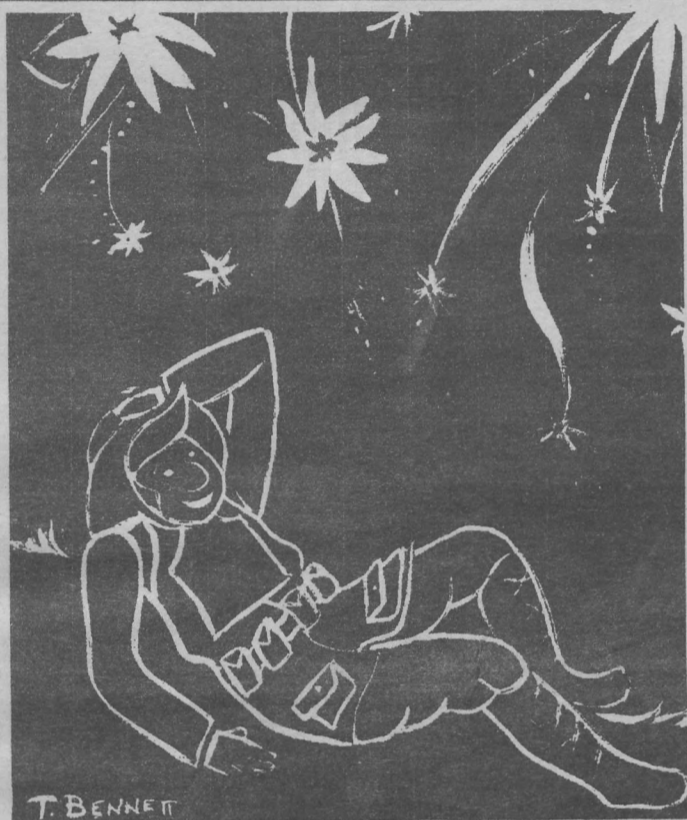


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Lions Club Community Day July 4th - All Day from breakfast served by the VHC Auxiliary in the fire hall from 6-10 a.m. to fireworks at 9:45p.m. Games, music, contests. Meet your friends at the Community Center.

Lions To Honor Emmitsburg's Ambulance and Vigilant Hose Companies at Program

At its Community Day program celebrating the 240th Anniversary of Emmitsburg's founding, the Lions Club will honor the Vigilant Hose Company and the Ambulance Company for their dedicated public service to the community.

A short history of each group written by Mike Hillman follows:

The Vigilant Hose Company

The Vigilant Hose Company, Emmitsburg's Volunteer Fire Company traces its roots back 240 years to the very beginning of the community. Up until 1840, when shout of fire was heard, everyone was expected to grab a bucket and run to form a line from the well in the town square to the fire. Every able-bodied person was expected to fight fires, and to ensure all were qualified, everyone in town received notices such as this sent out in 1829:

"(Name), you are hereby requested to present yourself at the Engine House in Emmitsburg, on the 4th Saturday of May, June, July and August, precisely at

two o'clock p.m. with buckets and other requisites for company training."

In 1840, the town purchased a suction pump and hoses made of rivetted leather. The town also passed an ordinance requiring all men to join the fire company. Those not joining were fined for non-compliance. Thankfully, this original pump was saved, and is now on display for all to see at the National Fire Academy.

According to *"A Brief History of the Emmitsburg Fire Company,"* available at the fire hall, the major problem faced by the community in the mid 1800's was the lack of an adequate water supply to fight fires. So in 1884, a reservoir was built in the hills west of town and its water piped along streets and fire hydrants installed.

1884 also saw the organization of our present fire company, which included establishing its governing board, formalization of operating rules, and adoption of the name "Vigilant." In 1920, the

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County Officials Get an Earful at Town's School Meeting

Emmitsburg residents and town officials made it very clear at the meeting held June 12 with two Frederick County school system officials and two Frederick County Commissioners that they want their children to go to school in their hometown.

Mayor William Carr, members of the Emmitsburg School Committee, and a number of residents spoke before Mark Hoke, president of the Board of County Commissioners, Commissioner Ilona Hogan, school Superintendent Jack Dale, and Raymond Barnes, executive director of planning and facilities for Frederick County public schools, at the meeting held in the Emmitsburg Elementary School gymnasium.

Close to 100 people attended the meeting with the expressed purpose of changing the flow of history. Citizens spoke revealing years of disappointment and injured feelings over the fact that the Board of Education (BOE) has not kept their promise to keep schools in the community. The issue began almost 30 years ago when Emmitsburg High

School was consolidated with Thurmont High School forming a new school for the northern county region called Catoctin High School. Plans called for it to be built between Thurmont and Emmitsburg, but instead it was built inside the Thurmont town limits. Emmitsburg High School was closed and the students bused to Thurmont.

In 1984, Emmitsburg's 7th and 8th grades were moved to Thurmont Middle School and in 1988 the 6th grade was taken to Thurmont. This occurred despite the BOE's assurances that this would never happen. Plans for a new Catoctin Elementary School, scheduled to open in September 2001, now have Emmitsburg residents concerned that again their children will be bused to Thurmont. A potential site for the school is on land adjacent to Catoctin High School.

"This is an old issue," said Becky Hays Jones, daughter of former Emmitsburg Mayor Sam Hays. She remembered how her father fought to

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Mayor Carr (standing) addresses school officials Ray Barnes and Dr. Jack Dale, County Commissioners Mark Hoke and Ilona Hogan, and Town Commissioner Dave Copenhaver. Photo courtesy Bob Rosensteel

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company purchased part of the present fire hall, and in 1929, purchased its first motorized fire truck, a Ford pumper.

Unlike fire companies in cities and towns, Emmitsburg firefighters are unpaid volunteers; they are our friends, neighbors, mothers and fathers, brothers and sisters, sons and daughters. Over 100 individuals contribute an average 20 hours a week to training, maintenance of fire equipment, and the answering of fire calls.

A key element of the fire company is its Auxiliary, which assists in maintaining the fire hall, sponsors fund-raising events, but, most importantly, supports firefighters on fire scenes with food and refreshments, such as coffee on cold nights, sodas on hot summer days. Made up of men and women, the Auxiliary is seen by many firefighters as the backbone of the company, and membership, like the main fire fighting element, is open to all residents of the town, especially those too busy because of their present commitments to become firefighters, but who wish still to contribute to this vital institution.

In addition to fire-fighting responsibilities, volunteers sponsor and support many community activities, including Little League baseball, the Fourth of July celebrations, and frequent fire prevention presentations and workshops.

Visitors, especially children, are always welcome to come and tour the fire hall, which, yes, can include sitting in a fire truck and pretending you're on the way to a fire. It's estimated that over 4000 visitors visit the fire hall yearly, many of whom, because of our close proximity to the National Fire Academy, are from out of state and even overseas.

Lastly, when you visit the fire hall, bring a rawhide chew for "Hoser," the company's Dalmatian mascot. Easily the most lovable dog in town, Hoser will play for hours with anyone, especially children. Watching her joyfully play with her many masters, one can easily understand the pride and esprit-de-corps of this volunteer fire company.

The Ambulance Company

Formed in 1947, the Emmitsburg Ambulance Company has grown and evolved with the community it served.

Most of its day-to-day operations are now almost fully funded by the state. This was not always the case. Forty-nine years ago, the company was sponsored by the Emmitsburg Chapter of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, who purchased out of their own coffers the company's first ambulance. In its early years, the company's ambulances were used and maintained in private garages. Later they were housed in the fire hall. In 1989 the Ambulance Company moved to its present location on South Seton Ave.

In its first year, the company answered 50 calls. In 1996, the ambulance company responded to 1062 emergency calls, ranging from simple nosebleeds to complex medical emergencies such as seizures, heart attacks, and strokes. In addition to emergency calls, the company responded to countless non-emergency support activities such as routine patient transportation requests.

As the needs of the company grew, the Emmitsburg chapter of the American Legion joined the VFW in sponsoring a second ambulance. While the state now provides a majority of the day-to-day operating expenses, it does not cover all expenses necessary to run the highly efficient company, nor does it provide funding for the vehicle. The short fall, as well as the cost of replacement ambulances is made up from proceeds of fund-raising events such as Bingo Nights.

According to James Kittinger, who has held just about every senior leadership position in the company in his long association with it, the company is on alert 24 hours a day. During the day, emergency calls are responded to by volunteers who work or reside in Emmitsburg.

During 1996, the average response time, from receipt of the emergency call to the ambulance's leaving the garage was just under three minutes, well below the five-minute time limit imposed by the state. From 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. however, the company has assigned crews responsible for responding to any emergency call.

Town News**Budget Approved**

The commissioners passed the \$1.2 million Fiscal Year 1997-98 operating budget at the June 2 budget hearing, lowering the sewer rates by \$14.25 a year and raising the property tax rate of 53 cents per \$100 of assessed property value to 61 cents.

The tax increase will add \$26,265 to the general fund and will give a stronger financial base for maintenance support of Emmitsburg's infrastructure. Mayor Carr said in his report to the commissioners.

Mayor Carr said commissioners want the water and sewer rates to support the corresponding utilities and not have to be used for street repairs, snow removal, and pool repairs. The mayor hopes that with the new tax rate increase that the general fund will cover those maintenance costs.

Members of the night crews, especially those who live outside of the town limits, often spend the night in the ambulance crew quarters. Each ambulance is always staffed by a driver and an EMT, but almost always carries an additional EMT in training and/or a helper/observer.

In addition to providing ambulance support, the company, with its 11 certified CPR instructors, has trained more than 300 local residents in CPR in the past year. The Company and its community volunteers also provide ambulance support for the local Little League, CYA Football, and many Mount Saint Mary's events.

Noise Ordinance Rejected

Commissioners voted 4-0 in favor of rejecting Ordinance 97-03 (the Noise Ordinance) at the June 2 public hearing.

During a discussion about the ordinance, Phil Topper, Jr., attorney for the Ott House, commended the council for their efforts, but said he felt the ordinance was still vague and ambiguous and would not be enforceable. He told the council there were already laws on the books in Maryland that govern noise pollution.

Mr. Topper said he didn't think the town needed an ordinance since residents have two places to go to with their grievances.

Park Party

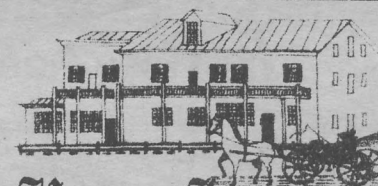
The Town of Emmitsburg would like to invite everyone to Community Park on August 2, 1997. There will be a dedication ceremony for the completion of the first phase of Community Park.

Activities will begin with a one-pitch softball tournament and horseshoe pitching contest. The town pool will be open and free of charge. There will also be carnival games, face painting, pony rides, and spaces for crafts people in the park.

Craft spaces will be available for \$10/space. Proceeds from the activities will go toward park and recreation projects.

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 keep the schools in Emmitsburg and saying "When you take the schools and the children from the community, you take the heart and life."

Residents expressed their concerns about busing young children down U.S. 15 and the loss of the town's economic development when schools are removed from the community. "People with children do not move into a community where their kids cannot go to school," said Town Commissioner Phil Postelle.

Karen Adelsberger, a parent, told of a study that reported that children who ate dinner with their family at least three times a week tend to excel. "Some evenings I make two or three trips to Thurmont so my children can participate in school activities. You can imagine what that does to our dinner hour."

Other parents spoke of the difficulty of volunteering at the schools and the feeling of being outsiders.

Residents made an appeal to bring the Middle School back to Emmitsburg and build an addition to Emmitsburg Elementary for the possibility of increased enrollment. Brian Brotherton, a member of the Emmitsburg School Committee, said the town has land to donate for new schools, problems with the water system have been worked out, and new homes are ready to be built. "Emmitsburg has over 500 platted

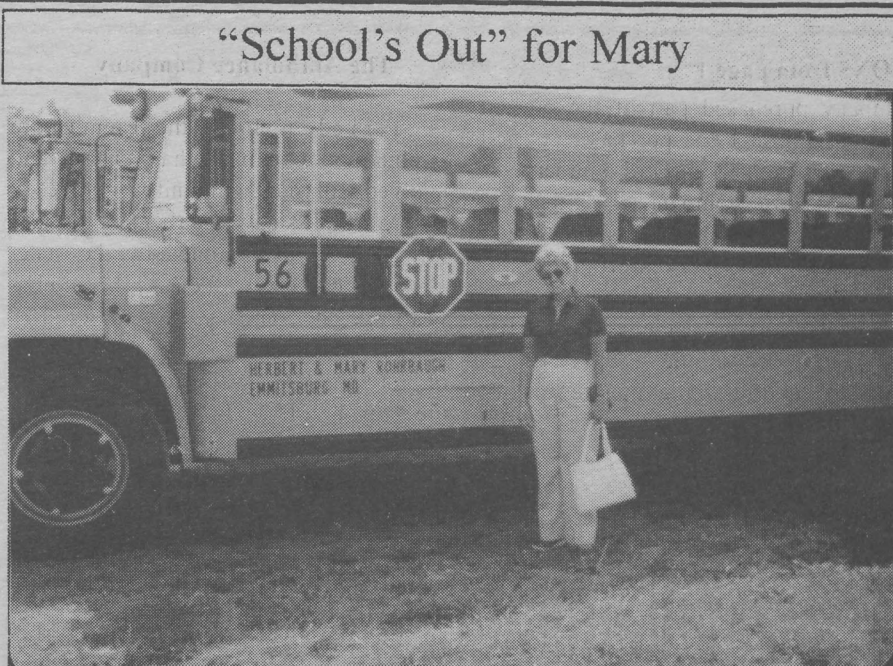
lots with final approval. By using the BOE formula for student growth these lots will yield 350 students. Our need for school facilities is apparent," said Brotherton.

