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A fire broke out in the kitchen of The Carriage House Inn early on the morning of May 25 causing about \$30,000 in damage. Sprinkler systems saves historic 1857 building.

## Carriage House Inn reopens for business after fire damage

By JAMES RADA JR.

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EMMITSBURG, Md. — The video is grainy, but it shows how prevention today can save a lot of heartache tomorrow. The video shows the kitchen of The Carriage House Inn early Sunday morning May 25. A fire

appears and then the room fills with smoke. The fire creeps up the wall of the kitchen to the ceiling and then the sprinkler head pops. Suddenly the fire becomes nothing more than a few embers, if that. A short time later, firefighters from Vigilant Hose Company enter the kitchen to make sure the fire is out and to get the smoke out of the room.

"Videos like that are certainly hard to come by," said Jason Powell with Vigilant Hose Company.

The reason why is understandable. It will cost the Hance Family around \$30,000 to repair the damage to The Carriage House Inn.

"It's more than what we first anticipated, but it seems as we looked closer, there was more to be fixed," said Bob Hance, owner of The Carriage House Inn.

But it could have been worse. Without the functioning sprinkler system Hance installed in the restaurant when the second floor was renovated in 1998, the entire building could have burned.

"We were very lucky to have a sprinkler system or we would have had zero building left," Hance said. "It went off and basically extinguished the fire."

A National Fire Academy student was walking back to his dormitory early Sunday morning when he heard a bell ringing.

"He walked around the building trying to look in where he could," said Jason Powell with Vigilant Hose Company. "When he saw the smoke inside the building, he called it in."

Besides Vigilant, fire companies from Thurmont, Taneytown, Rocky Ridge, Harney and Greenmount, Pa. were alerted.

The fire started in a bin of clean rags, but there is some discussion over how it started in an empty building. The investigation is still ongoing. One possibility is that a tea light fell into the bin.

Hance thinks this is unlikely since he believes that the tea light would have had to be lit for three hours or so without anyone noticing it.

"I firmly believe the stack of rags self-combusted," Hance said.

He said that when the rags are taken from the dryer, they are very hot and although they are clean, they still might have some grease in them. Hance believes these hot rags created enough heat to ignite the grease.

Hance also praised the efforts of local firefighters who not only cleaned up after themselves but also stopped back Sunday afternoon to check on how the Hances were doing.

"It's a great feeling knowing these volunteers have that kind of care for their community," Hance said.

Hance said he has received requests from both National Fire Academy and Vigilant Hose Company for copies of the fire video. The agencies believe the video can be used as a teaching tool to show other businesses the benefits of installing a sprinkler system.

The Carriage House Inn reopened for business on June 2.

## Homicide in Carroll Valley

By JOYCE M. DEMMITT

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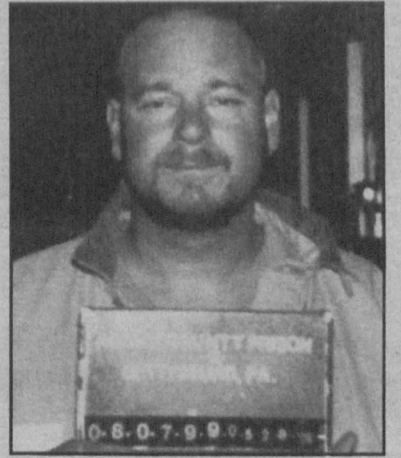
Jason R. Armstrong, 34, of Snow Bird Trail, Fairfield has been charged with criminal homicide in the death of 19-year-old Andrew S. Bosley, of 1145 Carrolls Tract Road in Ortanna.

Armstrong, currently jailed in Adams County, Pa., is scheduled for a preliminary hearing on July 24.

The two men, former co-workers at Liberty Mountain Resort in Carroll Valley, were on an overnight camping trip, May 27-28. Armstrong's wife, Wendy Armstrong, had dropped them off at a wooded location around 7 p.m. on May 27, according to court documents.

Police allege that Armstrong stabbed Bosley and set his body on fire early on the morning of May 28.

Returning home around 5:30 a.m. that same morning, covered with blood, Armstrong told his wife that Bosley had attacked him with



Jason Reuben Armstrong

a knife and that he had killed the younger man, according to court documents. Wendy Armstrong called 911.

Armstrong then left his house in a Honda sedan, heading out to purchase beer, when he crashed into a bridge in the 5700 block of Fairfield Road. He drove home with the airbag deployed.

Officer Ryan Eiker of the

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## Mother Nature honors fallen soldier



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Near Memorial Day, a deer stops in the St. Joseph Cemetery near the grave of Robert Seidel, III in the early morning hours.

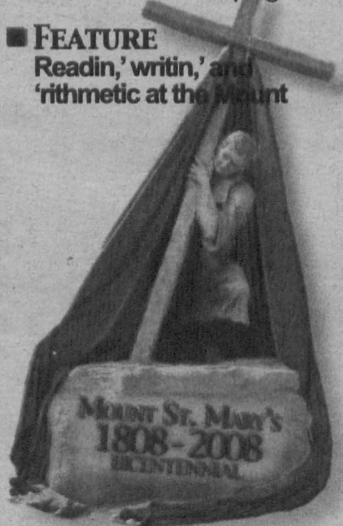
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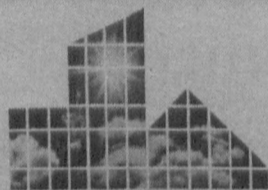


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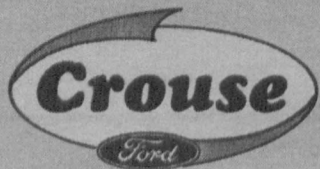
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**Drama on Main Street**

In response to the Emmitsburg residents that find my sign vindictive, this is what you should know.

I have been a Master Barber for many years and built a large following of customers. My customers come from all over Frederick County to have me cut their hair. When I left the Family Barber Shop I was told my customers would be told where I had relocated. My customers were told, "I don't know where he is." So I made a sign so everyone would know where I have moved. I apologize if I have upset the community by having my sign out but I have the right to make a living just like you do.

I feel you should hear my side of the story. I was not fired by Jamie as the rumor has it. I left for personal reasons. The owner of Family Barber Shop made a re-

port to the State Board of Barbers and Cosmetologist to report I was working in the Total Look Salon. It is legal for me to work in any salon or barber shop. I don't know why she made this accusation. Now what is wrong with this picture? A letter from the state board is just a big pain in the neck. I think the call to the state board is vindictive, not the sign.

I would like to thank Sheila, the owner of Total Look, for understanding all this fuss. I pay the parking meters and I also pay Maryland State tax to work in the state. I am not a vindictive or mean-spirited person and if you knew me, you would know I have had my share of heartaches also. Maybe you should not be so quick to judge who is playing the victim on Main Street.

Dick Stull  
Fairfield, Pa.

**Boy Scouts help improve Emmitsburg**

Instead of all the whining and complaining, which seems to be a regular theme of many of the letters to the editor, how about some good news for a change?

Some of you may have noticed that the scouts are back in town. You may have seen them in last summer's 4th of July parade. Perhaps you noticed them selling popcorn or collecting food for the Emmitsburg Food Bank. In addition to camping and hiking and other outdoor activities, these boys and young men work hard to make the Emmitsburg community better, and at the same time learn the lessons of hard work, service, and good character.

Sponsored by St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, and founded in December of 2005, Emmitsburg's Scouting Program currently has over 25 scouts. Pack and Troop 727 have demonstrated themselves to be one of the top scouting programs in Fred-

erick County, as evidenced by their success in various scouting competitions and by earning the 2007 BSA Quality Unit Award.

I personally want to thank all of the adult volunteers who give so much of their time and energy to run our quality program: Larry and Denise McKenna, John and Amy Kenneweg, Ellen Slotwinski, Eric and Katie Soter, Eric Isaacson, Sheila Gray, Ed Brogden, Mike Hoffman, Mark Imirie, Chris Weber, Noreen O'Donnell, John Cillo; Bob Neibecker, Melissa Gelwicks and Lori Stromberg.

Instead of complaining about all that is wrong with our town, these volunteers are working hard today to develop Emmitsburg's good citizens of tomorrow.

John Slotwinski  
Committee Chairman Pack/  
Troop 727

**Catholic colleges should act Catholic**

In response to Katherine Major's letter to the editor in the last issue of *The Dispatch*. Hats off to you! We applaud you immensely for your literary courage Katherine!

What has happened to our faith-filled Catholic Colleges? Are they no more? Could the element of secular-humanism have crept in under the guise of traditional Catholicism?

It seems that the true value of Catholicity no longer exists. Please do not allow worldliness to supersede spiritual wealth that can and should be instilled in today's Catholic college youth.

Try to follow the spiritual values of your founder, Fr. Dubois, as your role model, mentor and example.

May I suggest that you select a representative from your college to research two Catholic college's which are faith filled and reflect total catholicity to their student body, those being Christendom College of Front Royal Va., and Franciscan University of Steubenville, Ohio.

Jim O'Brien  
Emmitsburg

**Who we don't need for president**

We do not need a bold, bellicose old lady (who learned to shoot in the backwoods of Pennsylvania) for President of the United States.

We do not need a senator for President who voted to authorize the war in Iraq.

We do not need a senator for President who confuses the interest of the United States with those of Israel, which has no oil.

We do not need a senator for President who threatens to obliterate Iran.

We need someone with judgment, not someone who does not learn from the mistakes of the past whether recent or distant.

Harold C. Craig  
Emmitsburg



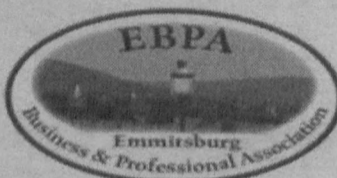
"Laurence and Susan Langton announce the marriage of their daughter, Rachel, to James Dodson, Jr. of Fairfield, PA.

Rachel is a Healthcare Administrator and James is a Police Officer in Frederick City. James is also in the Army National Guard and is scheduled to be deployed to Iraq this fall.

The couple met while snowboarding at Ski Liberty."

**CORRECTION**

In the article "Emmitsburg Glass Company: 20 years of growth and community commitment" in the May 15 issue of *The Dispatch*, the photo caption should have read: "Employees were treated to an all-expense-paid boat cruise from Annapolis to St. Michael's where there was a crab feed for lunch." The publisher would like to thank all of you who brought this error to his attention.

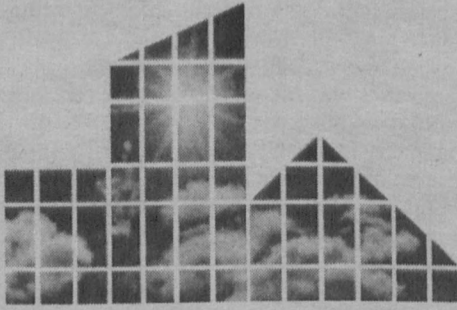


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# Homicide

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Carroll valley Borough Police, having responded to the 911 call, was already at Armstrong's home when the suspect arrived.

Armstrong's blood alcohol level was 0.111 percent, and court documents indicate that he was charged with driving under the influence.

Taken to Gettysburg Hospital because of injuries from the car crash, Armstrong told police that he "must have killed that man," according to the documents. Asked to explain, Armstrong said, "I must have said something to make him mad or something. He pulled out his knife and I pulled out mine. I'm afraid he must be dead," the documents report.

Armstrong told the ambulance personnel that he was referring to "Andy Bosley."

The documents state that Armstrong has been charged with criminal homicide, arson, possession of an instrument of crime, tampering with physical evidence and possible abuse of a corpse. He allegedly stabbed Bosley more than 100 times and then attempted to burn the body.

Armstrong has claimed that Bosley pulled a knife on him while the two were on an overnight camping trip at a wooded vacant lot about 500 yards from Ski Run Trail, parallel to Snow Bird Trail, at Liberty Mountain, May 27-28, and that he stabbed Bosley in self-defense.

Adams County Deputy Coroner Steve Staub, said Bosley's autopsy confirmed that he died from "multiple sharp-force trauma," and his death was ruled a homicide.

## Search warrant evidence

While Armstrong was being treated at Gettysburg Hospital, police obtained a search warrant for the Armstrongs' home. They seized a knife in a sheath, a pocketknife, hand towels, three different samples of blood and other items, according to the search warrant inventory list. No official comments as yet have linked these items to the homicide.

## A shadowy past

At the time of the homicide, Armstrong worked at Liberty Mountain Resort as a full-time groundskeeper. Bosley left his job as a tubing operator at the resort in February after working there for six weeks.

Although Armstrong apparently was a good worker for Liberty Mountain, court documents reveal a history of criminal involvement in his past.

In 1992 he was charged in Chester County with three counts each of aggravated assault, recklessly endangering another person and terrorist threats; two counts of simple assault; and one count each of theft by unlawful taking, receiving stolen property, criminal mischief, public drunkenness, disorderly conduct, purchasing alcohol by a minor and harassment.

Court documents indicate that in 1999 State College Borough Police charged Armstrong with criminal mischief, simple assault and harassment stemming from a January 1999 incident where allegedly injured another man and trashed an apartment, causing at least \$6,000 in damage, because the man's dog was messing up the apartment.

As an 18-year-old teenager in Chester County, Pa., Armstrong testified during the murder trial of Chad Franciscus, accused of killing 16-year-old Michael Divine, a young teenager whom he allegedly accosted along railroad tracks in Pomeroy. With references to Satanic rituals, obsession with vampires and the occult, drug use, Armstrong was linked with a group of troubled teens and known as "King of the Goths."

Friends and family maintained Franciscus's innocence throughout the trial. In 1999, a few days after Franciscus entered a plea that eventually led to a 10-20 year sentence in state prison, Franciscus's defense attorney Vincent DiFabio said that he believed that Reuben Armstrong had committed the murder. Franciscus, still in prison, is available to be released in 2010.

# TOWN NEWS

## Despite increase, town budget shows reductions in major categories

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EMMITSBURG, Md. - While the bottom line number for Emmitsburg's proposed fiscal year 2009 operating budget is increasing by 16.2 percent, when an extra \$200,000 payment made from the town's rainy day fund and used to pay down the pension debt is removed, the budget will increase only 4.2 percent.

The roughly \$109,000 adjusted increase is more than consumed by increases in debt service and capital projects.

Many other large categories in

the budget (legislative-down 26.6 percent, planning and zoning-down 24.5 percent, financial-down 11.7 percent and building-down 15.5) are facing double digits cuts.

"We knew it was a hard year, too and we tried to adjust for that," Town Manager Dave Haller told the commissioners during their May 19 meeting.

Other areas of the budget are seeing increases but on a small scale. Recreation and culture is increasing 2.9 percent. Streets is increasing 0.4 percent. Police protection is increasing 2.3 percent.

However, refuse collection and removal is the first area where the

town is seeing significant cost increases. The cost is up 13.7 percent to \$218,900. Haller said much of the increase is due to the increases in tipping fees or the cost to dump the trash in a landfill.

"As bad as fuel costs are, I think the cost of landfilling will outpace it in coming years," Haller said.

The next big jump is the 76.1-increase in the transfer from the town operating budget to town capital budget. However, despite putting more money into the fund, the total is actually 10.4 percent less than this year. This is because some projects that had been carrying balances forward were completed this year and won't be in the new budget.

The largest category increase is in the debt service area, which will see a 373.3 percent increase. This is because the town is paying a lump sum of \$200,000 to the state pension program as it vests its employees in the state pension program.

The commissioners hope to approve the budget during their June 5 town meeting.

## Emmitsburg receives sewer grant

EMMITSBURG, Md. - The Maryland Department of the Environment awarded Emmitsburg a \$300,000 grant for sewer system improvements. The Maryland Board of Public Works ap-

proved the grant on May 21. The grant will go towards preventing sewer overflows and correcting inflow and infiltration problems, particularly along Lincoln Avenue.

- J. Rada



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TOWN NEWS

Second annual Bike Rodeo held in Emmitsburg

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EMMITSBURG, Md. – For the second year the Frederick County Sheriff's Office hosted a bike rodeo in Emmitsburg, giving kids in the area an opportunity to learn valuable bike safety tips.

"We teach the kids to ride safer," said Frederick County Deputy John Bartlett.

The deputies set up several different activities that gave the children opportunities to practice their bike skills where officers could watch and provide safety tips.

While some children struggled with some of the activities presented at the rodeo, over the course of the event, many children improved their skills.

"The kids get better here,"

The Frederick County Sheriff's Office hosted a bike rodeo in Emmitsburg on May 17 giving kids in the area an opportunity to learn valuable bike safety tips. Different activities, including a cone-weaving course, were set up to give children the opportunity to practice their bike skills in a safe environment and to receive crucial tips from officers.

