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Human remains found in Emmitsburg



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EMMITSBURG, Md. — Skeletal remains were found on a wooded parcel of land between Route 15 and St. Anthony Road, just outside Emmitsburg.

“We’re handling this as a homicide until we find out differ-

- RAYMOND BUCHHEISTER JR. / THE DISPATCH

ently,” said Captain Tim Clarke with the sheriff’s office.

On Feb. 29, realtor Jack Klingler, who declined to comment on the on-going investigation, discovered the bones while conducting a property survey and called 911 at 3:42 p.m. When deputies arrived

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Commissioners cut interchanges and bypass

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FREDERICK, Md. — Two Frederick County Commissioners took advantage of the absence of two fellow commissioners to strike three proposed interchanges and a proposed parkway in Emmitsburg from the Thurmont Regional Plan on Feb. 25.

During the last hour of a six-hour meeting of the Frederick County Commissioners reviewing the Thurmont Regional Plan, Commissioners John Thompson and David Gray voted to strike the road improvements from the plan.

Thompson also stated he was ready to vote to rezone land needed for the parkway to make it more difficult to build the parkway until Commissioner Kai Hagen left the meeting. “Well, you are done for today because you won’t have a quorum to make anymore votes,” Hagen said before leaving the meeting after asking Commissioners John Thompson Jr. and David Gray a dozen times in a 45-minute period not to make decisions on the plan without all of the commissioners present.

Thompson said the road improvements should be taken off the plan because they wouldn’t be funded within the life of the comprehensive plan. “Roads that aren’t funded, I don’t like putting them in there [the plan] because it raises false expectations that somebody’s actually working on building a road when they aren’t,” Thompson said.

However, County Planner Jim Gugel sees a

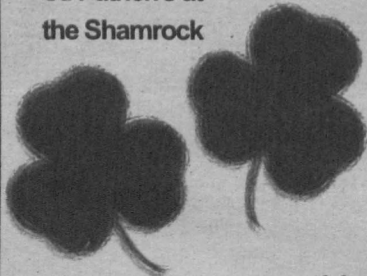
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The Frederick County Sheriff’s Office, assisted by members of Vigilant Hose Company, investigated the discovery of human remains on property between Route 15 and St. Anthony Road on Mar. 1. Inset: The site where the remains were found.

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Smoking ban affecting local businesses

BY ELIZABETH M. PIAZZA
Contributing Writer

EMMITSBURG, Md. — Most afternoons, a group of women would enjoy lunch at the Ott House in Emmitsburg. They would sit, play Keno and chain smoke, recalls Robert Ott, co-owner of the Ott House. “Once the smoking ban went into effect, we haven’t seen them since.”

Restaurants and bars are noticing a decline in business since the Maryland Clean Indoor Act took effect Feb. 1. The smoking ban, as it is often called, bans smoking in all public places, including restaurants and bars.

Business owners in the town of Emmitsburg notice an even greater decline. Only one mile separates them from Pennsylvania, where there is no smoking ban.

Larry Shriner, owner of One

More Tavern in Emmitsburg, recognized a negative impact. A small establishment, One More Tavern serves breakfast, lunch and dinner and 95 percent of its patrons are smokers. “People are coming in, they just aren’t staying as long,” said Shriner. “They are not buying a third and fourth round.”

One More Tavern, known for having the lowest-priced beer in town, is looking to raise prices just to meet the bottom line. Shriner has lost customers to Dave and Jane’s Crabhouse and the Four Seasons in Fairfield, Pa.

“We have shut bands down early since they are playing only to the employees; it’s been so slow at night,” said Susan Glass, co-owner of The Ott House. She does admit that it is a bit early to determine if the decrease in business is due to the smoking ban or the economic slump, al-

though she believes it to be a combination.

The effect does not seem to be as great in Thurmont. Vickie Grinder, general manager of The Cozy Restaurant, doesn’t see a difference after the ban.

“January and February are difficult months in the hospitality industry as it is. As far as the smoking ban, I do not feel it has affected our business,” Grinder said.

The Cozy Restaurant is unique in that during the warmer months, patrons can sit outside in the arboretum to eat, drink

and smoke. Grinder expects that it will be business as usual when the arboretum opens.

Skipper Misner, owner of the Thurmont Bar and Grill, thinks business has stayed about the same. “We’ve naturally had complaints from patrons, but in a few months, they will get used to it. I have heard the ban has hurt others.”

Owners are all in agreement that other issues have arisen as a result of the smoking ban. Crowds of smoking patrons tend to gath-

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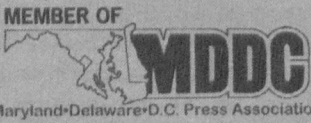
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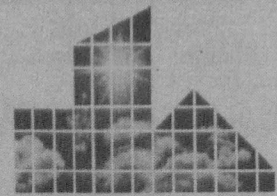
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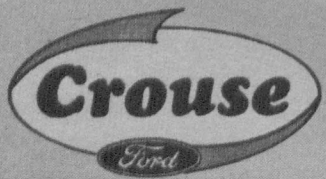
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Emmitsburg blessed to have Dr. Curley

I have never been more compelled to voice my opinion in a public forum as I do today. One of the greatest trusts given to another person is that to a physician. The citizens of Emmitsburg and surrounding area have been very blessed to have such a talented doctor as Christine Curley. A skilled professional physician does anything but guess at a diagnosis. Their professional medical diagnosis comes as a result of many, many years of higher education which few in people have the intelligence or dedication to pursue. This education does not come at an easy cost. Not only is the education expensive, so is the sacrifice. Everyone has been affected by the rising costs of insurance but none as much as the physicians. The overhead costs of a medical facility are exuberant. As anyone who owns a business can attest, the day to day expense of turning on the lights, equipment, taxes and supply costs are alone enough to barely make it worth the investment. Dr. Curley's staff

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Angela Reckley
Carroll Valley, Pa.

Goodbye, Stan

It is with heavy heart and profound sadness that I write this letter, having recently returned home from extended business travel to learn of the passing of a good friend and neighbor, Dr. Stanley Charles Mazaleski.

An amazing man of science and education, Stan also possessed great faith and a true compassion for his fellow citizens. His accomplishments, too numerous to mention in the limited space of a letter to the editor, are what some people could only dream to achieve.

Never one for the rocking chair, Stan dedicated himself to public service. Whether it was to run for public office in an effort to be heard in support or opposition to a given policy or program, to become involved in his neighborhood and community, or to safely drive children to and from their schools to receive the education that he so cherished and supported. Stan was not only involved, but was a leader. His passion to protect and educate our children and safeguard our drinking water and environment were concerns

that he brought before local government with years of experience and extensive education and training.

A man of great faith, Stan Mazaleski devoted himself to Christ and his faith and, in so doing, enhanced the quality of lives not only for The Daughters of Charity and his fellow parishioners, but all Emmitsburgians, as well.

A devoted husband, father, and grandfather, Emmitsburg suffered a tremendous loss in the passing of Stan Mazaleski. I will miss hearing Stan's voice call out to me when we would bump into one another in town, at Lowe's, or in a town meeting.

I am honored to have known him and privileged to call him my friend. My entire family shall keep Stanley, his loving wife of 50 years, Charlotte, their children, grandchildren and loved ones in our thoughts and prayers.

God bless, Stan! Until we meet again.

William B. O'Neil, Jr.
Emmitsburg

Craig doesn't like McCain's position on Iraq

If Senator McCain, age 71, and Representative Bartlett, age 81, had good judgment, they would be like me at age 71- retired. Instead they are grasping for power that they are incapable of handling wisely. Why vote or hire someone n the sunset of life for a job that requires someone in the full vigor of manhood or womanhood?

May I suggest that neither

Senator McCain nor Representative Bartlett know what they were doing when they approved the invasion and occupation of Iraq?

Frankly I would prefer the chatter of chipmunks to the nonsense Senator McCain is spouting about staying in Iraq for 100 years.

Harold C. Craig
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Remains

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on the scene, they determined the remains were possibly human and secured the area.

"We also had deputies securing the scene overnight," Clarke said. "We knew about the body Friday, but because we were expecting bad weather, we waited until Saturday to investigate."

From 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Saturday, about 10 crime scene technicians, detectives and deputies, worked the scene, sifting through soil and sweeping the area for potential clues or scattered bone fragments.

"Anytime you have a body that's decomposed, there's the possibility that small animals may have moved bones from the original site. You have to look beyond that location," Clarke said.

Vigilant Hose Company firefighters assisted with the search, including Jim Click. Click said about 12 members of the company slowly walked in a straight line through brush, trees and thorn

bushes looking for evidence.

"When someone found something, they'd yell 'stop.' Then nobody moved until the detective with us checked it out, marked it and said, 'go,'" Click explained. "We weren't looking for every can or bottle. We were looking for things like shoes or other bones." Click said they didn't find "a whole lot."

A bone expert with the Maryland Medical Examiner's Office determined that the bones were human.

An autopsy was performed on Mar. 3, but the results are pending and no information was available at press time, according to the medical examiner's office.

What is known is that the "remains appear to have been at the location for a long period of time," according to the Cpl. Jennifer Bailey, spokesperson for the Frederick County Sheriff's Office. Bailey said Detective Jeff Norris attended the autopsy on Monday and was reviewing information, but that the identity of the victim was still unknown, as the "autopsy did not conclude that."

"We're way behind the eight ball at this point unless we can get an identification," Clark said.

Ricci Frey, who lives on Hemler Road, often rides his four-wheeler through the wooded area where the remains were found and said he learned of the discovery when police came to talk to him.

"I was like, 'What are you talking about?' We just cut that trail the last time it snowed and they found the body about a week later," Frey said, pointing to a trail that ran beside the site where the remains were found. "For a while I really thought they had found the body on the trail and I had been running over it and dug something up."

Frey said he couldn't recollect seeing the remains or anything out of the ordinary prior to the discovery.

The property where the remains were found is for sale and according to the Maryland Department of Assessments and Taxation, the 4.78 acres is owned by Michael Easton, who could not be reached for comment.



-RAYMOND BUCHHEISTER / THE DISPATCH

Frederick County Sheriff's Office deputies, crime scene technicians and detectives spent Mar. 1 recovering human remains and dirt from the property between St. Anthony Road and Route 15.

