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DON BYARD HUMANITARIAN AWARD CREATED

Jack Hoke, president of the Emmitsburg Ambulance Company, announced at their annual award banquet in February the creation of a new President's Award. The award is named in honor of Donald B. Byard who, Hoke said, "has unselfishly served this community for many, many years."

In presenting the award Hoke said, "Don Byard, for your many acts of charity and humanitarian ways to your community, it is with great pride and honor and a lasting friendship that I present you with the Donald B. Byard Humanitarian Award. It is a tribute to you and the work you have done. Thank you for all you have accomplished."

Hoke cited Byard's service to the town:

-a charter member of VFW Post #6658;

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Don Byard

A Rosensteel Photo

Ambulance Company Recognize Those Who

"save lives, calm fears,
perform miracles..."

The Emmitsburg Ambulance Company held its Sixth Annual Awards Banquet on Saturday, Feb. 11, at the ambulance building on S. Seton Ave. The program revealed many links the company has to the Emmitsburg community—described by Rev. W. Ronald Fearer in his invocation as "A town that lives well together."

The company was the first ambulance company in the nation to be sponsored by the VFW and members look forward to celebrating their 50th anniversary in 1998. Tom Topper, chief line officer, spoke appreciatively of all the support given to the group over the years by the Emmitsburg VFW Post # 6658. He also acknowledged the many services provided to the company by the Provincial House.

Guest speaker Larry West, instructor for the Maryland Emergency Medical Services (MEMS), spoke of new changes to the training curriculum. These changes will place Maryland on the "cutting edge" of providing emergency medical services. West said that the local company has been selected to run a pilot program to implement the new procedures. "The changes will require even more commitment of time from the volunteers," said West.

Tom Topper, in his Chief's Report, announced that a special unit vehicle, a 1995 Chevrolet Suburban with four-wheel drive, has been placed in service. The unit replaces the 1986 Chevrolet Capri currently used by the company and was viewed by many following the banquet.

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OLYMPIC CHAMPION Local resident gold medalist

Marcus, the only Olympic Gold Medal winner in these parts, now resides quietly in the Emmitsburg area as he has done for the past six years. He spends his golden years meandering in the meadows and although he doesn't talk about it, as most of us probably would, he thinks back on his glory days as an Olympic athlete.

Marcus Aurelius is his given name—a noble name for a noble destiny. Despite his

small stature Marcus possessed amazing strength and stamina that let him run and jump with the best, even better than most. His feisty and independent spirit coupled with his physical abilities carried him and his owner Mary Anne Tauskey to a team gold medal in the Three Day Event as part of the United States Equestrian Team competing at Bromont, Canada, during the 1976 Montreal Olympics.

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TOWN MEETING

At the March council meeting the shadow of the multi-horsepowered automobile continued to haunt the town designed for a less troublesome one-horsepower horse and buggy. There are two situations where the presence of the automobile is adversely affecting the lives of residents.

The first is the Silo Hill intersection and lack of pedestrian right-of-way connecting East Main Street and Silo Hill Road. Recent changes in widening MD 140 to accommodate traffic turning into the growing commercial area considerably narrowed the shoulder making it risky for pedestrians to walk on the side of the road. Mr. Gene Straub of the MD State Highway Administration reported that a survey showed there was little to no pedestrian traffic and that the existing shoulders should be adequate.

Patty Ortnier challenged the survey design (it was conducted in winter and over only one 8-hour period), and in referring to the width of the road and shoulder said that "It was fine until you messed with it." She asked if the state did not share responsibility in providing a solution to this problem. Straub stated that the state is not in the sidewalk business and that the construction of a sidewalk was a local responsibility. The state would cooperate, Straub said, but they could give no funds to a sidewalk project. The council continues to explore and discuss possible solutions to this problem.

In regards to the possibility of a traffic signal at the intersection, and a change in the speed limit from 25 to 30 mph through that area, Straub reported that the traffic survey did not indicate enough of a hazard to authorize a traffic light at this time according to the national guidelines. He further stated that the state's position on the traffic speed limit was again based on national guide lines and statistics that show safety is improved if the speed limit is set closer to the speed that

drivers feel is comfortable. He pointed out that the survey showed that 100% of the people going along that segment of the road were in violation of the 25 mph speed limit.

The second traffic situation discussed by the council concerned the recent proposal of Mr. Willis Johnson (incorrectly reported to be Willis Walbrecker in the February issue of the *Dispatch*) to make the West Lincoln Ave. spur running next to his house one-way north. He feels this is an inexpensive solution to the problem of two-way traffic on a street wide enough for only one vehicle. Traffic has destroyed a fence on his property. A petition signed by 16 residents in the area in opposition to the proposed one-way street was presented to the council by Mrs. Sarah Green. The commissioners tabled the issue until another assessment of the problem and alternative solutions could be made.

Mayor Carr announced that space studies have been completed for the renovation of the Community Building and that the town is looking for grants to finance the project. Phil Postelle has been appointed chairman of a fund raising committee.

In other business the council:

- asked that the preliminary plat for Sunshine Property, a small commercial center planned for W. Main Street, be modified to include provisions for a sidewalk. Acceptance of the plat is also contingent upon clarification of state highway access to the proposed Brookfield project (which is adjacent to the Sunshine Property) and to water and sewer considerations;

- agreed to send to all persons who are delinquent in paying their sewer and water taxes a letter advising them that unless the accounts are settled within ten days water services will be turned off;

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HELP WANTED

The Town of Emmitsburg is accepting applications for a seasonal, part-time groundskeeper. Work hours are 7:30 a.m. until 4 p.m. with actual work hours depending upon need. Duties include mowing, weed-eating, and routine maintenance. Salary negotiable based upon experience. Applications are available at the Town Office, 22 East Main Street, P.O. Box 380, Emmitsburg, MD 21727. Call (301)447-2313. Applications are being accepted until March 17, 1995.

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Emphasizing the ambulance company's commitment to the community, Topper reported that the company provided services at a number of local events: the Maryland Special Olympics and the Eastern Regional Junior Olympics at Mount St. Mary's; the town's Halloween party; and the Annual Christmas Santa's Shanty. Chief Topper also noted that the local company is involved in a drive to train over 180 people from the community in basic CPR procedures. To do this the company now has 11 CPR instructors. The purpose of training is to saturate the town with CPR-trained persons. Topper said that "time is a key factor in saving a person's life and having to wait even a few minutes for ambulance service increases the risk to victims."

New officers for the Emmitsburg Ambulance Company, installed by Dick Mettedal, Director of Basic Life Support of MEMS, are John Hoke, president, Richard Weagley, vice president; Samuel Galvagno, secretary; Karen Kittinger, assistant secretary; Lorianngingell, treasurer; and Jeff Tanzola, assistant treasurer. Directors are James Kittinger, Herbert Gingell, Joseph Ohler, and Samuel Cool. Line Officers are Thomas L. Topper, chief; Robert Myers III, first assistant chief; Samuel Galvagno, second assistant chief; and Ann Ott, training officer.