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**Emmitsburg committees filling**

EMMITSBURG, Md. – The Emmitsburg Town Council made a number of appointments to town committees during their meeting on Monday, May 19. Mayor James Hoover has been actively recruiting residents to fill the many vacant slots on town committees.

- Elizabeth Myers will serve on the parks and recreation committee.
- Sister Catherine Francis Clemons will serve on the parks and recreation committee.
- Kirby Delauter will serve on the parks and recreation

committee.

- Don Briggs will serve on the streets committee.
- Frank Davis will serve on the streets committee.
- Deb Gonyea will serve on the streets committee.
- Dianne Walbrecker will serve as an alternate on the planning and zoning commission.

Hoover said that besides sending the new members a letter confirming their appointment, he will invite them to an orientation meeting that reviews the charge of the committees and the duties of the committee members.

Bartlett said. "Maybe they couldn't do it in the beginning but they can when they leave."

Zachary Howck, 5, from Emmitsburg, participated in the rodeo and enjoyed the activities, particularly the jousting course.

"You take a stick and put it through the hoops while riding," Zachary said, adding that it wasn't as hard as it looked. "It might be hard for you, but not for me," Zachary said.

In addition to learning bike safety tips, officers fitted the children with approved safety helmets, donated by the Gettysburg Bike Shop. Deputy Kenny Olander spent time fitting children with helmets and said that there are a few important things to remember when fitting a helmet.

"It should fit snugly on the head, parallel to the ground... the straps should be adjusted around the ears, no more than one finger should fit between the strap and chin," Olander said, "and last, and most importantly, it should have a ANSI sticker on it, which means it meets the American safety standards." Also, if a helmet is ever worn in a crash it should be replaced, Olander added.

Nearly 20 children attended the rodeo held on May 17.

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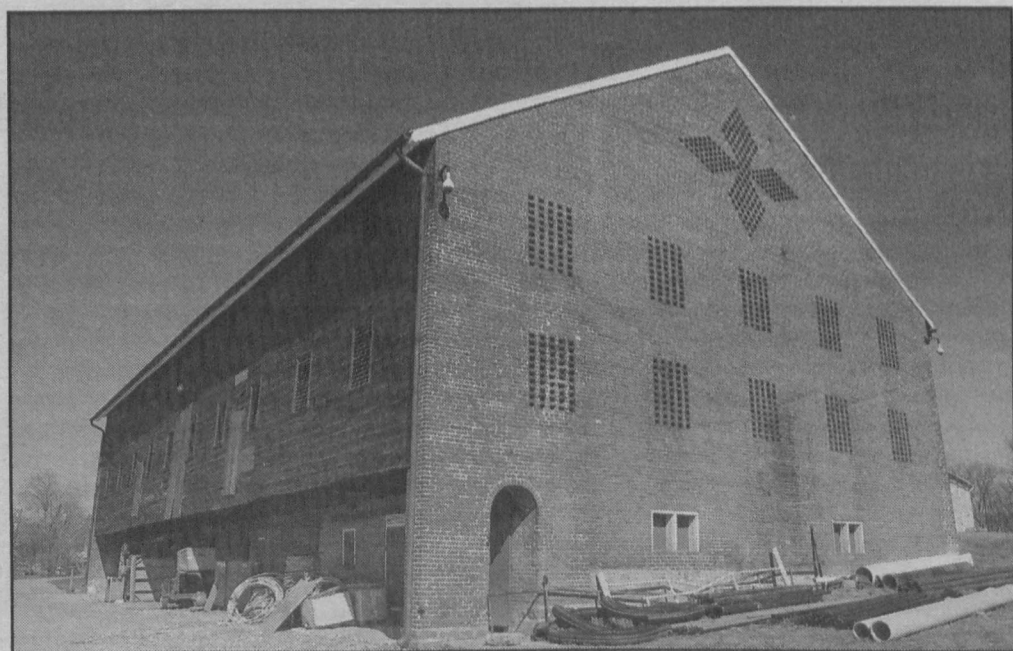
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# Barnstormers Tour showcases the 'Barns of Catoctin' on June 21



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Tour historic barns on June 21 like this former Daughters of Charity barn now on the property of FEMA. The self-guided tour of 10 beautiful and unique barns in the Thurmont and Emmitsburg area.

FREDERICK COUNTY, Md. - See the historic "Barns of Catoctin" on June 21. The Frederick County Landmarks Foundation invites the public on a self-guided tour of 10 beautiful and unique barns in the Thurmont and Emmitsburg area. The "Barnstormers Tour" will run from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, June 21.

The featured barns include: Zephyr Hills Log Barn, one of very few log barns left in the area; the Schley-Ramsburg Brick Barn; the Franklin Barn, a superlative barn and the smallest on the tour; Shriver's Brick Barn, one of the biggest and oldest around; the lightly framed barn at Shriver's Meats; Shriver's Patchwork Barn, known for its quilt-like appearance; Bell Hill Farm; the Springfield Barn; FEMA's National Emergency Training Center Barn, built for the Daughters of Charity in support of St. Joseph's College; and Fitzgerald's Barn.

The day's events also include

artists at each of the barns, who will be creating paintings that will be sold at the end of the tour as a fundraiser for Barnstormers' efforts to save the barns of Frederick County. Admission includes the barn tour, the art sale, and reception. The art sale and reception immediately follow the tour, from 5 to 7 p.m.

"The public has never been able to tour most of these barns before," said Birch Hotz, chairperson of the Barnstormers. "Walking into these barns is like walking into the past. They are valuable beyond measure and we must respect them," said Hotz.

The self-guided, one-day tour follows scenic country roads around Thurmont and Emmitsburg. Tickets to the event include a brochure with a detailed map and descriptions of the barns. Docents will be at each barn, providing information and escorting people to areas of interest.

Tickets are \$15 and are on

sale locally at the Cozy Restaurant, the Shamrock Restaurant and the Rebecca Pearl Gallery. Children 16 years and under are free. Tickets will also be available for sale the day of the event at any of the participating barns. For more information call (301) 293-2215.

## Enjoy the fun of farm life

FREDERICK, Md. - Pick strawberries out of the field, pet an alpaca, take hayrides around a farm, take beautiful photos of the growing crops and vineyards, and enjoy all the different amenities of a farm. These are just some of the things you can do at the Spring FamilyFestival@theFarm on June 7 and 8.

Sponsored by the Frederick County Office of Economic Development and the Agriculture Business Council's Public Relations Committee, the free weekend event provides hands-on activities for families who would like to spend a day of fun on the farm.

The Spring FamilyFestival@theFarm allows families the opportunity to visit any of the 14 farms. The 2008 Farm Guide is available through the Frederick County Office of

Economic Development, Frederick County Visitor Centers, Tourism Office and Frederick County Public Libraries. You can also get the downloadable version through the at [www.discoverfrederickmd.com/funfarm](http://www.discoverfrederickmd.com/funfarm).

The 14 farms included in this weekend event are: Catoctin Mountain Orchard, Scenic View Orchards, Tranquility Farm, Whispering Meadows Alpaca and Whitmore Farm, Berrywine Plantations/ Langanore Winecellars, Elk Run Vineyards, Lilypons Water Gardens, Loew Vineyards, M & W Nursery, Mayne's Tree Farm, Nick's Organic Farm, Schifferstadt Architectural Museum and Thanksgiving Farm.

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# Countywide fire tax dead for now

By JAMES RADA JR.  
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FREDERICK, Md. — The Frederick County Commissioners listened to more than 30 people on May 15 speak about how they should deal with the county's fire tax.

One of the options was to create a countywide fire tax of 11 cents/\$100 of assessed value on their property in fiscal year in 2009 and 12 cents/\$100 of assessed value in fiscal year 2010. If enacted, this would have created a tax increase in Thurmont and

areas serviced by Guardian Hose Company and a tax decrease in Emmitsburg and areas serviced by Vigilant Hose Company,

Most of the speakers, including a large group from Thurmont, spoke against the countywide fire tax. However, Commission President Jan Gardner noted that calls and e-mails were evenly split over what to do.

Frederick County has an urban and suburban fire tax district. Residents in the suburban district pay 8 cents/\$100 of assessed value on their property. The fire and rescue companies have part-time coverage, and the fire companies have mostly volunteer staff. Residents in the urban tax rate pay 12.8 cents/\$100 of assessed value and have coverage 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Gene Mellin, director of Frederick County Fire and Rescue Services, said a single rate would allow more flexibility to address problems such as failed calls.

George Bills of Thurmont said going to a single would be "unfair because it penalizes our residents by raising our taxes for the inability of some other communities to meet the county requirement to man their fire departments."

County resident Charles Siz-

er complained about the lack of accountability with the fire tax. He pointed out that in the past two years, his property taxes have gone up 11 percent and 12 percent respectively while during the same period his fire tax went up 26 percent and 21 percent.

Thurmont Commissioner Wayne Hooper said going to a countywide fire tax would hurt volunteerism. "The volunteers are the backbone of this county," he said. "We've gotten a lot of things done and save the county a lot of money."

Point of Rocks resident Richard McDonald was all right with the tax increase because he wanted the increased service. "I look at any tax increase as just another insurance policy for me," he said.

Following more than two hours of discussion, the commissioners decided that they wouldn't pursue a countywide fire tax for next year.

The commissioners did vote on May 21 to move the fire and rescue companies at Point of Rocks, Myersville, Jefferson, Woodsboro and Libertytown from the suburban fire district to the urban fire district. With this move, 82 percent of the county's assessable base is now in the urban fire district.

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Catoctin High School student and Empty Bowls Banquet helper Anna Schwirian presents a portion of the \$1200 proceeds from Catoctin High School's 2008 Empty Bowls Banquet to Pastor Gehris of the Thurmont Ministerium. Empty Bowls volunteers, left to right: Connie Harris, Emily Delauter, Kaitlin Stouter, Brad McNamara, Kim Ortiz, Sarah Harrington, Becky Fry, and Trista Davis. Nearly 700 canned food items were also collected and donated to the Thurmont food bank for this year's EBB.

## Deborah Clarke named Lions Club Teacher of the Year

Scholarships, other awards also presented at Education Night

BY SUSAN ALLEN  
Contributing Writer

THURMONT, Md. -- The Thurmont Lions Club recognized Catoctin High School social studies teacher Deborah Clarke as the 2008 Teacher of the Year at its annual Education Night dinner on May 28. The award to Clarke, herself a Catoctin High alumna, capped an evening of honors and support for local educators and students.

For the first time teacher candidates were nominated from all seven area public schools and Mother Seton School. They were: Angela Knapp, Thurmont Middle; Sheila Dorsey, Mother Seton; James McGivern, Thurmont Elementary; Brenda Smith, Sabillasville Elementary; Greta Nettleton, Lewistown Elementary; Larissa Keller, Emmitsburg Elementary; and Heather Flickinger, Thurmont Primary.

In keeping with the Lions Club

motto, "We serve," Thurmont Middle School science teacher Von Mosser was recognized for special volunteer work outside the classroom. In 2006 and 2008 Mosser and his church group traveled to Mississippi to repair homes damaged by hurricane Katrina. Next year the Thurmont Lions, partnering with the staff and administrators, will organize a Leo Club youth service organization at the middle school. Fittingly, two students were also honored for their hours of community service. Lori Douglass, an 8<sup>th</sup> grader at Thurmont Middle School, received the Junior Lion Award for 157 volunteer hours given to the Rocky Ridge Fire Company. Catoctin High senior Tyler Watt, who is graduating with the most hours of service learning (particularly with the 4-H Therapeutic Riding program), received the Lion Award.

Three members of this year's graduating class, Erin Hogan, Kaitlyn Smith, and Laura Thompson, received Thurmont Lions Club scholarships. They will be attending Villa

Julie College, Frederick Community College, and Palm Beach Atlantic University respectively. Meg Glancey, a member of the Catoctin class of 2007 now attending Villanova University, again received the Victor Jagow Scholarship.

The Thurmont Lions also encourage youth participation in the Lions Club International's peace poster contest. Eighteen students entered posters illustrating the theme "Peace around the World." Amber Sanders received the first place award, while Evan Lambert placed second. Elementary and middle school students competed this year in the American Heritage essay contest, a District of Lions Clubs program. Sophia Heimbrook from Lewistown Elementary was the elementary level winner. Middle school essayists Jacob Young and Jackson Steinly were the first- and second-place winners.

Each school principal received funds to supplement or enrich learning programs for their students.

## Six Catoctin students win in statewide competition

THURMONT, Md. -- Six Catoctin High School students were among the 21 Frederick County students who took home gold medals during the Maryland SkillsUSA competition.

The Catoctin High winners were:

- Tyler Bennett for TV/video production team
- Elyssa Cool for first-aid/CPR
- Myra Derbyshire for prepared speech
- Eric Hamrick for architectural design
- Seth Sweeney for employment application

- Warren Zentz (a Catoctin graduate) for post-secondary job interview

The winners will represent Maryland at the National Skills USA Championships, June 23-28 in Kansas City, MS, competing against 5,000 other state winners.

Seventeen students earned second-place silver medals, and 13 earned bronze in the statewide competition.

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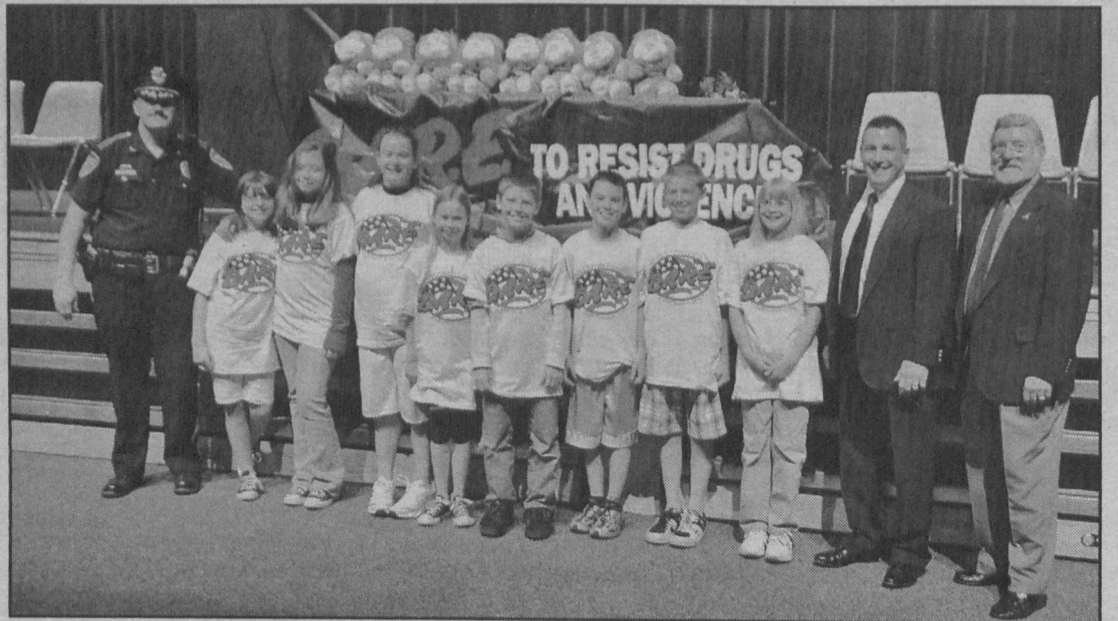
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Eight Fairfield Middle School students, Austin Ford, Cassidy Atterberry-Leahy, Michael Quealy, Taylor Sartori, Lydia Stith, Kenzie Pryor, Jimmer Powers and Morgan Wagner, were recognized with Essay Award Pins and a stuffed "Daren the DARE Lion" the mascot of the program.

FAIRFIELD, Pa. - On May 14, 2008, Carroll Valley Borough Police and Fairfield Area School District held the 13th Annual D.A.R.E. Culmination at the Fairfield Middle School.

During the culmination ceremony students received certificates, D.A.R.E. T-shirts and medals during a public culmination ceremony. The Outstanding DARE Essays of eight students, Austin Ford, Cassidy Atterberry-Leahy, Michael Quealy, Taylor Sartori, Lydia Stith,

Kenzie Pryor, Jimmer Powers and Morgan Wagner, were recognized with Essay Award Pins and a stuffed "Daren the DARE Lion", the mascot of the program. After the ceremony the students enjoyed a pizza party partially provided by Ventura's Pizza in Fairfield.

The D.A.R.E. Project sponsored by Carroll Valley Borough teaches students to recognize a variety of motivations and pressures that may lead to drug and alcohol abuse and violence. It shows stu-

dents how to resist or avoid these pressures, make good decisions and live drug-free, violence-free lives.

The Fairfield School District provides the classroom time. Fifth-grade teachers assisted and reinforced the program in their classes. There were 108 fifth grade students in four sections in the Fairfield School District in the 2007-2008 school year. Chief Richard L. Hileman II, D.A.R.E. Coordinator for 13 years, and Cpl. James W. Powers, Jr., D.A.R.E. Officer for nine years, taught the program.

