white and read all over — the Emmitsburg area?

By Caryl Austrian
The Dispatch, of course! Now
that the paper has an office in
Emmitsburg (130 South Seton
Avenue), we thought readers would
like to know some of its history.

The Dispatch was born some five years ago under the aegis of Bo and Jean Cadle, first by themselves, and later with help from friends and neighbors like YOU.

Your Roving Reporter (RR) recently interviewed Bo (Jean was busy doing the books, Bo said, and left the storytelling to him!).

RR: Did you and Jean start the publication from scratch?

Bo: When we first thought about publishing a newspaper there were two monthly newsletters in town, one put out by the town office, who didn't particularly want to keep it up, and another by the Emmitsburg Business and Professional Association, who also didn't want to continue. When both of them gave us their blessing we began our newspaper and it's been going ever since.

We had no idea what we were getting into. Our main strengths were awkwardness and poor management! We wiggled and jiggled around 'til we got something together. We collected some small papers and then did a very scientific study on size: We printed out a couple of mo ckups and took them to Jean's 84-year-old mom and asked her what she liked. She said, "I like this one because it doesn't flop over on me," and that's how we ended up with the tabloid size we have now.

RR: Didn't you have a large capital expenditure just for the equipment to produce it?

Bo: No, we just used the equipment we had — a computer and a program called something like Express publisher. It was about 40 bucks, and did the job but it was very slow. We just kept going until we couldn't stand it, and then upgraded the system by increments, improving the software and speeding it up. But from Day One the paper supported itself. We got some advertisers from the newsletters and walked around and got others.

RR: How about the staff — where did they come from? Did just the two of you do it?

Bo: We went around and asked people if they would write as correspondents. I knew Emma Keeney, who did a correspondent column for the old *Thurmont Times*, and she

agreed to write. We asked our neighbor Pat Howes Bell, a retired English teacher, to be our copy editor and she has given us valuable assistance all these years. Then Ann Marshall agreed to do the column about St. Anthony's, and various other people started writing articles. Jack Deatherage did about a three-year series on goldfish, which was very popular. In fact, one time a lady called from Washington, D.C., to ask if we knew we had left off the end of his latest story. We included it in the next issue.

RR: How do you distribute the paper?

Bo: We use bulk mail and run around the countryside delivering it to anyone who will take it (such as restaurants and supermarkets) in Fairfield, Emmitsburg, and Taneytown. Jean and I did it alone for the first five years but now Bill Rapp has volunteered to help and he is doing a terrific job. We used to conduct our own scientific survey called the "garbage can count." The paper would be put in each mailbox at the Emmitsburg post office. Shortly afterward, we would gauge our readership by counting how many were thrown in the trash. We stabilized our garbage can count, and then found out why - one guy was taking them out of the trash to redistribute to eldercare homes, one lady only wanted the coupons, and others were getting extra copies to mail to family and friends. We're still delivering it the same way. As soon as we get organized we hope to deliver them in Fairfield on the same bulk mailing

RR: After some five years of this, you thought about calling it to a halt, right? What events led to your changing your mind?

Bo: At the end of five years, there were some health problems and great fatigue, so we said, well, this is it. We hadn't gotten a lot of feedback on the paper. We said, OK, we've sort of reached our first goal, so let's sell it or quit or do whatever. We said we would like to keep the paper going if we got help, but people want to be paid. We hoped we could run it like a National Public Radio model have a paid core staff, have people being sponsors, and make sure everybody continues to get the paper free. We said all of this in the form of an article in the paper.

RR: What happened next?

Bo: We received 215 responses! More important than the money and pledges [of financial support] we got were the notes saying, "You can't quit. Keep it going!" For the first time people were revealing what they thought of the paper. So we said OK, this forces us into a new mode — we will take this support and try to convert it into a true publishing group, a nonprofit with the people essentially supporting the paper. That was about six months ago. We found people who were willing to help — writers, editors, proofreaders, tech people . . . and others.

RR: Didn't you recently return from a vacation trip? Didn't volunteers put out the paper in your absence?

Bo: Yes, they did. We had several meetings and a dress rehearsal beforehand, and there were only a couple of small problems. They did a fantastic job.

RR: How is production handled when you have people working from home who usually don't even know each other?

Bo: We're finding that we can individualize the production — people can take small bits and put them together via the Internet. I think there are a lot of people out there who would like to help, but they have other commitments, like work and family. If you have a computer you can do it.

RR: The paper is printed in Waynesboro at the *Record-Herald*, right?

Bo: Yes, and they have been so helpful. They let us come in and

showed us how to do pasteups, how to use the wax machine, and so on. They actually called us; we had been using a printer in Emmitsburg, but they couldn't handle anything larger than 8 ½ x 11, and as our scientific research showed that Jean's mother preferred the tabloid size, the *Dispatch* is now printed on a newspaper press.

RR: Emmitsburg and the surrounding area are growing like many other once-exurban agricultural areas. How do you think the *Dispatch* is going to accommodate that growth?

Bo: Emmitsburg has become a bedroom community and the old-time relationships are not as strong, because of the pressure on family, jobs, travel, making a living and raising kids. I would hope that the paper can somehow be a vehicle or glue to help people feel some belonging to a little place. I think this is central to human health and happiness. I lived the life of a rolling stone and when I came back home, I discovered the importance of roots. I'm hopeful we can reinstitute a lot of these relationships.

Note from your Roving Reporter: Want to help? Contact Bo and Jean Cadle at (301) 447-6275 (phone), (301) 447-2290 (fax) or e-mail bojean@erols.com. And do come and visit the new office which will open September 7. Volunteers will staff the office Mon., through Fri., 9 a.m. - 12 noon. This will be the place to drop off your news stories.

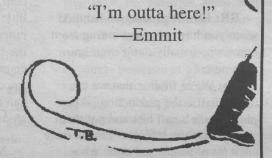


Ahh! Holidays

Famous Quotes on Holidays

"Holidays are an expensive trial of strength. The only satisfaction comes from survival."

—Jonathan Miller



100 Years Ago "In this place"

from the Emmitsburg Chronicle

September 1, 1899 - The Annual Bean Soup, under the auspicious of Arthur Post, No 41, G.A.R, was held in Seabrooks' woods on Saturday last. About 3 o'clock in the afternoon a heavy rainstorm came up, which brought the picnic to an abrupt end. There was a good attendance and everybody was enjoying themselves until the crowd was suddenly scattered by the rain.

September 8, 1899 - Sun Brothers show was in town last Saturday. They gave two performances, one in the afternoon and the other in the evening. The attendance was large.

Return that coat

One day this week whilst playing ball on the Public School grounds in this place, Alvey Shorb, one of the pupils, laid his coat on the ground along the school yard fence. When the

hour for resuming studies arrived and the pupils repaired to the school room, Alvey forgot his coat. When school was dismissed in the evening, he went to the place where he had left his coat, but it was not there. It is evident that somebody has a coat which they know does not belong to them. Alvey is out of a coat, but is in hope that it will be returned.

Explosive Whiskey

William J. Highbarger, of Sharpsburg, proprietor of the City Hotel in that place, was severely burned Wednesday evening by a barrel of whiskey taking fire and exploding. He went to the cellar to draw a demijohn of whiskey from a barrel. It was dark and he lighted a match. In an instant the barrel exploded. The head of the barrel went through the ceiling and the burning contents were scattered over everything. The hotel bar was ruined and great effort was required to prevent the destruction of the building. Mr. Highbarger is a candidate for the nomination for Sheriff on the Republican ticket.

Emmitsburg Ambulance Company has made significant improvements. A massive recruitment campaign has yielded many new and dedicated members. The County agreed to fund a previously unscheduled Emergency Medical Technician class in Emmitsburg, which graduated 17 new EMTs on August 15. The mutual aid agreement with the National Emergency Training Center has been finalized, and is working very well providing trained responders when available. Mount Saint Mary's has agreed to provide assistance and allow aggressive recruitment of students as members. We have learned to better utilize the resources (especially manpower) available to us. Perhaps most importantly, we are now working together, for the common good of our Company and the Community we so proudly serve.

Finally, and as always, thank you for your support in the past, present and future. And remember: volunteer opportunities abound at the Emmitsburg Ambulance Company. Feel free to stop in anytime!

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EAC undergoes resuscitation

By Ann Messner

Founded in 1949, the Emmitsburg Ambulance Company (EAC) has had a very long and proud history of volunteer service to the Community we serve. In 1998, the volunteer tradition was seriously threatened when a lack of active members coupled with low morale literally brought our Company to its knees.

Around February of that year, it was becoming increasingly difficult to adequately staff an ambulance for an emergency medical call. Approximately twelve members, "the dirty dozen," were responding to calls, as well as handling fundraising, administrative duties, janitorial duties, and the many other activities associated with running an ambulance company. Active members were worn to a frazzle, struggling to keep the Company alive.

In August of 1998, the Officers of the Vigilant Hose Company recognized our struggle and offered to house and staff a county-owned ambulance at their station, to allow the EAC to reorganize, correct problems, and return to providing quality Emergency Medical Services (EMS) in a timely manner. This offer was gratefully accepted by the EAC, and approved by the Frederick County Volunteer Fire and Rescue Association (FCVFRA).

Superior EMS was again provided to the Emmitsburg Community, through a joint effort of both Companies.

On December 13, 1998, Officers of the Company met with the full Executive Board of the FCVFRA to discuss the status of our Company, as well as the future of EMS in Emmitsburg. At that meeting, the Executive Board strongly recommended placing career personnel in our station. This option was discussed at great length, and was opposed by Company 26. We then requested thirty days to be able to devise a plan to improve our response statistics, and save ourselves. The Executive Board agreed to this request, and also directed the Officers to have the entire Membership vote on the viability of the Company, as well as a commitment to do whatever it would take to remain

Needless to say, we voted unanimously to remain a viable, volunteer Company, and committed wholeheartedly to the task at hand. An extensive plan for recovery was made, and was presented to a few representatives of the FCVFRA Executive Board on January 13, 1999. The plan was accepted and approved, and the EAC began its journey to recovery.

Since January 1999, the

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and the names of the hardworking department superintendents. The show is run under rules established by the Maryland Agricultural Fair Board. There are local rules, too. The pet show on Saturday morning (one entry per person) has such interesting categories as Pet With the Most Spots, Best Costumed Pet, Largest and Smallest Pet, but warns sternly, "An ant is not a pet."

