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Uncovering the mysteries of the universe

CATOCTIN GRAD WORKS ON NASA'S HUBBLE TELESCOPE

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For 18 years, the Hubble Space Telescope has been showing us portraits of the universe that very few artists could match in their wonder – spiral galaxies, interacting galaxies, Jupiter's northern aurora and many others.

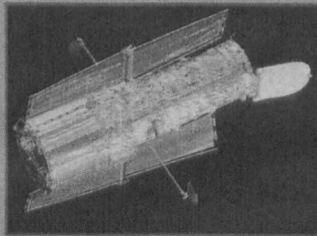
For astronomers, it has been an age of discovery. Hubble images have helped determine the age of the universe, found that nearly all major galaxies have a super massive black hole at their center, discovered that the process of planetary formation is relatively common throughout the universe, detecting first ever organic molecule in the atmosphere of a planet orbiting another star; and providing evidence that the speed at which the universe is expanding is increasing, according to NASA.

But as they say, "All good things must come to an

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HUBBLE FACTS



Hubble's Name

NASA named the world's first space-based optical telescope after American astronomer Edwin P. Hubble (1889–1953). Dr. Hubble confirmed an "expanding" universe, which provided the foundation for the Big Bang theory.

Size

Length: 43.5 ft
Weight: 24,500 lb
Maximum Diameter: 14 ft

Cost at Launch

\$1.5 billion

Optical Capabilities

Hubble Can't Observe: The Sun or Mercury, which is too close to the Sun
Sensitivity to Light: Ultraviolet through infrared (115–2500 nanometers)
First Image: May 20, 1990: Star Cluster NGC 3532

Pointing Accuracy

In order to take images of distant, faint objects, Hubble must be extremely steady and accurate. The telescope is able to lock onto a target without deviating more than about the width of a human hair seen at a distance of 1 mile.

REGIONAL NEWS

Lawyers didn't show photos that could have helped officer

BY JAMES RADA JR.
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THURMONT, Md. – If deleted photos cost a Thurmont Police officer his job, could recovering the same or similar photos have saved it?

The question is not as hypothetical as it might seem. Though Lt. Shawn Tyler resigned from the Thurmont Police Department in February over photos he deleted related to an internal investigation, an investigation by *The Dispatch* has found that the photos may not have been lost. Attorneys in the case with which the photos were associated possessed either the deleted photos or similar photos, which the assistant states attorney on the case said she believed were the same photos and Tyler himself has identified as the "exact same" photos he deleted.

The Dispatch's investigation also shows two big questions have yet to be answered by involved parties: Why didn't either the assistant states attorney or the defense attorney in the case show the photos that did exist to Tyler during a hearing on the matter and have him identify them as either similar to or the ones he deleted? And, what would have happened had the attorneys shown the photos to the court?

Taking the photos

The deleted photos showed the shoes of Daniel David Jenkins of Thurmont. Former Thurmont Police Officer DiAnne Tackett arrested Jenkins on assault charges on Aug. 18, 2007. To Tackett, a pivotal point in charging Jenkins with felony assault was whether or not there was blood on Jenkins' shoes. Tackett reported that she saw no blood, and as a result, charged Jenkins with a lesser degree of assault.

The assault victim's father complained to Tyler, Tackett's supervisor, that the charge wasn't severe enough. Tyler decided to review the quality of Tackett's work, her rationale for the lesser charge and why she had failed to prepare the case by a deadline Assistant States Attorney Theresa Bean had said she needed to meet. When Tackett explained that she hadn't seen blood on Jenkins' shoes, Tyler asked if she had taken photos. Learning she hadn't, Tyler had a corrections officer at the county detention center take photos of Jenkins' shoes and e-mail them to Tyler.

The photos did not show blood on the shoes. Tyler asked Tackett, who

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TOWN NEWS

Emmitsburg election goes off uncontested; Hoover, Staiger win

BY ANGELA STANZIONE
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EMMITSBURG, Md. – Mayor James Hoover and Commissioner Chris Staiger were re-elected on Tuesday, Sept. 30 in an election where only 3.5 percent of the town's registered voters turned out to vote.

Though the election was uncontested, voting was held from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. and 51 people cast their votes. Three election judges watched over the process: Dianne

Walbrecker, Sharon Hane and Dottie Davis.

Staiger said "When things are quiet, people tend to find other things to focus on."

"My hope is that people are satisfied," Hoover said. "My only concern is that more people are unwilling or unable to get involved in the community. But I generally believe that people are satisfied."

Among the mayor's plans for the next term is to "maintain the

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Emmitsburg's Senior Olympians

Area seniors bowl their way to gold in the Maryland Senior Olympics. SEE PAGE 4

Hai-Ya!

Students learn the discipline of martial arts in Thurmont. SEE PAGE 7

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Do you like the new design?

The Dispatch staff continues to strive to improve our newspaper for you, our readers. Over the past few months, we have done a lot of research and looked at many other newspapers, many of which also belong to the MDDC Press Association. We believe that our readers deserve the absolute best, not only in the design of the newspapers, but also in the reporting of the important news happening in our communities. Let us know what you think? We are your local newspaper and we care about your thoughts.

Sees political parallels in religious letter

Each week I look forward to "Letters to the Editor" in *The Emmitsburg Dispatch*. Janice Airey's letter in the 9/4/08 edition was noteworthy. She writes about finding solace in these troubled economic times by having faith in God. My comments are not intended to belittle or make fun of the faithful, but there is a political metaphor to be made from her words.

As "God sent Jesus to die on the cross and bear the punishment for our sins", so did Congress send us the bank bailout bill allowing taxpayers to bear the punishment for mortgage banking sins: overreaching home buyers, corrupt loan originators and their greedy employers. We are Jesus!

"God offers forgiveness to all

those who will turn from their sin and put their trust in Him" just as these mortgage sinners surely trust and love this banking bill written in part by the banking lobbyist. Congress is God!

Congress is nailing those who play by the rules to the cross, but as Jesus said: "Lord, forgive them, they know not what they do," which leads to my point. Janice Airey writes, "God offers us a peace that is not based on the world around us." Peace of this sort is enjoyed by the President, witnessed by his Olympics interview with Bob Costas when he said, "I don't see America having problems."

Jim Robison
Carroll Valley, Pa.

Selfishness is the root of all evil

The love of money is not the root of all evil, as it has been said. Selfishness is the root of all evil. And the worst kind of selfishness is the sort that excludes any concern for one's fellow man and community.

Only a twisted mind can confuse liberality or generosity with evil. Jesus was a liberal, and true Christians are liberal.

Churchgoers who are cheap,

greedy, and selfish are not Christians, they are hypocrites. Nor are they conservative. Conservatism implies saving the best of the past, not the worst.

As to Mr. Kaufhold's attack on me, I say that if a person has a twisted turn of mind, nothing he says comes out straight.

Harold Craig
Emmitsburg

My stray cat meows; a thanks to Dr. Matthews

My kitty, Pickett, wants to thank Dr. Matthews.

Apparently, some cats can not tolerate getting the rabies and distemper shots at the same time, and this can affect their health, but cats are special, and they are constantly reminding us of this, and they can overcome diabetes. Dogs and people can't!

So, Dr. Matthews worked with me, and I learned how to give Pickett his PZI insulin shots, and he suggested I check out feline diabetes on the internet, since new information is always coming out.

I googled diabetes, and I began to pray and chant for Pickett's health. Almost immediately, I found out about the fancy feast wet food, and the wellness Core dry food from Pet Value that are both grain free. Kittens are strictly meat eaters, yet most cat foods have corn and/or wheat in them, which breaks down sugar! This doesn't satisfy

cats, and they eat more and gain more weight, and so I began to give the Core dry food to all of my kitties. When a kitty wants meat, sugar won't do. They aren't like humans!

I also had the thrill of learning how to test Pickett's blood glucose from a vein in his ear with a free style tester, and of course we both got a treat after each testing. Then all at once, Pickett went into a coma, and what did I find -- he was getting too much insulin. I gave him some syrup, and it dawned on me that Pickett wants to thank Dr. Matthews, and I now use Goggle for every cat problem, such as chin acne where I learned to wipe the kitty's chin daily with hydrogen peroxide. So the human touch and modern technology are great, and Pickett and I want to thank both!

Mary-Elizabeth Buckham
Carroll Valley, Pa.

Where's the leadership?

While we are caught up in the drama of who should lead our country, it seems that we aren't paying attention to who is leading our county. In their first year together, our "9 to 5" county commissioners raised taxes 17 percent. And, what do they do with that new money, they hire another consultant. They figured out that they didn't understand their own financing, so they hire a financial consultant to tell them what to do.

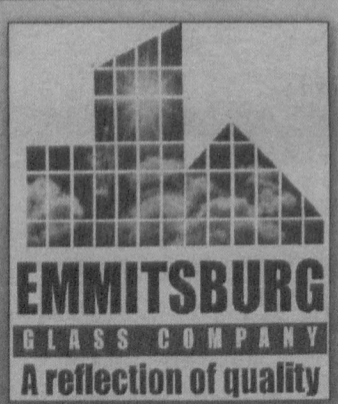
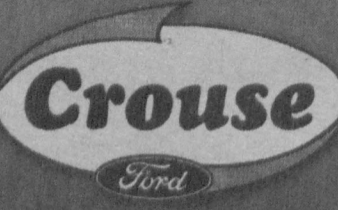

Remember last year when they hired a consultant to advise them on what consultants to hire. When will they learn that you can't contract out leadership?

Leadership means trust-

ing your staff, listening to the citizens, and taking charge. And now comes their reservation bond leadership. Commissioners Moreno and Weikert campaigned on land preservation, but now they are elected and lack the leadership to get it done. Hopefully, they don't have to hire a consultant to figure out how to put the Bond question on the ballot? At least with the question on the ballot the citizens can show leadership, while our Commissioners hire consultants and wait for the polls.

Odis McKinzie
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Hubble

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end" and Hubble's end is near. "Hubble's got a lot of instruments not working," said Jason Krom, a 2000 Catocin High School graduate who works with NASA. "It has six gyroscopes, but only two are working. If one more goes out, it's done."

Even as this article was being prepared, NASA announced a malfunction in the telescope's command and data-handling system, which is considered a major problem.

Krom is part of the team that is preparing the space shuttle Atlantis for its targeted Oct. 14 launch to repair the Hubble telescope one last time. The latest malfunction has delayed that targeted launch, though, and could push it into early next year. The mission will include five space walks by the shuttle astronauts to install a new camera and spectrograph and fix the Hubble's guidance system and two instruments that will upgrade the telescopes range. The astronauts will also install new batteries, gyroscopes and a protective blanket. According to NASA, "It puts in place advanced technology that improves the discovery power of Hubble by 10 to 70 times."

But even if everything goes as planned, it will only extend the Hubble's life by five years. "If the upgrades work, Hubble should keep scanning the cosmos until at least 2013. At that point, however, its gyros or batteries will fail and the heroic telescope will become so much orbiting junk," Corey S. Powell wrote in a *Discover Magazine* article about the mission.

"This is the last manned mission to the Hubble," Krom said.

Once *Atlantis* launches, Krom will leave Florida where for the last three months he has been preparing the shuttle for the mission and return to the Goddard Space Flight Center. At the center, his team will be on a full-scale mock up of the shuttle, mimicking the actions of the astronauts.

"When they're up there, we'll be at Goddard helping in

case there's a problem," Krom said.

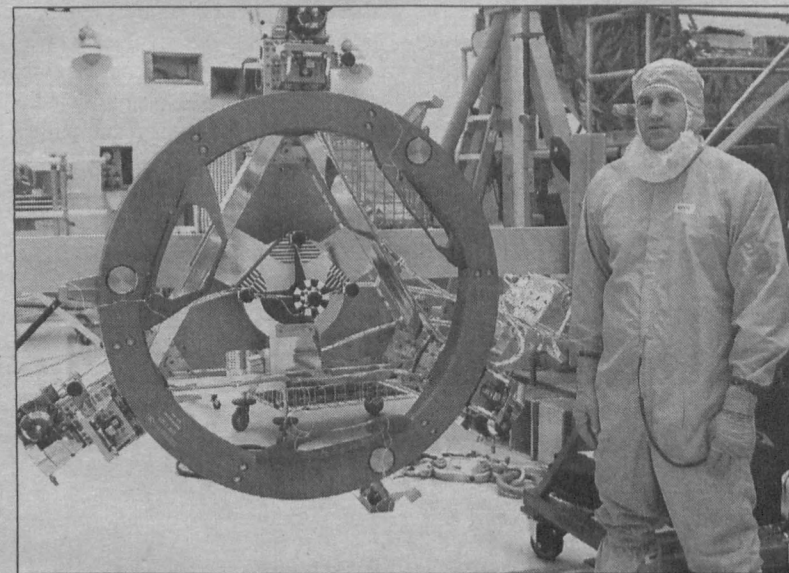
When Hubble does finally fail, its replacement will be the James Webb Space Telescope, which is being built to study infrared light. "That makes it great for examining infant stars and distant galaxies, but it will not be able to take space portraits that capture what the human eye can see," Powell wrote.

Krom has already been told he will be working on that project, too. Pieces of the telescope will begin being shipped

to Florida in October.

"The job is awesome," Krom said. "It's more of a hands-on project, which I like. I get to design equipment to test and then follow it to the end of the project."

Following his graduation from Catocin, Krom graduated from University of Maryland-Baltimore County with a degree in mechanical engineering. However, he has been working for NASA since he had an internship there in 2004.



- PHOTO COURTESY OF JASON KROM

(Top) Jason Krom, a 2000 graduate from Catocin High School, stands in front of the space shuttle Atlantis, which now sits on the launch pad in Florida, ready for a repair mission to the Hubble Space Telescope. (Bottom) Krom, in a cleansuit, helped design and test some of the equipment that will make the mission possible.

Vote

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path Emmitsburg is going in." He wants to continue to work on the sewer and water service, family and community programs, improvement on park services and amenities, continue and establish partnerships with different agencies and to finalize the detailed Emergency Preparedness Plan.

"A lot has been done, but a lot needs to be done," Hoover said.

The biggest concern he has is the lack of money and struggling economy. According to Hoover, the city relies on a lot of heavy state and federal grants and low-interest loans.

"With the economy pretty tight, we may see some tough times," he said.

Staiger said, "I'm embarrassed that it's taken me to my second term to get going on the things I really ran for office for."

Those things include get-

ting the master plan finished and improving the town's zoning ordinance and developing an adequate public facilities ordinance.

Of the 51 voters, 38 votes went to Hoover and 47 to Staiger. Some voted for one candidate and not the other and there were also some write-ins. The write-in candidates for mayor were Tim O'Donnell (2), Jeff Little (2), Denise Etris (1), Bobby Ott (1), Art Elder (1), Libby Briggs (1) and Walbrecker (1). The write-in candidate for commissioners was Jeff Little (1). A write-in vote for mayor and another for commissioner were not counted because the voter wrote in the candidate's name but did not check the box to indicate the vote. All of the write-in candidates were not registered as candidates with the town.

There are currently 1,448 registered voters in Emmitsburg. This election had the lowest voter turnout since at least the year 2000, according to the Emmitsburg Town Office.

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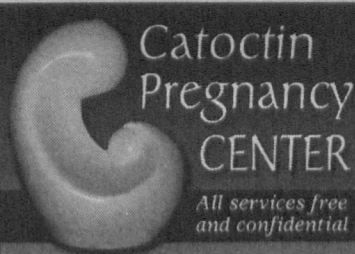
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P&Z Commission halts comprehensive plan submission

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EMMITSBURG, Md. — On Sept. 29 the Emmitsburg Planning and Zoning Commission met for their regular monthly meeting and hoped to finish reviewing the comprehensive plan before sending it to the Emmitsburg Board of Commissioners. But an absence by one of the planning and zoning board members halted those plans.

It was the absence of Larry Little, commission chairperson, that prompted the unanimous decision by the commission to not vote on sending the comprehensive plan to the Emmitsburg Board of Commissioners. The commission agreed that given Little's interest and knowledge of the plan, it would be unfair to exclude him from the vote, given its importance.

"Mr. Little isn't here and I'm concerned we won't cover enough without him here," said Tim O'Donnell, Vice-Chair of the commis-

sion. "It would be inappropriate for us to exclude him based on one meeting."

The rest of the commission agreed with O'Donnell and unanimously voted to hold another special meeting on Oct. 21, when Little could be in attendance. The Sept. 29 meeting was held with the intention of reviewing comments that were made at the Sept. 22 public hearing. Although the commission voted to hold another meeting, the board did discuss issues that were raised at the public hearing and raised by the state after the meeting.

Many of the issues raised were over minor changes to the plan, to fix labeling or defining errors in the document. Larger issues raised centered around land use designations and boundary lines.

The special meeting is set for Oct. 21 at 7:30 p.m. It is then that the commission hopes to discuss any issues that are still a concern and vote to send the plan to the Emmitsburg Board of Commissioners for review.

TOWN NEWS



10-43: For Your Information Community deputies serving Emmitsburg

Meet the new community deputies

BY DFC JOHN BARTLETT
Contributing Writer

EMMITSBURG, Md. — Most Emmitsburg residents and businesspeople know they have personalized police service in the form of three community deputies from the Frederick County Sheriff's Office assigned to the town. The deputies have changed over the past several years due to promotion, job transfers within the sheriff's office or moving to another agency. Emmitsburg's Community Deputies have once again gone through change as two of the deputies returned to patrol duties. The newly assigned deputies are DFC James Moxley and DFC John McQuain who will be joining me, DFC John Bartlett, as the Emmitsburg community deputies.

McQuain comes to Emmitsburg from working patrol for the past seven years. Because his patrol assignment was primarily in the northern patrol area of the county, he is familiar with Emmitsburg and the surrounding area. Quain, certified in bike patrol, will be seen frequently on the patrol bike in town. The ability to conduct bike patrol played a big part in his decision to request a transfer here. He enjoys biking off-duty and is looking forward to organizing future bike rodeos and other biking events for the town kids.

When asked about this, McQuain stated, "I think getting the kids involved in biking, maybe organized short rides, will promote health and

safety." He also enjoys military history, chess, hiking and basketball. McQuain hinted at starting a chess tournament in town. He stated, "I think a chess tournament at the senior center has possibilities - it would be great fun, as well as good brain exercise."

McQuain has a lot of experience interacting with people. He is a 20-year Army retiree and has approximately 10 years of civilian law enforcement experience. He and his wife, Sherill, have been married for 23 years and have one teenage daughter, Chelsea. If you see him around town, stop him and say hello. He is looking forward to meeting and getting to know the citizens and business owners in the community.

DFC James Moxley is returning to Emmitsburg after being assigned to the sheriff's office training section for the past two and a half years, working as the head instructor at the sheriff's office police academy. Moxley is also bike patrol certified and enjoys being out on the bike. During his first assignment in Emmitsburg, which lasted for three years, he organized and operated a rocket club for the local children. He is considering re-starting the club and encourages the town kids to get involved when it begins in the spring. Moxley has also worked patrol duties, primarily in the northern patrol areas of the county, for six years, prior to coming to Emmitsburg the first time. He is also a member of the sheriff's office SST unit, commonly known as SWAT, for

the past eight years.

Moxley has been married for the past 14 years, to his wife Teri, and they have two children, a boy and a girl. He is excited about his return as a community deputy in Emmitsburg. He stated, "It is good to be back in Emmitsburg - I'm looking forward to getting reacquainted with the people of Emmitsburg."