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BUSINESS

# The Dispatch and WTHU create news partnership

BY JENNIFER BUCHHEISTER  
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THURMONT, Md. — Beginning June 9, WTHU will be broadcasting under new ownership, the Christian Radio Coalition. In an attempt to better serve residents, *The Dispatch* and WTHU have agreed to team up to offer local news on a regular basis through the radio station. This will allow *The Dispatch* to better inform residents on a more timely basis.

According to Raymond Buchheister, publisher of *The Dispatch Newspapers*, a relationship between a newspaper publication and a broadcast agency is natural and symbiotic. "Disseminating factual news and important information that affects local residents is a primary goal of our mission. A partnership with WTHU will allow us to get late breaking news out immediately," Buchheister stated.

Michael Betteridge, president of the Christian Radio Coalition

agrees with Buchheister. "WTHU's primary responsibility to its listeners is to provide local programming, news, information, and business advertising. *The Dispatch* shares many of these same goals with us. WTHU is partnering with *The Dispatch* to provide more comprehensive news, information and advertising services to the community."

In order to comply with the Federal Communication Commission, news from *The Dispatch* will be identified as such. Details as to how often and what time during programming local news will be broadcast are yet to be determined. Programming will also be broadcast on the new web site [www.wthu.org](http://www.wthu.org)

Another way that WTHU and *The Dispatch* will be better serving area businesses will be through offering joint discounted advertising packages. Businesses will now have the opportunity to effectively blanket the Mason-Dixon region via newsprint advertising and radio advertising. *The Dispatch* distribution

is approximately 255 square miles with a 100% market saturation into 15,000 homes and businesses and WTHU broadcasts at approximately 2000 square miles during the daytime with good weather. The range significantly decreases at night.

"The relationship is also good for our local businesses in that it gives them both print advertising and radio advertising," Buchheister said. "Our local businesses are important to our community. Having a relationship with WTHU should help them in that we're not fighting for advertising dollars, but working together to help them get exposure in two different media avenues."

Lori Stromberg, inside advertising sales with *The Dispatch* agrees. "Helping our businesses succeed in their advertising is our primary goal. WTHU is another media we can provide to help them accomplish that. We care about our advertisers and we are doing this as a way to genuinely help them. We have their best interest at heart."

## Catoctin Lighting introduces light recycling

THURMONT, Md. — Catoctin Lighting has recently introduced a qualified disposal program to help eliminate environmental hazards by accepting spent fluorescent, incandescent, and high intensity discharge lamps (HID) as defined by the Universal Waste Rule.

"With many commercial entities focusing on green initiatives, it is incumbent upon property owners, managers, and electrical contractors to not only protect themselves from liability and possible governmental fines, but to also promote themselves as good stewards of the environment," said Jim Richards, president of Catoctin Lighting.

"Our Commercial Recycling Program for Lighting Products is a simple, yet cost-effective way for green-focused businesses to properly recycle lamps and ballasts."

Seeking greener solutions to help protect the environment, The Housing Authority of the City of Frederick turned to Catoctin Lighting's recycling program.

"Our recycling activities with Catoctin Lighting demonstrate our overall commitment to pollution reduction and prevention," stated Maintenance Superintendent Steve Frizzell. "Together we will employ environmentally sound recycling activities leading to a brighter conservation of resources."

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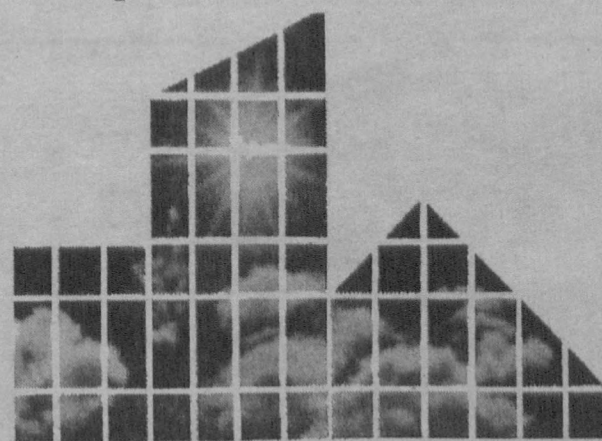
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*Awards scholarships in recognition of their 45th anniversary*



- RAYMOND BUCHHEISTER / THE DISPATCH

In recognition of the 45th anniversary of Catoctin Colorfest, ALL applicants were awarded scholarships, for a grand total of \$13,000 in awards. The group usually awards three scholarships (one \$1,500 and two \$1,000.) These went to Hilliary Benjamin, Karen DeLauter, and Erin Hogan. This year nineteen additional students received \$500 awards--Rebecca Abel, Stephanie Eyler, Devan Fogle, Margaret Hashemzadeh, Kaitlyn Hays, Jennifer Lipscomb, Jessica Lipscomb, Chelsey Miller, Daniel Miller, Rachel Murray, Ryan Murrell, Ceth Parker, Joel Portier, Candace Rissler, Katherine Shields, Kaitlyn Smith, Tara Stackhouse, Laura Thompson, and Philip Tylicki.

# EPBA adds to Emmitsburg area scholarship fund



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Allen Knott, treasurer of the EBPA presented the check to Elizabeth Day, president of the Community Foundation during the recent meeting of the Emmitsburg Business and Professional Association.

BY ELIZABETH M. PIAZZA  
Contributing Writer

EMMITSBURG, Md. – The Emmitsburg Business and Professional Association presented a check for \$1100 to the Community Foundation of Frederick County, May 20, at the Carriage House Inn.

Allen Knott, treasurer of the EBPA presented the check to Elizabeth Day, president of the Community Foundation.

"The money was raised from dues of the 70 members within the EBPA," said Libby Briggs, president of the EBPA. It will be placed into the Emmitsburg area fund that the Community Foundation manages.

"The fund was started by the

EBPA with a primary focus of awarding college scholarships to students from Emmitsburg and a secondary focus of supporting grants to the Up-County Family Support Center," Day said.

The money from this donation will benefit a graduating Catoctin High School student, whose name has not been announced.

The Community Foundation began in 1986 and awards more than 17 million in grants and scholarships to the community and has 630 charitable funds under management. Between 2001 and 2008, the EBPA has made eight contributions to the Community Foundation.

The check presentation was followed by dinner and a slideshow presentation by Sue Cip-

perly, Emmitsburg town planner. Cipperly joined Emmitsburg in February. She worked in Gettysburg for 10 years and prior to that, worked in upstate New York.

"Sue has such a diverse background," Briggs said. "It is an outstanding opportunity for Emmitsburg to have her."

"It's a nice town to work with," Cipperly said. "Dave (Haller, town manager) and I have a good set of complimentary skills and sense of humor. I think we can get a lot done."

The next meeting of the EBPA is scheduled for June 18. For more information contact Libby Briggs at (301) 606-5782.

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Carrie Wivell, Emmitsburg, was awarded the following scholarships: Tribute to a Friend Scholarship, George E. Randall Memorial Scholarship, Lions Club, Dr. Harry Prongas Memorial Scholarship (offered through the Community Foundation of Frederick County), and The Emmitsburg Area Fund/EBPA Scholarship (administered by the Community Foundation).

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*Coming Soon*

Gettysburg High School students have completed the 28'x10' mural reflecting the history of Emmitsburg.

The mural which is being painted on parachute cloth depicts of the Tom's Creek Hundred Militia based on Archibald M. Willard's 1875 painting "Spirit of '76" featuring a Continental Army fife player and two drummers; Hockensmith's Tavern using the interior of the Dobbin House, Gettysburg as a model and painting of William Cole Emmit as the basis for that representing his father and town founder William Emmit.

Final arrangements are being made for the hanging of the historical mural and for the unveiling for Emmitsburg residents and visitors to enjoy.

Watch for announcements for the exciting ceremony for which the mural will be made public.

*Catch a Glimpse of Yesteryear*

In 1775 as the sounds of war for Independence grew, the men of Toms Creek Hundred answered the call for troops. Men of the Toms Creek Hundred, which encompassed the present 21727 zip code, formed the Game Cock Company commanded by Captain William Blair and later, Emmitsburg's Revolutionary War hero Henry Williams and another company under the command of Captain William Shields. More than 100 soldiers manned these companies and served in almost every major battle in the Revolutionary War.

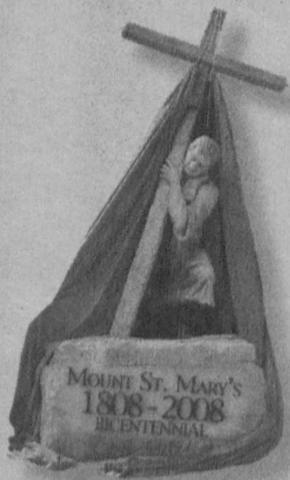
Three years after the war ended, Toms Creek Hundred residents met at Hockensmith's Tavern, located near present day Rt. 140 and Middle Creek. On March 5, 1785, they signed letters of agreement with Samuel Emmit to purchase lots in a new town to be laid out on his property. In August 1785, Samuel deeded 35 acres to his son William "... wherein the lots of a new town of Emmitsburg are laid out."

Unfortunately for William, most of the land his father gave him was deeded in 1754 by Daniel Delaney, Frederick's founder. Delaney called his prior deed "Silver Fancy," which is how that term entered Emmitsburg folklore. It would take William nearly 13 years to resolve the deed discrepancies and obtain clear title to all the lots in "Emmitsburg." William eventually joined with William Shields to extend the town west to the Doughboy statue.

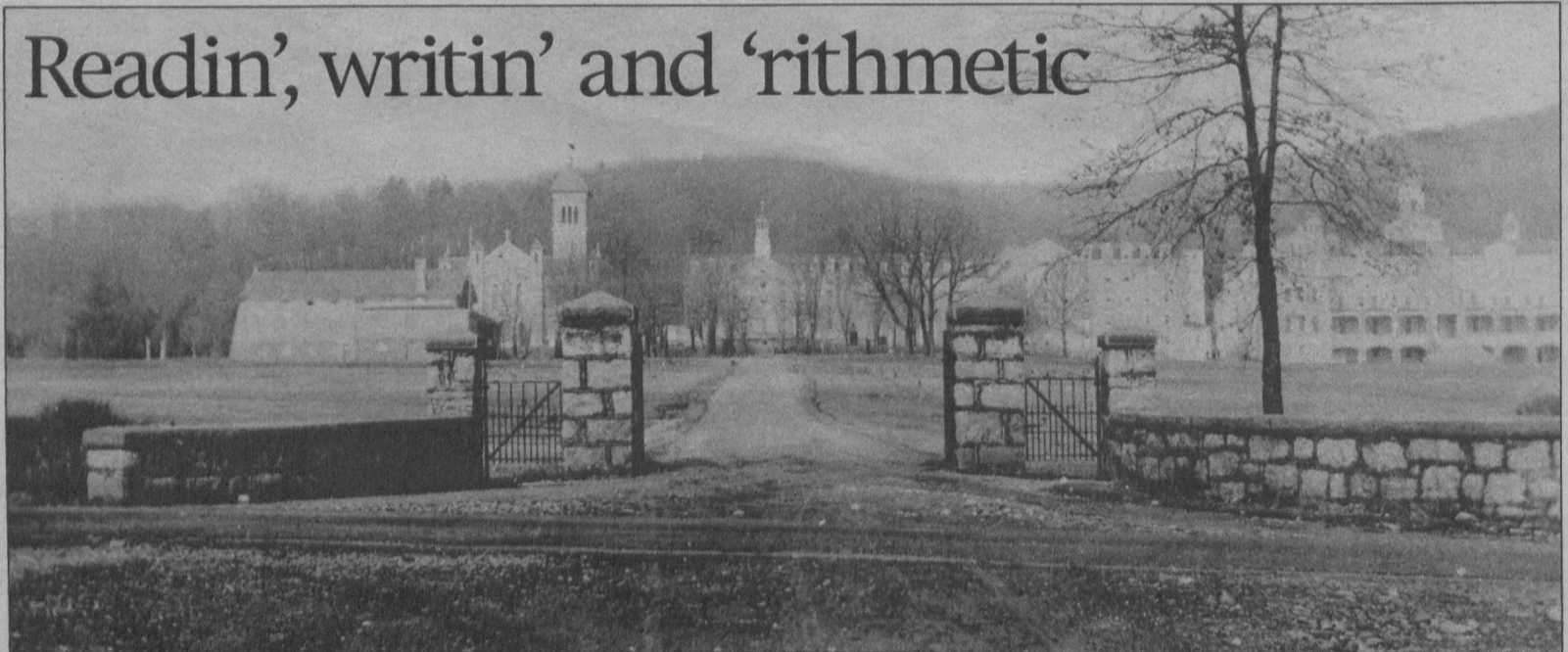
Thanks to the efforts of the Historical Society's Civil War researcher John Miller, Emmitsburg's role in that war, long overshadowed by its northern neighbor Gettysburg, is finally receiving its just recognition. Company C of Cole's Calvary was raised in the Emmitsburg area in 1861. Under the leadership of Captain Albert Hunter and Major Oliver Horner, Henry Williams' nephew, the company rode over 7,000 miles during its four years in the saddle. The exploits of Cole's Calvary were among the most heroic and spectacular of any organization in the eastern theater of the Civil War. To learn more about Emmitsburg's Civil War history join John Miller, June 27 for the 2nd Annual Lion's Club/Historical Society's Emmitsburg Civil War Walking Tour.

To learn more about the Tom's Creek Hundred or the founding of Emmitsburg visit [www.emmitsburg.net](http://www.emmitsburg.net).





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



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This undated photo shows the main entrance to Mount St. Mary's. The university has been known for providing a quality education to its students for 200 years.

BY JAMES RADA JR.  
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EMMITSBURG, Md.—Mount St. Mary's has always been known for the fine education it gave its students. In many ways, the education students received 200 years ago is the same as it is today. In other ways, it differed, reflecting the times and mores of society.

Below are excerpts from a letter home from Francis William Elder who attended Mount St. Mary's in 1818. Elder was one of six (out of seven) brothers who attended Mount St. Mary's. His oldest brother became the Archbishop of Cincinnati. The letter was published in *The Story of the Mountain: Mount Saint Mary's College*

and Seminary by Mary E. Meline and Edward F. X. McSweeney.

*On getting to school:* "It was in the month of September 1818 that I was first enrolled as a pupil of Mt. St. Mary's Seminary, the Institution not being yet dignified with the title of College. The trip from Baltimore to Emmitsburg at that time was a journey that sometimes involved the necessity of spending one night on the road."

*On mornings:* "The school buildings and the annexes, as we would call them today, were all constructed of hewn logs and two stories high. We were awakened at a very early hour in the morning by one of the prefects walking up and down the dormitory, smacking his hands together with a noise that

could be heard all over the house, and if any fellow was observed playing possum, his cot was tilted to one side and he was unceremoniously dumped out on the floor. As each boy finished his toilet, which was done generally in about two minutes, he went down to take his morning ablutions at the pump, so-called, but it was no pump at all being simply a long trough dug out of a solid log, pierced at both sides with a dozen or more holes through which the water flowed continually day and night, summer and winter, and we had only to catch two or three double handfuls of water, souse our faces and wipe them off with the towel with which every fellow provided himself as he went from the dormitory. In the winter

time this feat of washing was often accompanied with accidents that afforded fun for the fellows but no fun for the actor. The splashing of the water, freezing in front of the trough, formed a mound of ice just where we had to get in order to catch the water, and it was an everyday occurrence for some of us to get a fall and often to slip into the pool which was formed by the frozen spray, and many a time we found our faces fringed round with icicles formed on our hair during the short time it took us to make our ablutions on those bitter winter mornings."

*On meals:* "... breakfast, which was a frugal repast indeed; a big bowl of good hot coffee and a hunk of bread which the boys generally broke up in the coffee; no butter no meat nor relish of any kind. For dinner we had meat and gravy in abundance but there was no attention paid to carving, and the whole service was of the most primitive character but the feature of our dinners in the summer and fall, was the gumbo soup that was luxurious and, although I have been a lover of gumbo soup ever since I learned to eat it there, it seems to me I have never found any so good as what we had at School. Supper was the same as breakfast, with the additional accompaniment occasionally of a little butter."

*On fun:* "The amusements of the boys, besides marbles, tops and some athletic games, were sometimes of a very practical character. On one occasion we gathered up all the loose stones about the premises and filled up a frog pond in the garden, which it was desired to obliterate; another time we spent a whole day clearing the stones out of the roadway to the church and with them filling in the roadway of the stone bridge, which I believe still stands a little way above the College. At other times we would help good old Father Brute "to lay out and open the many paths, that yet remain to attest his engineering qualities, all about the surrounding localities and to fix up the 'Grotto,' which still attracts the visitor to Mt. St. Mary's."