The company's ten top responders for 1994 were 1) Ron Sheeley; 2) Tom Topper; 3) Ken Bittner; 4) Kevin Tamayo; 5) Jack Hoke; 6) Tracey Stambaugh; 7) Brenda Schildt; 8) Earl Greene; 9) Jeff Tanzola; and 10) Earl Little.

During the awards ceremony several special awards and recognition were presented. Special recognition was given to "Mom and Dad" Topper, Tom Hoke, Becky Williard, Charles Stouter, and callers Jamie Eyler and Chris Keepers for their support and services with Bingo, the company's major source of fund raising. Lloyd Feitz and Dan Kaas were made honorary members of the company. Certificates of recognition were presented to Sam Galvagno and Jeff Tanzola, both students at Mount Saint Mary's, for their active role in the local service.

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- a charter member of the Emmitsburg Ambulance Company and lifetime active member;
- a charter member of the Emmitsburg Little League and manager and umpire for over 30 years;
- organizer of Minor League baseball (within the Little League);
- and a charter member of the Babe Ruth League.

Each year a recipient whose participation in the Emmitsburg Ambulance Company best reflects the spirit of Don Byard will be selected to receive the award. This year there were two recipients: Thomas L. Topper, 1st recipient; and David L. Copenhaver, 2nd recipient.

The award will be on permanent display at the company's building on S. Seton Ave.



A Rosensteel Photo

Top Responders: (Left to right) Jeff Tanzola, Jonathan Troxell, Earl Greene, Brenda Schildt, Tracey Stambaugh, Kevin Tamayo, Jack Hoke, Ronnie Sheeley. Not shown, Ken Bittner, Tom Topper, & Earl Little

Ronnie Sheeley was named the EMS Provider of the Year, an Honorary First Responder Plaque was given to Ed Little, and Tom Topper received a Certificate of Appreciation from the County Commissioners "for countless hours of service." President Jack Hoke announced the creation of the Don Byard Humanitarian Award and named the first recipients to receive the award, Tom Topper and David Copenhaver (see article on page 1).

Members and guests ended the evening with dancing to the music of Mark Ramsburg and the Classic Oldies.

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COMMENTARY

In The Beginning: time late Sat. night.

God: (Rolling down his sleeves and looking around) "That's good."

Buddhist monk: (Seemingly lost in the vastness) "What is, is."

Voices from the chorus:

Scientists: "We see 'holes' in this work."

Politicians: "What this place needs is bureaucratic structure."

Lobbyists: "Let us tell you what we're gonna do."

Offstage left: The voice of the people: "What's happening, baby?" "Wha..??"

Offstage right: The voice of Alexis de Tocqueville (journalist) speaks reassuringly of America):

"In no country in the world do the citizens make such exertions for the common weal. I know of no people who have established schools so numerous and efficacious, places of public worship better suited

to the wants of the inhabitants, or roads kept in better repair."

Time: Here and Now.

The observations of de Toqueville could be revised a bit, but nevertheless it is true that communities like ours have benefited from volunteer fire departments, the ambulance service, art guilds, garden clubs, charities, kids' baseball teams, the Scouts, Lions, the churches, and the countless hours of care by volunteers who saw a need and responded to it. In older communities that was the way things happened.

Bernie Grove, chairman of the Economic and Community Development Council of Frederick County said, "...By and large Frederick County is a great big bedroom community"—both old and new.

Emmitsburg, itself a smaller bedroom community, is facing an election of three town officials. Some people are concerned about this town's "common weal." What can we do to insure that our community will be wisely guided as it grows into the future? Here are some thoughts of Wendell Berry, farmer, environmentalist, and writer. These thoughts are from a speech Berry gave at the 23rd annual meeting of the Northern Plains Resource Council entitled: "A Few Practical Guidelines on How to Sustain a Place-based Community." (*Excerpted from Utne Reader*)

Supposing that the members of a local community wanted their community to cohere, to flourish, and to last, they would do the following:

1. Ask of any proposed change or innovation: What will this do to our community? How will this affect our common wealth?...6. Develop properly scaled value-adding industries for local products in order not to become merely a colony of national or global economy. 7. Develop small-scale industries and businesses to support the local farm or forest economy....9. Strive to increase earning (in whatever form) within the community, and decrease expenditures outside the community....11. Invest in the community to maintain its properties, keep it clean (without dirtying some other place), care for its old people, and teach its children. 12.

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100 Years Ago "In this Place"
from the *Emmitsburg Chronicle*

Accidents

March 1, 1895 - Mr. W.H. Harner, residing a few miles from Emmitsburg, came to town last Saturday afternoon and hitched his horse at Mr. John Mentzer's blacksmith shop. Later in the afternoon another man tied his horse at the shop. This horse backed against Mr. Harner's horse and began kicking. This caused Mr. Harner's horse, which was hitched in a road cart, to tear loose. It ran across the street and onto the pavement in front of Mr. D.S. Gillelan's store, and pulled the cart over several large boxes in front of the store. This greatly excited the horses tied to the hitching rack at that place, and one belonging to Mr. James O. Harbaugh soon broke loose and started up street at a lively gait, but it was fortunately stopped before any damage was done. As soon as Mr. Harner's horse got on the street again one of the wheels came off the cart and shot across the street like a streak of lightning, striking against a tree box. The horse, with the remainder of the cart ran as far as the Bruceville road, where it got into a snow drift and was caught. The cart was a total wreck. The horse was not hurt.

On last Sunday, Mr. David Geiss, in company with his mother and a young girl, was coming to town to attend church. At the west end of town, one of the sleigh runners struck a snow bank and the occupants were thrown to the ground. The horse went down street in a dead run, and turned up Gettysburg street and went to the hitching rack at St. Joseph's Church, where it had been accustomed to being tied, and stopped. Mrs. Geiss received a slight bruise on the shoulder.

Ladies Have Their Say

March 15, 1895 - The inside pages of last week's issue of *The Carroll Record*, published at Taneytown, were edited by the ladies of that place, and they made known many things that do not meet their approval, and, as a whole, they furnished quite interesting reading matter.

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 authorized the mayor to pursue investigation into ways to restructure the cost of the Town's debt service for 1996-97,

- warned that Ordinance 89-1 will be enforced which states that any vehicle with three or more unpaid tickets will be impounded until the tickets are paid;
- contributed \$175 to the Catocin Safe and Sane Graduation program, and voted to send a proclamation to Mount Saint Mary's men's basketball team congratulating them on their tremendous success.

A public hearing will be held March 21 at 7:00 p.m. to consider Ordinance 95-4 which sets responsibility for the installation, cost, and maintenance of water meters. The ordinance proposes that anyone who owns a meter larger than 3/4" will be responsible for the cost of the meter if it has to be replaced. A workshop will follow at 7:15 p.m.

Code Enforcer's Report: 137 tickets issued; \$250 collected in fines and \$967 in meter money; assisted with 8 fires, 6 ambulance calls, 3 funerals, and 3 days of snow removal.

Deputy Horner reported that in addition to the regular monthly statistics, 6 drug related felony indictments were handed down by a Frederick County Grand Jury after a lengthy investigation initiated by the Emmitsburg Community deputies. He added that more arrests are expected in the near future.