Smoking Ban

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er around the entrances which can be intimidating to newcomers. They worry that non-smokers will not want to walk through the crowd of smokers to enter an establishment.

Littering has increased. Even with proper receptacles in place, many smokers continue to litter the ground with ashes and butts.

Legal issues also concern owners. There is an increased worry about maintaining vigilance on upholding drinking laws, such as minors sneaking into establishments and patrons taking their drinks outside with them when they smoke. Owners are finding they will have to

make accommodations to maintain the laws, such as hiring additional employees to watch the door.

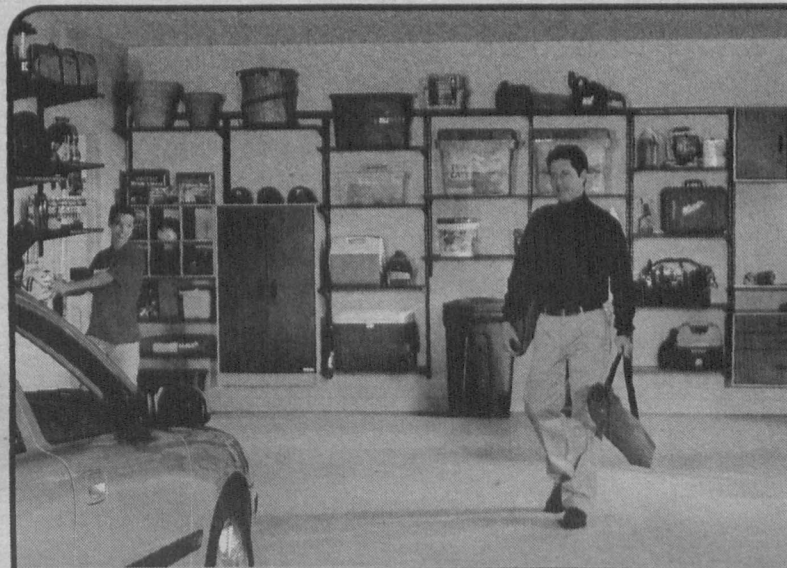
"It's a mess," Shriner said. "Every three days, I'm outside sweeping up the cigarette butts even though there is an ashtray right by the door. I've also decided to ban patrons if they take their beer outside with them."

Under the act, business owners can file for extensions based on hardship. Most, however, are hoping the situation will be temporary and after smokers adjust to the ban, business will resume.

The situation is not entirely negative. The indoor air is cleaner, there is less smoke residue on the ceilings, windows are cleaner and you can see across the room. Patrons who previously avoided establishments because of the smoky air can again return. Still, owners and smoking patrons agree that the smoking ban was a loss for citizens' rights. They believe it is more a rights issue than a health issue.

"This is banning a legal product. If the government can do this to you, what's next?" Grinder said.

"It's taking people's rights away. They just keep taking and taking," Misner said. He quit smoking in 1989.



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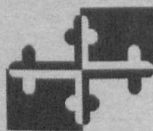
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The glass door of The Ott House in Emmitsburg now sports a "No Smoking" sign warning patrons of the new state smoking ban, which has affected business negatively at the bar and restaurant.



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TOWN NEWS

Commissioners approve first step for plant

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EMMITSBURG, Md. — The Emmitsburg Town Commissioners reviewed a proposal for how a new water treatment plant in Emmet Gardens and approved no more than \$26,000 to conduct the study.

McCrone, Inc., an Annapolis engineering firm, submitted a proposal for testing water from wells 7 and J and developing a plan for treating it.

"Once that's completed, the next step in the process... is to actually design the hard facility," Town Administra-

tor Dave Haller told the commissioners during the Mar. 3 meeting.

The new plant will create redundancy in the town water system to keep from having a complete water shut down in the event of an emergency at one of the plants. The new plant is expected to be designed to look like a house and all entrances will be at the back.

"From the street, this building will look like a house," Haller said.

McCrone's study is expected to take 6-8 months to complete.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Bicentennial concert tickets on sale

EMMITSBURG, Md. — Tickets are on sale for the concert celebrating Mount St. Mary's University bicentennial. The Maryland Symphony Orchestra, the Mount Chorale and pianist John Wickelgren will be performing at the ARCC on Apr. 26 at 8 p.m. as part of the dedication of the United States Postal stamped card. The all-Beethoven program will feature two major works, particularly the Fifth Symphony which premiered in 1808, the same year the Mount was founded. The concert is free but tickets are required. Call the Mount Ticket Office at (301) 447-5700 for general admission tickets.

- J. Rada

Town considers banning portable hoops

EMMITSBURG, Md. — Emmitsburg town staff will prepare an ordinance for the town commissioners to keep portable basketball hoops off of town streets and out of rights of way when not in use. The discussion over use of the sports equipment came from town staff who had problems plowing streets after snow storms this year because of the portable basketball hoops left in the roads. Though the commu-

nity has made similar complaints in recent years, this is the first time town staff has said they have an issue with the equipment. Town Administrator Dave Haller also believes having a ban in place could reduce the town's liability if someone injured himself playing basketball on a town street. The commissioners asked staff to draft an ordinance that will be reviewed at the Mar. 17 meeting.

- J. Rada



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The health screening will be featuring several blood screening services made available by Gettysburg Hospital. Registration is required for all blood tests by calling Well-Span HealthSource at 1-800-840-5905, M-F, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

A multiphasic blood screening is the most important of the offered services and

recommended by most health care providers on an annual basis. The MBS focuses on early detection of potential health problems and is available for \$30 to health fair participants who have pre-registered and who have completed the mandatory 10-12 hour fast.

In addition to the MBS, Gettysburg Hospital is offering four optional blood tests. The prostate-specific antigen blood test is recommended for men over the age of 50 as a preventive measure against prostate cancer. The cost of the PSA blood test is \$15. Available for \$10 to all registering participants is the sensitive

thyroid-stimulating hormone blood test, a test used in the early detection of thyroid disease. Other optional tests include the vitamin B12 deficiency test at \$20 and the glycohemoglobin test made available for diabetics only for an additional \$15. All tests may be ordered in whole or in part of any combination.

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Bill Wivell named construction supervisor for Frederick County Habitat for Humanity

EMMITSBURG, Md. — Bill Wivell, of Emmitsburg, was recently named Habitat for Humanity's first full-time construction supervisor, after working for several months as a part-time supervisor on several Habitat projects.

Wivell first began working with Habitat for Humanity in 2005 when the Frederick County United Methodist churches, Mount St. Mary's University and the Habitat Chapter at Gettysburg College joined hands to build the first Habitat home on Academy Court in Emmitsburg. In addition to being on the project steering committee, Wivell served as construction supervisor.

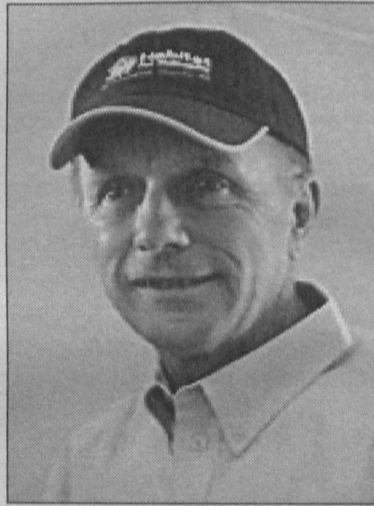
In 2006, he supervised the construction of the first Habitat home on Blue Mountain Road in Thurmont. Wivell also traveled to Biloxi, Miss.

with a group of Habitat volunteers from Frederick to rebuild homes destroyed by Hurricane Katrina.

With 11 homes planned for 2008, Wivell's first duty in his new job is supervising the work of students from Frederick Community College's Career Technology Center who are renovating a Habitat home on 18 West 7th Street in Frederick.

Prior to working with Habitat, Wivell spent 15 years in the general contracting business with his father and five years as the director of maintenance at Mt. St. Mary's University in Emmitsburg. He also owns Tom's Creek Electric and has a Maryland master electrician's license and over 20 years' experience in the construction field.

In addition to his work with



WIVELL

Habitat, Wivell is the current president of the Emmitsburg Council of Churches and has been involved with youth baseball in the Emmitsburg area for 25 years, ten of which he was a member of the Frederick County Umpires Association.

Interchange

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use for having the symbol on the map even if it isn't funded. During the county commissioners' meeting, he told the commissioners, "Funding shouldn't matter when you're looking at a 20-year plan. I mean we need to have the ability to pay for it to support getting funding at some later point. If we remove that plan symbol, we lose that support to even try to get funding for it in the first place."

He also said having the symbol on the planning maps allows the county or municipality the ability to reserve rights of way for the improvements.

Planning Director Eric Soter told the commissioners that by linking the planning maps to funding, they would essentially create a map that illustrated their

capital improvement program; and even then, the only projects that were certain in the CIP are those for the next year.

The commissioners still voted 2-1 to remove the interchanges and the bypass. When Hagen threatened to leave the commissioners without a quorum, Gray called his actions "childish." Hagen told Gray and Thompson he would only stay if

they would agree to stop making motions to change the plan without the full board present. Neither one would agree to that and so Hagen left.

The county commissioners will examine the regional plan again on March 17. At that time, it is expected that the issue of the interchanges and bypass can be revisited.

Town Meetings

Town Meeting
March 17, 7:30 p.m.

Streets Committee
March 18, 7:30 p.m.

Planning Commission
March 31, 7:30 p.m.

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its cocoon to fly free. We are working to help children with autism – our little butterflies – emerge from their cocoons to live a happy and independent life,” she said.

TACT is a Maryland non-profit dedicated to combating

autism by helping families pay for much needed therapeutic services for their child with autism.

On Saturday, April 19, TACT will host a fund-raising walk to combat autism at Frederick High School. The walk theme, Give Them Wings 2008, was chosen because therapy for children with autism helps to free them from their isolation.

“Everyone who joins us in the walk shares in giving children with autism the wings to fly!” Patterson said.

For more information about TACT, visit www.TeachAutisticChildrenToday.org.

