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Gaining Strength Through Each Other

August, 1995

### Babes in arms . . .



A Dispatch Photo

Katie Lorenz holds 5-month-old Kieran, Nicholas, and Maria.. "The first night they slept through was like Mother's Day to me," Katie said.



A Dispatch Photo

Bernadette Hemler, Sarah Hemler, and father Karl Lorenz giving the triplets "Quality Time."

Karl and Katie Lorenz of Carroll Valley, with more than a loving armful of triplets, issued a call for help. They appealed for "extra hands" in the St. Anthony's Parish church bulletin and ten volunteer "rockers" now share time to hold, feed, and rock the children. Volunteers have come from Emmitsburg, Thur-

mont, and Gettysburg. "People have been so nice," Katie said.

The boys Kieran and Nicholas weighed 4 pounds and 15 ounces at birth. Maria weighed only 2 pounds and 13 ounces. Maria required some developmen-

tal time in the hospital and now she is home with her brothers.

Karl is making preparations as the children grow. They have an in-line stroller and are prepared to go from rocking to rolling. "When we go around the neighborhood people come out to talk and

say hello. We've met a lot of our neighbors since we started taking them for walks."

Karl is a professor of anthropology at Shippensburg State College and Katie teaches developmental psychology at Gettysburg College.

### EBPA briefed on new commercial centers planned for Emmitsburg

Two speakers briefed the Emmitsburg Business and Professional Association at their July meeting on the new commercial developments planned for Emmitsburg. Local pharmacist Ed Galligan told of his plans for the Silo Hill Center and surveyor Bob Gauss, who was representing developer Harry Cramer of Sunshine Properties, spoke about plans for the Emmitsburg Village Center.

Galligan said the new colonial style commercial building will be adjacent to the Jubilee. The 10,000 square foot "L" - shaped building will be divided

into ten 1,000-square-foot spaces with the option to lease larger spaces. The Wivell Family Construction Company will be the contractor, and local people will be employed as much as possible. The target date for beginning construction will be in a couple of weeks. The present Emmitsburg Pharmacy will be relocated to the new commercial center, but a card and gift shop is being planned to occupy the present site of the pharmacy. "I am concerned with the identity of the downtown area," Galligan said, "and I don't want to create a vacancy."

Bob Gauss told the group that the Emmitsburg Village Center will be located on West Main Street west of Rutters. The center will be an 8,000-square-

foot building with 5 to 6 office or business spaces available. Adequate parking and lighting will be provided. Work is expected to begin on the project in the late summer or fall of 1995. "Some paperwork still needs to be completed," explained Gauss.

Galligan said both he and Cramer are actively seeking out and encouraging businesses to come to the Emmitsburg area. They both agreed that the new centers will create shopping opportunities which will encourage more interest in the community and they expect other businesses to follow. "I feel there is an opportunity here. There are nice people and business can do well here," said Galligan.

### In other business:

President Don Geiger announced that work is proceeding on the new EBPA brochure and logo;

Elizabeth Prongas reported that all local businesses are being called and encouraged to renew their participation in the EBPA. They are asked for suggestions on how the organization can best work for them;

Linda Postelle asked for and received a grant matching the town's grant as prize money for the winning artists in the "Paint the Town...and Around" art competition sponsored by the Emmitsburg Arts League and the Town of Emmitsburg; (Please see EBPA on page 2)

### "Commishes" Respond To Citizen Water Complaints

Residents from Emmet Gardens appeared before the commissioners at their July meeting to complain of the rusty water that was discoloring and staining their clothing. The rusty water is due to a section of old galvanized pipe that services that area.

The commissioners agreed to pay the residents for the damaged clothing. Reimbursement would be calculated in line with the fair market value. The town will also supply in-line water filters to residents on requests to help minimize the problem until the new pipes are installed. There are 4 sections of the municipal water system that have similar problems. Replacement of these lines will begin in September.

## Notes from July Town Meeting

**The "Yard Sale" Ordinance 95-10** will be open for discussion at a public hearing to be held August 7 at 7:00 p.m. at the town hall. The ordinance has been proposed to limit yard sales. One of its purposes is to restrict the overflow of yard sales onto the town streets and sidewalks and to keep them in the confines of the resident's property. Requirements imposed by the ordinance would include:

a limit on times, with sales occurring only between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. and for no more than 3 days;

limiting the number of sales to four sales per year per person;

removing and storing "out of sight" of any town-right-of-way all property items and merchandise used in the sale;

restricting posting of signs to advertise the yard sale; no sign may be posted more than 2 days before the sale

and all signs must be removed by 8 p.m.; no sign shall be attached to Town property.

The penalty for violation of the proposed ordinance will be a fine not to exceed four-hundred dollars. Public comment is invited.

**A Condemnation Ordinance** is being prepared by Town Attorney, Mr. Clapp. The town currently has an ordinance that applies to abandoned and movable property but none that applies to real property. The new ordinance would allow the town to act on degenerating properties that are not in use. Discussion will be held at the next town meeting on August 7 at the town hall. Public comment is invited.

**Linda Postelle** has stated that she will form a review committee in regard to the old fountain that used to grace the square.

**A new speed limit** has been approved for Creamery Road. The town commissioners approved a 15 mph speed limit and designated as a School Zone that part of the road that runs along the property of Mother Seton Elementary School.

**Pool update.** Town Manager Yvette Semeler noted that closing of the pool concession stand and installing vending machines seems to be working. "The kids have accepted it and the only problem we have is keeping available the change to use in the machine," she said.

**The town's Pool Party** is scheduled for August 19th from 12:00 noon to 3:00 p.m. Everyone is invited. Free admission - free food - free raffle - games - a watermelon contest - and a chance to Dunk the Deputy. Don't miss it!

**Grading of Cedar Ave.** has begun thanks to the State Highway Department. The Town of Emmitsburg allows the State Highway Department to operate a Grader Training Program on town property. The highway department generously slipped over to Cedar Avenue that runs beside the south side of the Community Building and began carving out a new access road that will run back to the recreation field and old caboose. Cedar Avenue will also serve as a connecting street for the proposed Southgate Development. Southgate developers are currently submitting plans to the planning and zoning committee and the town commissioners.

There is a vacancy on the **Parks and Recreation Committee**, and if you are interested in serving, please call the town office. The committee is also looking for a commercial freezer for the caboose. Donations, large or small, will be appreciated.

(EBPA continued from page 1)

Jack Hoke advised the association of expansion plans of the Ambulance Company building; and

Don Geiger reminded members that their plans for the Annual December Lamplight and Holly Festival should be turned into him by November.

# Story Ideas & News Leads

are very much appreciated

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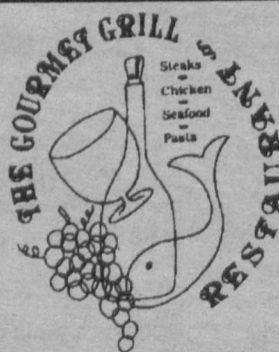
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The CASS program is located at the Emmitsburg Community Center  
Catoctin CASS (Community Agency School Services) is a community based program which provides supportive services to families in the Catoctin area.



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## Rosensteel wedding photo wins award

Local photographer Bob Rosensteel won an Award of Merit for a wedding photograph during the Annual International Competition held by the Wedding and Portrait Photographer Internationals in Los Angeles recently.

"It's nice to be able to say your work is among the best—awful nice," said Rosensteel.

"To have your photograph hang in the convention gallery, the photograph must be awarded a score of over 70 points," said Rosensteel. Scoring depends upon a myriad of small details other than exposure: background, balance, finish, even the title is important. This year it took 9½ hours to judge the entries. "The control judge was Monte Zucker, an internationally renowned wedding photographer who is one of the best...if not the best," said Rosensteel.

Bob's wedding photograph of Gene and Debbie (Wivell) Swidersky was more—much more—than a lucky click of the shutter. The idea of a winning photo-



A Rosensteel Photo

Bob Rosensteel (left) presents a copy of his award-winning wedding photograph to subjects Debbie and Gene Swidersky. The photo was taken at Windborne Farms Bed & Breakfast

graph begins even before the competition is over. The work of other photographers is studied in detail for new ideas, a fresh approach. Starting with equipment that he knows well and film whose behavior he understands is just the first step to an award

winner. Subjects are chosen from his regular work assignments but they must be placed within a context. "I'm fortunate to live in such a photogenic area. This is a beautiful place and provides interesting backgrounds," said Rosensteel.

"You have to always be aware of a potential gallery photo. It took me an hour to get the right composition of Debbie and Gene. Then I didn't get everything right. The competition judges always can find some little thing that you overlooked. There are a hundreds of subtle details," said Rosensteel.

"The whole process pulls you on...makes you want to strive for more...the work is never finished...It's out there and you are always trying to capture it," said Bob.

This was not Rosensteel's first attempt. Two previous photographs were scored at 68 and 69, just missing an award by one and two points respectively. This year's effort was given a score of 73 points. Bob is already thinking about next year's entry. "It takes approximately six months to get a photograph ready to be judged," said Rosensteel. Asked what it takes to get a great photograph Rosensteel answered, "You've got to see yourself as an artist and always be ready for the opportunity."

## Benvengi receives federal internship

Frederick County Sheriff's Deputy First Class Rosario Benvengi, local resident and Emmitsburg Town commissioner, has been chosen for a year-long internship with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. The program will begin in October.