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12. Arrange for the old and the young to take care of one another, eliminating institutionalized "child care" and "homes for the aged." The young must learn from the old, not necessarily and not always in school; the community knows and remembers itself by the association of old and young....15. Be aware of the economic value of neighborliness-as help insurance, and so on. They must realize that in our time the costs of living are greatly increased by the loss of neighborhood, leaving people to face their calamities alone."

Emmitsburg is a "place-based" community with a fine history. We only hope that Berry's comments will provide some food for thought for us all— candidate or voter—in the upcoming elections.



Marcus Aurelius and owner Mary Anne Tauskey

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"Bionic Pony" was his nickname there. He pranced, raced, and jumped and according to Mary Anne never exerted much of an effort till the jumps were raised to five feet. This was about his own height and a level where even the "big guys" were starting to struggle. "A grumpy old guy with a cough who loves an amble through the meadows with his 'buds'" is how his care-giver Audrey Hillman describes Marcus today. Audrey was Marcus's groom in his Olympic days. Now he lives with Audrey and her husband Mike on the Windy Meadow Farm on Sixes Bridge Road.

To understand Marcus's achievement requires that you understand the Three Day Event: it was patterned after the procedures used by the French Cavalry in training horses for war. First there is dressage, a phase of highly disciplined control and subtle movements responding to almost imperceptible signals given by the rider. The second day brings cross-country: running, racing, and jumping. A 20-mile "Charge!!" if you will. The third day of stadium jumping demands that the horse reach deep down to find the strength and control to explode over obstacles in a confined space under a strict time limit and to do it perfectly.

Sleek and well-groomed, Marcus did it all. However today at 28 years old, he is a real fuzz-ball in his brown winter coat who enjoys rolling in the mud and dirt then glaring at his former groom as if to say ... well, what do crotchety horses say? "What a character," said Audrey, "I just give him his medicine and let him enjoy himself."



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VHC's Ladies Auxiliary

by Joyce Wivell

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Vigilant Hose Company have many activities planned over the next few months. On the third Thursday of each month Old Fashioned Bingo is held at the Emmitsburg Ambulance building. The doors open at 6 p.m. and Bingo begins at 7 p.m. Refreshments are available. Prizes for Old Fashioned Bingo consist of baskets of groceries for the regular games and a large jackpot of prizes given away at the end of the evening. Bring the family and come out and enjoy a fun evening. The next Old Fashioned Bingo night is Thursday, March 16.

A sub sale will be held on March 15, at the Fire Hall. Cold-cut subs will be sold for \$2.75 and turkey subs will be sold for \$3.00. To place an order please call Dot Davis at 447-2403, or see any member of the Ladies Auxiliary.

Orders for Gianni's Pizza kits will be taken at the end of March and the beginning of April. Please see any member of the Ladies Auxiliary to place your order.

The Ladies Auxiliary is always looking for new members. If you are interested in joining please call Dot Davis at 447-2403. Meetings are held the second Thursday of each month in the meeting room at the Fire Hall in Emmitsburg.

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COMMUNITY SHOW

by Rodman Myers

Members of the Thurmont and Emmitsburg Community Show committee met recently to plan the 39th annual show at Catocin High School to be held September 8, 9, and 10, 1995.

Officers elected were: President, Rodman Myers; Vice-president, Robert Valentine; and Secretary, Robert Bevan. Other members of the committee are: Denise Valentine, Helen Troxell, Eugene Bollinger, Karen Myers, Mark Valentine, Roger Troxell, David Harman, Jean Myers, Cheryl Lenhart, Charles & Florence Brauer, and Robert Wiles.

Donations were made to the Catocin Safe & Sane and the Maryland Association of Fairs.

In other business the committee voted to increase all premiums for the 1995 show, and to honor the 25th anniversary of the Thurmont Community Ambulance Service on Friday night this year.

Catocin Athletic Director Tom Sherard and Principal Earl Miller announced that a Catocin High School football game will be played on Thursday night and the CYA football game will be played later in the afternoon on Sunday to allow more parking for the weekend.

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Many of the on-going activities will be continued and some new activities will be announced at a later date.

The Thurmont and Emmitsburg Community Show is sponsored by the Thurmont & Emmitsburg Granges, Catocin FFA Chapter, Catocin FFA Alumni, Maryland State Grange, and Maryland Agricultural Fair Board.

VISUALTEK

The Lions Club Visualtek Machine is again available for loan to a person in the Emmitsburg area with impaired vision. This machine enlarges and projects images from printed material onto a television screen. This is especially useful for reading the newspaper, the telephone directory, or books and magazines with small print. If someone you know is in need of this machine to assist with reading, please call George Rosensteel at 447-2562.

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Arthritis Foundation Aquatic Program Offered at the Mount

by Jeanne Angleberger

In 1983 the Arthritis Foundation in conjunction with the YMCA created the Arthritis Foundation YMCA Aquatic Program (AFYAP). It was revised in 1988 making the program more challenging for advanced participants, and therefore was labeled AFAP Plus.

The Athletic Recreation Convocation Complex (ARCC) of Mount St. Mary's offers the AFAP Plus program for people in the community with arthritis. It consists of 68 exercises to increase range of motion and muscle strength. Besides these exercises (about 2/3 of the exercises are included per class), there is a 5-to-20 minute period of endurance building activities during a session. All exercises were designed to be within the capability of most people with arthritis.

The purpose of the program is to provide an opportunity for people to participate in a group activity which may improve their sense of well-being. A friendly and supportive atmosphere, new friends, and activities can decrease feelings of depression and isolation associated with pain and stress of arthritis.

Progress in the exercises could lead to increased independence and improved self-esteem. The potential resistive properties and buoyancy of water can increase muscle strength, coordination, endurance, and the ability to perform daily tasks.

The class is on-going and meets Monday, Wednesday, and Friday with a choice of two sessions. The first session meets from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. and the second session from 10:20 to 11:20 a.m. Both sessions join in a water workout from 10:00 to 10:15 a.m. This provides an opportunity for participants of both classes to increase their endurance through walking or jogging in the water.

No swimming ability is necessary. There is a chair lift, donated by class participants Dottie Plummer and her husband,



A Dispatch Photo

Members of the AFAP Plus class at the Mount enjoying the water workout session

which carries a person in or out of the pool without having to use the ladder. Also, the pool temperature is consistently kept above the minimum level of 83 degrees.

ARCC membership is not required for those attending the class. Furthermore, your first class is FREE. The classes are co-ed and there is no age requirement.

The class instructor, Maura "Moe" Albright, having suffered with back pain from a previous job, soon realized exercising in the water made her feel better. Having been certified at the "Y" in Hagerstown and having worked with the handicapped, she instructed the first AFAP Plus Class at the ARCC February 11, 1990, for seven people. Five years later a second session is now offered to accommodate the growth and success of the class.

Moe says she receives generous support from the facility to conduct group social functions, such as the loaning of a hospital room for the annual Christmas party. She maintains good rapport with the Arthritis Foundation.