Sheriff Chuck Jenkins said, "The Community Deputy Program has been a great resource and benefit to the Sheriff's Office and the county over the years, and we hope that this relationship lasts well into the future. We are happy to provide law enforcement services to Emmitsburg and I have every confidence that the citizens will be well served by these experienced deputies."

We are looking forward to working together with the Emmitsburg community in making the town a pleasant and safe place to live and work. Please feel free to contact us if you have questions, concerns, or just want to talk a little. I encourage everyone to welcome these new deputies to town.

To contact the deputies, you can leave a message at the following numbers.

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- DFC John McQuain: (301) 600-2571
- DFC James Moxley: (301) 600-4059
- Frederick County Sheriff's Office Dispatch: (301) 600-2071 or 911 for emergencies.

Local bowlers score well in Maryland Senior Olympics

BY SUSAN ALLEN
Contributing Writer

EMMITSBURG, Md. — A familiar adage says that the first time is a charm, and that certainly was the case recently for members of the Emmitsburg Senior Citizens' Bowling Group. Competing in the Maryland Senior Olympics for the first time, Don Byard brought home gold medals in both men's singles and doubles, while Faine Rodgers and Annamaria Winch won silver medals in women's doubles.

The bowling competition was held September 8-9, 2008, at Brunswick Normandy Lanes in Ellicott City. Maryland Senior Olympics executive director Ted Wroth, who attended both days, estimates that at least 160 bowlers from around the state competed in singles and doubles in two age categories, under 70 and 70 and older. Seven Emmitsburg participants took the Thurmont senior citizens' bus to the events.

Isabelle Falcone had a wonderful time. "It was great!" she said. "There were a lot of nice friendly people." She was paired with "a lovely lady from Leisure World" in Montgomery County.

Emmitsburg is the only senior center in Frederick County that offers bowling as an activity. Their group has been organized for 10-12 years, according to Elizabeth "Tish" Enright and others who regularly meet at the center on Mondays to carpool to Thunderhead Bowl & Family Fun Centre in Taneytown.

"We're not really in a bowling league," says Faine Rodgers, "we're just a group of folks who like to bowl." The group has varied in size over the years, "even week to week, depending on how everyone feels." There are about a dozen involved now, and "we would love to have more people join us."

Maryland Senior Olympics is a nonprofit organization that was created in 1980 through the joint efforts of the Baltimore County



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and Maryland State Commissions on Physical Fitness. Its target is active adults over age 50, and the motto is "To participate is to win." More than 2,000 compete in a variety of events each year. Until this year it was held in Towson, but is now based in Montgomery County.

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Pippinfest goes on, despite weather

FAIRFIELD, Pa. — Despite a tumultuous weekend filled with sun, humidity, clouds and rain, Fairfield's annual Pippinfest kept on pippin despite the weather and lower-than-normal attendance.

Over 100 vendors were expected to come out to sell their crafts and food at the fest, which spanned two days, Sept. 27 and 28, although noticeably fewer did.

Although it was estimated that thousands would attend the festival, those that did brave the sporadic weather were treated to various craft and food stands, a vintage car and tractor show and music.

Renée Summers came out for the second year to sell her "unique art for unique people." Owner of Summers Artworks, Summers specializes in homemade art, including unique serving trays.

Summers said she was initially concerned about what the turnout would be, but was "surprised" by how many turned out for the fest despite the weather and in comparison to last year.

"I feel lucky," Summers said. "I was worried but it wasn't bad



—STEPHANIE LONG / THE DISPATCH

Rains dampened the attendance to the Fairfield's annual Pippinfest, but spirits weren't dampened as visitors turned out for good food, free music and original crafts.

at all."

Summers said she intends to attend the fest next year to sell more of her homemade goods.

"This is one of the better

ones [events] I got to," Summers said. "It was better than last years, I even think there's more people."

—S. Long

Car Show will be part of MountainFest

SABILLASVILLE, Md. — On Oct. 12, MountainFest in Sabillasville will feature its 9th Annual Car Show. The show will be at Sabillasville Elementary School on Rt. 550, six miles north of Thurmont.

Registration for the show is from 9 – 11 a.m. and is free for participants. Plaques will be awarded to "Best of Show" and 14 other categories including: Antique Model A, Antique

Model T, Imports, Muscle, Street Rods, Mini Trucks, and Full Trucks. Dash plaques will be given to the first 50 registrants. The award ceremony begins at 3 p.m.

Car show registrants will get a complimentary meal ticket and door prizes. Trophy sponsors are welcome.

This event is part of the 33rd Annual MountainFest, an arts and crafts fair held on Oct. 11

and 12, which features food, music, antiques, children's activities and animal exhibits. Both events are sponsored by the Northwestern Frederick County Civic Association, a group of neighbors from Sabillasville and surrounding area who are devoted to the preservation of their unique rural culture. For more information about the Car Show, MountainFest or the NWFCCA, please call (301) 241-3997.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Walk raises money for Tay Sachs research

CARROLL VALLEY, Pa. — The Third Annual Lacie's Legacy Memorial Walk will be held on Saturday, October 25 at Carroll Valley Park, in Carroll Valley, Pa..

The walk commemorates 18-month-old Lacie Wivell, who passed away in October 2005 from Tay Sachs Disease. Proceeds from the walk will go to National Tay Sachs & Allied Diseases Association, Inc. for research and education.

Registration is \$10 and begins at 10 a.m. Pre-registration is not required. The walk starts at 11 a.m. with lunch following

directly after. Participants will receive a t-shirt and can pay \$5 extra to enter a horseshoe tournament with a cash prize. A raffle, silent auction and door prizes, including various gift cards, are also available. There will be a moon bounce and other activities for children.

For more information on this event or on Lacie's Legacy visit their website at www.geocities.com/ourprincesslacie or call Lisa Wivell at (717) 642-6989 or e-mail her at lisawivell@yahoo.com.

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ROCKY RIDGE, Md. — Mount Tabor Church will hold Ridge Fest on Saturday, Oct. 11 and Sunday, Oct. 12 at Mt. Tabor Park in Rocky Ridge. On the Thursday before the festival, 45 to 50 participants will peel 60 bushels of apples in preparation for the apple butter sale. Participants will begin making the apple butter at 4:30 a.m. on Saturday and it will be on sale after 11 a.m. at \$3 a pint. The public is welcome

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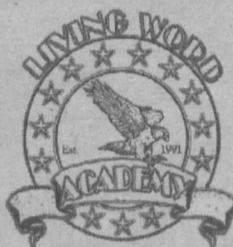
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REGIONAL NEWS

Motorcycle Ride Helps Dogs with Cancer

BY ANGELA STANZIONE
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THURMONT, Md. — Teresa Koogler and her husband Robin always considered their dog Kate a part of their family and when Kate died from bone cancer in 2002, they knew they had to do something to keep her memory alive; so they decided to start the Kate Koogler Canine Cancer Fund.

The money raised in the fund goes primarily to studies that look at canine bone cancer, though it has funded other studies.

“Our question became ‘Why does cancer happen?’ and ‘Why do certain dogs get certain types of cancer?’” Koogler said.

The canine cancer fund also works only with studies that use dogs that already have cancer. They don’t work with studies that give cancer to healthy animals. They research different treatment options and test to determine who could get cancer.

So far Kate’s fund has raised \$50,000 for cancer research by participating in different events such as the Frederick County Humane Society’s “Walk-N-Wag” and Kate’s very own annual motorcycle ride.

“Kate did everything with us, boat and hike. Our goal was to keep her well entertained and then in 1999 we couldn’t take her motorcycle riding with us and it was heartbreaking,” said Koogler. To

fix the problem, Robin built a trailer to attach to the motorcycle just for Kate. “She loved it,” Koogler said.

The inspiration came for the event after the Kooglers participated in a ride across Maryland for breast cancer and Teresa’s brother Greg said they should do something like that for Kate.

“It’s just such a natural tribute,” said Koogler.

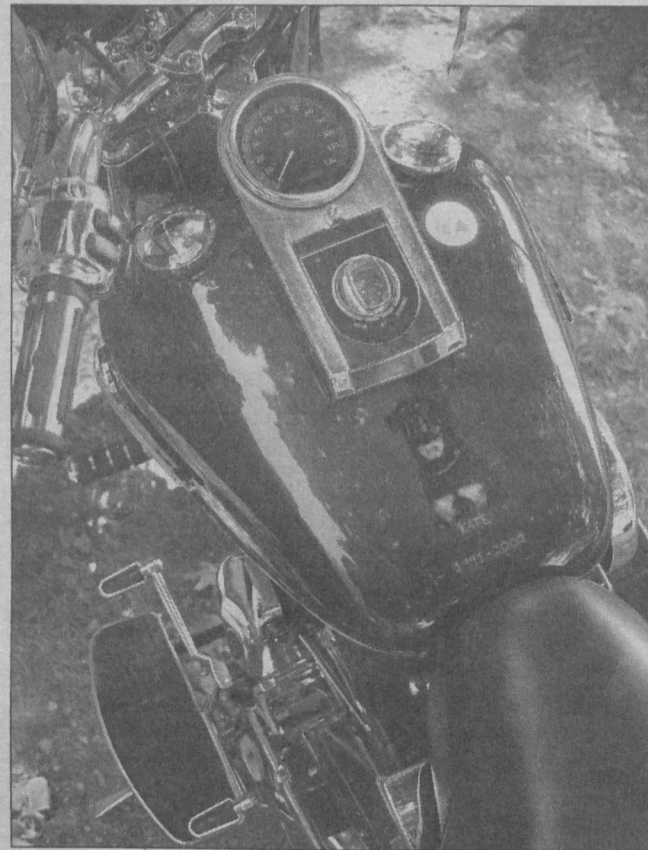
Last year the ride had about 140 participants with about 69 motorcycles.

This year the sixth annual ride will be held on Saturday, Oct. 4 at 10 a.m., rain or shine. It’s a two-fold event where riders and non-riders can participate. The motorcycles gather at Cozy Restaurant and leave for a scenic ride lasting for about an hour and a half to

PenMar County Park for a catered picnic. Non-riders can meet at the park at 1 p.m. The Kooglers will also show a slide show of Kate to represent “what we all lose when we lose a dog.”

“I like feeling like I make a difference by raising the money,” said Koogler. “It’s just such a tough thing to go through. You feel like you’re forced to make horrible decisions and no matter how you slice it you’re not going to win. You have to do what you feel in your heart is best and what you think will give you the most quality time with your pet.”

The fund’s proceeds are split between CSU Animal Cancer Center and AMC Cancer Research Center. For more information about the ride or fund visit the website at www.katefund.org.



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Getting a kick out of fitness

BY JAMES RADA JR.
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THURMONT, Md. — By day, these elementary age and middle-school-age children may be loud and a little wild at times, as children are wont to be. But on Monday and Wednesday evenings when these children return to Thurmont Elementary, it's a different story.

They enter the gym and stop and bow without being told to do so. Then they hurry to the side of the gym where they remove their shoes. It's time for class to begin.

In Ji Yong Martial Arts has been in Thurmont for more than 25 years, most of them at Thurmont Elementary School. It's a non-profit organization that teaches children classical martial arts and adults self defense.

"We're not in this for the money. We like to teach children all we can," said instructor Susan Twigg.

All of the instructors have at least 15 years experience and the senior instructor has 40+ years of experience in martial arts.

Nick Kalapodis is an assistant instructor who was once a student in the classes. "I love teaching these kids," he said. "This is not a paid job. It's non-profit. Our dues go to pay the rent for the gym."

The students are dressed in their gis, the white robe-like outfits martial artists wear. Most of them sport a white or yellow belt tied around their waists, signifying their skill level. The students



- JAMES RADA JR. / THE DISPATCH

Students at In Ji Yong Martial Arts warm up at the beginning of one of their classes at Thurmont Elementary School.

do an exercise to clear their minds and calm themselves. Then they line up in two lines facing each other to practice their kicks.

Sean Vietri, 8, started with In Ji Yong in June. He said doing the kicks are his favorite thing.

Todd Seiss, 15, has been doing martial arts for nearly three years after he saw an In Ji Yong demonstration at Thurmont Middle School.

"It's a good workout for me," Todd said. "I progress at an individual pace. I compete against myself."

Twigg, a former Frederick County school teacher, said her students don't enter competitive events because it's not about the

competition, it's about bettering themselves.

Amy Beard's six-year-old son, Austin, has only been in the program two weeks and she's seen changes in him.

"I notice when I ask him to do things, he does them a lot quicker and says, 'yes, ma'am,'" Beard said.

Classes are for children, 6 years and older, Mondays and Wednesdays from 6 to 7 p.m. and sessions for adults, 18 years and older, 7 to 8:30 p.m., at the Thurmont Elementary School. For more information and class registration, call (301) 695-9352. All class fees are based on a monthly donation structure.

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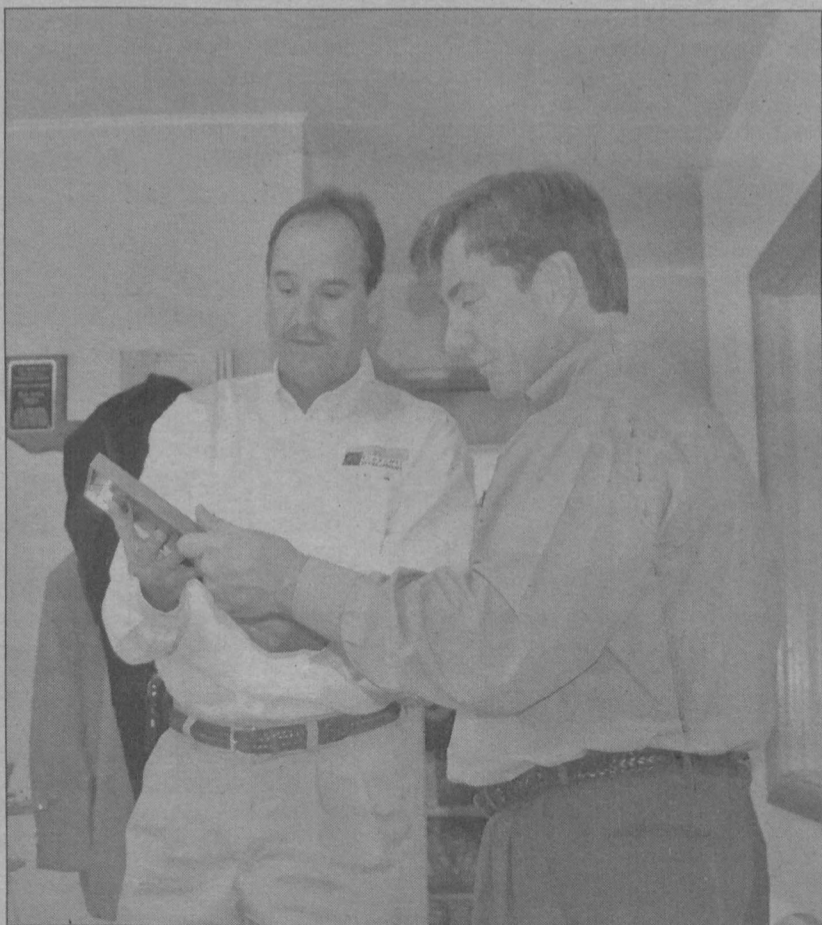
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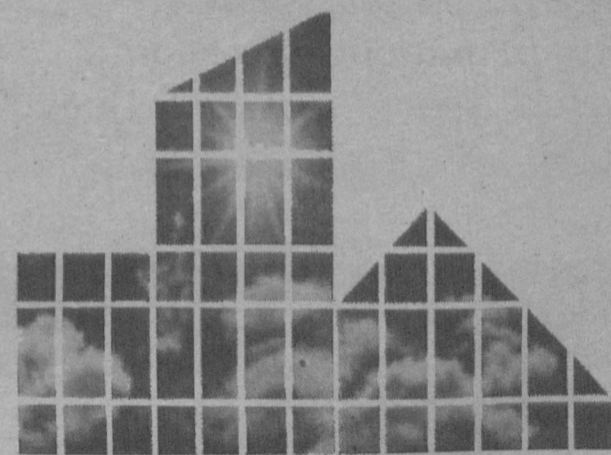
Appreciating Thurmont radio



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WTHU got to show off how it is revitalizing local radio in Thurmont when representatives from Frederick County's and Maryland's economic development offices paid the station a visit on Sept. 26. It was part Frederick County's 8th Annual Business Appreciation Week where county and business officials will meet with local companies to learn more about the businesses and to personally thank them for their contributions to the Frederick County economy. Randy Gray (left) with Frederick County Economic Development presents a business appreciation plaque to Michael Betteridge (right) of WTHU.

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Imagine... "Whirled Peace"

EMMITSBURG, Md. — Sept. 22, Emmitsburg residents saw what "whirled peace" could look like as students from Mother Seton School in Emmitsburg took part in an International art and literacy project, Pinwheels for Peace by "planting" pinwheels with messages of peace at Mother Seton School.

Pinwheels for Peace is an art installation project started in 2005 by two art teachers as a way for students to express their feelings about what's going on in the world and in their lives. Last year, over 1.2 million pinwheels were spinning in over 2,500 locations, including the United States, Europe, Asia, Australia, Canada, the Middle East, Africa and South America. Locally, Mother Seton School's art program, led by Karolyne Myers coordinated the Pinwheels for Peace project this year.

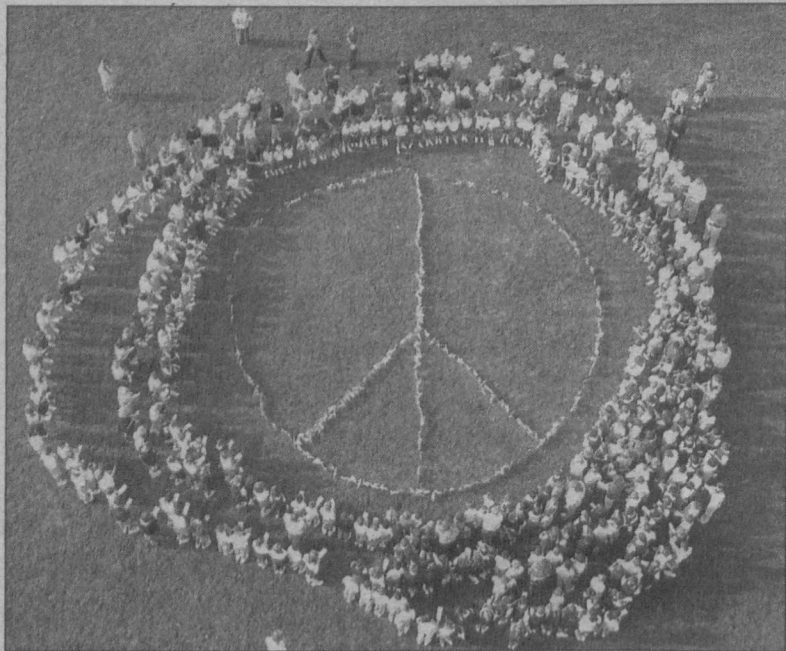
This project is non-political — peace doesn't necessarily have to be associated with the conflict of war, it can be related to violence/intolerance in our daily lives, to peace of mind.

