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Gaining Strength From One Another

May 1996

Sweeney wins commissioner seat



Clifford Sweeney

Residents turned out in record numbers on election day to give Clifford Sweeney a substantial win over incumbent Christopher Weaver for a seat on the town council. The final count was 104 to 57. "Close to 20% of the registered voters came in today,"

said election judge Alice Boyle. At the last mayoral and commissioner election only 56 people showed up at the polls.

Sweeney, 31, said campaigning door-to-door and handing out more than 800 fliers helped a lot in gaining support. He said he looks forward to his new role in the community and that he wants to finish the projects Chris Weaver started. Weaver was the Parks and Recreation commissioner for three years and initiated a number of projects for the town parks, some of which remain to be completed.

Sweeney also hopes to develop more activities and programs for the youth in (See Sweeney page 3)

Catoctin CASS holds open house and dinner

Nineteen area organizations were recognized for their support and collaboration with the Catoctin Community Agency School Services (CASS) program at a dinner held Wednesday, April 24, 1996, at the Emmitsburg Ambulance Building. Preceding the dinner, an open house and tour of the CASS offices in the Emmitsburg Community Center were held for representatives of nearly 50 area community groups.

David Markoe, associate superintendent of Frederick County Schools and "father" of the concept of connecting the school system with com-

munity agencies on behalf of children in risky situations, presented certificates of appreciation to representatives from the organizations being recognized: Frederick County Sheriff's Department - Resident Deputies, Emmitsburg Council of Churches, Thurmont Ministerium, Thurmont Police Department, Town of Thurmont, Town of Emmitsburg, Thurmont Lions Club, Emmitsburg Lions Club, Knights of Columbus, Thurmont Amvets Auxiliary, Catoctin Counseling Service, Catoctin Pregnancy Center, Mission of Mercy, the Banner, the Emmitsburg Regional Dispatch, Seton Center, Up-County Family Center,

Catholic Charities, and Mount St. Mary's College. "The CASS program is about people helping people," Mr. Markoe said, and "I am proud of what you all have done for the community."

Debbie Wivell Swiderski, interagency coordinator of the CASS program, said most families experience stressful situations at one time or another, and she was pleased to see them build on strengthening their families through the services provided by CASS. A presentation by Wanda Severance (Emmitsburg Elementary School), Rev. Mary Margaret (Please see CASS on page 3)

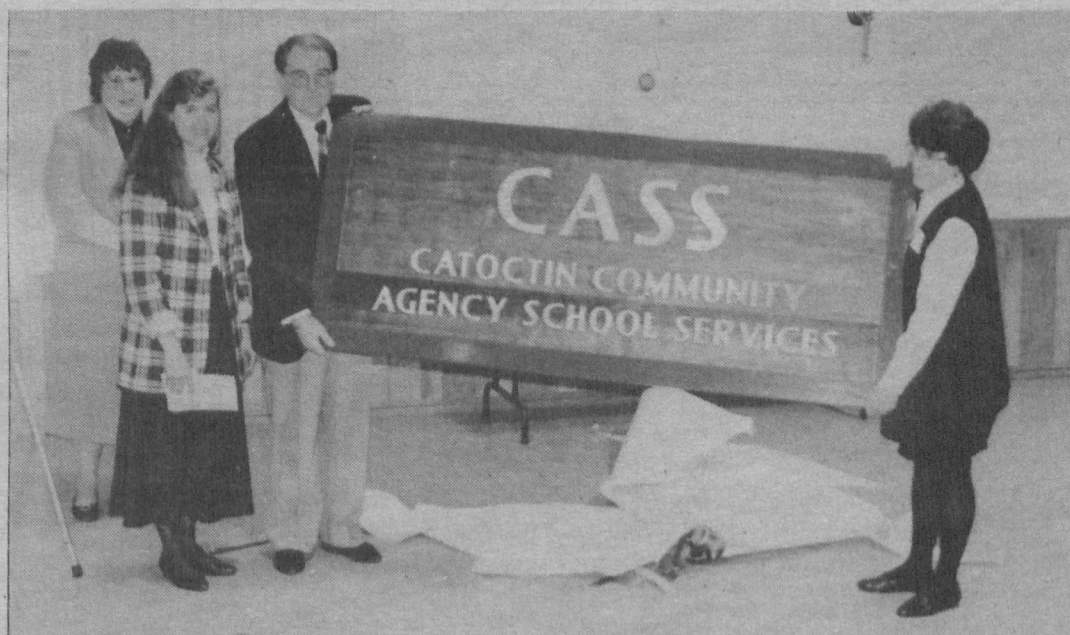
Commissioners OK Water Plant Upgrade

Emmitsburg commissioners voted to proceed with improvements to the town's water supply system at a public workshop held April 29. The plan as proposed by the Smith Engineering Report calls for making use of ground water and existing supply wells, in conjunction with surface water from Rainbow Lake.

For the past several months town officials have met with representatives from Mount Saint Mary's College to consider the mutual benefits of developing a combined system

using the wells located on the college property. After study the use of separate systems was decided upon. "I'm glad we took time to pursue these discussions with the Mount," said Mayor Carr. "Our adopting this plan does not affect our relationship with the college."

Emmitsburg will receive a one million dollar grant from the Maryland Department of the Environment for upgrading the water supply system. The projected cost of upgrading the system is \$810,000. (See WATER on page 3)



"Children are important to us, and we want to be sure parents in the area are never in doubt as to where the CASS office is," said Earl Miller, principal of Catoctin High School, as he presented Debbie Swiderski with an outdoor sign at the CASS dinner. Principals Wanda Severance (left) and Claire Kondig (right), assisted Mr. Miller with the presentation. Kinnaid Memorials of Thurmont donated the wood and labor for the sign.

A Community Newspaper

Letters to the editor

Expresses Appreciation

I wish to send you my sincere thanks for allowing me to participate in the Health Fair on April 13. I have been involved in many fairs in the past, and this one was the most organized and well run of them all. The Emmitsburg Lions should be very proud of their community involvement and for helping to bring awareness of health issue to those that attended. My thanks again, and I wish you much health and happiness.

DR. JOHN C. HAGEMANN
Thurmont

Sees need for stores

It would be nice to see stores Emmitsburg doesn't already have go in the shops adjacent to Jubilee, like a McCrory's, Tape/CD store, or natural herbs and vitamin shop.

MISSY SHANK
Emmitsburg

Little League Update

I am writing this letter to give you an update on the Emmitsburg Little League and its programs. For many years, the Little League has been comprised of six teams, but the size of the league increased over the past few years to a total of 20 teams. In

1996 boys and girls, ages five through fifteen, participate in the activities offered by the Little League. This year the 20th team, girls' softball for ages 13-15, was added.

With a program this large, the operating expenses are high. Along with the regular expenses of equipment, dues, insurance, umpire fees and baseballs, the League is always trying to improve the program that is offered to the youth. This year an electric score board will be installed at the Little League field—a much-needed improvement from the old score board. In the future, the League would like to build dugouts and a equipment storage building on one of the playing fields.

Your donation to the Emmitsburg Little League will be most appreciated and will be put to good use for the youth of this area. Donations should be made payable to the Emmitsburg Little League and sent to Emmitsburg Little League, 45 Park Drive, Emmitsburg, MD 21727.

On behalf of this very worthwhile cause, thank you for your support and I invite you to stop by the ballfields and see the youth in action.

WILLIAM D. WIVELL,
President
Emmitsburg Little League

Town News

Citizens' petition over road use discussed

At the April town meeting, commissioners heard from a delegation of concerned citizens from Northgate who oppose a connecting road between their subdivision and the adjoining Emmit Ridge II subdivision under construction. Developers have been using Provincial Parkway and cutting through Northgate subdivision since they do not have an entrance yet to Emmit Ridge II.

The Northgate Homeowners Association went on record as opposing the connecting road when they presented a petition to the Planning and Zoning Committee in March. The foremost concern was for the safety of the children who have to cross the road to get to the playground. It was felt that the connecting road will adversely affect the quality of life, decrease the property values, and destroy the uniqueness of Northgate with increased noise, traffic, and litter.

Mr. Nelson Zahler, of Sunshine Management which is constructing Emmit Ridge II, stated it was his understanding that Provincial Parkway is a corporate road and that they have a right to use this road. Zahler said the plans were approved years ago and had many chances for public hearings. He further stated that Sunshine Management is not in a position at this time to develop Irishtown Road as a construction entrance to the subdivision.

On a 3-1 vote, the commissioners requested the developer to use Irishtown Road as the primary road during the remaining construction process. Town Manager noted that an opinion should be obtained from the Town's attorney because the plans were approved with the road.

The town officials also voted to lower the speed limit in the Northgate subdivision to 15 miles per hour and to put up a "Children at Play" sign. A decision about a 4-way stop sign near the playground was delayed for further study.

Parks and Recreation Commissioner Weaver reported the submission of the application for the Program Open Space acquisition grant which included \$66,000 for eight townhouse lots at the Silo Hill Subdivision, \$70,000 for the Industrial Park area on Creamery road, \$3,000 for two picnic areas for Community Park, and \$10,000 for a pavilion at Community Park.

It was also announced that Joan Boyle has donated a Bradford Pear tree to be placed in Memorial Park and will pay to replace or repair the damaged tree on Main Street. The Silver Fancy Garden Club of Emmitsburg has donated \$40 to the Town for the purchase of a tree to be planted in honor of their past president, Mrs. Charles Fisher.

In other business the commissioners:

—voted to adopt a proclamation presented to the Council by Mayor Carr declaring April 1996 as Child Abuse Prevention Month;

—appointed Pat Boyle, Ann Gingell, Sharon Topper, Gene Myers, Roy Wivell, Carolyn Ainsworth, DFC Bartlett, DFC Hunter, and Jamie Eyer to the Parks and Recreation Committee;

—appointed Hope Mahoney, Tammy Wivell, and Ellen Staub to the Pool Advisory Committee;

—appointed Patrick Sullivan, James Hoover, Brian Brotherton, Denise Warthen, and Ken Howard to the Streets and Transportation Committee.

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May 17, 18, 19 - Ham Oscar - Honeyglazed ham with crab imperial \$13.50

May 24, 25, 26 Hawaiian chicken \$8.25

May 31 and June 1 Bar-B-Que Country style pork ribs \$7.25

We are extending our temporary hour change on Mondays and Tuesdays so that we may complete our face-lift. Thank you for your patience.



Did You Know...?

On the following holidays, the Town Office is closed and the parking meters are not enforced: **New Year's Eve and New Year's Day, Good Friday, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Friday following Thanksgiving, and Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.**

The Town Office is open and the meters require money on all other regular days. Holidays are also listed on the meter labels. If you have any questions feel free to call the Town Office at 447-2313.

Congratulations VFW Post #6658

VFW Post 6658, Emmitsburg, was awarded the Golden Anniversary Citation. Paul A. Spera, Commander-in-Chief of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, announced the award to the local Post which was fifty years old on April 14, 1996.

In issuing the citation to Post Commander Stan Lupinski, Spera congratulated all members of Post 6658 for the outstanding record they have achieved of service to the community, the veterans, and to the nation over the past fifty years.

Post 6658 joins a growing list of VFW Posts whose long association with the organization have made it the most successful major veterans group in the country with a membership of more than two million men and women.

Emmit Village Center Construction Begins Soon

The new Emmit Village Center, an 8,000 square foot, 36 parking space commercial center to be located on the west end of Emmitsburg, is scheduled to begin construction this summer.

According to developer Harry Kramer, the pre-engineered metal structure will have 1,000-square foot units with flexible walls that can be moved to accommodate the tenant. The design is of a village type to be compatible with the small town appearance. It will have greenspace and landscaped plantings.

"We have complied with all requirements of the town and will install a new sidewalk for the convenience of pedestrians," Kramer said. "Our goal is to provide a convenient location for businesses which can provide the town with needed services," said Kramer.

Emmit Village Center will be operated by Kramer's company, Sunshine Projects which is located at 1800 Waynesboro Pike, Fairfield, PA. According to Kramer some space is still available. He can be contacted at 717-642-5770 for more information.