*On girls:* "It was the custom in those days for the Sisterhood

girls to come over in the summer to the high Mass at our church; but the good Sisters were very shy, always keeping them where they could be out of the sight of the boys as if that were contaminating. The Grotto was one of their favorite haunts and one of their pastimes was to scratch their names with a pin on the laurel leaves, so that we fellows when we went there afterwards, could gather the said leaves and faithfully keep them in our prayer books, just by way of a little innocent romance."

As for what classes were taught at the Mount, the following is the scholastic report of a student named Marius of a Maryland family who attended the Mount St. Mary's College in 1819. Rev. John Dubois wrote the comments next to the subjects, which gives an idea of the extent of the education received at Mount St. Mary's in its early years.

1. Religion - inconstant yet and neglectful.
2. English spelling - careless in writing.
3. English reading - reads without method and application, dry.
4. Composition - does better now; writing improves.
5. Latin - pretty well lately.
6. French - capacity; overcomes the difficulties by his application.
7. Geography - so inattentive to this class, which requires so much attention, that it was thought best to take him away.
8. Practical arithmetic - does well; behavior, middling, careless; talents, good enough when he exerts them; temper, peevish and stubborn for a long while, good lately; application, deficient since he returned from home lately; health, good; manners, good or bad according to his humor; piety, very deficient.
9. Observations - When Marius came from the vacations he showed a great deal of discontent, probably owing to bad counsels from some of his playmates he had left behind. He neglected everything. His temper was peevish and stubborn. A great change for the better has taken place in him for a few weeks. I trust the next account will be much to his advantage.

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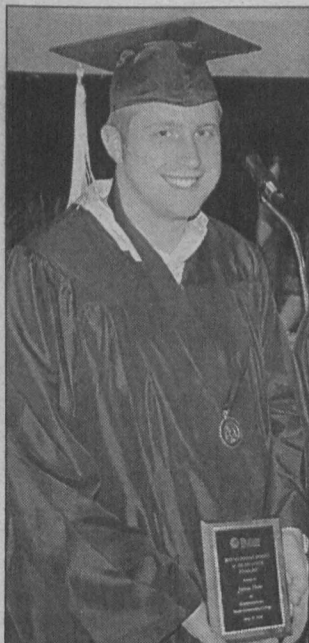
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## Flohr excels in College



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Joshua Flohr of Emmitsburg was one of five finalists for Butler Community College's most-prestigious scholarship, the Hubbard Award of Excellence. Butler Community College is in El Dorado, Kan.

## Carnival ends with good crowd



- JAMES RADA JR. / THE DISPATCH

The crowd at Mother Seton Carnival as seen from above.

Though plagued by rain and cool temperatures, Mother Seton School Carnival finished out its week-long run in Emmitsburg with big crowds as the weather improved.

"It's like Disneyland comes to town for a week," Emmitsburg Commissioner Glenn Blanchard said during a recent town meeting.

Monica Edson of Carroll Valley came to the carnival so her children could enjoy all the rides they wanted with the one-price wristbands.

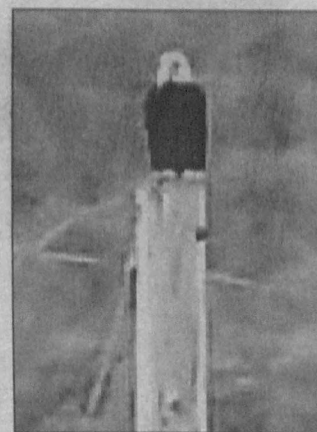
"The kids seem to love it," Edson said. "I was at the York Fair a couple weeks ago and it was much more expensive."

Brenda Kline of Fairfield has been coming to the carnival since she was a youngster and now she brings her son to enjoy the rides.

"I enjoy coming because I get to see people I haven't seen in a while," Kline said.

Katelynn Castle, 13, Miranda Matz, 13 and Cody Ott, 15, came out to have something different to do. Katelynn and Cody came to the carnival multiple times during the week. Katelynn said her biggest disappointment was that the Cobra ride wasn't back this year. -J.Rada

## The eagle has landed



- PHOTO COURTESY OF ROBIN MCAFEE

A bald eagle took a rest break atop a utility pole in Sabillasville on May 15. Robin McAfee was lucky enough to get pictures of the eagle and video of it flying into a tree on a corner of her property. It was the first time McAfee had seen an eagle on her property.

## Grinder and Williams receive 2008 Vincentian Values Awards



Associates Jim Grinder, Manager of Transportation, St. Joseph's Provincial House, and Marie Williams, RN, Villa Saint Michael, received the 2008 Vincentian Values Awards during the Annual Associate Appreciation ceremony held at the St. Joseph's Provincial House by the Daughters of Charity on May 21. The program is built on the values of St. Vincent de Paul and St. Louise de Marillac who ministered to the less fortunate in a loving and caring way. The recipients were nominated by coworkers, managers, and sisters. A committee selects exemplary associates from the nominations and recognizes these special people as role models living the organization's core values: Compassion, Hospitality, Advocacy, Respect, Integrity, Trust, and Yes! To Mission.

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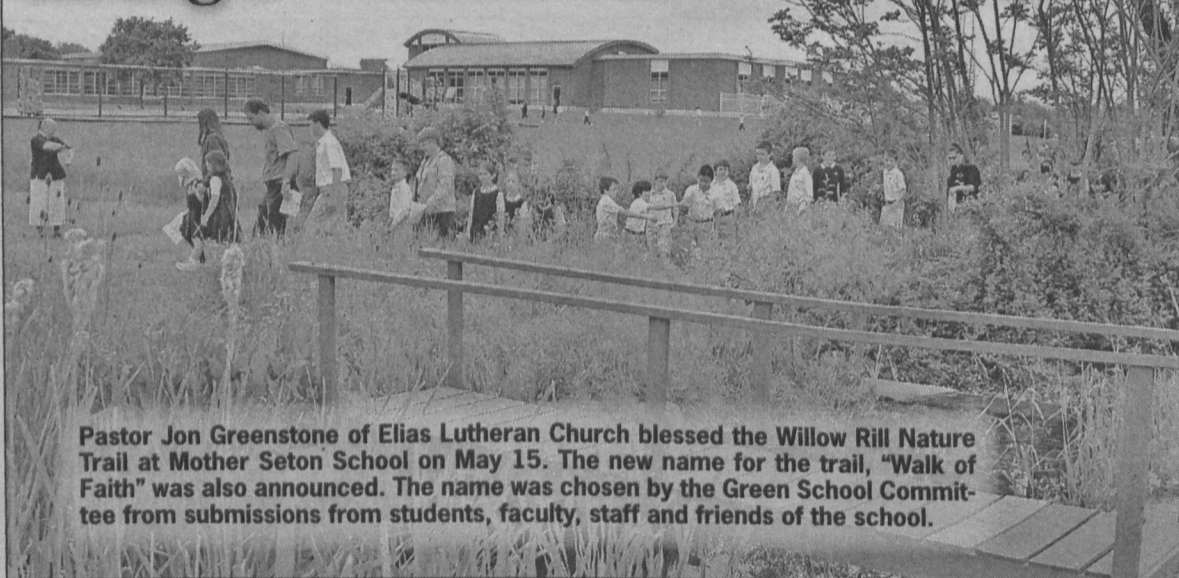
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**Taking a "Walk of Faith"**



Pastor Jon Greenstone of Elias Lutheran Church blessed the Willow Hill Nature Trail at Mother Seton School on May 15. The new name for the trail, "Walk of Faith" was also announced. The name was chosen by the Green School Committee from submissions from students, faculty, staff and friends of the school.

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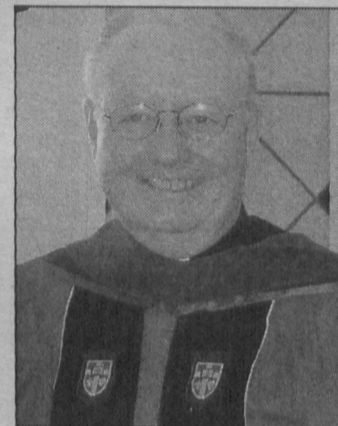
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**O'Malley receives Doctor of Sacred Theology Degree**

On Saturday, May 17, 2008, Father Vincent O'Malley, pastor of St. Joseph's Church, was awarded an honorary Doctor of Sacred Theology Degree by St. John's University in New York for his outstanding service to the Vincen-tian Community and the underserved throughout the world.



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June at the Emmitsburg Library

## Storytimes

**Preschool Storytime** (ages 3-6)  
June 5, 12, 19, 26 @ 10:30 a.m.

**Two Terrific Storytime** (age 2)  
June 10, 17, 24 at 10:30 a.m.

**Babies with Books**  
(birth-24 months with an adult)  
June 11, 18, 25 at 10:30 a.m.

**Family Storytime** (all ages)  
June 11, 18, 25 at 7 p.m.

## Children's Programs

**Catch the Reading Bug**  
(ages 3 and up)  
Pick up your summer reading game board and participate in some fun buggy crafts and games.  
June 7, all day.

**American Girl Book Club**  
(ages 6-11)  
Enjoy tea time or a craft featuring a different American Girl each month.  
June 18 at 4 p.m.

**Insect Inventions** (ages 7-12)  
Fly by your library this summer to make a buggy visor and other hopping crafts.  
June 21 at 11 a.m.

**Buggy Crafts** (ages 3-6)  
Create creepy, crawly critters at the library.  
June 23 at 10:30 a.m.

**Lunch Bunch Book Club**  
(ages 8-12)  
Bring a bag lunch as you become an amateur entomologist at the library.  
June 26 at noon.

## Teen Programs

**Animé Club** (grades 6-12)  
June 13 at 6 p.m.

**Movie Makers Club**  
(grades 6-12)  
June 17 at 7 p.m.

**Get Your Game On** (teens)  
Join in an evening of board games, card games and video games.  
June 24 at 6:30 p.m.

## Adult Programs

**Chicken Tractor How-To**  
(teens and adults)  
Master Gardener Lee Royer discusses backyard chickens and their role in sustainable farming.  
June 5 at 7 p.m.

**Non-Fiction Book Club** (adult)  
June 12 at 1 p.m.

**Friends of Library Board Meeting** (adults)  
June 9 at 7 p.m.

**Tuesday Evening Book Club** (adults)  
June 10 at 7:30 p.m.

**Knitting Circle** (teens and adults)  
June 19 at 4 p.m.

**Genealogy Focus Group**  
(teens and adults)  
June 30 at 7 p.m.

Programs, unless otherwise noted, are held at the Emmitsburg Library in the Community Center on South Seton Avenue. Registration or information: (301) 600-6329.

# SENIOR EVENTS

Senior Events in June

## Senior Events

Just because it's June: summer officially arrives and our farmers' market will open. Catoctin High's class of 2008 graduates—congratulations to all—and the younger students will yell "School's out!" on June 13. We're all glad for warmer weather and the beginning of summer vacations. Have fun and drive safely!

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

**June 17 - "Make and take" flower arrangements** with Joyce Bruchey. Cost: \$5.  
**June 28 - Community Day events. Thank you, Lions Club!**

## Regular activities

**Bowling:** Mondays at Taneytown bowling center. Car-

pool; 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:** June 18.

**Cards, 500, and Bridge Group:** June 11 & 25.

**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.

Programs are held in the Community Center on South Seton Avenue. Call for lunch reservations 24 hours in advance. The Senior Center will close whenever county offices are closed. To register for special events or for information, call program coordinator Linda Umbel, (301) 600-6350.

# 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. Questions and reservations? Call Cheryl Kulkusky, site director, at (717) 642-6523.

## Special Events:

**June 2 - Video Exchange.** Tired of watching the same old movies? Bring in your DVDs or VHS tapes to exchange.

**June 2 - Garden Club,** 10:30 a.m.

**June 4 & 18 - Blood Pressure checks,** 10:30 a.m.

**June 19 - Out to lunch at Ott House,** Emmitsburg, 11 a.m.

**June 25 - "Brain Awareness" talk** by Asera Care speaker, 10:30 a.m.

## Regular Events:

**Monday 10:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.** Needlework of all kinds; bring the project that you're working on.

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

**Monday and Friday 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.** Line Dancing.

**Tuesday and Thursday 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.** Beginning Exercise (easier and slower movements).

**Tuesday and Thursday 9:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.** Cards and Games.

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OBITUARIES

**Sister Mary Eugene Monaldo, DC**  
October 9, 1929 - May 5, 2008

Sister Mary Eugene Monaldo, DC died Monday, May 5, 2008 at Villa St. Michael, the province's retirement residence in Emmitsburg. She was 78 years of age and 59 years of vocation, former provincial secretary of the Emmitsburg Province.

The former Anna Monaldo was born in Washington, D.C. and lived in St. Gabriel Parish. Anna graduated from Immaculate Conception Academy in 1948 and entered the community of the Daughters of Charity in December of that same year, taking the name Sister Mary Eugene.

Monaldo received a bachelor's degree in business education in 1965 from St. Joseph College, Emmitsburg, and earned a master's degree in business education with a minor in guidance from The Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C. in 1971. Sister also studied in Boston, MA at Cardinal Stritch College, Emmanuel Collegae and State College at Boston.

Daughter of the late Biagio and Caterina Monaldo, Sister Mary Eugene was predeceased by her brother, Joseph Monaldo. She is survived by sisters Veronica (Robert) McDonald, Winchester, VA and Elisabeth Carroll Springfield, VA. Also survived by nephews Michael and Gregg (Rebecca) McDonald and niece Linda Anne McDonald; great nephews Justin and Joseph McDonald, and great niece Jessica McDonald.

A Mass of Christian burial was offered at 11 a.m., Fri., May 9, at the Basilica of the National Shrine of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Emmitsburg.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Daughters of Charity Support Fund for the Elderly and Infirm Sisters, 333 South Seton Avenue, Emmitsburg, MD 21727.

**Sister Mary Patricia Winters, DC**  
May 29, 1934 - May 6, 2008

Sister died Tuesday, May 6, 2008 at Villa St. Michael, the province's retirement residence in Emmitsburg. She was 73 years of age and 52 years of vocation.

Mary Patricia Winters was born in Baltimore, MD, one of three children of John Edward and Mildred Elizabeth Glenn Winters. She lived in St. William of York Parish in west Baltimore and graduated from Seton High School in 1952.

Mary Patricia entered the community of the Daughters of Charity in 1956. She received her bachelor's degree in nursing from St. Joseph College in Emmitsburg in 1959, and her master's degree in nursing in 1970 from The Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C.

Sister Mary Patricia will be remembered for her prayerful, compassionate and caring manner manifested in the way she lived her vocation. Always available, whatever the need, she gave of herself wholeheartedly and willingly, her kindness and generosity knew no bounds.

She was a member of the American Nurses Association and Sigma Theta Tau.

Sister Mary Patricia is survived by her sister-in-law Jane Winters, first cousin June Bouverier, niece Karen Myers, nephews James Winters, John R. Winters, John B. Winters, and numerous greatnieces/nephews.

A Mass of Christian burial was offered at 11 a.m., Sat. May 10, at the Basilica of the National Shrine of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton for Sister Mary Patricia Winters, DC.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Daughters of Charity Support Fund for the Elderly and Infirm Sisters, 333 South Seton Avenue, Emmitsburg, MD 21727.

**Mrs. Shirley Dillon**

of Emmitsburg, died Tuesday, May 27, 2008.

The family received friends at Stauffer Funeral Home, 104 E. Main St., Thurmont from 7 - 9 p.m. Thur., May 28. At 8 p.m. a rosary was offered. A Mass of the Resurrection was held at 11 a.m. Fri. May 30, at St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church, 100 N. Seton Avenue, Emmitsburg, with the Rev. Stephen Trzeciecki C.M. as celebrant. Burial will be private.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Mission of Mercy, 22 S. Market St., Suite 60D, Frederick, MD 21701, Hospice of Frederick County, P.O. Box 1799, Frederick, MD 21702 or Mother Seton School, 100 Creamery Road, Emmitsburg, MD 21727.

Online condolences may be offered to the Dillon family at [www.staufferfuneralhome.com](http://www.staufferfuneralhome.com).

Arrangements were made by Stauffer Funeral Home, Thurmont.

**Mr. Eddie Gray**

of Emmitsburg, died Sunday, May 11, 2008.

A memorial service was held at Elias Evangelical Lutheran Church, 100 W. North Ave., Emmitsburg, on Wed., May 21, at 7 p.m., with the Rev. Jon Greenstone officiating. Interment will be held at the convenience of the family.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Frederick County, P.O. Box 1799, Frederick Md., 21702-0799.

Arrangements were made by the Myers-Durboraw Funeral Home in Emmitsburg.

**Mrs. Mary Irene Wivell**

of Emmitsburg, died Friday, May 9, 2008.