Mr. Barnes said he was aware of new residential development in Emmitsburg and will work with town officials to gather more information. The school system does not plan to bus more children to Thurmont, Mr. Barnes said, and it has no plan to close Emmitsburg Elementary. In fact he thought it "reasonable to look at the expansion of the Emmitsburg Elementary School." He said he was not prepared to address the issue of bringing back the middle grades.

This fall an attendance study will be made of the Lewistown, Sabillasville, Thurmont, and Emmitsburg elementary schools for the purpose of decreasing enrollment in Thurmont (which is at 127 percent capacity) and increasing enrollment in the other schools.

Commissioner Hoke pledged he would get the county commissioners and the Board of Education together to talk about the town's concerns, but that people should be prepared for what they don't want to hear. He said he would recommend only actions that would be financially sound.

A follow-up meeting has been scheduled for October.



Mary Rohrbaugh, retiring after 44 years of driving school buses.
 Photo courtesy Herb Rohrbaugh

Mary Rohrbaugh Retires

Mary Rohrbaugh parked her bus and slipped into retirement, "at the top of my game," she said. She began driving a school bus 44 years ago and drove an estimated 900,000 miles for the Frederick County Public Schools starting when her dad Clarence E. Hahn was a contractor. "Your duty performance has been nothing less than superb over the years," said H. Michael Deener, Transportation Manager of FCPS in his congratulatory remarks at the Bus Drivers banquet. "Your manner is worthy of emulation by others [drivers] and your safety record will be difficult to match."

Mary was the first woman driver in the Emmitsburg area and had to battle 2 separate petitions not to allow her to drive. "I was young, 21 years old, but was 'liberated' even then. I wanted to be dependable and independent, she said. "Jamming gears" was a choice. Mary has stuck with a manual shift transmission because she feels she has more control over the bus, "but that is just a personal thing."

Maneuvering large vehicles is "something you get used to," she said. "I took that bus, over all the mountain roads in this area. The scariest thing I did was to take a group of kindergartners down to the bottom of the quarry in Woodsboro using the service road," said Mary.

As most people suspect, driving a school bus is more than just a mechanical thing. It takes patience

and caring. Mary was the kind of driver to whom parents felt safe entrusting their children. Starting with kindergarten children she called parents prior to the start of school to make sure they explained what school bus procedures were. She was concerned that the children realize that they might not be dropped off first and become upset. Learning the children's names was also important. "I don't like to say, 'hey you.'"

She has received her share of Christmas gifts, Valentine cards, and notes of appreciation. "Of course, parents should be aware that 'little pitchers have big ears,' and they quickly relate their tales to the bus driver, especially kindergartners," Mary said, "I've heard just about any kind of tale you can think of."

"Things have really changed since I started driving, Mary said. "When I got my chauffeur's license I just went into Sperry's garage, filled out a form, and paid three dollars. Now drivers have to take special tests to get their Commercial Drivers' License and be tested by the BOE to be certified."

Mary is proudest of her driving record. "Each year I'd say a little prayer to keep the students, bus, and driver safe." The veteran driver has never been involved in a major traffic accident. "Oh, I jumped a curb and had a fender-bender, but nothing serious. I guess people just stayed out of my way," Mary said grinning.

"Turn the bus into an RV vehicle? No, I don't think I want to do that. I'm going to relax and enjoy my freedom from bus schedules."

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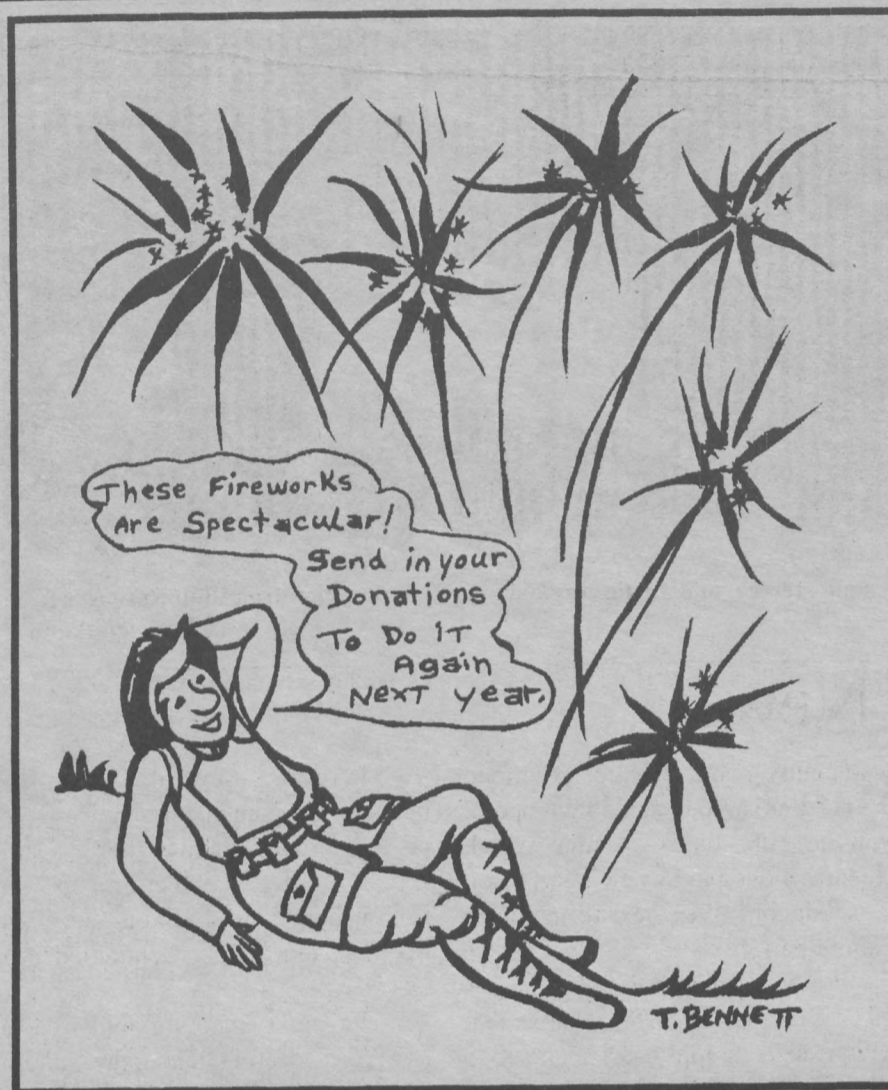
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100 Years Ago "In this place" from the *Emmitsburg Chronicle*

July 2, 1897 - No arrangements have been made to celebrate the Fourth of July in this place, although the small boy will be on hand with pockets filled with firecrackers.

The Chinese preserve eggs by coating them with mud. Mr. Joseph E. Hoke, our wide awake egg dealer, would do well to make a note of this.

The bicycle meet at Frederick on Saturday, Sunday, and Monday next promises to be a grand success in every particular. We take the liberty of extending an invitation to the wheelman to visit Emmitsburg on one of the above days. The run from Frederick to this place cannot be excelled in the way of beautiful scenery and fertile fields, while Emmitsburg is the garden spot of Maryland.

Fishing Party

On last Friday night a party of fishermen of this place spent the night at Maxell's dam fishing. They caught 17 eels, 2 turtles, and a few fish. The

party was composed of Messrs. Samuel I. Rowe, Charles R. Hoke, Joseph D. Caldwell, Lewis Higbee, Wm. G. Bushman, H. M. Rowe, E. H. Rowe, Will Rowe, Thaddeus and Luther Zimmerman, James Slagle, E.L. Annan, Wm. Speed, Isaac and Robert Annan, and Motter Annan.

Independence Day

July 9, 1897 - Independence Day was quietly celebrated in this place on Monday. In the evening the young people enlivened the occasion by shooting off fire-crackers which was done to perfection until a late hour. The Emmitt Comet Band appeared on the street in the evening and rendered a number of musical selections.

Drank Embalming Fluid and Died

July 9, 1897 - David Stull, who resided on the mountain, near the reservoir, west of town, is dead and buried. With suicidal inclinations he drank a

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Commentary: Town tells BOE, "Enough already!"

At a meeting to discuss the erosion of elementary children from the Emmitsburg school community, interests and concerns were presented by the school committee augmented by comments from parents. It was in effect a pre-emptive strike against the conventional planning practices of the Board of Education and the County Commissioners. The discussion focused on the location of school boundaries, the effect of shifting children out of their home area for some other convenience, and the economic impact these policies have on the community.

The meeting was dramatically and exaggeratedly characterized as a "firestorm," but only by those in the hotseat. From the audience it looked more like a well-placed shot across the bow, whistling "Enough already!"

Parents who did not attend this meeting should know of and appreciate the excellent job done by the school committee in representing their interests in the educational processes of their children. The entire community should be proud of the comments of those parents who did attend and who spoke so clearly and wisely of their concerns. Even with its few glitches the meeting came off as "professional."

The gist was that the current practice of shuttling children from the community to fill slots in the greater insti-

tutional scheme of things ignores and cuts deep into the very heart of emotional and social centers that children need to succeed—their families and their community. Parents spoke of being shut out of their children's educational experiences. Parental concerns echoed the opinion of Harvard Psychologist Ronald Levant about shortchanging children. According to Levant, "Children need vast amounts of time and attention." That means family time—not time on a bus.

To their credit, Board of Education representatives Dale and Barnes did respond but danced lightly around the issue, hinting at the possibility of an upcoming study of existing school boundaries and that overcrowding in the Thurmont schools might be relieved by readjusting school district boundaries. They admitted a need to reevaluate the imminent growth of the Emmitsburg community. Predictably School Commissioner Hoke thumped the drum of fiscal responsibility. He proposed a follow-up meeting including the Board of Commissioners, the Board of Education and the Emmitsburg school committee. The meeting is scheduled in October to discuss this situation further. Hoke warned, we can talk "...even though you might not hear what you want to hear." Fair enough, but let it be dialogue, not merely debate.

The Emmitsburg School commit-

tee and parents bravely fired an effective first shot. They represented the community well by delivering, in effect, a message similar to that carried on the the U.S. Naval flag of 1775—Quit treading on us!

This action should not be interpreted as diplomatic one-upsmanship or a political maneuver for power. It was a deep-down heart-felt expression of the community's sense that students and families are being manipulated in numbers games.

Current management strategies suggest that monolithic centralized systems may not be the best way to provide services or improve performances. It is basic business practice to be sensitive to the needs of their customers—in this case the child and his support unit, the family.

It is hoped that the concerns of parents in this place will lead to a dialogue where each listens to the other and takes some kind of wisdom from the other. Productive discussion of this worrisome problem can benefit the BOE, the BOCC, and most of all their reason to be, the students.

In October we will see if the people who did not attend such a critical meeting have the spunk to get up off their apathies to be at least a presence if not a voice calling for the end of shifting children around in the numbers game.

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potion of embalming fluid, and died from the effect of the dose on Monday last.

The direct cause of the man's rash act may never be known, for the reports in circulation are so conflicting that it is almost utterly impossible to form a correct idea as to what prompted him to take his own life.

It is said that he got into difficulty over a hog deal, which was about to cause him more or less trouble, and that his fear of being prosecuted, played an important part in the extreme course he pursued. However, this is only conjecture.

It is also stated that Stull, while suffering from the dose he had taken, when asked why he had taken it, he replied that they were going to "send me over," which has been interpreted by some people to mean that he thought he would be sent to jail.

Dr. Jas. W. Eichelberger was summoned, but it was impossible to save the man's life.

The deceased leaves a widow and five small children.

Game Laws Violated

July 23, 1897 - The first arrest in this county for violation of the game laws was made Saturday. The accused was Jacob Hall, of Pearl, this county, who was charged with shooting a squirrel. The arrest was made by Deputy Game Warden George E. Stroup. Hall was given a hearing before Magistrate Biser, and was fined \$5.

Partial Eclipse

July 30, 1897 - The partial eclipse of the sun yesterday forenoon was viewed by a large number of people in this place. Some used smoked glass in viewing the eclipse, whilst others looked through their fingers.

