

Mount upbeat about new community club

By Ross Peddicord

A record freshman class, the return of students for the fall semester and the start of an exciting new cultural club with the Emmitsburg area community has produced a decidedly upbeat feeling on the school campus.

On Thursday evening, Sept. 3, Mount Saint Mary's College President George Houston is hosting a party at the President's House on Old Emmitsburg Road to kickoff the formation of the Mount Community Social Club, designed to engage members of the community from Gettysburg to Frederick and all areas in between to take part in cultural and academic activities offered by the school.

"The ARCC (the school's athletic complex) already does a great job in engaging the community in its activities. Now we want to do the same thing on the academic side of the

campus," said Lisa Schwartz, a Mount professor and Community Club director "A lot of times people feel they don't know what's going on at the school in the way of concerts and lectures. We want to remedy that and start a club, which will provide community members with a monthly mailing update on what's going on on campus. We also hope to have a lot of 'Meet the Artists' receptions and engage the community a lot more in our activities."

Several members of the Emmitsburg area community have agreed to serve on an advisory committee for the club. They are Jean and Bo Cadle, Emmitsburg *Dispatch*; Mayor William and Chata Carr, Linda Postelle and Elizabeth Prongas, Emmitsburg Art League; Ruth Richards, Emmitsburg; Kate Warthen, Emmitsburg Public Library; Betty Pue, Rocky Ridge/Thurmont; Dolores Henke, **Please see MOUNT on page 3**

Emmitsburg Mason Dixon Line Fall Festival Draws Near

Sometime in November of 1997, as the Frederick County's 250th Anniversary Celebration Committee was planning various events to take place throughout the county, Emmitsburg was invited to participate. The Mayor and Town Council asked Bob Gauss, President of the Emmitsburg Business and Professional Association, if the association would take the responsibility to create an event of celebration for the occasion. A committee was formed and the title "The Emmitsburg Mason Dixon Line Fall Festival" was adopted.

The fall festival will be held on October 3 and 4, 1998, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. at various locations throughout Emmitsburg: the Community Center, Community

Park, on Main Street, in restaurants, at Mount St. Mary's College and Grotto of Lourdes, the Provincial House, and many more.

The "Fall Festival," a star-spangled celebration, is being created around the theme of community heritage and spirit. The Town of Emmitsburg is rich in history and heritage—its roots go back to the very beginning of this country. The committee would like to appeal to the spirit of Emmitsburg residents. Spirited volunteers to help and support festival activities are needed.

Planned activities for Saturday, Oct. 3:

Open House and Book Sale at the Emmitsburg branch of the

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Will you Marry me?



Romance in Emmitsburg! See story on page 8.

Photo courtesy D.J. Shorb

David Haller new town manager

David Haller resigned last month his newly elected position as a town commissioner to fill the town manager position vacated by Yvette Kreitz in June.

Mayor William Carr announced his selection for the job at the August 3 town meeting. Dr. Carr said about 40 applications for the position were reviewed. He felt the town was fortunate to get somebody with Haller's qualification as well as having a town resident in the position. Mr. Haller has lived in Emmitsburg for the last 9 years.

Prior to accepting this position, Haller, 51, a licensed surveyor, was owner of Haller & Associates, Inc., Surveyors and Engineers in Frederick. "I'll bring some special skills and qualifications to the job," said Mr. Haller. "I have an engineering and planning background and for the past several years I've worked with most of the county and state agencies with which I'll be dealing and negotiating as town manager."

"As I become more familiar with the job, one of my priorities is to the

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Interfaith housing: opportunities to build your own home

Families interested in owning their own homes for the first time met with Interfaith Housing of Western Maryland on August 18 to discuss the upcoming Emmitsburg Mutual Self-help Program. The program offers a chance for working households to join together and, with Interfaith's support, build single family homes for themselves and their neighbors. Another public meeting is planned for September 17 to share further information about the project. Applicants are currently being

qualified to form the first building group of five families. These first five will start construction in February or March, 1999, with completion targeted for the end of next summer. The second building group of another five households will start shortly thereafter. Participants do two-thirds of the labor in building one another's homes. Licensed trades are performed by subcontractors. No one moves in until all the homes for

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Letters to the Editor

The *Dispatch* encourages its readers to express their thought about issues that appear in this paper or affect the community. Letters must be exclusive to the *Dispatch*. They should be brief and must be signed and include the writer's address and daytime phone number to be used for verification. Deadline for letters is the 3rd Thursday of each month.