The students at Mother Seton

School created pinwheels of all shapes and sizes. As part of the creation process, they wrote their thoughts about "war and peace / tolerance/ living in harmony with others" on one side. On the other side, they used different mediums: paint, collage, etc. to visually express their feelings. The students assembled these pinwheels and on Sept. 22 students from grades pre-K through 8th grades "planted" their pinwheels on the lawn in front of Mother Seton School as a public statement and art exhibit/installation. The Vigilant Hose Company brought their hook and ladder truck for the school to capture aerial pictures of the students in a peace symbol formation on the school grounds.

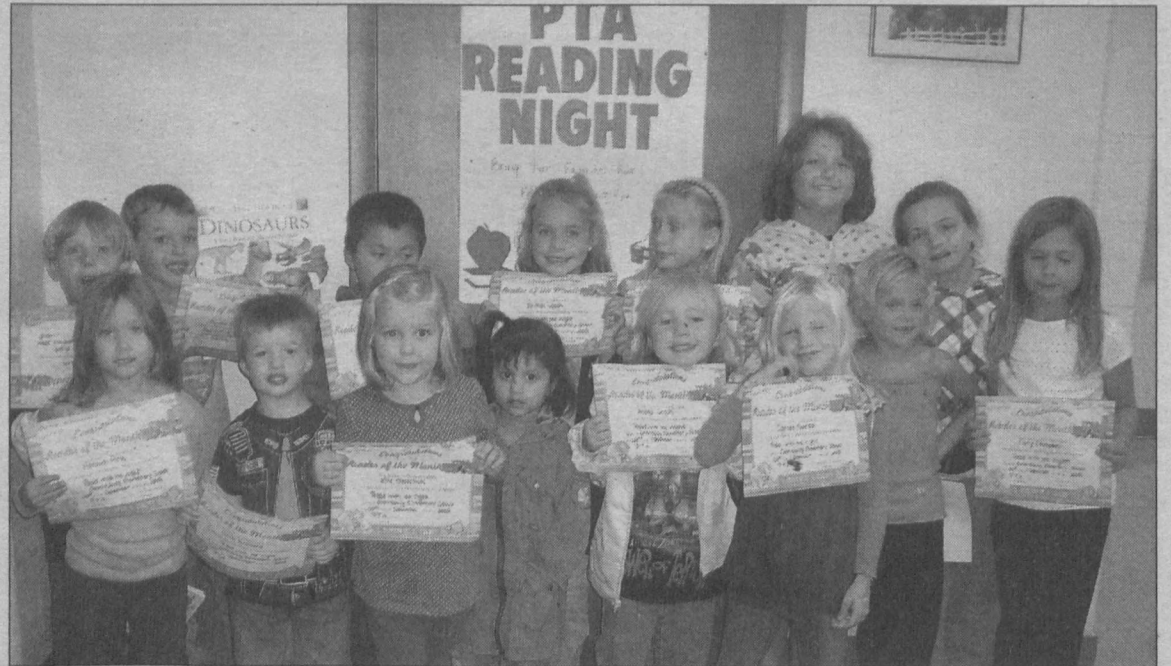
Local business and organizational leaders were presented with pinwheels to symbolize "spreading peace" throughout the community.

For more information and pictures of the event — visit www.mothersetonschool.org. For more information about Pinwheels for Peace, go to www.pinwheelsforpeace.com.



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Tales to tell



- PHOTO COURTESY OF JEN KAETZEL

The Emmitsburg Elementary School PTA recently had a Reading Night at the school. Students each brought a book to read to their parents and their friends. When the evening was finished, students received a reading certificate for the evening, a bookmark and got to choose a book of their own.

Working to their contract



- PHOTO COURTESY OF JEN KAETZEL

The Frederick County Board of Education and Frederick County Teachers Association have yet to reach an agreement on a new contract for the school systems teachers. Teachers have been working without a contract this school year. On Sept. 26, Emmitsburg Elementary teachers, along with teachers across the county, had a work-to-contract day. The teachers gathered in the parking lot and entered the school as a group. During the day, they did not do any work during their lunch or planning times. They also did no extra tutoring or other extra things teachers do during the school day.

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- Girls Junior Varsity Volleyball vs. Clear Spring High School at 6 p.m.
- Girls Varsity Soccer vs. Smithsburg High School at 6:30 p.m.
- Girls Varsity Volleyball vs. Clear Spring High School at 7 p.m.

Oct. 3

- Boys Varsity Football vs. Liberty High School at 7 p.m.

Oct. 6

- Girls Varsity Field Hockey vs. Middletown High School at 4 p.m.
- Girls Junior Varsity Field Hockey vs. Middletown High School at 5:30 p.m.

Oct. 7

- Boys Junior Varsity Football vs. Poolesville Sr High School at 6 p.m.

Oct. 8

- Boys Freshman Football vs. Clear Spring High School at 5 p.m.

Oct. 10

- Girls Varsity Field Hockey vs. Century High School at 4 p.m.
- Girls Junior Varsity Soccer vs. Brunswick High School at 5 p.m.
- Girls Junior Varsity Field Hockey vs. Century High School at 5:30 p.m.

Hockey vs. Century High School at 5:30 p.m.

- Girls Varsity Soccer vs. Brunswick High School at 6:30 p.m.

Oct. 13

- Boys Junior Varsity Soccer vs. Boonsboro High School at 5 p.m.
- Girls Junior Varsity Volleyball vs. Smithsburg High School at 6 p.m.
- Boys Varsity Soccer vs. Boonsboro High School at 6:30 p.m.
- Girls Varsity Volleyball vs. Smithsburg High School at 7 p.m.

Oct. 15

- Girls Varsity Field Hockey vs. Francis Scott Key High School at 4 p.m.
- Boys Freshman Football vs. Williamsport High School at 5 p.m.
- Girls Junior Varsity Field Hockey vs. Francis Scott Key High School at 5:30 p.m.
- Boys Junior Varsity Football vs. Williamsport High School at 7 p.m.

Oct. 16

- Boys Junior Varsity Soccer vs. Brunswick High School at 5 p.m.
- Girls Junior Varsity Volleyball vs. Boonsboro High School at 6 p.m.
- Boys Varsity Soccer vs. Brunswick High School at 6:30 p.m.
- Girls Varsity Volleyball vs. Boonsboro High School at 7 p.m.

Catoctin field hockey suffers ups and downs

By TINA DELAUTER
Contributing Writer

THURMONT, Md.—The Catoctin High School field hockey team began the week with a 2-1 record, but unfortunately, ended the week with a record of 2 and 3.

Catoctin's first game of the season ended in a disappointing 3-2 loss to Linganore High School, with Linganore scoring the tie-breaking goal with 1.9 seconds left in the game. For the Cougars, Morgan Cole scored on an assist from Karen Crum, and Emily Delauter scored on an assist from Cole. Amanda Kiline had eight saves.

On Sept. 16, Catoctin had their first win against Frederick High School (2-0). It was a shut-out for goal keeper Amanda Kline with five saves. Emily Delauter and Morgan Cole each scored a goal for the Cougars, with assists from Jenna Davis, and Victoria Farmer-Long, respectively.

Catoctin's second win came on Sept. 18 against Tuscarora High School (2-0). Ashley Barber scored an unassisted goal, and Emily Delauter's goal was off of a penalty corner. Kline had five saves.

CHS went into their Sept. 23 game against Thomas Johnson High School looking determined. They scored two aggressive goals right off the bat by Victoria Farmer-Long and Lindsay Povel. However, they couldn't hold on for the win, and lost 3-2. On Sept. 26, the girls lost a tough game to South Carroll High School (7-1). Victoria Farmer-Long scored the only goal for the Cougars.

Robin Hertel has been coaching CHS field hockey for five years. "They're just a good group of girls," she said, "Unfortunately, Catoctin doesn't have a younger program to feed from. It all starts in ninth grade ... all-in-all, they've been doing very well."

Catoctin's junior varsity team

is doing better with an undefeated record. This team has had an impressive 20 goals in five games, and has not allowed any goals to be scored against them. The shut-out goal keepers for the Cougars are Ashley Smith and Melissa Spahr.

In their first game against Linganore (1-0), Ashley Brehm scored the goal on an assist from Kristi Long.

They followed that win with a huge victory against Frederick (16-0). Kristi Long had five goals, Alison Benjamin, Carly Farr, and Kaitlyn Herbert each had two goals, and Katie Davis, Miranda Baker, Olivia Phillips, Laura Lambert, and Rachel Fogle each had one goal.

CHS JV then went on to beat

Tuscarora (2-0) and Thomas Johnson (1-0) with unassisted goals from Kristi Long and Ashley Brehm in the Tuscarora game, and a goal from Kristi Long in the TJ game.

Their Sept. 26 game against South Carroll ended in a scoreless tie. Ashley Smith had five saves for the Cougars.

First year JV coach Tracey Crabtree is extremely satisfied. "The girls are having fun," she said. "They're all playing so well together. I can't pinpoint one person. We just have a lot of good girls out there."

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Oct. 6

- Girls Junior High Field Hockey vs. Bermudian Springs High School at 4:15 p.m.
- Boys Junior Varsity Soccer vs. York Catholic High School at 5:30 p.m.
- Boys Varsity Soccer vs. York Catholic High School at 7 p.m.

Oct. 7

- Girls Junior Varsity Volleyball vs. Susquehannock High School at 6 p.m.
- Girls Varsity Volleyball vs. Susquehannock High School at 7 p.m.

Oct. 9

- Girls Junior Varsity Field Hockey

vs. York Suburban High School at 5:30 p.m.

- Girls Varsity Field Hockey vs. York Suburban High School at 7 p.m.

Oct. 10

- Boys Varsity Football vs. York Catholic High School at 7:30 p.m.

Oct. 14

- Girls Junior Varsity Volleyball vs. York Catholic High School at 6 p.m.
- Girls Varsity Volleyball vs. York Catholic High School at 7 p.m.

Oct. 16

- Girls Junior High Field Hockey vs. York Suburban High School at 4:15 p.m.
- Girls Junior Varsity Volleyball vs. York County School of Technology at 6 p.m.
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BY ANGELA STANZIONE AND JAMES RADA JR.
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“Emsbourg 5 km”. That’s what the sign on Motter Station Road read on Saturday morning, Sept. 20. However, while Emmitsburg or Emsbourg may have been 5 km. away, it lay to the north not to the west on a gravel road, which is the direction the sign pointed.

Members of the 4th Infantry Division Military Police Platoon, 8th Infantry Division, 82nd Airborne and the 1st Canadian Paratroop Battalion weren’t worried, though, as they took the road, crossed a stream and then started up a narrow country lane.

No, they weren’t concerned until the Nazis opened fire on them.

Nazis?

Yes, Nazis, or rather members of the 2nd Gebirgsjager Division. The groups conducted a mock ambush at the Buck Forest Farm in Rocky Ridge on their way to “liberate” Emmitsburg from the Germans.

The 2nd Annual “Liberation of Emmitsburg” was held included war re-enactors liberating Emsbourg from Nazi occupation in 1944.

Motorcycles led the convoy of 22 military vehicles up Seton Avenue to a crowd of welcoming townspeople. To show their appreciation, the “liberated” greeted the soldiers with

flowers, wine (sparkling apple cider) and French bread.

“I remember my dad telling me about the [liberated] people being so happy to see the soldiers,” said Mary Ann Right, a spectator from Emmitsburg.

The liberation not only celebrated the rescued town, but also paid tribute to WWII veterans.

“I do it to honor my father,” said Neal Pizzano, who helped coordinate the event and also participated in the re-enactment.

“It was very enjoyable. They did an accurate and very nice job,” said Pizzano’s father,

Bob, who was in the 4th Infantry Division during WWII. “It was just like the old days; it sure brought back memories.”

The re-enactment is organized mostly by word of mouth and e-mail, according to Pizzano. He also gives credit to re-enactor Bob Buker and Mike Hillman, president of the Greater Emmitsburg Area Historical Society, for helping to arrange the event.

“Mike just shoots out ideas, one after the other,” said Pizzano.

The effort and planning helped the “liberation” grow to 22 vehicles, including a half-track and jeeps, compared to the 13 last year. German soldiers were also added to make it more realistic, while last year only Allied troops were

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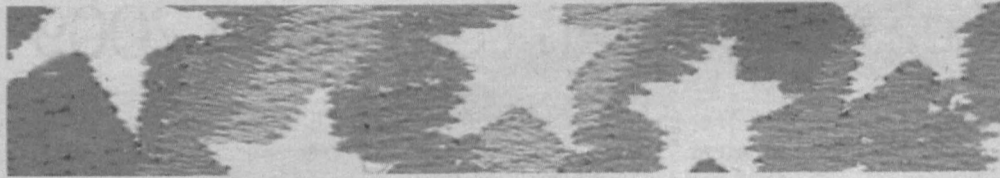
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"It's wonderful to see," Pizzano said.

After the parade, the troops stopped at St. Joseph's Church to rest and allow members of the community to look at the vehicles and firearms. The re-enactors then headed out to the WWII living history weekend at Eisenhower National Historic Site.

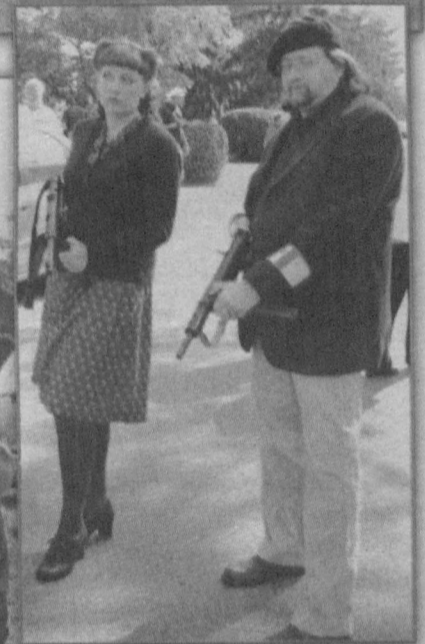
Events similar to the "liberation of Emmitsburg" are less common than encampments or Civil War re-enactments, but according to Pizzano, a large cross country convoy will be held next year from Washington D.C. to Seattle or California.

Hillman hopes to turn the ambush part of the Emmitsburg event into a public event next year.



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Liberating Emmitsburg: (Above) A convoy of WWII vehicles, having just survived an ambush by German troops at Buck Forest Farm in Rocky Ridge, prepares to move out to Emmitsburg. (Right) Daniel Hoyle, 2, waves to the American troops as they leave Buck Forest Farm. (Right top) French resistance fighters cover captured Nazis in "Emsbourg." (Far right) Emmitsburg Commissioner Glenn Blanchard, right, was among the French resistance fighters who liberated "Emsbourg."



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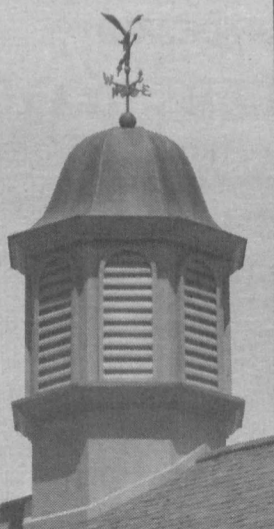
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Seton Legacy Garden coming in 2009

BY STEPHANIE LONG
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EMMITSBURG, Md. —With the approaching bicentennial celebration of the Daughters of Charity in 2009, the group has been looking into ways to honor and celebrate the organization and believe they have found a perfect way to do so, through the building of a legacy garden.

Mary Staub, media relations producer for the Daughters of Charity, said the idea for a legacy garden came from the development of a place who had seen similar gardens at other churches and felt a garden would be a "nice way" to honor and add to the legacy of the organization and Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton.

The garden, which will be known as "The Seton Legacy Garden," will be built behind the Emmitsburg home Seton first lived in, which the organization believes will "draw you to areas of reflection." There will be walking paths, reflection areas, quotes from Seton, benches and other items that Staub said will add to the garden.

As with other legacy gardens, the public is invited to participate in the funding of the garden through the purchase of memorial items, such as granite pavers, benches or bricks that can be engraved in memory of a loved one. The cost of the memorial items varies, and the public is also invited to purchase other items for the garden, such as a bird path, Staub said. The proceeds raised will benefit the continuing ministries of

Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton.

The project is still in its infancy and plans to begin construction are not set to begin until April 2009, but Staub said they are already receiving calls of interests on a regular basis.

"It's a lovely opportunity to honor a loved one," Staub said. "It is in its infancy, but we're getting a good response... not just locally but internationally too."

Staub said the completed garden is meant to be a place for visitors to come to reflect, pray and simply visit and provide the public with "enjoyment for years to come."

Those interested in purchasing a memorial item may call (301) 447-6037. For more information on the project visit setonlegacy.org/garden.php.



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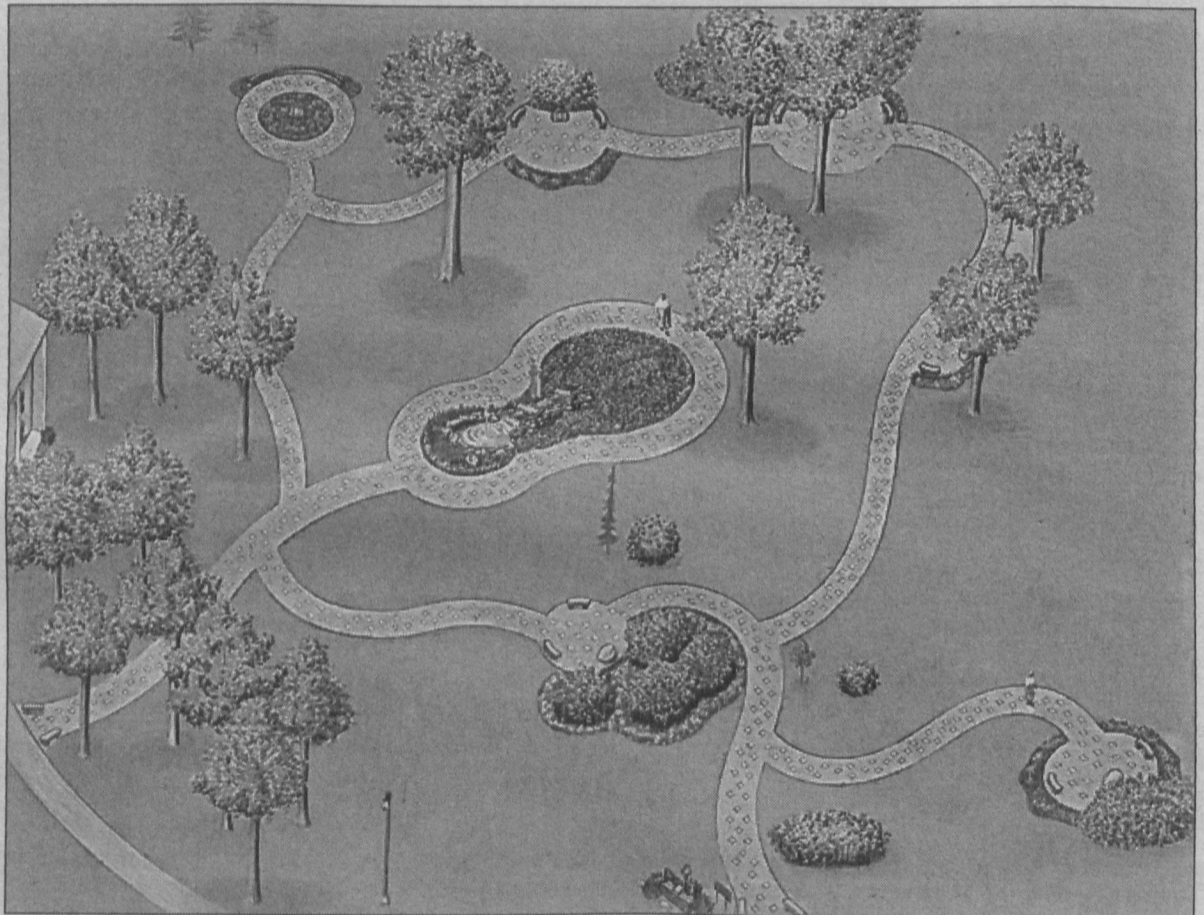
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Tyler

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said she could describe the shoes, to do so. She was unable. Once the pictures had served Tyler's purpose, he deleted them from his computer, although it was never determined whether the images remained on the computer's hard drive. During the February 6, 2008 hearing to dismiss the Jenkins case, because the photos had been deleted, Tyler said he deleted them because "I didn't believe they had evidentiary value for the purposes I had taken them."