Not a Good Joke

July 30, 1897 - A report is in circulation to the effect that one of Emmitsburg's gallant young men went to the country about a fortnight ago in keeping with an engagement with one of the fair sex. After a very pleasant chat of a few hours, the time to bid his friend adieu arrived, and he started for his team, and behold his amazement to find two of the wheels taken from the buggy. But Mr. S. was equal to the occasion and soon placed the wheels in their proper position and started for Emmitsburg rejoicing - the kind of rejoicing it was we are unable to say. This may be considered a good joke, but it is one that should be depreciate by every thoughtful person.

**"Thanks, Mr. Bob!"
Funds Donated to
Little League**

"Kids are what it's all about," said Bob Rosensteel. For the past 3 years Friends of the Family Studio has sponsored the Pink Panthers softball team. And, for the last 2 years the portrait and photographic studio has made contributions to the general fund of the Emmitsburg Little League as well as to the Thurmont Little League. (Some Emmitsburg teams play in the Thurmont League.)



Minor Leaguers Troy Smith (l), Justin Shank, Danielle Miller, Timothy Swartz, Logan Hersch, and Justin Sizemore accept a donation from Bob Rosensteel. A Dispatch Photo

EBPA Business News

Interest in the Emmitsburg Business and Professional Association is increasing. According to newly elected president Bob Gauss, attendance has improved since the organization has switched to flexible scheduling of meetings. "We alternate our meetings among breakfast, luncheon, and evening meetings, but we always meet on the 3rd Tuesday of each month," Gauss said.

On June 19th, seventeen people attended the luncheon meeting held at the Gourmet Grill. Rita Carroll of

Up-County Family Center described the program and explained the operations of the family center which recently moved to its new quarters on West Lincoln Ave., next to the community park.

Presently there are 75 businesses listed with the EBPA. "We realize that all business people can't make it to every meeting, but they will be able to receive correspondence, agendas, and minutes that will keep them informed of business issues," Gauss said.

There are several interesting items on the agenda, ranging from the proposed round-about at the Silo Hill - MD 140 intersection to an Emmitsburg/Mason Dixon Line Fall Festival tentatively scheduled for Oct. 1998.

The next meeting will be a Breakfast Meeting held at the Gallery Suites, 304 E. Main St. Members will receive an agenda and should respond if they plan to attend. For more information or to receive an invitation call Bob Gauss at (301) 447-2222.

Burglars Strike

Burglars broke into four shops in the Silo Hill Shopping Center on Silo Hill Road off East Main Street sometime during the night of June 17th, prying open the back doors to enter. The burglars skipped businesses which had security alarms.

The break-ins occurred at the China Wok restaurant, Emmitsburg Flowers and Gifts, Joy Dry Cleaners, and Mystic Tanning Salon.

The burglars took only money from the cash registers and left items in the stores undisturbed.

In another robbery in town, two brass and bronze offering containers were taken from St. Joseph's Church on June 24, sometime after 1:00 p.m. One of the containers was located in a dumpster in town. The other has not been recovered.

At this time there are no suspects and investigations are pending. Anyone with information is asked to call the Sheriff's Office at 301 694-1046.

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Senior Citizens News

By Anna Margaret Martin

School's Out,
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July is here!

The Senior Citizens are still in the Community Center Building. We haven't had any news on when we will be moving due to the work at the center. When the time comes, we will let everyone know where we will be. Out activities will be as follows unless changes have to be made.

Wednesday, July 2 - Board Meeting, 9 a.m.

Thursday, July 3 - Bingo, 1 p.m.

Friday, July 4 - Closed

Tuesday, July 8 - Frederick Shopping, 1 p.m.

Thursday, July 10 - "500" card party, 1 p.m.

Tuesday, July 15 - Meeting day with an ice cream party following the meeting

Thursday, July 17 - Bingo, 1 p.m.

Thursday, July 24 - "500" card

party, 1 p.m.

Thursday, July 31 - Bingo, 1 p.m.

The Seniors are planning a trip to the Totem Pole Playhouse on Saturday, August 30 to a matinee of *Smoke on the Mountain*, a musical set in the gospel-singing circuit in the mountains of North Carolina in 1938. For information call Anna Margaret at the center (301) 447-6253, for details.

The Emmitsburg Senior Center is open Monday - Friday from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Lunch is available at 12 o'clock each day with reservations a must 24 hours in advance (before 1 p.m.) Transportation is available if needed and home-delivered meals are offered on approval by the county Commission on Aging. Come join us if you are sixty years or more of age and join the fellowship and fun along with food. We have air conditioning.

Remember we're closed July 4th.

American Legion Installs New Officers

By George Danner

The Francis X. Elder Post 121, American Legion, Emmitsburg, Md. installed their newly elected Post officers for the year 1997-'98, on Tuesday June 3rd at the Post Home.

New officers installed are Commander, Forrest Knipple; First Vice Commander, James Sanders; Second Vice Commander, Ernest Gelwicks; Judge Advocate, Ernest Gelwicks; Adjutant, Douglas Adams; Service Officer, Forrest Knipple; Historian, Michael Orndorff; Chaplain, Sterling Goulden; and Sergeant, Charles Kemper.

The Post is planning to have "Feeds" at Kump's Dam, rain or shine, with menus TBA on July 20 and August 17. September 7, will be the special Sportsman Drawing also to be held at Kump's Dam.

Post Activities: On July 19, and August 9, at the Post Home there will be dances featuring Al Nova which will run from 9 p.m. until 1

a.m. All members, Auxiliary, and Sons of the American Legion and guests are invited. There will be no cover charge.

Information about upcoming events will be posted on Cable TV Channel 22.

The next Post meeting for the Men, Auxiliary, and Sons of the American Legion will be held on July 1 at 8 p.m. Support your Legion Post. For information call 301-447-2274.

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Emmitsburg, 1939. Brown McNair submitted this picture of his third birthday party. The kids are lined up on the steps of the "Green Parrot" (now occupied by the VFW). Front row (l - r): Charles Brown McNair, Donald Flax, John Beegle. Second row: Paul Harner and Fred Bowers. The four girls and the remaining boy can't be identified. Perhaps some of our readers can help Brown identify them. Photo courtesy Charles Brown McNair.

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People in the news



Elizabeth Ann Sharrer

Elizabeth Ann Sharrer, 15335 Sixes Road, Emmitsburg, Md., graduated on May 30th from Saint Maria Goretti High School, Hagerstown, Md.

She is a member in the National Honor Society, the National Art Honor Society, and the International Thespian Society. Elizabeth will be attending Coastal Carolina University, S.C., in the fall and will be pursuing a major in Marine Biology.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Sharrer, Jr.

Scholarship Awards Announced

Delegate Donald B. Elliott, Member of the House of Delegates, District 4-B, is pleased to announce the award of four one-year scholarships to a 4-year college to the following: Jessica Fritz of New Windsor; Adam Adelsberger of Emmitsburg; Elizabeth Hunatio of Union Bridge, and Thea R. Maddox of Emmitsburg.

Jessica Fritz will be attending the University of Maryland, College Park. Adam Adelsberger will also be attending the University of

Maryland at College Park, Elizabeth Hunatio will attend Washington College in Chestertown, Maryland. Thea Maddox will attend Mount Saint Mary's College.

The amount of the scholarships is based on the undergraduate fee charged by the University of Maryland and is applicable to any 4-year public or private college or university in the state of Maryland.

Selections were made by a special Scholarship Committee appointed by Delegate Elliott.

New Minister Assumes Duties at Elias Lutheran Church

Pastor Susan Yatta began her duties at Elias Evangelical Lutheran Church in Emmitsburg on June 16. She graduated from Gettysburg Lutheran Theological Seminary, with honors in Biblical studies.

The daughter of a minister, Pastor Yatta lived in Woodsboro until the family moved to Baltimore County, where she attended public schools. After she received her Bachelor of Arts degree from Mary Washington College, Fredericksburg, Virginia, she worked as Youth Ministry Coordinator for the Delaware-Maryland Synod,

Lutheran Church in America.

While in seminary Pastor Yatta completed her clinical pastoral education at Peninsula Regional Medical Center in Salisbury, Maryland, and her year of internship (serving as vicar) at Zion Lutheran in Williamsport, Md. Work experience includes a couple of years in Youth Ministry in the Gettysburg area before she attended Seminary full-time.

Pastor Yatta and her husband, Walter will be residing at the Lutheran Parsonage on West Main Street.

Portier edits new book

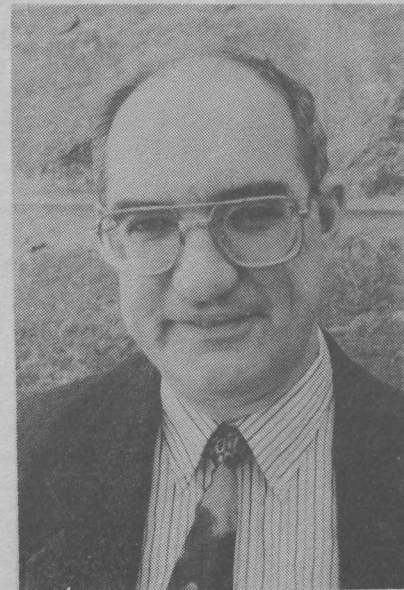
Bill Portier, prolific author, eminent U.S. Catholic scholar, and chairman of the theology department at Mount Saint Mary's College, has compiled a collection of essays in conjunction with fellow academic, Sandra Yocum Mize, that relates the Catholic experience to diverse areas of American culture.

The Portier/Mize book, *American Catholic Traditions—Resources for Renewal*, is a unique array of articles, written by both established and rising scholars of American Catholic history and culture, that discusses the historical roots of American Catholic thought in many fields, from pop culture to political and economic theory.

The 271-page book, recently issued by Orbis Press in Maryknoll, N.Y., is largely compiled from lectures and papers presented last year at the annual conference of the College Theology Society at the University of Dayton in Dayton, Ohio.

A section of the book is devoted to aesthetics, presenting essays on various topics of American Catholic cultural expression, including discussions of novels by such "Catholic" writers as F. Scott Fitzgerald and Flannery O'Connor, to Old West movies, like *Stagecoach* and *Fort Apache*, directed by "Catholic" filmmaker, John Ford.

The first section, "Praxis," includes a history of movements, such as the evangelization of Native Americans, the formation of the U.S. Grail, an international movement of women interested in promoting peace and social justice issues, and on the



Dr. William Portier

Catholic radicalist tradition.

"In the aftermath of the second Vatican Council (in 1965), Catholic theology exploded with new vitality," said Portier. "While still adhering to the clerical traditions of old Europe, the theological landscape came to include women, laity, and voices from other continents and cultures."

Portier is the author of four books, including *Isaac Hecker and the First Vatican Council* and *Tradition and Incarnation: Foundations of Christian Theology* and more than 30 articles.

American Catholic Traditions—Resources for Renewal is available at the Mount Saint Mary's College Store at 301-447-5271 or directly from the publisher at 1-800-258-5838.

Dr. Portier lives on East Main Street, Emmitsburg.

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BIRTHS

Congratulations on the following births:

To Kelly and Dean Leib, of Emmitsburg, a daughter, on April 17.

To Mr. and Mrs. Tim Wetzel, Emmitsburg, a daughter, on May 4.

To Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Wiles, Rocky Ridge, a daughter, May 13.

To Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Bevard, Emmitsburg, a son, May 28.

Catoctin High School Graduates 170 Students

By Christina Stevenson

One hundred seventy seniors graduated from Catoctin High School Monday, June 9, 1997, at Mount Saint Mary's College Knot ARCC. This was the first time Catoctin High School held a graduation ceremony off site. Four of the eight high schools in Frederick County held their commencement ceremonies at the facility throughout the week.

The commencement ceremony was preceded by the Message to Seniors held at the high school auditorium on Sunday afternoon. The Message to Seniors acknowledges students who received scholarships and awards. Congressman Roscoe Bartlett was in attendance to present an award. This year's seniors have received \$1,000,300 in scholarships, grants, and aid. According to Catoctin High School Principal

Marlene Tarr, this was the first time Catoctin High School has broken the one million dollar mark. Sixteen of the 59 students who received awards and scholarships are residents of Emmitsburg.

At the commencement ceremony Ms. Tarr requested applause and thanks for the students' parents and siblings. Special guests were Dr. Jack Dale, Superintendent, who encouraged the seniors to keep learning, and Gordon Cooly, from the Frederick County Board of Education, who congratulated the seniors on their accomplishment. The guest speaker, Mr. Richard Troxell, Class of 1979, both entertained and provided words of wisdom to the seniors. He encouraged the seniors to attack life, to take only the positive, to embrace work, and to have faith in themselves.

1997 Graduates of Catoctin High

Congratulations!