When I asked Moe how people learn about the Arthritis Aquatics Program here, she said primarily by word of mouth. Also, Helen Deluca, a beginner and current member, has been instrumental in recruiting many members.

If you really want to know how the members of the class feel about the program, feel free to ask one of them. Mary Wright believes the interaction creates bonding with others suffering like yourself. She says the advantage here is the temperature and depth of the water. Lucille Beale admits it "doesn't feel like you're exercising and two or three classes a week gives you good results." Lucy Gordon enjoys listening to the joke of the day. Alice Gregg says the "freebie" gives you the chance to check out the group. As a member of the first class, Mary Gerstner feels she has gained more mobility since she started and, in addition, "you make such nice friends and have fun in the water."

Everyone agrees there are social benefits, too. They celebrate birthdays monthly with a luncheon and exchange of birthday cards. A special covered-dish lunch buffet is held at Christmas time. One day was "crazy hat day" and members wore their own creativity. It's an opportunity to meet new friends. Everybody has rapport with one another. As for the teacher, "Moe is great," said one participant.

For registration information contact the ARCC at 301-447-5290 and ask for the Arthritis Aquatics Program. All participants are required to consult with their physician and obtain a signed consent form. These forms are available in the ARCC's administrative office.

LIBRARY NEWS

by Kate Warthen

How to use your public library?? To begin you need a library card—this can be obtained at any of the Frederick County libraries. When you have given your information you will receive a plastic card similar to a charge card. It is good in all county libraries and you will need it if you expect to check out books.

Like most patrons you will probably have lots of questions. Most librarians will be able to help you locate the material you need. You may be surprised that the trusty old card catalog is gone and the materials are now listed on our computer system. The computer searches all the files in the database for the keywords that describe your topic. It's awesome, but it's pretty easy to use.

Reference books are always a favorite source of information: the *World Almanac* and encyclopedias are examples. There are many specialized reference sets. Ask the librarian to show them to you.

Many people think of the library of being just about books: not so. If you check with your local librarian you will find many different programs: children's reading programs, story hours, summer programs, art exhibits, and talks. There is always a need for volunteers to help in these programs. If you are interested in helping the local library grow, then consider joining other concerned people in a group called "The Friends of the Library."

The strength of our library depends upon the people we serve. The greater the demand for services, the greater will be the response and support from the county and the state. County and state libraries can be easily tapped through inter-library loans for information and books not found at the local level. Services are available even from the federal level for the physically handicapped and the blind. The Library of Congress serves about 840,000 readers who are legally blind or physically challenged. In addition to our local collection of audio tapes, films of all types and videos are available for loan and they are located just a few minutes from here—order today, get it tomorrow.


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LITTLE LEAGUE NEWS

by Mary Myers

Over the past few years, Little League membership has greatly increased. In addition to the regular 9/12-year-old teams, we have added Minor League and T-ball teams, all using the one Little League field. Because of the increased demand, we are in the process of adding additional fields and are also upgrading the concession stand to comply with health department requirements. Both projects are very costly one-time expenses that are over and above the regular annual expenses involved in running the league. To help pay for these projects, we are holding three fundraisers this year. The first two weeks in April, players will be taking orders for pop-up hot/cold mugs—available with various college team logos or with a special logo designed just for the Emmitsburg Little League. In mid-to-late April, players will be taking orders for a cold-cut sub sale to be held Friday, April 28. Our final fundraiser will be a candy bar sale held in May.

We would appreciate your support of these fundraisers. The field expansion is a much needed addition to our parks. (Until now, teams have had only one field available for games and practices.) Please show your support for the Little League by purchasing mugs, subs, and candy from the players.

LITTLE LEAGUE TRY-OUTS

by Marta Hillis

Did you forget to sign up your child for Little League last month? Don't despair. **One final registration** for baseball and softball players, ages 5-18 will be held on **Saturday, March 25 from 1:00-3:00 p.m. at the Emmitsburg ambulance building**


Catoctin CASS Program Recognizes Volunteers

by Debbie Wivell Swiderski

Over the past several months students at Emmitsburg Elementary School have been getting some additional help with their school work through a program sponsored by the Community Agency School Services (CASS). Students from Mount Saint Mary's and Catoctin High School have been volunteering time out of their busy schedules to help youngsters with their school work. In addition to acting as student tutors, Catoctin High School students assisted with child care for parents attending S.T.E.P. parenting classes last fall. The members of the FHA Club and child development classes took this as a project.

CASS recognizes the following students: Catoctin High School Students: Tim Atwell, Cynthia Stinefelt, Jill Valentine, Amie Naill, Kim Cool, Heather Kuhn, Jamie Bridendolph, Amanda Stouter, and Monica Lawyer. Mount Saint Mary's students: Derek Landis, Christina Wilson, Cathy Ball, Gena Barbieri, Susan Vallese, Karen Sy-pula, Larry Donato, and Michelle Morrison.

As the CASS Program works to meet the growing needs of our community the need for volunteers becomes increasingly important. CASS is looking for community volunteers to help as tutors and mentors for children and to assist in other tasks. If you are interested in finding out more about how you can help, please call Debbie Wivell Swiderski, CASS Coordinator at 447-3611. The CASS Program has offices in the Emmitsburg Community Center, next to the library. You're welcome to stop in and say hello.




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"We are very proud to be part of the Emmitsburg business community and equally proud to state that we have been part of the entire community all our life," the new owners said in a letter to the *Dispatch*.

"At the present time, the operating hours are Sunday, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Monday through Wednesday, 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.; Thursday, 8 a.m. - 11 p.m.; and Friday & Saturday, 8 a.m. - 12 Midnight.

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"As we prepared to open our business, we contacted the Vigilant Hose Company #6 and asked them to sponsor us with the Gaming Commission of Frederick County. They readily agreed and our partnership was formed. Proceeds from our "Tip Jars" and other gaming devices will be a benefit to the Vigilant Hose Company and therefore the entire community and surrounding areas. We appreciate their readiness to sponsor our business.

"Come give us a try! We look forward to serving all our our friends and neighbors and promise that your patronage and support is greatly appreciated."

One More Tavern

Larry and Shirley Little
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Emmitsburg Artist Donates Painting

Linda Postelle, Emmitsburg artist, donated a watercolor titled "Flowers In A Blue Vase" to be auctioned by WITF, TV 33 in Harrisburg. WITF's annual television showcase and auction of works by area artists and craftspeople is scheduled for April 21-23. These works of art will be judged, displayed, described, and sold to the highest bidders during the live "Gallery 33" television auction. The money raised from this auction will be used to underwrite operating expenses of WITF which is part of the Public Broadcasting System in Harrisburg. Volunteers are needed and are very welcome to assist in set-up, dismantling and back stage jobs. If you are interested contact Jennifer Johnson at 1-800-366-9483.