- J. Rada

County web service can answer citizen questions

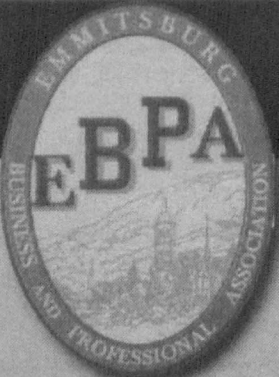
FREDERICK, Md. – Frederick County has launched a new web-based service to help residents resolve problems, answer questions and provide feedback regarding local government programs. The non-emergency request service is available 24 hours a day on the county's homepage at www.co.frederick.md.us through a link titled, “citizen concerns.” When a citizen fills out a request-for-services form on this site, an e-mail is generated to notify a county employee that a request is waiting. Each county department will assign staff members to respond to citizen concerns.

Based on feedback from county commissioners and staff, the most common areas of interest expressed by citizens are included in the first phase of the new service, such as: animal control, emergency preparedness, fire and rescue,

highways and transportation, housing and family services, parks and recreation, planning and zoning, the county's website, recycling, and water and sewer.

County staff responsible for answering citizen concerns may provide an immediate e-mail reply or phone call, set up an on-going work order or seek additional information from the citizen who filed the information. Some issues require multi-agency responses and additional research time, while other citizen requests may be answered quickly. All requests are time-sensitive and the responses are tracked through the new service.

For additional information about the program, contact Constituent Services Coordinator Ragen Cherney, Office of the County Manager, at (301) 600-1049 or via e-mail at rcherney@fredco-md.net.



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BUSINESS

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By JAMES RADA JR.
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THURMONT, Md. — When Berkshire County, Mass. wanted to revitalize its local economy, the business community introduced BerkShares, local currency that can be used in various businesses in the county. Thurmont Main Street Manager Vickie Grinder wants to do something similar for Thurmont using “Thurmoney.”

“It’s a way to promote independent businesses and drive the economic development engine,” Grinder said.

BerkShares are issued in five denominations: 1s, 5s, 10s, 20s, and 50s. The bills portray local heroes, landscapes and the work of local artists. Every

BerkShare spent helps keep local money in the community. Thousands of people in Berkshire County use BerkShares on a regular basis for food, movie tickets, clothing, books, music, and a variety of services from legal advice to landscaping, from car repair to carpentry.

Grinder’s idea is to do something similar with gift certificates in various denominations that can portray various landmarks in town.

“Because they would have to be processed by town employees, we need to get the approval of the commissioners first before I start signing up businesses,” Grinder said.

Among Thurmont’s 86 locally owned businesses, Grinder thinks at least 30 and possibly 50 would be interested in accepting Thurmoney.

“It’s an opportunity to buy a local gift and have it be good at 50 different places,” Grinder said.

The BerkShare is actually a 10 percent discount note, which means each \$1 in BerkShares costs 90 cents in U.S. dollars. This gives people using the local currency more buying power and more of a reason to shop locally.

Grinder said she will investigate this possibility for Thurmoney with the business survey she conducts during the annual Thurmont Business Expo, which will be on Mar. 28 at Catocin High School.

The BerkShares web site notes, “Using BerkShares will be a citizen’s way of voting for local businesses and keeping money local.”

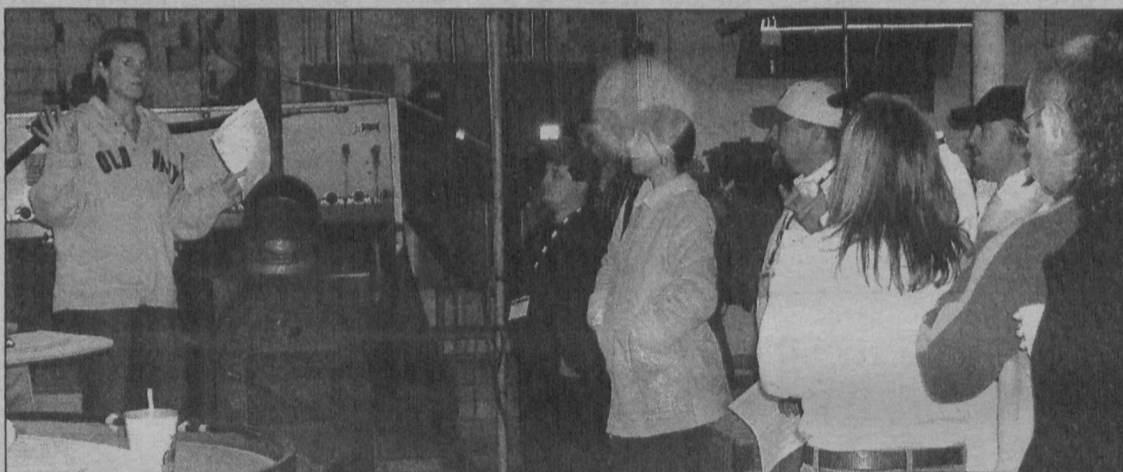
Grinder said she will be taking the idea to the town commissioners when she can get on their agenda.

For more information on BerkShares, visit www.berkshares.org.

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BerkShares are a local currency in use in Massachusetts. The notes depict local places and people in Berkshire County. Thurmont Main Street Manager Vickie Grinder hopes to adapt the program to Thurmont.

How ya gonna keep ‘em down on the farm?



- JAMES RADA JR. / THE DISPATCH

Catocin Mountain Orchard hosted attendees on the American Farm Bureau Federation Young Farmers & Ranchers Leadership Conference on Feb. 18 for a tour of the local farming operation run by the Black family. Part of the tour of the facilities involved the roadside retail operation, through which 95 percent of the fruit grown in the orchard is sold. The conference focuses on leadership and personal development opportunities for approximately 800 young farmers and ranchers from at least 45 states.

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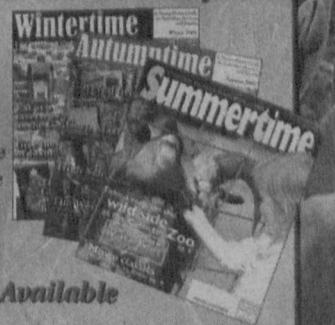
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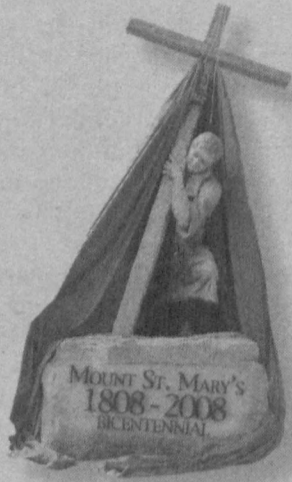
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Mount St. Mary's: Completing its student body



BY JAMES RADA JR.
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Editor's Note: This is the sixth in a series of articles The Dispatch will include to highlight the year-long celebration of Mount St. Mary's University's bicentennial.

EMMITSBURG, Md. — Ironically, for 163 years, Mount St. Mary's College, which was named, in part, for a woman, did not enroll female students. Instead female students attended St. Joseph College, a college named for a male.

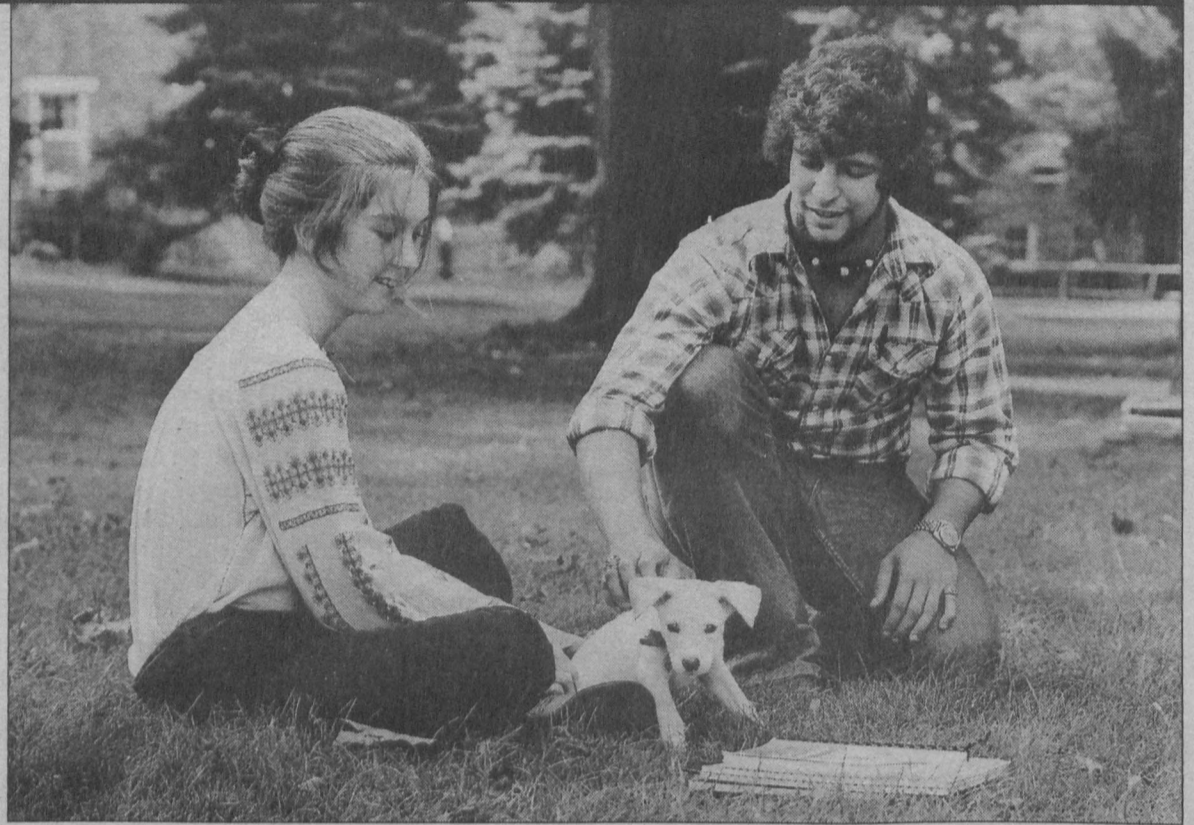
That all changed in the fall of 1971 when Mount St. Mary's enrolled its first females

as day students.