Adam Michael Adelsberger, David Jonathan Alexander, Scott Henry Alexander, Amanda Lee Amos, Jessica Marlene Angell, Dean Francis Aubol, III, James Robert Bassler, Richard Monroe Beach, Jr., Anthony Lee Bentz, William Ayan Boxall, Corki Michelle Brittain, Aimee Danielle Brown, Derek Lee Brown, Rebecca Lee Bunker, Amy Lynn Butler, Sarah Elizabeth Butler, Damuth William Carbaugh, Ross Griffin Cashiola, Kristi Diane Cavender, Marlena Ann Chapman, Laura Marie Clapper, William Eugene Click, Terry Christopher Coblentz, Nicole Rose Compofelice, Michael Christopher Cool, Adam Keith Coulby, William Arthur Crawford, Jr., Rory Blair Crisler-Smith, Michael David Crone, Christina Marie Dalesio, Audrey Paige Decker, Melissa Ann Diercks, Joshua David Dimaggio, Shawn Emmitt Dingle, Eric Charles Donnelly, Aaron Wesley Dove, Kenneth Eugene Droneburg, Jr., Tory Lynn Elliott, Dana Lynn Eyler, Jennifer Eileen Eyler, Samuel Edgar Eyler, Trisha Renee Eyler*, Raeann Christine Faulkner, Jeremy David Favorite, Edward Andrew Fink, II, Benjamin Lee Flabbi, Sharon Elizabeth Flanigan, Jason Allen Fogle, Jesse Scott Fogle, John Allen Fogle, Preston Eugene Fogle, Stacy Marie Fogle, Chasity Lynn Fox, Kimberly Ann Fox, Shelly Christina French, David Paul Friedrich, Donald Francis Galster, Rachael Rochelle Garber, Paula Ann George, Theresa Dawn Getz, David Edward Giannini, Christopher Jason Gibbons, Vincent Uriah Gray, Robert Lamar Gray, III, Amy Marie Hahn, Robert William Hanldal Jr., Shannon Nicole Harbaugh, Angela Lynn Hartman, Keith Allen Haskin*, Shannon Marie Heims, Cherie Lynn Henry, Nichole Ann Hobbs, Michael David Hogan, Charles William Hurt, Jr., Jennifer Marie Jackson, Nicholas Angelo Jackson, Adam Michael Jacoby, Francis Elbert Javor, Jacob Rory Kline*, Joseph Stanislaus Knoff, III, Andrea Lee Koontz, Michele Ann Krom, Mindy Nichole Kuhn, Edward Gerald Kuhn, III, Amanda Rae Leith, Stephanie Kathleen Leppo, John Michael Litten, Micha Celeste

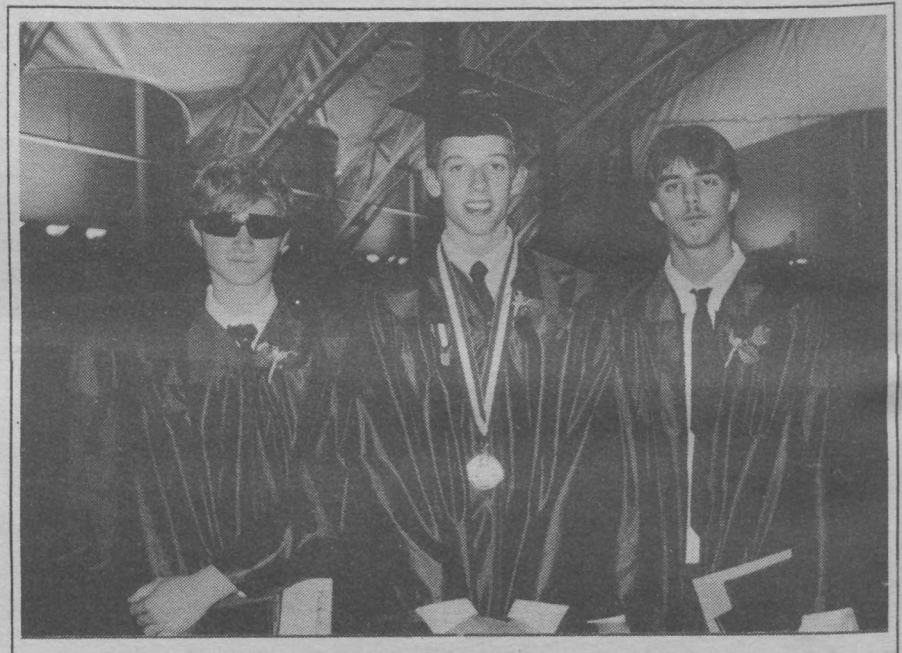
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* Top five percent of class

** Awarded posthumously



The Message to the Seniors program was held in the high school auditorium Sunday afternoon.



Emmitsburg graduates from left: Eric Pickert, Jason Powell, and Mike Cool.



Emmitsburg graduates (from the left) Erin Ryder, Allison Topper, Thea Maddox, Stacey and Tracey Newman, and Aimee Brown.

All photos courtesy Christina Stevenson



Two students battle with padded jousting sticks while balancing on pods on springs.



Space-walking on earth. Students maneuver a gyrosphere.

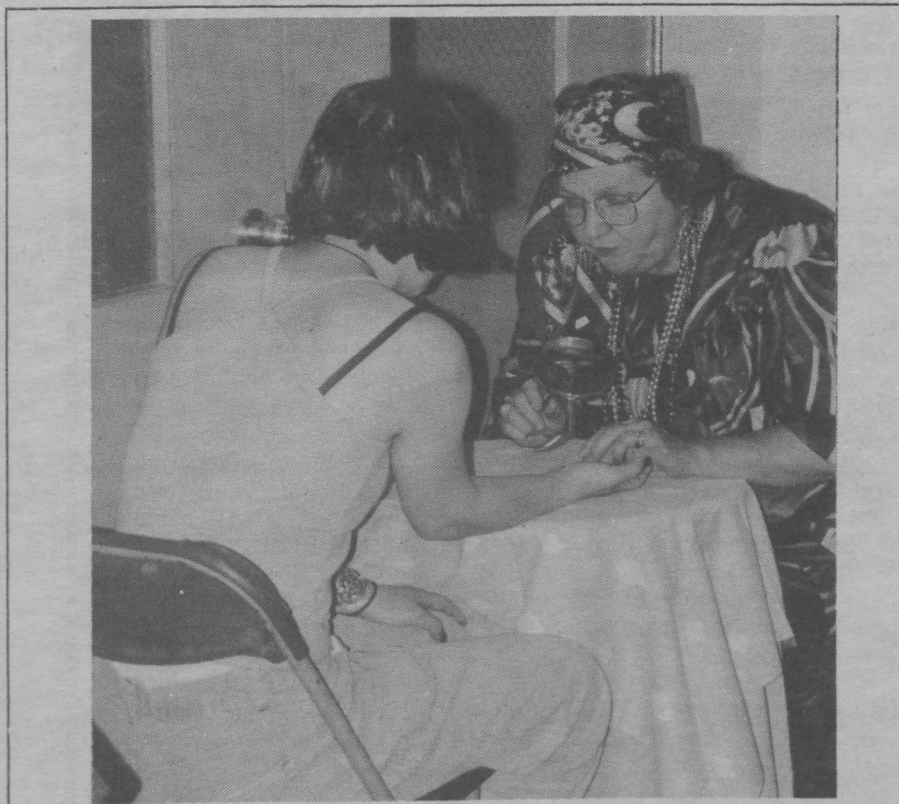
Safe & Sane Graduation Party

After receiving their diplomas, the new graduates celebrated at the Safe & Sane party held at the Knott ARCC. The Safe & Sane party has been a graduation tradition for the past seven years. The objective is to keep students safe and off the roads on graduation night by providing entertainment, activities, and food from 11:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. According to Safe & Sane committee co-chair Vicki Novak, 147 out of 170 graduates attended this year's party. The event is financed by donations from area businesses and fund raising events and is free to the students. A committee of forty parents volunteered their time planning the event, preparing food, and coordinating activities.

This year's theme was "The Beach is Heaven in '97" complete

with a Thrasher's Fries stand and beach chairs with umbrellas. Activities included a play-money casino, hula hoop contest, water gun shoot, a life-sized gyrosphere, and a jousting match. The ARCC's pool, tennis courts, and racquetball courts were open for use. A 1989 Sunbird was raffled as an extra incentive to attend. The lucky winner of the car was Mark Valentine of Thurmont. Another prize winner, Rory Sanders of Sabillasville, won a choice of \$500 in cash or a \$1,000 savings bond contributed by the Town of Thurmont.

To top off the list of traditions, many of the graduates will spend a week in Ocean City before entering college, the military, or beginning full-time jobs.



"I see a tall handsome man entering your life." Hmm! Tarot cards and palm reading predicted the future of the graduates.



Grads made molds of their hands by dipping them into melted wax of various colors.

Jan Lamb Featured Artist at Studio Gallery

Jan Lamb is the featured artist during the month of July at Studio Gallery, 304 E. Main St., Emmitsburg, MD. She will attend an opening reception on Sunday, July 6, 3 p.m. - 5 p.m.. Everyone is invited. For more information call (301)447-3292

Jan writes: "I must start by saying that my life revolves around fine art. For the most part I paint in oils, though I have in the last couple of years started working in pastels, as I like the immediacy of drawing, though color is my main interest. I am very attuned to the natural world around me and enjoy painting the images that most impress me. I spent two years painting in watercolor, painting what I thought would sell. I finally realized that was not what I wanted, I wanted to work out my own feelings and make art that pleased me. I want my art to be seen and

enjoyed. If someone wants to buy, I am even happier. I have also worked in photography, and some sculpture. I am presently taking my second semester of pottery which I feel is more for the experience and the thrill of making something useful as well as ornamental.

I have had my work accepted into juried shows in Frederick and Baltimore Maryland in the past three years, as well as having a solo exhibit in the Weinburg Center for the Arts in Frederick Maryland in 1994. I have received several awards in juried and non-juried shows alike.

My formal schooling is at the level of an Associate's degree with a major in art, as well as some private classes. I plan to attend the Corcoran School of Art in Washington, D.C. this fall to get my Bachelor of Fine Arts degree. Once I receive my BFA I plan to open a studio where I will continue to paint as well as begin teaching."

Library news - "on the web"

By Amy Schildwachter

Have you been surfin' the net lately? If not you may be missing out on some very valuable information! The Internet can provide a fast method of finding useful information to help you in your daily life. There are sites for health, travel, finance and much more! By exploring some of these many sites, you may find information that you didn't know was readily available.

If you are looking for health information, you can try Health Gate at, <http://www.healthgate.com>.

This site will give you information about diet, drugs, patient information and more. Another useful site is Health-Net at <http://www.health-net.com>, which covers topics such as arthritis, heart health, and information for senior citizens

As you may have noticed, web sites are publicized for all types of media. You can now access some of your favorite magazines on the Internet from the comfort of your own home. You can find *Kiplinger's Personal Finance Magazine* at <http://Kiplinger.com>. *Ladies' Home Journal* can be found at <http://www.lhj.com>.

Have you seen the ads for the Consumer Information Center in Pueblo, Colorado that publishes a

catalog of consumer publications? You can access this information on the Internet at

<http://www.pueblo.goa.gov>. Through this site, you can order the consumer publications and receive other consumer news.

Do you need to make a long-distance call to a company and would prefer to call a toll-free 800 number? Then try the ATT 800 Directory at <http://att.net/dir800>. With just the company's name you may be able to find a toll-free phone number for them.

If you are looking for stock prices or information about a particular company, you might want to try Hoover's Online at

<http://www.hoovers.com>. From this web site, you can link to hundreds of home pages for all types of businesses, as well get stock information for these companies.

If you are still in search of a place to access the Internet, you can visit any branch of the Frederick County Public Libraries to gain free Internet access using SAILOR, the Maryland libraries' access to the Internet. In the fall, Emmitsburg Branch will be offering workshops on how to access the Internet in the fall. For more information on how to access the Internet, visit or call the Emmitsburg Branch at (301) 447-2682



Jan Lamb displaying one of her paintings which will be exhibited this month at Studio Gallery, Emmitsburg.



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Looking ahead. . .

Friday, July 4

The 15th Annual Lions Community Day will begin with the **Vigilant Hose Company Auxiliary's All You Can Eat Breakfast** at the Emmitsburg Fire Hall from 6:00 - 10:00 a.m. A chicken barbecue and games start at 10:00 a.m. at the Community Center; horse-shoes at 1:00 p.m.; and the golf contest at 2:00 p.m. A firefighting exhibition will be from 2:00-4:00 p.m. and music by the Dixie Highway Band from 4:00 - 5:30 p.m. The one-mile run through town begins at 6:00 p.m. at the Doughboy Memorial followed by the parade. A program celebrating the 240th anniversary of Emmitsburg's founding will start at 7:00 p.m. at the Community Center followed by more music from 8:00-9:30 p.m. The FANTASTIC FIREWORKS begin at 9:45 p.m.