This year, the Rocky Ridge Fire Company is celebrating its 50th anniversary and has been chosen as the Community Show's special honoree. A ceremony on Friday evening at 7:30 p.m. will recognize 13 outstanding members of the volunteer organization: Robert L. Albaugh, Ralph E. Baker, Kenneth R. Mumma, Robert B. Ogle, Bernard R. Wivell, Alan L Brauer, Sr., Betty L Mumma, Paul H. Burrier, Robert J. Kaas, Betty Ann Mumma, Charles W. Riggs, Melvin T. Myerly, and Robert E. Mumma.

These honorees along with many other volunteers not only fight fires but organize the fundraisers that help purchase the firefighting equipment. At the annual carnival, two tons of meat are used to prepare the famous fried ham sandwiches.

Announcing the name of the Ambassador for the Catoctin Future Farmers of America (FFA) Chapter will be a highlight of the opening ceremony. The Ambassador will represent the chapter at official functions in 1999-2000.

There have been many changes over the years. Mr. Myers remembers when Emmitsburg and Thurmont once held their ag shows separately but they combined in the mid-60s and a few years later found a more spacious home in the new Catoctin High School. New events were introduced such as the popular flag ceremony which will open the show at 6:00 p.m. on Friday and the K-9 dog show and karate demonstrations on Sunday afternoon. As one of the most rewarding aspects of his job, Mr Myers fists, "We saw local young people showing their livestock at the first community shows and we now see their children and even their grandchildren in the same capacity."

Admission is free because, says
Mr. Myers, that's how community
shows are run. By contrast, county,
state and national shows charge 11 of 12 of 12 of 13 of

admission to the public and set fees for exhibitors. Parking for the Community Show is also free and there will be door prizes nightly.

As in the past, the Show is sponsored by the Thurmont and Emmitsburg Granges, the Catoctin FFA Chapter, The Catoctin FFA Alumni, the Maryland Agricultural Fair Board, and the Maryland State Grange.

A condensed calendar of events at the 1999 Community Show follows.

Once again the show will open at 6 p.m. with a flag ceremony that will include several musical selections by Emily & Kathy Six, Linda Six Shields, and Bonnie Six Sanders. The highlight of the program will be the announcement of the 1999-2000 Catoctin FFA ambassador. The evening concludes with the auction of the exhibited baked goods.

Saturday's program includes beef, sheep, and swine fitting & showing contests from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. and a pet show at 10:30 a.m. The Thurmont Grange will sponsor their annual family style turkey and ham supper in the school cafeteria from 3-7 p.m.

Many displays will be back this including "Homer and Albert" Jackson weighing in at 3000 lbs. each!! Emu, pigs, and calves can also be seen.

Plan to be there for the Catoctin Area FFA Alumni beef, sheep, and swine sale beginning at 7 p.m. in the Ag Center.

On Sunday come and enjoy the goat and dairy show, a decorated animal contest and once again at 12 noon a chicken barbecue will be served by the Catoctin FFA alumni.

Games begin at 1 p.m. with the Catoctin Mountain horseshoe pitching contest and at 2 p.m. a cross cut sawing contest.

See sheep being sheared from 1:30-2:30 p.m. by Silvia and Tyson Creamer. The demonstrations continue with spinning and weaving. See quilting, a karate dernonstration, the Frederick County Sheriff's Band playing, an afghan display and books on sale made possible by the Thurmont Library.

There is much for all to enjoy at this year's Community Show, September 10, 11, and 12 at Catoctin High School.



Mount Saint Mary's president George Houston speaks with the Emmitsburg EBPA at a luncheon at the president's house held August 17. Houston reminded the members and guests that "What is good for Emmitsburg is good for the Mount--we are tied together in so many ways." Also, he said what is good for the Mount is good for the town. "The Mount's economic impact on the region is dramatic," said Houston. The Mount is one of the three largest employers in the area and is working to develop a Bio-tech research park near the campus.

A Dispatch Photo

Mailing Notice

To: Subscribers of the Dispatch

Starting with the May issue, the out-of-town copies were mailed 3rd class bulk rate—a savings of \$80 per month. If some subscribers find that their copies are being delivered too late, or not at all, please contact the editor.

Mason-Dixon Festival Library Book Sale

When: Saturday, Sept 25 - 10am - 5 pm

Where: Emmitsburg Library
Outside: Home Schooling textbooks. Children's books

Inside: Self-Help, Mysteries, Religion, Romance, & much more.

Prices: Hardbacks - \$1.00 Paperbacks - 50 cents

Each person purchasing a book will have a chance to win a special door prize; and certain books will bring the buyer a cash reward!

New business moves customers

Maria's Transport, a shuttle service new to Emmitsburg area now transports passengers to all major airports: B.W.I., Dulles, and National—\$65 per person, \$10 each additional person.

From Fairfield, Gettysburg—\$75 per person, \$10 each additional per-

Twenty-four hour notice is required to reserve the comfortable Lincoln Town Car.

Local transport service around Frederick County, to Metro Station, or Gettysburg area—\$1.40 plus \$1.40 per mile per trip no matter how many passengers.

Call 301-606-8746.





Diane Bassler has been a nursing assistant at Villa St. Michael for 12 1/2 years. Diane was chosen Employee of the Month for July because she is pleasant and willing to do whatever is asked of her. Diane cares for the sister residents in a kindly manner with much love and fidelity.

Diane sets a good example for coworkers by showing initiative in her work and by providing quality care. Resisting the temptation to take short cuts, Diane has qualities of honesty and generosity. A strong and capable nursing assistant, Diane does not complain when asked to take on other duties. The sister residents she cares for like her and trust her. Diane is an asset to and a stable influence on the nursing unit.

Births

Congratulations to these new

Sandy L. Christian & Charles S. Senedegar Sr., Emmitsburg, a son,

Frank & Melissa Angleberger, Rocky Ridge, a daughter, July 30. Renee Martin & Timothy Dinges Sr., Rocky Ridge, a son, July 30. Art & Sherrie Nispel, Carroll Valley, Pa., a daughter, July 31. Ginger and Robert Watson, Fairfield, Pa., a son, Aug. 1. Lisa and Mark Kasten, Fairfield, Pa. a son, Aug. 24. Debi and Bill Kaas, Rocky Ridge, a daughter, Aug. 24.



St. Catherine's Nursing Center Employee of the Month for July, 1999 is Kim Bennett. Kim has been employed as a Licensed Practical Nurse since 1998. Kim was chosen because she takes very good care of the residents and is always there to lend a helping hand when needed. Congratulations, Kim.



Vickie Eitel

St. Catherine's Nursing Center Employee of the Month for August 1999 is Vickie Eitel. Vickie has been employed as a GNA since 1998. Vickie was chosen because she is a great asset to St. Catherine's. She is cheerful, friendly, and very supportive of the residents. Vickie has been a tremendous help to the Activities Department by making sure residents are in attendance at events whenever possible. She is very kind and a great role model.

Stop Smoking for Life

Free smoking cessation classes start Sept. 13, 1999, sponsored by the Frederick County Health Department's Tobacco Use Prevention Program. The course is held Mondays and Thursdays 7 - 8:15 p.m. and runs from Sept. 13 - Oct. 7, 1999. Classes will be held at FMH Wellness Center @ FSK Mall. Call Barbara LaPilusa at 301-631-3282.

Wantz Reunion

The descendants of Harry and Annie Wantz held their annual reunion on June 27, 1999, at the Indian Lookout Conservation Club in Emmitsburg. There were over 70 family members present, including Jodie and Amanda Stimmel, Keola and Nikki Houck from various areas of Florida. The youngest members of the family present were Wesley Trimmer from North Carolina and Brianna Saylor from Biglerville.

This year, Ed Wantz and his dad,

Dave Wantz, Jr., won the competitive horsehoes tournament. All the children (young and old) had ample opportunities to win prizes at all the games or catch a smile with the pleasant conversation. The weather was warm, but the occasional cool breeze as well as the cold beverages ensured that no one minded the heat

We are looking forward to next year's reunion on the last Sunday in June, to all of the traditionally good food, to the fellowship and most importantly, fun.

and had a great time.

Senior Citizen News

By Linda Umbel

The recent seniors picnic was well attended and plenty of delicious home-made food was prepared by our own cooks-many thanks to the kitchen crew.

Calling all seniors. Mark your calendars and get your name on the lists for the up-coming trips:

Wed., Oct. 6, Autumn Glory in Cumberland/Garrett County,

\$53 pp.

Sat., Nov. 20, American Music theater: Holiday Treasures,

Mar. 5-11, 2000, Florida Winter Getaway, featuring St. Augustine and Jacksonville, 7 days - 6 nights, \$399 pp.

The Center is open Mon. -Fri. 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. Phone 301-447-6253.



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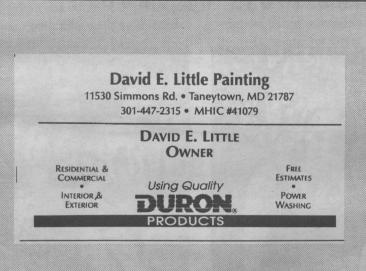
Up-County Family News

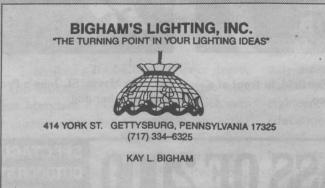
Italian Night: Up-County cordially invites all eligible participants (families expecting children or parenting children under the age of 4) to "Italian Night" at the Center. On Wednesday September 8 and Wednesday September 22 from 5:30 - 7:30 you can enjoy a famly supper at the Center. Please contact Beth or Andi at Up-County Family Center (301) 447-2810 for more details and to make your reservation, or just drop by for Italian Night!

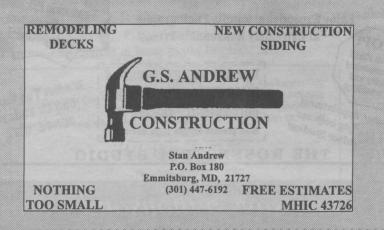
Computer Lab: Up-County recently received an anonymous donation with which we purchased seven new computers, a server, and new printer. Our new state-of-the-art computer lab is available to eligible participants (families expecting children or parenting children under the age of 4).