There will be no calling at the

funeral home. Graveside services and inurnment were held at 11 a.m. Thur., May 15, at St. Paul's Cemetery, 1914 Ballenger Creek Pike, Point of Rocks, with her pastor, the Rev. Robert C. Lehman, officiating.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial donations to either Bethel Lutheran Church, 9664 Opossumtown Pike, Frederick, MD 21702 or to the American Heart Association, Memorials and Tributes, P.O. Box 5216, Glen Allen, VA 23058.

Arrangements were made by Keeney and Basford, P.A., Funeral Home, 106 E. Church St., Frederick. Online condolences may be shared with the family at [www.keeneybasford.com](http://www.keeneybasford.com).

**Dennis Allen Glass**

of Rocky Ridge, died Monday, May 5, 2008.

The family received friends Tue., May 13 at 1 p.m. until the time of the memorial service at 2 p.m. at the Myers Durboraw Funeral Home, 210 W. Main St., Emmitsburg, with the Rev. David L. Meador officiating. Inurnment followed in the Mount Tabor Cemetery in Rocky Ridge.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to help the family with final expenses to Mary Ann Wagerman, 20 Shirley Trail, Fairfield, PA 17320.

Online condolences may be made to the family at [www.myersdurborawfh.com](http://www.myersdurborawfh.com).

**Marian Gregory "Greg" Wolf**

of Carroll Valley, Pa., died Saturday, May 3, 2008.

A memorial service was held at Prince of Peace Episcopal Church, Gettysburg, PA on Sat., May 24 at 11 a.m. A reception will follow at the church.

In lieu of flowers donations should be made to the Dr. Alan Carroll Lectureship, c/o The Gettysburg Hospital Foundation, 147 Gettys Street, Gettysburg, PA 17325, which was founded and endowed by Mr. and Mrs. Wolf, or to the Hospice of the Good Shepherd, Inc., 1075 Harrisburg Road, Gettysburg, PA 17325.

**Russell T. Haines**

of Fairfield, Pa., died Saturday, May 3, 2008.

The family received friends at the funeral home Mon., May 5, 6 - 8 p.m. Funeral services were held Tue., May 6, 11 a.m. from Monahan Funeral Home, 27 East Main Street, Fairfield, Pa. Interment followed in Fairfield Union Cemetery. A reception followed at Fairfield AmVets, 3600 Fairfield Rd. Fairfield, Pa.

DEATH NOTICES

**Capt. Conrad Joseph Flessner**

of Woodsboro, died Saturday, May 31, 2008.

The family received friends from 2 - 4 and 7 - 9 p.m. Tue., June 3, at Hartzler Funeral Home, 404 S. Main St., Woodsboro, with a Christian wake service at 8 p.m.

A mass of Christian burial was celebrated 11 a.m. Wed., June 4, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, 100 N. Seton Ave., Emmitsburg, with Rev. Fr. Stephen Trzeciecki, as celebrant. Interment followed in St. Joseph's Cemetery.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to the family at [www.hartzlerfuneralhome.com](http://www.hartzlerfuneralhome.com).

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**BIRTHS**

Elizabeth Miller, Rocky Ridge, a son, May 12.

Danielle Monn, Emmitsburg, a daughter, May 6.



# Community Calendar

## EVENTS

**Through June 30 – All Aboard the Nuts for Baskets Express.** Dresden Trip Nov. 16 & 17. Sign up or information: (301) 898-3864.

**June 7 – Yard Sale.** 8 a.m. St. Stephen's United Church of Christ, 25445 Highfield Rd., Cascade, Md. Donated items needed. Crafters and vendors welcome. \$10 per table. (717) 642-8504 or (301) 241-3332.

**June 7 – Old Fashioned Fun Show.** 9 a.m. Thurmont Riding Club, 14981 Roddy Rd, Thurmont. English, western, gaming. First of four show series with year-end awards. Information: [www.geocities.com/thurmontridingclub](http://www.geocities.com/thurmontridingclub).

**June 7 – 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Strawberry Hills National Trails Day.** 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Strawberry Hill Nature Preserve, 1537 Mount Hope Road, Fairfield, Pa. Volunteers will help with trail maintenance, fix bridges, control invasive plants and more. Lunch provided. Register by June 5: (717) 642-5840.

**June 7 – Spring Family Festival @ the Farm.** Saturday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Sunday noon to 4 p.m. Information on participating farms and a printable map: [www.discoverfrederickmd.net/funfarm](http://www.discoverfrederickmd.net/funfarm).

**June 7 – Campfire and Cake at ThorpeWood.** 1 to 4 p.m. All ages

welcome with adult guardian. \$25. Learn to cook more than smores around a campfire. Bring a camera and notebook. Registration required: (301) 271-2823.

**June 7 – Steak and Crab Leg Feed.** 4 to 8 p.m. Vigilant Hose Co. Emmitsburg. Cost: \$25 per person. Fundraisers held to pay for fire company expansion.

**June 7 – Bingo.** St. Joseph's Church, Emmitsburg. Doors open at 5:45 pm., first game at 6 p.m. Final jackpot at 9 p.m.

**June 7, 28, Aug. 2, or 23 – "Saturday Express" Childbirth Education.** Attend one all-day Saturday session. Frederick Memorial Hospital, 400 W. 7<sup>th</sup> St., Frederick. Fee: \$110/couple. Information: (240) 379-6000.

**June 8 – Country Style Breakfast Buffet.** 7 a.m. to noon. St. Joseph's Catholic Church Social Hall, 44 Frederick St., Taneytown. Adults \$6, children 7-10, \$3.50, 6 & under free. Early Bird Special 7 to 8 a.m. Adults \$5, children 7-10, \$3. Sponsored by Knights of Columbus, St. Joseph Taneytown Council 11631.

**June 8 – Second Annual Thurmont United Methodist Church Family Reunion.** Following the 10:30 service. Anyone who has ever attended the church, currently attends, or

would like to attend is invited. Bring a dish to share. Information or to RSVP: contact Jo Brown (301) 898-5270 or the church (301) 271-4511.

**June 8 – Rabies/ Microchip Clinic.** 1 to 3:30 p.m. 5712-D Industry Lane. (off Guilford Dr.) Rabies shot \$6, microchips \$25. Bring proof of previous rabies shots to receive three-year certificates for dogs and cats. Animals must be 16 weeks or older. No age requirement for micro chipping. All animals must be leashed or in carrier. Frederick county animal control will be selling pet licenses.

**June 11 & 25 – Catoctin Area CASS help.** 9 a.m. to noon. Emmitsburg Community Center, 300 S. Seton Ave. DSS Applications and Re-certifications accepted (301) 600-2450; energy assistance, food stamps, medical assistance, purchase of care, housing assistance. FCAA outreach Todd Johnson (301) 600-1506, health care programs, homeless services, outreach and transportation, housing counseling & case management, weatherization & housing, rehabilitation services.

**June 12, July 24 – Food Bank Drop.** 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church, 103 N. Church St., Thurmont. Everyone is eligible; no need to bring documentation.

**June 13-15 – Pennsylvania Lavender Festival.** 9-5 Friday and Saturday, 10-5 Sunday. Willow Pond Farm, Fairfield, Pa. Lectures, workshops, lunch, cut-your-own lavender, kids' corner, music, over 100 certified organic varieties of lavender for sale. Admission: \$5, children 12 and under are free. Free parking and shuttle service. Information: [www.palavenderfestival.com](http://www.palavenderfestival.com).

**June 14 – Strawberry Festival.** St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Sabillasville. (301) 241-3287.

**June 14 – 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Wivell Memorial Walk.** 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. 3-mile walk in Thurmont Community Park, Thurmont. In honor of Michael L. and Douglas A. Wivell. Registration donation \$10. If unable to attend, please mail donation to Wivell Memorial Fund, 9511 Appolds Rd., Rocky Ridge, MD 21778. Information: (301) 271-2682 or (301) 695-3869.

**June 14 – Festival.** 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Picnic woods of Mt. Bethel United Methodist Church, Stottlemeyer Rd. Entertainment: the Chapel Blue Grass band.

**June 14 – Annual June Dinner.** Noon to 5 p.m. Creagerstown Parish House. Adults \$10, children \$5. Benefits Creagerstown Lutheran Church.

**June 14 – Festival.** 4 p.m. Mt. Tabor Church of Rocky Ridge, Mt. Tabor Park. Home-cooked food, games. Music by "Hat Creek Country" begins at 7 p.m. For all ages.

**June 14, July 4, Aug. 2, Aug. 30 – Thurmont Lions Club Super Summertime Sandwich Series.** Bell Hill

Farm, 1.5 miles north of Thurmont. Information: [www.thurmontlionsclub.com](http://www.thurmontlionsclub.com).

**June 15 – Breakfast Buffet (All-you-can-eat).** 7 to 11 a.m. Greenmount Fire Company, 3095 Emmitsburg Road, Gettysburg. 5 miles south of Gettysburg on Business Route 15. Adults \$6, Children 6-10 \$3. Under 6 free.

**June 16 & 23 – Fairfield AYSO Fall Registration.** 5 to 8 p.m. Carroll Valley Park. \$50 per person. Discount for multiple players in same family. Deadline without late fee, June 30. Birth certificate required for new AYSO players. Information: (717) 642-6804.

**June 16 – Emmitsburg Area Historical Society meeting.** 7 p.m. Emmitsburg Community Center.

**June 18 – Storytime at Thorpe Wood.** 10 to 11:30 a.m. "Who Lives at the Pond?" Stories, crafts and hands-on activities. Ages 2-5. \$5. Registration required. (301) 271-2823.

**June 20-Oct. 17 – 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Emmitsburg Farmers Market.** 3-6:30 p.m. every Friday. 302 South Seton Ave. Vendor space still available. Information: contact Amy Nail (301) 600-6303 or [anail@emmitsburgmd.gov](mailto:anail@emmitsburgmd.gov).

**June 20, 21, 22 – Interpreting Art with Flower Arrangements.** 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday; 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Taneytown History Museum. Flower arrangements by Silver Fancy Garden Club. Opening reception, June 19 from 7-9 p.m. Entry fee for the reception: \$5. RSVP by June 15 to Susie Heck (410) 756-1113 or [Susie@infopathways.com](mailto:Susie@infopathways.com).

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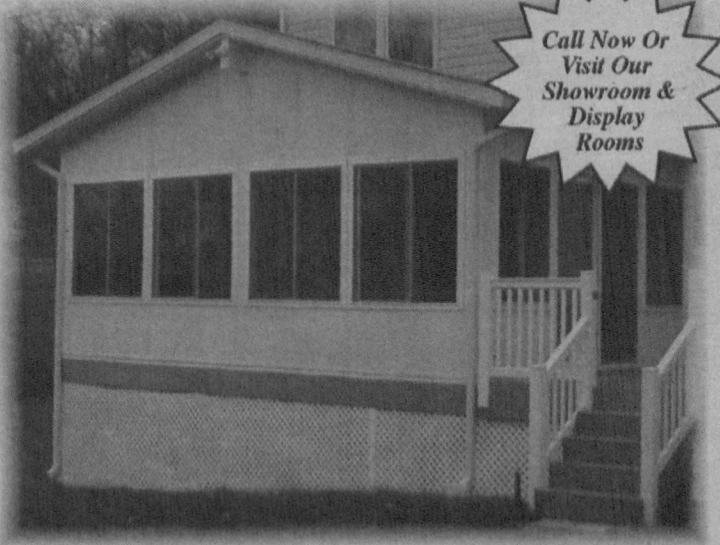
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**June 23-27 "A Way with Words,"** a summer poetry-writing camp for teens entering grades 7 through 9. 1-4 p.m. Imagination Station, 18 Carlisle Street, Gettysburg. Offered by The Adams County Arts Council's Imagination Station. Registration or information: (717) 334-5006 or visit [www.adamsarts.org](http://www.adamsarts.org).

### CONCERTS

**June 6 - Baltimore Symphony Orchestra.** 8 p.m. Frederick Community College JBK Theater. Baroque selections by Vivaldi, Biber and Handel. Associate Concertmaster and Violinist Madeline Adkins will conduct. General admission: \$28 at the door; \$10 for students. Ticket information: (301) 663-0365.

**June 21 - 11th Annual Gettysburg Brass Band Festival.** All day. Downtown Gettysburg - Lincoln Square, Alumni Park and the Gettysburg National Military Park. Free.

**June 21 - "Broadway and the Big Screen."** 8 p.m. Frederick Community College, J.B. Kussmaul Theatre. Presented by Frederick Symphony Orchestra. Highlights from Broadway and Hollywood including *West Side Story*, *Star Wars*, *Man of La Mancha*, *Titanic* and more. Tickets available at the door. Adults \$18, students and seniors \$10. Information: (301) 663-8476 or [www.fredericksymphony.org](http://www.fredericksymphony.org).

**June 21 - Candlelight at Christ Church.** 7:30 p.m. 30 Chambersburg Street, Gettysburg. Songs and Stories of a Civil War Hospital. Free. Information:

[www.christgettysburg.org/candlelight](http://www.christgettysburg.org/candlelight).  
**June 22 - Concert with "Chiz Rider."** Germantown Church of God, 16924 Raven Rock Road, Cascade. Concert is free. Love offering will be received. Information: (301) 241-3050.

**June 27 - Concert in the Park kick-off.** Kick off Independence Day with the Emmitsburg Community Chorus at the new Community Park bandstand. 7 p.m.

### EXHIBITS

**June 6 through November - Backcountry Dutch: German Heritage and Decorative Arts in Frederick County.** The exhibition explores the influence of 18th and 19th century German immigrants on the culture of Frederick County. Preview on Friday June 6 from 7-9 p.m. Outdoor beer garden, German music and book signing by Margaret Denton, author of "Frederick County German Heritage." Opening event is free. Information: (301) 663-1188.

### EVENTS

**June 14 - Civil War Ball.** 8 to 11 p.m. Fairfield Village Hall, 108 W. Main Street, Fairfield. Live music. \$15 per person. Information: [www.civiliansofgettysburg.com](http://www.civiliansofgettysburg.com).

**June 15 - Dance Recital, "Movie Madness."** 3 and 7 p.m. Carroll Arts Center, Westminster. Sponsored by Dance Dynamics, Taneytown. Tickets: adults \$5, children \$3. Information: (410) 756-6805.

**June 20-22 - Mountaintop Heritage Days.** Route 15, Blue Ridge Summit, Pa. Friday Dinner and Dance at Blue Ridge Summit Fire Hall. Doors open at 5:30; dinner at 6:30; dance from 8-12. Satur-

day, all events at the Blue Ridge Summit Fire Hall. Parade at 9 a.m., from the library to Wyndham Avenue. Horse rides, car show, talent show, music, food and craft vendors. See [Emmitsburg.net](http://Emmitsburg.net) for complete schedule.

**June 20-29 - Gettysburg Festival.** Free and ticketed events. Information: [www.gettysburgfestival.org](http://www.gettysburgfestival.org).

**June 28-29 - Mountaintop Heritage Days.** Fort Ritchie-Route 550, Cascade, Md. Activities, games and petting zoo. Activities and lectures at Ft. Ritchie's Lakeside Gazebo, live music, fireworks.

### STAGE

**Begins June 6 - "Ghost Hunts are Deadly."** The Village Dinner Theatre of Gettysburg. 241 Steinwehr Avenue, Gettysburg. Enjoy an interactive murder mystery. Spend the evening with a paranormal investigator and her young medium protégé. Tickets: \$37 and \$40. (800) 570-4590, ext. 101. [www.gettheatre.org](http://www.gettheatre.org).

**To June 28 - "Sleeping Beauty"** Way Off Broadway, Children's Theater, 5 Willowdale Drive, Frederick. This classic musical tale tells the story of the Princess who is enchanted by an evil fairy, pricks her finger on a spindle, falling into a deep sleep, only to be rescued years later by the Prince, with a bit of magical help. (301) 662-6600, [www.wayoffbroadway.com](http://www.wayoffbroadway.com).

**To June 29 - "The Sound of Music."** Way Off Broadway, 5 Willowdale Drive, Frederick. The final collaboration between Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein was destined to become the world's most beloved musical and this summer, the von Trapp family returns to WOB. (301) 662-6600, [www.wayoffbroadway.com](http://www.wayoffbroadway.com).

## NEWS IN BRIEF

### 'Where Rivers Run' concert at Weinberg

FREDERICK, Md. - E Rick Rinaldi's, "Where Rivers Run" concert tour comes to the Weinberg Center for the Arts on June 28. The tour is dedicated to the U.S. Armed Forces and all military, both past and present. Receive 50-percent off the ticket price with the offer code WRRVET. In the middle of the show there is a dedication to the military members in the audience.