Saturday, July 5

An Antique Tractor Pull will be held at Mt. Tabor Park at 10:00 a.m. - breakfast at 7:00 a.m. Food will be available all day. Free set ups for flea market. Sponsored by the Park Board.

Sunday, July 6

The Studio Gallery's Opening Reception for artist Jan McIntyre Lamb will be held from 3:00-5:00 p.m. Ms. Lamb will be the featured

artist at the Studio Gallery, 304 E. Main Street, from July 4- Aug. 2.

Monday, July 7

Tom's Creek United Methodist Church Vacation Bible School will be held from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. at the church. "Be a Promise Builder for Jesus" will be the theme. Contact 301-447-2693 or 410-756-6276 for further information. The church is located between Taneytown and Emmitsburg on Tom's Creek Road.

Monday, July 14

The Thurmont Evening Aglow meeting will be held at the Cozy Restaurant, 103 Frederick Road, with a meatless buffet at 6:30 p.m. Cost is \$6.50. Call 301-447-2283 for reservations by July 11. Installation of new officers.

Tuesday, July 15

The Emmitsburg Business and Professional Association (EBPA) meeting and continental breakfast will be held at The Gallery Suites Bed & Breakfast, 304 E. Main St. at 8 a.m. For more information call Bob Gauss (301) 447-2222.

Saturday, July 19

Mt. Tabor Lutheran Church Festival will be held in Mt. Tabor Park in Rocky Ridge from 3:00 p.m. until. Food served rain or shine.

the August issue of the *Dispatch*.

Early in June, a trip to "Amish Country" renewed our surprise at the *sameness* of quilts for sale there. They were beautiful quilts, with exciting fabrics and meticulous workmanship. Expensive also, but lacking the personal touch that makes a quilt a part of the family.

Mt. Tabor Quilters enjoy making quilts that "belong" to the buyer from the start because that person selects the pattern and colors before the quilt is made. The buyer can visit us and watch the quilt grow and even cut some fabric or put in a stitch or two.

This writer would like to make a "Rocky Ridge—Then and Now" quilt, but photos of old landmarks are needed. For example the train station, old school, general stores, etc. Can anyone help me out?

**Community Day
July 4 - All Day
Fireworks! Fireworks!**

Soup, sandwiches, pie, ice cream. Music will be by the Gospel Travelers. Plenty of amusements for the children including the biggest sliding board in the area. Bingo at 7:00 p.m. The festival will benefit Mt. Tabor Lutheran Church.

Saturday, July 26

An Old Fashioned Country Picnic will be held from 12 noon until 5 p.m. at St. Anthony Shrine Parish (adjacent to Mt. St. Mary's College) in Emmitsburg. A Fried Chicken and Ham Dinner will be served. Prices: adults, \$7; children (under 12) \$3.25; children under 5 - FREE. The dining room is air conditioned and there will be ample parking. There will be music, bingo, and all kinds of stands, amusements, and gifts. Enjoy a day with us. Mass will be held at 4 p.m.

Saturday, July 26

The Mount Tabor United Church of Christ will hold a festival at Mt. Tabor Park. Music by Tri-State Gospel Quartet. Good food - soups, sandwiches, pies, ice cream. Fancy table. Games for children and adults.

Sunday July 27

Tom's Creek United Methodist Church Celebrating Yesteryear

As part of their special commemoration of the 200th year of Tom's Creek Church, a special worship service will be held July 27 at both services. The congregation is encouraged to dress in costumes of the period on that Sunday.

In addition to period dress, the men and women will be seated on opposite sides of the church as was the custom. The offering will be collected in baskets on a pole. Old hymns will be accompanied by the piano. Someone with a rod will wake up those who nod off, and may even tap an unruly child or two. There will be an "Amen" corner, too.

Souvenir fans will be given out to keep you cool during the service. Pastor Donnie is planning a "Wesley" sermon and will be dressed as Susanna Wesley.


A picnic will be held at the Rt. 140 property that afternoon beginning at 3:00 p.m.

MT. TABOR QUILTERS

by Inspector 13

The weather may be constantly changing, but the Quilters continue their activities at the same pace. Some quilters retire their craft during summer, but we find that a few hours spent together in the comfort of air conditioning and good fellowship are a welcome break—a break from weed pulling, grass cutting and other outside chores.

At present we are quilting one and assembling two quilts. The "Double Wedding Ring," in random prints and pastel pink background, mentioned in last month's column, will be completed later this year. It is for sale as a top or finished quilt. The other quilt in progress is a special order, a lively variation of the "Pineapple" pattern. It will be raffled off this summer. Watch for details in



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Small-Town Living in Emmitsburg/Fairfield: Will it Survive the Next Few Years?

By Debra Brownley

One of our main reasons for moving to the Emmitsburg/Fairfield area was that we wanted our children to have a better way of life—country life. There's a lot to be said about small town living and life in the country. One of the things we had experienced in the city was the increased crime rate, teen-aged pregnancy was higher, and drugs were more readily available. That's not to say that the same doesn't hold true in a small-town community, but it's not to the same degree. We also felt that our children would get a better education because the teacher to student ratio was lower; approximately 1 teacher to 25 students.

Over the past few years, we've grown accustomed to small town life. But since we moved here, the whole area is starting to be developed. In Emmitsburg, there's preliminary approval for 97 building lots near the BP gas station, the Emmitt Village Center next to Rutter's will be available for leasing in the fall of '97, and within the past year, a new strip center has opened near Jubilee Foods. In Fairfield, The Towne Center is scheduled to open in the fall of '97, and there are town houses going in along Water Street with the first ones expected to be completed around the end of December. Not to mention, the new facilities being built in the Fairfield area school district designed to handle the influx of new students, and to better serve the present needs of the existing students. I guess my husband and I are just like everybody else, we like small-town living just the way it is—small.

Shortly after moving to the area, we went to Emmitsburg's Community Day. It had been years since we had been to the fireworks. The thought of fighting mobs of people and sitting in a traffic jam for three hours, just took the fun right out of the whole idea. But we were able to park right on S. Seton Avenue, and walk across the road to a fun-filled day of excitement and entertainment. We enjoyed music from a live band with plenty of available seating. The hot dogs, sodas, and chips were affordably priced, unlike taking the children to the movies where candy bars and

popcorn cost as much as the movie ticket! And then we enjoyed a spectacular evening of fireworks, sponsored by local businesses and people of the community.

Once again, we found ourselves migrating to the small town of Emmitsburg on Halloween, so that the children could go trick or treating. It was like we had gone back in time as people sat up and down the busy sidewalks, watching the parade of old antique fire trucks, children and parents alike dressed up in costumes. One year, I can remember one of the children in the parade riding a pony down the middle of Main Street, and a Dalmatian dog sitting on top of one of the fire trucks. The whole town just seemed to come alive with monsters and ghouls, Power Rangers and princesses. The townspeople were steadily passing out candy. One lady said, "I just don't know where they all come from. There's more kids every year!"

There's a rare community spirit that lives in Emmitsburg. A spirit that surpasses other small towns. The businesses are very supportive of the community, and so are the local people who inhabit Emmitsburg. Proof of this is the community newspaper, *The Emmitsburg Regional Dispatch*.

At Christmas time, the town lights with their red bows and green garland that line Main Street in Emmitsburg offers a warm greeting to many skiers and people visiting over the holidays. And in the spring, the beautiful white flowering pear trees that line Main Street remind us of what an elegant little town Emmitsburg really is. It's what a person would expect from a small town and more.

During the summer months, I see children and teens walking barefooted on the hot sidewalks with towels wrapped around their midsections, scurrying to Emmitsburg's community pool to take a dip. It's nice to know that the streets are still safe enough for our children to walk, and it's something that we often take for granted.

I have driven by the firehouse in Emmitsburg many a time, and seen the firefighters leaning up against the wall in the bay area, chitchatting to the locals. They

looked like something out of a Norman Rockwell picture.

For me, it is hard to separate the small town of Emmitsburg from Fairfield. Divided only by a state line, I consider the people of Emmitsburg to be my neighbors. When we first moved here, I'd be driving down Tract Road, and everybody always seemed to wave to me. At first, I thought, well, maybe somebody else drives a car like mine, or maybe I look just like somebody else that lives around here. So, I eventually just started waving back. I have since made many friends simply by adding a smile to that friendly small-town wave that means: "Howdy, neighbor!"

These may seem like trivial matters of the heart, but it is these small everyday things in life that matter. It is the lifestyle that we have all grown accustomed to that is apt to change. It's impossible to keep a small town, small. There comes a time when it must grow. However, it's the type of development that will ultimately affect the small town community spirit of the Emmitsburg/Fairfield area. There used to be a sign outside of Emmitsburg Child Care Center that read, "Give where you live." If we must grow, then let it be in a way that will give back to the community.

Debra Brownley writes from Fairfield, Pa.



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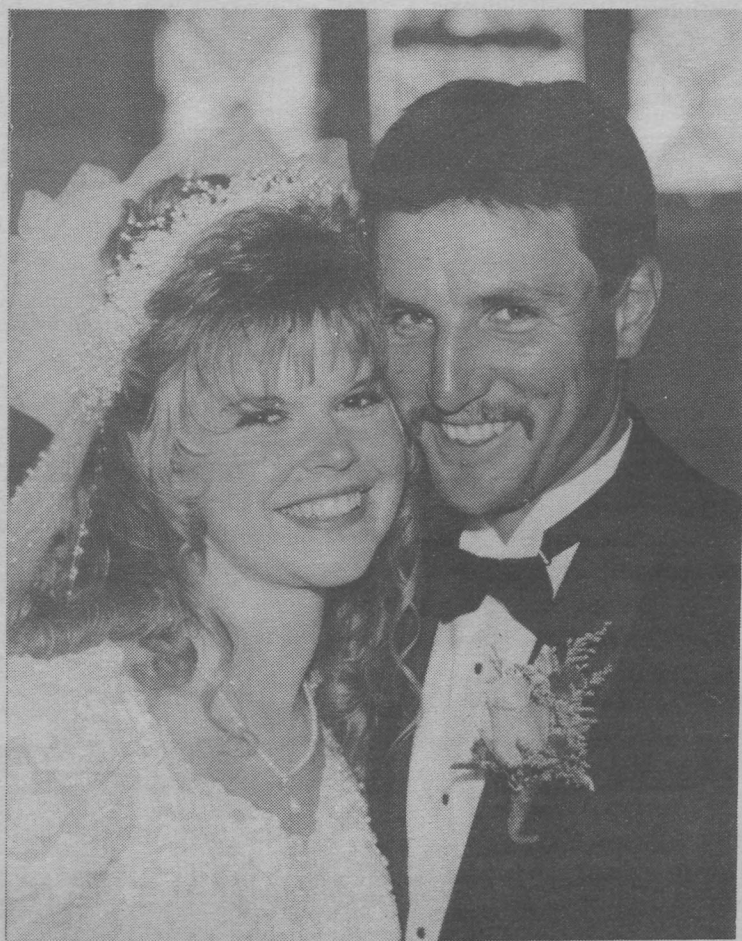
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Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Persinger

Adams - Persinger

Beth Adams and Wayne Persinger were joined in matrimony at St. Joseph's Church in Emmitsburg on May 17, 1997. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs.

Harry Adams of Emmitsburg and her new husband is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Persinger, Jr., of Johnsville. The couple honeymooned in Aruba.



Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Derry

Bucheri - Derry

Woodsboro Evangelical Lutheran Church was the setting for the April 26 ceremony uniting in matrimony Donna Bucheri and Dennis Derry, Sr. The evening wedding was followed by a reception at

the Woodsboro Fire Company Activity Center. Mr. and Mrs. Derry took a wedding trip to Alaska.

Photos by the Rosensteel Studio.

Up-County Family Center Hosts Partners of the Americas

The Up-County Family Center staff met with members of the Partners of the Americas program on June 19. They came to observe how the center operates within the community.

Members of the group, who have been studying community organizations across the United States, come from South and Central America and the Caribbean, and are paired with partners from the United States. They have been staying at Mount Saint Mary's College for a leadership workshop. One of their activities was the visit to Up-County.

Up-County is one of 27 family support centers in Maryland. The staff, volunteers, and students talked with the fellows about the programs offered to help parents and nurture families. They include Adult Basic Education, General

Equivalency Diploma education, job training, and child development.

Reactions from the fellows include words such as "impressive," "love," "amazing," "incredible." As reported in *The Frederick Post* (June 20, 1997), Diego Martinez from Equador said "children in Equador are often abandoned in the streets because mothers are unable to afford proper care." Also, volunteer work in his country is practically unheard of.

Jackie Dieterich, office manager at Up-County said, "We were happy to work with such a group. They asked excellent questions. We feel that what we do here is significant and we were happy to share what we have learned. As we discussed the philosophy of our organization we felt the "magic" was there and it was working."