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A Special Shopping Day in Frederick

by Kathleen Wiley

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Continue inside, glance to your left, and find beautiful homegrown plants, nurtured in Way Station's greenhouse and ready to sell. Move next to the gift center and meet a rainbow of gift ideas: something new, something old, but all treasures. Wind through the clothing racks and pick out a 25-cent special. Around the corner there's a door ajar. A quick glance within reveals the comforting image of a landscape mural inside a spacious dressing room. After you've tried on your favorite name-brand selections, head toward the back of the shop, stop to rummage through all kinds of, well, *stuff!*

Next take a breather at the bookstop, a shadow of home with a sofa, coffee table, and custom-made bookcase stocked with an impressive variety of reading material. Meander back up and pay for your purchases, which now include clothes as well as goodies for the house. Pause at the vintage wardrobe for a peek at some pleasantries from the past.

Lastly, admire the handmade greeting cards, just 20 cents each, and buttons—a big hit for special occasions or just everyday fun! As you step outside, smile, wave, "till next time!" and feel the spring in your step from yet another of life's felicities: Way Station Thrift Shop, a zestful twist to the ordinary thrift shopping experience!

Way Station, a private, nonprofit organization serving Frederick County residents with mental illness, has since 1978 fostered a mission of community integration, wellness, and meaningful, productive activity for its members. Way Station Thrift Shop opened its doors in November, 1994. The shop is located at 217 W. Patrick St. in Frederick. Hours are Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri., 10:30 - 5:00; Sat. 10:30 - 4:00. Free parking is available at the rear. Tax-deductible donations, including adults' and children's clothing, furniture, housewares, and small appliances are accepted during business hours. Way Station Thrift Shop is dedicated to selling, reusing, or recycling all donations. For more information, please call Kathleen Wiley at 695-1583.



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The 11th Annual Frederick Women's Fair will be held Sunday, March 19, from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. at the Gov. Thomas Johnson High School in Frederick, Maryland.

This year's fair will feature 48 workshops on a diverse list of topics from clowning to investments, wallpapering to creative photographic memories. Early registration is encouraged to ensure your choices of workshops.

Exhibits will be on display throughout the day. Visit the area and discover the variety of organizations and businesses that can provide information and support.

Child care will be available for children, newborn to 8 years old, at the cost of 50 cents per hour or \$3.00 per day per child.

Admission to the Fair is \$6. There are a limited number of scholarships for admittance available. For more information please contact Kate Cullen-Palmisano at (301) 829-5106.

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Lions Announce Annual Dr. George Morningstar Memorial Scholarship

The Emmitsburg Lions Club announces the Dr. George Morningstar Memorial Scholarship for a high school senior residing in the Emmitsburg Lions Club service district. This district includes the Emmitsburg Elementary School District and the 21727 zip code.

This scholarship award of \$500 for college or other post-high school education will be based upon the merit of a letter of application. The letter of application should contain such information as career goals, high school activities, non-school activities, and any other activities deemed relevant by the applicant.

The letter of application must be received by the Emmitsburg Lions Club no later than Saturday, April 29, 1995. Mail all letters of application to: Emmitsburg Lions Club Scholarship, Post Office Box 1182, Emmitsburg, MD 21727.



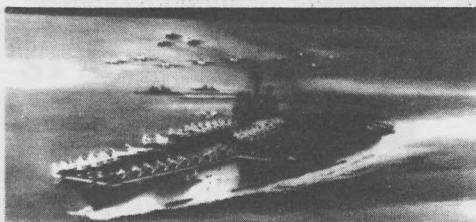
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AT2 Chris Angleberger recently completed a six-month deployment aboard the *USS George Washington* where he participated in the D-day celebration in the English Channel. Upon completion of the cruise AT2 Angleberger received a Letter of Com-

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mendation. He was cited for his troubleshooting skills in repairing F-18 electronic gear. Chris has since been promoted to 2nd Class Petty Officer.

His ship was primarily deployed on a surveillance mission keeping watch on the Bosnian situation and responding to Iraqi troop movements. Twice in October it moved into the Persian Gulf as a result of Iraqi troop maneuvers. The carrier hosted

the arrival of President Clinton and his family as part of the D-Day anniversary celebration.

AT2 Angleberger is currently assigned to NAS Cecil Field in Jacksonville, FL.

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ROCKY RIDGE

By Emma Keeney

Pfc. Kenneth Frushour has returned to Fort Riley, KS, after being home on leave from the Army for a few days. While home Kenny visited family, relatives, and friends.

Michael Sr., Emma Lou, and Anthony Harris left home Feb. 6, to go to Fort Knox, KY, to attend the graduation from Basic Reconnaissance & AIT training of Pvt. Michael Harris. He received an Excellence in Cavalry Award, and has been promoted to Pfc. On Feb. 10, he flew to Ft. Hood, Texas, for his new assignment where for the next six months he will continue training as a cavalry scout in the armor division. While staying at Ft. Knox the Harris family visited the General Patton Museum and had a small tour of the base. On Feb. 10, the family returned home after a thrilling and chilling week. Michael's new address is Pfc. Harris, 217 86 9193, B Trp., 1/7 CAV, Ft. Hood, TX 76544.

Congratulations to Robert and Helen Ogle on their 58th wedding anniversary on March 26th.

Congratulations to Richard and Pauline Duble on their 54th wedding anniversary on March 30th.

Congratulations are also in order for Michael and Emma Lou Harris and Carrolton and Annabelle Houck on their anniversaries.

Happy Birthday wishes for March go to Crystal Shiner, Kenny Stambaugh, Eugene Stambaugh, Wayne Stambaugh, Vernon & Bea Keilholtz, Kathy Wolfe, Novella Dinterman, Ricky Eugene Beall, Kristie Frushour, and Robert Ogle.

Belated birthday wishes to Albert Stambaugh, Michael Sponsellar, and Jeff Smith.

Correction: The Rocky Ridge Church of the Brethren will hold Revival services March 26 through April 2. Edmond Rice will be the speaker. Sunrise services will be



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held Easter Sunday, April 16. Times will be announced later.

Family Fun Night will be held every Saturday night at the firehall on Motters Station Road, Rocky Ridge. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. Early bird games (Bingo) will begin at 7:00 p.m.

Friends

Some of our readers may remember

Bob and Lila Cummings of California who visited Mary Ellen Cummings in Sept. Many of us from the area, friends and members of the churches, worked with Bob to saw, load, haul, split, and stack wood for Mary Ellen to use to heat her house. Bob and Lila saw reports on TV of the "terrible" snowstorm we had here and called to see if their new friends were doing O.K.

ST ANTHONY/OLMC NEWS

By Ann Marshall

Ecumenical Services 1995 will be held at 7:30 p.m. each Sunday and Monday in Lent. On Monday evening, March 13, the service will be conducted by Mrs. Mary Margaret Bittle at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church. Fr. Leo Tittler will conduct the service on March 26 at Trinity Methodist Church. Both churches are in Thurmont.

Lenten services at St. Anthony/OLMC are as follows:

EVENING MASS- Wednesdays of Lent, 7:00 p.m.

STATIONS, BENEDICTION - Fridays of Lent, 7:00 p.m.

(Check church bulletin or call 447-2367 for weekly location.)

A self-denial box will be placed in the back of each church during Lent. Contributions go to the local food banks.

Volunteers are needed to organize and work with youth to perform the passion at the Good Friday Service held at OLMC on Friday, April 14, at 7:30 p.m. Yvette Leith, Coordinator of Youth Ministry, would like to hear from any one interested in helping with this project. Call 271-3155 or 447-2367.