The group of six musicians take audiences on an emotional rollercoaster through time. Read

more about the concert, musicians and other stops on the tour at [www.whereriversrun.com](http://www.whereriversrun.com). "Where Rivers Run" is a theatrical-like performance of a classical rock symphonic genre. Each musical performance is complimented with video of still photography capturing the full gamut of the music ranging from the roaring 1920s to the present day.

For more information or to order tickets, contact the box office at (301) 600-2828.

### Village Dinner Theatre holds summer auditions

GETTYSBURG, Pa. - GET Theatre Productions is hosting auditions for its summer interactive murder mysteries. Shows slated for production include *Ghost Hunts Are Deadly* and *The Booty of Gettysburg*, both original interactive murder mysteries. Auditions are open and available by appointment or walk-ins and are scheduled for June 19 from 7 to 9 p.m. and June 21 from 3 to 6 p.m. Those interested should prepare one comedic monologue (no more than two minutes in length) and will read from the script. Improvisation skills are a must for

both murder mysteries. All roles are paid. GET is looking for actors over the age of 16 willing to work flexible weekend evenings and be on call for special productions throughout the summer.

Call (800) 570-4590 ext. 105 to make an appointment or for more information. The Village Dinner Theatre of Gettysburg at Patriot Point, 241 Steinwehr Avenue, Gettysburg, PA 17325 is a non-profit year-round theatre combining original productions, contemporary plays and musicals. For more information, visit [www.gettheatre.org](http://www.gettheatre.org).



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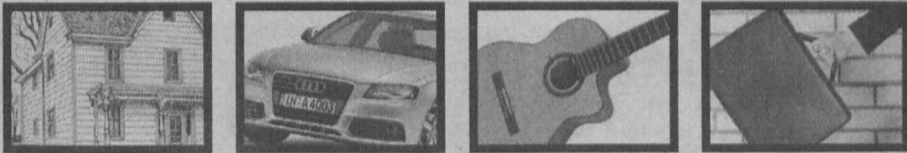
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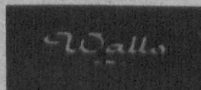
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Our advertisers have highlighted the variety of activities and services they provide. With more than enough to fill your calendar, our guide will help you and your family throughout the summer, from enjoying a horseback ride through Gettysburg to hiking near the cascading waterfall at Cunningham Falls State Park.

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We hope you find this guide useful as you make your summer plans in the Mason-Dixon area, and welcome your comments. We thank the advertisers who have joined us this time around, and look forward to our next regional guide, AUTUMNTIME, due out in September.

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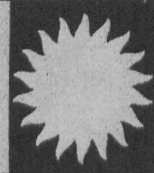
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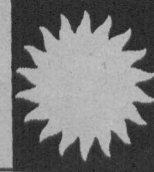
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"A stop on The Journey Through Hallowed Ground"  
**Remembering the heroes of the past**

By JAMES RADA, JR.



*Editor's Note: This is the eighth in a series of features on sites in the Mason-Dixon Region along "The Journey Through Hallowed Ground," the 175-mile area along the U.S. Route 15 corridor that reaches from Gettysburg, Pa. to Charlottesville, Va.*

**O**n a warm spring day in May about three dozen ninth graders from Sayre, Pa. sit in groups at the foot of monument in Soldiers National Cemetery. They are looking through haversacks filled with books, razors, wallets, buttons and other mementos of a dead soldiers life.

"These are things you could find in a burial," Ranger Karlton Smith tells the group.

Though the artifacts are only reproductions of actual objects, they still tell a true story about a soldier and it's the students' job to decipher who owned their collection of artifacts.

It's not an easy task. More than 6,000 soldiers are buried at the

cemetery and 3,580 of them are Union soldiers from the Civil War. More than half of those soldiers are unidentified.

Though Confederate soldiers aren't supposed to be buried at the cemetery, Ranger Mike Heitikko said one of the groups have a collection of artifacts belonging to a Confederate soldier.

"There are a few that are buried here by mistake," Heitikko said.

Following the Battle of Gettysburg in 1863, many of the dead were buried where they had fallen. When it was decided to create a soldier's cemetery in town, the process of digging up the dead and reburying them in the new cemetery began.

It was to this cemetery that President Abraham Lincoln came on November 19, 1863 to speak his short speech that would become immortalized at The Gettysburg Address. Edward Everett, the dedication ceremony's main speaker, told Lincoln, "I should be glad, if I could flatter myself that I came as near to the central idea of the occasion, in two hours, as you did in two minutes."

The cemetery was completed in 1872 and turned over to the care of the federal government.

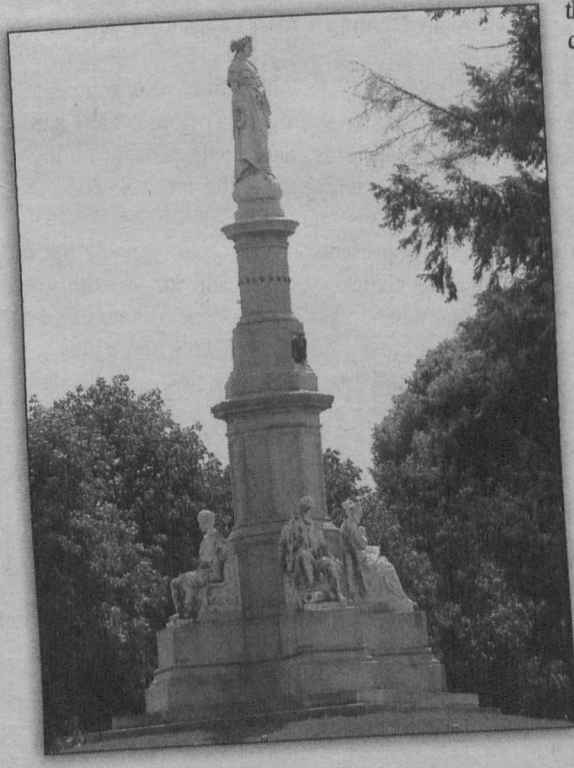
In 1933 responsibility for the cemetery was transferred from the War Department to the National Park Service. Though closed to new burials, veterans from America's major wars can be found there.

Though some Confederate soldiers were buried in the National Cemetery, one group of Civil War Veterans is missing. Thirty members of the U.S. Colored Troops are buried across town in Lincoln Cemetery, which was established in 1867 for African-American soldiers.

Many of Gettysburg's oldest African-American citizens were also reinterred in Lincoln Cemetery in 1906 when the Colored Cemetery was cleared to build new houses.

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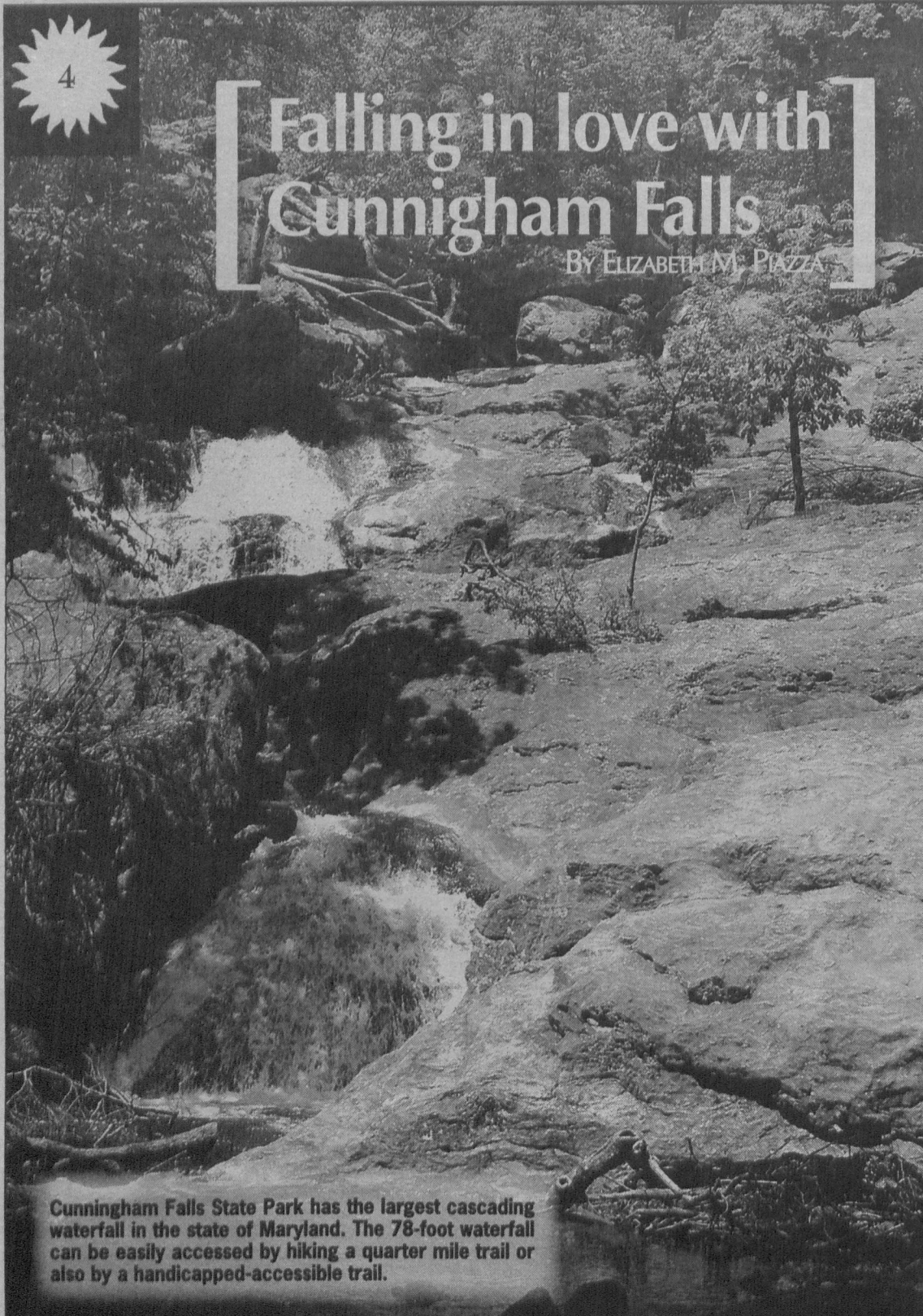
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# Falling in love with Cunningham Falls

By ELIZABETH M. PIAZZA



Cunningham Falls State Park has the largest cascading waterfall in the state of Maryland. The 78-foot waterfall can be easily accessed by hiking a quarter mile trail or also by a handicapped-accessible trail.

Cunningham Falls State Park, located near Thurmont, 18 miles north of Frederick, offers a unique blend of natural and historical features for the public to discover and explore year round.

"Cunningham Falls is great for families," said Andrew Vecchio, Maryland park ranger. "There is a little bit for everyone to do, dad can go fishing, the kids can go swimming and mom can relax."

Cunningham Falls State Park is home to Maryland's largest cascading waterfall, from which the park derives its name. Known to locals as McAfee Falls, the 78-foot waterfall can be found at the end of the quarter-mile-long Boardwalk Trail, an easy handicapped-accessible trail. A great time to see the falls is during peak flow, which occurs after a heavy rain or snowmelt.

Also located in the park is the Catoctin Iron Furnace, where iron was manufactured from the late 1700s through early 1900s. Visitors can also enjoy hiking, swimming, boating, fishing, camping and hunting.

There are two main areas at Cunningham Falls State Park, the Manor Area and the William Houck Recreational Area. An information center is located at the Manor Area, which also features an aviary and turtle pond. The Aviary at Cunningham Falls is one of six aviaries located at state parks throughout Maryland. It is one of two that feature an American Bald Eagle, in addition to a dozen other birds of prey.

A few miles up the road at the William Houck Recreational Area visitors can swim in Hunting Creek Lake, a 44-acre man-made lake.

The park employs two naturalists, who provide environmental educational outreach and educational programs offered year round. In addition to providing hiking tours, naturalists educate through the Scales and Tales Program, which uses the birds and snakes housed at the aviary to educate visitors.

In mid-October, the park presents a living history event, Sprits of the Furnace, to educate visitors about the history of the iron furnace and the lives that surrounded it. The theme changes each year with past events including a guided ghost walk and a play.

"We like this area in the fall time and spring time," said Natalie Porat-Shliom, a biology student at NIH. She and her husband, originally from Israel, now live in Rockville and have been coming to Cunningham Falls State Park for two and a half years. They enjoy the different hikes as well as the lake.

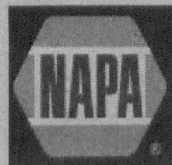
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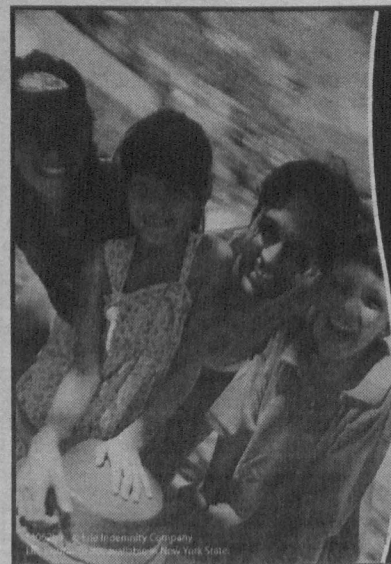
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Native Americans came to the area over 10,000 years ago. According to tradition the name "Catoctin," which means "place of many deer", came from the Kittoctons, a tribe who once lived at the foot of the mountains near the Potomac River. The area was mainly used as a temporary campsite to hunt and fish. It was also used as a tool-making site because of the abundant supplies of quartzite and metarhyolite, hard metamorphic rocks used by the Native Americans to make tools. Permanent settlements were eventually established along the Monocacy River. There is still evidence of these sites although they are not publicized due to potential looting.

In 1778, the Catoctin iron furnace was built. One of the three original stone stacks, Isabella, still survives and visitors can walk the half-mile Catoctin Furnace Trail to view it.

Following the industrialization era of the furnace, the lands were heavily timbered and barren. In 1936, the Federal Government created the Catoctin Recreational Demonstration Area and acquired more than 10,000 acres to demonstrate the restoration of the forestlands.

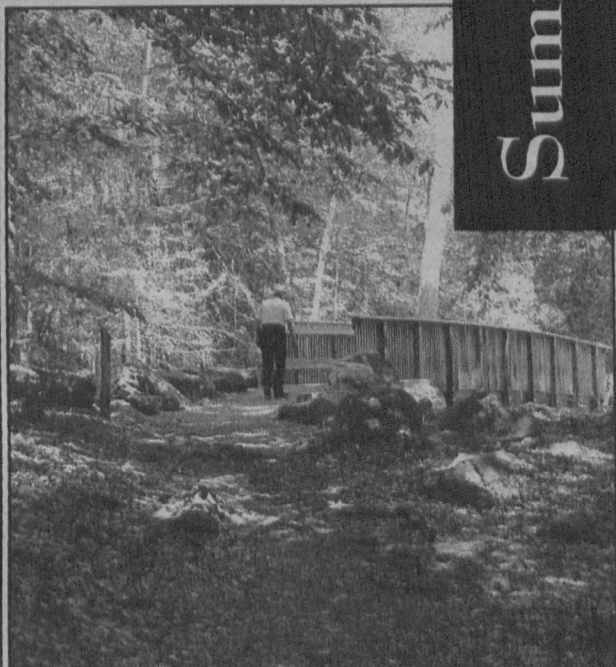
In 1954, this 10,000-acre area was divided into two parks, of which the lower 5,000 acres was transferred to the state of Maryland and renamed Cunningham Falls State Park.

Cunningham Falls State Park is open from 8 a.m. to sunset, April through October, and 10 a.m. to sunset, November through March.

"The park often reaches capacity on holiday weekends and visitors are encouraged to come early in the morning," Vecchio said.

There is a \$3 day-use service charge per vehicle at the Manor Area for Maryland residents and \$4 service charge for out-of-state vehicles. Weekdays from Memorial Day to Labor Day at the William Houck Recreational Area cost \$3 per person; weekends and holidays cost \$4 per person. Out-of-state residents cost \$4. There are additional fees for boat launches, campsites and camper cabins. Visit [www.dnr.state.md.us/publiclands/wester/cunninghamfalls.html](http://www.dnr.state.md.us/publiclands/wester/cunninghamfalls.html) or call (301) 271-7574 for more information.

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Cunningham Falls State Park offers many activities for a summer day trip including swimming, hiking and educational programs such as a visit to an aviary and turtle pond located at the Manor Area.