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ROCKY RIDGE NEWS

by Emma Keeney

Happy Birthday wishes for July to Bradley Wiles, Cody Wolfe, Carl Keeney, Cora Setherley, Eddie Stambaugh, Calvin Keeney, Melvin Troxell, Michael Dinterman, Tracey Eyer, Shirley Bowman, Jason Mozingo, Kevin Sharrer, Kenneth Frushour, Jason Roser, Connie Humerick, Junior Lee Brown, Richard Stambaugh, Sheila Shuman, Matthew Shuman, Michael Doble, Mary Shriner, and Charles Keeney, Jr.

The proud Firemen and Ladies Auxiliary of Rocky Ridge held their dedication of the new Engine House on May 28, 1997. It was a rainy day outside, but a glorious day within. There were about 250 people who attended the dedication, took a tour of the building, and enjoyed food and friends. Thanks to everyone who came out to join the celebration.

Mrs. Helen Ogle and Mrs. Peggy Dehoff spent the weekend in Fredericksburg, Va., where they attended the June 14th graduation of their granddaughter and niece Sara Lindsey Sines from Frederick Christian School.

The Willing Workers of Mt. Tabor Lutheran Church presented gifts to the fathers, as follows: 1. Oldest father - Donald Mackley (water bottle); 2. Father with most children - Franklin Stambaugh (photo album); 3. Father with youngest child - John Sanders (candy bar, bubbles, and crayons); 4. Father who most recently used coupons for shopping - James Glass (pen and coupon); 5. Father who most recently washed the clothes - Vernon Keilholtz (wash detergent); 6. The presenter, Pat Haines, gave a McDonald's coupon to all fathers and young men.

Franklin and Marie Stambaugh went on a bus tour to Lancaster to see *The Glory of Spring* at Living Waters Adventure Theater.

Elmer and Greta Lambert celebrated their seventh anniversary by dining at Dutch's Daughter.

During a worship service at Mt. Tabor U. C. C., Brittany Miller gave the speech on drug awareness education for which she won awards at Fairfield Elementary School.

Pastor Rosemary McCombs Maxey, Melissa Sharrer, and Tammy Wiles attended a conference at the University of Delaware. It was a

remarkable experience, consisting of a variety of interesting activities, both inspirational and social. The financial support by the church and the youth group was very much appreciated.

An antique tractor pull will be held at Mt. Tabor Park on July 5th at 10:00 a.m. Breakfast will be served at 7:00 a.m. Food will be available all day. There will be free set-ups for the flea market. The event is sponsored by the Park Board.

A festival will be held in Mt.

Tabor Park, Rocky Ridge, on Saturday, July 19, from 3:00 p.m. until... Soup, sandwiches, pies, and ice cream will be served, rain or shine. There will be plenty of amusements for the children, including the biggest sliding board in the area. Bingo will begin at 7 p.m. Music will be provided by the Gospel Travelers. The festival will benefit Mt. Tabor Lutheran Church.

Mt. Tabor United Church of Christ will hold a festival July 26 at

Mt. Tabor Park. There will be good food: soups, sandwiches, pies, and ice cream, as well as a fancy table and games for children and adults. Music will be provided by Tri-State Gospel Quartet.

The Church of the Brethren will have Bible School August 4 through August 8, starting at 6:00 p.m. and ending at 8:30 p.m. Anyone interested in attending or helping, please call Alice (301) 271-7960.

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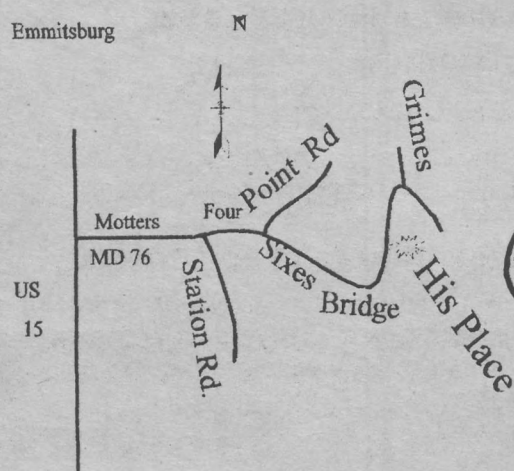
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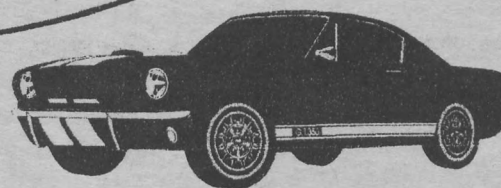
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St. Anthony/OLMC News

By Ann Marshall

Country Picnic at St. Anthony's is Saturday, July 26. Games, music, refreshments, a white elephant table, bake, plant and crafts stands. A chicken and ham dinner will be served from 12 noon - unknown. Adult dinner is \$7.00-, children under 12, \$3.25., children under 5, Free. Parishioners are needed to work in the kitchen or in the

stands. Donations of instant tea, regular and decaf coffee, and margarine as well as salable items for the stands may be brought to the Parish Office M-F, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Perishables may be brought to the Parish Hall on Saturday morning, July 26.

Sill Sitters of Old St. Mary's Church on the Hill have just arrived and are available at the church office for \$15. This is the fourth and last in the St. Anthony centennial series, the others being the Church, the Church

Hall, and the Little Red School House.

Major interior and exterior renovation at OLMC should be completed by this publication date and the regular schedule of services resumed.

A donation of nearly \$700 was raised in the joint parishes and sent to Catholic Charities to assist flood victims in the Upper Midwest States.

Vacation Bible School for children ages 4-12 will be held July 14-18, at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish Center from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. The program, **Forever Friends: A Story of Jesus**, is a journey through the Holy Land to see places where Jesus lived. Woolly the puppet will be the tour guide. For more information and registration, please call 301 271-4099 or 301 4472367.

Volunteers are needed to help staff the parish office over the summer, and to play the organ at the 9:30 Mass one or two Sundays a month. Please call 301 447-2367 if you can help with either of these ministries.

The Adopt-A-Baby program expresses thanks for a successful shower. Fifty babies were adopted spiritually by parishioners and the shower benefited the Catoctin Pregnancy Center with diapers, formula, baby clothes, a stroller, and monetary gifts.

Religious Education Review classes will be offered this summer to children and youth who have not been enrolled in a regular school-year program and who need to receive the sacraments of Baptism, First Penance, First Eucharist, or Confirmation. Interested parents please contact the Religious Education office at 301 271-4099.

Congratulations to Adam Thomas Robinson, son of Jeff and Tammy Robinson, who was baptized on Sunday, June 8, 1997, and is welcomed into the Catholic faith by Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish Community.

Congratulations to Frank Robert Haley, son of Leo and Cynthia (Gamer) Haley, who was baptized on Sunday June 22, 1997, and is welcomed into the Catholic faith by St. Anthony Shrine Parish

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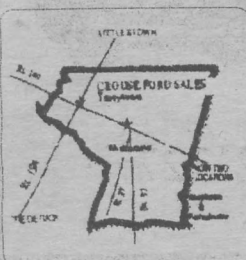
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Over the White Board Fence...

Remembering Emmitsburg's Role in the Battle of Gettysburg

By Mike Hillman

During my research on the history of our farm and the lands and families surrounding it, I stumbled across Emile and Mary Nakhleh's book, *Emmitsburg: History and Society*. The Nakhleh's book is a highly detailed account of the history of Emmitsburg. In the seven years I have lived here, I had never heard the stories written in this fascinating collage of Emmitsburg's rich history. In every American history class, the Battle of Gettysburg is portrayed as a high-water mark for the Confederacy; however, little if anything is ever said, nor do I think many of our newer residents know, of the pivotal role Emmitsburg played in that historic battle.

As we sit in our yards this July 4th weekend listening to the sounds of cannons booming, troops clashing, and the poignant refrain of bugles calling the troops to battle during the annual reenactment of the Battle of Gettysburg, I believe it is important to remember our role in this battle. To this end, I would like to share with you excerpts of key sections from *Emmitsburg: History and Society* and James A. Helman's *History of Emmitsburg*, as well as other information that I have collected through interviews and research which deal with Emmitsburg and its role in the Battle of Gettysburg.

While comparatively little actual fighting occurred around Emmitsburg during the Civil War, Emmitsburg was always on the perimeter of the battlefields: first Antietam, then Gettysburg, and finally Monocacy. The town often saw cavalymen from both armies scouting their opponents or in pursuit of foes they knew had passed through or were encamped nearby. Stuart's Confederates passed through Emmitsburg on Oct 11, 1862, on their way back to Virginia from the their raid on Chambersburg following the battle of Antietam. According to reports fielded by Stuart, his troops were hailed by the residents of Emmitsburg with enthusiastic demonstrations of joy.

Emmitsburg's first encounter of troops in large numbers occurred just before the Battle of Gettysburg, when as many as 25,000 troops were

either stationed in or around the town. According to one writer "Their campfires, as viewed from the college windows, almost led one to imagine that this section, for miles had received in one shower all the stars of the heavens."

Emmitsburg's first real taste of the effects of war occurred on June 15, 1863, two weeks before the Battle of Gettysburg when a nighttime fire destroyed most of the town's center. Folklore has it that "The Great Fire," as it was known, was started by a Union sympathizer to prevent advancing Confederate forces from drawing upon supplies in the town. The fire began at 11 p.m. in the town's livery stable and was not brought under control until 7 o'clock the next morning. In all, 50 houses in the southern half of town were destroyed. According to James Helman, residents from miles around heard the church bells ring for help, but feared to come into town, as they thought the rebel army had fired the town, as they had done in Chambersburg a few days earlier.

Originally it had been Lee's intention that the invasion of Pennsylvania should be staged partly through Emmitsburg. On June 28, 1863, there was scattered fighting at Fountain Dale, about seven miles west of Emmitsburg. In his official journal, Confederate Col. John Mosby noted that this encounter was between his and General Buford's Union Cavalry. After this short engagement, Buford withdrew through Emmitsburg towards Gettysburg. While in Emmitsburg, Buford reported on the results of his scouting expedition to General Reynolds, who had set up Union headquarters in Emmitsburg. Up until he moved to Gettysburg on July 1 st, Reynolds directed Union efforts out of Emmitsburg from the Lutheran parsonage, St. Joseph's rectory, and the present funeral home.

The Union believed Lee's invasion of Pennsylvania was a feint and that his true goals were Washington and Baltimore, upon which he must descend from Pennsylvania, passing of course through Emmitsburg. However, it was crushing the Union Army, not capturing Washington and Baltimore, that was Lee's true goal.

Lee's plan of operation was to fall upon the advance of the Union Army, when and wherever he found it, crush and hurl it back on the main body, press forward and beat the main body before its commander could have time to concentrate his scattered forces.

Emmitsburg, not Gettysburg, might well have been the site of this impending battle. As fate would have it, it was General Reynolds, in Emmitsburg, who formed that advance of the Union army which Lee wanted to crush. Reynolds wrote to Meade on the 30th: "I think if the enemy advances in force from Gettysburg, and we are to fight a defensive battle in this vicinity, that the position to be occupied is just north of the town of Emmitsburg. Lee will undoubtedly endeavor to turn our left flank by way of Fairfield and the mountain roads ... near Mount Saint Mary's College." In preparation for this, Reynolds stationed two divisions behind Marsh Creek, one on the road to Gettysburg, and the other on the road leading to Fairfield; a third division was placed on the road to Chambersburg, behind Middle Creek.

Unsure of Lee's intentions, from

Taneytown Meade instructed Reynolds that, "With Buford at Gettysburg and Thurmont and a regiment in front of Emmitsburg, you ought to be advised in time of their approach. In case of an advance in force against you, your advance troops must fall back to Emmitsburg where you will be re-enforced from units nearest you, which are Sickles' 3rd Corps at Taneytown and Slocum's 12th Corps at Littlestown ... If it is your judgement that you would be in better position [to fight] at Emmitsburg ... you can fall back [there] without waiting for the enemy or further orders."

On July 1 st, General Sickles issued orders to leave one brigade and a battery on the heights beyond Emmitsburg, commanding the approaches by way of Thurmont. This action was taken in response to Meade's wish that the approaches through Emmitsburg, not be left unguarded. Sickles was instructed by Meade to "hold on at Emmitsburg, as it is a point not to be abandoned, excepting in an extremity." Meade also ordered Reynolds, who had moved his command to Gettysburg, "to leave a division of the 3rd Corps at Emmitsburg, to

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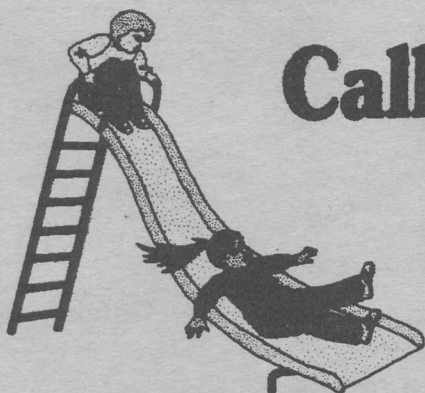
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OTWBF from page 16 hold in check any [enemy] force attempting to come through there [Emmitsburg]."