Bean thought otherwise. Shortly after Tyler deleted the photos, Bean began inquiring about the photos through a number of e-mails and Tyler continued to tell Bean he had deleted them, according to a copy of notes Tyler kept at the time, which *The Dispatch* obtained from a source familiar with the case. When contacted, Tyler would not comment, but he did confirm the notes were his.

When photos become evidence

On August 29, 2007, Tackett filed a complaint against Tyler for creating a hostile work environment for her because of the internal investigation. Though the charges were later found "non-sustained," the complaint led to Tyler being disciplined by Thurmont Police Chief Greg Eyer for deleting the photos against a departmental general order. Thurmont Police have a general order not to delete evidence.

During the Feb. 6 hearing, Bean told the court she had requested the evidence be preserved, but her request was ignored. However, according to e-mails exchanged at the time between Bean and Tyler, by the time Bean began requesting that the photos be preserved, they had already been deleted, something which according to the e-mails, Bean should have already known.

In the e-mails, Tyler told Bean at 9:30 a.m. on Aug. 30, 2007, "I don't have pictures of the shoes."

At 10:09 a.m. the same day, Bean e-mailed Tyler back requesting the photos he had just told Bean he didn't have. "Let me be perfectly clear, the photos you took of those shoes are relevant and in my opinion, exculpatory and I need them," Bean's e-mail reads. Furthermore, she tells Tyler not to "destroy, alter or delete the photos in any way."

During the dismissal hearing, Jenkins' attorney, Alan Winik, presented the e-mails out of chronological order. As a result, it appeared as if Tyler was refusing Bean's request, though the judge could have read the date and time stamp. *The Dispatch* has no basis to believe Winik was trying to mislead the court.

In addition, Tyler's notes indicate that this was not the only e-mail exchange where he told Bean the photos had already been deleted.

Retrieving the photos

When Winik learned of Tyler's photo deletion from Bean, he filed a motion to dismiss the case. At the Feb. 6 hearing, Winik said that because the photos had been deleted,

his client had been denied access to exculpatory evidence. Neither Winik nor Bean reported at the hearing that, in response to a discovery motion for exculpatory evidence made by Winik on October 23, 2007, Winik had received from Bean a set of photos that were either duplicates of or similar to the photos Tyler had obtained of Jenkins' shoes while Jenkins was in the detention center. Bean's response was filed with the court, but not the photos themselves.

When Tyler was called to the stand at the hearing on Winik's motion to dismiss, Winik had Solt advise him of his rights. Winik then criticized Tyler for deleting the photos. Bean asked no follow up questions of Tyler, leaving him unable to explain himself.

States Attorney Charlie Smith said Tyler knew he wouldn't be asked any questions in an effort to minimize the damage Winik would try to do. Tyler's notes indicate he believed that Bean would be asking him questions.

Neither Winik nor Bean explained to the court that photos of the shoes, either identical or similar to the Tyler photos, had been recovered from the detention center computer system and both attorneys had had them for months. It is not clear whether the photos recovered are the same as the deleted ones, but Bean told *The Dispatch* she believed they were. At the hearing, Winik only referred to the Tyler photos, stating they had been "destroyed willy nilly and [are] no longer available." Bean did not object to the comment or produce the recovered photos.

In a February 20, 2008 e-mail from Bean to Smith, which was part of an e-mail obtained under a Freedom of Information Act request, Bean wrote that she received pictures of the shoes from Lt. Tim Selin, commander of technology services with the Frederick County Sheriff's Office - Corrections Bureau, on Sept. 4, 2007.

When asked why she did not disclose the existence of the photos to the judge during the hearing, Bean said, "We recovered three pictures from the jail. They were of shoes, but I can't say they were the shoes, though I assume they were." When asked why she didn't ask Tackett (who described the shoes in detail during the hearing) or Tyler if the shoes in the recovered pictures were Jenkins', Bean did not explain. She referred further questions to Smith.

The Dispatch obtained the photos under a Freedom of Information request and showed them to Tyler. He said of the pictures, "These appear to be the exact same pictures I received from the detention officer."

Though the case wasn't dismissed, Tyler was severely criticized by both attorneys and the court for deleting potential evidence that may have favored the defendant. And the court ruled that when the case went to trial, the jury would be told of the deletion of the photos and their potential value to Jenkins' defense. Again, the recovered photos were not mentioned.

Who knew the photos existed?

NEWS CONTINUED

"Everybody knew they (the photos) existed," Smith said. "Shawn knew it. The judge knew it because she had the discovery document in front of her. Winik knew it because he got it in discovery."

Statements by Solt during the hearing suggest otherwise. At one point in the hearing, she noted that the pictures had "existed" and had "clear evidentiary value." A short time later, she said, "The deliberate nature of the loss of this evidence is very concerning to the court." Solt never mentions the recovered photos and *The Dispatch* has no information suggesting Solt was aware of their existence at the time of the hearing, despite reference to them in the disclosure filing previously copied to the court file.

Tyler's notes also state that he didn't know of the existence of the recovered photos until after he had resigned.

Smith said he considered the case successful because Solt did not grant Winik's motion to dismiss the case and the state ultimately secured a conviction. Still, the case harmed Tyler's reputation and his career.

Smith said that what happened following the hearing was unfortunate. "I thought Shawn did a good job," Smith said. "He gave us a valid explanation for why the photos were deleted."

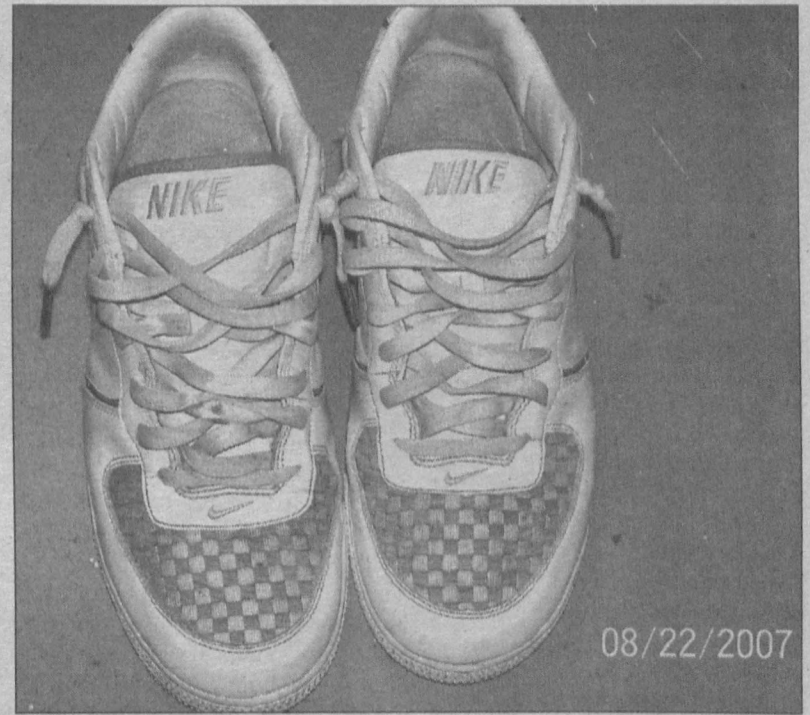
Tyler's resignation

A media report of the hearing apparently led to an unusual Saturday special session of the Thurmont Town Commissioners in which they voted to have Eyer "initiate an emergency suspension, and investigation of a town employee." That employee was Tyler, who chose to resign the following day.

Since that time, comments have slowly been made public showing that at least some town officials feel that Tyler didn't receive justice. Smith also has regrets.

"I think Shawn was a good officer and I think the whole thing played out badly for him," Smith said.

So the questions the attorneys have not answered still remain: Why weren't the recovered photos



- PHOTOS COURTESY OF FREDERICK COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Two of the photographs deleted by Lt. Shawn Tyler, formerly of the Thurmont Police Department. Attorneys had these photos, recovered from the county detention center computers, in their possession, but did not present them during the hearing. The photos were said to have been irretrievably lost and Tyler eventually lost his job because of it.

introduced at the hearing and why, if not, did the states attorney office not determine for certain whether the recovered photos were the same as the deleted photos or even if the photos were still on Tyler's computer hard

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Charles Joseph Hobbs, Jr.
March 28, 1925 –
September 28, 2008

Charles Joseph Hobbs, Jr., age 83, of Emmitsburg, died on Sunday, September 28, 2008 at the VA Medical Center in Martinsburg, W. Va.

Born March 28, 1925 in Emmitsburg, he was the son of the late Charles J. Hobbs Sr., and Ruth E. (Wivell) Hobbs. He was predeceased by his wife, Alma T. (Lingg) Hobbs.

Charles was a veteran of the U.S. Army, serving during the Korean War in the 1st Battalion, 7th Calvary. He was a member of the St. Anthony's Shrine Parish Catholic Church in Emmitsburg. Charles worked throughout his life as a carpenter and worked on various construction projects on the Eisenhower Farm, St. Joseph's Provincial House, and Mount St. Mary's University. Upon retirement from carpentry, he enjoyed attending auctions, collecting junk, tinkering projects, and gardening.

Surviving are children and spouses, Albert and Debra Hobbs of Sabillasville; Richard and Joanne Hobbs of Fairfield, Pa.; Bernard and Dawn Hobbs of Rocky Ridge; Leo and Lori Hobbs of Emmits-

burg and Ginny and Fred Bowne of Fairfield, Pa.; siblings, Francis Hobbs of Emmitsburg, Helen Sanders of Taneytown; James Hobbs, Sr. of Fairfield; George Hobbs of Taneytown; Donald Hobbs of Gettysburg, Pa.; Patrick Hobbs, of Harney; Edgar Hobbs of Fairfield and Margaret McNair of Laurel. Also surviving are 16 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by a daughter, Mary C. Hobbs, and by a brother, Earl J. Hobbs.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10 a.m. Sat., Oct. 4, 2008 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, 47 DePaul St., Emmitsburg with Rev. Vincent J. O'Malley, C.M. as celebrant. Interment with military honors will follow in the New St. Joseph's Cemetery in Emmitsburg. The family will receive friends on Fri., Oct. 3 from 2-4 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. at the Myers-Durboraw Funeral Home, 210 W. Main St., Emmitsburg, where a prayer service will be held at 8 p.m. Pallbearers will be his grandsons, Russell, Matt, Greg, Josh, Michael, and Daniel Hobbs, Shawn and Tony Wivell, and Steve Bowne.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the VA Medical Center, c/o: 5-A Home Care Unit, 510 Butler Ave., Martinsburg, WV 25405.

Online condolences may be made to the family at www.myers-durborawfh.com.

June V. Behr
December 29, 1920 –
September 21, 2008

On Sunday, September 21, 2008, the angels guided by the

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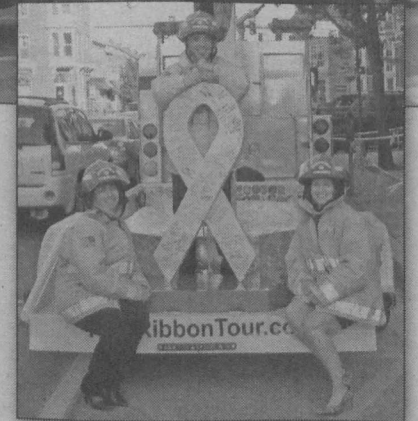
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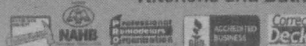
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Blessed Virgin Mary carried our loving wife, mother and grandmother June V. Behr to heaven to be with the Lord. June V. Behr, 87, of Roscoe, Ill. and formerly of Thurmont, was born Dec. 29, 1920 in York, Pa. the daughter of the late Mabel I. (Gladfelter) Yost and Bernard Smith. June was raised in York, Pa. as a Mennonite by her grandmother Mary Ellen Gladfelter.

She married Harry C. Behr on Sept. 11, 1937 in Elkton, Md. They were re-married in the Catholic faith at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in York, Pa. on April 18, 1942 and renewed their vows in Cana, Israel in 1990.

June was a homemaker most of her life and enjoyed sewing, crocheting, ceramics and golf. She had a great love for her husband, daughters and grandchildren. She especially loved to hold and care for babies and so enjoyed her grandchildren and great grandchildren. She had a beautiful voice and enjoyed singing and listening to music. She was a member of her church choir and a daily communicant for many years. She devoted many hours working and helping in her church. June embraced her faith and had a special devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary. She attended the Sacred Heart retreat for women at Columbia, PA for 15 consecutive years.

June belonged to the Legion of Mary, the Sodality of the Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Vincent DePaul Society and was a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Emmitsburg, MD. She also belonged to the American Legion, Elk Ladies, a member and past president of the Blue Ridge Summit Fire Co., Women's Auxiliary and the Waynesboro Country Club.

Survivors include her husband, Harry C. Behr of Roscoe, Ill.; four daughters, Joyce (Eugene) Rosensteel of Emmitsburg; Loretta (Edward) Wolfe of Ortanna, Pa.; Patricia (Ronald) Blum of Beloit, Wis.; Marian (Jeffrey) Walter of Carroll Valley, Pa.; one brother, Gordon (Betty) Smith of York, Pa.; also 14 grandchildren and 29 great-grandchildren.

She was predeceased in death by her grandmother Mary Ellen (Strickler) Gladfelter and her grandfather Jacob Gladfelter.

June will be greatly missed by her husband, daughters and grandchildren. But now she will be able to walk and laugh again in the company of the angels and her Lord in heaven.

The family received friends Sept. 25 from 7 - 9 p.m. at Myers-Durboraw Funeral Home, 210 W. Main Street, Emmitsburg with a Rosary at 8 p.m. A Mass of Christian Burial was held Friday 11 a.m. at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Emmitsburg with Rev. Stephen P. Trzeciecki, C.M. as celebrant. Interment followed in New St. Joseph's Catholic Cemetery.


In lieu of flowers the family asks that donations be made to St. Joseph's Catholic Church, 47 DePaul Street, Emmitsburg, MD 21727.

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October 7, 14, 21, 28 at 10:30 a.m.

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October 7, 14, 21, 28 at 9:45 a.m.

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October 9, 16, 23, 30
at 10:30 a.m.

Family Storytime (all ages)
October 8, 15, 22, 29 at 7 a.m.

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American Girl Book Club
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October 20 at 4 p.m.

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October 14 at 7:30 p.m.

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October 16 at 4 p.m.

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Senior Events

Senior Events in October

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

Pinochle: Thursdays at 12:30 p.m.

Cards (canasta) & 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

The Fairfield Senior Center welcomes all seniors of the Greater Fairfield, PA area. The Center is now at the Fairfield Fire Hall, 106 Steelman St, Fairfield. Questions about activities? Call Cheryl Kulkusky, the site director, at (717) 642-6170.

Special Events

Oct. 6 - Oct. 17 - Shultz's Sandwich Fund-Raiser begins.

Oct. 8 - Grand Opening at Fairfield Fire-Hall, Ribbon-Cutting, pot luck lunch at 11 a.m.

Oct. 9 - Lunch at the Moose, Gettysburg, 11 a.m. Meatloaf, potatoes, carrots and dessert for \$2. Sign up by Oct. 2.

Oct. 13 - Senior Center closed for Columbus Day.

Oct. 20 - Garden Club, 10:30 a.m.

Oct. 22 - Flu Shots 9:30 - 11 a.m. No exercise.

Oct. 23 - Fall Shopping trip to Chambersburg, lunch there.

Oct. 26 - Drive thru flu clinic, at Gettysburg Rec Park.

Oct. 29 - Asera Care speaker, Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD), 10:30 a.m.

Oct. 30 - Fellowship, pre-schoolers trick or treating here.

Oct. 31 - All Adams County Senior Centers Costume Halloween Party, at Fairfield. Mountain Gate complete turkey dinner, \$7.

Fridays, 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. Dress comfortably and wear athletic shoes.

Post-exercise BPs, EMTs. Mondays, 10:30 a.m.

Exercise Light: Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.

Needlework: Mondays, 10:30 a.m. - noon. Bring your fiber arts project - beginners welcome.

Lunch: Mondays through Fridays at noon, except for Special Events already noted.

Card games: Your choice. Tuesdays and Fridays, 9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Games and puzzles: Thursdays, 9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m., except for Special Events.

Chat Time: Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m.

Call for lunch reservations 48 hours in advance. The Senior Center will close whenever Adams County offices are closed. To register for special events, call (717) 642-6170.

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Community Calendar

EVENTS

Oct. 18 and Nov. 1 – Yard Waste Drop Off. 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Emmitsburg sewer plant. Town residents only.

Oct. 18 – Mother Seton School Class of 1957 Reunion and Luncheon. 11 a.m. Mother Seton School, 100 Creamery Road, Emmitsburg. Information: (301) 447-3165, www.mothersetonschool.org.

Oct. 18 – Cash Bash. 2 p.m. Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish Center, Church St., Thurmont. \$25 includes food and refreshments. No tickets sold at door. Benefits the parish. Information: (301) 447-2367, (301) 271-4439.

Oct. 18 – Adams County Historical Society trip. 7:30 a.m. and return at approximately 6 p.m. Trip to Independence National Historical Park, Philadelphia. Leave from Gettysburg Church of the Brethren, Biglerville Road. Society members \$60, non-members \$70. Tickets call (717) 334-4723 ext. 201 or www.achs-pa.org.

Oct. 18 – Linganore High School Annual Dinner Dance. 6 p.m. Frederick Elks Lodge #684, 289 Willowdale Drive, Frederick. Dinner dance reunions for classes of '63, '68, '73 and '78. Information: LHS Alumni Association President, Kaye G. Horr, khorr@verizon.net. Reservation deadline: Oct. 1.

Oct. 18 – Dance to the 50s and 60s with the Shades. 8 p.m. to midnight. Thurmont American Legion. Advance tickets \$10. At door \$15. Benefits auxiliary children and youth programs, veterans and community projects. Cash bar and snacks. Over 21. Members and guests only.

Oct. 18 – Longaberger Basket & Vera Bradley Bingo. Doors open at 4:30 p.m. Bingo begins at 6. Lewistown Fire Hall. Food provided by the Lewistown Fire Department. Bake table. Tickets \$15 in advance; \$20 at the door. Benefits Lewistown Elementary School PTA. Tickets: (301) 898-1070.

Oct. 19 – Last Day of 2008 Emmitsburg Farmers' Market.