At least one of the computers has modem hook-up for Internet access and job search capabilities. We also have acquired upgraded PLATO educational software and Microsoft Office 97 for participant use.

We offer *Introduction to Computers*, a self-paced beginner course taught by Rita Carroll on Tuesdays at 1 p.m. Employability assessments, resume writing, and job search skills are also available at this time and by appointment. We also offer an Advanced Microsoft Office class and an Introduction to Microsoft Office class on Thursdays at 11 and noon taught by Andi Fuhrman. These classes are also available to members of the community, as space is available. If you are interested in any of these classes, contact Andi or Rita at Up-County Family Center (301) 447-2810.







New Computer Lab



Tammy Wolfe, Laurie Barnes, and Coeli Brunty take advantage of the computer classes offered by Up-County Family Center. Classes range from self-paced beginner levels to the more advanced Microsoft Office level. Educational and job search programs are also available.

A Dispatch Photo

Parenting (STEP) course

Parents! Register now to take part in a <u>free</u> Systematic Training for Effective Parenting (STEP) course offered by the Frederick County Health Department's Substance Abuse Division, Prevention Services. Topics of discussion include methods of effective discipline, building positive self-esteem, improving communication skills, and much more.

Tuesdays, November 2 - December 21 at the Emmitsburg Elementary School: STEP BASIC.

All courses meet once a week for eight weeks from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. The STEP BASIC program is designed for parents of children ages 7 to 12, Pre-registrationis strongly requested. Space is limited. Participation is based on a first come, first served basis. To register or for more information about any of the STEP programs, please call Todd Crum at 301-631-3285.



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Rosensteel Adds Outdoor Studio

By Annetta Rapp

A visit to Bob Rosensteel's new outdoor studio is similar to a tour of movie scenery stages in miniature. Bob has transformed the backyard of his home at 110 DePaul Street into a wonderland of 30 various settings in which his clients may choose to be photographed.

There is a beach complete with sand and sea grasses; a water fountain cascading into a stone enclosed pond; a weather-beaten porch made from wood of old apple crates featuring an antique whiskey barrel and a milk container; a wagon axle from the 1800s; a graffiti-painted fence announcing the "Class of 2000"; a barn complete with straw piles and many other unique locales. Future plans include an old-fashioned gas station and a waterfront scene. The beach scene, fence, and old porch have proved favorites among the high school seniors

while the fountain and pond create stunning backdrops for bridal pictures.

Bob and. his wife Jean have lived in the house since 1965 and founded Friends of the Family Wedding Photography in 1986. Last year they made extensive renovations to the indoor studio and added a waiting room and office. Bob's niece, Karen McDaniel, assists in photographing the 65-70 wedding assignments per year.

Besides weddings, The Rosensteel Studio photographs family and individual portraits, sports teams, and seniors from many surrounding private and public high schools. Bob has won several awards for his photography and is proud to sponsor a local girls' softball team and a Little League team in Frederick. The studio is backed by the "promise of excellence" from Kodak and also offers a selection of frames.



Aaron Adelsberger of Catoctin High School, on cabin porch.

Seniors of the class of 2000



Amanda Myers beside the fountain.



Ryan Knott, Walkersville High School, on the beach.



Jessica Beck, Fairfield, in front of a grove of bamboo.



Amanda Myers, St. John's Prospect Hall, with her dog.

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The following topics will be discussed during the series:

Success with Small Fruits and Edible Landscapes featuring Sam Parish and Ann Marie Creamer. DATE: September 20, 1999 Location: Thurmont Branch Library, 11 Water

St. in Thurmont.

Native Gardening for Beauty, Birds and Butterflies featuring Jim Gallion DATE: September 27, 1999 Location: Emmitsburg Branch Library, Community Center in Emmitsburg.

Herbs for All Seasons featuring **Bonnie Stanley**

DATE: October 4, 1999 Location: Brunswick Branch Library, 915 N. Maple Ave. in Brunswick

Small Space Gardening featuring Charlotte Smith

DATE: October 18,1999 Location: C. Burr Artz Central Library, 110 E. Patrick St. in Frederick

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THE ROSENSTEEL STUDIO

A picture says a thousand words

Reflections on the Rain

By Mike Hillman

Well, it's finally raining.
Thank God. Last month, when the editors asked me for a humor article, I didn't have the heart to tell them that with our trees wilting, our fields brown, and the well dangerously low, humor was the last thing on my mind.

I'll be the first to admit I'm surprised at how my perspective on country living has changed over the past few months. In the suburbs where I grew up, water was never an issue. Depressing pictures of shriveled-up crops, emaciated cattle, and dust storms were over-shadowed by concerns over whether it was better to wash my car in or out of the shade.

However, when the first thing you see when your door opens is your neighbor walking through corn fields barely waist high, and the gardens you toiled over earlier in the spring are now only barren patches of clay, your perspective changes on what really matters in life. Suddenly, that report you've been working on for months doesn't really matter anymore. You come up with excuses not to attend meetings, or take trips, dedicating the time instead to watering parched shrubs and wilted plants.

When I first toyed with writing an article about the drought, I had planned to open it with "OK, who in Emmitsburg made God angry?" While that may sound sacrilegious, it nevertheless did appear that God had it in for the area. I can't begin to count the number of rainstorms that I have watched pass south, north, and west of our farm.

While the gutters of the streets of Thurmont were overflowing, we baked in bright sunshine. As tourists rushed for cover from sudden downpours in Gettysburg, we hauled water. It was as if some invisible hand were trying to send us a

message. Clouds would roll in and over us, dumping their precious cargo just over the horizon, far enough away to be of no use, but close enough to be seen, as if to add insult to injury.

In spite of it all, we survived. Not only did we survive, but we survived something historic: a once-in-a-hundred-years drought. In years to come, with wells once again flush, who among us will be able to resist the temptation to spin tall yarns about this drought?

The warning signs came early. Many of the old timers expressed concern over the mild winter, rightly predicting a long, dry summer. Those of us used to turning to technology or the Weather Channel for forecasts paid these students of mother instinct little heed until it was too late.

The April showers, which were supposed to bring May flowers, didn't. By June, the ground had turned so hard that even weeds were struggling to survive, and many a wary eye was cast toward the sky.

By the Fourth of July, many ponds were bone dry, as were the small streams that crisscross the countryside.

While the loss of the surface water impacted only recreational activities such as fishing and tubing, it was devastating to the wildlife, some more than others. The great predator birds that hunt on the plains at the foot of the Catoctins simply had to beat their wings a few more times. For the songbirds, the finches, the wrens, and the bluebirds, locating water became a struggle for survival.

The drought, however, took its heaviest toll on God's creatures that rely on scales or legs to move. Timid snakes who usually race away at the sight of humans, ignored everything and everyone on their long, slow crawl to hopeful sources of water. By the time August rolled in, it would not have surprised me to see mice and other small prey walking side by side with their nemeses in search of the one commodity they both need.

Please see Rain page 22

Tutoring Service Available

by John J. Preston, M.S.

If you are reading this article, that's great. Please, keep reading, and pass on the following information to someone who may need it. My name is John Preston, and I have always wanted to do something good for the community that gave me a lifetime full of memories.

I received a Bachelor of Science degree from The Mount, and a Master's degree from Western Maryland College, both of which centered around education. I possess an active Maryland Standard Professional II Teaching certificate, and I have been working in the educational field for over eight years. Recently I thought of a way to help the community where I grew up. I am currently offering tutoring assistance for anyone in the Emmitsburg area with an educational need. I also cover parts of Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, and Howard counties. I specialize in basic math, English, lit-

erature, soft and hard sciences, special education, and helping adults work towards their GED.

The service I provide is not free, but don't worry, if you can buy a soda at Paul's Pit Stop, you can afford my rates--guaranteed. My only prerequisite is that you have the desire to further your education, and if you are under eighteen, your guardian has to agree to your educational mission. Needed information is posted on my 'hobby' card. Please remember two things before you contact me: our initial consultation is free, and no educational need I have encountered has been so trivial that I didn't have the time to assist.

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Mount starts accelerated degree program at Frederick site

Adults who want to finish college now have an exciting new option. Mount St. Mary's College, a leader in Maryland higher education for more than 190 years, is offering its first accelerated degree program for adult learners at a newly opened site in the 270 Technology Park next to FSK Mall in Frederick.

The program is designed for adults., 25 or over, who have some previous college experience and want to complete their undergraduate degrees.

The first classes, leading to a B.S. degree in business, start the week of October 4. Classes meet once a week in the evening and run for either 5-week or 8-week sessions. The first two classes are "Principles of Marketing" and "Business & Society."

This latest initiative by the Mount is a concentrated effort to meet the needs of a growing number of adults who want to continue their education but need to do it in a way that complements their work schedules and lifestyle, without sacrificing quality.

"Changes in the economy, in the nature of jobs, and in emerging technologies make a college education a prerequisite for success," said Dr. Carol Hinds, provost at the Mount. "We want to offer a Mount education to a new group of students."

To accommodate working professionals, the Mount has leased space for offices and classrooms in the 270 Technology Park in suburban Frederick. The location is convenient to the 1-270 and 1-70 traffic corridors and close to many major businesses and corporations,

An advisor will be on site to talk with prospective students, review their transcripts and give them immediate answers concerning transfer of credits and how their work experience can be applied to academic credit. An academic "road map" on how and when students can complete their degrees can be individually designed.

Since many students will be coming to class from work, there will be a reading room and a student area equipped with food facilities.

Computer terminals will also be easily accessible, as well as the ability to access full-text databases and libraries from home or work. The program is geared to provide a hassle-free, user-friendly format for motivated, busy adults in a comfortable, learning-conducive setting.

The Mount has partnered with Regis University of Denver to present the accelerated program. Regis has been a leader in offering accelerated degree programs for more than 20 years and has partnered with 26 colleges and universities in the U.S. and abroad in structuring programs for adult learners.

Students in the accelerated degree program will earn the same Mount degree as many of the nation's top CEOs, bankers and other business professionals who are Mount graduates, and they will be offered the opportunity to network with many of these individuals,

A variety of financial aid packages are available to adult learners. They can use tuition reimbursement from their employers, VA and other service-related benefits, and student loan programs to finance their educational programs.