A committee is forming to plan the 100th Anniversary of St. Anthony's Church which was built in 1867. Parishioners, past parishioners, friends, and local historians who feel they can contribute in any way to the celebration are asked to call the Parish Office, 447-2367.

SPECIAL NOTICE: The parish wishes to dispose of a 1968 Baldwin Organ Model 48C that is at OLMC Parish Center in Thurmont. It works but needs repair. It could also be used for parts. If interested, call the Parish Office, 447-2367, as soon as possible.

JUBILEE FOODS in Thurmont is offering a monthly coupon to help parishioners support the church of their choice. After purchasing groceries on the last Friday of the month, customers present the coupon and 5% of the receipt total will be donated to the designated parish.

St. Anthony Parish Community welcomes Jonathan Andrew Kubala into the Catholic Faith. Jonathan, the son of Gary and Rita Kubala, was baptized on February 5, 1995.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish welcomes Alice Gunn Laamanen into the Catholic Faith. Alice, the daughter of James and Mary Laamanen, was baptized on February 19, 1995.

HEALTH FAIR SLATED FOR APRIL 1

The twelfth annual Emmitsburg Lions health fair will be held on Saturday, April 1, from 7:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m., at the Mother Seton Elementary School in Emmitsburg, Maryland.

The health fair will feature several important screening services, many of which are recommended to be done on an annual basis. The Gettysburg Hospital is offering a multiphasic blood screening which focuses on early detection of illnesses. The program consists of a series of blood tests which are used to monitor the function of the major body organs, including the High Density Lipoprotein (HDL) test, valuable in predicting the risk of coronary heart disease; and a complete blood count (CBC), used in the diagnosis of infection and anemia. Other tests include glucose; cholesterol and triglycerides; uric acid; and electrolytes, including potassium, which can determine dehydration.

A fast of approximately 12 hours is required before a blood sample can be taken. The program is being offered to health fair participants at a significant savings for only \$22.00 per person.

For an additional \$5.00, individuals may

complete a comprehensive Health Risk Appraisal (HRA) questionnaire. An HRA can help determine an individual's odds of developing specific chronic or acute health problems, based on his or her lifestyle.

The health fair is also offering a mammography screening on April 1 in conjunction with the Gettysburg Hospital's satellite facility, the Thurmont Health Center. Screening appointments are available from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. and registration is required. Appointments should be made by calling Emmitsburg Lions Club member George Rosensteel at 301-447-2562. The mammography screening is offered at a reduced fee of \$70.75.

In continuing with their tradition of a comprehensive health screening, the Lions Club will also offer free blood pressures, vision testing, height and weight measurements, oxygen saturation levels, foot examination, and an oral cancer screening.

The health fair is open to the public and registration is not required. In addition to the screening, participants can browse through the exhibit area, and refreshments will be available.

For information on the twelfth annual Lions Club health fair, contact George Rosensteel at 301-447-2562.

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Mount Offers Series - "Great Decisions 1995"

A three-month series of discussions of American foreign policy, under the "Great Decisions 1995" theme, began in February at Mount Saint Mary's College and Seminary.

Part of a national discussion program sponsored by the Foreign Policy Association, "Great Decisions 1995" at Mount Saint Mary's allows participants to read about and discuss key international topics such as the United Nations, nuclear containment, peace in the Middle East, and immigration. Participants may use a common reader, which is available for \$11 per copy.

The series, which is free and open to the public, is presented by the International Affairs Organization and the Department of Government & International Studies. Sessions will be held in the small meeting room of the Cogan Student Union Building and will begin at 7 p.m.

Dr. Emilio Rodriguez, associate professor of political science/international studies and faculty coordinator of the "Great Decisions" series, said the 75-year-old program is intended to give Americans a forum in which to discuss issues relevant to the American national interest.

"All different viewpoints are welcome," Rodriguez said. "This is democracy at its best: citizens coming together to discuss and debate foreign policy recommendations.

"At the end of each meeting, participants fill out a short survey which asks for foreign policy recommendations. This summer the surveys, from about 150,000 participants around the country, will be tabulated, and the

results sent to the President, the State Department, and Congress."

"This also gives students an opportunity to explore issues with members of the area community outside the classroom," added Jeanne Wojtaszek, president of the Mount's International Affairs Organization. "We all share and debate ideas; there is no 'party line' to which one must adhere."

The series schedule is as follows: March 9: "Nuclear Containment;" March 16: "Russia's Lost Empire;" March 23: "Mideast Peace at Last?;" March 30: "Global Markets;" April 6: "China, Taiwan & Hong Kong;" April 20: "Immigration: Closing Doors?;" April 27: "Democracy: America's Mission?"

For more information about "Great Decisions 1995" at Mount Saint Mary's, contact Dr. Rodriguez at (301) 447-5374, or the Public Relations Office at 447-5366.

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ART - March 20-April 13, Ceramics by Barbara Diduk, **Paintings** by Mikhail Kourzakov.

MUSIC - March 24, Fri., 9 p.m., Dive. Buzz Jones Big Band—New Orleans dixieland, Kansas City swing, bebop in New York, Swing Era standards, West Coast "cool," bossa nova, contemporary fusion, and the reorchestrated masterpieces of the "great American songbook."

March 25, Sat., 7:30 p.m., Christ Chapel. College Choir Concert - selections by Bach and Schütz, and selections from Handel's *Messiah*, folk tunes by Edvard Grieg and Svend Asmussen, and Civil War spirituals.

March 31, Fri., 9 p.m., Dive. Caryn Lin—original compositions on her customized electric violin and viola, fusing the idioms of classical, folk, rock, New Age, and jazz into her own innovative musical vision.

FILMS - March 22, Wed., 4 & 8 p.m., Media Theatre, Musselman Library. The Funeral—Juzo Itami's comedy about an old man's unexpected death and the havoc it creates with his family as the youngest generations struggles with complex rituals of a Buddhist funeral ceremony.

March 29, Wed., 4 & 8 p.m., Media Theatre, Musselman Library. Who's Going to Pay for These Donuts, Anyway?—Janice Tanaka tells the story of the search for her father, whom she had not seen since his internment by the U.S. government during World War II.

LECTURES- March 21, Tues., 11:30 a.m., Room 260 CUB. Mark Sagoff, director of the Inst. for Philosophy and Public Policy, U. of Md., and author of *The Economy of the Earth*, will speak to the question "Do We Consume Too Much?" **March 22, Wed., 8 p.m., Lyceum, Penn. Hall. Juan Flores**, chair of the Latin American and Caribbean Studies Department at CCNY, will discuss "The Latino Cultural Presence in the United States."

Council of Churches Sponsors Lenten Services

by Paul Hamer, President

Each year in observance of the Lenten Season, the Emmitsburg Council of Churches sponsors ecumenical worship services at the churches of our community. The sermons are excellent, but brief, and the music is outstanding. An extra plus are the refreshments which are available following the Sunday evening services. ALL ARE WELCOME, PLEASE COME, YOU'LL ENJOY IT!