Oct. 19 – "Where's the Instruction Manual?" Baby Care Basics Class. FMH Wellness Center, FSK Mall, Frederick. Advance registration and payment required: \$65 per couple. Information: (240) 379-6000.

Oct. 19 – Vendor Holiday Showcase. 1 to 5 p.m. ThorpeWood. Local independent consultants and crafters. Information: (301) 293-2642, www.thorpewood.org.

Oct. 19 – Gun Drawing sponsored by AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary. \$25/ticket.

Oct. 20 – Emmitsburg Historical Society meeting. 7 p.m. Emmitsburg Community Center. Focus on East Main Street.

Oct. 23 – "Traditional" Child-birth Education - (four consecutive week series) Frederick Memorial Hospital, 400 W. 7th St., Frederick. Advance registration and payment required: \$110 per couple. Information: (240) 379-6000.

Oct. 23 – My Best Teachers Were Saints. Presented by Susan Swetnam at MSM Knott Arena. For information: (301) 447-5274.

Oct. 24 & 25 – Yard Sale and Flea Market. 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tom's Creek Church, Rt. 140 across from Four Points Rd. and Tom's Creek Church Rd. Information: (301) 447-2082, (301) 447-6564.

Oct. 25 – Frederick County Residential Household Hazardous Waster Dropoff Day. 8 a.m. to noon. Public Safety Training Facility, 8349 Reichs Ford Road, Frederick. Residents only, no businesses. Information: www.co.frederick.md.us/Recycling/ or call Department of Solid Waste Management (301) 694-1848.

Oct. 25 – Furmont Days. Thurmont Carnival Grounds. Cats 10:30 a.m. Dogs 11 a.m.

Oct. 25 – Lacie Ann Wivell Memorial Walk. Registration 10 a.m., walk begins at 11. Carroll Valley Park, Fairfield, Pa. \$10 per person. (717) 642-6989.

Oct. 25 – Turkey and Oyster Supper. 1 to 6 p.m. Graceham Moravian Church, 8231-A Rocky Ridge Rd. Thurmont. Adults \$13, children 5-10 \$7, under 5 free. Information: (301) 271-2379.

Oct. 27 – The C.S. Lewis Society of Frederick. 7 p.m. Will Vaus will lecture on his new book, *The Professor of Narnia: The C.S. Lewis Story*. C. Burr Artz Public Library, Frederick. Free and open to the public.

Nov. 1 – Oyster, Country Ham and Turkey Dinner. 1 to 6 p.m. Faith United Church of Christ, 9333 Opossumtown Pike, Frederick. Adults \$13, child 6-12 \$6. Carry-outs \$14. Information: (301) 695-6550.

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- Oct. 18 – Haunted Pumpkin Hunt. 1 to 2 p.m. The Emmitsburg Veterinary Hospital. (previously held at Zora Village). Children up to age 9. Showers or shine. Information: (301) 447-6237.
- Oct. 25 – Fright Night. 7:30 p.m. The Emmitsburg Veterinary Hospital. Information: (301) 447-6237.
- Oct. 25 – Halloween in the Park – Thurmont Community Park. Dusk. Canned food donation. Rain date Nov. 1. Information: (301) 271-3256, (301) 271-5399.
- Oct. 31 – Halloween Parade. Emmitsburg. Followed by a party for children at Vigilant Hose Company 6.



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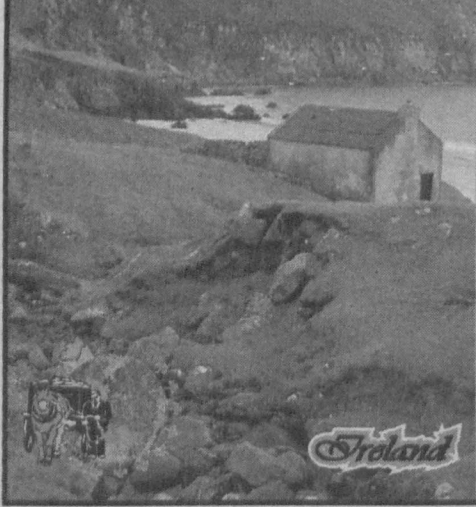
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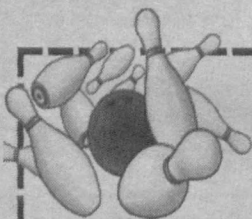
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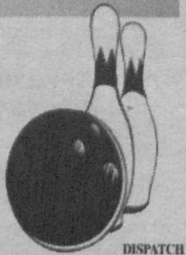
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Oct. 10 - The Basement Coffee House. 7 p.m. Elias Lutheran Church, 100W North Ave. Emmitsburg. Free coffee and snacks.

Oct. 19 - Riders in the Sky. 4 p.m. Singing cowboy quartet, together for more than 30 years. Authentic Western music with yodeling, rope tricks, and crackpot humor in the tradition of Gene Autry and Roy Rogers. Tickets: \$23 to \$29. Information: (717) -337-8200, e-mail: majestictheater@gettysburg.edu.

Oct. 25 - Latin Fiesta. Frederick Symphony Orchestra at FCC

J.B. Kussmaul Theater, Frederick. Tickets available at the door. Adults \$20, seniors \$15, students \$10. Information: (301) 663-8476, www.fredericksymphony.org.

STAGE

Through Nov. 8 - "Thoroughly Modern Millie." The Way Off Broadway Dinner Theatre, Frederick, Md. Taking place in New York City in 1922, Millie tells the story of Millie Dillmount, who just moved to the city in search of a new life in a New York full of intrigue and jazz. It's a time when women were entering the workforce and the rules of love and social behavior were changing forever. Friday and Saturday evening and matinees on the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Sunday of each month. Friday tickets \$42, Saturday tickets \$44, and Sunday matinee \$40. Information: (301) 662-6600. www.wayoffbroadway.com.

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Nov. 8, 9, 15, 16, 22 and 23 - "Little Egypt." Gettysburg Stage, Keefauver Center, 157 Lefever St., Gettysburg. A tale of lusty love and hustlers, romance and discovery. Information: 1-866-859-5192, gettysburgstage@hotmail.com or www.gettysburgstage.com.

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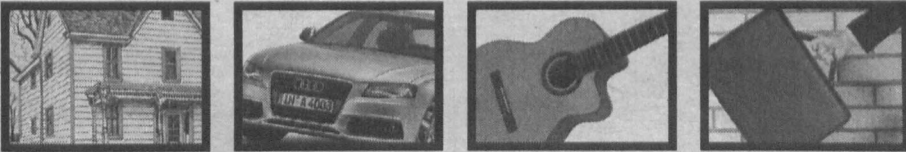
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Oct. 4 - Community Yard Sale. 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. Elias Lutheran Church. Emmitsburg. Proceeds to benefit Ecumenical Mission trip to Kenya 2009. To donate items directly to benefit the Kenya trip, contact Pastor Jon (301) 447-6239 or eliasluth@peoplepc.com.

2403, or Rose Knox (443) 605-2675.

Oct. 4 - Powerful Partnership Series. 7 p.m. Mount St. Mary's University, Knott Auditorium, Emmitsburg. Ghost hunter John Zafis. No charge.

Oct. 5 - 17th Annual Life Chain. Carroll County Life Chain hour of prayer. Life Chain locations: Taneytown, Baltimore & Frederick Streets, 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. Mick (410) 756-4555. Westminster:

140 and Sullivan Roads near the St. John's Church sign, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Maria (410) 848-0716.

Oct 6 to 10 - Christmas Assistance Applications. The Salvation Army is ac-

cepting applications each day, 9 a.m. to noon and 6 to 8 p.m. Toys and clothing will be provided for children birth through 12 years only. Information: (301) 662-2311.

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Oct. 5 - Safe 'n' Sane Basket Bingo. Thurmont Activities Building. Doors open at 12:30 p.m. Games at 2 p.m. Information: (301) 271-4064.

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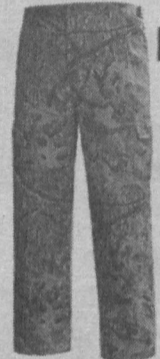
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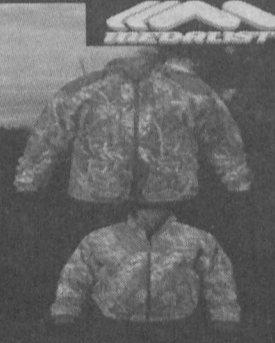
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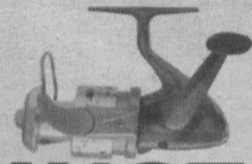


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THE DISPATCH

REGIONAL NEWS

North Frederick County continues to grow

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EMMITSBURG, Md. — Emmitsburg has seen the slowest growth of any of Frederick County's 12 municipalities between 2000 and 2007, and Thurmont's growth, though faster, is among the four slowest-growing municipalities in the county.

According to recently released figures from the Maryland Department of Planning, Emmitsburg's has grown by 5.3 percent since 2000, the date of the last U.S. Census, and by 0.6 percent for fiscal year 2007. The state estimates that Emmitsburg has 119 new citizens since 2000 and 14 since fiscal year 2007.

"I believe that the 0.6 percent is kind of misleading since they don't go out and actually count people. It's just an estimate," said Emmitsburg Mayor James Hoover.

As low as the 2007 number might seem, it actually broke a three-year streak of negative growth for the town that began in fiscal year 2003. Emmitsburg's population is now estimated to be back where it was in three years ago.

"The growth plan calls for 2-3 percent growth but with everything going on with the consent orders, etc., growth is going to stay lower," Hoover said.

He said that the lack of

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Maryland attorney general speaks to EBPA



— ROBERT A. ROSENSTEEL SR. / THE DISPATCH
Dan Reaver, Allen Knott, Doug Gansler, James Hoover, Bob Hance and Greg Reaver before the EPBA luncheon meeting.

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When Maryland Attorney General Doug Gansler took a trip to Mississippi a couple years ago, he landed in the Memphis, Tenn. airport. As he filled out the paperwork for a rental car, he noticed that if he brought the car back late and gas needed to be added to the tank it would cost \$9.22 a gallon. When he asked how the company could get away with that, the agent put her hands on her hips and said, "Because they can."

That didn't sit well with Gansler and when he returned to Maryland, he had his staff investigate the issue. The result is now car rental companies can only charge the market price for gas, plus a \$6.99 fuel surcharge.

This is just one of the changes started by an attorney general who seeks to "use the job and try to make the world a better place."

Gansler, who was elected as Maryland Attorney General in November 2006, spoke to the luncheon meeting of the Emmitsburg Business and Professional Association on Oct. 15 at the Carriage House Inn in Emmitsburg.

Gansler said his office is focusing on three areas: public safety, the environment and consumer protection.

He said the environment is "the place we're trying to have the biggest affect in the office."

Though a Democrat, he said no one would ever accuse him of being a "tree-hugging liberal" but he believes that the environment has now become a bipartisan issue. It is important to Marylanders in particular if the Chesapeake Bay is to be saved.

Consumer protection cases are the office's "bread and butter" and it is where residents can really see an impact of having someone look out for them and represent their views to large corporations.

DOUGLAS F. GANSLER



- Elected on November 7, 2006, as Maryland's 44th Attorney General.

- Received the most votes of any candidate in the State of Maryland in that election.

- As Attorney General, Gansler has focused on environmental, public safety, and consumer issues.

- Gansler created the first Attorney General Civil Rights Division.

- Prior to becoming Attorney General, Gansler served as State's Attorney for Montgomery County, the largest jurisdiction in Maryland.

- Received his law degree from the University of Virginia School of Law.

- Gansler graduated cum laude from Yale University, where he was a four-year starter on the Varsity lacrosse team and earned all-New England and all-Ivy honors.

- He continues to play lacrosse, coaches both of his sons's lacrosse teams, and still holds his high school's all-time lacrosse scoring record.

Info courtesy of oag.state.md.us/bio.htm

TOWN NEWS

Local rider wins state fair for third time

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THURMONT, Md. — Lizzy Koons, has been riding horses since she was seven years old, and it seems to be paying off for the now-12 year old. She has won the State Champion Award for Fitting and Showing at the Maryland State Fair three years in a row.

Lizzy's latest win was on Aug. 26 with her horse, Daisy a.k.a. Majorly Addicted.

"I enjoy the Maryland State Fair the best. When we're done, I'm able to put Daisy in the stall and see the fair. I also really like the people there. I'm excited to win and I'm going to try again next year to make it four years [in a row]," Lizzy said.

Although the Maryland State Fair is Lizzy's favorite, she rides in shows almost every weekend; and finds the same success. On Aug. 8 Lizzy won champion in Youth Mares at the Howard County Fair. On Aug. 24 she won overall youth champion at the South Mountain Fair and on September 7th she came in first place in the youth

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SPECIAL REPORT



Buy local, buy fresher

Frederick County Public Schools created a "buy local" program for some purchases. Through the program, Catocin Mountain Orchards has been supplying schools with fresh apples.

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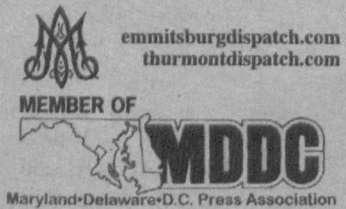
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Your hometown newspaper needs your help

While we believe that the community appreciates getting a high-quality newspaper, the response to the publication and numbers aren't showing it. The newspaper needs your input and your help.

Some say when you hear no news it usually means things are going good, but that isn't always the case.

Last issue we introduced a new look to the front page and asked what you thought. We received two unsolicited responses, one from a life long newspaper professional. Both were positive. However, should we suspect that everyone liked the change?

How can *The Dispatch* best serve you? Hometown input and help is crucial for a hometown paper. Here's what you can do:

1. Go out of your way to let business advertisers know how much the publication means to you. Business advertising is what pays for the newspaper that you receive free in your mailbox. Thank business owners for advertising in *The Dispatch* and most of all, patronize their businesses – they are the life blood of the community.

2. Buy the subscription of the newspaper you receive, or get one for someone else. One year of *The Dispatch* costs \$42.40, tax included. The newspaper is distributed to every home and business to serve the entire community without regard to each person's financial state. If only 600 of the 15,000 homes and businesses that receive our paper would be willing to send us this subscription amount we could defray some of our operating costs.

3. If you absolutely can't afford a subscription, we'll take a letter instead. We need your feedback about what this publica-

tion means to you and why it is important for the local community. The letters will be used in an application we are working on in an effort to obtain a not-for-profit business status. They will also be used to demonstrate to businesses how important their advertising dollars are.

4. Do you have business experience with filing 501(c)3 applications? If so we can use your help. We have identified other newspapers that have not-for-profit status and have obtained copies of their filing applications. We hope to use these applications as an aid to help us do our filing, but we need some professional help. A not-for-profit will reduce our operating costs and will open up other avenues of resources. Becoming a non-profit will help sustain the future of the publication and make us a company that better fits our mission.

5. Are you experienced with running fund-raising activities, such as a gala? Would you be willing to help *The Dispatch* with such an event? We could use your help.

6. Do you have sales experience? Would you be willing to help us by visiting businesses and soliciting advertising on a commission bases?

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The mission of The Dispatch newspapers

The Dispatch is a newspaper guided by the motto, "news and opinion in the service of truth." In every issue the publication strives to inform and educate its readers about Emmitsburg, Thurmont and the surrounding region, and to serve as a basic record of its history.

This newspaper was created to give its readers that for which they have a moral right and deep need – *information* about agencies, persons, and current events that can help or harm them, *explanations* to help them understand events, and *opinions* to help guide their decisions. *The Dispatch* believes that, as a newspaper, it has an *obligation* to provide this knowledge. Without it most readers would be practically helpless before the social forces shaping their lives.

The Dispatch keeps a close watch on town government, and on institutions, businesses, and individuals, not to condemn or praise them in its news columns, but to report the news – *facts previously unknown by, and important to*, its unique community of readers. The newspaper's sponsors and advertisers, and even the paper itself, are not exempt from its scrutiny.

The Dispatch will not publish what serves the interests of only a few, or only of people living elsewhere. It does, however, report news about the wider communities to which its readers belong – Maryland, our country, and the human race especially if that information cannot be obtained adequately from other sources.

By fulfilling its goal as a newspaper, *The Dispatch* helps the town preserve its identity through time. Like any living thing, small towns will continue to be themselves into the future only if they have a memory of their past. *The Dispatch* is a major portion of the town's memory, a "journal of original entry" for records of events that are part of its history.

The Dispatch is a business, but one that identifies itself primarily as a service, not a profit center. It rejects the theory that, because it must be an efficient business, its primary purpose is to earn money. Instead, it chooses to serve the community with news, and, for this primary purpose, it needs revenue. Its conviction is that if it succeeds as a newspaper by serving the community, it will earn revenue.

The business objectives of *The Dispatch* conform to this understanding of itself. Profits will first be reinvested in the newspaper to improve it and make it more widely available. Secondly, a portion of profits would be used to build up the towns we serve by enhancing its local organizations and expanding its cultural opportunities. Thirdly, some of the expected surplus would be used to help those in need in the area. These business objectives, however, depend entirely on the fulfillment of the publication's primary goal: to provide readers with the information they need to help them be better citizens and live well in this beautiful part of Maryland.

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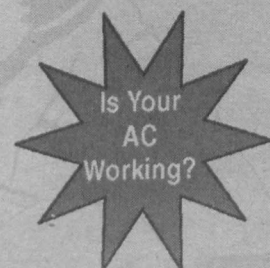
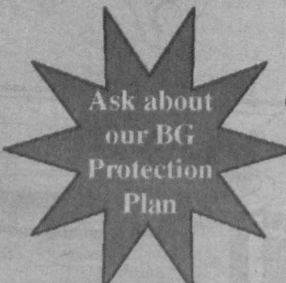
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OPINION

EYE ON EMMITSBURG

Teachers should act like the professionals they are



BY PATRICK
JOY

Dispatch
Columnist

Summer has ended and the cyclical nature of the seasons has reared its head. Temperatures and leaves fall; school begins; the U.S. Congress again fails to pass a budget and the teachers and the union fight with the school board.

All parents know how difficult it can be to keep a child's attention, let alone get them to learn something. However, I always believed that teachers were (and wanted to be considered) professionals. The main difference between a professional and a skilled (even highly skilled) employee is that professionals receive a salary while skilled workers are paid by the hour.

But now, we have the teachers working to contract (i.e. not arriving before 8 or 8:30 a.m. and not putting in volunteer hours). This will definitely impact the school board. Oh, wait. That's right; the only people this will hurt are the students. This reminds me of those messy divorces when one parent uses the children as leverage to punish the other parent. It is almost like a child having a tantrum.

The teachers may have legitimate complaints and be in the right, but that does not justify using children as a negotiation tactic. It seems like both sides have forgotten that it is not about petty politics but the kids.

But the part that I do not understand is why there are volunteer hours at all. I know lots of professionals and we put in the hours necessary to get the job done. That is why teachers talk about taking papers to grade and preparing lessons at home. That is what professionals do. I have heard many teachers complain about the extra hours they put in for which they do not get paid*. But they do get paid. Salaried professionals put in the hours required to get the work done. I have worked many a night and weekend without extra compensation. I have a co-worker that works an extra 90 minutes every day. But not to be repetitive, that is what is expected of professionals.