David Fielder wrote in *The Mountain Echo*, "This year, however, we have witnessed the emergence of the Mount into the twentieth century with the administration's radical new policy concerning co-education. We actually have female names listed in the registrar's office, and, come next year, Mounties may even find men and women living near each other within the campus grounds. Thus one might conclude that we've 'gotten it together' — that we've been granted the other half of what it takes to have a student body."

The change to a co-educational school wasn't a swift one for the Mount. An October 1969 article in *The Mountain Echo* noted that 40 secondary schools had gone co-ed that year including, such Ivy League schools as Princeton and Yale. The move was being made, in large part, to attract high-caliber students, of whom 81 percent wanted to attend a co-ed school, according to a Princeton survey.

As the co-ed discussion took hold at the Mount, not everyone supported the change. One woman wrote an article in *The Valley Echo* listing her reasons for not wanting to attend a co-ed school. The title of the



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Females were first admitted as day students to Mount St. Mary's College in 1971. Females became resident students the following year.

article summed up her feelings: "Better Dead than Co-Ed."

In 1970, the Mount and St. Joseph College entered into a cooperative agreement that allowed students at either college to take classes at the other college that weren't provided at their home college. The schools even provided transportation for

the students to move between the schools. About 119 men attended classes at St. Joseph and about 100 women attended classes at the Mount during the 1970-1971 school year.

Then in early 1971, it was announced that St. Joseph College would close its doors in June 1973.

Mount President John J. Dillon Jr. said, "We are, of course, saddened by the Saint Joseph announcement but we do not feel that the wave of bleak prophecy which has pervaded our own campus is

justified. Our situations are in no way similar even though we face the same serious problems of most of the nation's private colleges."

Though some people believed that the Mount would surely follow St. Joseph College with a similar announcement of their own, instead, the St. Joseph closing created an opportunity for the Mount to enroll the St. Joseph students who were suddenly without a school. In June 1971, the Mount announced it would enroll females as day students for



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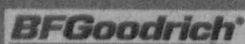
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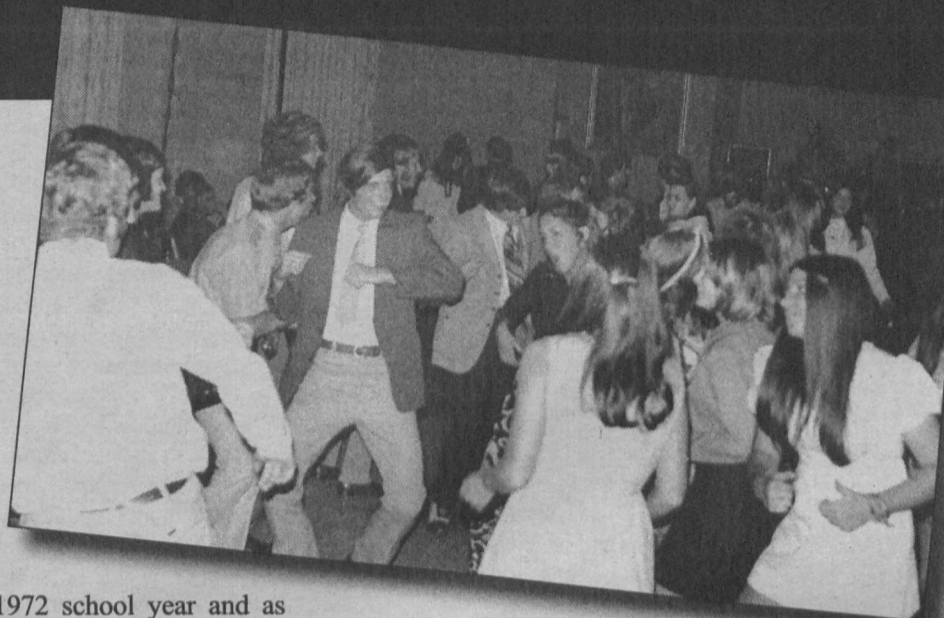


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the 1971-1972 school year and as resident students the following year. "While the number of women actually enrolled at Mt. St. Mary's will be minimal, probably no more than ten this year, the Mount's academic cooperation program with Saint Joseph College for women will be continued," the *Emmitsburg Chronicle* reported.

At the end of the 1971 school year, the Mount's enrollment was around 1,100 men. At the beginning of the 1971-1972 school year, the enrollment was 1146 men and women.

Mount History Professor Susan Goliber, said on the DVD *Mount St. Mary's: The Spirit Continues...*, "I arrived at the Mount in 1978 and there were very few women on campus at that time. Attitudes and that sort of thing were very male but interestingly when I think back on those days there was considerable sensitivity in making sure women were a part of the conversation."

Today, 60 percent of the Mount's 2,186 students are female and have become an integral part of the campus life.



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Females became more than dates at Mount St. Mary's in 1971. They became fellow students who went from being non-existent on campus in 1970 to making up 60 percent of the student body in 2008.

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Everyone is Irish in March!

BY STEPHANIE LONG
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As the saying goes, "Everyone is Irish in March!" and this March's local Celtic Celebration will give everyone a chance to be Irish, at least for the night.

On Mar. 19, the Emmitsburg and Thurmont Library branches will sponsor the Celtic Celebration at the Knott Auditorium at Mount St. Mary's University in Emmitsburg.

An "Evening of Celtic Music and Irish Dancing" will mark the second year the fest has been held in recent years. Susan Cardella, a library associate at the Emmitsburg Branch Library and driving force behind the fest, revived the event last year and took charge of this year's celebration as well.

As with last year, this year's fest will feature Celtic music and

a bit of toe-tapping fun.

"The focus is music," said Cardella, "but there will be a demonstration of Irish dancing from the Teelin School of Irish Dance."

Three renowned musical artists are slated to perform, thanks to a bit of old-fashioned Irish luck.

A passionate fan of Irish music, Cardella went on the search for guest artist to play at the fest when she decided to take a chance and contact one of her favorite recording artists, Maggie Sansone, for help.

"I knew Maggie's music and I contacted her," Cardella said. Unsure if Sansone would even respond, Cardella received a surprising answer. "She said she'd do it!"

Cardella took Sansone, who plays the hammered dulcimer, up on her offer and also enlisted the abilities of Andrea Hoag, who

plays the fiddle, and Sue Richards, who plays the Celtic Harp.

Although some may think that only Celtic music lovers and Irishmen would enjoy the event, last year's event drew in a large and diverse crowd, people of all ages and backgrounds, and Cardella expects this year to be the same and wants everyone to be Irish for an evening.

"Put your green clothes on... come and enjoy the music and share in this fantastic night," Cardella said. "It's for everybody... Everyone is Irish in March!"

Celtic Celebration will be held Mar. 19 at 7 p.m. in the Knott Auditorium at Mount St. Mary's University. Admission is free and open to all and tickets or registration are not required. For more information call (301) 600-6329 or visit fcpl.org.



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Changing St. Patrick's Day

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Speakin' the gift of the gab about Shamrock

BY VICKIE GRINDER
Contributing Writer

THURMONT, Md. — I looked at the calendar and suddenly I realized, "My goodness we are nearly halfway through March!" So I found myself looking for a four-leaf clover as I sang "O Danny Boy" and realized a bit of the Emerald Isle is right here in Thurmont. If you haven't guessed by now, it's Fitzgerald's Shamrock Restaurant. The Fitzgeralds have been serving a variety of fare to suit every appetite for 45 years!

March is very special to the Fitzgeralds, who are of Irish decent, with four generations employed at the Shamrock. My conversation with Donna Fitzgerald highlighted a variety of specials including Irish lamb with demi-glaze, Irish pork with apples and onions, corn Beef and cabbage, fish n' chips (haddock) and beef and Guinness stew.

Stop right there I thought! Beef and Guinness stew served in a warm bread bowl? This had my name written all over it, served with an Irish coffee that hosts a recipe from a restaurant in Dublin called Bai-



- LORI STROMBERG / THE DISPATCH

For 45 years, the Shamrock Restaurant is Irish all year round but during this time of year it attracts a lot of attention with its Irish fare.

leys! As my mouth continued to water, Donna also pointed out that I get to keep the mug. I was sold! I had just found my lucky four-leaf clover.

Enjoy a bit of the Irish (even if you're not) and all of the delectable specials Fitzgerald's Shamrock Restaurant offers through the end of March. Donna also boasted of their fresh shad and shad roe served through mid-May. Be sure to visit Thurmont's very own four-leaf clover, Fitzgerald's Shamrock Restaurant. The

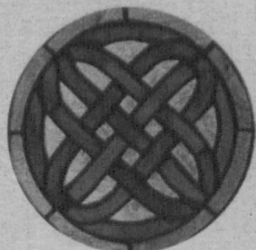
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Who was St. Patrick?

St. Patrick's Day comes once a year on Mar. 17. But who was the man we celebrate each year with the wearing of the green?

St. Patrick is believed to have lived in Roman Britain from 387 to 493 A.D. When he was a teenager, Patrick was kidnapped and sent to Ireland as a slave. He lived there for six years before he escaped and returned to his home. He then focused on becoming a priest and after his ordination, returned to Ireland as a missionary. St. Patrick worked on the island until his death. March 17 is celebrated every year as his feast day by Irish and non-Irish alike. So on March 17, go out and be Irish for the day.



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Maryland's first Catholic university spotlighted in Annapolis

EMMITSBURG, Md. - Mount St. Mary's University has been a part of Maryland history since its inception in 1808. On Wednesday, February 27, 2008 a display on the third floor of the Miller Senate Building in Annapolis was unveiled that showed the rich history of the university and its contributions to Maryland over the past 200 years.

"Our history is Maryland's history and to have such a presence in the state senate building and in Annapolis is a great privilege and honor," Mount President Thomas H. Powell said. "The display will raise awareness of Mount St. Mary's University and of the other independent colleges and universities

in Maryland."

During the unveiling, the Mount honored its bicentennial with a ribbon cutting and presentation of the historic timeline of eight wood-framed graphic panels, expressing the four aspects of the university - faith, discovery, leadership and community. The timeline will be on display in the Miller Senate Office Building, third floor hallway throughout the legislative session and until November 2008.

One of the oldest Catholic institutions in the country, Mount St. Mary's was chartered by the Maryland legislature on February 27, 1830 and on the same date this year, the university hosted a bicentennial

reception for legislators in the reception room. In addition to the Charter Day celebrations, the Maryland Senate and House introduced resolutions to recognize the Mount's Bicentennial on February 27, 2008.