Although the internship will be the major change in his on-the-job routines and duties, Benvengi does not expect it to interfere with his ability to fulfill his duties as town commissioner. He is the newly elected commissioner chairing the Streets Department committee. "I don't expect to miss any more time from my duties as a commissioner than if I took a normal vacation," he said.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration is one of several departments that deals with transportation on a federal level. Its mission is to study and make recommendations to lawmakers regarding traffic safety. Speeding, accidents and their causes, and what happens to persons inside vehicles are all topics of concern for NHTSA.

Benvengi's activities will be varied. He will consult with many different people across the country and attend seminars on all aspects of safety. Learning how to write proposals and grants will help him bring available federal funds to local levels. He is a certified trainer in the NHTSA Standard Field Sobriety Test and expects to continue his activities as a trainer. As a spokesman on Capitol Hill he will take his

experiences with safety issues directly to the federal lawmakers concerned with safety. He will continue the work on a safety project that has been developed by his predecessor.

Benvengi is deeply involved in traffic safety in his day-to-day job in Frederick County. "I am a reconstructionist, which involves studying the details of an accident to determine the cause. I am an instructor in Radar and the Field Sobriety Test. Traffic safety is the one area of my work that I want to excel in," he said. He is looking forward with enthusiasm to the next year's experiences. He feels he must work hard for a real purpose—to make it safe for all occupants of vehicles, especially the kids.

Benvengi noted that this new assignment will bring some changes to his life. Monday through Friday he will be a normal commuter to his work site in Northern Virginia without the benefit of his official police cruiser, experiencing the commute in a civilian vehicle supplied by the sheriff's department. "The traffic is unreal down there," Benvengi said when asked about traveling down I-270 to the Washington area. "I plan to try several different routes and times of day.

Benvengi reflected, "This is going to be a year of dealing with change for the whole family. My wife Kelly is taking a new job as a 5th grade teacher at the Emmitsburg Elementary School, our son Trey will be entering his first year at Thurmont

Middle School, and Adam will be in the 4th grade at Emmitsburg Elementary."

Benvengi began his career in law enforcement during his military service. His first job was to apprehend troops that went AWOL. He attended the basic Military Police School. After arriving at Fort Detrick he attended the Military Police Investigations school. While in Frederick he worked closely with the Frederick County Sheriff's Department. When he was separated from service he accepted a position there.

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This kind of information gives us all something we can identify with—puts a face on our community. We, as members of a group, need information about things that affect our

lives and things we can do something about. If we know what's going on we can volunteer, lend a helping hand, congratulate, empathize, say thank you - observe the niceties of humanity.

We (Jean and Bo) encourage you to find your community voice. Write letters to the editors; submit special announcements; submit photos; write a story or poem. Even get involved in production (if you are the strong silent type). Sometimes it is anxiety provoking to put yourself "on-the-line" and express an idea, a concern, a moment of importance - especially in a place where it's said gossip is the information mainline. But stop and think about it. Words hold us together. Thin lines of ink on paper have all the connecting power of a weld in iron, the elasticity of pizza cheese, and flexibility of rubber. Without that thin line we fragment and dissolve.

P.S. One of the very nice things that has happened to us in our year-and-a-half effort of publishing the *Dispatch* has been the enthusiasm of all the contributors and advertisers. They live in different sections of our region, and are people who seldom meet, yet they share a sense of what is important to our community. We appreciate all they have contributed. We hope you do, too.

## 100 Years Ago "In This Place"

from the *Emmitsburg Chronicle*

### They Caught Sunfish

Aug. 9, 1895 - Yesterday several of the boarders at the Emmit House went to Tom's Creek on a fishing expedition and were remarkably successful. They caught sunfish and lots of them, and they had quite an exciting time. When they came home in the evening they brought with them 118 sunfish, all caught with hook and line. The party was composed of Mr. F.B. Thomas and wife, of Reading, Pa., Mrs. Laura Pearson and two daughters, of Rogersford, and Mr. Frank Hoke.

### The Summer Boarders

Aug. 16, 1895 - The warm weather of the past several weeks has caused the city people to seek shelter from their sweltry city domiciles, to a climate more enjoyable. Whilst the seashores and mountain resorts are having their usual quota of visitors, Emmitsburg, which is also a mountain resort, is enjoying an unusually large number of boarders from the different cities. There are now more strangers in town enjoying the pleasant and invigorating mountain breezes, than has been for a number of years. The Emmit House has been crowded to its utmost capacity ever since the summer season opened, with people from nearly every section of the coun-

try, and nearly every in-coming train adds new arrivals to those already here reaping the pleasures and benefits so requisite to comfort and good health at this season of the year - midsummer. As a summer resort, Emmitsburg has few equals, and there is no plausible reason why all the hotels and boarding houses in town are not filled with pleasure seekers and those people in search of a healthy climate, if the right kind of efforts were put forth by the proprietors of these houses. Emmitsburg is possessed with those indescribable fascinations which linger in the minds of all who once visit our beautiful town, and causing an anxiety to again visit it.

### Fish Eels, and Frogs

Aug. 16 - A number of our fishermen spent Wednesday night fishing in Tom's Creek, and they were quite successful, although they reported that the night was not very good for fishing. They caught about 80 fish, 17 eels, 14 frogs, and one "snapper."

### Next Monday a Legal Holiday

Aug. 30, 1895 - Next Monday, which will be observed as Artisans' Day, or Labor Day, is a legal holiday in Maryland. The Monday in September was first set apart as a national holiday for industrial workers by the convention of the General Assembly, Knights of Labor, held at Hamilton, Canada, in 1885. Congress, by an act approved by President Cleveland June 28, 1894, legalized the holiday.

## Letters From Our Readers

### Thanks for the Memories

Dear Editors:

Thanks so much for the *Dispatch*. It is a fine publication and I thoroughly enjoy it every time. It brings back memories of my childhood and life. It has been over 50 years since I left Emmitsburg but I still consider it my hometown. Lots of changes and new faces but basically it has remained the same - friendly, loving and caring people. Keep up the good work.

Sincerely a resident of long ago,

Pershing L. Mondorff  
Oakland Park, FL

### Readers Respond to Literacy Article

Dear Editors:

I am most grateful for the article you printed in the July issue concerning the Marguerite Naseau Literacy Center. We have had some very positive results — four volunteers to teach and two students who would like to improve their reading skills.

I would like to ask your readers to let us know if there is anyone they know who

needs our help. The tutoring is free and we are very anxious to help others to read. With the addition of the volunteer teachers, we can arrange a schedule that will meet the times needed for tutoring.

Thank you and God bless you!

Sincerely,

Sister Mary Jerome, Director  
Marguerite Naseau Literacy Center  
Emmitsburg, MD

### Dispatch Helps Define the Community

Dear Editors:

I want to tell you how much I'm enjoying your paper. It seems it's really doing what you wanted it to do — creating a place where the community can define itself and see how it's doing. In each issue I see more and feel more that Emmitsburg is a place where people seem to come together for each other's benefit. It's great you've made a mirror for the community.

Sincerely, Amy Carter  
Tamworth, NH

### Shadows of War - August 1945

Dear Editors:

Thank you for printing my verse in commemoration of the Battle of Okinawa in the April issue of the *Dispatch*. I have written a companion verse for that piece. It commemorates the end of the war in August 1945. Both little poems reflect the shadows of pain which accompany war.

August 1945  
Young Kamikaze pilot  
who gave a life to take a life from me,  
Do I share with someone in your  
homeland  
of weeping trees and sacramental tea  
A ghostly grief? from that deadly  
meeting, brief?

Mary Angas  
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## Local residents air grievances

### Developer Responds To Silo Hill Homeowners' Concerns

Thirty Silo Hill residents met with Developer Marvin Ausherman July 10 to discuss their concerns about the future development of their community and about problems caused by the mandated covenants for Ausherman Homes communities. They also aired their dissatisfaction with the quality of their homes and their inability to get a response from Ausherman when complaints were made to his office.

Many residents stated they did not expect their homes to be perfect but they had purchased Ausherman Homes because of the development company's reputation. They now were feeling "brushed off and abandoned." In addition to their complaints about the construction of their homes, there was a concern that Ausherman seldom included Silo Hill in real estate listings of other Ausherman Homes communities. They felt this would affect the resale value of their homes. Ausherman assured the residents that Silo Hill would remain an Ausherman Homes community and promised to contact all dissatis-

fied homeowners to discuss solutions to their problems.

Ausherman told the group that an additional 51 townhouses, 8 duplexes, and 22 single homes are planned for the community. The delay in construction is related to acquiring water and sewer taps from the town of Emmitsburg and contracting with a new builder. "My expectation is that in late fall we will begin grading and installing sewer and water lines and see some paving by spring," said Ausherman. The estimated date of completion was set at three to five years.

In response to the residents who were unhappy at receiving letters from the company saying they were in violation of the covenant regarding parked trailers and campers, Ausherman pointed out that a standard covenant was attached to each deed and that it applied to all owners of the property, not just the original owner. The covenants are a means of assuring the consistent appearance of the property and are supervised by the company's Architectural Review Committee. He explained that the recent letters were sent on the basis of a homeowner's complaint that the covenants were not being upheld in Silo

Hill. "One report brought a landslide of discontent," said one homeowner.

Ausherman said covenants may be changed by the homeowners if 75% of the homeowners agree to it. He encouraged the residents to form their own Home Owners Association if they want to change things. Newly elected town commissioner Rosario Benvenji, a resident of Silo Hill, suggested that the covenants be eliminated entirely, and reminded his neighbors that the town ordinances would provide them with the same protection as the covenants. It was agreed that Ausherman would send a questionnaire to each Silo Hill homeowner and that further action will be determined by the results of the survey.