Now, I have a solution for the teachers and school board; let's just make teachers hourly employees. That way, if the school board imposes new requirements, the teacher will get paid. This will also help reward those teachers who put in the extra effort. More hours, more pay. Just come in to school and clock in. The catch of course is that teachers will not be able to work from home and get paid. But that is a small inconvenience especially since most hourly workers do not get that privilege.

* Let's not forget that as much as teachers talk about the extra hours they put in, the students put in just as much. They are at school almost the same amount as teachers and have hours of work each night and weekend. And as for parents, they do not get extra pay for their school volunteer work or the help they are expected to give to their children with homework.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Keep conserving gas to preserve our future

Hoorah! Hoorah! They thought America couldn't do it. It being conserving energy, gasoline, which powers our vehicles.

In America, gasoline is a precious commodity while in other countries it has always been.

When we lived in Germany as a military family, we bought coupons at a lower price than those on the economy. This was back in the early 80's. Gasoline stations were closed on holidays except certain ones, and we were only able to buy gasoline at Esso Stations to use the coupons.

Many people's only transportation is a bicycle, which they are very grateful for. There are no two or three cars at their disposal. Imagine riding several hours on a bicycle to get to work in all kinds of weather. In many countries, bus transportation is

not very dependable if available at all.

So hats off to those Americans who are working on conserving energy. Some have been forced for family existence.

We have already seen lower prices, a little more interest in drilling on our shores and the automobile industry being forced to build fuel economy cars. I'm sure God will bless all of these efforts.

Who knows, there may be energy left for our children or future generations? We all should be conscious of God's resource blessings.

Keep up the good work America and thank you God for we have been able to travel further than any other generation before.

Carole L. Bishop
Fairfield, Pa.

A WORD FROM THE MAYOR

Despite the crunch, Emmitsburg saved for a rainy day

It is no secret that Maryland is expecting a large budget deficit and the overall national economy is looking bleak. Emmitsburg and other municipalities rely on tax equality, low-interest loans and grant funding from state, county and federal programs. Those programs are often the first programs to lose funding when other government budgets fall short.

The Town of Emmitsburg has three budgets; general fund, sewer enterprise and water enterprise. General fund revenues come from taxes, permit fees, tax equity, high-way user fees and other user fees. Sewer and water enterprise budgets are independent of the general fund; both budgets are solely reliant on user fees, tap fees and surcharges. Since the sewer and water enterprise funds rely solely on user fees and tap fees, the economic crises will have minimal effect on the enterprise budgets. The majority of the general fund revenues come from outside sources which the town has little or no control over. Those funds are affected by the economy, therefore, the general fund budget will be affected.

When the town's FY2009 budget was drafted we were already aware of some of the economic crises. They were taken into consideration; revenues were

projected to be less than normal while at the same time many of our expenses were projected to increase. I am optimistic that there won't be any major differences in the revenues or expenditures in the FY09 general fund budget. I'm more concerned about the possible long-lasting effects the current economy will have on future town budgets.

Fortunately the town currently has a rainy day fund of approximately \$450,000. This may seem like an excessive amount of money and it is more than the national average for a town with our size budget. It is something very sensitive to the town manager and me because prior to our time with the town, the town had to borrow money to meet its operating expenses. They had no fund balance to draw from.

With the national economy looking so bleak, it may be necessary for the town to use money from our rainy day fund to make up for lost revenues. Recently California and other states announced without a federal bailout they will be bankrupt. Maryland is suffering similar circumstances, particularly in the transportation trust fund. If the federal government is expected to bailout Wall Street, banks and states, can we expect to receive the normal level

of support that we have gotten in past from the state, county and federal government?

Each year the town's Capital Improvement Program budgets included funding for projects that were not planned to begin or to be completed in the current budget year. With the economic crises, I did not project funding for future capital projects in the FY09 CIP budget. Several of the capital projects that will occur this year and next year will be completed because we were able to provide funding in previous years. The town must continue to maintain its infrastructure and at the same time consider quality of life factors. It will be a balancing act for at least the next two to three years when we're deciding which projects are to be completed and which projects will have to be deferred.

With all this said, I want to assure everyone that the town's financial matters are not in jeopardy. As we have already done, it will require some tightening of the belt and some tough decisions will have to be made on projects that should not be delayed and which projects can be deferred if needed.

James Hoover
Emmitsburg Mayor



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TOWN NEWS

Rider

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equitation at Chambersburg Saddle Club.

In any competition, Lizzy thinks experience is essential.

"All of my competitors

are really good, but I have a little more experience," she said.

Lizzy is a seventh grader at Fairfield Area Middle/High School and has been riding with Breezy Hill Stables in Thurmont for around three or four years. Her favorite part of riding is getting to spend time with her horse.

"I've always liked horses. My great-grandfather used to own race horses and I got hooked on them," she said.

"I think she likes horses better than people," joked Lizzy's—mother Robyn Koons.

With her years of experience, Lizzy's able to offer advice for anyone considering the sport or just starting out.

"If you want to do it just get in and try it," Lizzy said. "Try your hardest and make it fun. Never quit."

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Growth

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growth would eventually begin to strain the budget, although some maintenance projects can be deferred in the short term. However, if there is no growth, there will be no increase in the town's taxable base.

"We might not raise taxes or not have growth, but the cost of services are still going to rise," Hoover said.

Thurmont has grown 7.1 percent since 2000 and 0.7 percent for fiscal year 2007. The state estimates that Thurmont has 398 citi-

zens since 2000 and 40 since fiscal year 2007.

"It's pretty clear people want to keep growth in Thurmont as low as possible," said Thurmont Mayor Martin Burns.

He doesn't think the numbers for fiscal year 2008 will be that different from 2007 since the town is running out of buildable housing lots.

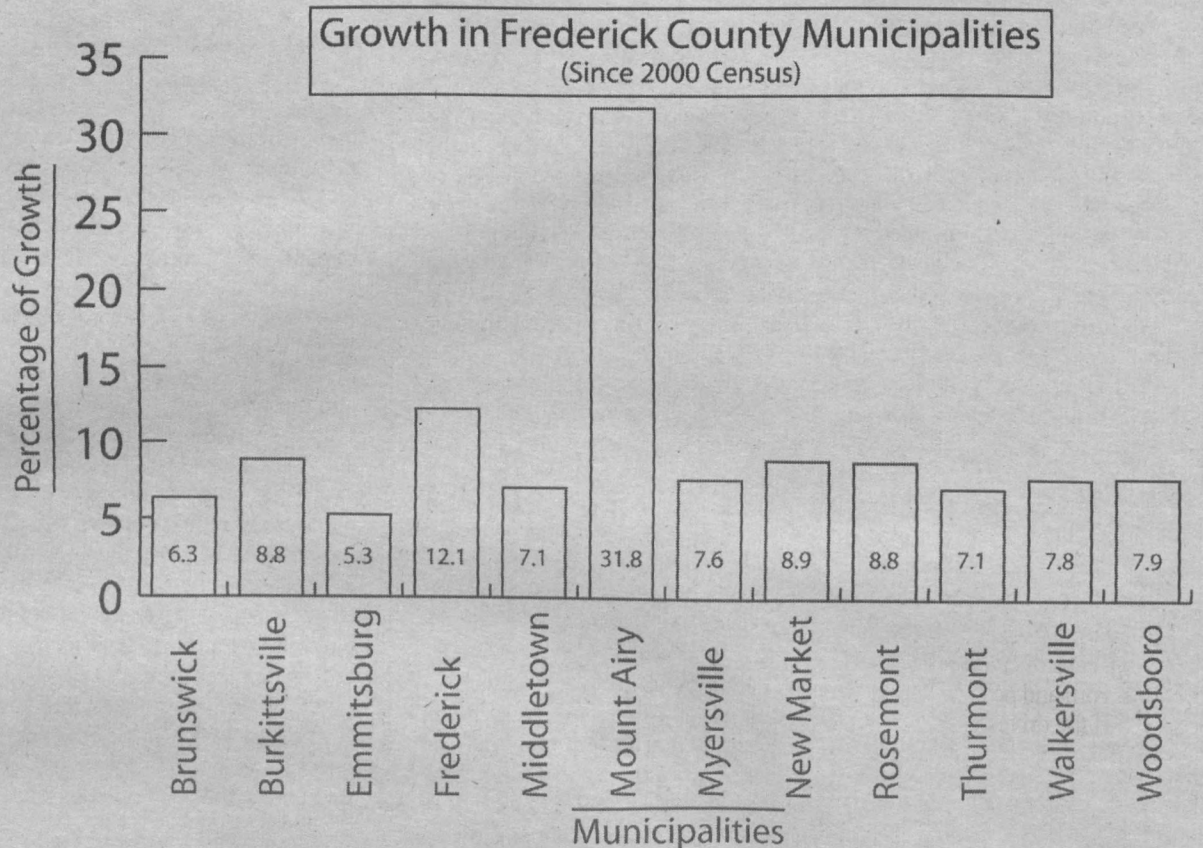
"We do have the possibility of an in-town property being rezoned and perhaps an annexation, but we wouldn't see any growth from those right away," Burns said.

These would be the rezoning for Stonewall Acres for an in-town development and either the Drees

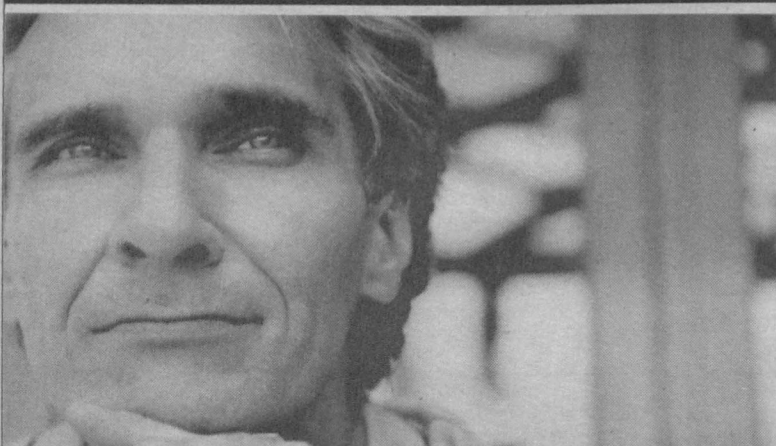
or Lawyer annexations which have not been decided on. However, while developers were pushing to get in town last year, that's no longer the case.

"I have absolutely seen a decrease in people interested in building new homes in town since the economy slowed," Burns said.

Growth in the county's municipalities has been 11.5 percent since 2000, but that is skewed by Frederick City's and Mount Airy's growth. Two-thirds of the municipalities saw growth in the 7-9 percent range and nine of the municipalities had growth of less than 1 percent in fiscal year 2007.



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Fire Heritage Center start membership drive

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EMMITSBURG, Md. — The National Fire Heritage Center is ready to start adding members to its group.

During the group's annual meeting on Oct. 6 at the Vigilant Hose Company, President Ronny

Coleman said, "We don't have any members yet. All we have is a board."

By the end of the meeting, the directors and officers had remedied that by establishing the costs and levels of membership so that member rosters could begin being filled.

Members who join during the next year will be considered charter members of the organization. Coleman is hoping to get at least 250 charter members. Members can join at five different levels for an annual membership fee of \$25, \$50, \$100, \$250 or \$500 or more.

Secretary Wayne Powell said that the Frederick County fire departments are also contributing \$500 a piece in one-time donations to show their support of the NFHC.

"The town has also been supporting us in a variety of ways," Powell said. "They've been absolutely wonderful."

One reason the executive board wanted to start soliciting members was that revenues need to be generated to renovate the old

Emmitsburg Ambulance building so that the rear area can be used as the temporary home for the NFHC. The organization also needs to begin contributing \$2,000 a year to Frederick County government to pay its share of the building upkeep.

Vice President William Killen has also written a new book called *Firefighting with Henry's Model T*. He is donating revenue from the book to six different charities, including the NFHC. He made his first donation of \$250 during the annual meeting. The book is available currently at www.BillKillen.net.

Once the ambulance building is ready to become the NFHC, it won't lack for material.

"There isn't anything like it anywhere in the world and the interest has been phenomenal," Powell said.

Eventually the goal of the center is to have all of the materials it contains available electronically.

For more information, visit nationalfireheritagecenter.com.

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NEWS IN BRIEF

Hoover and Staiger take oath in Emmitsburg

EMMITSBURG, Md. – Newly re-elected Emmitsburg Mayor James Hoover and Councilman Chris Staiger took their oaths of office at the Oct. 6 town council meeting, swearing their allegiance once again to the State of Maryland and promising to service Emmitsburg and its people.

Some minor changes were made to appointments of council members. Councilman Glenn Blanchard will now be the liaison between the board and the water committee while Councilwoman Joyce Rosensteel takes over Blanchard's former role as Planning and Zoning liaison.

Councilman President Staiger will remain in his post as president, Councilman Cliff Sweeney will remain as the Streets Committee liaison, and Councilwoman Denise Etris will remain as the Parks and Recreation liaison.

- S. Long

Scouts collecting for local food banks

EMMITSBURG, Md. – Scouts troops throughout the region will be collecting food for the Scouting for Food program on Saturday, Nov. 1 and 8.

On Nov. 1, the Boy Scouts will be distributing collection bags to homes in the Thurmont, Emmitsburg and other area communities. On Nov. 8, they will collect full bags. Food collected in the Thurmont area will go directly to the Thurmont Food Bank. Emmitsburg donations will go to the Emmitsburg Food Bank.

Also, keep in mind as you make your donations that the food banks are seeking food items that would be appropriate for the Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets. This would include items such as turkey stuffing, instant mashed potatoes, large cans of sweet potatoes, cake mixes and icing, cans of cranberry sauce, bags of noodles, cans of green beans, carrots, corn and peas.

If the drive is successful, it will help the food bank get through until Christmas.

- J. Rada

A morning for remembering



- ROBERT A. ROSENSTEEL SR. / THE DISPATCH

Sunlight filters through the American flag on display at the National Fire Academy during the Annual Fallen Firefighters Weekend in Emmitsburg. Thousands gathered at the academy on Oct. 4-5 to honor firefighters who had lost their lives in the line of duty and add the names of those who had died in 2007 to the memorial. This year 110 names (101 from 2007, 9 from previous years) were added to the memorial bringing the total number of names to 3,200.

GREEN: An opportunity or a glass ceiling?

BY DON BRIGGS

Contributing Writer

EMMITSBURG, Md. – A lot is being written about green and sustainable and much is worth heeding. Our home values, al-

ready reeling from higher fuel costs at the pump, may take another hit for high energy cost in the home. Efficient energy use is the sustainable goal of green activities and products.

Sustainable is defined as, "...

development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs (Brundtland Commission [formerly the World Commission on Environment and Development], 1987)."

Steering away from global-warming debates to a focus on the practical implications of green, we have to become more efficient, use less, waste less and re-use/recycle more because if we don't, we will incur higher occupancy costs that translate into a lower home value. This effect is both direct and indirect through higher taxes and service charges. At the same time, as a part of being practical, we need to exercise caution because of faux green or green washing - products and services with false claims as to environmental soundness.

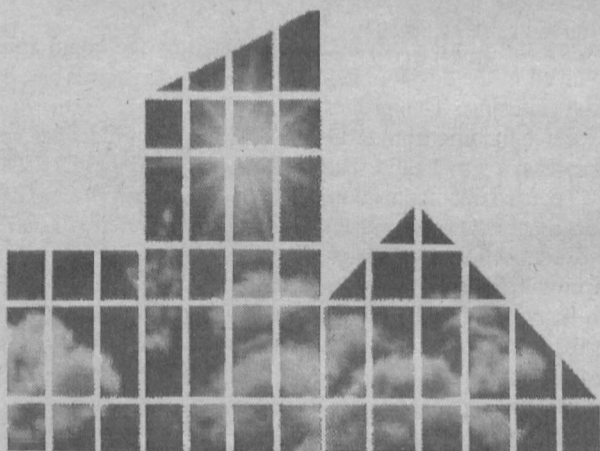
An article in the *Appraisal Journal*, "More Evidence of Rational Market Values for Home Energy Efficiency", reflects home values can increase by \$20 for every \$1 reduction in annual utility bills. So a \$500 decrease (or increase) in utility bills can affect the value of a home by \$10,000.

One study reflects 91 percent of new home purchasers are honing in on energy efficient features (Cahners Residential Group 2001).

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- Sabillasville Elementary School, 16210-B Sabillasville Road

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REGIONAL NEWS

17th Annual Renfrew Pumpkin Festival fun for all ages

WAYNESBORO, Pa. – Families can enjoy activities for all ages at the 17th Annual Renfrew Pumpkin Festival on Saturday, Oct. 18 from 11 a.m. – 4 p.m.

The event will include pumpkin carving, a performance by Twin Hill Express, games, face painting, hay rides, the "pumpkin-chuckin trebuchet" and the scarecrow-making workshop. The Festival has added two new activities; "Pumpkin Bowling" and the "Corn Toss Game." A raffle with various prizes will also be held.

People from the community are invited to enter their baked goods into the 3rd Annual Pumpkin Baking

Contest. Judging begins at 11 a.m., with ribbons and prizes awarded for first, second and third place.

Admission is \$7 for adults and \$4 for children ages 4 – 12 and free for children 3 and under. Admission includes a lunch of black bean or vegetable soup, homemade bread, an apple and apple cider. Hot dogs, soda and coffee will be sold separately and homemade items will be available through a bake sale.

The event is a joint fundraiser for Renfrew Institute and Renfrew Museum and will be held at Renfrew Park in Waynesboro, rain or shine. Pumpkins will be available for pur-

chase and safe tools and supervision will be provided for the carving. Participants may bring their own long-sleeve shirts, pants and hats or use clothes provided for the scare-crow workshop. Straw and instructions are also provided. Renfrew Museum will be open for tours from 1 to 4 p.m., for an additional charge.

Parking is available in Renfrew's lower lot off Welty Road. Limited handicapped parking is available behind the Visitor's Center barn. For more information, contest rules or an entry form call the Renfrew Museum at (717) 762-4723 or the Institute at (717) 762-0373.

Frederick County Farms will Hold 2008 Fall Family Festival at the Farm

FREDERICK, Md. – The Frederick County community is invited to the 2008 Fall Family Festival at the Farm on Oct. 18 and 19.

Activities for all ages will be held at 19 farms including Catocin Mountain Orchard, Winterbrook Farm and Brookefield Pumpkins in Thurmont, Whitmore Farm in Emmitsburg, Scenic View Orchards in Sabillasville and Glade-Link Farms in Keymar. Participants will be able to pick pumpkins, pet alpacas and ride hayrides around the farms.

The event is free and sponsored by the Frederick County Office of Economic Development and the Ag-

riculture Business Council's Public Relations. The purpose of the event is to give the community an opportunity to learn about Frederick County's agriculture industry.

The 2008 Farm Guide (a printed guide that includes a map and description of what participants will experience at each farm) is available through the Frederick County Office of Economic Development, Frederick County Visitor Centers, Tourism Office and Frederick County Public Libraries. The downloadable version is also available through the website at www.discoverfrederickmd.com/funfarm.

The other farms participating are Elk Run Vineyards, Whispering Meadows Alpaca and Gaver Tree Farm in Mt. Airy, Hedgeapple Farm and Mayne's Tree Farm in Buckeystown, Jumbo's Pumpkin Patch and South Mountain Creamery in Middletown, Lilypons Water Gardens, Thanksgiving Farm and Nick's Organic Farm in Adamstown, M & W Nursery in New Windsor, Stunkel's Farm in Tuscarora and Summers Farm in Frederick.