Nobody expected that the resistance offered by Union forces under Buford and Reynolds on the first day of the battle would be as great as it was in the face of overwhelming numbers of Confederate forces who descended upon them from all directions. Though compelled to retreat, they found a closer defensive position on Cemetery Ridge. Not till 7:30 that night, when it was obvious that too many Union troops were in Gettysburg and the Union plans to retreat and fight at Emmitsburg were now too risky, did Meade direct Sickles' remaining men to leave Emmitsburg to "join their corps at Gettysburg with the greatest dispatch."

Emmitsburg saw elements of both armies again during Lee's retreat. JEB Stuart directed most of his cavalry to retreat through Emmitsburg, so as to guard the southern flank of the main body of the retreating Confederate forces. According to Stuart's official reports, "Just at dawn [apparently on July 5th] we entered Emmitsburg. We there learned that a huge body of the enemy's cavalry had passed through the afternoon previous ... I halted for a short time to procure some rations in and around Emmitsburg we captured 60 to 70 prisoners of war and some valuable hospital stores." According to reports, when asked by residents how the battle had turned out, the Confederate forces claimed victory. Soon after entering the town, Stuart's retreat was resumed on the road to Frederick, via Thurmont.

Around 10 in the morning on that same day, the Union Cavalry came dashing into Emmitsburg in full charge, expecting to find Stuart's

forces, which had already fled. It was these Union forces that brought the town the first news of the real outcome of the battle. That evening, amidst the ringing of church bells, the Union Calvary went into bivouac near the town. For the next week or more, Union forces by the tens of thousands passed through Emmitsburg. General Meade himself went through July 7, received with much enthusiasm by the people.

Citizens of Emmitsburg also played a key role in delaying Lee's retreat to Virginia. While the battle raged at Gettysburg, Union Cavalry, including a company of Cole's Cavalry, made up of Emmitsburg residents, had destroyed his unprotected pontoon bridges across the Potomac.

Emmitsburg saw no more combat until the Battle of the Monocacy in 1864. During that raid, the small contingent of Union Cavalry guarding the area around Emmitsburg, were driven into Emmitsburg by superior numbers of Confederate forces and were for a time in danger of being cut off. However, the Union Calvary held about a mile from the town and Emmitsburg was once again spared the destruction of war.

While Emmitsburg's luck held out, there were still many families in the valley who lost fathers, sons, brothers, and husbands. Samuel Maxell, a staunch abolitionist and owner of the mill located just upstream of Four Points Bridge, lost his son on July 5, 1864, during the battle at Piedmont. Samuel was a passionate advocate of the Union and was very influential in changing the sentiments of the local population with regard to slavery.

In 1862, Samuel's sons Samuel Jr. and Thaddeus joined Cole's Cavalry. A Frederick County unit, Cole's Cavalry was like most units

of that time, consisting of brothers and friends who had enlisted together to fight. Following the Battle of Gettysburg, Cole's Calvary joined in the Union attack down the Shenandoah Valley. During their advance to Piedmont, Virginia, Union forces collided with a Confederate army under the command of Jubal Early. While charging a breastwork, Thaddeus Maxell was fatally shot by a Confederate sharpshooter.

Samuel Jr. accompanied his brother's body home and Emmitsburg witnessed his burial at the Lutheran church where his father served as both a Deacon and an Elder. Following his brother's funeral, Samuel returned to his unit and played a key role in the Union victory at the Battle of the Monocacy.

The Maxell brothers represented just one of the Emmitsburg families who contributed and fought valiantly in the Civil War. The history of Emmitsburg and our community is rich with stories of everyday sacrifice and valor. When the cannons sound this July weekend - take a minute to remember the words of Ralph Waldo Emerson:

On this green bank, by this soft stream,

We set today a votive stone;

That memory may their deed redeem.

When like our sires, our sons are gone.

Spirit, that made those heroes dare To die, and leave their children free.

Bid Time and Nature gently spare The shaft we raise to them and thee.

It is up to us the living to remember the role that Emmitsburg and its founding families have played in the history of our country. This valley has a rich heritage and stories that deserve to be told and remembered.

The Emmitsburg Library has copies of the books from which I have drawn this article, as well as numerous other books that will provide hours of insightful reading for those wishing to learn more about the rich history of Emmitsburg. Special thanks to Mr and Mrs. Eric Glass for their permission for the use of the material contained in Emile and Mary Nakhleh's book Emmitsburg: History and Society.

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Ms. Thelma Lingg

Ms. Thelma Catherine Lingg, 83, formerly of Emmitsburg, died Thursday, May 22, at Williamsport Nursing Home.

Born Nov. 30, 1913, in Emmitsburg, she was a daughter of the late Elmer and Mae Long Lingg.

She was a member of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, Emmitsburg.

Surviving are a niece, Janice Robbins of Frederick and two nephews, Jim McCleaf of Leonardtown and Donald McCleaf of England.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held at St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, Emmitsburg, with the Rev. Michael J. Kennedy as celebrant. Interment was in New St. Joseph's Cemetery, Emmitsburg.

Mr. Robert Orner

Mr. Robert Craig Orner, Seton Avenue, Emmitsburg, died Thursday, June 5, at home.

He was born Oct. 23, 1951, in Gettysburg, Pa., a son of Robert C. and Blanche Harbaugh Orner of Emmitsburg.

Mr. Orner was a member of Elias Evangelical Lutheran Church of Emmitsburg, the Indian Lookout Conservation Club of Emmitsburg and the Blue Ridge Sportsman Club.

Mr. Orner was employed for 23 years as the customer service manager for Moore Business Forms in Thumont. At the time of his death he

was customer service manager for Taney Corp. in Taneytown.

Surviving in addition to his parents are a brother, Douglas D. Orner and wife Pat of Emmitsburg.

Funeral services were held at Skiles Funeral Home, Emmitsburg, with the Rev. W. Ronald Fearer officiating. Interment was in Emmitsburg Memorial Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Elias Evangelical Lutheran Church, Emmitsburg.

Mrs. Doris Cullison

Mrs. Doris Josephine Poulson Cullison, 66, of Emmitsburg, died Thursday, June 19, at Gettysburg Hospital.

She was the wife of Clair Calvin Cullison.

Born Aug. 25, 1930, in Asbestos, she was a daughter of Catherine Poulson of Gettysburg and the late Joseph A. Hess.

She was a member of the AARP and retired from housekeeping at Mount St. Mary's College.

Surviving in addition to her husband and mother are three children, Mark Bowers of Thurmont, and Lisa Cullison and Kevin Cullison, both of Emmitsburg; three grandchildren, Ashley Scott of Emmitsburg, and Victoria Bowers and Jessica Bowers, both of Thurmont; a sister, Shirley Biser of Gettysburg; and a brother, James Gilbert of Massachusetts.

Funeral services were held Tuesday June 24 at the Skiles Funeral Home with the Rev. Michael J. Kennedy officiating.

Interment was in Resthaven Memorial Gardens, Frederick.

Debra Houck

Ms. Debra Jean Brown Houck, Frederick Road, died Sunday, June 22, at Gettysburg Hospital.

Born July 10, 1951, in Waynesboro, Pa., she was a daughter of the late Daniel and Ruth Willis Brown.

Surviving are four children, Marcy Houck, Chad Houck, and Brandy Houck, all of, Emmitsburg, and Thomas Houck of Wilkes-Barre, Pa.; a grand-daughter, Tia Miller of Emmitsburg; and seven brothers and sisters, Ella Baker and Dale Martin of Fayetteville, Pa., Daniel Brown of Emrritsburg, Delphine Ott of Blue Ridge Summit, Pa., Rodney Brown of Beartown, Pa., Cheryl Thomas of Waynesboro and Sue Cook of Greencastle, Pa.

She was preceded in death by two brothers, Rick Brown and Charles Brown, and a sister, Rebecca Butts.

Funeral services were held at the Skiles Funeral Home with the Rev. Michael J. Kennedy officiating. Interment was in Emmitsburg Memorial Cemetery.

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Hospice of Frederick County is currently planning its 6th annual Camp Jamie, a special weekend camp for children between the ages of 6 & 14 who have experienced the loss of a loved one. The weekend was designed to provide a safe place for children to share their grief, to learn coping skills, and to express their feelings. This year's Camp Jamie will be held on August 1-3.

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GOAT TALES: "Dumb Animals"

by Christine Maccabee

Have you ever gone on a hike in Glacier National Park along the Garden Wall (border of U.S. and Canada) and chased wild mountain goats over the boulders, bounding and leaping after them until they are cornered and trembling with fright? I have. Perhaps my experience with those wild goats years ago has shaped my present opinion of domesticated goats today. I've never thought of any animal as dumb, but as I work with my goats I can see what forces may have shaped this opinion of them. It is not their fault that they are unable to perfectly obey our every whim and demand. Naturally, they will not always conform to our will, nor *can* they, for they have a unique will of their own, quite different from that of the human being.

Animals are only dumb so far as we've made them that way through domestication and breeding. Certainly God did not create them dumb. Rather, just the opposite is true. Goats and other beasts of burden, or suppliers of food, were originally created with all the tools and the instincts they needed in order to survive in the wild. It is *we* who made them dumb by making them totally dependent on us for their every need.

However, there are times (more than I can count) when I've called my goats "dumb," even "stupid." Yes, I confess it. However, I am beginning to see that "dumb" is just a handy word through which we vent our frustration, or flaunt our supposed superiority. However,

calling our animals bad names is a far better outlet for human frustration than hitting or abusing them. Other uncomplimentary words commonly used by myself and others are "dumb-ass," "big-butt," "idiot," and "silly," a word verging on the affectionate. All the above words can be spoken in such a way as to convey not only frustration, but affection as well. Of course, there are many, many other more unsavory expressions used by some people (not me) which are totally unfit to print here. As much wit of our own as we use to control our goats, they frequently equally match us with their own startling wit. Sometimes I worry that my one goat, FleetFoot, purposefully gives me a hard time just to get even with me. After all, it must get tiring to be tugged on and squeezed on a regular basis just to give me the milk I desire. For instance, about two months ago, I decided to try milking FleetFoot without tethering her back feet. This was a wonderful relief for us both, and I sensed she welcomed it. So long as I kept up an even rhythm and put a bit of extra corn in her feed, she was content. At least it worked for two days that way. By the third day she was beginning to fall into her old pattern, so I was forced to tether her feet for the last half of the milkings. "You dumb goat!" I would say. As time went on, however, she began to see that no tether felt better, and so milkings progressed quite peacefully until one day...

...almost as if she had it in for me, in the blink of an eye, the tip of her hoof was placed strategically on the edge of the pail and in a flash

the milk was all over the stand, and all over me! I was astounded by her perfectly accurate placement of hoof on pail and the swiftness with which she moved. I would not have thought she was purposefully trying to dump the milk except that she did the *exact* same thing the next day! This is one determined wild goat who refuses to be otherwise. I am convinced she knows what she is doing and is doing it to get my goat. What do *you* think?

Goats are ancient. Goats are mythical. Goats are *WILD*. It is this wildness which I appreciate even more than their ability to learn human rules for their behavior. Over the eons humans have domesticated them, and much like the ant and the aphid, we serve one another in a unique and satisfying arrangement. It is anyone's guess whether the goats we work with respect us, though we certainly should respect them. They in no way asked to become our servants, but, in making them our slaves, we, ironically, in turn, must serve them, wining and dining them and keeping them healthy—an altogether natural, symbiotic relationship, unnatural as it may seem.

I have to wonder what is really going on in the minds of these naturally intelligent animals. As they eat our hay, do they imagine they are dining on live, sweet grasses in some distant meadow? Or perhaps they are dreaming of freedom beyond the fence, a life spent leaping from rock to rock on the slopes of the Garden Wall in the Rocky Mountains. Whatever, they are truly a mystery, as are we *all*!



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Lutheran Synod meets at MSM

The Delaware-Maryland Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America met June 12, 13, and 14, at the Knott Arena on the campus of Mount St. Mary's. Bishop George P. Mocko presided over the Assembly with approximately 640 delegates and pastors attending. The Del./Md. Synod geographic area includes 189 congregations, Elias in Emmitsburg being one congregation of the Frederick Conference.

The theme of the Assembly, "That They May Be One" supports the goal of sharing the Eucharist with others of the Christian faith. The 1997 Synod Assembly Logo was created by Reverend Ron Reaves, formerly of Emmitsburg and son of Betty and John Reaves. Speakers exploring the ecumenical proposals (Lutheran-Episcopal, Lutheran-Reformed, and Lutheran Roman Catholic) were Rt. Rev. Robert Shloof (Episcopal Bishop of Maryland), Rev. Chalmers Coe (Minister Emeritus of the First Congregational Church (Ohio), United Church of Christ), and His Eminence William Cardinal Keeler (Roman Catholic Archbishop of Baltimore.)