The Mount counts among its alumni State Senator Charles (Mac) Middleton and Delegate Bill Frank through whom the celebration was made possible.

The celebration also included the presentation of Bicentennial medals to individuals in the Mount community to highlight their personal contributions to the foundation and future of the Mount including Governor Martin J. O'Malley and Lieutenant Governor Anthony G. Brown.

Tyler Donnelly, Jessica Clarke to show cattle at Mid-Atlantic Junior Angus Classic

EMMITSBURG, Md. - Tyler Donnelly of Emmitsburg and Jessica Clarke of Rocky Ridge will exhibit Angus cattle at the 2008 Mid-Atlantic Junior Angus Classic Regional Preview Junior Angus Show in Harrisonburg, Va., Mar. 7 - 9. Donnelly

and Clarke are two of 216 young people from 10 states who have entered a total of 263 Angus to compete for championship honors.

The MAJAC Show is sponsored by the American Angus Association and the Northern Virginia

Junior Angus Association. It is one of six regional junior Angus shows the national organization sponsors each year for its more than 10,500 active junior Angus members in the United States.

Local schools earn awards

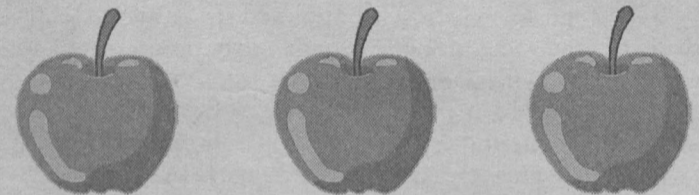
FREDERICK, Md. - Twenty-six Frederick County schools recently earned awards in the 2007 Maryland School Performance Recognition Program. Awards recognize commendable student achievement on the 2007 Maryland School Assessments, Maryland High School Assessments and improvement in the performance of special populations of students from 2006-07. Special populations include groups identified by race/ethnicity, special education, limited English proficiency and students receiving free or reduced-price meals.

Thurmont Elementary, Thurmont Primary and Lewistown Elementary all

received certificates of recognition from the Maryland State Department of Education.

"The hard work and dedication of the teachers, staff, students, parents and communities in each of the recognized schools is very evident in the way they are helping provide a first-class education for every child," said Frederick County Public School Superintendent Linda Burgee.

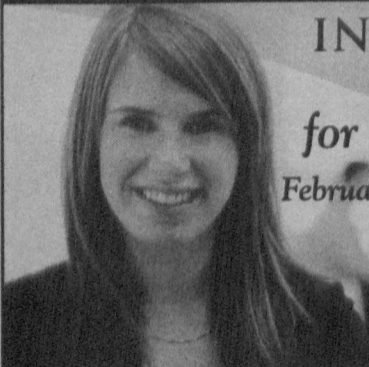

MSAs are taken in math and reading in grades 3-8 and science in grades 5 and 8. Students take HSAs at the end of their Algebra/Data Analysis, English 10, Biology and Government 9 courses.



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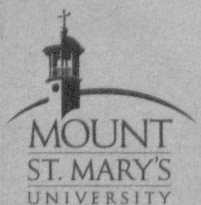
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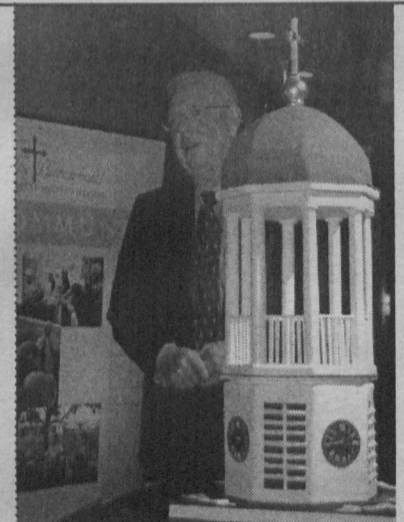
BICENTENNIAL STAMPED CARD DEDICATION CEREMONY
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April 26, 2008

8 p.m., Athletic Recreation Convocation Center

The Mount presents, as part of the dedication of the United States Postal Stamped Card, a performance by the MSO, the Mount Chorale and pianist John Wickelgren. The all-Beethoven program will feature two major works, particularly the 5th Symphony which premiered in 1808. Special guests: Elizabeth Shulze, music director and conductor of the MSO and Dr. Andrew Rosenfeld, guest conductor, Mount St. Mary's professor of music.

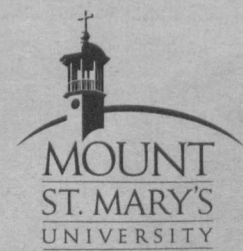
This event will be free and open to the public but tickets are required.

Tickets are not yet available. For more information call 301-6122 x4475.

THE MOUNT ON THE
FOOD NETWORK?!

March 13 at 10 p.m.

Watch the crafty cake makers of Charm City Cakes recreate the famous Mount St. Mary's cupola ... only an edible version. The Mount episode is scheduled to air on the Food Network's *Ace of Cakes* on Thursday, March 13 at 10:00 p.m. The Mount's history and our Bicentennial are featured.



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EDUCATION

2008 Empty Bowls Banquet coming to CHS

THURMONT, Md. – On Thursday, Mar. 13, Catocin High School will host its annual Empty Bowls Banquet, beginning with a simple, traditional dinner of soup, bottled water, and a variety of desserts in the CHS cafeteria at 4:45 p.m.

Dinner entertainment in the cafeteria will feature a live bowl-making demonstration by CHS students under the direction of art teacher Jen Rogers and the Catocin Art Department.

Entertainment will also be provided by the Thurmont Primary School Chorus, under the direction of Margo Hall, following dinner at 5:15 p.m. Also on the agenda for this special evening will be an art show by the CHS Art Department and a silent auction. The art show will run from 4:45 p.m. until approximately 8 p.m.

Following dinner, Empty Bowls Banquet participants will adjourn to the Catocin Auditorium at 5:30pm for the presentation of Meritorious Service Learning Awards for elementary school students, middle school students, and Catocin High School seniors. After the Service Learning awards, a Choralfest featuring

singers from Catocin High School and all of the Catocin feeder pattern schools will take place, beginning at 6:15 p.m.

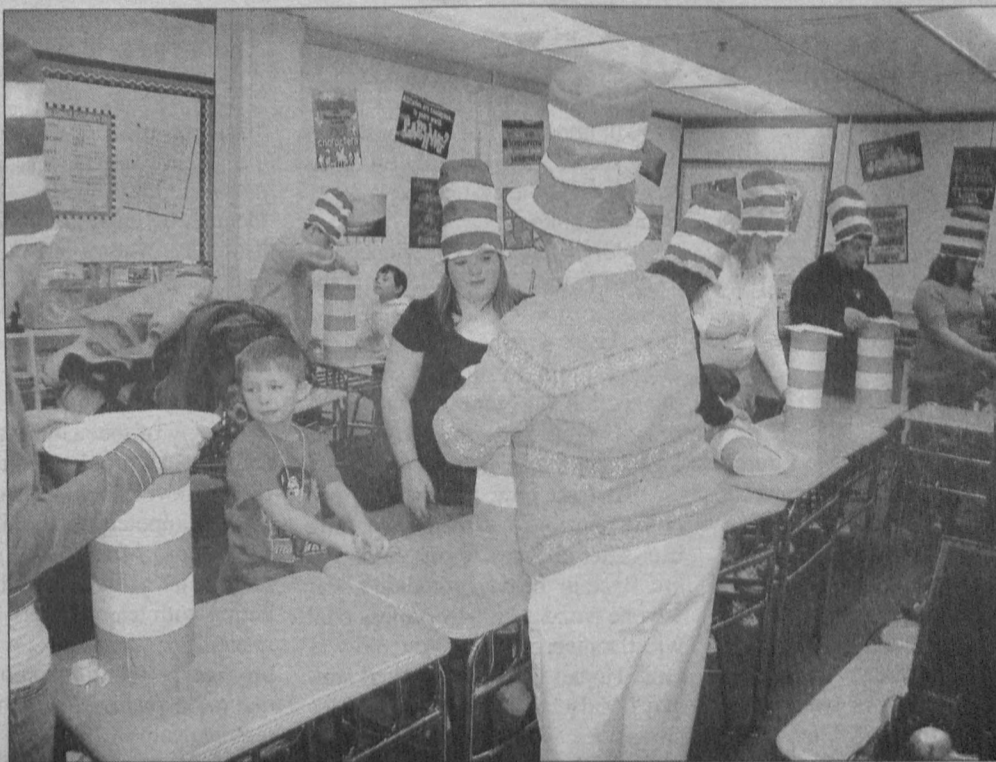
“Empty Bowls” is an international program that was started by a Michigan art teacher in 1990 to increase awareness of world hunger while promoting art appreciation and raising money for charitable causes.

All proceeds from the Catocin High School Empty Bowls Banquet will be donated to the following organizations to help local families: Seton Center Outreach, Thurmont Ministerium, and Catocin Area CASS (Community Agency School Service). Each of these programs provides direct support to families in need who live in northern Frederick County. Monetary and other contributions to this worthwhile organization are always welcome.

Contact Russ Headley at (240) 236-8131 or Russell.Headley@fcp.org for more information or to make a donation.

Admission to this charity event is \$5 and includes a commemorative, hand-crafted bowl, produced by CHS students and students from the CHS feeder pattern schools:

The Cats in their hats have reading down pat



- JAMES RADA JR. / THE DISPATCH

Thurmont Middle School likes to celebrate reading by sharing it. Emmitsburg Elementary students who are just starting to enjoy reading. The three kindergarten classes came to the school on Mar. 3 to read Dr. Seuss books and enjoy cake and juice. To get into the spirit of the celebration of “Read Across America,” the students made their own versions of hats worn by “The Cat in the Hat.”

Thurmont Primary School, Thurmont Elementary School, Thurmont Middle School, Emmitsburg Elementary School, Lewistown Elementary School, and Sabillasville Elementary School. Admission is \$3 without the bowl.

