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Gaining Strength Through Each Other

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TOWN MEETING

Public Hearing on Snow Ordinance

Town Ordinance 94-1 was accepted as a modification to the existing Snow Emergency Ordinance. This revision increases the number of streets to be included under the snow emergency plan. Prohibited parking, fines, and towing in accordance with the existing plan will now apply to East Main Street, Robindale Drive, Provincial Parkway, Zanella Drive, Adams Avenue, Williams Court, and Reeny Circle. A public hearing on this matter will be held March 7, 7:00 p.m., at the Town Office. Additional information is available at the office between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Consideration was also given to snow removal procedures. It was noted that the Town of Emmitsburg was one of the most effective in the area at removing snow. However, it was decided that further investigation into agreements with independent contractors would be sought in order to have a strong contingency plan

for extreme conditions as experienced during the past two winters.

It was agreed to extend the present town garbage service contract with General Sanitation for another year at the present rates, with the possibility of an additional year's extension.

Developer Don Briggs, of the Pembroke Subdivision west of town, submitted a plat for approval. A discussion was held concerning street width, parking, and accessibility to service and emergency vehicles. Approval of the plat was put on hold until modified.

A bid was let for a pool operator for the 1994 season. Some discussion followed regarding the pool's operating at a loss. The general position of the board was that the swimming pool is a necessary community service that should be continued while minimizing the loss as much as possible, given the conditions of the pool and pool usage.

Phil Postelle was approved as the new alternate member of the Board of Appeals. He replaces Mr. Haller who resigned.

USE OF CENTER CLARIFIED

On Feb. 3, 1994, a meeting was held at the Community Center regarding the use of the building and the results of the testing for lead paint. The meeting, called by Ron Hart, Director of the Department of Management Services of Frederick County, was attended by representatives of town and groups currently using the center.

It was reported that of the twelve test samples of paint, three showed excessive amounts of lead. Hart reported that the short-term solution will be to seal the paint. The long term solution is to renovate the building. The department will shortly announce a plan describing the work to be done on the building. It is expected that some structural modifications will be made to enhance space utilization, and changes will be made to meet the requirements of the American Disabilities Act.

The third floor of the building will not be used at all. On the other floors, signs will be posted regarding lead in the paint. Parents/legal guardians of children using the facility will be required to sign an affidavit stating that they are aware of the potential danger and they promise to ensure their children will not touch or eat the dried paint flakes or particles from the walls or on the floors of the building. Leaders of groups using the facility were asked to monitor the children closely, avoid peeling paint from the walls or taping items to the walls, and to call the county office (694-1574) if they see any paint peeling from the walls or ceiling.

Other discussion concerned unauthorized people in the building. Adults found there without permission and children without proper supervision may be reported to the police and possibly charged with trespassing. A schedule of those using the facility will be posted in the building.

The Town of Emmitsburg has established a special savings account for donations toward the renovation of the center. Donations may be made to the Town of Emmitsburg, Community Center Fund, Mail donations to The Community Center Fund, PO Box 380, Emmitsburg, MD 21727.



ROUNDS

AMBULANCE SERVICE

During the month of January, the Emmitsburg Ambulance Company ran a total of 87 calls. These included 46 medical emergencies, 5 vehicle accidents, 11 routine calls, 8 station transfers, and 12 fire calls. Of those calls 32 trips were to the Gettysburg Hospital, 10 to Frederick Hospital, 1 to the Waynesboro Hospital, and 1 to the Washington County Hospital. The company travelled 1,191 miles this month.

POLICE REPORT

The Emmitsburg Community Deputies are seeking persons who may have information on the vandalism at the Caboose in January. A police report has been filed on the incident. If you have any information please contact Yvette Semler at 447-2313 or the Frederick County Sheriff's Department at 694-2071.

Deputy Jerry Horner reported that during the past month calls for services and reported accidents were reduced. There were, however, 2 cases of property destruction. The deputies answered 2 out-of-town calls, an unfounded disorderly & domestic call, and 12 business escort calls. They spent 72 hours on foot patrol, issued 5 parking tickets, and responded to eight patrol requests.

IN APPRECIATION

We wish to express our sincere appreciation to all our relatives and friends for their support during the sudden loss of our beloved Chad Anthony Topper. Your visits, cards, food, prayers, masses, flowers, and many acts of kindness are gestures that will never be forgotten. A special note

Code Enforcer Bob Koontz issued 60 parking tickets and assisted as traffic director in 9 fire calls, 7 ambulance, and 5 funeral calls. He also directed traffic during 3 days of snow removal.

VIGILANT HOSE CO.

During the month of January the Vigilant Hose Company responded to 32 emergency calls. These included 13 First Due Fire, 2 auto accidents, 2 ambulance assists and 15 mutual aid calls. The company accumulated 917 personnel hours in responding to emergencies. There was also one department drill.

FIRE DEPARTMENT PRESENTS APPEAL

Representatives of The Vigilant Hose Company appealed to the Emmitsburg Town Commissioners at the February meeting to commit to a 5-year pledge for \$5,000 per year over the normal allocation. This money would go toward purchasing the new ladder truck for the department.

When asked why such an expensive truck was needed, Fire Chief Frank Davis pointed out features of the truck that make it a multipurpose piece of equipment. These features include a 5-person rescue bucket, the delivery of water and oxygen to the top of the ladder, the ability to use the ladder as a boom for water rescue, and the ability to carry extra hose and serve as a pumper.

Davis said, "For the past 20 years Emmitsburg has relied on the cooperation of the Gettysburg Fire Department to provide ladder truck service. We are advised that the Gettysburg department will no longer be able to assist us. The only other available truck is over 40 minutes away."

The request was passed to the budget committee for further consideration.

of thanks to those who gave so generously to the Trust Fund established for Chad's children. May God bless all of you for your loving support.

Phil and Therese Topper
Rachel Topper, Andrew and Chad II
Phil, Jr., Norrie, Rick, Anne,
Keith and Trina

HI HO COME TO THE FAIR

The Emmitsburg Lions Club's 11th Annual Health Fair will be held on March 26, 1994, at the Mother Seton School. Mammograms, available by appointment, will be offered again at a cost of \$65.50. Please call 447-2562 to reserve a place. Only 41 appointments can be scheduled.

The Lions, in conjunction with the Gettysburg Hospital, will offer Blood Tests from 7:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. The cost is \$22.00 for the Multiphasic Blood Screening, with an optional Health Risk Appraisal Program available for an extra \$5.00. NOTE: a 12-hour fast (nothing but water) is required prior to the blood test. This test provides the participant with a printout of the results, which can be referred to each year to indicate any changes in your blood's condition.

Other FREE screenings include blood pressure, height and weight according to the national scale, vision, glaucoma, hearing, oral cancer, foot problems, and oxygen saturation screening.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT PROGRAMS

The Frederick County Health Department will provide the following programs at the Emmitsburg Community Center in April.

WIC Voucher Distribution Tuesday, April 12 from 1:30 p.m. until 3:30 p.m. (To apply for WIC [Women, Infants and Children's Program], call 694-2507)

Childhood Immunization Shots Tuesday, April 12 from 1:30 p.m. until 3:00 p.m.