Delegates from Elias were Nita Shank and Roger Adams; Pastor Susan Haas Yatta, recently retired Pastor Ronald Fearer, and member Polly Knox attended also.

Some ladies from Elias assisted with registration and several members helped transport groups to and from the arena, chapel, dining hall, and housing to facilitate attendance at all events on the scheduled agenda.

Notice to Citizens Attempting to Trap Wildlife

FREDERICK, MD - According to Frederick County Animal Control officials, citizens who are renting traps to capture nuisance wildlife *must* monitor these traps. Animal Control staff are overwhelmed with calls to help with trapped wildlife, and staff is restricted by law from handling traps that do not belong to Animal Control.

Trapped wildlife become very stressed and must be released as soon as possible. If trapped wildlife

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Kindergarten: Maranda Weddle, Tiffany Williams, Bradley Wilt, Matthew Bradshaw, Shawn Little, David Northrup, Ashley Bushman, Myra Derbyshire, and Daniel Hobbs.

First Grade: John Bushman, Wade Droneburg, D. J. Marcelle, Emily Mitchell, Jamie Seifert, Caity Sullivan-Hott, Amanda Miller, John Sonson, Josh Stinnett, and Ryan Wilt.

Second Grade: Andrew Kutz, Camden Shorb, April Smith, Megan Bradshaw, Melissa Cool, Savannah Crummitt, Abbie Dawson, Eric Hewitt, Elizabeth Hoover, Justin Kreitz, Ashley Miller, Ben Nicholson, Justin Sizemore, Timothy Swartz, Michael Wetzel,

Brittany Dewees, Amanda Droneburg, Andrew Gray, Danielle Hoover, Samantha Monroe, and Ronnie Stonesifer.

Third Grade: Travis Biddinger, Jack Deatherage, Aaron Mitchell, Kyle Potts, Tara Ridenour, Kyle Roberts, Joey Vitale, Josh Weikert, Michael Compton, Ryan Green, Bradley Greene, Shaun Huff, Chris Kelly, Joe LaMendola, Ben Rose, Jessica Schmidt, and Amber Sickle.

Fourth Grade: Brian Brotherton, Becky Lajoie, Ashley Scott, Dustin Wastler, Ashley Monroe, Dylan Roberts, Ben Sanders, Alan Seifert, Candi Sickle, and Zach Sonson.

Fifth Grade: Casey Andrew, Harry Hewitt, Stephen Seidel, Amanda Sweeney, Adam Benvengi, Brittany Gray, Becky Ott, Vincent Reaver, Heather Smith, Eric Speak, and Tracy Wetzel.

Emmitsburg Little League News

By Marta Hillis

The 1997 Emmitsburg Little League regular season ended in mid-June. The Yankees team, under manager Jim Knox and coaches Ken Adelsberger and Chad Umbel took first-place honors. Sponsored by the 4 X 4 Borderline Club, the Yankees dominated the 6-team major league division with a 19-1 record. Congratulations! The Giants came in second place in the standings. The Cardinals finished a close third. The fourth, fifth, and sixth place spots were filled by the Dodgers, Red Sox, and Orioles respectively. Our post-season "play-off" tourney results were not available.

In the softball division (ages 9-12) the Pink Panthers team managed by Tina Kerns with coaches Tiff Stahley and Jimmy Click captured 1st place in District 11. Way to go, girls!

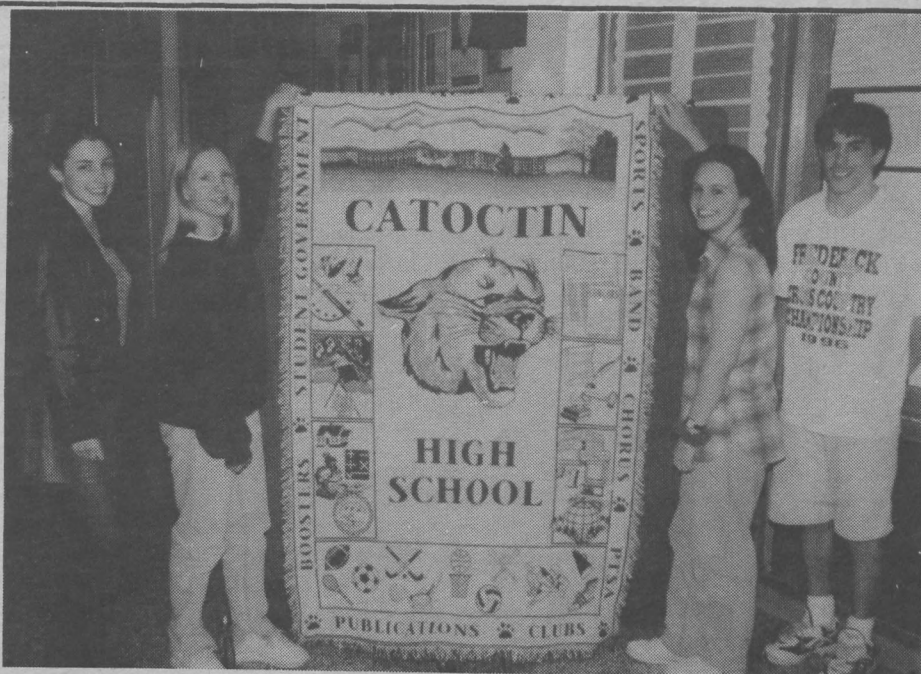
In our minor league division the Tigers came out on top followed by

the Expos, Grizzlies, and Astros.

The top sellers in the Little League Hershey candy fund-raiser were Jimmy Campbell on the Dodgers team and Derek Coot on the Red Sox team. They each sold four boxes of candy. For their tremendous selling efforts, Jimmy and Derek will both receive a gigantic 5-pound Hershey's chocolate bar.

Once again the Little League picnic will be held after summer vacation. Mark your calendars now for the annual picnic/potluck at the Town Park on Saturday, September 13, beginning at 1:00 pm.

Although the regular season is past, all-star play-off games and tournaments will continue through the month of July. Dates, times, and locations of upcoming games will be posted at the concession stand. Don't miss out on watching a favorite pastime on a summer evening. See you at the ballfield.



Amanda Smith (l), Danielle Hyde, Cheryl Reynolds, and Dave Willis display the new CHS/PTSA Coverlet.

Photo courtesy CHS /PTSA

Catoctin High School Coverlet

The spirit of Catoctin High School has been captured in a beautiful coverlet commissioned by the Catoctin High School PTSA. The coverlet represents all facets of school life. The unique design groups many areas of interest to students and parents at the high school. The symbols represent the arts, drama, the school newspaper and yearbook, chorus, band and colorguard, academic and student gov-

ernment activities, and sports. The PTSA are very proud of their efforts to make this Catoctin High School coverlet very special to students and alumni.


Proceeds will support academics, cultural arts, It's Academic, teacher appreciation, and other activities.

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**Mindy Korol Receives
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Dr. Mindy S. Korol, whose spontaneity, keen intellect, and innovative teaching techniques have both invigorated and challenged students, has been honored as the 1997 "Teacher of The Year" at Mount Saint Mary's College.

Korol, from Frederick, received the John W. Richards Award for Excellence in Teaching at the school's recent honors convocation. The award honors the late John Richards, a respected and beloved Mount science professor.

Korol, who is an associate professor of psychology as well as a trained clinical psychologist, is known for her creativity in having students perform dramatic presentations of documented case histories in her abnormal psychology classes, and she has been instrumental in developing the Mount's gender studies programs. Among her areas of expertise are psychopathology, principles of psychotherapy, general and abnormal psychology, psychological testing, the psychology of women,

and human sexuality.

"This is quite an honor to be considered in the same league as previous (Richards) winners," Korol said, referring to such Mount professors as Charles Beitz, chair of the Business, Accounting and Economics Department, Sue Goliber, chair of the History Department, and former dean Bill Meredith.

Korol, a native of St. Louis, Missouri, received her B.A. from

Northwestern University, her M.A. from the University of Missouri, and her Ph.D. from the University of Cincinnati. She has taught psychology at the Mount for seven years, receiving tenure and being promoted to an associate professorship in 1996.

In addition to her professional duties, Korol is advisor to Cassiopeia, a student club promoting women's activities at the Mount, and she coordinates the annual Faculty Talent Show, a popular campus event.

Market Declines Are A Part of the Landscape

A reporter once asked basketball player Vernon Maxwell, of the Houston Rockets, for a brief description of his playing that season. He answered, "Up and down."

Maxwell could have been describing the stock market, as well. The market doesn't always go up. Sometime, it goes down. Every investor should understand and be willing to accept a certain level of risk, because history shows that the long-term direction of the stock market is up, even when we figure in the most serious periods of decline.

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Michael Sollenberger named to Who's Who list

A Mount Saint Mary's College associate professor has been named to the list of Who's Who Among America's Teachers.

Dr. Michael G.

Sollenberger, of Carroll Valley, Pa., has been "selected by one or more students of merit as a teacher who 'made a difference' in the life of that student."

Sollenberger is an associate professor of classical and modern languages at the Mount. He has been a member of the faculty since 1988.

few facts that might help put declines in perspective. Since 1900, the stock market has had 318 "routine declines" of 5% or more, 106 "moderate correction" of 10% or more, 50 "severe corrections" of 15% or more, and 29 "bear markets" of 20% or more.

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Fresh Water Fish, the Pet

Jack Deatherage, Jr.

I submitted the first "Fresh Water Fish" around 1/29/95. I had recently completed a writing course and needed a place to practice, and I *thought* I had something worth writing about—my fish! Jean and Bo Cadle thought the topic might be of interest and ran the article. The idea was to educate and encourage the local fish keepers with advice I had learned from books, magazines, and my successes and mistakes. I wanted to share the pleasures of a well-maintained aquarium, such as the feeling of pride when a gorgeous pair of angels mated successfully. I drifted away from the accomplishments and stuck on the often fatal mistakes one can make through ignorance and/or laziness. I began repeating advice I wasn't following. Worse, most of those who commented on the articles thanked me for convincing them *never* to get into the hobby! Maybe it was time to move on.

Then a neighbor up the street stopped by with a nitrite problem in a tank she had set up 4 or 5 weeks before. Her fish were ill and some had died. She was medicating them but had been given no advice on how to correct the nitrite problem. I suggested that her fish (cichlids) had survived the initial ammonia build-up, only to be nailed by the nitrite that follows. (Many cichlids die of nitrite poisoning and/or secondary infections caused by the poison.)

An article in *Aquarium Fish Magazine* mentions nitrite affecting the gills of certain fish causing less oxygen to be absorbed, causing the fish to seemingly gasp for "air". Exactly what an "Oscar" in the toxic tank was doing.

I suggested changing 25 - 50% of the tank's water and adding carbon to the filters to get rid of any medicines that might be killing the tank's bacteria population. The only idea I could come up with to lower the nitrite levels quickly (they maxed out the scale on a test kit) was to tear an active sponge filter from one of my tanks and place it in the troubled tank.

I warned that the "nasties" in my tank might arrive with the sponge, but they could be dealt with after the nitrite was under control. If the toxin level returned to "0" and the secondary infections continued I suggested finding a "JUNGLE" medication. I've found that company's product to be fairly reliable and safe if I'm not going to put the sick fish in a hospital tank.

At this writing I have no idea how things have turned out for my neighbor. The advice and aid given has worked for *me*, though I did and do lose fish that are weakened beyond my methods of saving them.

As far as my continuing this column? Five fish keepers have gotten in touch since last month. Some wanted Gran' Ma Swisher's angels and Jack Deatherage, Jr.; some wanted advice. I guess five hobbyists who are also readers are enough to keep me writing. Besides, I have yet to set up and maintain a live-plant tank.

More importantly, I've begun an experiment in gathering fly eggs and hatching them out (if I can keep little Jack out of it). I have a book detailing how to "grow" the resulting maggots and prepare them for the freezer. Wanda merely sighs resignedly.

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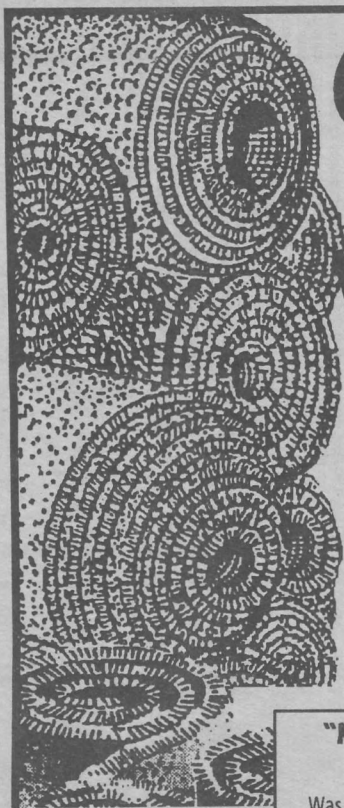
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