(CASS from page 1)

Bittle (Thurmont Ministerium), Leslie Persse (Up-County Family Center), Elaine Mennito (Frederick Co. Health Dept.), and Kim McGrady and Mike Long (parents) helped to illustrate how CASS has made a difference in the Catoctin area over the years.

The program has been operating in the Catoctin area since 1993 and has had contact with over 200 families. "We have made a lot of progress," said Debbie "but we have a lot more to do." She told the group that CASS would be focusing on two important family issues - substance abuse and domestic violence - and that there was a great need for a recreation program for children. "We also need more male role models, tutors, and transportation aides," she said, emphasizing what a difference a few hours a month can make in the life of someone in need of those services.

The dinner was provided through donations from area restaurants and businesses including Cozy Restaurant, Main Street Deli, Emmitsburg Jubilee, Mountaingate Family Restaurant, Mother Carey's Chickens, Pizza Hut, Carriage House, The Palms Restaurant, Flowers For You, Emmitsburg Video, and the Ott House.

(WATER from page 1)

The difference can be applied to locating and drilling new wells to meet future demands. The first two phases of the project call for testing of the existing wells and engineering studies for the treatment plant will start in September.

The aging water treatment facility which was built in 1964 now produces water that meets county, state, and federal standards but shows signs of deterioration and will require replacement. Currently the system processes a maximum of 300,000 gallons per day. It is estimated that the demand for water in the next five years will be 450,000 gallons per day.

Births

Mr. and Mrs. Duane Shank, Emmitsburg, MD, a daughter born on March 20, 1996.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hackney, Emmitsburg, MD, a daughter born on March 23.

Kathy and John Marshall, Emmitsburg, MD, a son born on March 30.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Sachs, Emmitsburg, a daughter born April 8.

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Representatives present who received CASS certificates of appreciation. Front row, left to right: Debbie Swiderski (CASS coordinator); Mary Margaret Bittle (Thurmont Ministerium); Deputy Jeff Bartlett, (Frederick County Sheriff's Department); Joe Scott, (Emmitsburg Council of Churches); Margarito Ochoa (Thurmont Lions); Leslie Persse (Up-County Family Center); Sr. Mary Kevin (Seton Center); and Michelle Morrison (Mount Saint Mary's College Community Service Program). Back row, left to right: Jim Wivell (Emmitsburg Lions); Bo Cadle (Emmitsburg Regional Dispatch); Commissioner Robert Wagerman (Town of Thurmont); Neal Bechtol (Thurmont Police Department); Dr. Michael Sullivan (Mission of Mercy); and Joe Burreau (Catholic Charities).

Photo by Bob Rosensteel

(SWEENEY from page 1)

Emmitsburg. He has served as vice-president of the T-ball league for 4 years, and is pleased with the Little League program, which is for three months of the year. "We need to pro-

vide activities for the other 9 months - especially for teenagers," he said. Sweeney plans to work closely with Debbie Swiderski at the CASS office in developing more youth programs for the community.



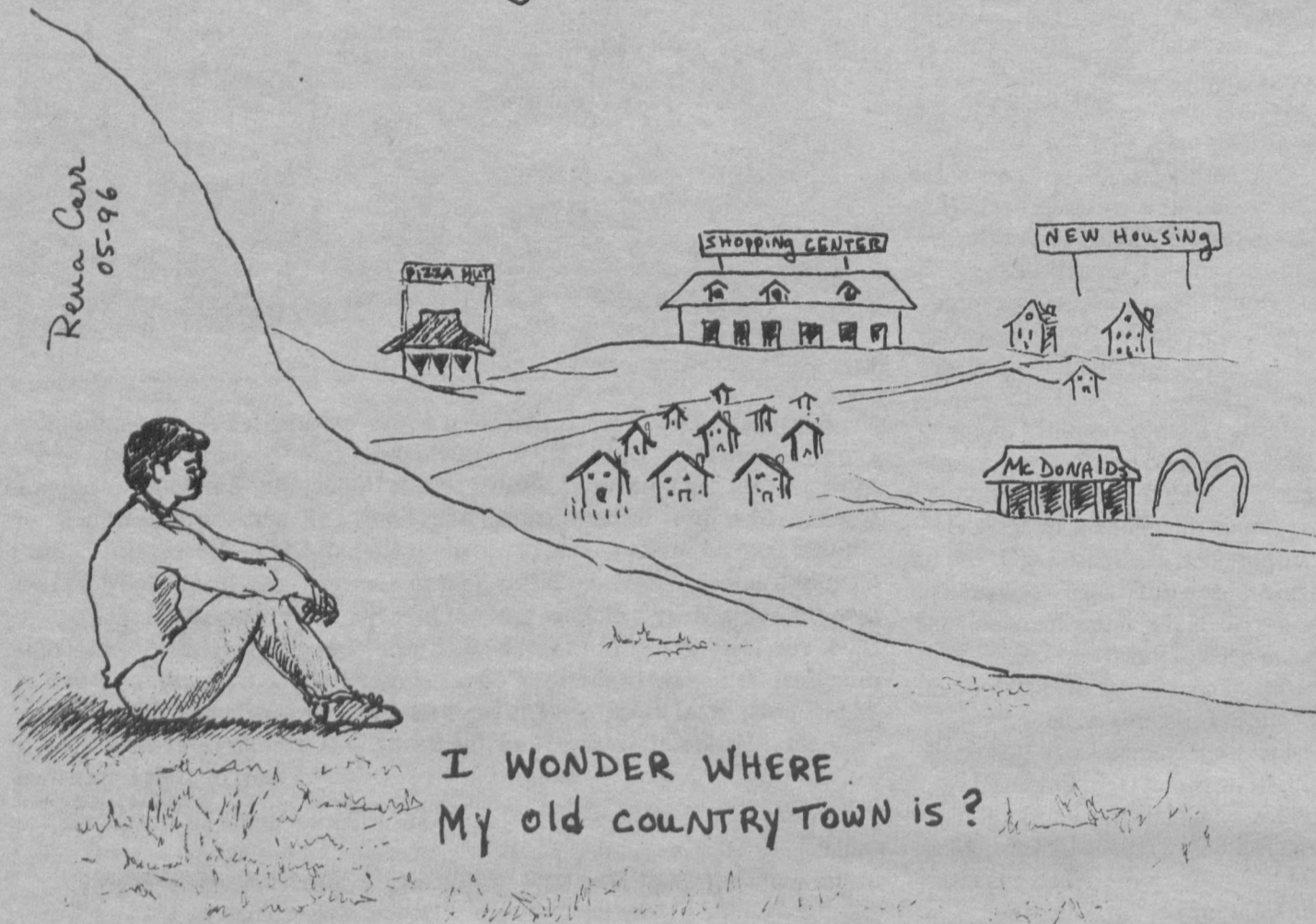
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Rena Carr
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A House on Rollers

May 1, 1896 -The house occupied by Mr. Charles Ott, near Mt. St. Mary's College, has been put on rollers preparatory to removing it some distance from its present site. The family is still living in the house. The building will be taken to its new location and placed upon a foundation without removing any of the furniture from the house.

Corporation Election

May 8, 1896 -The annual election for a Burgess and six commissioners to govern the municipal affairs of Emmitsburg for the ensuing year was held on Monday. The election passed off quietly. There were two tickets in the field. The number of votes poled was 120, being the largest number of votes cast for several years.

Joke #1

May 15, 1896 - On last Sunday a trio of men of this place spent the afternoon along Tom's creek, looking after the finny tribe, and other things that inhabit the waters. One of the party who was not so well posted as the other two caught a terrapin, which is known in this section of the country as "stink pot." His friends told him that it was a "diamond-back," and what excellent soup it would make. Having confidence in his friends, he brought the "diamond-back" to town, with the intention of having a feast. You can imagine the tailor's great surprise when he learned that his game was not a "Diamond-back," but only a "stink-pot," and unfit for soup.

May 22, 1896 - Mr. and Mrs. George Plank, of near this place, gave a pretty birthday party in honor of their daughter, Miss Katie Plank. The evening was spent in playing games of all kinds. Miss Katie has many friends, there being one hundred present on the occasion, and was the largest birthday party given in our vicinity on record. Miss Katie received many valuable presents.

Cattle in the Cemetery

May 29, 1896 - It was discovered a few days ago that cattle have been pastured in the Lutheran cemetery, in this place. Who the cattle belonged to, or how they got into the cemetery is not known. The supposition is that they were turned into the cemetery sometime during the night and taken out before day light. This act is punishable by law.

Commentary

In the first contested town election in several years, Emmitsburg voters rose to the occasion and exercised their privilege. Approximately 20% of the registered voters made their mark. The general observation of the election judges was that most of the voters were young people (a relative statement?).

Eighty percent of the registered voters did not vote for whatever reasons - disinterest in issue, disillusionment with government, lack of energy, etc. However, the reality is that several things worked in this election. There was an issue. There was some campaigning. There was involvement on the part of newer residents in the town. With some creaking and groaning a re-energized governing process is beginning to stir.

In small-town governing processes, issues and/or problems are on a personal level. There is no need for

political party affiliations. People speak for themselves. There is no room for a win/lose mentality.

In the April 23 election, Clifford Sweeney replaced Chris Weaver as town commissioner. Congratulations, Clifford, and good luck in assuming the mantle you have won. Thank you, Chris Weaver, for the work you have done for the town in developing the parks and recreation areas and in working with the citizens on the Parks and Recreation Committee in providing for the needs of kids.

With no pre-defined political agenda superimposed on local elections, one person bubbles to the top and the other rejoins the group — both continuing to work for the things they have more in common than not — the effective functioning of government that ensures the quality of our lives in this small town.

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Pasta Factory- Grand Opening



Bob and Holly Fritts

A Dispatch Photo

April 1 was no day to be a Fool. It was the day for the grand opening of the Pasta Factory, a new restaurant in Emmitsburg, where complimentary food and drink were offered to all who came. At 304 Main Street, it is owned by Robert and Holly Fritts and Philip and Linda Postelle.

"We really wanted to do this," Holly said. "It's a chance to let people try our pasta, and we hope they'll come back. Also, we wanted to give back to the community what they've given to us." Since 1990, Bob and Holly have operated the Gourmet Grill which is located in the same building as the Pasta Factory.

Featuring the largest pot of spaghetti seen in these parts in a long time, chefs Bob Fritts and Don Long laid out a table-groaning spread to introduce their specialities to the public. Baked ziti, spinach lasagna, a hot Greek pasta, trio tortellini with marinated artichoke, and fettucine Alfredo, are just some of the pasta dishes on the Factory menu. All entrees come with a garden or Caesar salad and garlic bread.

Bob Fritts's career in the food business began with the Sir Walter Raleigh Inn located in the metropolitan Washington area. He started as a dishboy and over the years worked his way to becoming a unit manager

and chef. His forte is preparing specialty foods and catering.

Holly majored in fashion illustration and design in college, but she has put that interest on hold in order to work with her husband. For a while she specialized in making desserts for the Gourmet Grill, but now she splits her time between assisting in the restaurants and being mother of their two sons, Bobby, 4, and Shaun, 2.

Chef Don Long has taken over Holly's job of making desserts and is responsible for the cheese cakes and carrot cakes. He also handles the preparation of soups, sauces, pastas, ziti, and crab imperial. Elaine Carter of Frederick serves as manager and oversees the operation.

The Pasta Factory is available for private bookings including family reunions, birthdays, corporate functions, wedding rehearsals or small wedding receptions. It is open 11 a.m. to 12 a.m. Tuesday and Wednesday, 11 a.m. to 2 a.m. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, and from noon to 10 p.m. on Sunday.

Catering service by the Gourmet Caterers is also available. For more information call 447-3116

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"I dealt from where??!!" Seniors enjoy the card party held at the Senior Center April 25. — A Dispatch Photo

Senior Citizen News —

By Anna Margaret Martin

"Spring has sprung." The weather is warm—winter is over (I hope.) The Seniors enjoyed a trip to Lancaster April 19th and we hope to attend a show at the Totem Pole and take a fall trip to Western Maryland. Dates for these events will be announced later.