We welcome your news.

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## People in the news

### Demmon Certified As Food Management Professional



Donna Fitzgerald Demmon

Donna Fitzgerald Demmon, manager of the Shamrock Restaurant in Thurmont, has been certified as a Food Management Professional by the National Restaurant Association.

FMP is a professional certification given by the restaurant association recognizing individuals who demonstrate an exceptional level of experience, knowledge, and leadership within the food service industry. The certification requirements include education, experience, and a comprehensive examination.

Donna has worked with her father Mike Fitzgerald at the Shamrock since 1963. In 1971, after graduating from St. Joseph's College in Emmitsburg, she assumed the responsibilities of manager. Her talent and creativity have transformed the Shamrock menu over the years, especially the development of seafood dishes. She developed the restaurant's St. Patrick's Day celebration into an Irish culinary feast.

Donna's leadership, work ethic, and attention to detail have been responsible for maintaining the high quality of food and service at the restaurant.

### WANTZ FAMILY GATHERS FOR REUNION

Descendants of Harry and Annie Wantz held their annual reunion on Sunday, June 25, 1995, at Big Pipe Creek Park in Taneytown, Maryland. There were 54 people in attendance including the three surviving children of Harry and Annie: David Bernard Wantz, Sr., James Edward Wantz, and Mary Jean Houck - all from Emmitsburg.

Despite the rainy weather, lots of food and fun was had and enjoyed by all. Entertainment included several games for the children and adults including bingo and horseshoes. Roy Mc Glaughlin, Jr. and Jim Houck III were the champions of the horseshoe tournament. A raffle was held to help defray the cost of the pavilion.

A tentative date and place were selected for next year's reunion: June 30, 1996, at the Indian Lookout Club grounds. Check next year for further information.

### LOCAL STUDENT NAMED TO DEAN'S LIST

Trina Topper, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Philip D. Topper, Sr., Emmitsburg, MD, has been named to the Dean's List at Frostburg State University, Frostburg, MD, for outstanding academic achievement for the Spring 1995 semester.

To be eligible for the Dean's List, a student must undertake a minimum of 12 credit hours and earn a cumulative semester grade point average of at least 3.4 on a 4.0 scale.

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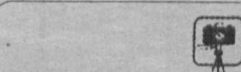
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### COMMUNITY CHORUS

By Sue Allen

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which encourage us to continue to bring our best efforts to songs old and new.

If you were unable to attend our Spring Concert on Father's Day, you have a second chance to hear our program of Broadway favorites. We will present the same repertoire in an outdoor setting at the Gettysburg Rec. Park (off Long Lane) on Sunday evening, August 13, at 7:00 p.m. Bring your lawn chairs and lemonade and we'll all be Broadway Bound!

Rehearsals for the Christmas season will begin in September, and we have spaces available for singers in all voice sections. We would especially welcome altos, tenors, and basses. Prospective members should contact our director, Mrs. Sandy Soffe, at 447-6450, about joining the Emmitsburg Community Chorus for its 32nd season of song.

### SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

By Anna Margaret Martin

July has come and gone but we won't forget it for awhile. It was hot-hot-hotter, with electrical storms you wouldn't believe if you hadn't experienced them. We did need some rain, but the wind was wicked. Perhaps August will be a little more gentle. It has been very comfortable here at the center with the air-conditioners all working, thanks to the county. Our activities for the month of August are as follows:

- Bingo - Aug. 3rd, 17, & 31 (Thursday)
- "500" cards - Aug. 10 & 24 (Thursday)
- Bingo and cards begin at 1:00 p.m.
- Frederick Shopping - Aug 8, 1:30 p.m.
- Meeting Day - Picnic - 12 noon
- Tuesday, Aug 15, meal catered by Mountaingate Restaurant, also we will have a flower show. Entries must be at the center before 11:30 a.m.
- Night Card Party & Fundraiser - Aug. 23, \$2.00 per person, prizes for all, doors open at 5:30 p.m. Games begin at 6:30

p.m. Refreshments on sale...Everyone invited.

Theater - Sat. Aug. 19th - We go to Totem Pole Playhouse to see "Out of Order," a comedy. Seats still available. We leave the center at 12:45 p.m. with supper "on your own" at Bonanza. We will be back in Emmitsburg about 7:30 p.m.

Nutrition program - Tues., August 29 - Rachel Ford brings us nutrition information.

Pizza Party - Wed., August 30, Pizza at the Pizza Hut, 5 p.m. Reservations must be accompanied by \$1.00 when you sign up. After the meal we will go back to the center to play cards. Lunch is served at the center Monday through Friday at 12 noon. Reservations 24 hours in advance are a must. Anyone 60 years or older is invited to participate in this program. Transportation is available and home-delivered meals are available upon approval. Come visit us and join in the meal, friends, and fellowship. For information call Anna Margaret at 447-6253.

### Ladies Auxiliary of the Vigilant Hose Company

By Joyce Wivell

#### Pizza Kit Repeat

Due to the popularity of the May Gianni's Pizza Kit sale, another will be held during the month of August. Orders are due by the middle of the month. See member of the Ladies Auxiliary to place your order.

In addition to the Pizza kit sale the Ladies Auxiliary of VHC has many activities planned over the next few months. On the third Thursday of each month, Old Fashioned Bingo is held at the Emmitsburg Fire Hall. Doors open at 6 p.m. and bingo begins at 7 p.m. Refreshments are available. Prizes consist of baskets of groceries for regular games with 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 will be held on Thursday, August 7.

The Auxiliary will be sponsoring a Bingo Bonanza on Sunday, September 10, at the Fire Hall. Tickets are \$20 in advance or \$25 at the door. Each ticket admits one person and includes a dinner and bingo. The doors will open at 11 a.m. For more information, or to purchase tickets, please call Jo Ann Boyd at 447-2297 or Patty Kuykendall at 447-6370.

#### Sportsman's Night

The Ladies Auxiliary Fall Sportsman's Night is scheduled for September 30 at the Fire Hall. If you have had a ticket in the past, or are interested in purchasing a

ticket now, please contact any member of the Ladies Auxiliary.

The Ladies Auxiliary would like to say "thanks a bunch!" to all who supported us at the July 1 breakfast! Look for another breakfast sometime this fall/early winter.

#### Membership

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

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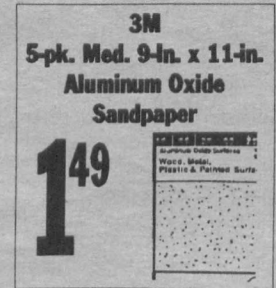
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# Traditional bridge feast reopens Roddy Road covered bridge



A Dispatch Photo

The Roddy Road covered bridge.



A Dispatch Photo

Local musicians Ed Swearingen and Christine Maccabee entertain with pickin' and singin'.

We parked in a grassy meadow and walked down the road by the bubbling Owens Creek that runs from the Catoctin Mountains. The Roddy Road covered bridge was resting quietly on her wing walls and kids were splashing and playing in the creek beneath her.

A few folks were lounging inside the bridge holding quiet conversations at the picnic tables that extended the entire length of the bridge. "Welcome." "Hello." "Isn't it lovely here?" "Come have a seat." We were all just "hanging out" on the bridge. Christine Maccabee and Ed Swearingen were playing their guitars and singing at one end of the bridge.

People from both sides of the bridge slowly wandered in carrying in dishes of what would turn out to be a multi-course meal for the crowd with some left over. Others were unpacking the food they had brought for the pot-luck supper. Most of us just talked—met new folks, renewed old acquaintances. In the cool shade of the bridge, we immersed ourselves in a perfect golden afternoon. Nobody but the cook even noticed that the barbecue grill wasn't working.

We were participating in a traditional bridge feast that 100 or more years ago accompanied the opening of covered bridges. We seemed to have traveled back in time.

The Frederick County Covered Bridge Preservation Society rededicated the Roddy Road covered bridge that has been restored to her almost original state. FCCBPS worked with the Frederick County Public Works Department and the Maryland Historic Trust to determine measures that would preserve and enhance the wooden portion of the bridge. Under the supervision and guidance of Dean Fitzgerald, a group of dedicated FCCBPS

volunteers provided additional labor and materials because they hated to see a lovely structure lost to concrete technology.

The purpose of the rehabilitation was to raise the weight limit of the bridge from 4 tons to 15 tons. Steel stringers and decking were replaced. Repair was made to the rotted corners. Rot-resistant black locust shoes were placed under the bridge. She now stands 2 inches taller. Using heavy timber techniques they slowly coaxed 130-year-old timbers into their original position. They covered her innards with fire retardant, installed some electric lights and gave her a new coat of paint. She doesn't show her age at all—well maybe in her design and when she's lit.

The Roddy Road covered bridge serves, "with a little help from her friends," her original function of connecting people.



A Dispatch Photo

Dean Fitzgerald and his mother Dora Fitzgerald.



A Dispatch Photo

Albert and Beulah Zentz bring dessert to wish the bridge well.



A Dispatch Photo

The Feast begins

# Spurrier wins Emmitsburg mile run & sets new record

By Larry Noel

In the most exciting finish in the 3-year history of the Emmitsburg Lion's Club mile run Paul Spurrier, 17, Jefferson, MD, set a new record and defeated well-known DC Road Runners distance runner, Ted Poulos, 33, McLean, VA by a stride in time of 4:39. (The previous record of 4:48 was held by Frank Kelly, 32, Frederick, MD.) Frank Kurtz, 34, Thurmont, was 3rd, finishing in 4:55.