For further information, contact the program's director, Dr, Linda Martinak at 301-447-5352 (toll-free 877-982-2329) or fax a copy of previous college work to the attention of Dr. Martinak at 301-447-5634.



Mount Saint Mary's College honored employees for their service to the Mount Community at this year's annual Employee Awards Banquet.

Barbara A. McGraw of the Dining Services staff was recognized for 30 years of service.

Mount professor receives award

Dr. William Lawbaugh, associate professor of rhetoric and communications at Mount Saint Mary's College, was chosen as this year's Multimedia Distinguished Advisor by College Media Advisors, Inc.

Each year College Media
Advisors, Inc. awards a plaque and
certificate to a college advisor who
has been an instrumental part of
campus media. Qualities such as
helpful instruction and devotion to
campus media are some of the characteristics used to make the decision.

"This is quite an honor since all of the nominees in all awards categories this year had such excellent credentials," wrote Laura Widner, advisor awards committee chairperson. The awards ceremony will be held in October at the group's fall convention in Atlanta, Ga.

For Lawbaugh, this honor follows a First Amendment Award he

received from the Society of Professional Journalists in December.

Lawbaugh, who earned his Ph.D. in modern and American literature criticism at the University of Missouri in 1972, is faculty advisor to the *Mountain Echo* and the award-wining Pridwin yearbook at the Mount.

He has also served as the director of journalism studies at The Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C., and was advisor of the award-winning Cardinal yearbook. At Ball Sate University, he was advisor to the award-winning Orient yearbook.

Lawbaugh is currently serving his second term as president of the Society for Collegiate Journalists, an organization founded in 1909 which encourages college students to participate in the field of journalism.

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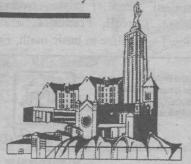
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Looking ahead

September 2, 7, & 10
Hunter Safety Course sponsored by the Taneytown Rod & Gun Club and the Department of Natural Resources Police will be held at the Taneytown Rod & Gun Club, 12380 Shoemaker Rd., from 6 p.m. - 9 p.m. (time to be determined for Sept. 12 class). Pre-registration by phone is a must. Call Dick or Florence Miller at (410) 751-1685 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. No registration will be taken after 8 p.m.

Saturday, September 11
A Weekenders display and sale
of their women's fall clothing line
will be held at the library from
10:00 a.m. until noon. Plan to drop
by and preview the outfits. Orders
will be taken and clothes delivered
to the library in about 2 weeks.
Weekenders will donate 20% of
their profits to our library.

Sunday, September 12 Picnic for Cambridge Rubber

Co. past employees. Get together and see old friends and past coworkers at a picnic at John Stottlemyer's in New Midway, 12437A Detour Road, from 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Bring a covered dish for lunch which will be at 2:00 p.m. Call 410 -756-6205 for more information and to advise the number of people planning to attend.

Sunday, September 12
Opening reception at Studio
Gallery, 304 East Main Street,
Emmitsburg, for the featured artist
in September, Jan McIntyre Lamb,
from 3-6 p.m. The public is cordially invited. (See page 19 for
more details.)

Monday, September 13
Women's Aglow meeting at
Mountain Gate Family Restaurant
in Thurmont, Md. Time: 6:15 p.m.
for the buffet. Cost: \$7. Call for
reservations by Friday, September
10 at 301-447-2283 or 301-2714346. The speaker will be Anne
Thomas who served Aglow in the
early 70s, was the first state prayer
coordinator, and is now working
with the Glen Burnie Teen Aglow.

Saturday, September 18
Peach Festival and Yard Sale at
St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Route
550, Sabillasville, Md., from 10:00
a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Soups, sandwiches, peach desserts, and baked
goods. Soups by the gallon and
quart to go. Vendors set-up free.
For more information call 717-7945183.

Sunday, September 19 CROPWALK at 1:30 p.m. The WALK will start at the Memorial Park pavilion.

Sunday, September 19,
A good old country breakfast
will be held at the Taneytown Rod
& Gun Club, 12380 Shoemaker
Road, 7 a.m - 11 a.m. Menu is pancakes, buckwheat cakes, sausage,
eggs, toast, sausage gravy, chipped
beef gravy, pudding & hominy,
fried potatoes, hot cheese, hot
apples, fruit cocktail, orange juice,
and coffee. Adults: \$4.50. Children
8 to 12: \$3.00. For information call
Godfrey or Florence at 410-7511685.

Tuesday, September 21
EBPA monthly luncheon will be held at the Carriage House (2nd floor) at 11:30 a.m. Guest speaker will be Ron Young, Deputy Director of the Maryland Office of Planning. Topic: "Smart Growth." All are welcome.

Saturday, September 25
Saint Joseph's Alumni Dance will
be held at Mother Seton School
auditorium, 8:00 p.m. -12:00 midnight. Entertainment by DJ.
BYOB. Set ups available. \$5 per
person.

Sunday, September 26
Artist's signing at Callie's
Collectibles, 24 West Main Street,
Emmitsburg, from noon until 4
p.m. Frederick artist Steve Burdette
has recently released new prints of
the Mother Seton and Emmitsburg
area and will be available to sign
his new print releases. For more
information call 301-447-6700.

Wednesday, September 29
Evening Card Party sponsored by
the Emmitsburg Senior Citizens at

the Senior Center, 300 South Seton Avenue at 6:30 p.m. IT IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. Pinochle and 500 will be played. Refreshments will be available. Admission is \$2.00 Doors will open at 5:30 p.m. For more information call 301-447-6253 between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 2, 1999 A Buffet Breakfast (all-you-caneat) will be held by the Tom's Creek United Methodist Church on Tom's Creek Church Road (off Route 140 between Taneytown and Emmitsburg) from 6:00 a.m. -11:00 A.M. featuring sausage, pancakes, home fries, chippedbeef gravy, scrambled eggs, toast, fruitcup, coffee and juice. Adults: \$4.50. Children ages 5-10: \$2.25. Bake & Craft Table available. Advance orders for sausage and pork chops can be made by calling 411-756-6878 or 301-447-6383.

Sat. & Sun., October 9 and 10 Mt. Tabor Lutheran Church of Rocky Ridge's Ridgefest, will be held at Mt. Tabor Park in Rocky Ridge, just minutes from Thurmont. On Saturday enjoy an

a pple butter boiling demonstration. Apple butter will be available for sale (advance orders accepted 301-271-2880). The Rocky Ridge firemen's famous fried ham sandwiches will be on sale both days. Flea markets, crafts (free spaces available: call 301-271-2135), good home-cooked food, a country store and more will be yours to enjoy. Mt. Tabor Park is home to the 'big slide''. Sponsored by the Willing Workers. Directions to Mt. Tabor Park: follow Route 77 to Rocky Ridge, turn left onto Motters Station Road, park is

FALL FESTIVALS

September 10, 11, 12 - Thurmont and Emmitsburg Community
Show, Catoctin High School,
Thurmont, Maryland
September 18, 19 - Maryland
Wine Festival, Carroll County
Farm Museum, Westminster,
Maryland
September 25, 26 - Mason-Dixon
Fall Festival, Emmitsburg,
Maryland
October 9 and 10 - Ridgefest, Mt.
Tabor Park, Rocky Ridge,

October 9 and 10 - 36th Annual Catoctin Colorfest Arts and Crafts Show, Thurmont, Maryland



Strawberry Hill Nature Center's 9th Annual Open House

September 18, 1999 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. (Event free to the public and will be held rain or shine.)

Environmental Displays - Learn what's new with local environmental groups.

Nature Walks - Geology and Natural History

Refreshments - Chicken-corn soup, pork barbecue, baked goods.

Back-woods Jeep Rides - Explore the 600 acre nature preserve.

Music & Early American Demonstrations - Indian artifacts, woodworking, candle making, Tomahawk throw, Revolutionary War artifacts.

Strawberry Hill is a natural stream valley set in the Appalachian Mountains. The center and preserve is owned and operated by a non-profit membership foundation dedicated to providing sound environmental stewardship and education. For information call 717-642 5840.

The center is located west of Gettysburg, northeast of Ski Liberty and north of the town of Fairfiled, Pa., on Mt. Hope Road.

Remember when...



By Amy Valentine

Sometimes during these weeks of sultry days and rainless nights, it is difficult to remember when Emmitsburg has been cooled down. Perhaps this photo will bring you remembrances of cooler days past and hopes of precipitation to come. This photograph is taken from the corner of Main Street and North Seton Avenue in front of what is now Village Liquors. This big snowstorm passed through Emmitsburg on Palm Sunday, 1942, leaving behind large amounts of snow and cold weather. Do you recognize these buildings? On the left is the town's post office located in

what was called the Zimmerman building. This building was built on the site of the first log house in town. The Village Tea Room Restaurant is attached to the post office and had been a furniture store before it became one of many restaurants. Finally, the large building to the right housed Harners' store. In its past this building had been home to Isaac Annan's store, an Acme store, a beauty shop and even the library (today you may recognize it as The Ott House).

Thank you to Jason Sanders for sharing this photograph and helping us to remember the snowy days of winter in 1942.

EMMITSBURG COMMUNITY DAY GAME WINNERS:

This may be a tad late but once your name goes into the record book you're always a champ.

. Greased Pig - Trophy:			Vickie Miller
1-6 yrs.	Jerry Roberts		Josh Weatherly/
7-11	Kyle Roberts		Danielle Getz
12-16	Steven Little	13-16	Mary Knox/
17-up	Dale Shields		Jenny Miller
		17-up	Chris Gauss/
I. Single Sack Races (First):			Kathy Gauss
1-4	Jacob Miller		
5-8	Michael Stromberg	III. Egg Toss (First):	
	Mathew Bradshaw		Mike Ramsburg
Single Sack Races (Second):			Michelle Ramsburg
1-4	Gus Cole	Egg Toss (Second):	
5-8	Luke Howard		Richie Harbaugh
	Jessica Miller		David Gebhart
Three-Legge	ed Sack Races (First):		
9-12	Lindsay Howard/	IV. Water Balloon Toss (Tie for First):	
	Chad Sweeney	Travis Dawson/ Mike	
	Megan Bradshaw/	Bradshaw	
	Rebecca Ed leblute	Jerry Roberts/ John Gauss	
13-16	Tracey Gan jon/		
	Ashley Kau ffman	Water Balloon (4-Way Tie for 2nd	
17-up	Mary Ann Shields/	Emily Mitchell/ Kory Smith	
	Patty Wivell		Keilholtz/ Sharon
Three-Legged Sack Races (Second):		Keilholtz	
9-12	Jessica Miller/	Cole	Kauffman/ Alex Palmer

Poetry Corner

By Joan Boyle

Editor's note: Wordsmithing.