Activities for May are as follows:

Thursdays - May 2, 16, 30 - Bingo at 1 p.m.

Thursdays - May 9, 23 - "500" Card Party, 1 p.m.

Tuesday, May 14 - Shopping in Frederick - 1:30 p.m.

Tuesday, May 21 - Meeting Day - Blind Bingo (furnished by the center.)

Tuesday, May 28 - Nutrition with Cindy at 12:45 p.m.

On Saturday, May 18 from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m., the center will sponsor a yard and food sale to be held in the center. Come patronize the Seniors. The event will be held rain or shine.

The Emmitsburg Center is open Monday - Friday from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. with lunch served at 12 noon each day. Any person 60 years (or older) can participate in this program with reservation 24 hours in advance. Transportation is available to and from lunch and carryouts are available upon approval by the Commission on Aging. Come join us for food, fun, and fellowship.

For information call Anna Margaret at 447-6253. On Memorial Day, Monday, May 27, the center will be closed.

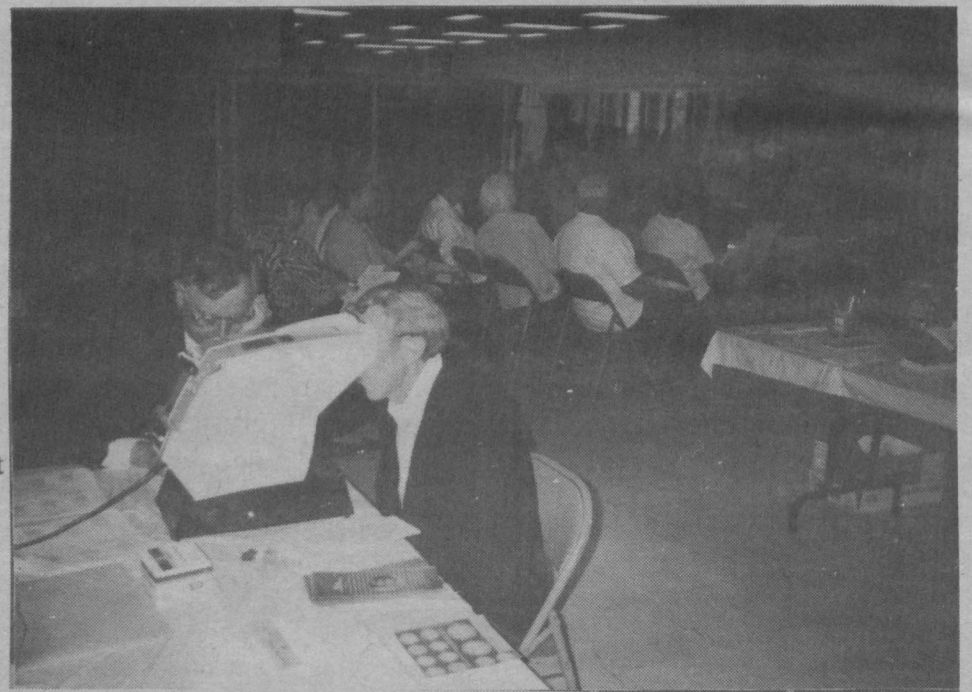
Lions 13th Annual Health Fair A Huge Success

By Gene Rosensteel

The Emmitsburg Lions wish to thank all the exhibitors, sponsors, and volunteers for their time and support in making our thirteenth Annual Health Fair our most successful yet. Two hundred and seven people received some form of testing or screening. Twenty women received mammograms. These are the best numbers ever posted at our Health Fair.

We give special thanks to The Gettysburg Hospital and Mother Seton School. We also wish to thank those listed below for their time and support in making our thirteenth Health Fair a reality:

Alzheimer's Support Group, Apria Healthcare, Inc., Arthritis Foundation, Carriage House (coffee & lunch for volunteers), Corney's Corner (vision machine rental), Emmitsburg Ambulance Corps, Emmitsburg Post Office (equipment), Epilepsy Association, F & M Bank (pens), Frederick County Health Department, Frederick County Sheriff's Department, The Gettysburg Hospital, John C. Hagemann, D.C. (chiropractic services), Scott Henry, D.P.M., Home Call, Inc., Jubilee Foods (doughnuts), Richard Kelley, D.D.S., Lori A. Lossman, C.M.T., Mother Carey's Chickens (vision machine rental), Mother Seton School Administration (building use & other), Mt. St. Mary's College (equipment), Ott House (vision machine rental), Rutter's Farm Store (orange juice), Travis Sanders (signs), Villa St. Michael (wheelchair), and Zurgable Brothers Hardware (miscellaneous equipment).



Lion Dave Martin prays Rev. Fearer passes vision test.

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Little League News . . .

By Marta Hillis

The 1996 Emmitsburg Little League season has officially begun! Despite windy weather conditions, opening day (April 20) was an enjoyable one for players and fans alike. The day began with Mr. Gary Sites presenting a 5-pound Hershey chocolate bar to each of the top sellers (Cory Sites, Bruce Bryant, Jason Getz, and Hunter Crummitt) in the candy fundraiser. The ceremonial first pitch was thrown by Mr. Bob Sayler. Bob was appropriately recognized on the mound for his outstanding 31 years of volunteer service to Little League.

Thanks to their VFW sponsor, the Cardinals wore brand new uniforms in the opening contest of the triple header day. Emmitsburg Little League is most appreciative to all of its team sponsors. Hats off to the following local businesses and organizations for their sponsorship support.

Senior League Sponsor

White Sox - The Ott House
Red Wings - Myers' TV and Benson Garage Door Co.
Colts - McDonald's

Major League

Giants - Knights of Columbus
Cardinals - Emmitsburg VFW
Red Sox - Emmitsburg American Legion

Yankees - Borderline 4 x 4
Dodgers - Indian Lookout Conservation Club
Orioles - Toney Supply, Inc.

Softball

Angels - Topper's Insurance
Pink Panther - Friend of the Family & J.W. Walters
Wildcats - R.J. Topper & E.F. Tyler Trucking

Minor League

Expos - W.S. Drywall, Inc.
Tigers - Borderline 4 x 4
Astros - Carriage House Rest.
Grizzlies - Town Video

T-Ball

Giants - Quality Tire Service
Mets - Emmitsburg Panes
Phillies - Emmitsburg Pharmacy
Braves - S.K. Wivell, Builder

To run a successful Little League program financial support and volunteer support are always needed. Please don't hesitate to get involved! The next Little League meeting will be Monday, May 6 at 7:00 p.m. in the press box above Sayler's Stand.

From now until mid-July games galore will be going on in Emmitsburg. Come on out to a game. You'll be glad you did—I guarantee it!

See you at the ball field.

Catoctin Reading Day



Students in Mrs. Perry's and Mrs. Burgess's classes enjoy Catoctin Reading Day. Back row: Kyle Vaughn, Bobby Myers, Jacob Fields, Matthew Bradshaw, Joshua Gonzalez, Zachary Edmondson. Front row: Matthew Bollinger, Brooke Sickie, David Northrup.

Photo courtesy of Dianne Walbrecker

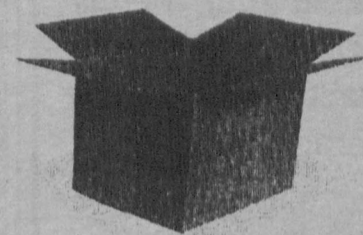
Community representatives read to students

Catoctin Reading Day was celebrated at Emmitsburg Elementary School on April 2, 1996. Many community representatives attended the special day and read to students in all of the classrooms. Many thanks to the following people who helped to make our Reading Day successful: Loretta Adelsberger, Eleanor Humerick, John Humerick, Anna Law, Anna Margaret Martin, and Darlene Hicks, all from the Emmitsburg Senior Citizens Center; Caroline Zigler and Betty Welsh from the Bell Atlantic Pioneers; Joyce Harris, Nancy Williams, and Sue Ann No-

gle from FCPS Staff Development Office; Leslie Persse from Up-County; Stacey Wantz from Mountain Manor Treatment Center; Kate Warthen from Emmitsburg Library; Sandy Andrew from the Catholic Charities; Debbie Swiderski from CASS; Rich Boyd from Jubilee; Dianne Walbrecker, and Joe Scott, parents; Dr. Curley, Dr. T. Bringardner from Emmitsburg; Lisa Eye-Mangini, Martha Bauer, Jim Corley, Nelson Palmer, Russell Beaton, and Phil Brohawn from FCPS; Mount Saint Mary's students, and Earl Miller, principal of Catoctin High School.

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Boy Scouts of America. Correction: Anyone trying to contact Scout Master Nancy Baumgartner using the previously reported telephone number knows I gave the wrong number. (My first reporting assignment and I blew it.) To reach Nancy try 447-6918 or 694-1542. My apologies to everyone inconvenienced by the error (Numerica Dyslexia).

Jack Deatherage, Jr.

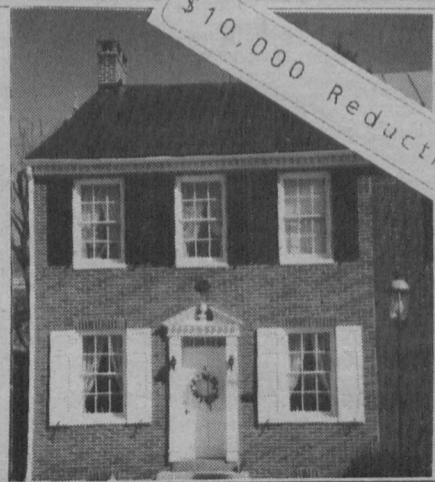


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News From the Catoctin Pregnancy Center

By Maureen Kidwell

The staff of the Catoctin Pregnancy Center would like to thank community residents who support us so generously. Two fund raisers are planned in the coming months.

MOTHER'S DAY CARDS: The Center is offering Mother's Day cards that can be used to honor, or in memory of, one's mother. The cards, for a donation in the amount of your choice, are available at the Center or by calling Tammy Wivell at 447-2752.

FLEA MARKET/YARD SALE: This annual event will be held on Saturday, June 1 from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. at St. Anthony's Church grounds. Table space is available for \$10. Call Tammy (447-2752) to reserve a space. When you do your spring cleaning, think of the CPC. We will gratefully accept books (children's only, please), white elephant items,

household goods, furniture, etc. We do not plan to sell clothing this year. For pick-up of items, call Betty Lucier at 447-2445.

The Center is located at 2 East Main Street in Emmitsburg. The telephone number is 447-3391. The hours are Monday 1 p.m. - 3 p.m., Tuesday 7 - 9 p.m., Wednesday 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., Thursday 10 a.m. - noon, and Friday 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Our greatest need is volunteer time. If you are available to help during any of the hours listed, please call Tammy at 447-2752.

We continue to receive requests for cribs and mattresses, car seats, boosters, high chairs, and safety gates. There is a waiting list for some of these items. We would appreciate any donations to satisfy these needs.

Deadline for June Issue - May 22

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Singers work it out



Members of the Emmitsburg Community Chorus, led by Mrs. Sandy Soffe, rehearsing at St. Joseph's Parish Hall. Photo courtesy Jay Allen

Emmitsburg Community Chorus

Singers prepare for upcoming concert

By Sue Allen

In spite of the winter's snowy assault and heavy spring showers, the Emmitsburg Community Chorus has tried to maintain weekly rehearsals to prepare new music for several public events. The chorus sang for the community sunrise service on Easter morning, and now the push is on to learn and fine-tune the songs that Director Sandy Soffe has chosen for our annual spring concert.

We continue to call this program a "spring" concert, although for a number of years now it has been held in June. This year our theme, and

opening number, will be "Sentimental Journey," and we freely admit that all the tunes will be "Golden Oldies." We will present selections which are reflective and representative of "pop" music from the successive decades of the 20th century. From Victor Herbert to Henry Mancini, we think you will recognize many of these songs and enjoy them all.