For more information visit the website mentioned above or call Frederick County Office of Economic Development at (301) 600-1058.

Funding available for affordable housing in Frederick County

FREDERICK, Md. – A Deferred Loan Program is now available to help keep Frederick County housing affordable.

The Frederick Board of County Commissioners and the Frederick County Department of Housing and Community Development announced that there will be approximately \$2 million in funds under the DLP for eligible applicants.

Eligible applicants are non-profit or not-for-profit organizations, public housing authorities, govern-

ment agencies and profit motivated entities involved in the development of affordable housing. The project must also receive funding from other sources in at least a 5 to 1 ratio. The funds may be used for acquisition, construction, rehabilitation or preservation of affordable housing. Recipients must provide housing to households with incomes at or below 70 percent of the HUD median income for the county, with preference for those earning 50 percent or less.

A DLP Review Committee was

appointed by the board and will approve the loan awards based on these guidelines.

To obtain guidelines and an application, visit the DHCD website at www.co.frederick.md.us/housing and click on Deferred Loan Program or contact Karen Green at (301) 600-3531 or e-mail kgreen@fredco-md.net. Applications and documentation must be received by Oct. 31 at 4 p.m. at 520 North Market Street in Frederick.



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The Class of '57 goes back to school

By JAMES RADA JR.
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EMMITSBURG, Md. — The Mother Seton School Class of 1957 recently met the Class of 2009 and 2016. As the school prepares to celebrate its bicentennial in 2010, staff has been trying to gather names and contact information for former students. As part of that effort, they decided to hold a reunion luncheon for members of Mother Seton's School's first graduating class in 1957.

When the new Mother Seton School opened in early 1957 on South Seton Avenue in the building where the Seton Center now is, students from St. Euphemia's School and St. Anthony's School were consolidated into the new building. Eighth graders graduated in May of that year, having been there less than a year.

The first graduating class was made up of 26 students, five of whom returned to Mother Seton School, albeit a different one, on Oct. 8 for a luncheon in their honor.

"I'm sure when you were students the teachers may have worn different clothes but I'm sure they had many activities to keep you engaged," Sr. JoAnne Goecke, principal,



— PHOTO COURTESY OF MOTHER SETON SCHOOL.

Members of Mother Seton's School's first graduating class greet and thank their former fifth grade teacher, Sr. Natalie, during a reunion luncheon at school.

told the Class of 1957.

They were greeted by the first-grade class, which sang a selection of songs for them, and the eighth-grade class, which served as student ambassadors to the Class of 1957.

"I'll tell you something that will shock you," John Balmer, Class of 1957, said to the students. "In 1957 when we were going to MSS there were no computers."

The alumni were given certificates of honor and a tour of the school that shared the same name as the one

they attended. The Class of 1957 also presented Sr. Natalie, their fifth grade teacher, with flowers.

Then they were treated to lunch provided by parents and the schools. During his toast to the Class of 1957, Vice Principal Gordon Love said, "It's quite obvious when you come back after 51 years, the feelings you have for the school."

During the luncheon, the alumni and their guests shared memories of their school days and what they had been doing in the interim.

Thurmont Middle awarded for character

THURMONT, Md. — Thurmont Middle School was recently recognized for its outstanding character education initiatives, an honor Principal Barbara Keiling said she was proud of, yet not surprised by.

"I believe that just the caring and giving has been a part of the culture at Thurmont Middle forever," Keiling said. "The kids are caring already, as are the teachers."

Thurmont Middle School was one of 38 school from Maryland recognized for their outstanding Character Education Initiatives, named 2007-08 School of the Year awards from the Maryland Center for Character Education (MCCE). The MCCE is dedicated to promoting and fostering a cooperative effort between individuals and institutions, to achieve positive character development for all.

At an awards luncheon last month, MCCE president Dara Feldman said, "The schools that we honored today truly have placed relevance and relationships right up there along with rigor, and have done a wonderful job of creating cultures of caring while providing meaningful learning opportunities...."

Students, teachers and staff of Thurmont Middle participate in a variety of activities at the school, Keiling said, including an adopt-a-grand-

parent program, which worked with the local Thurmont Senior Center, and a Super-bowl can drive, which helped local families in need. Keiling said these programs, others like it and the overall attitude at the school is what earned the school the honor, and is something she does not expect to change.

"I'm extremely proud of the students and teachers," Keiling said. "I don't expect it to change, we'll continue to care."

— S. Long

Libraries launch 'Tween Visionaries' Program

FREDERICK, Md. — If you're aged 10 to 13 and want to express yourself, then check out the new "Tween Visionaries" program.

This new collaboration between Frederick County Public Libraries and Frederick County Public Schools offers children ages 10 to 13, including those who are home schooled, an online public forum to express their ideas about global and local issues.

Those involved will be able to post multimedia creations ranging from drawings, music and photos to podcasts and digital video clips that will help others learn about issues and inspire them to act. Students can sign up to learn research and persuasive writing skills, storyboarding, video editing and hardware use. This program is aimed at giving Frederick County youth not only have a relevant community voice but also a public platform for their opinions to be seen and heard.

"All of us are thrilled to be participating in Tween Visionaries, and so pleased that middle schoolers can explore new technologies in a meaningful way," said FCPL Associate Director

Dolores Maminski. "In addition to promoting overall academic and technology skills, Tween Visionaries will help students build skills needed for the 21st-century marketplace and engage them as lifelong learners who regularly use the public library system."

Those involved can either use their own equipment or computers and digital camera equipment at the C. Burr Artz Public Library, Thurmont Regional Library, West Frederick Middle School and Windsor Knolls Middle. Librarians and media specialists will be on hand to guide students as they research topics and develop ideas in their chosen medium and completed projects will appear online through links from FCPS and FCPL web sites.

To register, visit your local public library or middle school, and get started at a workshop that takes place at 3 p.m. on Oct. 20, Nov. 10 or Nov. 24 at the Thurmont Regional Library, at 4 p.m. on Oct. 23, 30 or Nov. 13 at the C. Burr Artz Library. For more information, and to see samples of students' work already posted visit www.tweenvisionaries.org.

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BUSINESS

New website connects community, businesses

BY ANGELA STANZIONE
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EMMITSBURG, Md. — The Emmitsburg Business and Professional Association has designed a new website to make it easier for its members, the business community and the general public to connect with one another.

"I'm generally happy with the new design," said Conrad Weaver, a member of the EBPA and designer of the website. "I think it's going to work for us. It's more functional than the old one and easy to navigate."

The new site lists all the members of the EBPA and includes a link to their own webpage if they have one.

"It provides an internet directory for all professionals in Emmitsburg," said Libby Briggs, president of the EBPA. "It's one more way for businesses to be known, and if they're known they can be used."

Another advantage to the new

site is the availability of renewing a membership or joining the EBPA on the site.

The main problem with the old website was that Macintosh users could not access the site. Now, according to Weaver, the site is "universal" and accessible to everyone.

"This is just 'Phase One.' 'Phase Two,' which will happen in a couple of years or sooner will include some advanced features. For instance a membership login where members can access information that isn't available to the general public. Also, they'll be able to update their own information on the site," said Weaver.

According to Briggs, another future idea is for people to make reservations for community events on the sites.

The EBPA's mission is to protect and promote a healthy business, professional and civic environment in the greater Emmitsburg area. For more information visit their website at www.ebpa.biz.

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THURMONT, Md. — The Catocin Mountain Orchard and Frederick County Schools are working together to provide students with community-grown apples through a "Buy Local" program.

"It's something I've always wanted to do," said Robert Black, who owns the orchard. "I have four grandkids so I've been to the schools and have eaten lunches there. I saw the red delicious apples and I just thought, 'There's no flavor. Why are they bringing in tasteless apples when we have delicious ones right here?'"

Black supplies the 64 county schools with gala apples every week. The program began in the beginning of September when Black was first asked to supply 75 bushels to the schools. The number soon changed to 120 bushels and then to 145 when the school realized the kids were eating more than expected.

"I'm just glad kids are now eating good apples. It's not a meal but they get to enjoy a healthy snack and an apple is nature's toothbrush. When you eat an apple you accomplish many things," said Black.

"The kids absolutely love it," said Jo Ann Morris, Food Service Specialist for Frederick County Schools.

The school district decided to get involved in the program after a bill was passed by the Maryland Legislature to support local vendors.

"Local produce is fresher, it helps the economy and it gives the children a chance to see things from their home area," said Morris.

According to Morris the district is thinking of other ideas to continue the "Buy Local" pro-

Frederick County supports 'Buy Local' program



—STEPHANIE LONG / THE DISPATCH

Robert Black with Catocin Mountain Orchard displays some of the locally grown apples that he supplies to Frederick County Public Schools. His orders from the school system have been continually growing under the school system's "Buy Local" program.

gram with other businesses, but nothing has been finalized yet.

During "Buy Local Week" Sept. 22 - 26, the schools served the apples during lunch on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, but the past week they've served them on Thursdays and Fridays. According to Morris, it hasn't been decided yet which days they will continue to be served.

According to Black, the apples are about 2.75 inches with 125 in a bushel. He delivers the apples in cardboard boxes to a warehouse where they are then distributed to the different schools. The orchard has apples year round by keeping them in a controlled atmosphere storage unit.

According to Black, the CA unit is set to 33 degrees and the oxygen level is reduced to 2 percent. Normally the air we breathe is 21-percent oxygen so the apples respiration slows and they go into a sort of hibernation.

For the week of Oct. 6, Black delivered 157 bushels of apples to the schools and school system also asked him to provide a logo for the apples allowing the orchard free advertisement.

"I've wanted to do this for the last several years and I'm glad it's a reality now," said Black. "It's working out and I'm really excited about it."

For more information, visit www.catocinmountainorchard.com.



—ROBERT A. ROSENSTEEL / THE DISPATCH

Members of the Emmitsburg Business and Professional Association look at the new web site for the organization. The site was designed by member Conrad Weaver, left.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Taneytown Chamber unveils new website

TANEYTOWN, Md. — The Taneytown Chamber of Commerce's new website went public this month. The new site, designed by InfoPathways LLC in Westminster, features a new menu list with links to a member directory, calendar of events, frequently asked questions, Chamber documents and more.

The database-driven website is dynamic in that events, documents and announcements can be added to the website by simply adding them to the database via a customized "web dashboard".

"InfoPathways developed a website which has enabled me to update the business and member listings and their information at

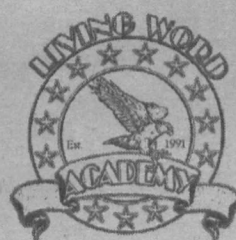
a moment's notice. I can be talking with a client and update their listing as we are talking. They can refresh their internet access after I make changes and see the changes immediately. This has greatly increased our accuracy and customer response. In the long run, this will improve my efficiency as well. As an added bonus, I can also update announcements, documents, events and more keeping our membership and website visitors up-to-date," said Donna Sako, Executive Director, Taneytown Chamber of Commerce.

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The (retired) Ecologist

Of Bird's Nest Fungi, and Luck, and Small Fall Things



BY BILL MEREDITH
Dispatch Columnist

It seems a shame to see September swallowed by the wind, And more than that, it's, oh, so sad to see the summer end; And though the changing colors are a lovely thing to see, If it were mine to make the change, I think I'd let it be... But I don't remember hearing anybody asking me.
... John Denver, "Season Suite"

Fall is here... nearly half gone, in fact, as if time were speeding up in an effort to

get the year over with. Most of us, I suspect, will be glad to see it go; 2008 will not be remembered as a good year. Fall is not my favorite season; I prefer spring, when new life is everywhere, and summer, when golf balls roll farther and there's a garden to enjoy. But with the economy in shambles, the war dragging on, environmental problems worsening, and the Orioles finishing in the cellar again, clear fall days are the only cheerful distraction available. Virginia creeper and poison ivy leaves have taken on a deep red hue, and trees are starting to turn; recent rains and moderate temperatures hint that the colors may be good this year. And then there is the Irish proverb that reminds us to "enjoy the smaller things... there are so many of them."

Soon after my wife and I

got married someone gave us a copy of the *Better Homes & Gardens Garden Book*. Like me, it is now retired; it sits on my bookshelf and reminisces about the good old days before it was outdated, but in its working life it was one of the main sources of our education about how to take care of plants. It imprinted on my mind that evergreen shrubs and trees should be trimmed in August or September, so a few weeks ago I dutifully got out the pruners and started on them. I was not able to get to them last year so pruning was a bigger job than usual, but it turned out to be worth the effort.

Some low-growing junipers by the driveway had spread out over the lawn and their upper branches completely blocked out the sunlight, killing several lower branches as well as the surrounding grass. The cool, wet weather had induced a variety of soil fungi to come out, and as I cut off the dead juniper branches I found one of them covered with the tiny white, cup-shaped fruiting bodies of bird's nest fungi. These are among the oddest of plants; they are fairly common, but most people never see them because they are so small and you have to get down and crawl into damp, dark places to find them. The fruiting bodies are about two millimeters in size... less than a quarter of an inch... and each one contains several round, egg-shaped spore sacs. It looks a bit like a bird's nest and eggs, but a better description would be to picture one of those little paper cups with crimped sides that my wife uses to make cup-

cakes, and imagine it has five or six jelly beans in it.

There are several species of bird's nest fungi, and some of them actually have crinkled sides like cupcake papers, but the ones I found were smooth, like teacups. Whatever their shape may be, the function of the cups is to scatter the spores. This is done in a most peculiar way: when a raindrop happens to fall exactly in the middle of the cup it splashes out and carries some of the spore sacs with it. Each spore sac is attached to a fibrous thread, which trails behind as it flies through the air, like the projectiles in the Olympic hammer-throwing event. If it is lucky, when it comes down the trailing thread will get tangled on a blade of grass or a low-hanging branch, leaving the spore sac to dangle in the breeze until it breaks open and releases the spores. Then, with a bit more luck, the spores will drift off in the air and some of them will land in damp, shaded places where they will find dead sticks to grow on.

I'm always amazed by the number of things in nature that depend on the laws of chance, or what we call luck, for survival. I have been lucky too; it doesn't take much to keep me interested, and there are plenty of small things around. When the pruning was finished I went to the compost pile and got a wheelbarrow full of mulch to put around the junipers. Among the decomposed leaves and sticks from last fall's cleanup were several empty blacksnake egg cases. Snakes, especially large ones, are becoming rare; many are killed by cars, and unfor-

tunately many people still kill them on sight. It was good to see that the one that has used my compost pile as a nest-box for the past several years is still around, helping to keep field mice in check and balancing the food chain. Perhaps it had a good year.

Early in the summer when I was weeding the garden I found a very small toad, less than an inch long. I watched it all summer, and somehow it survived; it didn't hop five yards north onto the road and get flattened by a car, and the garter snake that lived in the drain at the south end of the garden didn't find it, and it avoided the lawnmower when I trimmed around the edges. I saw it three weeks ago when I picked the last of the peppers; it had grown nearly to adult size. It had a good year, and with a bit more luck it will find a sheltered spot where the ground is soft enough to dig down below frost level, and survive to sing for me next spring.

So fall is proceeding, whether I like it or not; like John Denver, I wasn't consulted about it. National economics and wars are like the seasons; they are big things, and ordinary people have little influence over them. So if by luck the leaves are beautiful, I will enjoy them. And if a friend brings her four-year-old daughter to visit, I will show her the bird's nest fungi and we will tell stories of tiny birds that lived there and flew far, far away to the south and will come back next spring, if they're lucky. And if my luck holds, I will be here to see them return.

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Our Lady of Emmitsburg silenced

Archdiocese of Baltimore issues pastoral advisory

By RAYMOND BUCHHEISTER
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EMMITSBURG, Md.—Gianna Talone-Sullivan has been “strongly cautioned” that if she wishes to be obedient to the Catholic Church she needs to stop presenting messages that she allegedly receives from the Blessed Virgin Mary.

“Recent messages and activity by those who support Mrs. Talone-Sullivan have created confusion among many and division in our parishes and our Archdiocese. On more than one occasion, the Archdiocese of Baltimore has conducted investigations into these matters in an effort to protect the faith and good morals of the Christian faithful. Each investigation has concluded that there is nothing of significance to be found in the messages and locutions,” a pastoral advisory signed by Archbishop Edwin O’Brien, reads.

The two-page advisory, dated October 8, 2008 was sent to all parishes in the archdiocese. According to Archdiocese Communications Director Sean Caine, “Frederick County parishes were asked to share this Advisory at this past weekend’s Masses. It was also sent directly to Gianna Sullivan.”

Sullivan has claimed to receive apparitions of Mary since 1989 and has been given messages and teachings from Jesus, and most recently God the Father. The Our Lady of Emmitsburg prayer group currently meets monthly at the Lynfield Complex. The letter also leaves little doubt that Sullivan is being told to cease such meetings.

“I also strongly caution Mrs. Gianna Talone-Sullivan not to communicate in any manner whatsoever, written or spoken, electronic or printed, personally or through another in any church, public oratory, chapel or any other place or locale, public or private, within the jurisdiction of the Archdiocese of Baltimore any information of any type related to or containing messages or locutions allegedly received from the Virgin Mother of God,” O’Brien wrote in the letter.

Sullivan wrote a letter to the

archdiocese in February asking for guidance on what she should do to be obedient. “All of my priests spiritual advisors and canon lawyers that I have consulted have told me that I am obedient, and that the Church says what it means and would have specified differently if it meant otherwise. So we continue to hold this prayer meeting monthly, open to the public, at the Lynfield Complex in Frederick, MD. All are welcome! If you desire something different, please let me know,” the letter read in part.

She said she had received no direct response to the letter. A statement issued by the archdiocese in September did note that Sullivan had been obedient to the Sept. 8, 2000 directive prohibiting her from conducting her prayer group on archdiocese property.

Sullivan issued a response letter to the pastoral advisory late on Tuesday, Oct. 14. She said she is saddened by the advisory, but grateful that O’Brien had finally clarified the issue.

“I now beg all of you to heed the Bishop’s cautions. Obedience is the utmost act of authenticity, humility and love. Remember, Jesus did not deem equality with God something to be grasped at. Rather he emptied himself taking the form of a slave ... thus he humbled himself even onto death, death on a Cross. He learned obedience through what he suffered,” Sullivan wrote.

However, while urging obedience, Sullivan admits no wrongdoing. She wrote that she did not cause confusion, but rather, Archbishop William Keeler caused it by not clarifying the situation earlier.

O’Brien said that the confusion and division the Sullivan’s alleged visions have caused moved him to write the letter.

“Further, I strongly caution those who participate in any activity surrounding these alleged apparitions or who seek to disseminate information and promote them here in the Archdiocese. To do so is a great disservice to the Church and creates further confusion and division among the faithful,” O’Brien wrote.

While the meetings at the Lynfield Complex have been cancelled

and Sullivan says she won’t disseminate any more messages, she points out that she can’t speak for the Foundation of the Sorrowful and Immaculate Heart of Mary. She continues to solicit testimonies and healings for the foundation.

The foundation said in an e-newsletter that it will also discontinue disseminating any Marian messages and the next prayer group meeting has been cancelled.

This new advisory goes further than previous action in an attempt to clarify and remove doubt from the Catholic Church’s position on the matter. The statement in 2000 removed the meetings from church property and the 2003 decree stated that Sullivan’s messages are not supernatural and that they contain elements that are not consistent with Church teaching, particularly those that are apocalyptic in nature.