A Fond Adieu

Dear Citizens of Emmitsburg and surrounding areas,

I write to you this letter of farewell and appreciation. In a few short weeks I will be leaving the Catocin CASS Program and beginning an extended maternity leave. After working in this community for the past five years, it is difficult to depart.

It has been such a pleasure to work in this community over the years, and I'd like to take this opportunity to say thank you to the numerous community leaders and organizations I have had the pleasure to work and collaborate with. I'd like specifically to recognize Dr. Carr and the Town Council, the Council of Churches, the Up-County Family Center, Catholic Charities, Mt. St.

Mary's College, Seton Center, the resident deputies, Knights of Columbus, Lions Club, Catocin Area Schools, and many others for all of the support they have provided to me in establishing the CASS Program and serving families. A special thank you goes to all of the parents I have met over the years who have taught me so much and allowed me to take a glimpse into their family and lives.

So as I eagerly look forward to my new role as a mother, I look back with fondness over the past five years and am thankful for the many wonderful memories that I take with me.

Sincerest regards,
Debbie Wivell Swiderski
Emmitsburg

A great job

The 1998 Fast Pitch Softball Team made up of girls from Emmitsburg and Taneytown was brilliant this year. They went down in history because this is the first time the girls softball league split into townships and had its first district tournament.

Our girls were great - the team spirit and companionship these two teams made together will last forever.

The 13 girls that make up the team called the "Twisters" (or as they called themselves, the twister-sisters) won the District II champi-

onship in style and had a great showing in the state tournament ranking 4th out of eight districts.

The teams playing in the tournament became friends and didn't want to beat each other in games. But, even in defeat, the other teams stayed and cheered our girls to victory.

I'd like to thank the managers and the coaches for giving our daughters such good memories and experiences - things that will last a life time.

Cliff Sweeney
Commissioner
Parks and Recreation

Town News...

Growth lines

At the August 3 town meeting the commissioners discussed Emmitsburg's comprehensive plan including extending the proposed growth limits for the town to the Pennsylvania state line on the north and MSM property on the south. They also discussed the development of a north/south connector road east of U.S. 15 by using Harney Road.

The county board of commissioners approved the new growth limit lines for Emmitsburg at their August 11 meeting. They agreed with a town proposal to extend the southern growth lines from south of Tom's Creek along Scott Road to the west of U.S. 15 and Creamery Road, Dry Bridge Road, and old Frederick Road east of U.S. 15.

According to Mayor Carr this extended area will join up with the

proposed biotech park on Mount St. Mary's College land.

At the present time the exact location of the biotech park is undetermined. It may be located on a site east of US 15 and south of Motter's Station Road. Another possible location is located north of Keysville Road near the U.S. 15/South Seton Avenue exit.

Cell Trends, Inc is the proposed biotech company that is currently negotiating with the Mount and the Frederick County Office of Economic Development. Prior to building, a feasibility study must be completed by the county. The study will take six months to complete and is expected to cost \$50,000.

Cell Trends, Inc. offers services to other biotech companies including cell culture services, purification of cell products, and production of cell-derived products.

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staff reports required by the council to make decisions." According to Mr. Haller, a staff report will identify each agenda item or issue, contain detailed background information, indicate options available, and identify possible costs. "Not only does the council need good information - it should be presented in a clear and concise form so that citizens attending the meetings will understand the issues, too," Mr. Haller said.

When running for commissioner one of Haller's platform items was a user-friendly town office. "I've developed my management skills in a company which had more employees than I will be managing here. I think you will see a change as we adopt a joint problem solving strategy and become more sensitive and responsive to citizens' requests and

concerns," said Mr. Haller.

To fill Haller's seat on the town council, the commissioners appointed James Hoover, who was the next highest vote-getter in the town's April election.

Mr. Hoover will serve as a liaison to the planning and zoning commission and will be the town's commissioner in charge of wastewater management. "I am glad they appointed me to the council, Mr. Hoover said, "and I am happy to work with the mayor and commissioners."

A three-year resident of the town, Hoover, 34, has been a member of the town's streets and transportation committee and the planning and zoning commission. He is employed as a supervisor of train operations with the MARC train service. He lives in Silo Hill with his wife Diana and their 3 children.