Sixty-seven runners and one walker completed the course through the streets of historical Emmitsburg, just in front of the marching bands, and as part of the annual Community Day celebration.

Brad Topper, 9, Thurmont, had a remarkable time of 5:47, finishing 8th overall. Kathy Messner, 15, Thurmont, was the first female to cross the finish line in 5:57 defeating former two-time winner, Lealia Price, 15, Smithsburg, MD, by 4 seconds. Melanie Bell, 22, placed 3rd among the ladies with a time of 6:2.

Nineteen Emmitsburg runners participated in the race:

#### Men

Troy Hadlock 4th, 5:18  
Brad Topper 8th, 5:47  
Matt Meakin 9th, 5:52  
Dave Shields 12th, 6:05  
Kenny Gentile 15th, 6:15

Jay Angleberger 19th, 6:37  
Joe Angleberger 21st, 6:39  
Bruce Boyd 24th, 6:44  
Patrick Kelley 25th, 6:45  
Joey Gentile 28th, 6:53  
Paul Emory 32nd 2nd, 7:05  
Vito Roca 36th, 7:10  
Rob Copenhaver 39th, 7:22  
Derek Cool 42nd, 7:30  
Ryan Gauss 52nd, 8:23

#### Women

Melanie Bell 16th, 6:21  
Amy Plamer 22nd, 6:41  
Beth Boyd 33rd, 7:07  
Kathy Kelley 55th, 8:36

Twenty-two more runners participated in this year's event than last. There was a noticeable increase of younger runners; 19 runners were under 10 years of age. Jamie Black, 4, of Olney was the youngest.

Jamie, accompanied by his mother, Mimi, finished with a time of 10:30. Mom was just one second off Jamie's pace.

Mary Cunningham, 77, of Cascade, was the walker who, if not setting a winning time, set a winning example by doing the course in 23:12. Mary is looking forward to some challengers next year.

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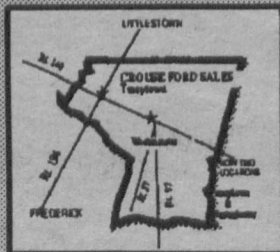
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# Little league baseball wrap-up

By Marta Hillis

Emmitsburg baseball action is winding down for the summer. Various teams have participated in post-season tournaments throughout July and our home fields were the sites of many exciting games.

After Little League play-offs ended June 29 with the Dodgers coming out on top, four all-star teams were selected (9-10

A & B and 11-12 A & B) and practices began for tournament play.

Emmitsburg played host to the annual Tournament of Champions including the ten 1st-place teams in our district. Our Dodgers notched a 1st-round victory, but were later eliminated. The (9-10 and 11-12 A All-Star teams played hard during the district play-off games that were held

in Emmitsburg and Thurmont, but were unsuccessful in advancing.

Emmitsburg's T-Ball division hosted an 8 team day-long tourney on July 8. The Mets took 3rd place. Our minor league All-Stars captured 1st place at a tournament in Cashtown, PA. Congratulations, teams!

During the third weekend in July, there was lots of baseball action in the area. Emmitsburg played host to a 9-10 A All-Star tournament, while the 11-12 A & B squads played in a Taneytown tourney and the 9-10 B team tournament was at Thurmont.

As you can see it has been a busy post-season. A big thank you to all of the volunteers who worked so hard to make our Emmitsburg-hosted tourneys run smoothly. It takes lots of planning to put on a successful tournament. Emmitsburg Little League should be pleased with its efforts.

All in all, League President Roy Wivell described the '95 season as a great success. Our fantastic expanded facilities, our dedicated managers and coaches, our many parent volunteers, and our enthusiastic players all working together made this season "Number One."

### Unsung Hero Award

As in the past, the League presented all of the 12-year-old players—the "graduates" of Little League—with individual plaques and jackets. This year a special award for the "Unsung Hero" was given to Chad Knox, one of our 12-year-olds who was on the Yankees team and the All-Star team. Under adverse conditions, this young athlete (pitcher/infielder) showed tremendous courage and a great positive attitude throughout the season. Chad truly is an example of a first-class player and good sport. His determination to play hard has been an inspiration to all of his teammates. I don't know of any player more deserving of the "Unsung Hero" honor. Congratulations, Chad!

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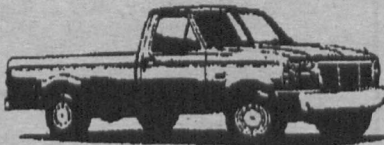
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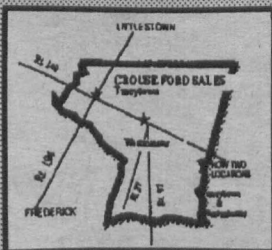
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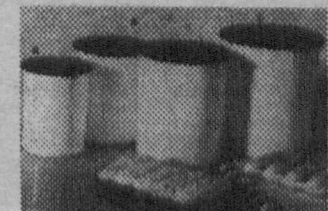
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## Looking Ahead

### CASS programs . . .

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A Head Start home-based program will begin in September in Emmitsburg. Call 694-1024 to register your 3 or 4-year-old child.

### Open house . . .

On August 20th from noon until 6 p.m. Strawberry Hill Nature Center & Preserve will hold its annual open house with activities for all ages.

What's happening? Guided nature walks, Jeep rides, environmental exhibits, traditional craft demonstrations, slide shows, boat rides, live exhibits, history program.

There are children's programs, an auction, even music, refreshments and craft sales. For more information call 717-642-5840. Rain date August 27.

## Community Day a great success

The Lions wish to thank again all of those people mentioned in the Community Day program and from the stage for another very successful celebration. A very special thanks goes to the WWII Veterans in attendance, to all those unable to be there that day, to the families of those who gave their lives in defense of our country, and to the families of those veterans who have died since the war.

### Community Day Games Downhome Gold Medal Events

Local gladiators raced, tossed, and gnawed their way to victory competing in an olympian variety of contests set for them by Lions. The winners were:

**Greased Pig Contest**-Age 1-6, C.J. Gauss; 7-12, Patrick Kelley; 13 & up, Paul Emory.

**Egg Toss**- Sue & John Stone, 1st; Ashley Kauffman & Tracey Ganjon, 2nd.

**Water Balloon Toss**- Chris & Katie Nitchie, 1st; Sue & John Stone 2nd.

### Paint the town . . .

The Emmitsburg Arts League and the Town of Emmitsburg are sponsoring the first "Emmitsburg—Paint the Town—And Around" Labor Day Weekend Art Show. A call for entries has been extended to all artists to come to the Emmitsburg area and produce paintings or other art mediums for our show.

All art work will be on display at Her Studio Gallery, 304 E. Main St. Emmitsburg, Saturday, Sept 2, from 12 noon - 4 p.m.; Sunday, Sept 3, 12 noon - 5 p.m.; and Monday, Sept. 4, from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. There will be an opening reception at the studio on Saturday from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. with an awards presentation at 7:30 p.m. For more information call Linda Postelle at 447-2866 or 447-1666.

### Celebration . . .

The 221st Birthday Celebration of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton will be held at the National Shrine in Emmitsburg on Saturday, August 26, 1995. Everyone is invited to join in the festivities.

Many participants who were named in honor of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton gather to celebrate her birthday. Registration will begin at 1:00 p.m. and a Children's Service in the Basilica will take

place at 2:00 p.m. Following will be a family fun day with balloons, clowns, face painting and refreshments in the courtyard.

Celebrants may visit the historic site where Mother Seton taught early classes. From this valley her spirit spread across our country, through her Sisters of Charity who opened schools, homes for children, hospitals, and social services for those in need.

### Concert in park . . .


The Emmitsburg Community Chorus will present a program of Broadway favorites in an outdoor setting at the Gettysburg Recreation Park (off Long Lane) on Sunday evening, August 13, at 7:00 p.m. Bring your lawn chairs and lemonade and we'll all be Broadway Bound!

### History talk . . .

The speaker for the September 5th meeting of the Emmitsburg Historical Society will be provided by the Frederick Historical Society. Dick Marsden, president, said the speaker will discuss the 250th Anniversary of Frederick City and talk about the county as well.

Meetings are held on the first Tuesday evenings of January, March, May, July, September, and November. They will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the Library Media Room of the Community Center unless otherwise announced. Everyone is welcome.

ors pitching horseshoes. Rich Ohler and Shane Wivell placed 2nd and Roy Wivell, Jr. and Bob Glass placed 3rd. The golf contest was won by John Richnow, Jr. The 50/50 winners were Nancy Wivell, 1st; Chris Weaver, 2nd; and Kathy Gauss, 3rd.



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## Emmitsburg's Library

By Kate Warthen

The Emmitsburg Library is a branch of the Frederick County Library system. There are five branches - Brunswick, Emmitsburg, Middletown, Thurmont, and Walkersville - plus a bookmobile and an audio visual department. The library also houses collections in some special places around the county, one of which is the Frederick County Detention Center. C. Burr Arts Library is headquarters for the county system and is located at 110 East Patrick Street in Frederick. It receives daily delivery from the Enoch Pratt Library in Baltimore, who in turn make deliveries to our five county branches. Even before Internet we were connected to the "information super-highway."