The order for services, which begin at 7:30 p.m., is as follows: March 5, Seton Shrine Provincial House, Rev. Ronald Fearer; March 12, Incarnation Church of Christ, Fr. Alfred Pehrsson, C.M.; March 19, Tom's Creek Methodist, Rev. Larry Eby; March 26, Trinity Methodist, Fr. Leo Tittler; April 2, Presbyterian, Rev. Stephen Hastings; and April 9, Elias Lutheran, Rev. Dennis Schulze.

On Friday, April 14, the service will begin at 12:00 Noon at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Stations of the Cross. The Easter Sunrise Service on April 16 at 6:30 a.m.

will be held at the Grotto of Lourdes, Mt. St. Mary's, Rev. Robert Prior, C.M.

FLAG SET DONATED

Mrs. Frances Bittle has donated an American flag set to the Emmitsburg Memorial Cemetery in memory of her husband, Thomas (Jack) Bittle. The flag set which includes a 25-foot pole with lights, will be dedicated in the spring upon completion of the installation.

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FUNERALS

Funeral services for Mr. Charles Joseph Hobbs, Sr., 93, of Boyle Road, Fairfield, PA, who died Wednesday, February 1, at the Michael Manor Nursing Home, Gettysburg, PA, were held Saturday, February 4, with a Mass of Christian Burial from St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, Emmitsburg, MD, with his pastor Rev. Fr. Alfred R. Pehrsson as the Principal Celebrant. Interment was in New St. Joseph's Cemetery, Emmitsburg, MD. Arrangements by Skiles Funeral Home, Emmitsburg, MD.

Funeral services for Mrs. Mildred Bernadine (Ott) Eiker, 78, of S. Seton Ave., Emmitsburg, MD, who died Thursday, February 9, at her residence were held Monday, February 13, 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 Principal Celebrant. Interment was in Emmitsburg Memorial Cemetery, Emmitsburg, MD. Arrangements by Skiles Funeral Home, Emmitsburg, MD.

Funeral services for Sister Celeste Stahley, 97, of S. Seton Ave., Emmitsburg, MD, who died Saturday, February 11, at Villa St. Michael, Emmitsburg, MD, were held Tuesday, February 14, with a Mass of Christian Burial from the Basilica of the National Shrine of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton at Emmitsburg, MD, with her pastor Rev. Fr. John King as the Celebrant. Interment was in St. Joseph's Cemetery, Emmitsburg, MD. Arrangements by Skiles Funeral Home, Emmitsburg, MD.

Funeral service for Mr. John Louis (Bud) Warthen, 68, of W. Main St., Emmitsburg, MD, who died Thursday, February 16, at the Gettysburg Hospital, Gettysburg, PA, were held Saturday, February 18, with a Mass of Christian Burial from St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, Emmitsburg, MD, with his pastor Rev. Fr. Alfred R. Pehrsson as the Principal Celebrant. Mr. Warthen worked for the Maryland State National Guard for 15 years and Mount St. Mary's for 10 years. Interment was in Emmitsburg Memorial Cemetery, Em-

mitsburg, MD. Arrangements by Skiles Funeral Home, Emmitsburg, MD.

A Memorial Mass for Mrs. Marie Barbara (Bemel) Christ, 90, of Old Frederick Road, Emmitsburg, MD, who died Tuesday, February 14, at the Gettysburg Hospital, Gettysburg, PA, will be held on Saturday, March 11, 1995, at 11:00 a.m., from St. Anthony's Shrine Parish, Emmitsburg, MD, with her pastor Rev. Fr. Leo R. Tittler as Celebrant. Interment will be at the convenience of the family. Arrangements by Skiles Funeral Home, Emmitsburg, MD.

Funeral services for Mrs. Lillie Mae (Renner) Anders, 82, of E. Main St., Emmitsburg, MD, who died Thursday, February 16, at her residence were held Monday, February 10, 1995, from the Skiles Funeral Home, Emmitsburg, MD, with the Rev. Richard Zamoftny, pastor of Weller's United Methodist Church, Thurmont, MD, officiating. Interment was in Rocky Ridge Brethren Cemetery, Rocky Ridge, MD.



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Gary E. Troxell

Gary E. Troxell, 62, of Gettysburg, died Monday, Feb. 13, at the Gettysburg Hospital.

Born in Emmitsburg, MD, he was a son of the late Harry and Ruth Blickenstaff Troxell.

He was a veteran of the Korean Conflict and served in the U.S. Navy. He was employed by Ryland Homes in Thurmont, MD, and was Employee of the Year in 1994. Prior to working with Ryland, he was district manager of McCrory Co. for 33 years.

He is survived by five children: Donna Church of Emporia, KS, Gary E. Troxell II of Richmond, VA, Laura Troxell of Johnson City, TN, Karen Martin of Tucson, AZ, and Stephen Troxell of Denver, CO.; seven grandchildren; a brother, Robert C. Troxell of Gettysburg; and two sisters, Shirley Rohrbaugh of Gettysburg and Jean Reyes of Ellicott City, MD.

Memorial services were held at the Elias Lutheran Church in Emmitsburg with the Rev. Ronald Fearer officiating.

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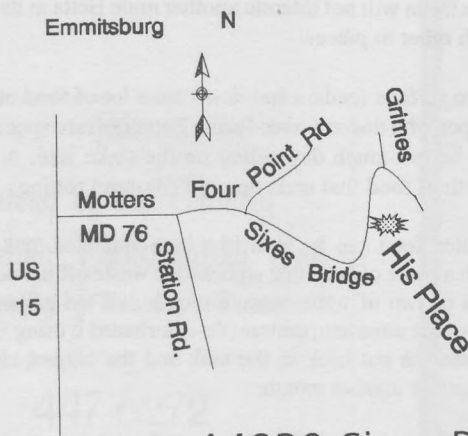
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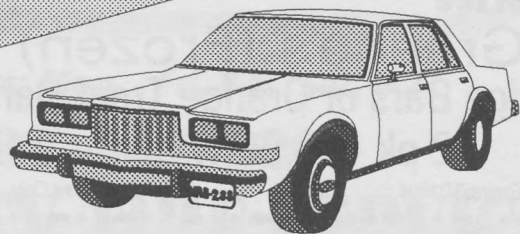
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FRESH WATER FISH, THE PET

By Jack Deatherage, Jr.

I love to explore pet shops, discovering treasures such as bristle nose plecos or butterfly fish where I expected guppies and goldfish. Entering a new store and finding a 100-gallon, oak-trimmed aquarium with an oak cabinet on SALE is even more exciting. Wanda, the sane partner in our family, marvels at the beauty of the set-up and tells me "no." No room, no money, no way to get it home! So I look for something I can buy. Where are the Betta?

Betta, or "fighting fish," cost \$3 or \$4 and every pet shop that sells fish, sells these fish. The males are usually on display in small plastic cups or bowls. The fish are found in shades of red, or blue, or a combination of both; other colors are available. They usually have long veil-like fins that shimmer in good lighting.