Joan Boyle stopped by and suggestd we include more poetry in the Dispatch, hence this corner. We thought it was a good idea. In this first of occasional columns Joan introduces Cinquain (pronounced SIN'-KWAIN) --a poetry form that is seemly simple, looks like fun, and has the potential for some interesting poems by our readers. Send us your poems which we will publish on a space available basis.

Might you be a budding poet
And you do not even know it?
Just try your hand
And then you'll show it.
The *Cinquain* offers some bonny leaven;

You only have to write the words—eleven.

The Cinquain - a stanza in five lines only in a special pattern.
Line 1. One word - noun, the subject
Line 2. Two words - adjectives,
describe the subject
Line 3. Three words - verbals
expressing action
Line 4. Four words -expresses the
poet's attitude concerning line 1.
Line 5. One word - a synonym

Example:

Mountain
Craggy, lofty
Towering, inspiring, sheltering
Refuge of wild creatures
Eternity.

Y2K - Crisis or Inconvenience?

Is the Y2K computer problem a major crisis or minor inconvenience? What will the Y2K computer crisis mean to you?

Frederick County Public Libraries will help you separate fact from fear in a program to be held Saturday, September 11, from 9:30 11:30 a.m. at the JBK Theatre located in the Fine Arts Center at Frederick Community College.

You will be able to get answers to your questions from a panel of experts representing Allegheny Power, Fredericktown Bank & Trust,

V. Casting Contest:

d):

American Red Cross Disaster Preparedness, Frederick County's Chief Information Officer, Frederick Community College, and the State of Maryland's Y2K Program Director.

This FCPL program is co-sponsored by Frederick Community College, Fredericktown Bank & Trust, Allegheny Power and Duncan Technologies with additional funding by Patapsco Designs, Inc. You can pick up free tickets to the program at a ny branch of FCPL. For more information call 301-371-7560.

v. Casting C	Unitest.				
Up to 4	Jacob Miller	VII. Watermelon-Eating Contest (First):			
9-12	Luke McKnew	1-5	Lydia Emory		
13-16	Mike Reilly	6-8	Misty Bradshaw		
17-up	Joe Cool	9-12	Just Loube		
		13-16	Mary Knox		
VI. Pie-Eating (First):		17-up	Matt Knox		
Up to 4	Lucy Carter		Paul Emory		
Pie-Eating (First), cont.		Watermel	Watermelon-Eating (Second):		
5-8	Erin Emory	1-5	Ashley Smith		
	Eddie Miller	6-8	Mathew Bradshaw		
9-12	Bobby Knox	9-12	Stephen Favret		
13-16	Mike Hobbs	13-16	Jenny Miller		
	Kate Emory				
17-up	Bill Emory	Raffle Winners 50-50:			
Pie-Eating (Se	econd):				
Up to 4	Ashley Smith	1st Prize (\$196.25) - Roland Hubbard			
5-8	Amanda Miller	2nd (\$117.75)- Robert G. Myers			
9-12	Nicholas Wivell				
	Luke McKnew				
	Steve Favret				
	Matt Reilly	NASCAR Tic	NASCAR Tickets plus \$250.00 cash:		
13-16	Sarah Emory		Brian Wolf, Westminster		
	Chris Brady				
17-up	Erik Larson				

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Obituaries

Shirley Topper

Ms. Shirley Ann Topper, 47, of Emmitsburg, died Tuesday, July 27, at her home, following a long illness.

Born Jan. 11, 1952, in Gettysburg, Pa., she was a daughter of Ruby Glass Sheeley of Emmitsburg, and the late William G. Sheeley.

Surviving in addition to her mother are two daughters, Angela Topper of Emmitsburg, and Janice Topper of Manchester; two sisters, Betty Keeney of Gettysburg, and Marie Champlain of Emmitsburg; and one brother, Ronald Sheeley of Carroll Valley, Pa.

Graveside services were held Saturday, July 31, in Emmitsburg Memorial Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Angela Topper, 100 Creekside Drive, Apt. 9, Emmitsburg, Md. 21727.

Arrangements by Skiles Funeral Home, Emmitsburg.

Mr. George Cool

Mr. George Raymond Cool, of Gettysburg, Pa., died Saturday, July 31, at his home.

He was the husband of Mary G.Krietz Cool.

Born May 20, 1910, in Fairfield, Pa., he was a son of the late J. Henry and Susan Krug Cool.

Mr Cool served with the 28th Division in Northern France, Ardennes, Rhineland and Central Europe during World War II.

He worked as a custodian at Mount St. Mary's College, Emmitsburg, before retiring.

Mr. Cool was a member of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, Emmitsburg.

Surviving in addition to his wife are one son, Donald F. Cool of Seneca, Pa.; four daughters, Patricia Althoff and Linda Miller, both of New Oxford, Pa., Joan Miley of Chambersburg, Pa., and Evelyn Cool of Gettysburg; 12 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at Skiles Funeral Home with the Rev. Michael J. Kennedy officiating. Interment will be in Emmitsburg Memorial Cemetery.

Joseph F. Burdner

Joseph F. (Bud) Burdner, Sr. of Long Island, New York, formerly of Emmitsburg, died Saturday, August 28, 1999. He is survived by wife, Eva and son, Joseph F. Burdner, Jr. of Long Island, New York, and two sister; Margaret Shryock of Taneytotwn and Delores Davis of Emmitsburg.

Interment was in Long Island Veterans Cemetery.

Mr. John Warthen

Mr. John Christopher Warthen, 45, of West Main Street, Emmitsburg, died, Sept. 1, at his home.

Born Jan. 9, 1954, in Gettysburg, Pa., he was a son of Kathleen Jones Warthen of Emmitsburg, and the late John Louis Warthen.

Mr. Warthen was a member of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, Emmitsburg.

He enjoyed music, art and reading the Bible.

Surviving in addition to his mother are five brothers and sisters, Karen Warthen Adelsberger and husband Edward, Joel Stephen Warthen, Mark Alan Warthen and wife Ellen, and Matthew Brian Warthen, all of Emmitsburg, and Laurie Warthen Barnes and husband Don of Frederick; and a number of nieces and nephews.

A funeral mass will be held at 10 a.m, Sat., Sept. 4,. at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Emmitsburg, with Mr. Warthen's pastor, the Rev. Michael J. Kennedy, as celebrant.

Interment will be in Emmitsburg Memorial Cemetery, Emmitsburg.

Memorial contributions may be made to Emmitsburg Council of Churches, c/o Mrs. Helen Kelly, 17509 Irishtown Road, Emmitsburg, Md. 21727.

1999 ARTSCAPE Exhibitors

Rubeling & Kain Studios' newest architecture project was included in the 1999 Baltimore ARTSCAPE Festival of Literary, Visual and Performing Arts. This annual event occurred July 8 through 11. Curator Gary Kachadourian invited Lori Rubeling as one of six architects and sculptors to create a house within the limitation of 100-square-foot floor plan. Brian Kain was the project manger.

Rubeling & Kain created and built a 100-square-foot house titled: *Untitled (compass)*. Rubeling's house was described in the ARTSCAPE program guide as representing "...the idea of a house as a tool for living and as a sanctuary." The *Untitled (compass)* was sited due north and mechanically represents a compass rose.

Each side of the house was named for a given living function. The east was named for 'wakefulness'; north for 'nourishment'; west for 'meditation'; and south for 'motivation'. The gabled roof system, named 'heaven side' rotates a full 360 degrees. And the only interior wall, named 'freewill,' also rotated 360 degrees, allowing visitors to be in only one place at one time.

The *Untitled (compass)* was built on a 10 x10-foot concrete slab. The materials used included: 6 x 6-inch timber posts, 5 x 10-foot



The Untitled (compass), One Hundred Square-Foot House, curated by Gary Kachadourian and commissioned by 1999 ARTSCAPE Festival of the Arts.

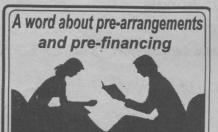
The *House* is installed at Mount Royal Avenue and Dolphin Street, Baltimore, Md.

This sculpture is scheduled to be disassembled on September 27 so a closing wine and cheese party is planned for Thursday, September 23, from 6 to 8 p.m. Call Rubeling & Kain Studios for more information:

MDF panels, plywood quoins, steel brackets, and galvanized poles.

To learn more about the *Untitled (compass)* project visit Rubeling & Kain Studios' web site: www.pobx.com/artscape

For more information call: 301-447-6583 or e-mail: rkstudio@pobx.com.



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Lori Rubeling's
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of received ideas:
Primary Structures

Villa Julie Gallery
August 30—October 8, 1999

Reception, September 2, 6—Spm

Lori Rubeling Gallery Talk
September 16, 12:15pm

Lori Rubeling is also exhibiting 18 years of sketchbook drawings at Villa Julie Gallery, Stevenson, Maryland. This exhibition is a part of the school's annual "Featured Faculty" series.

The opening is scheduled for Thursday, September 2, from 6 to 8 p.m. and Ms. Rubeling will be giving a gallery talk September 16 at 12:15 pm.; for more information call: 301.447.6583.

The Carriage House Cupboard

Fore!

Mountain View Golf Club,
Fairfield. On a bright but windy
Monday morning, normally the
dreary part of a normal work week,
a carnival (er... golf competition)
broke out. One-hundred plus golfers
gathered to participate in the 2nd
Annual JoAnn Hance Memorial
Golf Tournament sponsored by the
Carriage House Inn. The tournament
is held to benef it the Sr. Barbara
Hance Homeless Shelter in Maine.
and the Emmitsburg Lions Club.

Pitching, putting, chipping, driving, stretching and warming up was the pre-start drill. Golfers greeted each other with jests and gibes

and studied their maps of the course.

Serious thought was given to the challenge of Mark Twain's observation that "Golf is a good walk spoiled."

"Absolutely true," said Bill Wells of Germantown, "I should know. I spend more time walking on this course than anyone cause I can't hit the ball far enough to ride in a cart."