The concert is scheduled for Sunday, June 23rd at 3:00 p.m., and will be held at St. Joseph's Parish Hall. Mark your calendars now to reserve that afternoon so you can join Sandy Soffe, Pat McElroy, and the Emmitsburg Community Chorus on their "Sentimental Journey" through the popular songs of our American Century.

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Post office offers tips for safe delivery of mail

By Linda Chappell, Postmaster,
Emmitsburg Post Office

Many of our customers are concerned about mail theft and mail fraud. They want to know what they can do to protect themselves. The Postal Service delivers millions of checks, money orders, savings bonds, credit cards, and other valuables every day. Unfortunately, thieves know this and are ready and waiting to steal your mail when the time is right. They break into residential and apartment mailboxes, collection boxes, and postal vehicles.

The Postal Service works hard to make sure that your daily mail gets to you safe and sound. But we need your help. By following a few tips, you make life a little harder for mail thieves.

Never send cash or coins through the mail. Always send a check or money order.

Make sure your mailbox is in good condition. Mailboxes in poor condition often expose mail to theft and bad weather. Your postmaster can advise you on current regulations and steps you can take to improve the condition of your mailbox.

Collect mail from your mailbox promptly, especially checks and food coupons. Become familiar with the time of day your letter carrier delivers mail. If you cannot be home when checks or food coupons are expected, ask a trusted friend or neighbor to pick up your mail. You can also contact your post office about holding mail for you during vacations or other periods of long absences from home.

Contact the issuing agency if you do not receive an expected check, food coupon, or other valuable mail.

Notify your post office and mailers immediately if you change your address. Your post office has change-of-address forms for this purpose. If you experience any change in the receipt of your mail such as missing mail, contact your postmaster immediately. False change-of-address cards are sometimes used to alter the delivery of mail.

Address your mail properly. Always include your complete return address.

Advise your postmaster or postal inspector immediately if your mail is stolen.

Town Hosts Maryland Municipal League



Guests of honor Mrs. and Mr. Orley Bourland of Walkersville, Town Manager Yvette Semler, and Commissioners Chris Weaver and David Copenhagen at the MML dinner meeting. *A Dispatch Photo*

The Frederick County Chapter of the Maryland Municipal League held its quarterly meeting April 23 at the Pasta Factory in Emmitsburg. Orley Bourland, retiring Mayor of Walkersville, was recognized for his service to the organization. Bourland was the District Representative to the State MML organization and a tireless promoter and developer of the county chapter.

In the past two years Emmitsburg has become more active in MML," said Emmitsburg Town Manager Yvette Semler. "It has been helpful to discuss problems of mutual concern." Semler is the Vice-President of the Frederick County Chapter of MML.

The Maryland Municipal League is a

state-wide organization of city and/or town elected officials that is concerned with state-level issues that affect local municipalities. Unfunded mandates and state aid for police protection are issues of primary concern being discussed by the organization.

According to Semler the county chapters provide coordination and mutual assistance in common areas of interest and provide a unified strength when dealing with state delegates. "We are able to exchange ideas on reducing the costs of government, and share ideas and solutions about issues of management and problems we have in common," said Semler.

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Library News

By Kate Warthen

Noted Children's Author To Visit Emmitsburg Library

Annapolis author Priscilla Cummings, creator of Chadwick—a talking fame-seeking, adventurous little blue crab who lives with his buddies in the Chesapeake Bay—will visit the Emmitsburg library to kick off this summer's Reading Club on Saturday, June 1, at 1 p.m. She will tell young readers more about Chadwick, who in 10 years of adventures in and around the Chesapeake Bay has married Esmerelda, "the prettiest crab in the bay," become a father, fought to protect endangered species, and lobbied state law makers to curb pollution. Registration is required. Please call the library at 447-2682.

School will soon be over and the children will have more time to read. How wonderful to be a child! How wonderful to be able to walk into the library and avail yourself to the wonderful world of books, a vast array of new books that are colorful and informative. One has only to choose a stack and be assured of good reading for a three-week period. We hope that the mother, father, sister, or brother, or other caregiver will bring the young children to the library to gather books. Think how many books they can read over the summer.

To earn the Summer Reading Club

certificate, children under third grade are required to read or have read to them 20 books. Children over the third grade level need to read ten books. A child does not have to complete the requirements to join but prizes are given for children reading the most books in the different categories. We hope you encourage your kids to sign up early.

The Friends of the Emmitsburg Library bought Dr. John Gray's *Men are from Mars, Women are from Venus*, a six-tape series on enhancing relationships. The tapes provide practical suggestions for improving gender relationships. You may request the tapes at the library. Or, if patrons would like, we can have weekly showings on the VCR in the media room and then hold discussions about the film. Call the library and let us know how you feel about the tapes or if you are interested in the group presentation and discussion.

Ted. E. Bear is lost! If you are the owner of this beautiful Teddy Bear please claim him at the library. He wants to go home.

Our Lady of Grace Homeschoolers Hand Chime Choir gave a performance at the Emmitsburg Library on April 16. Our thanks to conductor Fred Ziegler and players Jeff Ziegler, Jeremy Ziegler, Jesse Ziegler, Matt Enriques, Danielle Enriques, Kelly Worden, and Devon Worden.

Annual Hazardous Waste and Bulk Free Day at Landfill May 11th

Stop dreading your spring cleaning! The Bureau of Solid Waste Management will be holding its yearly Household Hazardous Waste and Bulk Free Day at the Reichs Ford Road Landfill from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m., Saturday, May 11, rain or shine, where you can get rid of all that junk crowding your basement and garage. This opportunity will be available to all Frederick county residents.

Various items will be accepted during the day including household chemicals such as fuels, cleaners, pesticides, pool chemicals, batteries, paints, stains, etc. The landfill will also be accepting useable latex paint from homeowners for recycling. Residents can also bring large bulk items free of charge such as appliances, furniture, and tires. Call 694-1848 for more information.

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implies, batters "Tee off," no 'bacca juice on the 'ol apple.

"Talk-it-up" coaches are located all over the field, positioning players, encouraging them along with the moms, dads, and grandparents. The whole family are there to cheer on their favorite and everybody else's favorite too. Encouragements like "nice play," "good hit," "come back here," and "pull up your pants," ring out from all corners of the stadium and field.

Exciting (unusual) plays are the highlight of every game. Today the slugger runs to third base after a solid hit. The whole stand screams "run to first!" Slugger dashes over to the pitcher's mound as the best place to be during such commotion. The view

is always better from a mound. And you can't argue with that. The fielding style is "pounce." There is also a variation—"pounce and roll." Occasionally fielders don't run into each other or base runners.

Today the Philllies beat the Braves 16 to 12 in four innings—almost before I finished my hotdog. How's that for fast paced action?

Following the game, ceremonial "high fives" with the opposition. Coaches can be heard encouraging the players; "You did a wonderful job, but... Don't get discouraged, we are going to change the batting order." There are cheers of "Yea!" "Yee-Hah!" and "I'm hungry," from the players.

The last move of the day is huddle-up, then break for snow-cones. On-lookers are in the way at their own risk.



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Up-County - Family Matters

Revisiting Lamaze

By Anita Shank

As parents of a very active five-year-old son and both with careers that demand more than forty hours a week, we debated the pros and cons of attending Lamaze at the Up-County Support Center. We had attended classes at another location during the first pregnancy, and we were tempted to believe that we learned and remembered everything from our past experience. After experiencing the birth and rearing of our son, what would "revisiting" a Lamaze class offer us that was new or necessary for the birth of our second child?

We decided to attend the classes just as a time to emotionally prepare

After experiencing the birth and rearing of our son, what would revisiting a Lamaze class offer us?

us and also it would give us time to spend together without other daily distractions. The class was small and diverse in age, occupation, and life experiences. The facilitator, Nini, would best be described as an Earth Mother. I give this description because of her personal experiences and professional knowledge of child birth, her warm, compassionate personality, and her realistic perception of the birth process and everyone's involvement in the process. Her insight and descriptions of the process, pain, and elation of giving birth are down-to-earth and honest. Nini gives every participant a sense of dignity and ability to succeed with the pregnancy, delivery, and parenting by making all questions and comments equally important. All of these things tied together made my delivery more manageable for me and my husband.

Nini proved to be a wealth of professional information due to her occupation and personal commitment to healthier deliveries for mothers and babies. We were humbled and elated to learn more about the development of the baby, the birthing process, and post partum expectations. Nini provided an atmosphere open to questions, modeling, practice, and review of information.

The importance of the revisit to the classes was not truly apparent until the time of delivery. My first delivery was a C-section and the second was a vaginal delivery. Nini provided detailed information that either we never knew or had forgotten. The information from the class made the delivery easier for me and provided my husband with knowledge on how to be helpful and supportive.

The most important part of the class was the teamwork that evolved between my husband and myself. This

experience brought my husband and me to a new understanding and appreciation of each other's strengths and resources. With both of us having the information and tools provided by Nini, this birth experience was profoundly special and bonded us as a family even more. This strengthening of our family bond is due partially to our "revisiting" Lamaze at Up-County and to the professional and committed staff of Up-County. We will always be grateful.

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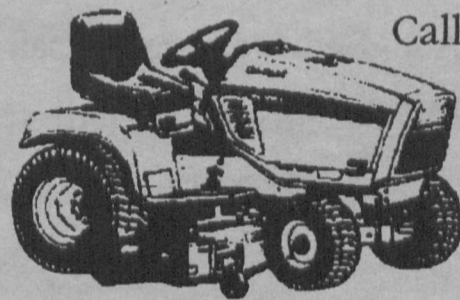
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VHC fundraiser to begin

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Each family who participates will receive a free 8 x 10 family portrait compliments of the volunteers.

Silo Hill Road/East Main St. Intersection Survey Reviewed

At the request of the Planning and Zoning Committee, Town Deputy Bartlett reviewed the State Highway Administration's traffic survey of the intersection of Silo Hill Road and US 140. Deputy Bartlett also conducted his own independent survey and found that at the present time the intersection meets safety standards.

Bartlett made the recommendation to have the State Highway Administration do another study of

this area when the new commercial center is fully operational or to use a traffic control device activated only at peak volume hours. The deputy stated that when the volume of residents at Silo Hill increases, the "numbers" of the situation will change. He also recommended moving the speed limit sign of 25 mph to the area of Rt. 140 and Harney Road, which will encourage traffic to slow down prior to the intersection.

DFC Bartlett informed the Council that the cost of a traffic light could be as much as \$1,000 per month.

Health Department Resumes Services

The Frederick County Health Department will be at the Emmitsburg's CASS office on a regular basis on the second Tuesday of every month from 1:30 - 3:30 p.m. Immunizations and free physical exams will be available for anyone from birth to age 22 years.

The Health Department and CASS are offering an opportunity for a free school physical. Immunizations and hearing and vision screens will be offered as part of the exam. The physicals are by appointment only. If your child does not have a doctor or does not have medical insurance that pays for a school physical, you may use this service. A brief interview with a nurse prior to the physical is necessary.

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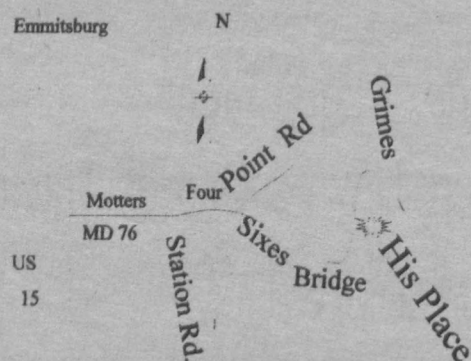
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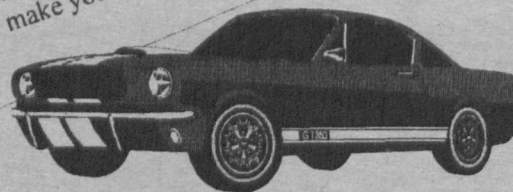
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Klinder wins art award

Mary Topper, president of Emmitsburg VFW Ladies Auxiliary, announced that local student Sharon Klinder received first prize in the V.F.W. Auxiliary, Dept. of Md. Art Contest. There were 150 participants from Maryland in this contest. Miss Klinder's art work will now be considered in the National Contest.