NB: This is for children who do not have MD Medical Assistance; bring your child's shot record if you have it. Shots are free of charge!

Call the Frederick County Health Department, Nursing Division at 694-1917 for more information.

COMMUNITY & REGIONAL NOTES

MOUNT ST. MARY'S

Mount Saint Mary's College will present a variety of cultural and entertainment events in Flynn Hall this spring including the popular Broadway musical *Cabaret*.

Cabaret will be performed by the Visual and Performing Arts Department and Sock 'n Buskin Drama Society on Thursday, April 21, through Saturday, April 23, and Thursday, April 28, at 8 p.m., and on Friday, April 29, at 7:30 p.m. The play, which takes place in Germany in 1929-1930 during the beginning of the Nazi party, witnesses this growing political change from a cabaret. Tickets, which are \$5 for adults and \$4 for students, can be reserved by calling 447-6122, ext. 4723.

The following events are free to the public.

A Celtic ensemble, Ceoltoiri, can be seen Wednesday, March 9, at 7:30 p.m. The ensemble will perform ballads of love, mystery, murder, fairies, and high adventure by using harp, vocals, and hammered dulcimer.

The Mount Singers will perform a three-part concert including music from Walt Disney, the '40s, and classical music on Saturday, March 12, at 7:30 p.m.

A student-organized dance performance featuring modern music will be performed Thursday, March 17, at 8 p.m. and Saturday, March 19, at 5:00 p.m.

A NEW SERVICE FOR OUR READERS

Starting with this issue you can send a greeting to your friends and family, or make an announcement of some special event in the columns of the *Dispatch*.

You can send a message of 25 words free. What better way to announce births, engagements, or weddings? It's also ideal for sending seasonal good wishes, or congratulating a friend or someone in the family on passing an exam or achieving something special.

With each issue we give the publication date of the next issue of the *Dispatch*. Send to *The Dispatch*, 10625 Harney Rd., Emmitsburg, MD 21727. Please include your name, address, and phone number.

Deadline for next issue March 15.

LITTLE LEAGUE NEWS

by Lynn Fraley

SPRING'S IN THE AIR! There will be a final registration held for Little League on Saturday, March 5, between 12 noon and 2 p.m. at the Emmitsburg Ambulance Building. Please bring a photocopy of your child's birth certificate.

The next meeting will be held on Wed., March 9, 7:00 p.m. at the VFW on the square in Emmitsburg. These meetings are for coaches, parents, and anyone who has an interest in Little League.

Tryouts for Little League for ages 9 through 12 are at 5:00 p.m. on Weds. and Thurs., March 23rd and 24th, at the Little League field behind the Antique Mall. Rain dates will be March 25th at 5:00 p.m. and March 26th at noon.

The Little League is still in need of a secretary, player agents, and umpires. And if you would like the best seat at the ballpark, come on out and be the announcer at one or more games. We prefer amateurs, but professional announcers will be welcomed, too. If you have any questions, please call Roy Wivell, league president, at 447-2881.

Ball Field Advertising

A permit can be obtained for a temporary advertising sign, 18 in. high by 48 in. wide, to be placed along the outfield fence of a ball field in Emmitsburg. Sign material may be vinyl, plastic, or wood (not to exceed 1/2 in. in thickness.) The permit for signs shall be valid for the ball season only. Signs will be placed by the town's maintenance crew and will be removed within 10 days of the season's end.

Permits for advertising along the outfield fence of a ball field may be obtained through the Office of the Zoning Administrator. The signage fee is a non-refundable fee of \$25.00. Make all checks payable to the Town of Emmitsburg.

COMMUNITY MEETING March 9, 7:30, UCC in Emmitsburg. Topic: *What A Community Newspaper Can Be*. All are invited to participate, even as a listener.

LECTURE SERIES

Two speakers will come to the campus of Mount Saint Mary's College to participate in a lecture series on the legal profession.

On Wednesday, March 9, Timothy Sharpe, an attorney with the Baltimore firm of Piper & Marbury, which represents Mount Saint Mary's among other clients, will speak on "Representing Institutions of Higher Education."

On Wednesday, April 13, the Hon. John Kuhn, judge in the Court of Common Pleas of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, will speak on "The Role of the Judge and the State of the Judiciary."

These lectures will be held in Lewis Auditorium, beginning at 6 p.m. For more information about the series, contact the Mount Public Relations Office at (301) 447-5366 or Prof. Kevin Robinson at 447-6122, ext. 5396.

SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE

The Frederick County Chapter of the Maryland Municipal League announces that students who are seniors in high school or are currently enrolled in college programs within the State of Maryland and who intend to prepare for careers in government service are eligible to apply for its scholarship. The deadline for applying is March 30, 1994. Applications may be obtained at the Emmitsburg Town Office. Call 447-2313 for more information.

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Emmitsburg: In the Fast Lane?

Of Time and Volunteers

Of Time

"Serious consideration needs to be given to how distinctions get blurred between *what* has to be done, *how much* has to be done, *how fast* it has to be done, and *what is worth sacrificing*. Natural rhythms and human relationships are often sacrificed to produce the greatest possible volume of goods in the shortest possible amount of time," said Ellen Ryan, codirector of the Minnesota Rural Organizing Project. Many of us scamper around like the White Rabbit in *Alice In Wonderland*, bemoaning the lack of time.

In a survey of rural communities in Minnesota, the Minnesota Rural Organizing Project reported: "One theme we've noticed is that treating time as a scarce and precious commodity erodes the building of community. Once, the members of local civic groups decorated smalltown Main Streets for Christmas with fresh

pine boughs. As the days grew short, people spent hours working together on the decorations, talking while they worked. Now, most of those Christmas decorations are artificial and purchased. The potluck meals the whole group shared have been replaced by a small committee charged with choosing decorations from among the companies that manufacture them and then arranging for installation and storage. Aesthetics aside, the ritual and community spirit associated with working together to deck the town in celebration of the season have been replaced by the exchange of time and money for goods."

We all recognize that "time is of the essence" as we go about our daily personal and community lives. Deputy Jerry Horner, who works overtime with the children of the community said, "I just don't have any more minutes in my day." John Berger, an English art critic and novelist writes: "Time passed, time went on, and it did so by turning itself like a wheel. Yet for a wheel to turn, there needs to be a surface like the ground which resists, which offers friction."

Julie Ristau of the Minnesota Rural Organizing Project, extends the thought: "Our home, our communities, our public life are the ground upon which the wheel of time turns. We need to take the time to build them and live in them, or time becomes a remorseless force propelling our lives without scenery, reference points, or meaning." "Amen," I say to that.

Some people believe that this region is a place where "time stands still." Emmitsburgians are really no different from others who live in small communities, and we wish for us all the energy and courage to manage our time and keep it from becoming that remorseless force corroding our lives.

Of Volunteers

Aren't we fortunate to have a company of Christmas "elves" right here in our community who keep our Christmas decorations natural rather than tinsel and plastic? Indeed, how fortunate we are to have a whole region full of "elves" who volunteer to carry out hundreds of activities and little jobs and tasks that make life in this place so tolerable throughout the year. Individuals and members of

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100 YEARS AGO, "In this place."