There are computers available in most libraries. Also there is usually someone who can help with training. However, you should make an appointment before you expect to be trained. After training you will receive an apple sticker on your card. That sticker entitles you to use the computers in any of the libraries.

Emmitsburg residents can now connect to state and worldwide computer resources through the Frederick County Public Libraries. Scores of public databases as well as the Internet and World Wide Web can be accessed by Sailor, an online network of Maryland libraries. Some of the information that is available through the Internet and the FCPL catalog include: legislative resources such as bill status, information about senators, *Congressional Record*, *U.S. Code* and the latest White House briefings, the *CIA World Fact Book*, and even historical documents including the first Thanksgiving proclamation and the Mayflower Compact. The local librarians will be attending a workshop in August and will have more information to assist you getting online with the library.

To use the card catalog on computer one needs only a small amount of instruction to become familiar with the procedure. There are lots of changes in the library field and it keeps one busy keeping up with them. However it is a challenging and exciting time.

Our summer reading club is drawing to a close. Children have been reading all summer. We are proud of the records set by some of the children. They are the ones to watch! To read is to be informed. Young children have the opportunity to read so much. Think what a good background they will have for middle school and high school, not to mention college.

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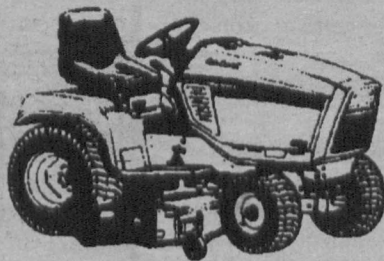
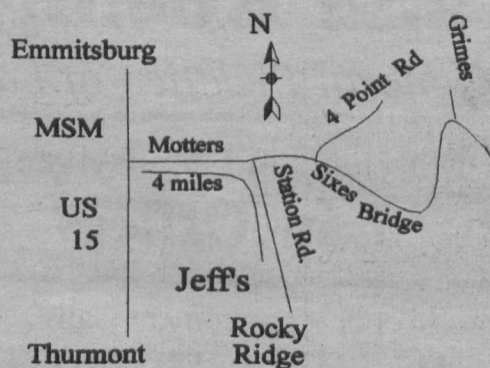
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## Rocky Ridge News

by Emma Keeney

The annual Mt. Tabor Park BIG PICNIC and festival will be held Saturday, August 12. The Baby Show starts at 1:00 p.m. There will be age groups from newborn up to two years. The sandwich stand will be serving different kinds of soup, sandwiches, pies, and ice cream during the afternoon and evening. Fried chicken and ham suppers will be served family style from 2:30 p.m. on. Bingo and other games, the GIANT SLIDE, music-Country Caravan Plus-will be available for your pleasure.

Belated birthday congratulations to Cora Setherly on her 75th birthday July 8. Also belated birthday wishes to Brandon Hummerick, Connie Hummerick, Kevin Sharrer, Richard Stambaugh, Melvin Troxell, Shelia Shuman, Mathew Shuman, Richard Miller, Michael Duble, Bradley Wiles, and Cody Wolfe.

Belated anniversary wishes to Kenneth and Doris Sharrer, Albert and Pauline Stambaugh.

Happy anniversary to Carl and Verna Keeney.

Happy birthday in August to Heather Valentine, Ellen Cummings, Diana Hahn, Richard Dinterman, Jennifer Hobbs, Steven Day, Regina Dinterman, Charity Wivell, Cody Wivell, James Stambaugh, and Lee Hahn.

A Fourth of July cookout and surprise party was given Cora Setherly on her 75th birthday at the home of Bobby, Sharon, and Lindsey Wilson, New Windsor. Those attending were Judy and Jimmy Ryan, Delaware; Stephanie Carmody and friend, Columbia; Patty Dawla, Terri and friend, Baltimore; Larue Thomas, Anthony Zumbram, Littlestown; Charles and Edna Pickett, Westminster; Chris, Tonya, and Steven Day of Hagerstown, and friend Andy, Virginia; Gary Setherly and Alice Pose, Falling Waters; Dennis, Regina, Patrick, and Eric Cavell, Walkersville; Sonny, Vonnie, Daryl, and Tina Long and friend, Middleburg; Lynn Mahan, Gary, Barbara and Timmy Mahaney, Thurmont; David, Terri, Jennifer, J.R. Wilson, Hilda Wilson, Taneytown; Kevin Wilson and friend Debbie, Westminster; Ronnie, Donnie and Lee Hahn. Also Carl Setherly and Guy Pittinger. Cora received many beautiful cards and gifts.

A picnic was held July 9 in honor of Richard Stambaugh's birthday. The picnic was held in Stambaugh's picnic woods. Those attending were Bill and Regina Dinterman; Mike, Emma Lou, and Anthony Harris; Kenneth and Gloria Frushour; Eugene, Rosie, Jimmy and Eddie Stambaugh; Michelle Krom; and Richard, Franklin, and Marie Stambaugh. Kenneth Frushour, Jr. has been home on emergency leave and has returned to

Schweinfurt, Germany. His address is: Pfc. Ken Frushour, HHBS/41FA, Unit 2589, Box 687, APOAEO9033.

Pfc. Michael Harris, Jr. of Rocky Ridge is currently stationed at Ft. Hood, TX. He is a driver of an armored "Bradley" and has helped test new communication vehicles. In May Pfc. Harris was able to help in the training of some participants of the Special Olympics. In May he received the Army Achievement Award. His address is: Pfc. Michael Harris, Head Quarters B. Troop 1.7 Cav., Ft. Hood, TX 76544. Pfc. Harris is a 1994 graduate of Catocin High School and says "Hi" to all his friends.

Mike and Emma Lou Harris and Vicky Keeney recently visited with their son Pfc. Michael Harris at Ft. Hood, TX. While there they toured the 339 sq. mile base and got to see what their son does. While in TX they visited Killeen and took day trips to Austin and Waco. On the return trip they enjoyed several short stops in Tennessee.

First Sergeant Bernard Hobbs attended an annual training session at Fort A.P. Hill, Virginia, on June 17-30, 1995. He has been serving in the Maryland Air National Guard for 19 years.

Jennifer Hobbs attended the state FFA Convention in Hagerstown held at the Ramada Inn on June 29 and 30. She placed 3rd in the state in the junior division Prepared Speech contest.

The Rocky Ridge Church of the Brethren will hold Vacation Bible School August 7 through 11, from 6:00 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. at the church. Anyone interested in helping or for more information call 271-7960. Parents are welcome to stay and help. The Cats Meow replicas of the church are still on sale, call 271-7425. \$16.

Deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Francis Sharrer who passed away June 18.

Deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Leroy Dinterman who passed away July 16. Both of these friends will be missed as they were always helping people.

### The Rocky Ridge Carnival

It's beginning to look a lot like carnival time everywhere you go around the fire hall. Everyone has been busy chicken pickin', ham pickin', and ham slicing. The ladies have been busy making those delicious pies, but they did take time out to attend Libby Myers' swimming pool party.

The carnival, sponsored by the Rocky Ridge Fire Company, will be held August 14-19. There will be entertainment nightly and the parade will be held Wed., August 16 at 7 p.m. Help the fire company either by working or by eating those famous fried country ham sandwiches and other good food.



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**ST. Anthony's & OLMC**

By Ann Marshall

Beverly Little, Coordinator of Religious Education for St. Anthony's and Our Lady of Mount Carmel parishes, has resigned after ten years' service in order to devote more time to her family and other pursuits. She was honored at a reception at OLMC on June 25, and gifted with a plaque, a yellow rose bush (her favorite) from each congregation, and a trip to King's Dominion.

Ms. Little promised to continue through prayer her care and concern for all parishioners and commented, "The work we began together and the many accomplishments made a good solid base . . . . The future of our faith community looks bright!"

Until a new director is employed, the religious education programs will be supervised by Yvette Leith, Coordinator of Youth Ministry, and by Sr. Carol Czyzewski, Pastoral Associate.

Brother Earl Wetzel, O.M.I., recently celebrated his 40th anniversary of vowed religious life in the Eastern Province of the Oblates of Mary Immaculate. Brother Wetzel's family members have been parishioners at St. Anthony's for many years. A reception to congratulate Brother Wetzel, who is currently stationed at the Oblate Novitiate, Tewsbury, MA, was held on June 16 at the parish hall.

In September, religious education classes for children of both parishes will be combined into a pilot program to be held at the Thurmont Middle School each Sunday morning from 9:15 to 10:30 a.m. Classes cover grades K-8, with the exception of 5th graders who will be piloting the Family Centered program this year. For more information, call the parish office at 447-2367.

Plans are underway at OLMC for the annual Labor Day Picnic. Volunteers are needed to help with this important fundraiser.

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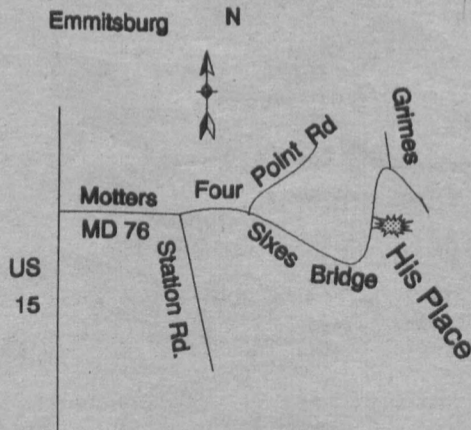
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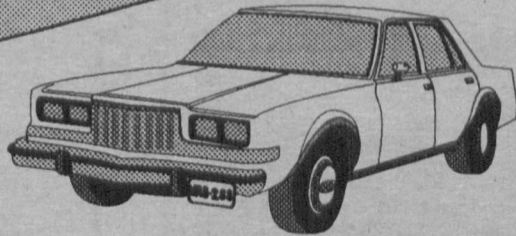
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# Mount students find "unimaginable" poverty in Mexico

by Lori Angleberger

Poverty in my community is having little money but a safe place to live where food is always on the table. Unfortunately, when I ventured off to Monterrey, Mexico, I found poverty to be like nothing I have ever imagined!