Mike Hillman is the webmaster for the Our Lady of Emmitsburg Cult Watch, which he started after Sullivan’s June 20 vision that Hillman called “apocalyptic.”

“I think this is about as definitive a letter as could be,” Hillman said of the pastoral advisory.

He said he would keep his web site, www.emmitsburg.com, active to at least the time that the Foundation of the Sorrowful and Immaculate Heart of Mary website is removed.

The pastoral directive left no doubt for Hillman as to the church’s position, but he wonders if Sullivan is preparing to follow the letter, not the spirit of the advisory. He points to the fact that the Foundation of the Sorrowful and Immaculate Heart of Mary has changed its address from Emmitsburg, which is in the Archdiocese of Baltimore to Fairfield, Pa., which is in the Diocese of Harrisburg.

“She appears to be setting herself up to continue in spite of what’s a very clear statement by the church,” Hillman said.

To read the entire pastoral advisory, visit www.archbalt.org/news/upload/Pastoral_Advisory.pdf.

To read Sullivan’s response to the advisory, visit www.tfsih.com/misc/PastoralAdvisoryResponse10-13-2008.pdf.

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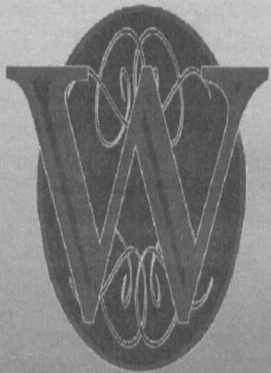
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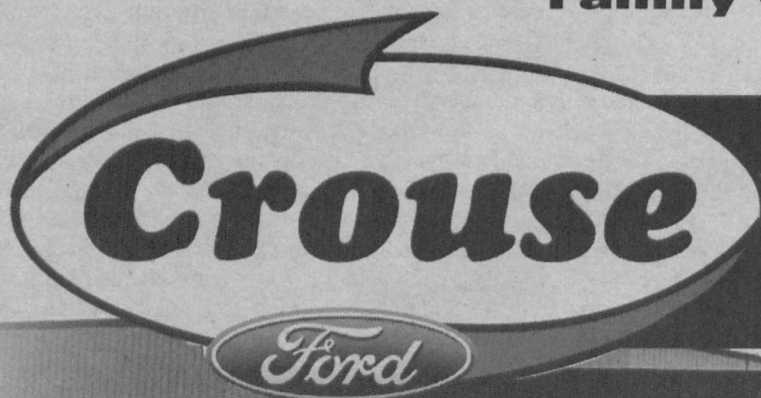
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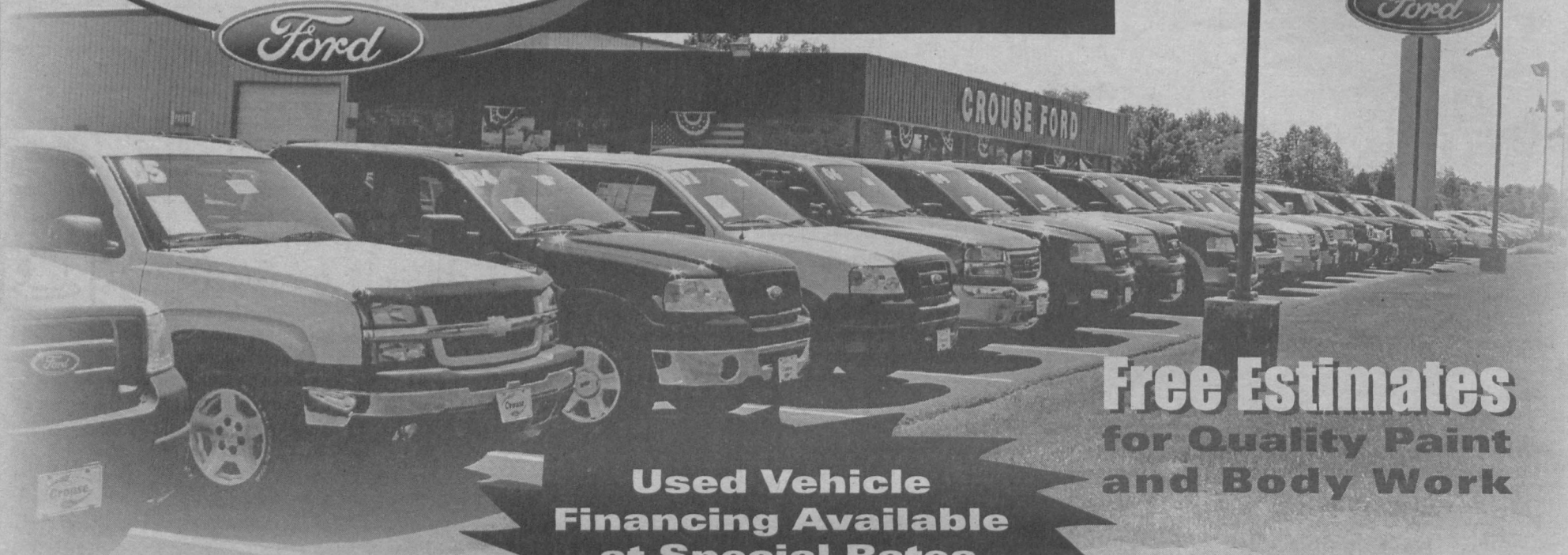
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Oct. 18 – Mother Seton School Class of 1957 Reunion and Luncheon. 11 a.m. Mother Seton School, 100 Creamery Road, Emmitsburg. Information: (301) 447-3165, www.mothersetonschool.org.

Oct. 18 – Cash Bash. 2 p.m. Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish Center, Church St., Thurmont. \$25 includes food and refreshments. No tickets sold at door. Benefits the parish. Information: (301) 447-2367, (301) 271-4439.

Oct. 18 – Adams County Historical Society trip. 7:30 a.m. and return at approximately 6 p.m. Trip to Independence National Historical Park, Philadelphia. Leave from Gettysburg Church of the Brethren, Biglerville Road. Society members \$60, non-members \$70. Tickets call: (717) 334-4723 ext. 201, www.achs-pa.org.

Oct. 18 – Linganore High School Annual Dinner Dance. 6 p.m. Frederick Elks Lodge #684, 289 Willowdale Drive, Frederick. Dinner dance reunions for classes of '63, '68, '73 and '78. Information: LHS Alumni Association President, Kaye G. Horr, khorr@verizon.net.

Oct. 18 – Dance to the '50s and '60s with the Shades. 8 p.m. to midnight. Thurmont American Legion. Advance tickets \$10. At door \$15. Benefits auxiliary children and youth programs, veterans and community projects. Cash bar and snacks. Over 21. Members and guests only.

Oct. 18 – Longaberger Basket & Vera Bradley Bingo. Doors open at 4:30 p.m. Bingo begins at 6. Lewistown Fire Hall. Food and bake table. Tickets \$15 in advance; \$20 at the door. Benefits Lewistown Elementary School PTA. Tickets: (301) 898-1070.

Oct. 19 – Last Day of 2008 Emmitsburg Farmers' Market.

Oct. 19 – "Where's the Instruction Manual?" FMH Wellness Center, FSK Mall, Frederick. Baby Care Basics Class. Advance registration and payment required: \$65 per couple. Information: (240) 379-6000.

Oct. 19 – Vendor Holiday Showcase. 1 to 5 p.m. ThorpeWood. Local independent consultants and crafters. Information: (301) 293-2642, www.thorpewood.org.

Oct. 19 – Gun Drawing sponsored by AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary. \$25/ ticket.

Oct. 20 – Thurmont Democrats and Friends. Breakfast and final campaign plans at Mt. Gate Family Restaurant, 133 Fred. Rd. 8:30 a.m. For informa-

tion: (301) 271-4945.

Oct. 20 – Emmitsburg Historical Society meeting. 7 p.m. Emmitsburg Community Center. Focus on East Main Street.

Oct. 23 – "Traditional" Childbirth Education - (four consecutive week series) Frederick Memorial Hospital, 400 W. 7th St., Frederick. Advance registration and payment required: \$110 per couple. Information: (240) 379-6000.

Oct. 23 – My Best Teachers Were Saints. Presented by Susan Swetnam at Mount St. Mary's Knott Arena, Emmitsburg. Information: (301) 447-5274.

Oct. 24 & 25 – Get Rid of your Clutter! 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Yard sale and flea market. Tom's Creek Church property on Rt. 140 across from Four Points Rd. and Tom's Creek Church Rd. Reserve space: (301) 447-2082 or (301) 447-6564.

Oct. 24 & 25 Turkey and Oyster Dinner. Friday 3-7 p.m., Saturday 1-6 p.m. Graceham Moravian Church, 8231 Rocky Ridge Rd., Thurmont.

Oct. 25 – Lions Club "Sight Night." During Halloween in the Park, Thurmont. Donate new or used glasses. Information: contact Lions Sight Night committee members, Bev Frushour or Carol Hutson chutson258@aol.com.

Oct. 25 – Frederick County Residential Household Hazardous Waster Dropoff Day. 8 a.m. to noon. Public Safety Training Facility, 8349 Reichs Ford Road, Frederick. Residents only, no businesses. Information: (301) 694-1848, www.co.frederick.md.us/Recycling/.

Oct. 25 – Leaf Print Making. 10 a.m. to noon. Emmitsburg Community Center, 300 South Seton Ave. Emmitsburg. "Roll" out a colorful design with a variety of leaf shapes. All supplies provided. Ages 7-12. \$19. Registration: (301) 600-2936, www.recreator.com.

Oct. 25 – Furmont Days. Cats 10:30 a.m. Dogs 11 a.m. Thurmont Carnival Grounds.

Oct. 25 – Lacie Ann Wivell Memorial Walk. Registration 10 a.m., walk begins at 11. Carroll Valley Park, Fairfield, Pa. \$10 per person. (717) 642-6989.

Oct. 25 – Turkey and Oyster Supper. 1 to 6 p.m. Graceham Moravian Church, 8231-A Rocky Ridge Rd. Thurmont. Adults \$13, children 5-10 \$7, under 5 free. Information: (301) 271-2379.

Oct. 26 – Pancake Breakfast, 8 a.m. to noon. St. Mary's Church,

256 Tract Road, Fairfield. Adults \$6, children 6-12 \$3. Information: (717) 642-8815.

Oct. 26 – Open House. 9-10 a.m. St. Joseph's Church, Catholic Faith Formation Program (C.F.F.) will hold an Open House at Mother Seton School, 100 Creamery Rd., Emmitsburg. Visit your child's classroom, observe the class and meet the catechist.

Oct. 26 – Filled Basket and Vera Bradley Bingo. Doors open at noon, games at 1:30 p.m. Frederick Moose Lodge #371, East Patrick St., Frederick. Advance tickets \$20, \$25 at the door. (cash only at the door.) Food available for purchase. Benefits the Jeremy Foundation. Information: (301) 401-2824, www.jeremyfoundation.com.

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Oct. 27 – Blood Drive. 2 p.m. Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish House, Thurmont.

Oct. 27 – The C.S. Lewis Society of Frederick. 7 p.m. Will Vaus will lecture on his new book, *The Professor of Narnia: The C.S. Lewis Story*. C. Burr Artz Public Library, Frederick. Free and open to the public.

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Oct. 28 – FMH BirthPlace Tours, BirthPlace and Family Center. Frederick Memorial Hospital, 400 W. 7th St., Frederick. Advance registration required. Free of charge. Information: (240) 379-6000.

Oct. 31 – Halloween Dance. 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Thurmont AMVETS. DJ. Bring a canned food donation for the Thurmont food bank.

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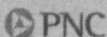
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Oct. 18 – The Spires Brass Band. 8 p.m. From opera to Broadway at FCC, JBK Theater, Frederick. Featuring soloist Robert Baker. Adults \$12, students and senior citizens \$10. Tickets available at the Theater Box Office the evening of the performance. Information: (301) 662-8320, jgslezak2@msn.com.

Oct. 19 – Baltimore Symphony Orchestra Chamber Music. 3 p.m. FCC, JBK Theater, Frederick. \$20 at the door, \$5 for area students, FCC students and staff, free with FCC identification card. Information: (301) 846-2608.

Oct. 19 – Riders in the Sky. 4 p.m. Singing cowboy quartet, together for more than 30 years. Authentic Western music with yodeling, rope tricks, and crackpot humor in the tradition of Gene Autry and Roy Rogers. Tickets: \$23 to \$29. Information: (717) 337-8200, e-mail: majestictheater@gettysburg.edu.

Oct. 24 – The Fire Sisters in Concert. 7-8 p.m. Join Alexandra Windsong, Nancy Pritchard

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Oct. 25 – Latin Fiesta. 8 p.m. Frederick Symphony Orchestra at FCC J.B. Kusmaul Theater, Frederick. Tickets available at the door. Adults \$20, seniors \$15, students \$10. Information: (301) 663-8476, www.fredericksymphony.org.

Nov. 1 – The Prometheus Chamber Ensemble. 8 p.m. Music Program Artists Series at FCC, JBK Theater, Frederick. Violinist Tao, cellist Lukasz Szyrner, and FCC faculty artist Kuei-I Wu on piano will perform a unique program that enlivens the sounds of Schubert's lyricism, Piazzolla's tangos and Schoenfield's whimsical fusion of classical music and jazz. Free. (301) 846-2566.

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Oct. 19 – Schifferstadt Oktoberfest. Noon to 5 p.m. Schifferstadt Architectural Museum and Frederick County Landmarks Foundation's annual Oktoberfest. 1110 Rosemont Ave., Frederick. Vendors with delicious bakery items,

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Oct. 21 – Lecture by Woody Holton, Associate Professor at the University of Richmond, based on his book, *Unruly Americans and the Origins of the Constitution*. 6:30 p.m. Mount St. Mary's University, Knott Auditorium, Emmitsburg. If not to protect civil liberties and the freedom of the people, what motivated the framers of the Constitution? Sponsored by The American Experience Program and the Delaplaine Professorship.

Oct. 24 – Ballroom Dance. 7-9 p.m. Practice sessions for adults. Walkersville Town Hall, second floor, 21 W. Frederick St., Walkersville. Hosted by The Frederick Ballroom Dance Club, USA Dance Chapter 6054. Dancers of all skill levels welcome. A variety of ballroom music will be played. Suede-soled shoes encouraged. Off-street parking. \$5 per person. Adults 18 and older. Younger dancers: contact Just About Ballroom, mflarocca@comcast.net. Information: (240) 367-4524.

Oct. 25 & 26 – MD Four Seasons Fine Art and Craft Market - Fall Market. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Carroll County Agricultural Center, 706 Agriculture Center Dr., Westminster. Artists specializing in contemporary, traditional, and folk art. Patrons receive shopping bags, one market coupon book and free parking with admission. Information: (410) 833-1098, www.mdfourseasonsshows.moonfruit.com.

Oct. 26 – The Arc of Frederick County's Expo and Family Fall Festival. Noon to 4 p.m. Lynfield Event Complex, 10142 Hansonville Rd., Frederick. Celebrate The Arc's 50th anniversary. Free family activities, games, entertainment, and food. Real World Playhouse Raffle, Trivia Contest, and March of Creativity. Information: (301) 663-0909, astephens@arcfc.org.

Nov. 8 – An Evening of Fine Wine. 7 p.m. FCC Campus Field House. Frederick. Faculty, students, alumni, and the community are invited to participate in this inaugural event, to savor distinctive wines, good food and special friends. Proceeds will fund student scholarships. Information: (301) 846-2438 or e-mail: foundation@frederick.edu, kjohnson@frederick.edu.

STAGE

Oct. 20 – Auditions for Way Off Broadway's production of Evita. The Way Off Broadway Dinner Theatre, 5 Willowdale Drive, Frederick. 7 p.m. No appointments necessary. Must be 18 years old to audition, have a headshot and resume, 16 bars of prepared music, and be ready to sing, read from the script, and dance (for certain roles). All roles are open and non-union paying. The show will run Jan. 16 to March 15, 2009. Information: (301) 662-6600, www.wayoffbroadway.com.

Nov. 7 – Amy Sedaris. 8 p.m. Weinberg Center for the Arts. 20 West Patrick St., Frederick. Live, on-stage interview with actress, author and comedienne, co-creator and star of Comedy Central's "Strangers With Candy" and author of the New York Times best-seller "I Like You: Hospitality Under the Influence" (and sister of author & humorist David Sedaris). Cooking and/or craft demo, audience Q&A and book signing. (Subject to change.) Tickets: \$20-\$27. Information: (301) 600-2828, www.amysedarisrocks.com.

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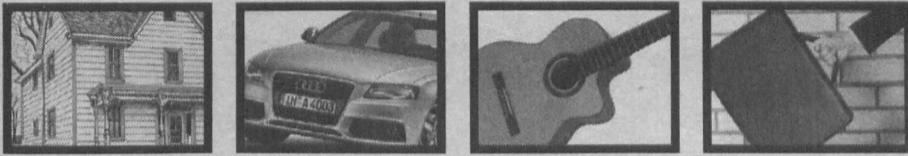
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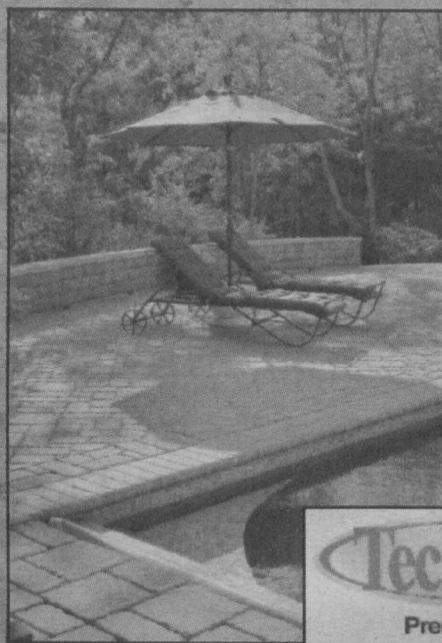
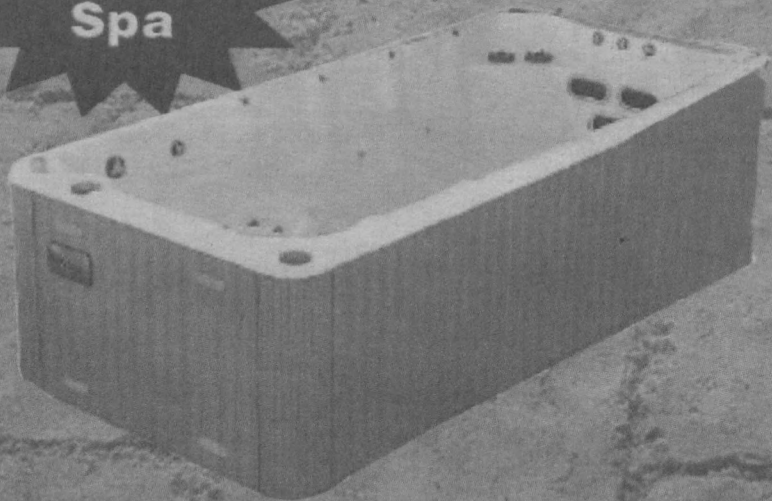


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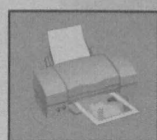
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