Klinder attends Thomas Johnson High School in Frederick and was sponsored by the Auxiliary.

Emmitsburg Services - Wastewater Treatment Facility

Emmitsburg's wastewater treatment facility holds open house

As part of its activities for Municipal Government Week, the town of Emmitsburg held open house at the Wastewater Treatment Facility on Creamery Road during the morning hours of April 22, 23, and 24. This was an opportunity for residents to see how things are done and how they work.

The *Dispatch* chose to make this tour for several reasons. Looking toward the east while traveling on U.S. 15, one sees the eighty-five acre plot criss-crossed with pipes and plumbing, like some sort of spaceport for an encounter of the third kind. In addition, at town meetings the treatment plant is often mentioned as one of the town's largest expenses, \$225,000 was budgeted for FY 95/96. Finally, the tour offered a chance to discover the links between the plant and the environment.

Winding around the grassy, pipelined terraces and between lagoons equipped with propeller-like aerators, we arrived at a very neat operations control (the laboratory). The very first noticeable thing was what was missing—no odor. All in all, it was a ship-shape installation that still looked like a sci-fi contact point with grassy runways for a UFO encounter.

Inside, superintendent David Wantz, and water plant operators

Dan Fissel, and Bill Boyd patiently and graciously answered our barrage of questions about the reality of dealing with things that most of us politely ignore or dismiss—down the drain, out of sight, out of mind sort of thing.

At first appearance the collection of pipes, motors, lagoons, valves, and motors creates a "Rube Goldberg" effect. But the master control panel inside simplifies the operation by tracing all the lines, locations of valves and motors, and lights to indicate their status. One interesting little fact is that there is only one valve that is electrically operated; others must be manually set. Simplicity and reliability of operation is the keynote. According to Wantz, the plant is a high-ticket item because of the

While the site may not be the first choice for a picnic, wildlife, especially turtles and ducks, love it. And that's a good sign.

electrical costs, chemical costs and salaries of licensed operators.

Wantz also pointed out that the plant, placed in operation in 1988, was designed on a "twenty-year growth curve" and has the capacity to handle the residential and industrial growth planned for the area. The plant is permitted to discharge 800,000 gallons of outflow per day. The average day's outflow is 400,000 gallons. However, in periods of protracted rainfall the plant has processed as much as 2.5 million gallons



The Emmitsburg wastewater treatment plant.

A Dispatch Photo

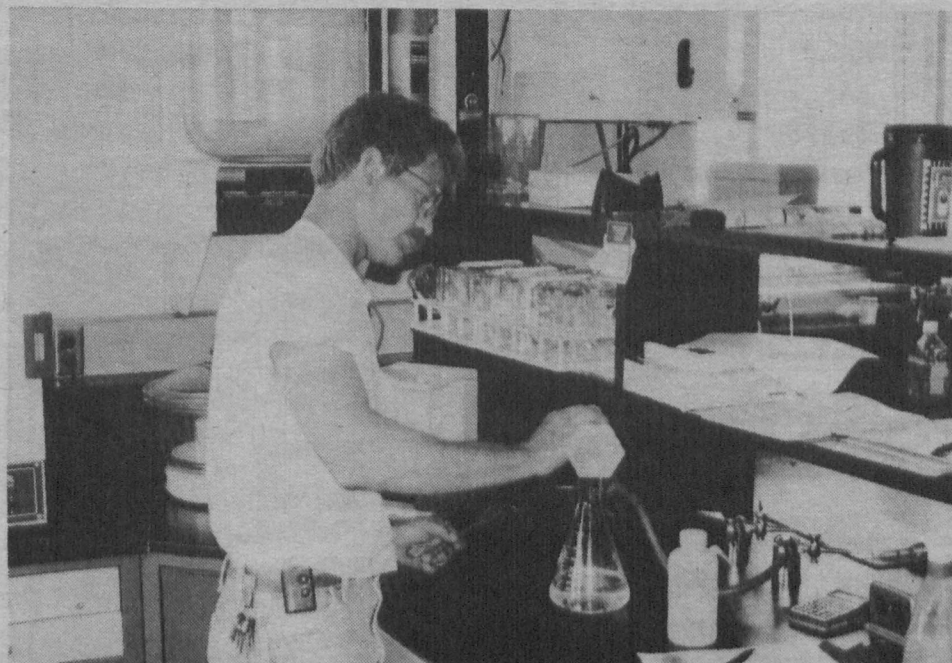
per day. The villain in this case is the unwanted inflow from the sewer line that runs from South Seton Avenue along Flat Run to Creamery Road pumping station. At the present time bids are expected to be released for replacing the troubled line in May.

The Maryland Department of the Environment has established quality levels for the outflow of the plant. To meet these standards the plant was designed to use as much as possible naturally occurring forces: micro-biotic critters to digest the raw sewage, slugs of enzymes, and gravity to move the solutions through the system. Aerators (electrically driven pumps) add oxygen to the influent to keep the microbes active. There is some need to transfer material from lagoons or to recycle the influent if it does not meet required levels. Electric pumps handle this task.

When tests indicate the material is safe to introduce into the environment the operators have three options depending upon circumstances: some-

times the outflow is directed to Tom's Creek, depending upon the flow rate of the creek; sometimes it is released in the grassy terraces to percolate back into the ground; and sometimes it is pumped to the irrigation equipment of Mason Dixon Farms across Tom's Creek. (Note: outflow from the treatment plant cannot be used to irrigate crops for human consumption.) Before any of the material is put back into the environment, it is treated with chlorine to kill any pest microbes and then de-chlorinated to keep the chlorine levels from building up in the creek or ground.

While the site may not be the first choice for a picnic, wildlife, especially turtles and ducks, love it. And that's a good sign. Anyone interested in the science and mechanics and the nitty-gritty of transforming waste materials into a form that does no harm to our environment will enjoy a tour of the Emmitsburg Wastewater Treatment Facility. To make arrangements call Town Manager Yvette Semler at 447-2313. Visitors are always welcome.



Dave Fissell, assistant plant operator, conducts an analysis to insure proper condition of the outflow.
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Restoring Dignity Through Mission of Mercy

by Kate Au

The Mission of Mercy's mobile unit provides safe and confidential medical treatment for those who may not be able to afford it. Every medical visit is free and the patient can leave with medication. Michael T. Sullivan, Medical Director, says "We are different. We are not trying to do or duplicate what others are doing." The mobile unit provides a doctor's office for those who need one.

Every service that Mission of Mercy provides is free. The Mission of Mercy's focus is primarily on the homeless and those without insurance, but anyone may visit any site. The Mission of Mercy's funding to continue assisting those in need comes primarily from private donations. Volunteers make up the working nurses and doctors. The Frederick County Health Department and the Maryland State Lab provide lab services which are extremely helpful to Mission of Mercy.

Mission of Mercy was founded by Gianna Talone-Sullivan as a Christian-based organization that focuses on the simple goal of trying to restore dignity to its patients. "The misconception is that you lose privacy and self-esteem," says David Liddle, who is the Executive Director. Mission of Mercy does just the opposite. Each patient is treated as an individual who deserves respect and love.



Mission of Mercy's mobile unit

Mission of Mercy began its services in August of 1994. They began with only three sites which were served twice a month. Currently there are six sites and Mission of Mercy travels three days a week to the various sites. The sites include Westminster, Brunswick, Thurmont, Taneytown, Reisterstown, and Gettysburg. Each site provides a waiting area with access to a bathroom, electrical power, and volunteers. Mission of Mercy usually sees twenty-five to thirty patients a day, but around sixty to seventy patients a day can be seen.

During the summer of 1996, Mission of Mercy will continue its expansion. The work week will be extended to a four-day work week. The mobile unit will also be able to serve two more locations. The much-

needed dental services will be expanded.

For those interested in making an appointment to visit Mission of Mercy around the Emmitsburg area may contact either the Thurmont or Taneytown site. Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church hosts the Thurmont site in the Parish Center at 103 N. Church St. The site may be telephoned for an appointment at (301) 694-3733. St. Joseph's Catholic Church at 44 Frederick St. hosts the Taneytown site. They may be reached at (410) 857-2999. Walk-ins are always welcome and every patient is guaranteed friendly confidential service.

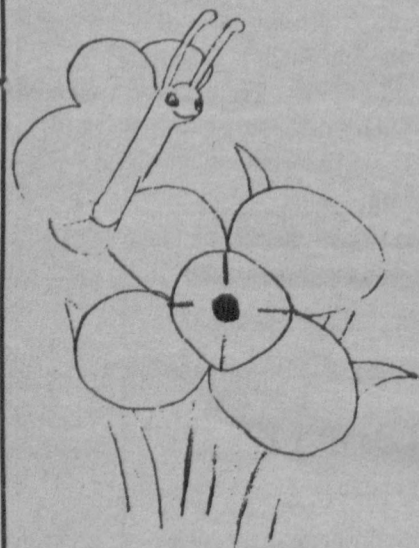
Those who wish to contribute funds, donate services, or volunteer time may contact David Liddle, Executive Director, at (301) 447-3939.

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Looking Ahead...

Tuesday, May 7

Slide Program on Frederick County's historic heritage will be given at the Emmitsburg Historical Society meeting, 7:30 p.m. at the Community Center. Janet Davis, historic sites surveyor for the Frederick County Planning Department, will be the presenter.

Saturday, May 11

Famous Chicken Barbecue, sponsored by the Emmitsburg Lions Club, will be held from 11 a.m. "till the chicken flies the coop." Follow the savory smells down South Seton Avenue across from the Getty Mart. The Lions are currently collecting eye glasses and hearing aids. There will be collection boxes available at the cookout.

Bake Sale by the Incarnation Church will be held at the Vigilant Hose Company Fire Hall from 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon.

Mother's Day Flower Sale. The Carroll County Pregnancy Center of Taneytown will be selling carnation bouquets outside the Jubilee. All local Pregnancy Centers work closely together in serving young women and families facing problem surrounding pregnancy and motherhood. Honor your mother with beautiful flowers and help other moms at the same time. Thanks to Jubilee for their generosity in helping local service organizations.

Sunday, May 12

Mother's Day All You Can Eat Breakfast will be held at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Emmitsburg, 8:30 a.m. - noon. Pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs, home fries, toast, fruit, coffee, tea, orange juice will be served. Adults \$4.50, Children \$2.50, Children 5 and under - FREE.

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Saturday, May 18

Yard and Bake Sale, 9 a.m to 2. p.m., Emmitsburg Senior Center, 300 South Seton Ave., Emmitsburg, MD, RAIN OR SHINE.

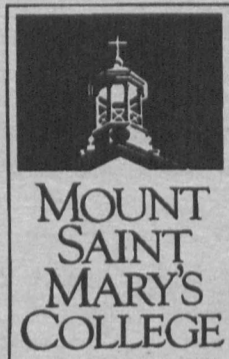
Car Wash for benefit of Little League Program at Quality Tire Center.

Saturday, June 8

Chicken Barbecue and Shrimp Feed, sponsored by the American Legion, Francis X. Elder Post #6658 at Kumps Dam Park. Tickets are on sale at the American Legion.

Saturday, July 6

Emmitsburg Lions Club Community Day, rain date July 7. Make your plans now to attend. Look for more information in the next issue of the *Dispatch*.