Thurmont Middle goes to the dogs



- PHOTO COURTESY OF THURMONT MIDDLE SCHOOL

Maryland State Trooper Barry Stonestreet and his bloodhound Jilly recently visited the Thurmont Middle School K9 Club. Jilly and Stonestreet demonstrated Jilly's ability to track. Bloodhounds can smell 5 million times better than humans, and schnauzers have been trained to smell and detect cancer in people. Stonestreet asked a student to walk a path outside and hide. Then he took an article of the student's clothing and held it for Jilly to smell. Jilly took off on the trail and followed every crooked turn until she found the student behind a shed. It took her only about 30 seconds.

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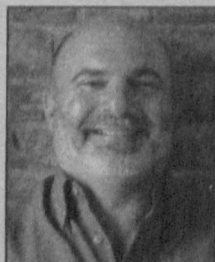
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By A.J. Russo

Dispatch Columnist

Reporting from the future... Maybe you've seen the commercial on ESPN.

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Man: And I gained 27 pounds of muscle in just two months. Guess how old I am? Forty-seven. Amazing, huh? And, oh yeah, two years ago I was 5' 7" tall. Now I'm 63 and I owe it all to Testostoboost.

Thank goodness we overturned all those silly laws, years ago. You remember, when steroid and human

growth hormone use by pro athletes was illegal, and spying on other teams while they practiced was un-sportsmanlike.

All that anxiety experienced by Hall of Famer, Roger Clemens, and his wife, not to mention the legal fees. And what about the exorbitant amount of time Congress spent trying to find out who had taken the drugs - more time than it took the legislature to socialize medicine.

At least now, pro athletes can be responsible for their own drug use. After all, they're just entertainers. Back in the day, you didn't hear anyone wondering why professional wrestlers were so big. How old was Hulk Hogan when he wrestled anyway? And let's not forget pro athletes are adults. Thankfully, we finally came to our senses and realized that these competitors should be able to decide for themselves what they do to their bodies. Smoking is still legal, right?

With training, anabolic steroids stimulate muscle tissue to grow and "bulk up", possibly improving endurance and strength, by mimicking the effect of naturally produced testosterone. No wonder these drugs are legal.

Athletes are smart enough to understand the long-term effects of steroids, like premature hair loss,

dizziness, mood swings, including anger, aggression, and depression, hallucinating, extreme feelings of mistrust or paranoia, insomnia, nausea and vomiting, trembling, high blood pressure that can damage the heart or blood vessels over time, aching joints, greater chance of injuring muscles and tendons, jaundice or yellowing of the skin; liver damage, urinary problems, increased risk of developing heart disease, stroke, impotence, sterility, and some types of cancer. And now, after years of fighting and negotiating with team owners, health-related pension plans for retired pros can pay for all the post-traumatic hospitalizations and premature deaths.

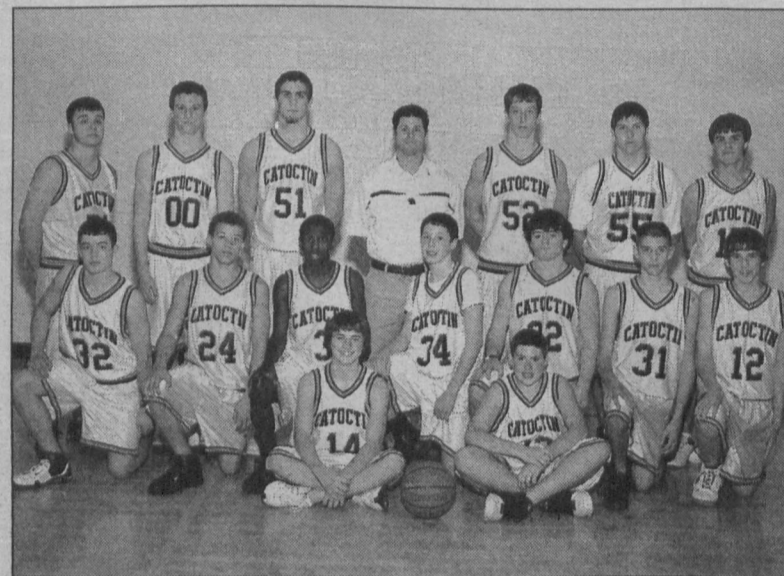
And remember Spy-Gate? Seems so long ago when pro teams practiced without SWAT teams guarding the entrances to their practice fields.

After discovering the Patriots had been spying on their opponents since Belichick took over around the turn of the century, it was obvious that regulating this undercover work was virtually impossible. Some teams have even begun to make spying part of their pre-game strategy, showing formations in pre-game and then fooling their opponents by not using them in the actual contest.

It is puzzling, however, that the incidence of steroid use and un-sportsmanlike behavior has increased so dramatically among youth athletes. Since Congress has freed up so much of their time, maybe they can look into it.

Visit and respond to A.J. Russo's column *Outside the*

Catoctin freshman boys basketball goes undefeated



-TINA DELAUTER / THE DISPATCH

The Catoctin freshman boys basketball team finished the year with an undefeated season. Top row (l to r): Landon Routzahn, Brandon Hertel, Brady Ridenour, Coach Kurt Stein, Sean Reaver, Nick Krstanovic, Nick Maxey. Middle Row (l to r): Zach Krietz, Eric Barbour, Devan Paterson, Kenny Kober, Austin Carter, Ben Tylicki, Chris Wolfe. Seated (l to r): Kellam Maxey, Justin Tomasini.

By Emily Delauter
Contributing Writer

THURMONT, Md. – The Catoctin High School freshman boy's basketball team finished the season as "king of the hill" with an undefeated season (16-0).

The players may be the new kids in the school, but they have grabbed the attention of many residents with their athletic ability. Many of the boys played on the same team throughout middle school. Now they have filled the positions on the ninth grade team and are "killing it" here at Catoctin High School.

What has made them so good? Is it Landon Routzahn with his high scoring in the paint and "And 1" baskets? Or is it Kellam Maxey's hustle and offensive input, or his twin brother Nick Maxey's nice shot? Is it Brady Ridenour and Sean Reaver standing over six feet tall, crashing the boards, scoring points and finishing assists?

The answer is, it's all of them. They are not a one- or two-man team. Everyone contributes and does their part. The rest of the team contributes as well. They consist of Kenny Kober, Ben Tylicki, Austin Carter, Eric Barbour, Justin Tomansini, Zach Krietz, Brandon Hertel, Chris Wolfe, Devan Paterson, and Nick Krstanovic.

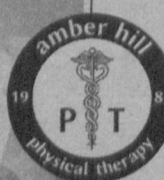
"Landon, Sean Reaver, and Nick Maxey were all great leaders. The team overall worked harder in practice than any team I've ever had. Our practices were more competitive than most of our games," said Coach Kurt Stein.

The team's biggest game of the season was a home game against their rival, Linganore High. This was also the last game of the season. The mothers of the boys on the team came into the gym to put up decorations and balloons to show their support. The previous game against Linganore had been a close one. Landon Routzahn had gone "coast to coast" and made a five-foot jumper with only four seconds left in the game for the win.

The future looks bright for the players.

"I think they'll do great at the varsity level," Stein said. "What makes this group so different is how competitive they are. They won't settle, and will continue to have success. We have talked in length about the 'C' word (complacency) and they will not fall into that trap."

The next few years should be exciting for the JV and Varsity coaches as the freshman boys move up to those levels. Who knows, maybe they will be the first guy's team to ever win a state title at Catoctin High School.



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Feb. 15 – Boonsboro 60, Catoctin 59
Matty Thompson had 21 points for Catoctin.

Feb. 19 – Brunswick 59, Catoctin 54
Matty Thompson led the Cougars with 15 points, followed by Graham Ewing with 10.

Feb. 23 – South Carroll 54, Catoctin 42
Justin Albright had 16 points and Matty Thompson had 14 points for the Cougars.

Feb. 26 – Catoctin 55, Smithsburg 41
Matty Thompson had 23 points for Catoctin, and Kyle Beard had 10.

GIRLS BASKETBALL VARSITY

Feb. 15 – Boonsboro 53, Catoctin 51
Katelyn Keilholtz led the Cougars with 18 points, followed by Tara Stackhouse with 13, and Brittany Chmelik with nine.

Feb. 19 – Catoctin 55, Brunswick 41
Katelyn Keilholtz had 24 points and Tara Stackhouse had 20 points for Catoctin.

Feb. 26 – Smithsburg 44, Catoctin 37
Katelyn Keilholtz had 12 points for Catoctin, Hannah Metheny had nine, and Brittany Chmelik and Tara Stackhouse each had seven.

GIRLS BASKETBALL JUNIOR VARSITY

Feb. 15 – Boonsboro 48, Catoctin 31
Kayte Lambert had 12 points for the Cougars.

Feb. 19 – Catoctin 56, Brunswick 52
Amber Kline had 16 points for the Cougars.

Feb. 26 – Smithsburg 50, Catoctin 34
Morgan Cole had nine points for the Cougars.

WRESTLING VARSITY

Frederick County Wrestling Tournament
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ACTIVITIES & PROGRAMS

SENIOR EVENTS

Senior Events in March

Hold tight to your Easter bonnets, wear a bit o' the green, and welcome the first day of spring—March is here! You'll also lose an hour of sleep this month: Daylight Savings Time begins March 9th. Interestingly, Palm Sunday, St. Patrick's Day, the first day of spring, and Easter all occur within one week's time this year. Could a blue moon be next?

The seniors encourage all eligible persons (50 years and older) to join them for regular program activities and special events. We're calling on men 55 and older to get our pool league started again. Our lunch program is open to those 60 and older. The center is lovely and the "natives" are friendly! Check us out!

Special events

March 20 – Order your lunch from Vigilant Hose Company.

March 21 – Center closed (Good Friday.)

Regular activities

Bowling: Mondays at Taneytown bowling center. Carpool; meet at center at 12:30 p.m.

Strength Training & Conditioning: Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. Dress comfortably, wear athletic shoes. Participants will use small weights. Free.

Bingo: March 12 & 26.

Cards, 500, and Bridge Group: March 5 & 19.

Men's Pool: Wednesdays at 1 p.m.

Pinochle: Thursdays at 12:30 p.m.

Cards & Games: Fridays at 12:30 p.m.

Shopping at Jubilee Foods: Thursdays at 12:30 p.m.