"Yeah? What was his handicap?" asked Art Okum of Damascus.

"It's all a matter of perspective," said Gary Koenig of Gaithersburg." It's based on your score. If you're shooting in the 90s, he is right. If you're shooting in the 80s, everything okay."



Tournament sponsors Bob Hance (I) and Jim Hance were pleased to share the proceeds of the 2nd Annual JoAnn Hance Golf Tournament with Sr. Lucille MacDonald of the Sr. Barbara Hance Homeless Shelter and Bob Gauss, Jr., representing the Emmitsburg Lions Club.

A Dispatch Photo



They signed up with high hopes.

Sister Barbara Hance was an inspirational voice in the founding of the Emmaus Center in Ellsworth, Maine. In her memory the Sister Barbara Hance Home, was founded as a home for those hoping for a transition from the dependence on other to independent living with the community. Sister Barbara is the sister of Jim Hance owner of the Carriage House Inn located in Emmitsburg.

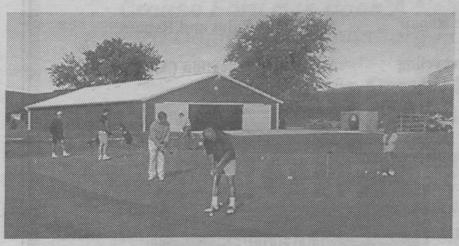
"The money received from last year's golf tournament made it possible for us to remain open dispite the cutbacks in government grants and funding, said Sr. Lucille MacDonald of the Hance Home.

The Hance Home offers a safe, friendly environment for individuals from all walks of life going through personal difficulties, both financial and emotional.

The managers of the home encourage the residents to discover their potential, lend a sympathetic ear, help with organization, and assist with referrals to services and programs which can aid the residents towards acheving their potential.

Some of the services offered by referrals include educational opportunities, substance abuse treatment, and mental and physical health care.

The Sr. Barbara Hance Home is a renovated farm house ofn 2 1/2 acres of land located on Surry Road, about a mile from downtown Ellsworth, Maine.



And practiced. "What's wrong with that ball?"



Gentlemen, start your engines!





For Your Fitness

by Linda Stultz

Health and Fitness go hand in hand with exercise. Strength Training is an ideal way to reduce weight, build muscle and increase energy. Most people want to reduce inches and firm up. Strength Training does just that along with so many other benefits. Stress reduction, increased mobility and circulation and helping to prevent osteoporosis are just a few of the benefits my clients have experienced.

My program is personalized with "One on One" training so each person can concentrate on exactly what they want to improve. Many people do not feel comfortable in a gym environment. That is why several of my clients have chosen a Personal Trainer. My facility is private and air conditioned with clean, sturdy equipment. I use both machines and free weights. This keeps the workout fun and the client motivated. Several of my clients tell me how much they look forward to their workouts. Motivation is a key part of a successful exercise program. Some of my clients also tell me they need the accountability of that weekly weigh-in to keep them

Many people today are realizing how important it is to build a strong body. Exercise is the only way to do that. I combine Strength Training with aerobic and cardio exercise to provide a complete program for improved health. Along with all the

benefits I have mentioned so far comes the best one of all. This is a great way to get healthy while having FUN.

Many of my clients came to me to lose weight, but later discovered how much better they felt overall. Some of them did not come to lose weight. Each person has their own goal. That goal may be to improve their golf game, increase mobility from arthritis, be able to walk that flight of stairs without getting winded or be able to keep up with the kids or the dog when they take a walk.

Weight lifting is not just for competition body builders. It is for everybody of all ages. Strength Training is becoming one of the nation's most talked about health and fitness programs. People now realize that they can firm their muscles to look leaner without the fear of bulking up too much.

Strength Training improves your health both now and for the future by building stronger muscles and bones. Many seniors are benefit-**Please go to page 17**



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Fitness from page 16

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QUILTERS

By Inspector 13

Mt. Tabor Quilters are always searching for new information pertaining to quilt making. A topic often discussed is "to wash, or not to wash" fabric before using in a quilt top. Recently, one of our group made the remark that it's not really necessary to wash 80s and 90s fab-

rics, but all older material should be washed to check for running. This is one of those "well, not exactly" moments.

In the spring 1998 issue of the *Keepsake Quilters Newsletter*, there was an in-depth article by Jinny Beyer—well known author, quilt maker, fabric designer—dealing with fabric dyes. This information is very important to all fabric crafters.

Fading or bleeding colors are due to the types of dyes and the way they are used in producing fabrics. Ms. Beyer says, "...only five plants in the United States print 100% cotton fabrics, and the majority of fabrics you use in your quilting probably come from only three different printing plants."

We all know that the color in some fabrics does not fade and "run" as much as others. Ms. Beyer says that the industry could produce fabrics with more stable colors but the cost to us would be \$20 to \$40 a yard. She also suggested that quilters would be willing to pay more per yard to get fabrics with more color stability. Not me! If I have to start paying more than \$12 to \$15 a yard, I will stop making quilts.

The problem of running (bleeding) or crocking (color rubbing off) is a major one. Producers of 100% cotton fabrics have gradually improved their processes so that these problems are minimal. However, Ms. Beyer informs us, "...in the 1970s new environmental codes restricted the amount of formaldehyde allowed to be added to the fabric dyeing process. Formaldehyde acts as a binder and aids in color fastness.... The amount that used to be added is now illegal."

This is such important information to quilters, especially, that I will continue to give you excerpts from Ms. Beyers' article. Next month; Washing, Testing, Detergents.

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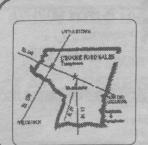
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Rocky Ridge News

By Emma Keeney

September birthdays: Happy Birthday to Marie Stambaugh, Helen Ogle, Vicky Powell, Michael Harris, Jr., Betty Brown, Betty Lee Brown, Bonnie Eyler, Pauline Stambaugh, Tammy Wiles, Michele Martin, Guy Pittinger, Robert Burrier, Kenneth Sharrer, and Bonnie Hurley.

Happy anniversary: Jeff and Shirley Sharrer, Steve and Faye Wolfe, Robert and Betty Ann Mumma, George and Betty Ann Moser, Curtis and Shirley Greene, John and Bonnie Sanders.

Congratulations to Donald and Betty Lee Brown Herr on the birth of a daughter Joyce Love Herr on April

Church of the Brethren September birthdays: Congratulations to Ralph Baker, Billy Shuff, Pat Free, David

Eichelberger, Megan Ott, Florence Cook, Mary Harmon, Alma Jones, Darrell Ritchie, and Dolly Free.

The 1999 Vacation Bible School was held July 19 - 23. The theme was "We Shine for Jesus." Director - Lyn Ott Music - Lisa Reed Art and Crafts - Dawn Hobbs, Laurie

Recreation - Carroll Glass, Josh Eyler, Michael Hobbs, Ben Speck Pre-School: Teacher-Carreanne Eyler, Tammy Wiles. Students: Megan Ott, Cory Reed, Cotey Eyler, Dakota Bittner, Bridget

Kindergarten: Teachers - Debbie Wiles, Tina Smith. Students - R.J. Smith, Joseph Speck, Cody Wivell. Middlers: Teacher- Karen Speck, Jim Hobbs. Students- Zack Fritz, Bradley Wiles, Toni Stottlemyer, Cara Stottlemyer, Adrian Ott, Erin

Danaher, Tiffany Free, Deidre Beard. Primary: Teachers - Rosie Stambaugh, Melissa Sharrer. Students - Kayla Reed, Daniel Hobbs, Kaitlin Miller, Charity Wivell, Danielle Wiltrout, Tara Free, David Speck, Shayne Beard. Juniors: Teachers- Alice Eyler, Debbie Eyler. Students-Terri Stottlemyer, Darrin Glass, Nathan Fritz, James Stambaugh.

The annual Mt. Tabor Church Picnic and Baby Show was held on Aug. 14 at the Mt. Tabor Park in Rocky Ridge. Fifty-five babies participated in the show. The winners are:

Youngest Baby - 10 days old -Jadelynn Shriner, Daughter of Jessica and Jason Shriner of Hagerstown, Md.

Farthest Distance - from Charlotte, N.C. -Paul Sanders, son of Jim and Heidi Sanders

Twins - 3 weeks old - Jonathan and Joshua Hubbard, sons of Jeff and

Patty Hubbard, Thurmont, Md. Twins - 13 months old - Charlotte and Alexis Waggener, daughters of Joann Waggener of Thurmont, Md.

Ages 1 - 3 months

Prettiest Girl - 2 weeks - Daisy Roser, daughter of Chris and Lori Roser, Harrisburg, Pa. Cutest Boy - 1 month - Darin Getzandanner, son of Gary and Tammy Getzandanner, Libertytown,

Chubbiest Baby - 3 mos. - Annabelle Eyler, daughter of Terry and Kerri Eyler, Frederick, Md.

Age 4-6 Months

Prettiest Girl - 5 mos. - Rayann Eaves, daughter of Richard and Tammy Eaves, New Midway, Md. Cutest Boy -5 mos. - Tyler Sumner, son of Butch and Larue Sumner, Rocky Ridge, Md. Chubbiest Baby 6-mos. Dakota Goff, daughter of Wendric and Jennifer Goff, Emmitsburg, Md.

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St. Anthony's/OLMC News

by Ann Marshall

Religious Education Classes will begin Sunday, September 12, at 9:15 a.m., at Thurmont Middle School. A parent meeting will be held in the school cafeteria at the same time. Parents who have not yet registered their children should call 301-271-4099 to obtain registration forms and fee information. Anyone with questions or problems about fee payments, please ask to speak to Yvette Leith.

Family-Centered Religious Education is a program offered as an alternative to the classes mentioned above. Instead of weekly Sunday classes, families meet monthly and together study ways in which to increase their knowledge of and commitment to their faith. Classes are divided by grade level and are good opportunities, especially for parents and young adults, to talk together about issues of interest. The next meeting will be September 18, from 5 to 6:30 p.m., in St. Anthony's Upper Hall. For more information, call Yvette Leith, 301-271-4099.

Volunteers to Serve As Teachers

staff the Religious Education program, especially grades 5, 6, 7, and Confirmation Classes. Please pray about being a volunteer. Our youth need your gifts and talents. Please call Yvette Leith, 3012714099.