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Managerial Economics
Foundations of American Education
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Latin American Short Fiction
Survey of Architecture
First French I
First French II
Concepts in Science: Biology
History of the Family in Europe
Islamic Civilization
Introduction to Mathematics
Precalculus Mathematics
Calculus I
Ethics
Alienation and Social Transformation
General Physics
Foundations of American National Government
Comparative Politics: Africa
Government Internship Seminar
Abnormal Psychology
Introduction to Mass Media
Organized Crime
Contemporary Native Americans
First Spanish I
First Spanish II
Foundations of Christian Theology

Session II Courses (7/1-8/8):

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Ecology
Business Law II
Corporate Finance I
Quantitative Methods in Business and Economics
Foundations of Economics II
Second French I
Second French II
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Age of Decolonization: 1945-Present
Introduction to Mathematics
Calculus I
Calculus II
Ethics
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Second Spanish I
Second Spanish II
The Church Past and Present

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Cannes-French 300
Cannes-Mathematics-Introduction to Mathematics
Ottawa-Focus on Canada: Research in the National Archives
Costa Rica-Comparative Politics of Latin America (in English)
Costa Rica-Latin American Literature: The Fantastic Genre (in English)

Graduate Education

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Research Seminar
Science in the Integrated Curriculum
Teacher as Researcher
Session II (7/8-8/23):
Technology for Learning
Integrated Teaching & Learning
Continuing Education Courses:
Managing Children's Behavior (June 24-28)
Conflict Resolution & Peer Mediation Programs Can Transform the Classroom! (July 8-12)
Grant Writing (July 15-19)
Software Development I (July 22-26)
Software Development II (July 29-Aug. 2)
Math Without Textbooks (July 29-Aug. 2)
Keep Current: Children's Books Across the Curriculum (Aug. 5-9)

Graduate Business

Session I (5/20-8/23):
Managerial Accounting
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Garden Ramblings...

By Christine Maccabee

Faith in the seeds

When it comes to seeds I seem to have outdone myself this year. Not only do I have about 25 varieties of beans, tomatoes, cukes, melon, kale, beets, etc. to plant (I have an old variety seed business, so I have no choice), but this winter I ordered many others, mostly flowers, which absolutely fascinated me. Have you ever heard of a blue poppy or a blue nasturtium? Both are rarely seen as blue is such an unusual color in both of these families. I just had to have them! I am still waiting for the tiny poppy seeds to germinate. I sowed them outside in three different locations with varying amounts of sun and shade in order to see what they prefer. They could take as long as four to six weeks to germinate, but as I water them, along with my other wildflowers, I know I will get good results if the seed is good, and if I am both persistent and patient. Of course, keeping the seed beds watered during the germination period is essential.

However, sometimes I am taken aback by my own lack of faith in the seeds that I plant. Occasionally the fleeting thought of "what if the seed is bad?" races through my mind, as it did this spring while I was planting peas of two old varieties which I'd saved from last year's harvest. If the peas don't come up, all my efforts to get them in early during cooler weather will have been in vain. Happily, this momentary doubt passed, and I continued to plant in my usual positive manner. The pea plants are coming up perfectly!

As for the blue nasturtium seeds, they germinated rather quickly and are growing in a small container in the safety of my bedroom window, greeting the sunrise every day with their graceful forms. They resemble elegant, long-limbed dancers, only 2 inches high so far, but growing. Every type of seed, be it pea or pansy, issues forth a unique plant which expresses a singular personality which one can only fully appreciate by growing them oneself. Sometimes it is tempting to run over to a green-house and buy my pansies already in bud and bloom, which I have done in the past years, but this year I decided to grow some from

seed in my greenhouse (as tho' I don't have enough seeds to plant already). The seed of the pansy is quite tiny and requires careful planting, but for me the results are worth the effort. My tiny pansies are adorable.

One of my favorite short stories is "The Man Who Planted Trees" by Jean Giono. A half-hour film was created around this story, and through the use of masterful and inspiring watercolor animation, this story of one lone seed planter is portrayed. The story takes place somewhere in Europe and is about a man who slowly and quietly reforests the mountains and valleys where he lives. On land devastated by clearcutting, charcoal interests, war, and ignorance, this man planted thousands of acorns as well as seeds and saplings of other trees, right on through the two world wars until his death as a very old man. Ultimately, people began to discuss ways of preserving this "natural wonder" only to discover that it all had come about through the determined efforts of one lone man.

The man, though fictional, is to me symbolic of the multitude of heroic activities on the earth today which are serving to counteract and maintain the balance in a world where consumerism and human activities are taking their toll. One ex-

ample is the reforestation efforts in third-world countries by the wonderful people of New Forest Project. One of the many projects which they have initiated is the El Salvador Forest of National Reconciliation, a symbolic as well as practical effort to bring back the rainforest as well as peace in this war-torn country. What better way to bring peace and healing than to plant seeds and preserve remaining trees and plants, together? Other efforts to preserve and to share seeds are going on among individual seed savers, growing seed-saver exchange groups, universities, botanical gardens, and seed banks. Next month I will explore in greater depth this exciting area of botany.

I remember that as a child, when spring arrived, I was in awe of the little acorns in my backyard and woods and their incredible determination to root themselves so as to become trees. Even now, to watch the progress of an acorn as it first puts forth its root, and then the first tiny leaves, evokes within me a primal curiosity as well as great hope. For as long as the old oaks continue to drop acorns to the ground, there will be renewal of life.

So keep up the good work, seed savers and seed planters, and don't give up the FAITH!

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Obituaries

Mr. Norman Shriver

Mr. Norman Jacob Shriver, 88, of Tom's Creek Church Road, Emmitsburg, died Thursday, April 4, at St. Catherine's Nursing Center, Emmitsburg.

His first wife was Katharine Durvoraw Shriver, who died in July 1995. He married Edith Fissell Baker Shriver in 1974.

Born May 4, 1907, in Frederick, he was a son of the late Ernest R. and Harriet Mae Waybright Shriver.

Mr. Shriver attended Emmitsburg High School for two years and Thurmont High School, graduating in 1926. He received a degree in poultry husbandry from Cornell University in 1929, and graduated from the University of Maryland in 1932 with a B.S. degree in agriculture education. He operated a cattle farm east of Emmitsburg until his retirement in 1982. He was a life member of Elias Evangelical Lutheran Church of Emmitsburg and a member of Tyrian Lodge #205, A.F. and A. M. of Emmitsburg since 1948. He was a past master of the Emmitsburg Grange. He was the first Frederick County All-Star 4-H'er. He was a past president of the Emmitsburg Lions and, at the time of his death, was a member of the Thurmont Lions Club. He was a charter member of the Maryland Flying Farmers.

Surviving in addition to his wife are two children, Norman J. Shriver, Jr. of Emmitsburg and Ernest R. Shriver of Fairfield, PA; four grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and two stepchildren, Robert E. Baker of Allentown, PA, and Bonita B. Baltzley of Gettysburg, PA.

Mr. Shriver was preceded in death by two sisters, Marjorie Reifsnider and Charlotte Eyster; and a brother, Clifford Shriver.

Funeral services were held Monday, April 8, at Elias Evangelical Lutheran Church, Emmitsburg. The Rev. W. Ronald Fearer officiated. Interment was in Evergreen Cemetery, Gettysburg, PA.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Elias Lutheran Church, P.O. Box 465, Emmitsburg, MD 21727, or to Hospice of Frederick County, 1730 N. Market St., Frederick, MD 21701.

Mrs. Edna Eckenrode

Mrs. Edna Mae Viola Eckenrode, 52, of 7502 Friends Lane, Em-

mitsburg, died Friday, April 5, at Waynesboro Hospital, Waynesboro, Pa.

She was the wife of James Henry Eckenrode, her husband of 17 years.

Born March 9, 1944, in Gettysburg, Pa., she was a daughter of the late John Jacob and Anna Black Tressler.

Mrs. Eckenrode was a member of Friends Creek Church of God, Sabillasville. She was a member of the Living Word Ministries and the Ladies Guild of the Living Word.

Surviving in addition to her husband are two sons, Richard L. Forrest and wife Linda of Frederick, and Daniel P. Forrest and wife Pamela of Emmitsburg; one daughter, May L. Stouter and husband Robert of Emmitsburg; seven grandchildren, Ricky Forrest, Ashley Rohrback, Crystal Forrest, Annie Stouter, and Robert Stouter; four brothers, Melvin Tressler of Kentucky, Daniel Tressler of Thurmont, Wilbur Tressler of Foxville, and Joseph Tressler of Taneytown; and three sisters, Victoria Eyer of Sabillasville, Naomi Baker of Waynesboro, and Lula Turner of Emmitsburg.

Mrs. Eckenrode was preceded in death by a grandson, Daniel Forrest; four brothers, Calvin Tressler, Paul Tressler, Mearl Tressler, and Clarence Tressler; and one sister, Sarah Patterson.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, April 10, at the Stauffer Funeral Home, Thurmont, with the Rev. Warren Rice and the Rev. Frank Turner officiating. Interment was in Friends Creek Cemetery, Sabillasville.

Mrs. Anna Topper

Mrs. Anna Mae Gelwicks Topper, 78, of Federal Avenue, Emmitsburg, died Sunday, April 14, at her residence.

She was the wife of Leo B. Topper, Sr.

Born May 18, 1917, in Emmitsburg, she was a daughter of the late James Alan and Mary Spalding Gelwicks.

She was a member of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church of Emmitsburg and the Sodality of the Blessed Virgin Mary. She was a charter member of the auxiliary of VFW Post 6658 of Emmitsburg. She was a cook at Seton Center in Emmitsburg for 15 years and was employed at Freeman Shoe Co. in Emmitsburg for 10 years.

Surviving in addition to her husband are two sons, Philip Topper, Sr.

and wife Therese, and Leo B. Topper, Jr. and wife Mary, of Emmitsburg; seven grandchildren, Philip Topper, Jr. and wife Norrice of Middletown, Richard Topper and wife Anne of Frederick, Jeffrey Topper, Sr. and wife Theresa, Sandra, Andrew, Keith Topper and Trina Topper, all of Emmitsburg, and Mark Topper and wife Sherry of Rocky Ridge; a granddaughter-in-law, Rachel Topper of Emmitsburg; 11 great-grandchildren, Zach Topper, Jeffrey Topper Jr., Justin Andrew, Andrew Topper, Benjamin Andrew, Paige Topper, Chad Topper II, Brian Topper, Stephanie Andrew, Kayla Topper, and Samantha Topper; and a sister Mary Helen Shields, of Emmitsburg.

She is also remembered by special friends who assisted in her care, Mary Anne Shields, Phyllis Green, Marilyn Long, Sheila Beard, and Lori Benson.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Bud Gelwicks, and a grandson Chad Topper.

Funeral services were held at St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, Emmitsburg, with her pastor, the Rev. Alfred R. Pehrsson, as the celebrant. Interment was in New St. Joseph's Cemetery, Emmitsburg. Arrangements were by Skiles Funeral Home, Emmitsburg.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Frederick County or to St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, Emmitsburg.

Mr. Leo Topper Sr.

Mr. Leo Bernard Topper, Sr., 77, of Federal Avenue, Emmitsburg, died Tuesday, April 23, at home.

He was the husband of Anna Mae Gelwicks Topper, who died April 14, 1996. They were married 55 years.

Born Feb. 26, 1919, in McSherrystown, PA., he was the son of the late James Ray and Stella A. Wolfe Topper.

He was a member of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church of Emmitsburg and the Holy Names Society. He also was a church usher. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus, Brute Council 1860 of Emmitsburg. He was a charter member of VFW Post 6658 of Emmitsburg and the Francis X. Elder American Legion Post 121 of Emmitsburg.

He served in the U.S. Navy in World War II and was a mason by trade until his retirement 10 years ago.

He is survived by two sons, Philip Topper, Sr. and wife Therese, of Em-

mitsburg, and Leo B. "Jack" Topper, Jr. and wife Mary of Emmitsburg; seven grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren; two sisters, Inez Gunn of Delanco, N.J., and Faine Rodgers of Emmitsburg; a brother, Donald F. Topper, Sr. of Emmitsburg; and many nieces and nephews.

He also is remembered by special friends who assisted in his care, Mary Anne Shields, Phyllis Green, Marilyn Long, Sheila Beard, and Lori Benson.

He was preceded in death by three brothers, Carroll, Raymond, and Walter Topper; and a grandson, Chad Topper.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held Friday, April 26, at St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, Emmitsburg, with the Rev. Alfred R. Pehrsson as celebrant. Interment was in New St. Joseph's Cemetery, Emmitsburg. Arrangements were by Skiles Funeral Home, Emmitsburg.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Frederick County, 1730 N. Market St., Frederick, MD 21701; or to St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, P.O. Box M, Emmitsburg, MD 21727.