LIBRARY EVENTS

March at the Emmitsburg Library

Storytimes

All Day Bookmark Art Contest (all ages)
Create a bookmark using the theme "Catch the Reading Bug."
March 1-20. All day.

Babies with Books (birth-24 months with an adult)
March 12, 19, 26 at 10:30 a.m.

Two Terrific Storytime (age 2)
March 11, 18, 25 at 10:30 a.m.

Head Start Storytime (ages 3-5)
March 11, 18, 25 at 9:45 a.m.

Pre-School Storytime (ages 3-5)
March 6, 13, 20, 27 at 10:30 a.m.

Family Storytime (all ages)
March 12, 19, 26 at 7 p.m.

Children's Programs

All Day Bookmark Art Contest (all ages)
Create a bookmark using the theme "Catch the Reading Bug."
March 1-20. All day.

Reading Rocks! (ages 10-12)

Read your choice of *The Fairy Tale Detectives* by Michael Buckley or *The Monstrous Memoirs of a Mighty McFearless* by Ahmet Zappa.

March 10 at 4 p.m. Registration required.

"Did You Know?" Series

(ages 6-12)
Celebrate Youth Art Month as we learn origami with Ben Sielaff.
March 15 at 11 a.m.

Leapin' Leprechauns (all ages)
Find the four-leaf clovers hidden in books for a small prize.
March 17. All day.

We're "Mad" Over Maryland (all ages)
Celebrate Maryland Day by testing your knowledge of state trivia.
March 25. All day.

The Book Bunch (ages 6-11)
Read and discuss *Max and Maddy and the Chocolate Money Mystery* by Alexander McCall Smith.
March 26 at 4 p.m.

ART (Artistic Readers Time) (ages 3-6)
Storytime with fun books and a coordinating art project.
March 31 at 10:30 a.m.

Teen Programs

Podcasting 101 (grades 6-12)
Learn the technology of podcasting and record your own podcast.
March 6 at 4 p.m.

Animé Club (grades 6-12)
March 14 at 6 p.m.

Movie Makers Club (grades 6-12)
Learning about directing, writing and acting in movies.
March 18 at 7 p.m.

Adult Programs

Leaving a Legacy: Write About Your Life
Learn to record your personal accounts of life "back when", to share with others.
March 1, 4 at 1 p.m.

Friends of Library Board Meeting (adult)
March 10 at 7 p.m.

Tuesday Evening Book Club (adults)
March 11 at 7:30 p.m.

Non-Fiction Book Club (adult)
March 13 at 1 p.m.

Celtic Fest (all ages)
A high energy concert with Celtic music and Irish dance.
March 19 at 7 p.m.

Knitting Nook (teens and adults)
March 20 at 4 p.m.

Genealogy Focus Group (teens and adults)
March 27 at 7 p.m.

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FAIRFIELD SENIOR EVENTS

Senior Events at the Fairfield Senior Center

All seniors in greater Fairfield are invited to take part in the following events, which are held in the community room in St. John's Lutheran Church at 13 W. Main Street, Fairfield, Pa.

Special events

March 3 - Video Exchange; tired

of watching the same old movies? Bring in your DVDs or VHS tapes to exchange.

March 5 - Concert at Gettysburg High School with free breakfast. 9 a.m.

March 5 - Blood Pressure checks. 10:30 a.m.

March 10 - Speaker from

Survivor's Inc. 10:30 a.m.
March 17 - Catered St. Patrick's Day lunch; reservations required.
March 19 - Blood pressure checks. 10:30 a.m. Kay Wise, from PA Dept of Health, speaking about colon cancer awareness.
March 20 - Out to lunch at the Ott House. 11 a.m.
March 21 - Closed for Good Friday
March 24 - Healthy Steps for Older Adults, Part 1. 9:30 a.m.
March 26 - Healthy Steps for Older Adults, Part 2. 9:30 a.m.
March 27 - "Lets Talk Food" with Eleanor Pella: "Healthy Veggies"

Regular activities

Exercise: Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. Wear athletic shoes.

Beginning Exercise: Tuesday & Thursday at 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.

Line Dancing: Monday and Fridays at 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

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March 7 – Hormonal Imbalance at the Majestic Theater. 7:30 p.m. Sponsored by Gettysburg Hospital and Wellspan. Mood-swinging, estrogen-fueled musical revue by Four Babes. For ticket information call (717) 337-8200 or visit www.gettysburgmajestic.org.

March 7 & 8 – The Cryptogram, a stark drama/mystery performed by the Gettysburg Stage Theatre Ensemble. 8 p.m. at Keefauver Center, 157 Lefever St., Gettysburg, Pa. This chilling, emotionally charged picture of a 1950s childhood drips with foreboding as its mystery slowly unfolds. Tickets \$12 (Seniors and students \$10). For reservations call (866) 859-5192.

March 7 & 8 – Patty O'Rourke and the Irish at Gettysburg. Come celebrate the Irish in Gettysburg. Friday evening enjoy an Irish Buffet and reception at O'Rourke's Irish Pub. Saturday walk the paths of Patty O'Rourke and other Irish soldiers on the Gettysburg Battlefield. Saturday evening enjoy the historic Fairfield's Inn's Shamrocks and Soldiers Irish Feast while being entertained by Cormorant's Fancy, a Gettysburg area Irish Folk Band. For information call (717) 337-1342 or www.baladerryyinn.com.

March 7 to 9 – 3rd Annual Re-enactor/Living Historian Appreciation Weekend. For information and to register, visit www.gettyburgreenactors.com or www.reenactorsrock.com.

March 8 – 13th Annual Women's Health Conference at the Gettysburg College Union Ballroom. A full day full of special events just for women. Speakers, breakout sessions, food and more are all included. Registration by Feb. 22 is \$40 (after Feb. 22 the fee is \$45).

For registration information contact Cindy Gilbert at Gettysburg Hospital (717) 337-4272, Ext. 1 or visit www.wellspan.org.

March 8 – Belle Voix-Fine Arts Concert at Cross Keys Village. The vocal ensemble will inaugurate the 2008 Fine Arts Concert at Cross Keys Village-The Brethren Home Community at 7 pm. FREE. Held in Nicarry Meetinghouse. For information call Frank Buhrman at (717) 624-5203 or visit www.crosskeysvillage.org.

March 8 – Wine Appreciation Class. Wine education, wine tasting, delicious food and fun. 6 - 8 p.m. at Adams County Winery's farm winery. Reservations required. Admission fee. For information call (717) 334-4631 or www.adamscountywinery.com.

March 12 – Lily's Crossing - Arts power at the Majestic Performing Arts Center. For information call (717) 337-8200 or www.gettysburgmajestic.org.

March 13 – Land Conservancy of Adams County Silent Auction at the Gettysburg Hotel. Annual Member Dinner (nonmembers welcome) plus Silent Auction of superb and unusual items. 5:30 p.m. Contact Maria Levenstein at (717) 334-2828 or leac@adamscounty.us.

March 13 to 15 – Adams County Home Builder's Show at Allstar Events Complex, 2638 Emmitsburg Road, Gettysburg. Vendors and exhibits showcasing home building, design and renovation www.adamscountybuilders.com.

March 14 – Jon and Kate Goselin of "Jon & Kate Plus 8", whose incredible family of twins and sextuplets has been chronicled in the TLC Network will tell their story at Cross Keys Village, The Brethren Home Community at the Nicarry Meetinghouse. 5:30 p.m. \$10. For information call Kerry Miller at (717) 624-5208, ext. 6496 or visit www.crosskeysvillage.org.

March 14 – Helen and Teacher at the Majestic Performing Arts Center. For ticket information call (717) 337-8200 or www.gettyburgmajestic.org.

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March 15 – A Rendezvous with Mozart presented by The Frederick Chorale. 8 p.m. at Trinity United Methodist Church, 705 W. Patrick St., Frederick, Md. Adults \$12; Students/Seniors \$10; Group Rate \$8. Mozart, his life and work, including his REQUIEM, with professional orchestra. (301) 662-8506; www.frederickchorale.org. Handicap Accessible.

March 15 – College Choir and Camerato Spring Tour Concert at Christ Chapel. 8 p.m. For information call (717) 337-6815 or visit www.gettysburg.edu/sunderman_conservatory.

March 15 & 16 – Adams County Home Show at the Allstar Events Complex. Sponsored by the Builders Association of Adams County. For information call Kelly Crist at (717) 337-5144.

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March 16 – Music Gettysburg! presents Treasures from Seville with the Boston Shawm and Sackbut in the Chapel at the Lutheran Theological Seminary. 4 p.m. FREE and open to the public. For more information visit www.musicgettysburg.org.

March 17 – Little Leprechauns at Emmitsburg Community Center, 300 S. Seton Ave., Emmitsburg. 6 - 7 p.m. Celebrate all things Irish during this St. Patrick's Day themed program. Crafts, stories and games all centered around the Irish holiday. Ages 3 - 5 years. \$10. To pre-register call (301) 600-2936.

March 19 – St. Petersburg Ballet Theatre-Giselle at the Majestic Theater. 7:30 p.m. Romantic, classical ballet by Russia's world-famous troupe. For ticket information call (717) 337-8200 or visit www.gettysburgmajestic.org.

March 21 & 22 – Ghost Walks are Deadly by Gettysburg Theatre in the Village Theatre at Gettysburg. An interactive murder mystery. For ticket information call (800) 570-4590 ext 2 or (717) 337-0080.

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March 25 – Faculty Recital at Paul Recital Hall of Gettysburg College features Kathleen Sasnett, soprano. 8 p.m. For information call (717) 337-6815 or visit www.gettysburg.edu/sunderman_conservatory.

March 27 – Lake Meade Choristers at the Nicarry Meetinghouse, Cross Keys Village-The Brethren Home Community. 7 p.m. Directed by Kathy Schwar. For information call Frank Buhrman at (717) 624-5203.

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March 6 - Pastel Fantasy at Emmitsburg Community Center, 300 S. Seton Ave., Emmitsburg. 5 - 7:30 p.m. Using pastels reinvent and draw dream-like imagery. Ages 13 - 17. \$20. To pre-register call (301) 600-2936.

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March 7 & 14 - Friday night Lenten Fish Bakes at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel parish hall. 5 - 7:30 p.m. Adults \$9, ages 4 - 12 \$5. For more information call (301) 271-4439.