From *The Emmitsburg Chronicle*

3,800 More

March 2, 1894 - In last week's issue of the Chronicle, our Fairfield correspondent gave an account of a young lady who made a quilt containing 6,550 pieces and asked who can beat it? On last Saturday we were informed that Miss Olie G. Riffle, of this place, daughter of the late Geo. Riffle, pieced a quilt when eleven years of age which contains 10,350 patches. This quilt has 3,800 more pieces than that mentioned by our wide awake correspondent.

Public School Entertainment

March 16, 1894 - The pupils of the Public School, of this place, will hold an entertainment at Eyster's Opera House, on Easter Monday evening, March 26. The programme will consist of music, tableaux, dialogues, and recitations. Admission 15 cents: reserved seats, 25 cents. Tickets will be on sale at Mr. J. Henry Rowe's store on and after Friday evening, March 23rd. Exercises will begin promptly. The proceeds will go towards purchasing an organ for the school.

Black Duck Egg

March 23, 1894 - Mr. C. T. Zacharias has a duck that laid an egg this week, which is a real curiosity. It is very large and black in color. A black duck egg is said to be seldom found. It measures 6 1/2 by 5 1/2 inches.

Mr. Zacharias has a Plymouth Rock hen, which laid an egg on Wednesday measuring 7 3/4 by 6 1/2 inches.

"The Old Street Pump"

March 30, 1894 - On the first page of this issue will be found a poem entitled "The Old Street Pump," written by a former resident of this place. The pump spoken of in the poem stood at one time in the well in the center of the square in this place. The old pump holds a sacred place in the many of many of our older citizens and the poem recalls many incidents connected with that ancient ornament.

[A portion of the poem is found on page 17.]

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churches, clubs, organizations, scurry around, mostly unnoticed, doing the things that are the essence of community life. There are many, many unsung volunteers who do what they do almost invisibly and don't care much about being the focus of songs and praises. Mostly, they do what they do because of their concern for others and because of their sense of what is important. These choices of good and constructive acts and values are models for our young children.

Wouldn't it be interesting to know the number of volunteer hours invested in community service in the Emmitsburg region? New residents find volunteer activities a wonderful way to blend with the longtime residents and strengthen our community? Conversations with several people who are recent arrivals in the region revealed that they desired to become involved in community life, but did not know how or where to make connections. Wouldn't it be helpful to have a pamphlet listing volunteer activities and needs?

The *Dispatch* would like to publish a listing of how clubs, churches, agencies, schools, library, and organizations need and use volunteers. We think it would be a tangible and useful tool for us all. We will compile such a pamphlet if you will send in your organization's name, address, phone number, name of person to contact, type of volunteer activity needed, an estimate of the number of hours required, and any special skills needed.

IN AN ATOLL

By Luisa Ribas-Cadle, age 11

I close my eyes, exhaling totally.
I listen to the distant roar of the reef.
Swell is lifted and tumbles smoothly.
Curling white crowns form luminous,
Turquoise underneath,
Soon collapsing upon multi-colored sand.
It is no longer king of the reef,
But another follows to take its place:
A steady rumble, an everlasting race.
I feel so fortunate and happy
To be sitting here
Inside this protecting, fragile
Coral sphere.

PROFILES

Emmitsburg Bakery

by Karen Jackson Myers

If you are new to town don't worry that somehow you missed our local bakery; you'll find it in the Jubilee grocery store.

Every town in America must have its own bakery. I believe that the freedom to eat fresh baked goods is guaranteed in the "Bill of Rights." Fortunately, in Emmitsburg this right is not denied. We have our bakery, along with a friendly bakery manager. What more could we ask for?

The Jubilee grocery store in Emmitsburg has all the familiarity and hospitality of a small town grocery with the benefits of a chain grocery store, including special low prices on different items each week. The Jubilee bakery provides us with all the donut holes anyone could want, in addition to the fresh baked breads and rolls, pies and pastries, speciality order cakes and cookies, and, upon request, sub rolls up to four feet long.

Lisa Finneyfrock, bakery manager for five years, begins her day at five in the morning. She and at least one of the bakery helpers, including Dee Dammann, Tammy Lingg, Janie Huff, and the new part-time decorator of cakes and cupcakes, Lynn Fraley, start early to prepare the baked goods for the day. The first order of the day is, of course, donuts. Lisa says that some of her early customers, coming from as far away as Frederick, wait for the doors of the store to open so that they may partake of the fresh-baked donuts.

Although you cannot see Lisa and her crew in the actual process of baking, if you get there early enough you can hear "the singing baker" in action. Store manager Rich Boyd hired Lisa over ten years ago as a cake decorator. She then trained under Steve Keilholtz who, she says, "taught me everything I know."

"Our bakery is very popular in the town," said Lisa, "and our customers keep me on my toes." From week to week she never knows what will sell, but she always keeps in mind the tastes and needs

of the community. During holidays the bakery provides pertinent baked goods, with Thanksgiving being the busiest holiday for the bakery. Pies and breads are most in demand.

For the upcoming Easter holiday Lisa Finneyfrock said she and her staff will prepare the traditional Easter braided breads, hot cross buns, and Easter bunny cakes. Lisa said the bakery averages at least 25 specialty cakes a week on non-holidays, and now with a new cake decorator she hopes that the number will increase.

So if you have a hankerin' for bakery goodies, remember we have a local bakery that will strive to accommodate. Just go into the Jubilee Grocery Store and ask for Lisa. You won't be disappointed. I have to go now, I have a glazed twist donut that is calling my name. Milk in cup, I am prepared to answer the call.

ST. JOSEPH'S

Breakfast On Sunday

An All-You-Can-Eat Breakfast on Sunday will be held by St. Joseph's Parish in Emmitsburg, March 13, 1994, from 7:30 a.m. until 12:00. Breakfast will include sausage, pancakes, eggs, sausage gravy, toast, home fries, fruit, juice, and coffee. The cost is \$4.00 for adults, \$2.50 for children under 12, and children under 5 are served free. A bake sale will be held in conjunction with the breakfast, with lots of sweets and goodies to choose from. All are welcome.

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ART COMMUNITY

ARTIST

by Ann Walker

Preparing to move to Eylers Valley one year ago, I had visions of living in the Catoctin Mountains unseen and removed from civilization, but, to my delight, I have found myself surrounded by artists, environmentalists, folk singers, and writers from every walk of life. The common denominator among these people and myself is a great love for this area and a profound respect for our surroundings.

As an artist of Native American descent I have found that the artisans in this area have a tremendous respect for the earth, coupled with intellect and diversity. This combination has provided for me an adventure, as well as a year filled with memories I'll cherish always. Having lived all my life in larger cities, I expected this area to be visually captivating. However, along with breathtaking scenery, I have been given the opportunity to develop my craft and meet an outstanding array of gentle people—from a neighbor who thoughtfully plows our driveway when it snows to a local artist who gives us eggs and homemade goodies.

Along with the wide diversity of people, it has been my pleasure to find many people with Indian and non-Indian backgrounds who have shown a great interest in learning more about their own ancestry. After spending a year sharing and exploring our Indian life-ways, I have come to realize that what I've learned in these mountains far outweighs anything I learned in college.