Mrs. Lottie Ruby

Mrs. Lottie Fox Ruby, 99, of West Main Street, Emmitsburg, died Saturday, April 20, at St. Catherine's Nursing Center, Emmitsburg.

She was the wife of Harry G. Myers, who died in 1924, and Robert Ruby, who died in 1954.

Born April 2, 1897, in Keysville, she was a daughter of the late Edward and Laura Houck Fox.

Mrs. Ruby was a member of Elias Evangelical Lutheran Church, Emmitsburg. She was retired from Montgomery Wards, Baltimore. She was a member of the Emmitsburg Senior citizens and the AARP.

Surviving are one son, Robert E. Myers of Emmitsburg; two granddaughters, Jeanne Myers of Emmitsburg, and Barbara Thomas and her husband Dale of Thurmont; one great-granddaughter, Morgan Thomas of Thurmont; and two sisters, Mary Feeser of Bainbridge, Pa., and Lillian Cromer of Hanover, Pa.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, April 23, at Elias Evangelical Lutheran Church with her pastor the Rev. W. Ronald Fearer officiating. Interment was in Elias Lutheran Cemetery, Emmitsburg. Arrangements were by Skiles Funeral Home.

Rocky Ridge News...

By Emma Keeney

Celebrates 80th birthday -

A birthday party was held at Mountain Gate Restaurant on March 31st in honor of Robert Ogle's 80th birthday. Attending the party were Rober & Helen Ogle, Rodman & Jean Myers, Dave & Patty Johnston, Robert & Cheryl Lenhart, Stephanie Cramer, Robert & Karen Myers, Daniel & Kristen Myers, Ed & Andrea Mannix, and Kevin Mannix.

Others joining in the celebration included Herman & Peggy Deyhoff, Chris & Kim Trout, Nicholas Trout, Benjamin & Teresa Ogle, Blaine & Chad & Jennifer Krietz, Mike & Mary Lynn Kesterson, Olivia & Lindsey Sines, Margaret Boyer and Frances Rosensteel.

Wins award - Lindsey Sines, granddaughter of Robert and Helen Ogle has been named United States Achievement Academy National Award Winner. This is a position of honor young people hope to attain. She has been placed among our nation's most elite youth.

Lindsey is a junior at Fredericksburg Christian School She will be eligible to apply for a USAA College Scholarship. She is the daughter of Michael and Mary Lynn Ogle Kesterson of Locust Grove, Va.

Strawberry Festival - The Joint Councils of the Mt. Tabor churches will have a strawberry festival June 1, at Mt. Tabor Park, Rocky Ridge, beginning at 2:00 p.m. Homemade soups, sandwiches, pies, and ice cream will be available. Fancy Table, Bingo and other games and the giant sliding board will be there for all to enjoy. Music will be provided by the Melodies of Praise.

"Dresden Plate" quilt to be auctioned off - A drawing for the "Dresden Plate" quilt will be held at the Mt. Tabor Park "Big Picnic" festival August 10 at 9 p.m. Donations are \$1. Tickets are available from any of these council members: James Glass, Harold Late, Robert Mumma, Gary & Barbara Schildt, Emily Sixx, Mike Smith, William Dinterman, Kenneth & Gloria Frushour, Kathy Wolfe, Brenda Miller, Marie Stambaugh, and Emma Keeney. The quilters are also selling tickets.

"Eggsactly the winners - The Mt. Tabor Youth group sponsored an Easter Egg Hunt April 6. Many

children enjoyed the activities The winners were:

Age	Lucky Egg	Most Eggs
0-2	Joseph Brown	Eliz. Koons
3-4	Charity Wivell	Dan Hobbs
5-7	Erin Danaher	R. Gelwicks
8-10	Michael Hobbs	Brianna Myers
11-12	Travis Sanders	Lindsey Greene

May Birthdays: Regina Dinterman, Jerry Martin, Kathy Moser, Rosie Stambaugh, Charles Keeney, George Moser, Amy Burrier, Pauline Duple, Dale Shields, Josh Ballew, Wesley

Burrier, Robert (Bob) Peomroy, Amber Humerick, Ben Sanders.

May Anniversaries: Ronnie and Diane Hahn, David and Michelle Dinterman, Bill and Regina Dinterman, Bernie and Dawn Hobbs, Charles and Emma Keeney.

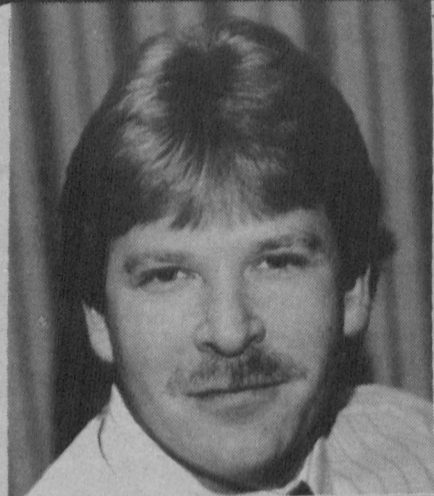
Happy 50th Wedding Anniversary to Mr. and Mrs. Ray and Isabelle Lescalleet, and Mrs. and Mrs. Norval Eyler.

Reminders Just a reminder for anyone with a ticket for the Sportsman

Night at Rocky Ridge: it will be held on May 11, 1996.

The Rocky Ridge Fire Co. Auxiliary will be sponsoring a Bingo Bonanza on May 19. Anyone interested in a ticket may contact Betty Ann Mumma, 301-271-2135; Betty L. Mumma, 301-271-262; or Linda Northrup, 301-447-6714. Tickets will cost \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door.

The Rocky Ridge annual Carnival will be held August 12 - 17, with the parade being held on Wednesday 14th at 7 p.m. We welcome all of you to come out and join us on all occasions.



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Mt. Tabor Quilters...

By Inspector 13

Mt. Tabor Quilters are still struggling to make up time lost during winter. Three members are unable to join us—Isabel Mathias, Marie Stambaugh, and Pauline Dubel. Hope you'll all be back soon.

Plans for completing a supply of charity quilts were put on hold. One

week in May is now planned for this project. Everyone is invited to come and take part in this community service project. Age or sex are not barriers—8 to 80, man, woman, child! Call 447-6661 for details. These covers are donated to families who have suffered disaster losses, battering, or lost-income problems. We have fabric and filler, but could use donations of new cotton flannel yardage for backing.

Last month I gave you a 5-point

plan for selection of fabric for a quilt. Now, let's explore a much-maligned type of fabric—polyester knits. They can be used to make attractive and serviceable quilts. Many attics in this area contain boxes of factory "cut-offs" and "ends" because of local availability.

The first rule for polyester knits is to throw away: eliminate; sort out all light-weight single knits. They are too difficult to work with. Select me-

dium to heavier weight fabrics in any pattern design or plain color. Nubby knits, T-shirt types, and sweater knits do not work well. Pant suit or heavier dress knits are the best.

These fabrics must be machine sewed, using 1/4" seams. For a comforter-type cover, use fluffy (hi-loft) polyester batting and a bed sheet for backing. A less bulky, warm quilt can be made by using no filler, but using cotton flannel for the back. Do not line a pieced polyester knit top with knit yardage. The stretchy top needs a woven backing to stabilize it.

Use knitting yarn, embroidery floss—even ribbon to "tie." I prefer crochet cotton. It's easier to use, washes well, and is available in a variety of colors.

Patterns adaptable to knits include "9-Patch," "4-Patch," and random colors. Two traditional patterns work well—Amish "Sunshine and Shadow" and "Log Cabin." Each requires larger pieces of fabric to be cut of the same color.

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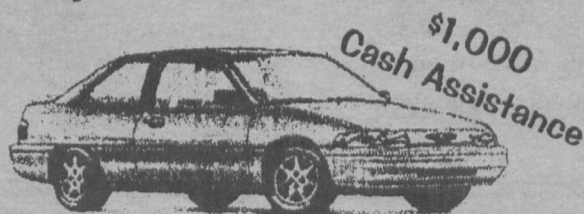
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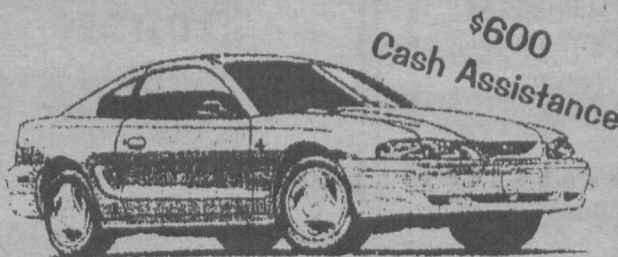


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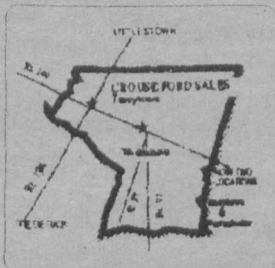
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St. Anthony/Our Lady of Mt. Carmel News

By Ann Marshall

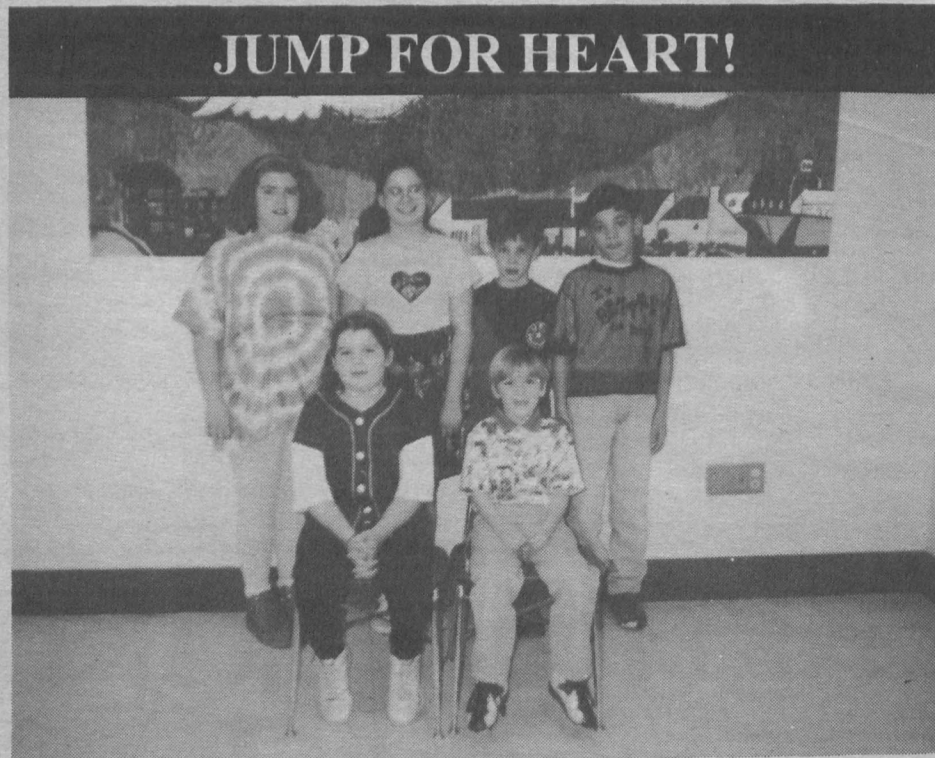
EASTER FLOWERS AND DECORATIONS at St. Anthony and Our Lady of Mt. Carmel churches were provided through memorial contributions. Relatives and friends took the opportunity to publicly remember their dear ones. There were 163 persons and family groups listed at St. Anthony Shrine Parish; there were 82 memorials listed at OLMC.

YOUNG CATHOLIC ADULTS in their 20's and 30's who are single, married, or single again are invited to attend a weekend retreat beginning May 31, at the O'Dwyer Retreat House, Sparks, Md. The retreat offers time to reflect on one's own faith journey and to meet other young adults with similar life interests. Times are 7

p.m. Friday to 1 p.m. Sunday. Cost for meals, lodging, and material is \$90. For more information, contact Yvette Leith at 271-3155 or call the Parish Office, 447-2367.