The Annual Labor Day Festival at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish Center, Thurmont, will be held on Monday, September 6, from 12 noon until 6 p.m. A fried chicken and ham dinner will be served family style: adults \$7.50, children \$3.50, children six and under free. Music will be by The String Band America, Inc. Entertainment includes bingo and many kiddie games. There will be craft and country store booths.

The Labor Day Festival is a "service opportunity" for all Confirmation students, youth in grades 5-12. Please call Yvette Leith, 301-271-4099, to volunteer to help with game stands, dining room and/or kitchen clean-up.

A Position is Open for a part-time Youth Minister to serve the children of the combined parishes. For details please call Sister Carol, 301-447and Aides are needed this fall to 2367, or Yvette Leith, 301-271-4099

A New Century, an Ongoing Vision: Sr. Valenta heads a team which will develop goals and put together a formal plan for our parishes in the new century. She needs parishioners, those with old experience and those with new enthusiasm, to volunteer for this very important project. Call 301-447-2367.

The Knights of Columbus will hold their regular meeting on Tuesday, September 7, at 7:30 p.rn. in the **OLMC** Parish Center.

Welcome to Jeannie Dower, our new Religious Education

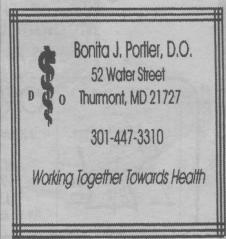
Administrative Secretary. Jeannie has a good knowledge of our Catholic Faith and of the position she holds because she worked for the parishes before in the same capacity. It's a pleasure to announce that she has rejoined the staff.

The Young Church is now "online" where Catholic young people will find news, stimulating articles, volunteer opportunities, and links. There is also a bulletin board where thoughts and feelings, poetry and prayers may be posted. Find it at: www.archbalt.org/youngchurch or

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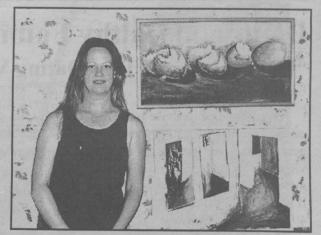
"Works of 1997 -1999," at Studio Gallery

Jan McIntyre Lamb will be the featured artist during the month of September at Studio Galley, 304 E. Street in Emmitsburg. The show will open on September 4 and run through September 30. An opening reception will be held on September 12 from 3 -6 p.m. and the public is invited.

The show, "Works of 1997-1999," is a collection of pieces done over the last two years during Jan's studies at the Corcoran School of Art

in Washington, D.C. For those who are familiar with Jan's colorful landscapes and still life paintings this exhibit will be a pleasant change. The colors are still strong though not so bright and the images are a bit more abstract in some cases.

In addition to several new oil paintings there are a couple of monotypes as well as some bas relief pieces. For further information call Studio Gallery at (301) 447-3292.



Gettysburg rehab welcomes speech-language pathologist



Lynn M. Hinkle, M.S., CCC-SLP, speech-language pathologist

Officials at Gettysburg Rehab, physical medicine and rehabilitation department of The Gettysburg Hospital, recently announced the addition of Lynn M. Hinkle, M.S., CCC-SLP, speech-language pathologist, to its professional staff, effective June 28, 1999.

As Gettysburg Rehab's speech-language pathologist, Hinkle will be responsible for providing inpatient and outpatient services to children and adults with commu-

nicative functions involving neurological impairments, fluency, receptive and/or expressive language, voice, dysphagia (swallowing), articulation, and motor speech disorders. Services are available at The Gettysburg Hospital and Gettysburg Rehab at Herr's Ridge.

A native of Lancaster,
Hinkle received a bachelor of science in communicative disorders
with a minor in psychology from
West Chester University of
Pennsylvania in 1995. She went on
to earn a master's degree in speechlanguage pathology in 1997 from the
University of Southern Mississippi.
Additionally, she has received the
Pennsylvania State certification and
certificate of clinical competence.

Hinkle has had extensive experience as a speech therapist, including work at RehabWorks of York County Nursing Home, York Lutheran Home and Gettysburg Lutheran Home, and Piney Mountain Continuing Care Retirement Community. She specializes in geriatric speech/language and dysphagia difficulties.

Hinkle is a member of American Speech-Language Hearing Association and Pennsylvania State Speech-Language Hearing Association.

She resides in the Wrightsville area.

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Age 7 - 12 Months

Prettiest Girl 12 mos. - Natalie Johnston, daughter of Crystal Long and Herman Johnston, Taneytown, Md.

Cutest Boy - 12 mos.- Dalton
Rippeon, son of Jean and Kevin
Rippeon, Emmitsburg, Md.
Chubbiest Baby -12 mos. - Jessica
Fogle, daughter of Harold and
Tammy Fogle, Detour, Md.
Age 13 - 18 months
Prettiest Girl, -13 mos. - Kaitlinn
Lowman, daughter of Jason and
Natalie Lowman, Thurmont, Md.
Cutest Boy -16 mos.- George Stone,
son of Tim and Marilyn Stone,

Chubbiest Baby - 17 mos. - Bradley Wentz, son of Michelle and Steve Wentz, Frederick, Md. Age 19 - 24 Months

Prettiest Girl -19 mos.- Jennifer Dinterman, daughter of Mike and Kim Dinterman, Rocky Ridge, Md. Cutest Boy -20 mos. - Alec Shjuff-Osborne, son of Jennifer and Rod Osborn, Reston, Va. Chubbiest Baby -24 mos.- D.J. Vergura, son of Cathy and Dino Vergura, Frederick, Md.

Judges: Dawn Hobbs, Rocky Ridge, Md.; Charlene Little, Emmitsburg, Md.; and Pam McNair, Emmitsburg, Md.

St. Anthony from page 18

Frederick, Md.

www.archbalt.org/youngchurch/youth.

Basket Bingo (24 games) will be played at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish Center on Saturday, October 2. Food and fun and lots of retired baskets with protectors and some with liners. Also raffles. Doors open at 5:00 p.m. Games start at 6:30 p.m. Tickets in advance are \$15.00; \$20.00 at the door. For advance tickets call Judy at 301-271-4303 or Mary, 301-898-0876.

Raffle Winners from St. Anthony's Picnic are Home Entertainment

Center, George O'Donnoghue; \$ 100, Bill Burkey; \$50 each, Nancy Wiles and Jodi Trio.

Congratulations. St. Anthony Shrine Parish welcomes into the Catholic community of faith, Carrie Nichole Little, daughter of Tom and Jean Little, who was baptized August 8, 1999.

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Building Healthy Families"Danger Ahead: Teen Dating Violence"

Teen relationship abuse is a devastating problem that puts young people at risk and starts a cycle of violence that often escalates as they mature and enter adult relationships, It is estimated that between 28 to 40% of all teenagers will be involved in a physically abusive relationship, These assaults range from, slaps and shoves to severe beatings. The reported numbers of victims are only the "tip of the iceberg." Many assaults go unreported because of the victims' fear or embarrassment. While much of the abuse most victims experience is emotional abuse, it is often easier to overlook these injuries because the "bruises" are not as obvious.

Teens lack life experiences and may feel confusion about what is appropriate and healthy behavior in a dating relationship, It is important for young people (and their parents/guardians) to be aware of the clues that indicate that a relationship may be turning abusive. The following are some questions teens should ask themselves about their relationships:

Am I often frightened of my partner's anger?

Do I have to tell my partner

where I am going / who I am with / what I am doing?

Is my partner jealous of my friends of the opposite sex?

Does my partner blame me for his/her abusive behavior?

Has my partner physically harmed or threatened to physically harm me?

Adults should also watch for sudden or increased isolation, explanations of injuries that do not seem to "fit," and increased anxiety or emotional instability.

Most abusive behavior is learned and can be unlearned or changed. However, the victim cannot change the abuser and, without help, the abuse will probably get worse. If you (or someone you care about) are in an abusive situation it is important to get professional help. Heartly House services include counseling, legal assistance, and a 24-hour hot-line:(301) 662-8800). For additional assistance, contact your school guidance office or CASS Coordinator at (301) 447-3611.

Next month's article will be on domestic violence.

Re-doing the Bathroom? Don't Trash That Perfectly Good Sink - Donate it for re-use.

Attention Harriet or Harry
Homeowner - that old kitchen cabinet you're replacing may have a second life ahead if you save it and donate it in a special program.

Plywood, lumber, kitchen and bathroom cabinets, doors, windows, working plumbing fixtures and other key items are being sought in a new project which began August 10 at the Frederick County Landfill. A special trailer will be available there through October for donations of used building materials that will supply low-to moderate-income customers of Frederick Non-Profit Building Supply, 105 East South Street.

"There are lots of people who remodel because they're improving or upgrading a room in their home, and you'd be surprised at the amount of useable building supplies that people throw away that someone else could use," said Sue deVeer, director of FNPBS. The non-profit organization's customers are church and social service groups who remodel homes for needy members of the community. Other common customers are moderate-to lowincome customers looking for affordable materials for home improvement and remodeling jobs.

Construction trash is estimated to be 9% of the tonnage of debris being buried in the Frederick County Landfill and Rubblefill. Diversion of even a small percentage of those tons for re-use would benefit not only the users of the material but would conserve valuable landfill space. Construction materials tend to take up a great deal of landfill airspace. "While recycling has always been a great goal for county citizens, re-using things like building materials is an even more efficient use of resources," said Linda Norris, Recycling Program Manager.

Materials being accepted at the landfill, which is open Monday through Saturday, 7 a.m.- 4:30 p.m.:

Pressure-treated lumber
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Mother Seton School News

By Val Mentzer

Welcome 2000!

And so it begins the first school year of the new millennium! Our theme for this wonderful new year is "Mother Seton School: Broad Stripes, Bright Stars." This new year begins with an enrollment of over 405 students! Orientation for our students begins for the Middle School on Wednesday, August 25th from 7:00 -8:30 p.m. and Grades K 5 on Friday, August 27th from 9:00 -11:30 a.m.

We Have A Winnah!

Please take note of our very special summer Raffle Calendar winners!