The artists I have met appear to have a close relationship with nature. This is especially evident in the work of Nancy Coblenz. Nancy is a self-taught sculptor who lives in Rocky Ridge. Her primary goal is to represent the native peoples of this country in a fashion that is honest and accurate, and to acknowledge at last their status as the indigenous people of this country.

Nancy's series of sculpted dolls range from Quanta Parker (the last Comanche

chief who was of Indian-Anglo descent) to Lakota (Sioux) maidens. Her newest endeavor is a series of Native American marionettes that can be used effectively as teaching aids in schools and other organizations. Nancy's work includes portrait dolls reproduced from photos of your choice, pen and ink sketches, charcoal drawings, mural painting, painted glass, herbology, candlemaking, and Scandinavian felting. The latter is produced from wool she shears herself.

Nancy has taught painting in both the oil and acrylic mediums as well as various crafts. In conjunction with the newly formed Emmitsburg Arts League, Nancy hopes to share her craft and teach doll sculpting to anyone who is interested in the experience. She will be the premier guest speaker for the first Emmitsburg Arts League meeting at 7:00 p.m. on March 10, at the Emmitsburg Community Center.

For more information about her work, contact Nancy Coblenz, 10040 Longs Mill Road, Rocky Ridge, MD 21778. Her phone number is 301-695-3884. For information concerning the Arts League contact Ann Walker, 7321A, Eylers Valley Flint Rd., Thurmont, Md 21788. Ann's phone number is 301-271-3934.

ARTS LEAGUE

The Emmitsburg Arts League is now being formed. The organization is open to all. Monthly meetings will be held in the media room of the library located in the Emmitsburg Community Center, at 7:00 p.m. The first meeting will be March 10 when the speaker will be Rocky Ridge artist, Nancy Coblenz, who will display and demonstrate her methods of sculpting dolls. Nancy's dolls have won national recognition, and her work was recently featured in the lobby of the Weinberg Center for the Arts in Frederick.

The Arts League has plans to hold workshops, classes, and tours and to provide exhibiting opportunities. Regular meetings will be held the fourth Thursday of every month. The first annual All Members Exhibit will be held during the month of May at Her Studio Gallery in Emmitsburg.

Plan to join us on March 10—all are welcome. For more information call Linda Postelle at 447-2866 or Elizabeth Prongas at 271-4459.

WATERCOLOR LESSONS

Linda Postelle, owner of Her Studio Gallery in Emmitsburg, MD, will teach "Beginning Watercolor" at the Delaplaine Visual Art Center in downtown Frederick on Tuesday evenings in March from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. The cost of the class is \$60.00 for Delaplaine members and \$70.00 for non-members. Each class will begin with a demonstration. Students will paint from a still life using the techniques demonstrated. Work will be critiqued at the end of the class. For more information call the Delaplaine Visual Art Center at 301-698-0656.

CATOCTIN PREGNANCY CENTER BENEFIT

The Catoctin Pregnancy Center held its first spaghetti dinner, Jan. 29, 1994, and despite the ice and snow raised nearly \$500. The response of restaurants and grocery stores in the Emmitsburg/Thurmont area was noteworthy. All of the food and paper products were donated.

The staff wishes to thank Mother Carey's Chickens, the Ott House, the Carriage House, Pizza Hut, the Palms, Main Street Deli, Jubilee, Food Lion, McDonalds, the Shamrock, and the families of Mother Seton students for their enormous generosity.

Through their generous donations our dedicated group of volunteers put together a delicious menu, complete with piped in Pavarotti. We hope to see you all next year for our second annual Italian Delight. For information on how you can become a volunteer at our center or to inquire about our services please call 447-3391.

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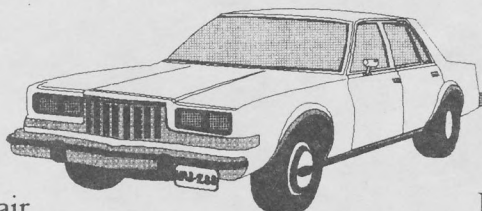
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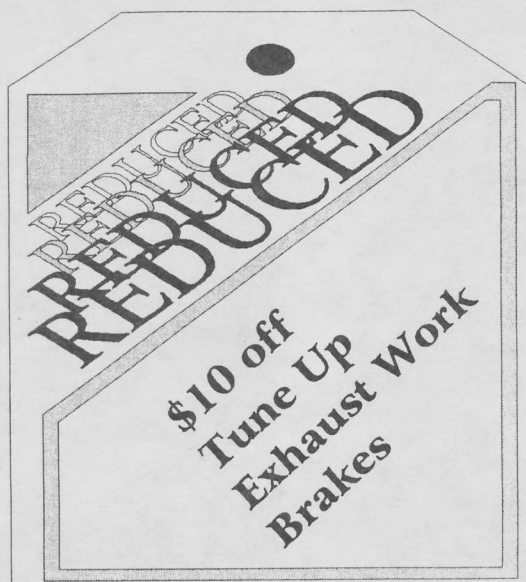
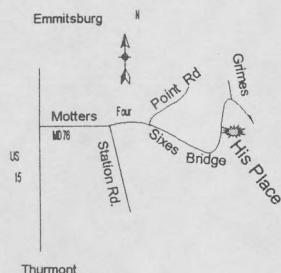
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FAMILY NEWS**SERVICES TO BE COORDINATED**

The Community Agency School Services (CASS) is a comprehensive program designed to provide integrated services to families facing stressful situations. Families receive coordinated, focused services through collaboration among the Frederick County Public Schools, public and private agencies, and local communities. Facilitating inter-agency cooperation is a major goal. This will be done by sharing resources and the formation of partnerships among the families, schools, agencies, and the community. CASS emphasizes the prevention aspect of service. By working to support families and provide preventative services in the community they, CASS, feels many family crises can be avoided.

The CASS program began in Feb. 1992 in the Greater Brunswick community as a pilot program supported by funding from the Carnegie Foundation and the Maryland State Department of Education. In August of 1993 program services were expanded to include the Catocin and Thomas Johnson High School communities. Program boundaries are defined by school feeder areas. The Catocin CASS program provides support to Catocin High School, Thurmont Middle School, Thurmont Elementary School, and the surrounding communities in this area. Mother Seton School is also included in this area. CASS services are available to students attending Mother Seton Elementary School who reside in Frederick County.

Studies show that family stress is increasing. More and more families are struggling with unemployment, adolescent pregnancy, health problems, substance abuse, domestic violence, homelessness, and poverty. CASS strategy is to encourage interagency cooperation and create community networks through which families can receive supportive services. The local network includes The Emmitsburg

Resident Troopers assigned by the Frederick County Sheriff's Department, the Thurmont Town Government, Thurmont Police Department, the Emmitsburg Council of Churches, the Seton Center, Central Maryland Catholic Charities, Up-county Family Support Center, and the Thurmont Ministerial Association. The Town of Emmitsburg and the Frederick County Commissioners have supported CASS by providing office space at the Emmitsburg Community Center.

Agencies on the county level collaborating with the CASS network include the Frederick County Department of Social Services; Frederick County Government (Head Start, Job Training, Family Partnership); Frederick County Health Department (Nursing Services, Substance Abuse Services, Mental Health Services); Frederick County Juvenile Services; Frederick County YMCA; Frederick County Parks and Recreation; and the Frederick County Public Schools.