CONFIRMATION CLASS 96/97 is looking for planners and teachers. Young and not-so-young adults are encouraged to volunteer to prepare the youth of our faith community for this sacramental rite. Call Yvette Leith, 271-3155, or the Parish Office, 447-2367, for information about this important work.

MISSED OUT SOMEHOW? Parents of children who are in 6th to 12th grade and who have not been baptized or received the sacraments of Penance, Eucharist, or Confirmation may enroll their children in a make-up class to be offered in June. Once again, contact Yvette Leith or call the Parish Office.



Emmitsburg Elementary Marathon Jump-ropers. Bottom row (l to r): Tracey Wetzel, Kyle Potts. Top row: Cindy Gelwicks, Jamie Stewart, Angus Derbyshire, and Vincent Beaver. Photo courtesy of EES

The Emmitsburg Elementary School held a successful Jump Rope for Heart event on Feb. 29, 1996. Thanks to the generosity of the Emmitsburg Community, the children raised \$5,067.50 in contributions for the American Heart Association. Over 100 children, parents, and faculty jumped rope for 180 minutes to

help the American Heart Association in their fight against heart disease. Tracey Wetzel raised the most with \$265.50. Seven other children individually raised over \$100 each.

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Mother Seton School

By Val Mentzer

A Special Report From Mrs. Jenna Ott's 2nd Grade Class News Team

By Jennifer Armstrong, Caitlin Ott, Alexis Demuth, Robert White, Jonathan Adams, Jennifer Krebs.

We are reporting about our trip to the Maryland School for the Deaf located in Frederick, Md. We visited that school because we studied sign language and we wanted to communicate with the deaf students. We told the students our names in sign language when we arrived at the school and they told us their names in sign language. It took us a long time to complete our introductions.

Then we ate a snack with them. We signed to them while we ate our snack and they signed to us. After the snack we signed a song to them. We taught them our song and they sang along with us the second time.

We went on a tour of their building and we learned that some of the students stay at the school all week, which means they sleep there. We don't do this at our school. We also saw their classrooms which are much smaller than ours. They only have about nine students in some of their grades.

We participated in an activity with our new friends. We made a necklace that was in the shape of a hand that was saying in sign language "I love you."

Last we wrote down our new friends' names so we could write to them. While we were there we learned many new things, but the best thing we learned was that the deaf students are more like us than they are different.

What's Happening!

Walkathon - On April 19, Mother Seton School students walked to raise money for the Johns Hopkins' Pediatric Oncology Center. Many thanks to the following for their help in making this year's event a success: Wal-Mart for popsicles, McDonalds for water jugs, Pizza Hut for cups, and the Town of Emmitsburg for traffic cones. We appreciate your support!

Harvest for the Hungry - Mother Seton School won a third-place cer-

tificate in this canned goods drive. The certificate was presented by Archbishop Keeler at *The Catholic Review* in Baltimore. Mrs. Jayne Richardson, project coordinator, and four 8th grade students accepted the certificate. They are Nicole Parks, Elizabeth Farmer, Matt Satterfield, and Lauren Maruskin.

A Book of Poems

Seventh grade students compiled their writing into a book after completing their study of poetry. Here are some inspirational thoughts by two students from Mrs. Melanie Ware's class.

You
By Ruth Ann Carroll

Down by the river
The river so blue
I will be waiting
Waiting for you

And out of the depths
Of that river so deep
You will come swimming
Swimming in sleep

O, do not wake up
For I fear if you do
I fear you might drown
In the morning's light hue

Sleep in the daytime
Sleep in the night
Be protected by water
Bathe in the light.

Space
by Jason Quillen

Space is a desolate
Area of cold nothingness
Reaching into infinity. Empty
loneliness. Cold and expanding.
Creating and containing. The last
frontier of man. The vastness is
incomprehensible. The time is
Be founding. Space.....
Infinite in size as well
as Knowledge.

As we move into spring and sunshine, let's pay one last beautiful memory to this winter as seen through the eyes of Lindsey Russell in Mrs. Jeri Daugherty's 1st grade.

An owl hooting in the night.
Deer prancing in the snow.
Squirrels climbing in the trees.
Icicles hanging from the roof.
The wind whistling through the branches.
Penguins splashing in the Antarctic.
Birds sleeping in their nests.
Stars twinkling in the sky.
A cold winter night.



On April 19th, Mother Seton Elementary students participated in a walkathon. Shown in the photo are students in Mrs. Ott's class.

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Food For Thought . . .

By George Geralis

Our crocuses have put on their show, making way for the daffodils, appearing in clusters here and there. Virginia bluebells are showing their drowsy heads, still nodding, awaiting enough sunlight to lift their Dresden-blue faces for a fleeting couple of weeks. By then, the scilla will have shown up, followed by lily of the valley, in a wondrous prelude to the main event, blossoming redbud, dogwood, azaleas and rhododendron, not to mention the myriad native wildflowers that abound throughout the flowering season, including a woodland orchid plant we discovered years ago.

At this stage of reading, one must wonder if this article is about flowers or food. It's really about life and the manner in which one enjoys it. We look forward to spring as hungrily as we do to the preparation of a daily meal.

Local vegetable gardeners will soon be offering us the rewards of their first crops and among them will be zucchini, tomatoes, green peppers, and eggplants, the main ingredients

of a delicious vegetable stew which the French call *ratatouille*.

Ratatouille (Rah tah too ee) is a traditional vegetable stew which can be served hot or at room temperature. It is an excellent luncheon dish when served at room temperature on a bed of Boston lettuce and accompanied by slices of crusty country-style bread and a glass of a light-bodied dry wine.

Ratatouille, with its multi-herbal taste, is ideally served with lamb but is equally complementary to beef, chicken, and fish. And...speaking of lamb, not to be confused with *mutton*, a recent discovery has been Windborne Farm in nearby Fairfield, Pennsylvania, which I understand, produces cuts of fine quality of lamb, worthy of note.

The following recipe calls for a preference of fresh herbs. If you don't already have an herb garden, now is the time to establish one. Herbs are easy to grow and when planted properly the perennial varieties reward your effort year after year. My live-in gardener thinks that Alloway Gardens in Littlestown,

Pennsylvania, has the broadest selection of culinary herbs in the area.

Ratatouille

- 5 Tablespoons olive oil
 - 1 Firm eggplant, about ¾ pound, cut into 1-inch squares
 - 1 Zucchini, about ¾ pound, cut into 1-inch cubes
 - 2 Onions, about ¾ pound, coarsely chopped
 - 1 Green pepper, cut into 1-inch bits
 - 2 Cloves garlic, chopped
 - 3 Sprigs fresh thyme or ¾ teaspoon dried
 - 1 Sprig fresh oregano or ½ teaspoon dried
 - 2 Sprigs fresh rosemary or ½ teaspoon dried, crumbled
 - 1 Bay leaf
 - Salt and freshly ground pepper
 - 1½ Pounds tomatoes, cubes
- Heat 4 tablespoons of oil in a heavy skillet or wok until it is hot, but not smoking, and add the eggplant.
 - Cook, stirring for about 3 minutes.
 - Remove eggplant to colander.
 - Add the zucchini to the skillet/wok and cook, stirring for about 3 minutes.
 - Add zucchini to eggplant.

- Add the remaining 1 tablespoon of oil to the skillet/wok and add the onions.
 - Cook, stirring for about 3 minutes and add the green pepper and continue cooking for 3 more minutes.
 - Add the garlic, thyme, oregano, rosemary and bay leaf.
 - Add the eggplant, zucchini, salt and pepper to taste. Cook, stirring for about 5 minutes.
 - Add the tomatoes and stir.
 - Cover and simmer for 20 minutes.
 - Uncover and simmer for about 10 minutes to reduce liquid.
 - Serve hot or at room temperature.
- Yield: 6 to 8 servings.



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Destruction of Property	1
Domestics	2
Escorts	12
Fire/Ambulance Assists	4
Firearm Complaint	0
Robbery	1
Rape	0
Bad checks	3
Arrests	
Criminal	0
Juvenile	0
Traffic	1
Civil	0
Assist criminal arrest	1
Traffic	
Moving	34
Warnings	36
Repair orders	3
Suspended/Revoked	1
DWI	0

Vigilant Hose Company Fire Log

Compiled by Tim Clarke

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3/22/96	32 Fred. St.	Taneytown House Fire
3/23/96	Franklin Co.	Station # 4 Fill Quarters
3/27/96	Rt. 15 at Marsh Creek Road	Brush Fire
3/28/96	St. Anthony's at Kelbaugh Rd	Medical Assist
3/28/96	National Fire Academy	Building fire
3/29/96	16300 Old Emmitsburg Rd	Wires down
3.29/96	Rt. 15 at Motters Station Rd.	Investigation
3/31/96	329 N. Seton Ave.	Medical assist
4/01/96	401 W. Lincoln	Auto alarm
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Fresh Water Fish, The Pet

By Jack Deatherage, Jr.

Despite the horrors of crashing tanks, successful breeding plans that produce fish that can't be sold, fluctuating water quality from the household tap, and the regular arguments over aquarium equipment versus family needs, fish keeping is not always fun! Sometimes it becomes so nerve wracking that I consider trashing everything to take up gardening, again!

Don't misunderstand. I enjoy my garden at least as much as I do my fish. The mud, the bugs, the ground-hogs, cats, dogs, wilts, fungi, drought, miscalculated planting times, arguments over tools, flowers, vegetables, whether or not I can eat Wanda's expensive daylilies, and weeds! (Dandelion buds aren't bad with a little butter, garlic, and thyme.)

Wanda and I took friend Terry to Randallstown the last time we went. I secretly hate the pet shop there; they have fish I don't have. Hundreds of them. Maybe thousands! Terry and I wandered over to the far end of the fish room while Wanda drooled over the African Cichlids. I stopped, stared, and gasped. Terry laughed.

Two wild-caught Brown discus (excellent in shape and attitude) displayed themselves in a manner fish assume when they've encountered a fool with money to part: \$59.99 each. A pitiful sum for two such fish! I walked away cursing. I came back blathering about credit cards. I stomped away snarling about a new roof on the house. The fish waited calmly. I know they did because I came back twice more.

Terry begged me to give him the car keys so he could get home if I

bought those fish. (He couldn't see how I'd hide them from Wanda and thought we might not be allowed in the car if I got the fish without the boss's permission.) Not wanting to put a friend afoot, I left the king and queen where they were, found Wanda, and left the store.

"Did you see those Brown discus?" Wanda asked as we motored out into the traffic. "They were only a hundred and twenty dollars for the pair."

"Only. Only!" I looked for a place to turn the car around.

Then the real frustration began. Where would we put the discus? I proposed freezing a tank of fish. Wanda rejected the idea. How about a new tank? No room. Maybe dumping one tank of fish into another. No. How about - "Forget it. I want them too, but we just can't take care of them now," the boss declared.

The car backfired and bucked a few times. The brake pedal sank to the floor, distracting me as I pumped it back to life. A new roof on the house is bad enough, but a car that can't mind its own business is a bit much. I know where the money's needed! I don't have to be happy that I can't spend it where I want. (I'm tired of saying that!)

Wanda got home and ordered about \$50 worth of lilies for the garden. She's planning a raised garden bed for Jack III and a bunch of work for me. It seems we have money and room for all that. Besides, I need to lose some weight. Gardening is a good exercise.

Terry? He bought two fish. He didn't have his wife with him. I should have let him walk.

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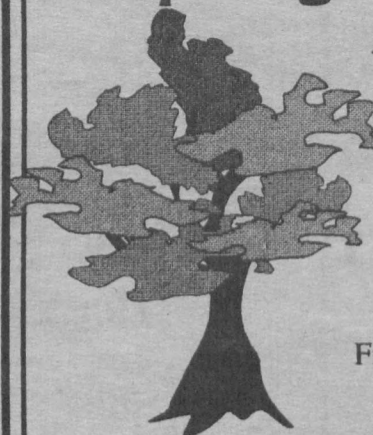
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