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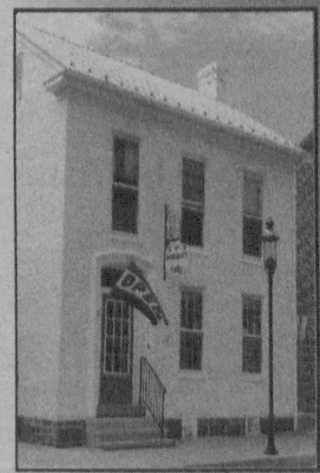
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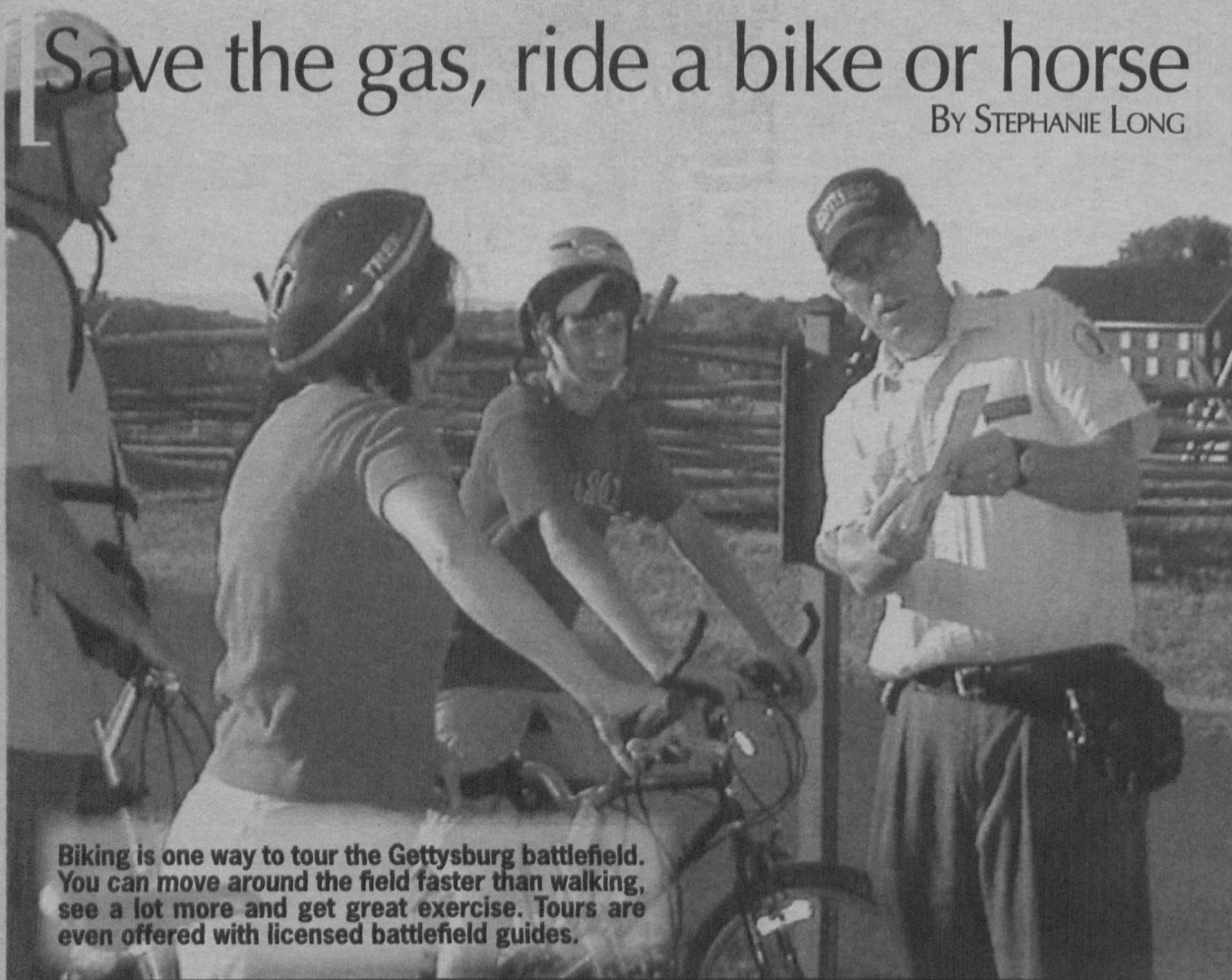
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# Save the gas, ride a bike or horse

By STEPHANIE LONG



Biking is one way to tour the Gettysburg battlefield. You can move around the field faster than walking, see a lot more and get great exercise. Tours are even offered with licensed battlefield guides.

several times and took part in several different types of tours, and on one of those visits he took a tour that, in a sense, changed his life.

"I was on a walking tour and an hour into it we were still walking and I thought, 'Gee, I wish we would have brought bikes!' That's when a light bulb went off," Callery said.

After getting two friends involved and pulling the necessary money together, Callery decided he was ready for a change and left New Jersey for Gettysburg to open up a bicycle tour company.

That was three years ago and today Callery is the owner of GettysBike Tours, a company that offers customers exactly what Callery wanted years before – battlefield tours via a bike.

But what makes Callery tours unique, besides the mode of transportation, is the experience, Callery said.

"On other tours you can get a guide, but typically you take a CD and you really lose a lot," Callery said. "On a bike tour you feel the terrain, the wind is in your face... you don't get that from being inside a car or bus."

But more than that, a licensed park guide heads the tour, which guarantees that all tours are accurate, informative and historic. For those a bit worried about the physical stamina a bike tour might require, look no further than to Callery himself, who unabashedly admits to not being much of a bike rider prior to starting the company and insist that anyone can enjoy a bike tour.

"I have people come that are seven years old up to 70 year olds; it doesn't matter," Callery said, adding that he even had one customer who had never ridden a bike before participate in a tour. "They were in their 40s and had never ridden a bike before, but they just did it."

The tours cost \$61 for a tour and bike rental for adults, and \$26 for a tour and bike rental for children under 13. Those interested in a GettysBike Tour should call (717) 752-7752 to schedule a bike tour or visit [www.gettysbike.com](http://www.gettysbike.com) for more information.

With gas prices on the rise across the country, many are looking closer to home for their vacation destinations, opting to visit local sites to save money, instead of trekking across the country or state. And with summer finally here, Gettysburg can offer many what they're looking for – fun and adventure mixed with a bit of education.

One way to enjoy all that Gettysburg has to offer is to take part in one of the dozens of local tours offered. But while visitors have many different types of tours to choose from, those looking to ditch the bus or car for something a bit different and adventurous can find it in Gettysburg, where several unique tour opportunities exist, including bike and horseback tours of the battlefield.

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The tour starts at Artillery Ridge on Taneytown Road, once home to a hospital and the location where artillery was stored until the battle of Gettysburg, and continues throughout the battlefield.

For those interested in a more lively tour, horseback tours led by a licensed guide can also be scheduled via an advanced reservation. There's even a one-hour trail ride with a trailmaster to suit the needs of the

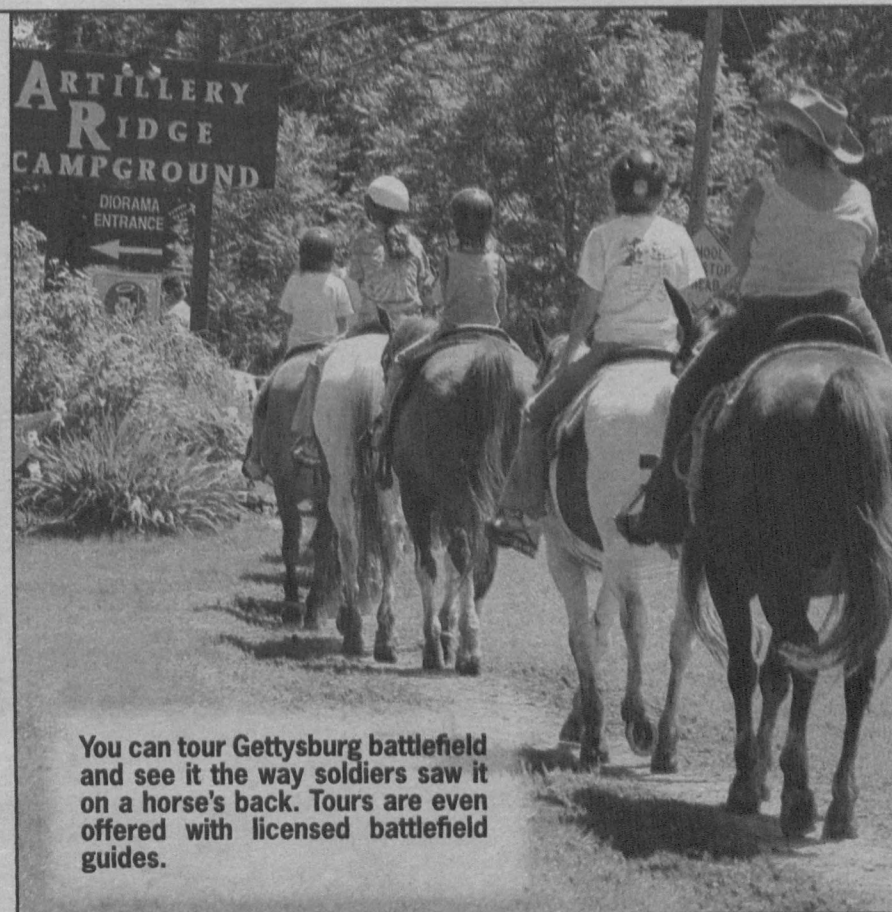
non-history buff who simply wants to ride a horse and enjoy the scenery.

But if the thought of riding a horse leaves you panic stricken, there is no need to worry, according to Diane Enyeart, Head Wrangler at Artillery Ridge.

"Most of the people are first timers, but we give a riding demonstration and show them how to ride," Enyeart said. "And there are at least three wranglers, so the people are covered in the middle, beginning and end."

Office manager Sue Conover also insists there no need to worry about riding a horse, simply saying with a smile, "If you have balance, you'll be fine."

The tours cost \$38 per person for an hour tour and \$61 per person for a tour hour tour. For more information on the horseback battlefield tours at Artillery Ride, call (717) 334-1288 or visit [www.artilleryridege.com](http://www.artilleryridege.com) for more information.



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# Gettysburg Festival celebrates America

By THERESA BUCHHEIT

The Gettysburg Festival will be held from June 19 to 29 throughout Gettysburg with 60 different world-class events happening over the 10 days including dance, jazz, brass, theater, strings, and vocal performances. The event is a tourism initiative that celebrates America through the arts and is designed for all ages.

The festival was the brainchild of Karl Held who wanted to bring world-class artistic events to his hometown, Gettysburg.

"I would urge people to explore [this event] in their backyard," said Events Coordinator Karen Hendricks. "With the high gas prices, [the event] is close and very affordable."

Some dance groups scheduled include the Suzanne Farrell Ballet, in which they honor George Balanchine, the "father of American Ballet" and The Canary Cabaret.

Highlights of the brass band performances include The Gramercy Brass Orchestra of New York; bands from around Adams County; the Black Rose Brass Quintet; and the Harmony Cornet Band from Frederick County. Other musical events include performances by the New York Choral Artists, The Jazz Ambassadors of the United States Army Field Band, and the

Gettysburg Festival Orchestra.

For children, the festival will include the plays "Disney's High School Musical" and "Cinderella Goes Disco" both performed by the award-winning Nebula Performing Company. Among the additional plays featured are "As the World Goes 'Round" and "Address Unknown."

The town will also hold the "Gettysburg Fringe Festival," a comprehensive showcase of events taking place within Adams County's thriving arts community. Visitors can see "Gettysburg Adams County Barn Art Show," photographic art by Gettysburg native Jeff Ridinger, and local artist Dale Gallon who will be creating a watercolor painting in the gallery at the Gallon Historical Art Gallery as customers watch.

Many of the events are free. Others require tickets with a price range of \$5-\$60. Tickets are available through the Majestic Theatre Box Office at 25 Carlisle St. Gettysburg, Pa, at (717) 337-8200, or at [www.gettysburgmajestic.org](http://www.gettysburgmajestic.org).

For more information on the festival, go to [www.gettysburgfestival.org](http://www.gettysburgfestival.org).

## highlights during the Gettysburg Festival

- **June 19** - "Rhythm, Passion and Color" with artwork by Josh Lehrer, Mary Jo McConnell, John Pomianowski and Michael Rosch
- **June 20** - VIP Gala Opening Performance and Dinner with The Suzanne Farrell Ballet Celebrates Balanchine
- **June 21** - The Gettysburg Festival Brass at the Gettysburg College
- **June 22** - Gramercy Brass Orchestra of New York at the Majestic Theatre
- **June 23** - "Spotlight on Broadway" Featuring Paul Davis and Hilary Knight
- **June 24** - The Mason-Dixon Jazz Camp at Gettysburg College Featuring 50 students, ages 14-18, from six states performing
- **June 25** - "And The World Goes 'Round: The Songs of Kander & Ebb" at the Gettysburg College
- **June 26** - "Disney's High School Musical" Performed by students of The School of Music & Dance/Nebula Performing Company
- **June 27** - "Reception for Six Festival Artists" Featuring Sculptors Hans Van De Bovenkamp, Elaine Grove, Nathan Slate Joseph, Michael Rosch and Mark Warwick; plus Photographer Josh Lehrer
- **June 28** - "Songfest" - "Celebrating American Poets and Composers" The Gettysburg Festival Finale
- **June 29** - "Sculpture Walk at Gettysburg College" featuring Hans Van De Bovenkamp, Elaine Grove, Nathan Slate Joseph and Mark Warwick.

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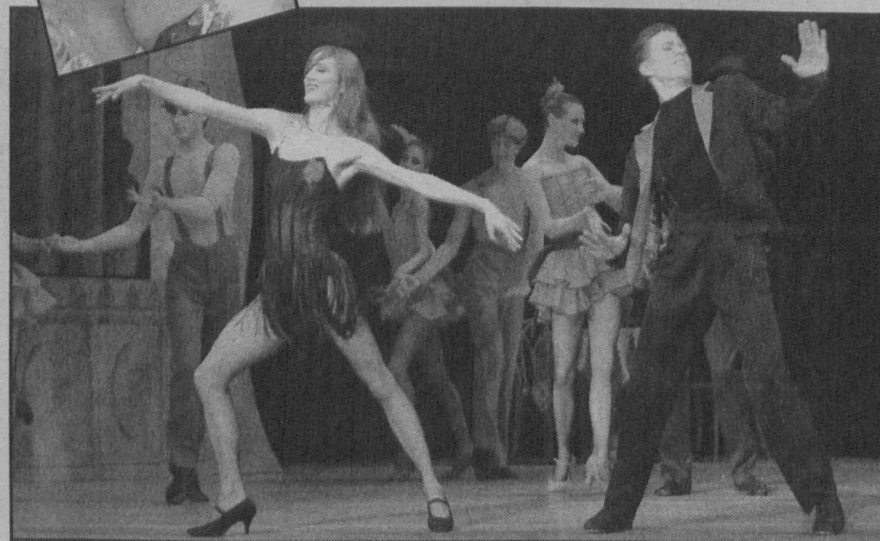
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Vocalist Laura Hull, will be performing with master jazz pianist Rio Clemente at The Gettysburg Festival on Friday, June 27, at 8 pm at the Festival Main Stage at Gettysburg College. Ticket prices are \$15 for Lawn Seating and \$25 for Reserved seating, and are available through the Majestic Theater Box Office, (717) 337-8200.



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"Slaughter on Tenth Avenue" with Lisa Reneau and Kurt Froman of The Suzanne Farrell Ballet, produced by The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts. The company will perform as part of The Gettysburg Festival on June 20 and 21, 2008. The Ballet, under the Artistic Direction of Suzanne Farrell, will perform programs honoring George Balanchine, in Gettysburg's Majestic Theater. Farrell was Balanchine's most celebrated ballerina and she will provide onstage narration during the June 21 program. For more information, see [www.gettysburgfestival.org](http://www.gettysburgfestival.org).

# Blue Ridge Summit Heritage Days

By ELIZABETH M. PIAZZA



Summertime 2008

The residents of Sabillasville, Md.; Cascade, Md.; Blue Ridge Summit, Pa. and Fountaindale, Pa. do not distinguish between town, state or county. Instead, when asked where they are from, they say "the mountain."

In celebration of this "one community" and its heritage and history, the Third Annual Mountaintop Heritage Days, "Fun in the Sun," will return, extending the celebration for an entire week, June 20-29. In the past, Heritage Days ran over one weekend.

"The festivities are very nice," said Duke Martin, assistant chief at the Fountaindale Fire Department. "This year the celebration has expanded and there is a lot more to do and see. This year anyone that comes will enjoy it, either weekend."

## What's happening

The kick-off for this year's Heritage Day Celebrations will be a benefit dinner-dance at Blue Ridge Summit Fire Hall, featuring music by the "Bone Shakers." Beginning at 9 a.m., the third annual parade will run from Blue Ridge Summit Library to Wyndham Ave. Arts and crafts, music, food and entertainment will continue at the Blue Ridge Summit Fire Department Carnival grounds. The Car and Truck Show will also be held on Saturday, June 21 from 11 a.m. until 5 p.m. The Waynesboro Children's Theater Group, Dave Snader and Grin-tek on Saturday and the CB Pickers, Bumbaugh Family Kids and the Boro Boogie Pickers will provide entertainment on Sunday.