Through partnerships with these Frederick County agencies, specifically designed supportive or preventive programs can be designed by CASS. These programs and services include academic support, pre-school programs, individual counseling, family counseling, health care, parenting seminars, support groups, substance abuse counseling, summer camp for children, and financial assistance. Intensive family support is provided by a social worker and parent aide team called "Families NOW," who are employed by Frederick County Social Services and are stationed with the local CASS units.

As the program develops in the Catocin area, CASS seeks to build additional partnerships and gain support in the community. If you have any questions or comments about CASS, direct them to Debbie Wivell, Interagency Coordinator for the Catocin CASS Program. Call (301)447-3611.

HELP FOR DIVORCED PARENTS**A PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN**

Studies show that for adults and children, "divorce is second only to the death of a spouse or parent in terms of its effects as a stressor and length of time required to adjust to it." Studies further show that the poorest parenting and the most acting out by children is exhibited during the first years following a marital break-up. The anger and sense of loss and failure often experienced by parents can produce significant emotional stress which hinders them from adequately assisting their children who are also in a state of crisis. Often, a referral to a helping professional may be necessary. Group counseling is known to be an extremely effective method for helping children in their psychological and emotional adjustment to a family split.

The Associated Therapy Network located in Emmitsburg is pleased to offer a program titled "Coping With Divided Families: Strategies for Children and Parents." The program is designed for children in grades four through eight. Children will attend eight sessions which will assist them in a variety of areas such as adapting to changes in family relations, relocation and household responsibilities, and managing conflicts of divided loyalties toward parents. There will be two parent sessions to address adjustment to changes in finances, employment status and social relationships, coping with children's feelings of anger and sadness, and establishing new guidelines, norms, and rituals for the family. This program will be conducted by Sheila Hanzsche, Licensed Social Work Associate, Masters in Education/Counseling, and Mary Lynne Ziegler, Licensed Certified Social Worker-Clinical. Mrs. Ziegler, the Director, has over fifteen years' experience working with families.

For additional information on this program or assistance with other family life issues, please contact our counseling office at 447-3346. Our counselors are affiliated with several HMO's and insurance reimbursement is accepted.

UP-COUNTY

Family Support Center

I have been going to the Up-County Family Support Center in Emmitsburg for 1½ years and every time I go I am even more thankful that such a place exists. My 2½ year old has been going since he was one and it has given him a wonderful opportunity to grow and to socialize with his peers, which is an opportunity he would not have otherwise. It has given me an opportunity for socializing, too. As a "stay-at-home-mom" new to the area, I enjoyed talking with the staff and the other moms, and sharing parenting ideas and concerns. I have met some good friends there. The staff is very friendly, loving, and qualified. They have loaned me various resources such as child development books, articles, and videos. Also there are several planned activities and discussions each day. My son and I especially enjoy the parent/child activities and field trips.

On a more personal note, the Up-County Family Support Center staff recently helped my family through a hard time. Five months ago, my youngest son was born and had to spend some time in intensive care in Baltimore. The staff were kind enough to volunteer their time to take turns coming to my house to help with chores such as cleaning, laundry, and dishes. They brought a casserole; they also came over just to play with my older son because we weren't able to go to the center.

Emmitsburg is fortunate to have the Up-County Family Support Center in the community. It is a positive influence in the lives of all the people it touches.

Lynn B.

Emmitsburg Resident.

INCARNATION CHURCH

A World Day of Prayer service will be held March 4, 2:30 p.m., at the UCC on West Main Street in Emmitsburg. All community churches will participate. Refreshments will follow the service.

On March 14, 7:30 p.m., the Women's Guild of the Incarnation Church will hold a Stanley Party in the Fellowship Hall. Refreshments will be served. All are welcomed

CORRESPONDENTS

ROCKY RIDGE

The March activities for the Rocky Ridge Church of the Brethren will include a week-long series of revival services from March 20 through March 27 at 7:30 p.m. On Monday, Wednesday, and Friday there will be children's stories. Special music will be presented on the other evenings.

A sunrise service will be held on Easter Sunday, time to be announced later. The children's Easter program will be held at 10:30 Easter Sunday.

The activities of the Mt. Tabor Lutheran and UCC churches are as follows. There will be a game night on March 12 sponsored by the youth group at the activity building starting at 7:00 p.m. On March 31 the seder meal will take place at the activity building. Over the Easter season the young adult class will hold a Good Friday service at 7:00 p.m. the youth group will hold an Easter service at 6:00 a.m. on April 3rd. The regular Easter Sunday worship with Communion at 9:30 a.m. will also be held on April 3rd.

Hospital

Eddie Stambaugh, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Stambaugh, was a surgical patient at the Frederick Memorial Hospital. He is recovering nicely at home.

Special Times

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ogle who will celebrate their 57th wedding anniversary on March 26.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Michael Harris who celebrate their wedding anniversary on March 27.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Duble. They will celebrate their 53rd wedding anniversary on March 30.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Stambaugh who will celebrate their 43rd wedding anniversary April 7th.

Wedding congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Brian Eiker. The bride was Jennifer Marie Trigg, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Trigg of Frederick. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Eiker Sr. of Rocky Ridge.

Deepest sympathy is extended to the family of Mrs. Bruce (Lutie) Eyler, she

was a member of the Mt. Tabor UCC.

Deepest sympathy is extended to the family and friends of Terry Joseph Shelton, 19, who died Jan 31.

Deepest sympathy is extended to the family and friends of Esther Warner who died Jan. 14. She was the wife of Ira Warner to whom she had been married 57 years.

ST. ANTHONY/OLMC NEWS

Nineteen young people from St. Anthony's Shrine and Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parishes were confirmed by Bishop William C. Newman on February 7 at St. Anthony's. Confirmation is a sacramental opportunity for teenagers and adults to confirm the baptismal vows which were made earlier on their behalf.

The confirmandi have been preparing for the event since last fall. Those from Mt. Carmel are Shawn Dingle, Trisha Eyler, Kim Fox, Micha Little, Andrew Persse, Lisa Smith, Eric Soliwonda, David Steintl, Stephen Sunday, and Cory Wiles. Those from St. Anthony's are Adam Coulby, Audrey Becker, Nichole Hobbs, Trisha Dunny, Jason Monaghan, Heather Offutt, Patrick Sherald, John Winkler, and Shawn Wivell. After the liturgy celebration a reception was held in the parish hall.

The pictorial directories for each parish have arrived. Families who were photographed for the directories and have not yet picked up their free copies, may get them from the parish office which is open Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Phone 447-2367 for information.

C'MON - Town meeting to discuss newspaper. UCC Fellowship Hall, March 9, at 7:30 p.m.



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BANQUET

The Rocky Ridge volunteer firemen held their annual awards banquet Thursday night, January 27th, at the fire hall on Motters Station Road. Despite the winter weather conditions, approximately 150 firemen from around the county gathered in good fellowship to honor, support, and celebrate their fellow volunteers.

Guests included County Commissioners David Gray, Bruce Reeder, and Gail Bowerman; Sheriff Carl Harbaugh; Maryland State Fire Association VP Richard Gam; visitors from the National Fire Academy in Emmitsburg; and representatives from fire companies around the region.