On May 7 through 17th, 1995, sixteen students of Mount Saint Mary's College took part in a community service trip to Monterrey, Mexico. I was fortunate to be one of those students. Coordinated through Campus Ministry, it was the Mount's first international community service. My first impression of the severity of poverty in Monterrey forced me to realize how spoiled we are in the United States.

When we arrived in Monterrey, we were placed in a homeless shelter where 16 of us shared two small bedrooms, sleeping on cots, side by side. The outside temperature was estimated at 105 degrees everyday. The shelter did not have air conditioning. Sometimes not even running water. These were just a few of the differences in culture that we adjusted to immediately.

Another problem we faced was the language barrier. Hardly anyone we encountered could speak a word of English. Because my Spanish is not as fluent as it should be, I had trouble communicating. However, I soon found that the best way to communicate was with a friendly smile and a hug.

One of the tasks included working outside six days a week from 8 to 5. We cleaned and painted community kitchens run by families. They welcomed us with

open arms. The children who live at the community kitchens do not go to school. Instead, they are required to stay home and help their parents run the kitchen. These children are very dedicated to their chores and take them very seriously. There is no comparison between the education of Mexican and American children.

## *Hugging is easy... it's the letting go which is tough.*

In addition, we cleaned houses for the elderly. This sounds easy, but I found it to be the most difficult. They live alone and have no family members to help them. In the mountains, a crippled elderly lady lived in a little hut consisting of three walls made of cinder block and a piece of rusty tin used for a roof. To accomplish our mission, we lifted her from the bed and carried her outside. The decrepit lady sat slumped over in a chair stroking her pet chicken which she possessively held in her lap. She would smile with amazement as tears rolled down her cheeks. We thought we knew the pain and frustration the mute lady was feeling as she watched us sort through her personal belongings.

After we had finished cleaning we returned her belongings and said our good-byes. Hugging is easy...it's the letting go which is tough. As she hugged each of us, she tried to hold on. We provided hope for a short time. Now, we're leaving. How will she continue to survive living like this?

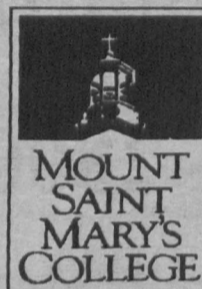
Every night we gathered as a group to discuss our feelings about the day. This was so important because it helped us to

understand and confront the experiences we had dealt with that day. On the last night, each of us wrote a personal reflection of our community service trip. One student used the analogy of a carnival to explain our trip. She described the occasion when a carnival comes into town: everyone is happy; the carnival serves as a distraction from the town's everyday problems. The people direct their attention to it with high hopes of renewal and change. However, when the carnival packs up and leaves, everything returns to normal. Our service trip was like a carnival. We distracted the people from their problems and gave them hope and encouragement needed to make positive changes. Now that we are gone, soon that hope for change will probably fade away. The same routines will recur - families trying to educate and entertain their children when they have next to nothing.

When the time came for us to pack and return to the great USA, I felt sad. How much of a difference did I make during the 10 days? I know poverty still exists in Monterrey. This trip allowed me to reflect upon the good life I have been blessed with instead of focusing on my wants and desires. Reaching out and helping others creates a new perspective on life, especially one's own. I truly believe that if everyone would participate in some type of community service, selfish people with materialistic attitudes would soon become the minority instead of the present day majority.



Lori Angleberger with children who live at a community kitchen. The children help their parents.



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## GARDEN RAMBLINGS

By Christine Maccabee

### Beating the Bugs and Slinging the Slugs: Beyond Chemical Warfare

The loveliness of spring has come and gone and we now find ourselves in the middle of hot, *buggy* weather. Thoughts of an entirely different nature come to us with the onslaught of unwelcome insect neighbors. Some of us have given up by now, while others of us persist. How in the world did our pioneer ancestors ever survive? Imagine trying to exist on what you and your neighbors are able to grow successfully in spite of bug, deer, groundhog, and drought.

Any advice I might give herein on the topic of bugs may be coming too late for some of you, but it may be useful for next year. Wouldn't it be nice to go to bed at night knowing you won't be defeated by the bean beetle or squash cucumber beetle? There is nothing more worrisome than seeing all your hard work go to ruin simply because you refuse to conduct chemical warfare in your garden plot. The organic gardener must be armed with all sorts of creative and unusual gimmicks, and here are just a few that I and other have tried over the years, with fairly decent results.

To begin here is a list of essential equipment:

- a six-pack of beer and lids of jars,
- nylon hose and twisties,

- ashes from winter's woodstove,
- any willing fingers,
- diatomaceous soil (finely ground remains of tiny aquatic plants)
- floating row covers (shield crops from flying insects)

#### Protecting Beans

Always plant your rows in a different part of the garden than you did the year before (rotate) so as to remove beans from the eager, emerging larva. Powder the emerging bean sprouts with diatomaceous soil to kill slugs (night visitors who just love the succulent emerging sprouts). Another slug remedy is beer in slightly submerged lids placed between your plants. Slugs cannot resist the beer, and will drown in it. If you happen to see a live slug, simply sling it as far out of the garden as you can. Also, do not mulch your beans early on as it will create a breeding ground for slugs. Over your rows of emerging bean plants you can spread floating row covers. This will keep any roving bean beetles from flying in on your plants. Remove the covers once flowers begin blooming as the bees need to pollinate them. Thereafter do not neglect to check your plants frequently, using your fingers and the fingers of your family members to squash the beetles, usually found on top of the leaves, and eggs and larva, usually found on the bottoms of the leaves. You should find very few beetles if you rotate and cover your beans, but be sure to kill the ones you do find. It's a little messy, but you can do it.

*Protecting Squash, Cukes, and Melons*  
Striped cucumber beetles, for some

reason, need to deposit their eggs in the base of the stems of your vining plants, sometimes even the youngest ones, killing them early. There are two things you can do to protect your plants. First, dig ruined panty hose from the bottoms of your drawers, snip the legs into six inch strips, and wrap those strips around the base of each plant going up the stem as far as you can, leaving no gaps. Secure them with a twisty, and pile dirt around the bottom. The idea is to keep the pregnant female beetle from the lower stem. You may even wish to use your fingers to kill the beetles, if you are fast enough to catch them. The fewer adult beetles, the better. There is a great satisfaction in knowing that you have reduced the population even by one, or three, or six. As an extra precaution, pile ashes from last winter's woodstove around

the lower stem. The beetles hate the stuff and, if you are lucky, will not find a weak spot in your defenses. Remember, they are trying to survive equally as religiously as yourself. All these things take time and patience to do, but it is so worth it. The food you ultimately put on the table will be free of pesticides and much safer for consumption. Above all, retain a sense of humor, even in the face of loss and failure. Here is a verse from a song that should put a smile upon your face...

*Slug by slug, weed by weed,  
My garden's got me really teed.  
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## Mission of Mercy puts health care on wheels

By Christopher Gaul, *Catholic Review*  
Staff Writer

Shirley Young sat patiently in a corner seat inside the converted 34-foot-long Pace Arrow mobile home, waiting to see the doctor. Torrents of rain pelted the RV's roof and windows, and outside where it was parked on old Distillery Drive in Westminster, water cascaded down the hill almost ankle high.

Despite the weather, the 60-year-old widow from Woodbine and more than a dozen other patients had somehow found a way to reach the mobile health clinic operated for about nine months by physician Michael Sullivan and his pharmacist wife, Gianna Talone-Sullivan.

It is a sophisticated, well-equipped unit, staffed by physicians and nurses representing many different specialties, that provides a variety of free basic health services at three selected sites in central Maryland: Thurmont, Brunswick, and Westminster.

Dr. Talone-Sullivan is known locally as a visionary who claims to receive and share messages from the Virgin Mary during weekly prayer services at St. Joseph's Church in Emmitsburg. It was her idea to create the mobile medical center. Her husband is an internist whose faith has been dramatically affected by his wife's experiences. They identify their non-profit, home-based project as a "Mission of Mercy" and say they were called "by God's design" to provide free medical treatment and referrals to the sick, poor,

and homeless in a way that restores the dignity of those who have fallen through the cracks in the health care system.

### 'Someone cares for me'

Mrs Young's situation is a typical example: Her husband died last year, leaving her inadequate widow's benefits. By the time she pays her bills she is "lucky to eat," she explained.

Shortly after her husband's death, she underwent an angioplasty procedure and then open heart by-pass surgery. It was paid for by state medical assistance but her modest income disqualified her for pharmaceutical help. She couldn't afford the expensive cardiac drugs vital to maintaining her stability after the operation.

"The consequences could easily have been fatal," said Dr. Sullivan. They almost were. Mrs. Young had shown up outside the mobile medical unit a month before. She was suffering from chest pains and was so depressed that she was sobbing uncontrollably.