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Emmitsburg; and Mr. and Mrs. Al Garon, Carroll Valley.

At the kickoff party, Fr. Dan Nusbaum, chair of the Visual and Performing Arts Department; Bruce Yelovich, systems librarian at the college's Phillips Library; and Denise Ditch, director of recreational services and operations at the ARCC, will be on hand to inform community members about the services, facilities and upcoming events that are available to people in the community, many of them free of charge.

Also at the party, the Mount faculty jazz band, "Physical Therapy" will perform and Mount fine arts professor, Walter Nichols, will display some of his landscapes that have met with critical acclaim. Cocktails and a light buffet will be served. If you would like to attend, contact Lisa Schwartz immediately at the Mount since the school catering service needs to get a count of how many people will attend. Ms. Schwartz can be contacted by calling

the school at 301-447-5361.

People who cannot attend on September 3 are encouraged to attend the first concert of the season on Wednesday, Sept. 23 at 7:30 p.m. when mezzo soprano, Margo McLean, from New York will perform in Knott Auditorium. At the same time, Walter Nichols' landscapes will be on display in a special exhibit in the auditorium's Delaplaine Gallery.

Before Margo McLean's performance, Dr. Andrew Rosenfeld, MSM music professor, will give a brief description of Ms. McLean's repertoire. Afterwards Ms. McLean will be available to meet the audience at a "Meet the Artist" reception. Dessert and coffee will be served by the Community Club. There is no cost for the concert and reception and there is plenty of parking available on campus. For further information about the concert, contact Laura Kushmaul at the Mount's Visual and Performing Arts Department, 301-447-5308.



Sr. Mary Jan Nasiadka

Sister Mary Jan Nasiadka has returned to the Motherhouse of the

Franciscan Sisters of St. Joseph, Hamburg, NY, after serving for three years as a pastoral minister at St. Anthony/OLMC. The congregations honored her at a parish reception on June 28, presenting her with a purse and a container of notes from the many people who wished to thank her personally for her quiet and caring service. Sr. Mary Jan made weekly rounds to homes, hospitals, and nursing homes to bring the Holy Eucharist to those unable to attend church and to comfort them with her gentle friendship. Her health does not permit her to continue this ministry. She will be missed and remembered with love. She is replaced by Sr. Valenta Rusin, F. S. S. J.

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the group are completed. Interfaith provides construction training and supervision; all are welcome whether they have a construction background or not.

"Interfaith Housing's work is really about strengthening families. Through our self-help housing projects, families not only build communities, but realize the dream of a

better future for their children," said Jim Upchurch, President of Interfaith Housing.

Interfaith expects to assist ten families in building in Emmitsburg and another four in Taneytown and Union Bridge. Addition information is available from Interfaith at its main office, (301) 662-4225, or from Gail Wilson in Taneytown at (410) 775-7114.

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Frederick County Public Library; the Lions Club Famous Barbecue; breakfast at the Senior Center, also lunch, snacks, and drinks; planned activities in the park sponsored by the Dept. of Parks and Recreation, a band concert in the park.

Activities for Sunday, Oct 4:

Breakfast at the Senior Center, also snacks and drinks all day; "The Tastes of Emmitsburg" in JoAnn's Ballroom in the Carriage House Inn, walking tours of Emmitsburg including its historic churches, Historical Society Open House Tours, tours by the Mason Dixon Line, a Silent Auction by Don held at the Carriage House Inn, and more.

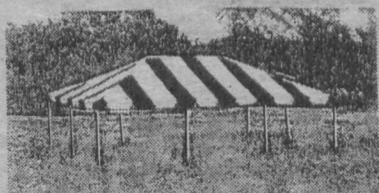
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An organization and planning meeting will be held September 27, 7 p.m., in the Media Room, Emmitsburg Community Center. For specific information contact Bob Gauss, 301-447-2222; Hope Mahony, 301-447-6522; or Elizabeth Prongas, 301-271-4459.

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Barn Burned

The barn on the lot belonging to Mr. James A. Rosensteel was destroyed by fire Tuesday afternoon, together with its contents. The fire is supposed to have been of incendiary origin.

- On Monday the last of the mines which were laid to protect the Baltimore harbor were exploded by an officer of the U.S. engineer's office.