Present Fire Chief Robert E. Mumma reported that in 1993 the Rocky Ridge company responded to 111 emergency calls, driving a total of 1,331 miles. An average of 12 members responded to each call. There were 125 company hours and 1500 personnel hours amassed in responding to calls. The company held 15 drills during the year, accumulating 722 training hours. Ronnie Eyler was the top "Responder," followed by Robert Eyler,

Robert Albaugh, Kevin Albaugh, and Luke Humerick. The 5 top responders for the 51 Emergency Medical Service calls were Ronnie Eyler, Robert Eyler, Luke Humerick, Allen Hurley, and Alan Bryer.

The ladies auxiliary presented the firemen with an \$8,000 check for the new building project. Dan Kass was presented a plaque as the 1994 Honor Member. Retiring President Barry Burrier was given a gold watch for his tenure of service. Robert E. Mumma received the Charles W. Mumma Award as the outstanding member of the company.

Richard Gam, Vice-president of the Maryland Fire Association, installed the new officers for 1994. They are Robert E. Mumma, President; Joseph Ferguson, Vice-President; Paulette Mathias, Secretary; Isabel Mathias, Asst. Secretary; Bernard Wivell, Treasurer; Thomas Myerly, Asst. Treasurer; Charles Brauer, Chaplain. The Directors are Kenneth Mumma, Donald Kaas, Jr., Kenneth Frushour, Ronald Eyler, Robert Kaas, William Cummings, and Steve Wolfe. The Line Officers are Daniel Whetzel, Chief; Steve Whetzel, 1st Asst. Chief; Dennis Mathias, 2nd Asst. Chief; Kevin Albaugh, Lieutenant; and Bonny

Hurley, Rescue Lieutenant.

There are no photos to record the quality of the meal prepared by the women of the auxiliary, but it was much enjoyed by the hardy company of "good eaters" who left little evidence of the repast. Your Rocky Ridge correspondent was unavailable for reporting the event as she was called to "kitchen duty."

VIDEO WARNING

Delegate Donald Elliot, Republican from Carroll County, is sponsoring legislation that would include penalties for the failure to return rental merchandise, including videos, under Maryland's shoplifting and employee theft laws.

Civil action could then be taken against a person who does not return the merchandise after receiving a warning letter and two other letters demanding the merchandise be returned or paid for.

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Carolyn Holland, owner of the local video store, said, "Video Store owners lose an average of \$20,000 a year to people who fail to return movies."

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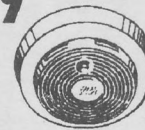


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The New TAX LAW-

What does it mean?

by Don Geiger

Was the earned income tax credit increased?

Yes. The maximum earned income tax credit was increased to \$2,038 for taxpayers caring for one dependent and \$2,527 for taxpayers caring for two or more. In addition, the credit has been expanded to include certain low-income workers without children.

Can self-employed taxpayers deduct their health insurance premiums?

Yes. The provision which allowed self-employed individuals to deduct their health insurance premiums was extended retroactively from June 30. An amended 1992 return must be filed.

Can I still deduct job-related moving expenses?

Severe restrictions have been placed on this deduction. First, non-transportation-related expenses such as meals, temporary living expenses, and closing costs from selling or buying a home are no longer deductible. Second, the distance test has been increased from 35 miles to 50 miles. In other words, in order for your expenses to qualify, your new job must be 50 miles farther from your former home than was your old job.

Can I still take full deduction for charitable contributions?

Yes. However, if you make one donation of \$250 or more at one time, be sure to get a receipt. A canceled check is no longer considered an adequate document of donation.

In addition to these changes which may affect the average taxpayer, there were also changes to the Alternative Minimum Tax, and a continuation of phase-out of itemized deduction exemptions for high-income taxpayers.

Don Geiger is a Certified Public Accountant whose office is located at 402 W. Main St. in Emmitsburg. If you have any questions on the new tax law or would like to receive a FREE 1993 Income Tax Organizer, call Don at 447-3346.

The Village Counselor

by Rosemary A. McDermott

Greetings. Let me introduce myself. I am a lawyer practicing here in the area, and I will be chatting with you about legal topics from time to time. For the last fifteen years I have lived in Rocky Ridge. The federal government transferred me here to help open the National Emergency Training Center. This experience taught me much about our government and about the importance of knowing our legal rights. Knowledge of the law empowers us and helps us to protect our rights, whether these rights involve a work situation, a family situation, or a personal situation. Aha, I thought, I need this knowledge! So, I resigned my position with the federal government and attended the Regent University school of law. After graduating I passed the Pennsylvania and Maryland bar examinations and became a practicing lawyer with the firm of Campbell, White, and George in Gettysburg, Pa. On Jan. 3, 1994, I opened my own practice in an office on North Church Street in Thurmont, Maryland.

In the months ahead all types of legal topics will surface in "The Village Counselor." You will read about the complications caused by dying without a will. You will discover how a simple document like a "power of attorney" could save you much red tape and many of your hard-earned dollars. You will learn how the Maryland courts handle a divorce or a child custody dispute. You will glean some techniques for dealing with bureaucracies such as insurance companies, large corporations, and government agencies. And, of course, you'll see that lawyers can be of help as you face the challenges in your life.

These little chats do not pretend to offer legal advice. The legal information that the column contains should provide help as you make your legal decisions. The information should also help you to communicate better with your lawyer. I look forward to future chats with you. Conversations are two-sided, so please feel free to respond, question, or offer suggestions as to topics you would like discussed.

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Funeral services for Mrs. Emma Cecelia Warthen Eckenrode, 104 W. Main St., Emmitsburg, who died Tuesday, January 25 at Citizens Nursing Home, Frederick, MD, were held Friday, January 28 with a Mass of Christian Burial from St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, Emmitsburg, MD, with

her pastor Rev. Fr. Alfred R. Pehrsson as the Celebrant. Interment was in St. Anthony's Shrine Cemetery, Emmitsburg, MD.

Funeral services for Mr. Raymond Keepers, 86, of Old Kiln Rd., Emmitsburg, MD, who died Thursday, January 27 at the Michael Manor Nursing Home, Gettysburg, PA were held Tuesday, February 1, with a Mass of Christian Burial from St. Anthony's Shrine Parish, Emmitsburg, MD, with his pastor Rev. Fr. Leo R. Tittler as the Celebrant. Interment was in St. Anthony's Shrine Cemetery.

Funeral services for Mrs. Bernadette Marie Wills Ridenour, 62, of Mt. View Road, Emmitsburg MD who died Friday February 4 at the Gettysburg Hospital, Gettysburg, PA, were held Monday February 7 with a Mass of Christian Burial from St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church Emmitsburg, MD, with her pastor Rev. Fr. Alfred R. Pehrsson as the Celebrant. Interment was in New St. Joseph's Cemetery, Emmitsburg, MD.

Funeral services for Mr. Roy Rogers Sanders, 51, of Sykesville, MD, who died Wednesday February 9 at his residence were held Saturday February 12 from the Skiles Funeral Home, Emmitsburg, MD, with the Rev. Fr. Leo R. Tittler officiating. Interment was Emmitsburg Memorial Cemetery, Emmitsburg, MD.