The Betta are *the* fish to start with. They can live in a cup of water, though a ten-gallon starter aquarium is desirable, both to the fish and to the keeper, who will eventually add other fish.

A tank with a tight cover or hood, a light (I prefer florescent,) a heater (if the room temperature drops below 72° F), a medium-sized air pump, and a sponge filter will do nicely for a bare-bones Betta tank.

The Betta is an air breather and will drown if it can't reach the surface to "take air" once in a while. The fish is also native to warm regions of the planet and likes a temperature of around 80°F, though mine are being kept at 72°F without any problems. The air that operates the sponge filter also agitates the surface breaking up any scums that might form from the air or the water. The sponge acts as a home to bacteria that convert the wastes of fish and uneaten food, not to mention impurities in the water, into less dangerous substances.

Bettas do have drawbacks, of course. They tend to live only two or three years and are at least a year old when you buy them. As you do not know the age of the fish, it is a good idea to buy the most active fish you can find. A Betta that has made bubbles on the surface of its cup, or tank, is a male ready to mate and is at its peak in life.

The male Betta will not tolerate another male Betta in its tank; they will tear each other to pieces!

Bettas are surface feeders and don't eat a lot of food at one meal. The fish keeper who doesn't over-feed a Betta is a rare species. A flake of food can be too much depending on the flake size. A pinch is a month's worth of food that ends up on the bottom rotting.

The uneaten food can be seen in a bare-bottomed tank and easily removed with a piece of hose that siphons the waste off the bottom along with a gallon or two of water, once a month in a ten-gallon aquarium. "New" water of the same temperature (de-chlorinated if using Emmitsburg municipal water) is put back in the tank and the biggest chore in fish keeping is done for another month.

A small catfish or loach will eat the excess food that reaches the bottom. The water change should still be done, but the food wasn't wasted and you now have another fish or two. And you're probably hooked on fish keeping.

Jack Deatherage, Jr. writes from Emmitsburg. If you want to talk fish, give him a call at (301) 447-2152

WILD BIRD

John Haley, local ornithologist and owner of the Wild Bird C•O•M•P•A•N•Y in Frederick will hold a series of free workshops in his store at 7:30 p.m. during March.

March 8 - How to Attract Bluebirds: Haley will discuss the natural history of the bluebird and what its requirements are for nesting.

March 15 - Purple Martin Seminar: Learn what martins look for in condos, how to build them, and where to put them. Haley tells why it's nice to have them as tenants.

March 22 - Water Gardens For Wildlife: Backyard naturalist John Haley explains how to use water to attract a large variety of wildlife to your property. Bird baths, wildlife "puddle" pools, and garden ponds can be used to lure birds, frogs, and a variety of mammals. Learn what to look for in a bird bath and the basics of pond and wildlife pool installation and management.

March 29 - Attracting Backyard Birds: All it takes is water, food, and shelter and knowing how and where to offer them says John Haley. He will explain the ways to use plantings, water, seeds, and feeders and how to maintain them.

All of these seminars start at 7:30 p.m. and are free, but the space is limited. You will need to call for reservations. Meet at Wild Bird Company, 45 Waverly Drive, Frederick, MD.



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Mother Seton School News
by Val Mentzer

Friends
by Meeghan White

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It is so nice to have such talented parents! Here is what was reported when one of those parents visited Mrs. Ott's 2nd grade:

A Report by Layton Hersch and Anthony Durski

Mr. Durski visited Mrs. Ott's second grade. He taught us about electricity and how we measure it. We measure electricity by volts. He had made motors for us. We had to figure out how many batteries and volts we needed to make the motors move. We also learned that a human cannot move as fast as electricity.

We learned a lot about electricity and sources of energy while Mr. Durski taught us. We thank him for his time.

It was time for the Mother Seton School Newspaper, February edition. Here is one special Valentine memory that will surely warm your heart.

The Special Valentine

by Elizabeth Farmer

There once was a girl named Bethany. She came from a poor family. It was Valentine's Day. Bethany's family couldn't afford to get any cards to pass out. She suddenly got an idea. Instead of passing out cards she would make Valentine coupons.

She would pass them out to her family members, teachers, and friends. On them she would put something nice she could do for them. When she did them she'd paste it in a book and that could be a Valentine Love Book. She would also be sharing her love. She also decided to make a picture.

When Valentine's Day came she made some Valentine card coupons and passed them out to her family, teachers, and friends. When they asked her about doing the things on the coupons, she would do them. They gave them back to her and she put them on paper and made a book. After she did a good deed on one of the coupons, she drew a flower. When she was done, she had a beautiful picture of a garden of flowers. She was happy of what she did for others that Valentines's Day.

EXTRA! Another Newspaper

Mrs. Topley's 5th grade decided to start their own newspaper. This story was written

by the founder of the the 5th grade News, Caitrin McCarron.

Mrs. Topley's class at Mother Seton School has been putting together a newspaper. It is called the 5th Grade News at the moment, because we're having a contest to name the news. The people who are involved are Caitrin McCarron, Alexis Ott, Sedira Banan, Jennifer Hewlett, Mary Knox, and Tyler Boone. We have games, articles, comics, and puzzles. It is very hard work! First, you must collect submissions from the box in the classroom. Secondly, type up articles on the computer. Then, glue comics and other things on paper. Finally, distribute them. But, we have a good time doing it!

(Ed. note: Way to go, guys. When you get a couple of issues under your belt the Dispatch may have a job for you. The salary may only be peanuts (well, maybe a lolly-pop), but you've got to start somewhere.)



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SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

by Anna Margaret Martin

"The March winds will blow and we can have snow"—March came in like a lamb so watch out, it could go out like a lion. Let it come. Spring will be here March 20th! Can you believe it?

Our regular activities are as follows: Card Party, March 9th and 23rd; Bingo, March 16th and 30th.

On Tuesday, March 14th Rachel Ford will present a nutrition program with a cowboy theme. Come, wear a straw hat, boots, plaid shirts or bandanna. Let's have fun! This program will be at 12:45 p.m. After the program we will be leaving around 1:30 to go shopping in Frederick.

Tuesday, March 21— Meeting day, Catoctin High School Glee Club will visit us at 1 p.m.

Tuesday, March 28th — Mrs. Reed's and Mrs. Jones's 4th grade classes will visit us at 12:45 p.m. We enjoy the school children very much.

Tuesday, April 4th —Mr. Baron's 1st grade will visit at 12:45 p.m.

Wednesday, April 19th at 6:30 p.m.—Night Card Party, doors open at 5:30 p.m. Any one, regardless of age, is invited to this card party. Price \$2.00 per person. Refreshments will be on sale. There will be prizes for everyone.

Also our trip to see "Noah" Sept. 6th is not yet filled. If you are interested contact Anna Margaret at 447-6253. The price of \$50 includes bus fare, lunch, "Noah", and the water show. Come join us.

Don't forget our meal program "Food 'n Friends" which is available every day Monday thru Friday at 12 noon. Transportation is available as are carry-out lunches for the homebound. Exercises will be held before lunch on Tues. and Thurs. at 11:30 a.m. Reservations are a must—24-hour notice required. For information call Anna Margaret at 447-6253.



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