March 8 - Buffet Breakfast & Pork Sale at Tom's Creek United Methodist Church, Tom's Creek Church Rd. off route 140 between Taneytown and Emmitsburg. Adults \$6, children 5 - 10 \$3, children under 5 free. Sausage, scrapple, and pork chop sale. To order call Ernie Staub (301) 447-6384, Dottie Davis (301) 447-2403 or Rose Knox (443) 605-2675.

March 8 - Benefit Breakfast sponsored by Trinity United Church of Christ, Thurmont and the Thurmont Lions Club at Trinity United Church of Christ, Thurmont, Md. 6 - 11 a.m. Adults \$6.50, children ages 5 - 10 \$3.50, under 5 free.

March 9 - Country Style Breakfast Buffet (all you can eat) at St. Joseph's Catholic Church Social Hall, 44 Frederick St., Taneytown, 7 a.m. - 12 p.m. Adults \$6, children 7-10, \$3.50, 6 & under free. Early Bird Special 7 - 8 a.m. Adults \$5, children 7 - 10 \$3. Sponsored by Knights of Columbus, St. Joseph Taneytown Council 11631.

March 9 - Longaberger Basket & Vera Bradley Bingo at Thurmont AMVETS. 2 p.m. Tickets \$15 in advance, \$20 at Door. For tickets call (301) 271-2397 or (240) 315-3714.

March 9 - Spring Basket Bingo and Vera Bradley hosted by AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary Post 7, Thurmont, Md. 12:30 p.m. Tickets \$15 in advance, \$20 at door. For tickets call (301) 271-2397 or (240) 315-3714 leave message. Benefits AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary Scholarships.

March 10 - Commission on Aging Board at the Emmitsburg Senior Center. 12:30 p.m. Please come with questions and concerns you may have concerning the Seniors of northern Frederick County.

March 12 - Thurmont Middle School MSA information night for parents of sixth, seventh, and eighth graders on 7 p.m. Please plan to attend. The meeting will give information about math and reading tests and tips to help students do their best. For more information on this program call (240) 236-5100.

March 14 - Fish Fry buffet style at St. Joseph's Hall, DePaul St., Emmitsburg. 3 - 7 p.m. Adults \$12, Children 6 - 9 \$4, 5 and under free. Sponsored by St. Joseph's Holy Name Society.

March 14 - St. Patrick's Day Dance. 50s and 60s Sock-Hop with DJ at Thurmont AMVETS Post 7, 26 Apples Church Rd., 9 p.m. - 12 a.m. \$5 donation. 21 or older.

March 15 - St. Patrick's Day Dance at the Emmitsburg Ambulance Company. 9 p.m. - 1 a.m. Singles \$8, couples \$15. BYOB with set ups provided.

March 15 - Catocin High School Safe-n-Sane Restaurant Raffle. \$5 per ticket. One ticket drawn everyday in March. Contact Donna (301) 271-4212.

March 15 - Basket Bingo at Lewistown Vol. Fire Dept., 11101 Hession Bridge Rd., Frederick, Md. Doors open at 4:30 p.m. Games at 6:30 p.m. \$20 advance tickets, \$25 at door. For ticket information call Tammy Smith (301) 271-2408 or Lisa Spielman (301) 898-8292.

March 15 - Dinner, Dance and Silent Auction at Thurmont AMVETS Post 7 to benefit CHS Safe and Sane. 6:30 - 12 p.m. Advanced tickets sales only. Contact Donna at (301) 271-4212.

March 15 - Spring Egg Hunts at Catocin Rec. Center 408 E. Main St. Thurmont. Hunt for eggs and enjoy games and prizes. Fun for the whole family. Pre-register or pay on-site. Egg hunt 10:30 a.m. Ages 2 - 10. \$3. To pre-register call (301) 600-2936.

March 16 - Where is the Proof? Mountain View Ministries, 103 Apples Church Rd. Thurmont presents a drama concerning the resurrection of the Lord during their 10:30 a.m. worship service. For more information contact Pastor Jeff Shaw at (301) 271-9088.

March 16 - Easter Egg Hunt at Gateway Market Rt. 15 and N. Franklinville Rd., Thurmont. 1 p.m. for ages up to 10. (301) 271-2322.

March 16 - All-you-can-eat Buffet breakfast at Greenmount Fire Company, 3095 Emmitsburg Road, Gettysburg, PA. 5 miles south of Gettysburg on Business Route 15. 7 - 11 a.m. Adults \$6, children 6 - 10 \$3, 5 and under free.

March 18 - Voice of Faith from Maine will perform at the Evangelical Bible Church, 14698 Albert

Staub Rd. Thurmont. 7 p.m. For information call (301) 271-4346.

March 19 - Storytime at Thorpe-Wood! 10 - 11:30 a.m. Who Lives in Our Woods? Age 2 - 5. \$2. Stories, crafts and hands-on activities. Learn about animals in winter and make a snowflake craft. Registration required. (301) 271-2823.

March 20 - Maundy Thursday, around the table service, with soup at St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Sabillasville, Md. (301) 241-3287.

March 21 - Friday Nights Lenten Fish Bakes at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church parish hall, Thurmont. 5 - 7:30 p.m. Adults \$9, children 4 - 12 \$5, 3 and under free. For more information, please call (301) 271-4439.

March 21 - Good Friday Service of Shadows at St. John's, Sabillasville, Md. (301) 241-3287.

March 20 & 21 - Annual Seafood Bonanza sponsored by The Vigilant Hose Company, Emmitsburg, Md., 11 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. For information or to place an order, call (301) 447-2728.

March 22 - Baked Goods and Plant Sale hosted by St John's Lutheran Church at the CVS Shopping Center, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Baked goods, homemade Easter candies and potted Easter plants.

March 22 - Free Computer Training at Saint John's Lutheran Church, Thurmont, next to the fire hall. "From On to E-mail" Wed. nights, April 2, 9, 16 & 23. 7 - 8:15 p.m. Instructors Kurt Johnson and Brian Getz have years of computer experience. Join them for a step-by-step guide to computer basics. Microsoft's latest Windows Vista software. Materials and computer access provided. Class size limited. Pre-register by March 22. Call (301) 271-7877.

March 22 - All-You-Can-Eat Breakfast hosted by Thurmont AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary Post 7, 26 Apples Church Rd., Thurmont. 7 - 11 a.m. Adults \$6, children 5 - 10 \$3, 5 and under free. Benefit ACS Relay for Life 2008 and FMH Cancer Patient Assistance Program.

March 22 - Bunny Bonanza at Catocin Rec. Center 408 E. Main St. Thurmont. 11 a.m. - 12 p.m. Bring your favorite stuffed bunny to this one-day program. Egg hunt, make bunny ears. Ages 3 - 5. \$10.

March 23 - Emmitsburg Community Annual Easter Egg Hunt at Emmitsburg Community Park ball field behind the pool. 1 p.m. ages 10 and under.

March 23 - Easter Egg Hunt at Thurmont Community Park sponsored by Thurmont Lions Club. 2 p.m. children ages 12 and under. Rain or shine.

March 23 - Easter Service at St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Sabillasville, Md. 6:30 a.m.

March 23 - Easter Sunrise Ecumenical Service at the Grotto, Emmitsburg. 6:30 a.m.

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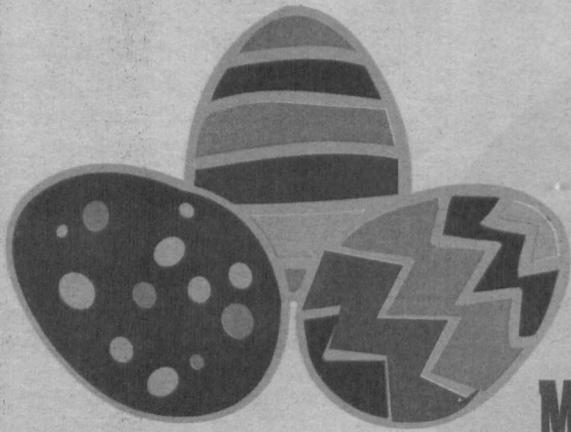
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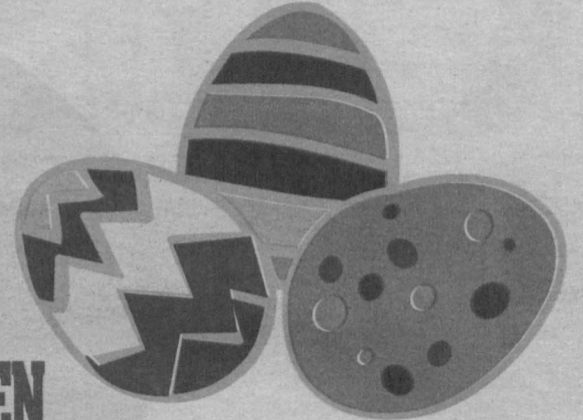
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Following the Declaration of Independence, residents of the Toms Creek Hundred, marshaled on Williams' land and marched off to battle. These brave residents helped cover George Washington's retreat from Brooklyn Heights and allowed Washington to fight another day.

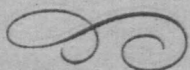
When Henry Williams died, Fort Henry passed into the hands of his nephew, Oliver Horner. In 1862 Horner commanded Cole's Cavalry Company C that was made up of Emmitsburg residents who drilled on the land where Jubilee now sits. Cole's Cavalry played a key role in Union victories in the Shenandoah Valley.

Horner also helped form the Annan-Horner Bank which helped Emmitsburg develop in the latter half of the 1800s.

Over the years, Williams' simple house grew into a mansion. It housed prominent members of the Emmitsburg community, from John O'Donoghue, who built the Emmitsburg railroad, to J. Stewart Annan, the last resident of the Emmitsburg area to serve as a Frederick County Commissioner.

In 1932 the Nester family purchased what remained of Fort Henry and ran it as Brookside Dairy. (Silo Hill's name is because it is located on site of the farm's silos.) In 1975 the mansion house, which had fallen into a state of disrepair, burned to the ground.

So next time you visit Jubilee, reflect on the historical events that have happened there and thank the Jubilee for allowing us to use their ad to share the stories of the photos that now decorate the Jubilee's interior.



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