Funeral services for Mrs. Clothilda Jane Miller May, 68, of Kelbaugh Road, Thurmont, MD, who died Thursday, February 10 at her residence were held Monday, February 14 with a Mass of Christian Burial from St. Anthony's Shrine Parish with her pastor Rev. Fr. Leo R. Tittler as the Celebrant. Interment was in New St. Joseph's Cemetery, Emmitsburg

Funeral services for Mrs. Jessie Franklin Laws, 93, of Mobley Ct., Frederick, MD, who died Saturday, February 12 at the Meridian Nursing Center, Frederick, MD, will be held in Madison

County, NC, at the convenience of the family.

Funeral services for Mrs. Elizabeth Pryor Harner, 73, of W. Main St., Emmitsburg, MD, who died Sunday, February 13 at the Homewood Retirement Center, Frederick, MD, were held Thursday, February 17 from the Skiles Funeral Home, Emmitsburg, MD, with her pastor Rev. W. Ronald Fearer officiating. Interment was in Green Hill Cemetery, Waynesboro, PA.

Funeral services for Mr. Arthur Francis Jones, 89, of Crystal Fountain Rd. Emmitsburg, MD, who died Monday, February 14 at the Gettysburg Hospital, Gettysburg, PA, were held Friday, February 18 with a Mass of Christian Burial from St. Anthony's Shrine Parish, Emmitsburg, MD, with the Rev. Fr. Leo R. Tittler as the Celebrant. Interment was in New St. Joseph's Cemetery, Emmitsburg, MD.

Funeral services for Sister Eleanor O'Gorman, 95, of S. Seton Ave. Emmitsburg, MD, who died Saturday, February 19 at Villa St. Michael, Emmitsburg, MD, were held Monday, February 21 with a Mass of Christian Burial from the Basilica of the National Shrine of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Emmitsburg, MD, with her pastor Rev. Fr. John King as the Celebrant. Interment was in St. Joseph's Cemetery, Emmitsburg, MD.

Funeral services for Mrs. Jeanne Oma Messner Lingg, 67, of Kelbaugh Road, Thurmont, MD, who died Sunday, February 20 at the York Hospital, York, PA, were held Wednesday, February 23 from the Skiles Funeral Home, Emmitsburg, MD, with the Rev. Kenneth C. Hamrick officiating. Interment was in New St. Joseph's Cemetery, Emmitsburg, MD.

The above funeral arrangements were handled by Skiles Funeral Home, 210 W. Main St., Emmitsburg, MD 21727

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CATOCTIN-AIRES

The Catoctin-Aires Majorette and Color Guard Corps recently named Sandra Mercer, age 16, as the new 1994 Miss Catoctin-Aires Queen. Miss Mercer is a junior at Catoctin High School and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Mercer of Thurmont, MD. Kandace Kreigline, the 1993 queen presented the title sash, trophy, and crown. Jennifer Myers of Gettysburg was the first runner-up. Sharyn Compofelice, Brandi Dreitz, Nikkei May, and Valentina Mohle were members of the Court.

The crowning of a Catoctin-Aires queen has been a tradition with the corps since 1973. Each member of the corps votes for one girl to represent the corps in the new marching year. The queen chosen is permitted to twirl in her hometown parade as the corps' featured twirler and will represent the corps at various events as the corps queen.

The queen ceremony was the highlight of the corps' year-end awards ceremony held in conjunction with the annual recital of the Winners' Circle Studio of Baton. The event was held at the Fairfield High School Auditorium.

The corps' majorettes won the Md State Advanced Capital Area Marching Association (CAMA) championships. All corps members were presented with trophies. In addition to these awards, each member also received a beautiful hooded sweatshirt with the corps' logo and new title.

This year the corps will branch out into new directions. One will be reviving the competitive pom team and Junior Dance-Twirl team. Both teams will compete in the CAMA-sanctioned events as well as National Baton Twirling Association events. In addition, the corps is rebuilding its color guard and bringing back its percussion line. Registration is open in all areas of the corps—majorettes, color guard, and percussion. For more information call 334-5567 or 271-4326.

BENEFIT CONCERT

There will be a benefit concert for the Up-County Family Support Center on Friday, March 25 from 8:00 p.m. until midnight at the Thurmont Firemen's Activity Building. Two bands—"Hurricane Mary" and "The Desert Cave Dogs" will perform. Admission \$5 per person. For more information call 447-2810

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"Swing Into Spring"

The Gettysburg Hospital Auxiliary Thrift Shop fashion show, "Swing Into Spring," will be held Wednesday, March 23, 1994, at the Gettysburg Fire Department dining room, 35 N. Stratton Street, Gettysburg, PA, beginning with a hot lunch served at 12 o'clock.

Tickets are \$8.00 and are available from any Auxiliary Board member, Fashion Show Committee members, Membership Representatives, or at the Auxiliary Thrift Shop located at 17 Chambersburg Street in Gettysburg.

Raffle tickets are also available for \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. A weekend in Ocean City, (lodging only, October till May 27) is one of the 25 raffle prizes.

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1½ teaspoons sugar
½ teaspoon salt
3 tablespoons vegetable oil,
1½ pounds salmon, cut into 4 portions
2/3 cup plain non-fat yogurt

*Since fresh salmon is often pricey,
Halibut or scallops will do quite nicely.*

Cut ginger, scallions and Jalapeno into ½ inch pieces. Remove stems from parsley and cilantro (you should have 1½ cups green leaves.) Place all ingredients into food processor or blender and pulse until minced. With the machine running, add the lime juice, sugar, salt, and oil. Process until pureed, scraping sides occasionally.

Spread each piece of salmon with approximately 1 tablespoon of sauce. Mix remaining sauce with yogurt and adjust to your taste.

Place salmon on a steaming rack in a wok or saucepan and steam for 8 or 9 minutes (scallops require only 3 minutes) until opaque.

Serve immediately with Emerald sauce, fresh asparagus and baked potato.

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in the dishwashing machine!*

FAMILY TRADITIONS

by Helen J. Reaver

Descendants of the late Roy and Helen Wivell held their annual Christmas party on Dec. 23 at the Rocky Ridge Fire Hall. There were 178 in attendance.

Opening and closing prayers for the family's beloved deceased were led by Charles Wivell, Sr.

Entertainment was also handled by the family of Charles and Mary Wivell.

Paul Wivell gave an update on the family calendar: three weddings and eight babies for 1993. He also announced the oldest grandchild, Travis Green, was graduated from High School in June.

Phyllis Green gave an excellent report of her work on the Wivell Family Tree (traced back to the 17th century) and presented each family with a printed copy of the latest information.

Salvage River Club members (Wivell men and boys who meet once a year for several days of camping on the Salvage River in Big Run State Park) presented certificates to outstanding horseshoe players: Junior Division, Jason Wivell and Zach Reaver; runner-up was Russell Wivell.

Mary Wivell, secretary of the Roses and Thorns Retirement Club, welcomed Henry Wivell into the Club. Members must be over 62 years of age.