The Blue Ridge Summit Fireman's Carnival will run Monday through Saturday at the carnival grounds. On Wednesday evening, the Cascade American Legion will host a special night of bingo.

The following weekend, the Heritage Day Celebration will continue at Fort Ritchie. The Fountaindale Fire Department will host the "Mountaintop History Bus

Tour" with three buses offering tours at 9 a.m., noon and 3 p.m. that will each last approximately two and one-half to three hours. The bus tours will feature several historians on board who will talk about the history of the mountaintop area. Each tour will cost \$12 per person. For more information, call Lynn Ford (717) 794-2770, Dave Martin (717) 765-8790, or Duke Martin at (717) 642-5645.

This year a presentation of "Thunder on the Mountain" will take place at Fort Ritchie. Sponsored by Hagerstown Community College, the presentation will feature a command tent, firing demonstrations, lectures and a chance to see what a Civil War soldier's life was like.

The fire, ambulance, and rescue squads from Smithsburg, Leitersburg, Fountaindale and Blue Ridge Summit will be conducting a fire safety day with games and activities for children beginning at noon on the Parade Field with the Medivac helicopter on display from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. A petting zoo and pony rides will be available throughout the day along with a variety of additional children's games.

At 8 p.m., the Cascade American Legion, Post 239, will raffle off two Harley-Davidson motorcycles, a 2008 Harley FLSTF Fat Boy and a 2008 FLHX Street Glide. Tickets cost \$10 and proceeds will benefit the Fisher House Project, which helps families of wounded or fallen soldiers. For more information, contact Wayne Shrader at (301) 241-3117, Dave Sewell [Director@www.alrpost.org](mailto:Director@www.alrpost.org) or go to [www.alrpost239.org](http://www.alrpost239.org).

The annual fireworks demonstration will begin around 9:30 p.m. on Saturday, sponsored by Corporate Offices Property Trust and the PenMar Development Corporation.

"This year the fireworks demonstration will be something special," said Jeff Coyle,

chairperson of the Mountaintop Heritage Days. "Last year they were fantastic; this year they will be even greater."

Sunday will round out the festivities with a scavenger hunt and an Old-Timers baseball game, which pays tribute to the semi-pro traveling team, The Summiteers, from the 1940s to 1950s. Descendants of players from the original team will play against an opposing team of unrelated players.

"There has been real growth," said Gary Muller, chairperson and owner of Flohr True Value Lumber in Blue Ridge Summit. "The fun thing is we have so many other organizations that are involved."

Over 10,000 people attended last year's celebration and for the past two years \$9,000 has been donated back to the communities' local fire departments, libraries and families in need. With the extended schedule, even more is expected this year.

"The younger people have really taken hold of this," Muller said. "They are trying to find out what it was and trying to bring a luster back to the area that was once here."


For more information contact Jeff Coyle (301) 241-3964 or Gary Muller at Flohr Lumber Company (717) 794-2128 or e-mail [flohrtv@hotmail.com](mailto:flohrtv@hotmail.com).



Arts and crafts, music, food and entertainment will be part of the Third Annual Mountaintop Heritage Days at the Blue Ridge Summit Fire Department Carnival grounds on June 21. The entire celebration will run from June 20-29.



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**Through June 28 - "Sleeping Beauty"** Way Off Broadway, Children's Theater, 5 Willowdale Drive, Frederick. This classic musical tale tells the story of the Princess who is enchanted by an evil fairy, pricks her finger on a spindle, falling into a deep sleep, only to be rescued years later by the Prince, with a bit of magical help. (301) 662-6600, [www.wayoffbroadway.com](http://www.wayoffbroadway.com).

**Aug. 23 through Nov. 9 - "Jack and the Beanstalk."** Way Off Broadway, 5 Willowdale Drive, Frederick. Jack's musical adventure with a jolly, songwriting giant and his temperamental wife, along with a singing harp and talking hen that lays golden eggs. (301) 662-6600, [www.wayoffbroadway.com](http://www.wayoffbroadway.com).

## Concerts

**June 21 - 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Gettysburg Brass Band Festival.** All day. Downtown Gettysburg - Lincoln Square, Alumni Park and the Gettysburg National Military Park. Free.

**June 21 - "Broadway and the Big Screen."** 8 p.m. Frederick Community College, J.B. Kussmaul Theatre. Presented by Frederick Symphony Orchestra. Highlights from Broadway and Hollywood including *West Side Story*, *Star Wars*, *Man of La Mancha*, *Titanic* and more. Tickets available at the door. Adults \$18, students and seniors \$10. Information: (301) 663-8476 or [www.fredericksymphony.org](http://www.fredericksymphony.org).

**June 21 - Candlelight at Christ Church.** 7:30 p.m. 30 Chambersburg Street, Gettysburg. Songs and Stories of a Civil War Hospital. Free. Information: [www.christgettysburg.org/candlelight](http://www.christgettysburg.org/candlelight).

**June 27 - Concert in the Park kick-off.** Kick off Independence Day with the Emmitsburg Community Chorus at the new Community Park bandstand. 7 p.m.

**July 24 - 26 - Bobby Horton in "Songs & Stories of the Civil War."** 8 p.m. Majestic. 25 Carlisle Street, Gettysburg. Dressed as a 19<sup>th</sup> century performer and using period musical instruments, Horton explores stories of both the North and South through music. Tickets: (717) 337-8200 or [www.gettysburgmajestic.org](http://www.gettysburgmajestic.org).

**Aug. 8 - "Red, Hot & Blue: An American Musical Revue."** 8 p.m. Majestic. 25 Carlisle Street, Gettysburg. Six performers lead a nostalgic musical journey through the decades, from the roaring '20s through the '70s. Reservations: (717) 337-8200.

## Exhibits

**June 6 through November - Backcountry Dutch: German Heritage and Decorative Arts in Frederick County.** The exhibition explores the influence of 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> century German immigrants on the culture of Frederick County. Preview on Friday June 6 from 7-9 p.m. Outdoor beer garden, German music and book signing by Margaret Denton, author of "Frederick County German Heritage." Opening event is free. Information: (301) 663-1188.

## Events

**June 14 - Civil War Ball.** 8 to 11 p.m. Fairfield Village Hall, 108 W. Main Street, Fairfield. Live music. \$15 per person. Information: [www.civiliansofgettysburg.com](http://www.civiliansofgettysburg.com).

**June 20-22 - Mountaintop Heritage Days.** Route 15, Blue Ridge Summit, Pa. Friday Dinner and Dance at Blue Ridge Summit Fire Hall. Doors open at 5:30; dinner at 6:30; dance from 8-12. Saturday, all events at the Blue Ridge Summit Fire Hall. Parade at 9 a.m., from the library to Wyndham Avenue. Horse rides, car show, talent show, music, food and craft vendors. See [Emmitsburg.net](http://Emmitsburg.net) for complete schedule.

**June 20-29 - Gettysburg Festival.** Free and ticketed events. Information: [www.gettysburgfestival.org](http://www.gettysburgfestival.org).

**June 28-29 - Mountaintop Heritage Days.** Fort Ritchie-Route 550, Cascade, Md. Activities, games and petting zoo. Activities and lectures at Ft. Ritchie's Lakeside Gazebo, live music, fireworks.

**July 12 & 13 - "Green to our Roots."** Common Ground on the Hill. Saturday 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. with dance, 9-11:30 p.m. Sunday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Carroll County Farm Museum. Music, dance, juried art, crafts and food for all ages. Reserve tickets: (410) 857-2771.

## Stage

**Through June 29 - "The Sound of Music."** Way Off Broadway, 5 Willowdale Drive, Frederick. This summer, the von Trapp family returns to WOB. (301) 662-6600, [www.wayoffbroadway.com](http://www.wayoffbroadway.com).

**June 17 to 29 - "Lying in State."** By David C. Hyer. Totem Pole Playhouse, 9555 Golf Course Rd., Fayetteville, Pa. Madcap political comedy where the state senator dies and a host of zany characters are looking for love, votes, and a big purple squirrel named Mel. Information & performance times, (888) 805-7056 or (717) 352-2164. Post show discussion Thursday evening, June 19.

**July 1-13 "The Underpants,"** Steve Martin's adaptation of a play by Carl Sternheim. Totem Pole Playhouse. Comedian/actor Steve Martin applies his 'wild and crazy' comic genius to this farce with hilarious results. Information & performance times, 1-888-805-7056 or (717) 352-2164. Post show discussion Saturday evening, July 5.

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**July 17-20 and 24-27 - "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat."** Thurmont Thespians Summer Theatre Workshop performance by area teens. Ticket reservations: (301) 271-7613.

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**Aug. 12 to 24 - "The Taffetas."** Conceived by Rick Lewis. Totem Pole Playhouse. A musical tribute to the girl groups of the 1950s including the McGuire Sisters, The Fontaine Sisters and The Chordettes. Information & performance times, 1-888-805-7056 or (717) 352-2164. Post show discussion Friday evening, Aug. 22.



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### Hiking

There are eight trails totaling 40 miles throughout the park and they range in difficulty from easy, moderate and difficult. The trails vary in terrain from short; flat hikes to steep and rocky climbs. The Boardwalk Trail is a quarter-mile hike that leads to Cunningham Falls. Known to locals as McAfee Falls, the trail is accessible to those with mobility impairments. In contrast to the Boardwalk Trail, the Catoctin Trail is a 27-mile hike that is part of the Appalachian Trail. Catoctin leads from Gambrills State Park through the Frederick City Watershed, Cunningham Falls State Park and neighboring Catoctin Mountain Park. Part of this trail features Cat Rock and Bob's Hill trail, which offer excellent views of the area.

### Swimming and Boating

Visitors can swim from Memorial Day to Labor Day at Hunting Creek Lake in the William Houck Area. There are three designated locations with lifeguards on duty. Canoe and paddleboats are available to rent during the summer season. Watercraft can be launched from the boat ramp located off Catoctin Hollow Road for a service charge. Gasoline motors are prohibited.

### Fishing

Hunting Creek Lake is stocked yearly and offers catch and release fishing. A fishing pier is located next to the boat ramp. The fishing season follows the Department of Natural Resources guidelines and a license is required. On July 4, the state offers a free fishing day and no license is required. Big Hunting Creek, which flows through the lake, also offers year round fly fishing opportunities.

"Fly fisherman come from all over the state to fish," said Andrew Vecchio, Maryland park ranger. "It is a great area to fish."

### Camping

There are 153 camping sites throughout the park. There are sites available at the Manor Area and the William Houck Area, including camper cabins. Bathhouses with showers are located at each area. The season runs from late April through October and reservations can be made via Central Reservations at (888) 432-2267.

### Hunting

Hunting is permitted seasonally on 3,500 acres of state land. Hunting follows DNR guidelines and is not permitted near the lake or campground areas. Signs are posted to warn hikers during hunting season.

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# Where to stop on the Journey Through Hallowed Ground

The Journey Through Hallowed Ground follows the U.S. Route 15 and Route 20 corridor for 175 miles from Gettysburg, through Frederick County and ending in Charlottesville, Va. It was designated as one of America's 11 Most Endangered Historic Places by The National Trust for Historic Preservation in 2005. Here are the Hallowed Ground sites in the Mason-Dixon Region:

### Southern Adams County, Pa.

- Adams County Courthouse (a historic structure in Gettysburg)
- David Wills House (site of the final edits of "The Gettysburg Address")
- Dobbin House (Civil War hospital and Underground Railroad stop)
- Eisenhower National Historic Site (President Eisenhower's weekend retreat)
- Gettysburg College (Civil War field hospital and command post)
- Gettysburg National Military Park (Civil War battlefield)
- Lincoln Cemetery (burial site of Gettysburg's African-American citizens and Civil War veterans)
- Lincoln Railroad Station (Civil War railroad station)
- Lutheran Theological Seminary (Lutheran seminary)
- Sachs Covered Bridge (covered bridge near Gettysburg)
- Soldiers National Cemetery (site of Lincoln's "Gettysburg Address")

### Northern Frederick County, Md.

- Catoctin Furnace (standing remains of Catoctin Furnace Stack #2)
  - Emmitsburg Historic District (largely intact antebellum neighborhood)
  - Fourpoints Bridge (1876 steel bridge)
  - Graceham Moravian Church and Parsonage (18th century church)
  - Loy's Station Covered Bridge (covered bridge near Thurmont)
  - Mother Seton Shrine and St. Joseph's College (shrine to Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton)
- For more information, visit [www.hallowedground.org](http://www.hallowedground.org).

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The show will be open to the public as follows:

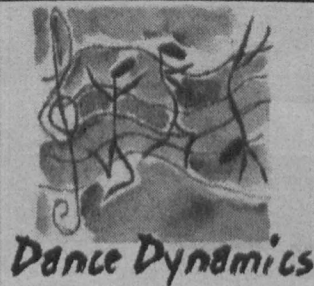
Saturday, June 28th, 10 AM to 5 PM  
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General admission is \$6.00.

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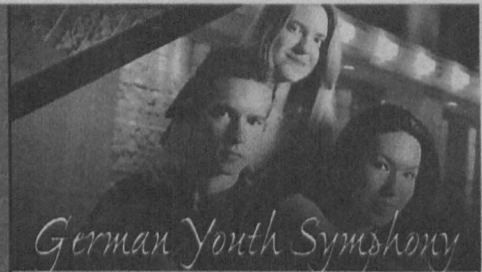
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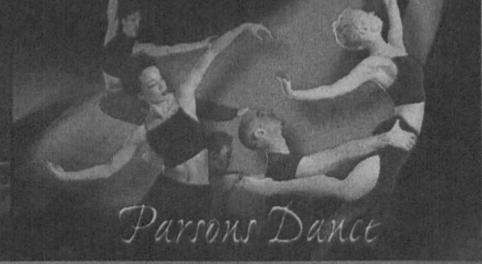
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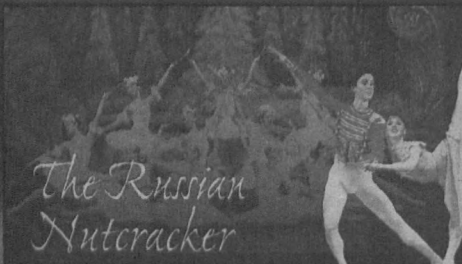
*Parsons Dance*

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*Spirit of Christmas*

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*The Russian  
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*Leaky Celtic Christmas*

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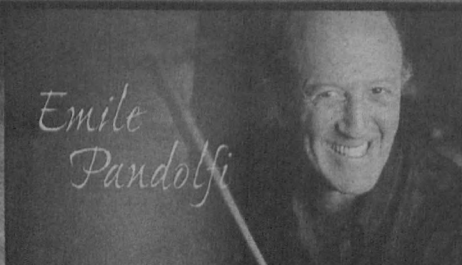
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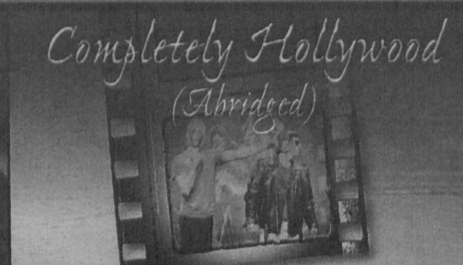
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*Emile  
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DECEMBER 31 • 7:00 PM



*Completely Hollywood  
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JANUARY 16 • 8:00 PM



*East Village  
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JANUARY 24 • 7:30 PM



*American  
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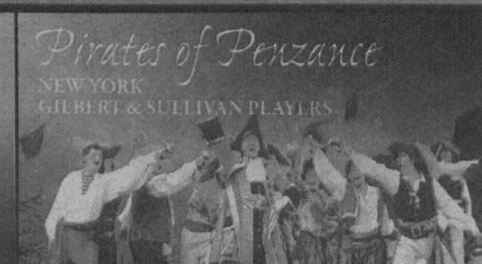
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*Amarcord*

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*Pirates of Penzance*  
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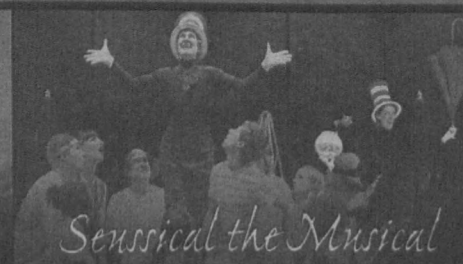
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*Dixie Hummingbirds*

MARCH 12 • 7:30 PM



*Senssical the Musical*

MARCH 14 • 3:00 PM



*Sleeping Beauty*

MARCH 19 • 7:30 PM



*Dancing Wheels*

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Acrobats  
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