"They were just wonderful," Mrs. Young said of the doctors and volunteer nurses of the Mission of Mercy. "They consoled me so nicely and gently and then they took care of me, treated me, gave me the drugs I needed and I thought to myself afterwards, someone cares for me." She is scheduled to return to Westminster once a month so that the Sullivans can check her progress.

### 'All of us grow in God's love'

"Caring in the spirit of Christ" is what draws medical professionals to give of their time and skills to help people like Mrs. Young, Dr. Talone-Sullivan said.

Cheryl Ortel is a gynecologist with a newly established private practice in Leesburg, VA, which she abandons at significant financial loss for one or two days each month to volunteer her efforts with the Mission of Mercy. Kathy Butler, a nurse who regularly volunteers her time, moved from suburban Bethesda to Emmitsburg so she could participate more in the Sullivans' venture.

"It's the best thing I've ever done in my life," she said. "I think all of us grow in God's love doing this."

In the few months the clinic has been in part-time operation, the Sullivans and their volunteer staff have seen some 800 patients who otherwise could not have found affordable medical care, let alone free care.

As a trained pharmacist, Dr. Talone-Sullivan is able to help resolve the most common problems. Like Mrs. Young, many patients cannot afford important but expensive medication. So the Sullivans provide patients with a free supply to get them by and then develop a long-term generic drug approach or one that involves less expensive but still effective medication.

Contributions from patients are welcome but never solicited, Dr. Sullivan said.

But, as Ms. Butler explained, sometimes poor patients are so overwhelmed by the free care and the dignity with which they are treated at the clinic that they want to give something. She recalled that during a recent visit to Westminster, an elderly man emptied his pockets on the table after being treated. "He had all of 76 cents but insisted we take it," she said.

Reprinted from *The Catholic Review*, May 31, 1995.

### Mission of Mercy New Site Schedule

The Mission of Mercy will be at its Thurmont site, Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church Parish Center, 103 N. Church St., August 15 and 29 from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Call for an appointment (301) 694-3733 Mon. - Fri., 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

## Funerals

Funeral services for Mrs. Betty Lee (Eyler) Miller, 66, of Old Gettysburg Rd., Emmitsburg, MD, who died Sunday, June 25, at the Gettysburg Hospital, Gettysburg, PA, were held Thursday, June 29, from the Skiles Funeral Home, Emmitsburg, MD, with the Rev. Fr. Alfred R. Pehrsson officiating. Interment was in Emmitsburg Memorial Cemetery, Emmitsburg, Md.

Funeral services for Mr. Clyde Jennings Hahn, 47, of Peachtree Trail, Carroll Valley, PA, who died Friday, June 30, at his residence were held Monday, July 3, from Elias Evangelical Lutheran Church, Emmitsburg, MD, with his pastor Rev. W. Ronald Fearer officiating. Interment was in Keysville Union Cemetery, Keysville, MD. Arrangements by Skiles Funeral Home, Emmitsburg, MD.

Funeral services for Sister Melania Brennan, 86 of S. Seton Ave., Emmitsburg, MD, who died Friday, June 30, at Villa St. Michael, Emmitsburg, MD,

were held Monday, July 3, 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 principal celebrant. Interment was in St. Joseph's Cemetery, Emmitsburg, MD. Arrangements by Skiles Funeral Home, Emmitsburg, MD.

Funeral Services for Mrs. Betty Ellen (Eiker) Wierman, 66, of W. Main St., Emmitsburg, MD, who died Saturday, July 1 at the Frederick Memorial Hospital, Frederick, MD, were held Wednesday, July 5, from the Skiles Funeral Home, Emmitsburg, MD, with her pastor Rev. W. Ronald Fearer officiating. Interment was in the Emmitsburg Memorial Cemetery, Emmitsburg, MD.

Graveside funeral services for Mrs. Dorothy Jean (Pease) Zimmerman, 47, of Wilson Place, Frederick, MD, who died Thursday, July 13, at her residence were held Sunday, July 16, from the Em-

mitsburg Memorial Cemetery, with her pastor Rev. Jurgen Hilke officiating.

Funeral services for Mrs. Charlotte Mae (Shriver) Eyster, 81, of Emmitsburg, MD, who died Friday, July 21, at the Homewood Retirement Center, Frederick, MD, were held Monday, July 24, from Elias Evangelical Lutheran Church, Emmitsburg, MD, with her pastor Rev. W. Ronald Fearer officiating. Interment was in Emmitsburg Memorial Cemetery, Emmitsburg, Md. Arrangements by Skiles Funeral Home, Emmitsburg, MD.

Funeral services for Mr. David C. Gall of Mt. View Road, Emmitsburg, MD, who died Tuesday, July 25, at the Frederick Memorial Hospital, Frederick, MD, were held Friday, July 28, from Elias Evangelical Lutheran Church, Emmitsburg, MD, with his pastor Rev. W. Ronald Fearer officiating. Interment was in Blue Ridge Cemetery, Thurmont, MD. Arrangements by Skiles Funeral Home, Emmitsburg, MD.

### *A word about pre-arrangements and pre-financing*



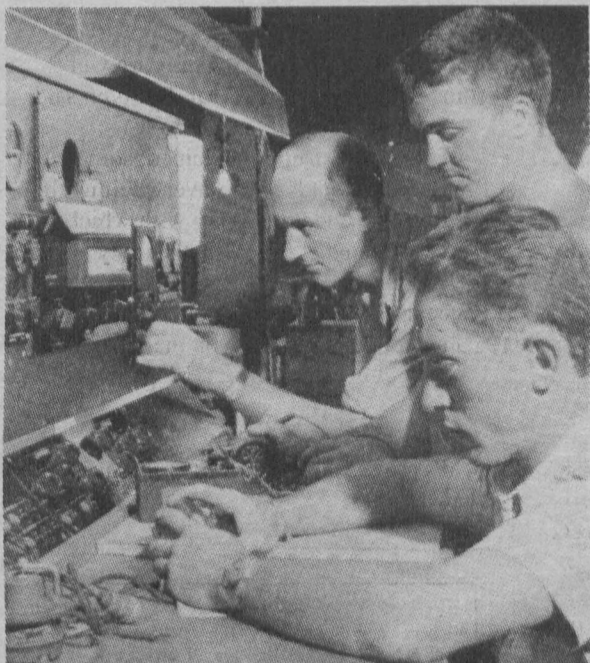
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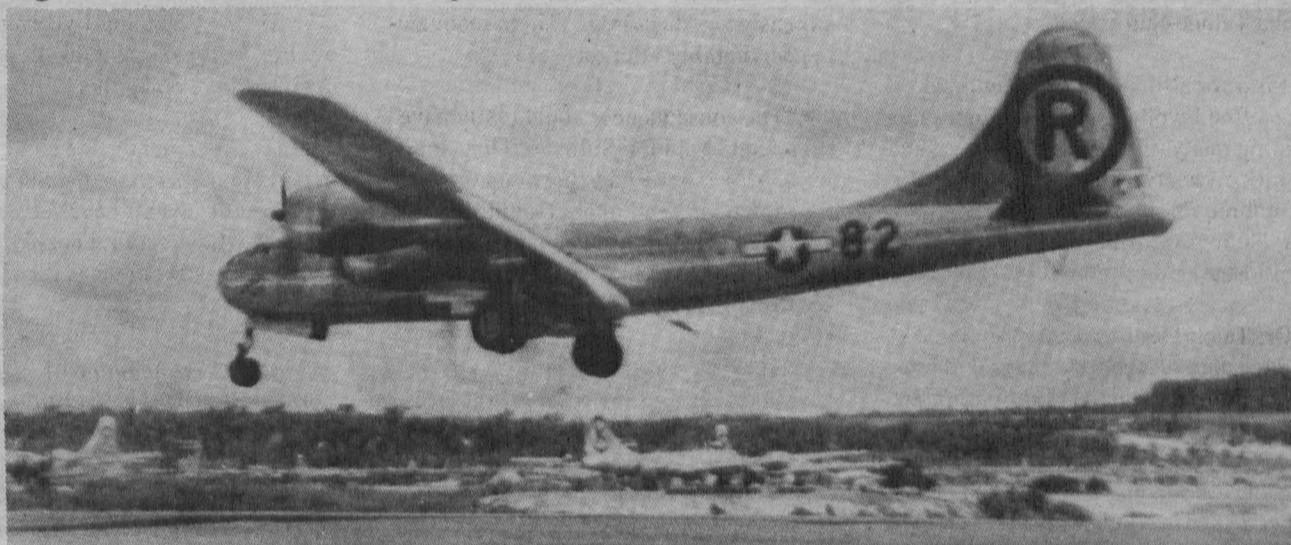
Jason Sanders, of Emmitsburg and a member of the 603rd Air Engineering Squadron of the 509th Bomb Group, was stationed on Tinian Island in the South Pacific when the *Enola Gay* took off for Hiroshima, August 6, 1945. "We had no knowledge of the bomb," Sanders said, "but I was glad to hear when it was dropped because then I knew the war would soon be over."