Highlight of the Year Award went to Mary Ann "Sis" Wivell for her outstanding dedication and work at Mt. St. Mary's College as an administrative assistant in the MBA program. The MBA department has presented "Sis" with a bronze plaque in her honor being placed at the new conference center at the Mount. The family gave her a standing ovation. ["Sis" Wivell died January 20, 1994, at the age of 46.]

A delicious covered dish buffet was enjoyed by all.

[Editors encourage other families in the area to notify the *Dispatch* of news from their family reunions.]

WOMEN'S FAIR

If you cain't say no!

Help for foot-in-mouth disease is as close as the Frederick Women's Fair where Ann Marshall and Mary Marshall will again present their popular program: *What to Say and How to Say It*.

The Marshalls are local language consultants who use a lively dialogue format to model everyday communication skills. Participants learn how to say "No" graciously and make it stick; how to turn off "nosy" questions without being rude; how to handle difficult people.

This year's Tenth Anniversary Fair will be held on Sunday, March 20, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., at Gov. Thomas Johnson High School, 1501 N. Market St., Frederick, MD. *What to Say and How to Say It* is scheduled from 12:15 - 1:15 p.m.

Throughout the day, fairgoers may select from a wealth of presentations such as *The Roles of Women in the Civil War*, *Communicating With the Man You Love*, and *Storytelling*. There is also an extensive exhibitors' area.

Men are welcome to attend the Women's Fair and every year a few enterprising men do show up. Where better to learn about women?

To obtain a program for Frederick Women's Fair, call Darcy Richards at 698-1617.

MT. TABOR QUILTERS

The "Quilters" have completed their food drive for the local Food Bank. The response was overwhelming. Thanks to one and all. Due to the extreme weather conditions, the work is about 6 weeks behind. We hope to catch up soon and can use the help of anyone who is interested in coming out on Tuesday or Tuesday evening.

The next project will be preparing items for sale at the Mt. Tabor Park in June.

BEEF, TURKEY, & HAM SUPPER with apple fritters!

The Elias Lutheran Church of Emmitsburg will hold their Annual Spring Supper and Craft Bazar on Saturday, March 5, starting at 1:00 p.m. Needlework, Fancy Table, Homebaked Products. Adults \$7 Children \$3, Children under 6 free. Carryouts \$7.50.

EMMITSBURG ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWS

by Dianne L. Walbrecker

ROUNDTABLE RESCHEDULED DUE TO SNOW & ICE

The Superintendent's Roundtable has been rescheduled to Wednesday, March 9th at 7:00 p.m. at Catocin High School. Please call Lin Marsh at 447-6117 if you would like more information about the Superintendent's Roundtable or would like to make sure your concerns are addressed at the meeting.

THEME NIGHTS

Theme Nights (or Days) are a chance for the parents of Emmitsburg Elementary students to see what their children are working on in school. For instance, since the fourth graders are studying Mexico, they will present a play about our neighbor to the South.

Wednesday, March 23rd is Fourth Grade Theme Night

Friday, March 25th is Second Grade Theme Day

Tuesday, March 29th is First Grade Theme Night

Please ask your son or daughter if you need more information about the activities that will take place during his or her Theme Night.

SOCK IT TO YOU WITH READING A SUCCESS

To encourage reading, Emmitsburg Elementary School conducted a contest during January called *Sock It To You With Reading Month*. Students earned erasers, pencils, bookmarks, and ribbons when they completed a critical response about a book they had read.

Assignments varied according to the age of the children. Pre-K and Kindergarten parents read a book to their children. The children's assignment was to draw their favorite part of the book. Students in Grades One and Two wrote the title of one book they had read during the week and why they liked or disliked it. Children in Grades Three to Five wrote a paragraph to explain why they liked or

disliked a book they read. The paper they turned in had to include at least three specific reasons for their like or dislike and they had to support each reason with examples from the book.

While reading incentive programs are held every month at the school and children receive presents or certificates for free Personal Pan pizzas from the local restaurant, a special celebration was held for *Sock It To You With Reading Month*. A family Sock Hop gave students a chance to read with their families. Families brought sleeping bags and pillows and their favorite books. The special part of the celebration was the instruction to wear wacky socks. And Emmitsburg families have some wierd socks! Various bright patterns and colors filled the gym on the night of the Sock Hop.

While the celebration was snowed out, and even its snowdate was snowed out, the Sock Hop washeld in February and the gym was packed. After 20 minutes of time for members of the families to read to each other, the 10 children who were winners within their grade level read stories they had written for the essay contest, which, of course, was about socks. Each winner received a new pair of socks and a book.

Other children entertained the audience with a play about a Dinosaur and his relationship with socks. Lin Marsh, President of the Parent/Teacher Association (PTA) said, "It was really fun. The kids and parents thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Sharon Hartley (reading specialist at the school) did a wonderful job organizing and conducting the reading celebration. I think it's great that the school gives parents some tools to help motivate their children to read. After all, being a good reader is crucial to success in school and then life."

DISCIPLINE WITH DIGNITY & POT LUCK DINNER

Break out those favorite recipes for the next PTA General Meeting. Thursday, March 24th at 6 p.m., Emmitsburg Elementary School is sure to smell delicious. The tables will be loaded down with a dieter's horror--all those dishes with which to experiment! After all, it's almost impossible to skip any dish at a pot luck.

After the potluck, Principal Linda Burgee and some of the teachers will present a program called *Discipline with Dignity*. Your children can watch a movie and eat popcorn while you listen to the discussion on a topic that all of us could learn more about.

To ensure a variety, the following assignments have been made: Families of Pre-K students will bring drinks, Kindergarten will bring rolls, First Grade families will bring a main dish, Second Grade will contribute a vegetable, Third Grade should bring a dessert, Fourth Grade will also bring a main dish and Fifth Grade should bring a vegetable.

Bring your food when you come for the meeting. The PTA will provide plates, cups, napkins, and utensils. In addition to the great food and practical discussion, a doorprize will be given away.

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"The Old Street Pump"

The old street pump, that dear old pump
Stood all alone in the square, and plump
Good boys and better girls came there
To slack their thirst or sleek their hair.
Oh! If that pump could only speak,
How it would tell of the proud and meek
Who in that quiet hamlet sweet
Life's race ran slow, elsewhere so fleet.
Once it was red and once 'twas brown,
What mattered color in that quaint town!
And black was it once with stripes of white,
I know 'cause these looked like the ribs of
my kite,
As it hung high over the head of the pump
And then came down with an awful thump
On the pate of a man engaged in strife,
Not with other men, but with his own wife.
Funny things happened near that old pump
Merry enough to make the heart jump
Out of the socket - for there in the dust
Came riding along the grave and the just,
Rounding the pump on the town's best
steeds,
As thorough of course as the land's best
breeds,
When all on a sudden a crash and a bump!
And riders and horses lay limp 'side that
pump.
E.J.L., Nigara University, N.Y.

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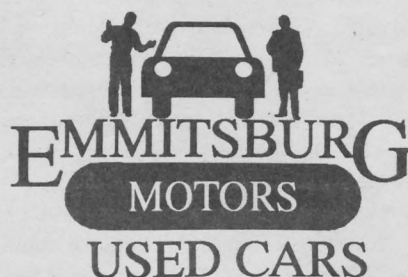
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