June

1. Stephen Messner (\$15) 2. Jeff Shriner (\$15) 3. Mike Hanning (\$15) 4. Lori Garner (\$15) 5. Judy A. Little (\$15) 6. James Dukehart (\$15) 7. Katie Ware (\$15) 8. Beatrice Larkin (\$15) 9. Lisa Smith (\$15) 10. Connie Boyer (\$15) 11. Mary Jean Sease (\$15) 12. Mark Williard (\$15) 13. Barbara Stanton (\$15) 14. Charles Hora (\$15) 15. Jesse Hansen (\$15) 16. Dorothy McIntosh (\$15) 17. Randy/Deb Draper (\$15) 18. Sr. Mary David Veilleux (\$15) 19. Veronica McDonald (\$15) 20. Richard W. Toms (\$15) 21 Pam/Chip Minor (\$15) 22. Melissa Hobbs (\$15) 23. Rama Sibley (\$15) 24. Russell Eberhart (\$15) 25. Ellen Peters (\$15) 26. David Smith (\$15) 27. Jeanne Glenny (\$15) 28. Tom Phillips (\$15) 29. Tom Sandman (\$15) 30. Sr. Victoria Sager (\$50)

July

1. Diane Van Vleck (\$15) 2. Marie Woodhams (\$15) 3. Dawn Orndorff (\$15) 4. Issy Zepp (\$15) 5. Larry

Bassett (\$15) 6. Shirley Kuhn (\$15) 7. Joann/Barry Cole (\$15) 8. Kathy Foster (\$15) 9. Melissa Orndorff (\$15) 10. Norma/Doug Wagner (\$15) 11. Floss Knox (\$15) 12. Donna Beacham (\$15) 13. Judy Jones (\$15) 14. Wayne Smith (\$15) 15. Bob/Cindy Krebs (\$15) 16. Sherry Burger 17. Donna Beacham (\$15) 18.Lisa Spalding (\$15) 19. Sophie Lind (\$15) 20. Luther/Dolores Hess (\$15) 21. Terri Woods (\$15) 22. Mark Meunier (\$15) 23. John Eberhart, Sr. (\$15) 24. Michael Miller (\$15) 25. Janelle Witmer (\$15) 26. George/Frances Hemler (\$15) 27. Barbara Monarca (\$15) 28. Austin Lepri (\$15) 29. Mr./Mrs. Brian Bowman (\$15) 30. Pam Plummer (\$15) 31. Evan Giangrande (\$50)

August

1. Marie J. Creps (\$15) 2. Chris Redos (\$15) 3. Warren Heydt (\$15) 4. Mary Lescaleet (\$15) 5. Cindy Murray (\$15) 6. Jerry Cool (\$15) 7. Cecilia Gregory (\$15) 8. Terri Fair (\$15) 9. Amy Arnold (\$15) 10. Jason Lemmer (\$15) 11. Dave Clark (\$15) 12. Richard/Betty Cole (\$15) 13. Michelle Miller (\$15) 14. Catherine Capotosto (\$15) 15. Teresa Hoover (\$15) 16. Betty Draper (\$15) 17. Cindy Krauss (\$15) 18. Paige Deflabis (\$15) 19. Sherry Smith (\$15) 20. Joyce Stitely (\$15) 21. Gary Barrett (\$15) 22. Brian Miller (\$15) 23. L.E. Lanier (\$15) 24. Donna Parry (\$15) 25. Alice Keehan (\$15) 26. Michael Peters (\$15) 27. Yolanda Chrzanowski (\$15) 28. Mary Hartman (\$15) 29. Tom Brown (\$15) 30.Torn Ruppert (\$15) 31. Sr. Rose Marie Gerace (\$50)



Catoctin High School renovations greeted students on their return to school this fall. Under construction are a new gym, general-purpose classrooms, and cafeteria and kitchen expansion. These changes make up the first stage of the project. The rest of the construction will take place in the interior of the building over the school year and will include renovations of labs and offices and converting the old gym for physical education activities.

A Dispatch Photo

Rites of Fall

Gardening Workshop

The second annual Rites of Fall sponsored by Adams Co. Master Gardeners will be held at the Gettysburg Middle School on October 16, 1999, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. The cost is \$35 by October 1 and \$45 after that date.

Our emphasis this year is to put the landscape to bed for the winter and to have a spectacular garden next year. You will learn about the pleasures of vegetable gardening, native plants, and getting the garden ready for winter. In addition, there will be five workshops to choose from They will include information on birds in your garden, techniques

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Participants will have the opportunity to hear Dr. Noel Falk, The Plant Doctor; Joseph Breighner, Adams Co. Master Gardener and President, Ambience Landscaping; and Dr. William Meredith, Professor Mount Saint Mary's College, retired.

Our five workshops are set up so that participants have a choice of two: Arthur Kennel, North American Bluebird Society and Audubon Society; Jeanne Graybeal-Thrane, Landscape Architect and author; Audrey Hillman, Adams Co. Master Gardener; Tom and Madeline Waida, Adams Co. Master Gardeners and owners of Willow Pond Farm; and Larry Swartz, Penn State University Dairy Extension Agent.

The day will include a continental breakfast and a box lunch. For more information or to obtain a registration form, call (717) 334-6271.

Martha Young Adams County Master Gardener 717-632-4268.



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The hardness of the ground prevented many a ground-dwelling insect from reaching the surface. The cicadas didn't come to sing their song, nor did the frogs or just about any of the other creatures that comprise the nightly orchestra. Nights were quiet, very quiet, too quiet, as if the land itself didn't know what to say.

Throughout it all, however, people pulled together and helped not only one another, but those that couldn't help themselves. Everywhere I looked, bird baths appeared. And when it became apparent that one would not do, a second soon appeared. Animals which would usually have elicited fear and loathing, such as snakes, possums, and groundhogs, were ignored and allowed to go on their way. Sometimes we even helped them in their search for water by the judicious placement of a bucket or old bowl.

Our understanding for the plight of animals was never so well enunciated as the day traffic came to a stop while we patiently waited for

a mother possum to shepherd her young across a busy street.
Obviously headed to a nearby pond, she frantically moved back and forth amongst her wayward charges, much as a human mother would do. When she had successfully managed to get the last into the brush, she returned to the road and looked both ways, as if to thank us for our patience.

With a wary eye on low wells, many an individual followed an age-old tradition of hauling water from local creeks to nourish gardens and shrubs. It wasn't hard to imagine our forefathers, one hundred years ago, leading horse-drawn teams to the same spots where we now parked our fancy new trucks. Where they would spend hours hand-filling containers of every shape and size, we paced away the minutes as motorized pumps effortlessly filled fancy huge plastic tanks.

In spite of our mechanical marvels, we still took the time to stop and talk to each other.

Neighbors who barely knew each other, soon were on a first-name basis. Everywhere you went, the

drought was the one universal link that bonded us all together. We even laughed at the very thought of one day having to think of something else to talk about.

What, I wonder, could have been the conversations in those days gone by? While we fret over wells that are measured in the hundreds of feet, they fretted over hand-dug ones measured in the tens of feet. While we fretted over the loss of shrubs and flowers, and some over loss of entire crops, they fretted over the loss of long-held family farms. In fact, the records do show that during the last great drought, many of the old names that had been fixtures in the area since the founding of Emmitsburg disappeared. Like the growth of a tree after a drought, part of us died back then, replaced by new growth, new names, which eventually overgrew and hid the devastation brought by the last 100-year drought.

On our farm, as severe as the drought was, we only had one casualty--an old silver maple. But it was n't just any old silver maple; it was a

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silver maple planted in 1925 by Jim Schealy. I often wondered if he wondered if anyone would remember who planted it. Yes, Mr. Schealy, we do remember you, and we thank you for the trees that have shaded our home through these many years.

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Something to Eat

by Jack Deatherage, Jr.

I enjoy teasing people. Especially women. Concocting a mess of spiced meatballs, gravy and homemade egg noodles and presenting the dish to a gathering of women is the beginning of a rare pleasure for me. Within minutes of sampling my creation the women are asking for the recipe. Of course I don't give it to them. I can't. I don't have one. Everything is made from scratch, whatever I feel like tasting at the moment I prepare the dish. But they don't know that. Their irritation brings a smile to my face, which seems to aggravate them even more.

I've discovered an even better way to tease the opposite sex. Penzeys Spices (800-741-7787) run recipes in their catalog. One of those recipes is for Buckeyes, a "nasty" candy I've been told never to make at any time other than Christmas. Of course I make them year round to the great disgust of the women I give them to. For some reason they blame me for their lack of will power. Hey, I only make the treats; I don't force anyone to eat them!

With a heavy-duty mixer I mix 1.5 pounds of powdered sugar, 2 sticks of room-temperature butter, 1 pound of creamy peanut butter (your favorite brand) and 1 tablespoon of vanilla extract- Penzeys, of course. When the mix forms a dough I roll pieces of it into 1-inch balls. (Penzeys recommends half--nch balls but I double dip for extra chocolate and the smaller balls can only be dipped once before the chocolate is used up). I put the balls on a plate and freeze them while I get the dip ready.

The dip is made with half a slab of paraffin wax, available in the

canning or baking section of the supermarket. The wax is cut into small pieces and put into a small, heavy pot. A 12 oz bag of semisweet chocolate chips (or a 12 oz block of chocolate, broken up) is added to the wax and the pot is set over the lowest heat setting on a stove burner. Don't rush the melting and mixing of the wax and chocolate. Too much heat can cause the chocolate to form lumps that show up on the finished candy and the overheated chocolate may have an off flavor. Stir the melting stuff until it is blended and smooth.

Take a few peanut butter balls from the freezer and, using a toothpick, dip them into the chocolate until they are 3/4 covered. Set the candy on a tray covered with waxed paper and continue dipping until the tray is full. Put the tray in the freezer and start another batch until all the balls have been dipped at least once. If you made 1-inch balls you should have enough chocolate to re-dip most of the balls. Any chocolate leftover can be drizzled on waxed paper and eaten after it's cooled. Freeze all the candies for about half an hour then remove them from the waxed paper. Smooth over the toothpick holes and put the candies in freezer bags.

Why some women have so much trouble controlling themselves around these candies is beyond me. I have the willpower to eat only four at a time. I get a small bowl and 4 buckeyes. I slowly eat them in about 4 minutes and then I get 4 more. After I've eaten about 6 such helpings I can stop eating them, for at least an hour or two.

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