Noted in Jason's official yearbook of the 509th is this description of what took place when the *Enola Gay* returned from its historic mission. "As the *Enola Gay* floated in for her landing she was the object of interest and attention for the many service movie photographers stationed the length of the runway and taxi strips. Theirs was the job to record the mission's official end. As the airplane rolled to a stop on her hardstand a multitude of well wishers descended on the crew. But all of a sudden everyone stood back. For making his way through the crowd was Brigadier General Davies the Wing Commander. He headed straight for Col. Tibbets the *Gay's* pilot and called him to attention. Close behind him came General Carl Spaatz, commander of the United States Army Strategic Air Forces. The huge crowd became stilled. General Spaatz faced

Col. Tibbets and said a few words of congratulations. Upon completion of this he pinned the Distinguished Service Cross on his chest, giving official recognition of the wonderful job that he and all his men had performed. When this brief but impressive ceremony was over the crowd once again moved in, this time to offer congratulations to all the crew and fill their ears with question.

"How was it?"  
 "Did you get any flak?"  
 "Did you hit your target?"  
 "Is it true that Hiroshima is in ruins?"

Question after question was fired at the still bewildered crew.."  
 The world waited. The great debate began.



The *Enola Gay* floating home after its historic flight.

## Fresh Herbs for Summer

by Barbara Steele and Marlene Lufriu, Alloway Gardens

Now is the time to cut and use those fresh herbs in the garden.

If you enjoy fresh sliced tomatoes, make sure leaves of basil are added. An easy tomato dish is sliced tomatoes, chopped sweet basil leaves, sliced onion, green peppers, and a little olive oil and wine vinegar. Refrigerate this fresh salad for an hour or two before serving.

Basil also makes a delicious salad vinegar. Take a clean quart jar, fill with basil leaves and tender stems and pour white or red wine vinegar to cover. Let herb vinegar sit for at least two weeks so that herb essential oils will be released into vinegar. Other herbs that make good vinegars include french tarragon, chives, salad burnet, dill, rosemary, and thyme.

If you like your salad dressing spicier, add a hot pepper.

Since basil will be the first herb to be "done in" by frost, make sure you keep picking the flowers off to keep up leaf production. Add a few leaves to your canned tomatoes and a few more to your spaghetti sauce. Another way to preserve this special "summer flavor" is to make pesto that can be frozen.

### Pesto

- 1 cup fresh basil leaves
- 1 cup fresh parsley
- 3 cloves garlic
- 1/2 cup olive oil
- 1 cup grated Parmesan cheese
- 1/3 cup walnuts or pine nuts (optional)

Place fresh basil, parsley, and garlic in blender. Blend with 1/4 cup olive oil on low speed. Add cheese and remaining oil and blend. Add nuts, blending until chopped. Store in refrigerator. Serve over spaghetti or fresh garden vegetables. Pesto may be frozen.

During the hot "dog days" of summer don't forget your mint patch. A refreshing glass of mint tea or lemonade is a tasty cooler. Fill an earthenware tea pot with mint leaves (spearmint, curly, or apple) and cover with boiling water. Steep for 10-15 minutes. Chill and serve over ice with a slice of lemon; sweeten to taste. You may also use this mint tea to dilute frozen lemonade. Add the mint tea instead of water. Follow directions on can.

Remember, you use twice as much fresh herb as dried. You may substitute in any recipe, but if you have fresh herbs use them first.

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Sister Mary Catherine Warehime with Patrick Monacelli, Jonathan Adams, Courtney Smith, Brittany Justice, Kelliann Caulfield.

## MOTHER SETON NEWS

By Val Mentzer

### *A Loving Farewell*

Many times in our lives we find ourselves saying good-bye to special people who have made a difference in our lives. Such a good-bye is being said by our Mother Seton School family to Sister Mary Catherine Warehime, our Principal.

Sister Mary Catherine began teaching first grade at Mother Seton eight years ago. The eighth graders that she graduated this past June were the first class of first graders who welcomed her to teaching at Mother Seton. It has been the last four years that Sister has been our Principal.

Many students, families and teachers have been touched by Sister's gentle and nurturing demeanor. All have appreciated her smile and special sense of humor. All will miss her happy heart.

So we bid Sister Mary Catherine Warehime a fond farewell and wish her luck in her future endeavors. We thank her for her dedication and years of service to the ministry of Catholic education.

Unfortunately, our Mother Seton family says farewell to another one of its mem-

bers. Shannon Zahn fought a strong battle with cancer and was called home to the Lord this summer. As a school community, we would like to extend our deepest sympathy to her family and friends. We would also like to thank all of the students and school families that offered their contributions, both in prayer and diligent fundraising efforts.

### **Good-bye Summer - Hello Homework!**

It is inevitable: the 1995-96 school year will soon arrive. With just a few more weeks of summer left, it is time to look ahead to September.

You may notice a new addition on the grounds of Mother Seton School. Because of the increase in our student enrollment this year, a new classroom portable will house extra office and classroom space.

Our instrumental music program will be extended to include private piano lessons given by our two music teachers, Mrs. Karen Quillin and Mrs. Jo Lyn Degolia.

Our junior high will departmentalize this year. Students can look forward to having several different teachers for each of their subjects.

## Bits & Pieces

### Lasagna-The Easy Way

Charlotte D., of Jubilee, submits this "You don't have to cook the noodles, taste mighty good" Lasagna-The Easy Way. She found the recipe in the Old Order Brethren Cookbook.

1½ pounds ground beef

1 qt. jar spaghetti sauce

1 tsp. salt

½ pkg. lasagna noodles - uncooked (8 oz.)

1 cup small curd cottage cheese

12 oz. Mozzarella cheese (grated)

¼ cup Parmesan cheese

1 small onion - chopped

Brown ground beef and onion. Drain. Add salt & spaghetti sauce. In a 9 x 13 pan, layer hot sauce, uncooked lasagna, cottage cheese & Mozzarella cheese. Repeat layers ending with sauce. Sprinkle Parmesan cheese over. Cover tightly with foil and bake at 375° for 1 hour.

More cheese may be added and any spaghetti sauce you like could work.

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Our license will expire on October 1, 1995. We have filed an application for license renewal with the FCC.

A copy of this application is available for public inspection during our regular business hours. It contains information concerning this station's performance during the last license term, September 23, 1988, through October 1, 1995.

Individuals who wish to advise the FCC of facts relating to our renewal application and to whether this station has operated in the public interest should file comments and petitions with the Commission by September 1, 1995.

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## Fresh water fish, The Pet

By Jack Deatheridge, Jr.

Wanda doesn't get as upset as she used to when I manage to trash a few dollars worth of fish. She stopped naming fish upon realizing that the loss of a personalized pet hurts more than the loss of a couple of bucks. Still, we do become attached to individual fish and it can be painful to discover a favorite fish dead, or worse, dying!

I tend to keep fish alive now that I have a better understanding of what they require from me. Having succeeded in that effort I've, perhaps foolishly, turned to trying to breed fish. African Cichlids were my first successes and disappointments. I had hundreds of fish I could not sell and could not keep. They're gone, but the lessons they taught me are being applied to the discus and angelfish I struggle with now.

Getting discus or angels to mate requires, in my case, that their environment be improved. Water changes are more frequent. Foods of the best quality I can find and afford are offered. Filters are cared for a little better and I have to look at the fish with more attention than I sometime give a large community tank.

The books provide confusing or impractical advice on breeding fish. I've tried various strategies with much hope and partial success. I know fish can be raised from egg to adult because I've seen it. I haven't found the circumstance that will allow me and the fish to work together.

Recently I decided to put a mated pair of angels into a 55 gallon tank by themselves. They have laid eggs regularly since February. I let them do their thing. The eggs hatched, became "wrigglers" and were eventually moved around the tank by their parents.

I placed a divider in the tank to keep the micro worms (baby food) from getting too far from the angel fry. Partial water changes should have been done daily, I found excuses to avoid them. The parents tended the fry and the fry got fat. I got big headed when the fry were two weeks old and moved the parents away.

I've managed to lose all the babies. I'll try confining them more closely next time. Water changes will be a priority! And I'll leave the parents with them a little longer.

The only book about angelfishes I can find, *Freshwater Angelfishes* by Doctors Axelrod and Burgess, leads me to believe the fry starved to death. I'll have to try some of the good doctors' suggestions next hatch.

The experience has been one of learning for me. For Wanda, it has been disappointing. The parent angels had belonged to her grandmother who suggested we take care of them after she died. Wanda

had hoped to see the babies grow to adults so she might have some continuity with her grandmother—perhaps an heirloom to give to others of the family, including our son.

My business is to have people say of my set-ups: "That's beautiful!" I'd like to reply: "The angels are home-bred and raised from Gran'ma Swisher's collection."

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## Annual Community Show

Rodman Myers, chairman of the Thurmont and Emmitsburg Community Show, urges new area residents to enter exhibits in the 39th annual event. The show will be held September 8, 9, and 10 at Catoctin High School in Thurmont, MD. Exhibitors can find a copy of the Show booklet at area businesses for information about the various classes.

Exhibits are solicited from residents of the Catoctin High School area and entries must be grown or made by the exhibitor. There is no entry or admission fee.

The youth department will include boys and girls ages 13-19 and the junior department will include boys and girls ages 12 and under.

The chairman of the Flowers and Plants Department, Betty Pugh, urges those who "spend time weeding and tending your flowers, to consider what you will enter in the show." There is a potted plant section ("these plants should show several months of new growth") as well as dish garden and terrarium classes. "The horticulture exhibit is where you enter your best single specimen," she said. "The quality of the cut flower is the only thing judged." This year an opened Rose class and a class for flowers not listed has been added. Specialty items include cut herbs and/or potted herbs, wreaths, and other door decorations. They should only display those materials you have gathered and grown.

"Have fun in your garden," Betty urges, "and show us your results in September."



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