- The Eyler's Valley Union Sunday School picnic, which was held in the grove, near Eyler's Valley Chapel, on Saturday last, was well attended and quite a success.

Gunning Accident

Sept. 9, 1898 - William Simpson, of Taneytown, was accidentally shot on Friday by his companion, Harry G. Lambert, while squirrel hunting, thirty shot striking him in the shoulder, neck, and head. Some of the small shot were gotten out with difficulty and the wounds were extremely painful, but his condition is not regarded as serious. He had climbed a tree to locate a squirrel

which he had seen, when his companion, who was below, discovered one in another tree. He was about to fire, when he saw that Simpson was in range. He moved to a point where he believed his companion was out of danger and fired. The shot scattered, peppering Simpson all over the upper portion of the body.

Badly Defeated

On last Saturday the Emmitsburg Base Ball Team went to Union Bridge where they played a game with the team of that place. The game was easily won by the Union Bridge team by a score of 19 to 3.

This is the first defeat the Emmitsburg boys suffered this season. They had been so successful in games played heretofore that they were considered invincible amateurs by many persons. But when they fell into the hands of the Union Bridge boys they lost that self-composure and evenness of action so essential to successful players, and became rattled and their playing was more or less fumbled, being easily defeated by their adversaries.

Even pitcher Rowe's deceptive curves were easily straightened by the batters. Joe is a first-class pitcher and all-around good player, and why he failed to strike out the Union Bridge boys is a mystery and can only be accounted for by the reason of excessive heat on that fatal September day.

Our boys can put up a much better game than they did on Saturday last, and we believe if the Union Bridge boys will play a return game in this place, they will find that our boys can make the game quite interesting.

A Snake Charmer

September 23, 1898 - William Whitmer, residing in Catocin Mountain, Frederick County, captured nineteen small rattlesnakes about ten inches long and three large one between three and four feet long. These twenty two snakes Mr. Whitmer now allows to coil about his neck and arms. He also places them in his bosom and seems to have entire control over them. He says he was bitten on the hands while catching the snakes, but experienced no bad effects.

Traction Engine Upset

September 30, 1898 - On Wednesday whilst Mr. Geo. S. Springer's men were taking his traction engine to some point on the mountain, some of the cogs were broken out of one of the wheels. In the endeavor to run the engine in this condition, it became uncontrollable, and ran backwards down a steep hill at a high rate of speed. The engine finally upset. The engineer jumped in time to save himself from being injured. The engine is said to have been badly damaged.

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Jan Gardner seeks county commissioner's seat

Addresses education and growth issues in northern Frederick County



Jan Gardner

"I know that education is important to the people living in the northern part of Frederick County and that community schools are an issue. I am a community activist at heart and believe that the citizens should continue to make their wishes known to the County Commissioners. It is important for people to participate in the public process. Doing your homework and being persistent can create change which can be very empowering. Nothing is more important than creating an environment in local government in which people feel they can make a difference," writes Gardner.

"I recognize that the northern part of Frederick County is looking for a balance of residential and business growth. Certainly, this must occur following the tenets of Smart Growth policies which encourage clustering growth in and around existing municipalities and existing roads, water and sewer, and schools. The northern part of the County is absolutely gorgeous with many scenic areas and rural vistas. Growth must occur in such a way to preserve the area's rural appeal, historic assets, scenic vistas, and natural resources. The proposed bio-tech industrial park in Emmitsburg should provide a boost to economic development in this part of the County and bring high-paying professional jobs to the area. Local governments must work together to help this happen."

"Farming is Frederick County's number one industry. The county must expand its Agricultural and Land Preservation Programs and actively support legislation, agri-business, and other activities that will keep farming

profitable and keep farmland in farming."

Gardner writes, "To successfully plan for progress, local government must focus on its purpose—to provide for its citizens through education, infrastructure, and public safety. The public process must include and respond to citizens so that government can truly represent and meet the needs of the public it is designed to serve. I am hopeful that the voters in Frederick County will select candidates that are 'doers' and that demonstrate both intelligence and integrity."

Jan has been involved in local politics for the past four years as an education advocate stressing the need for better planning to prevent school overcrowding. Her advocacy on school overcrowding issues has made an impact particularly on the recent revisions to the Adequate Public Facilities Ordinance.

Jan is passionate about the importance of education and believes that equal access to quality education is the foundation of democracy and the key to a successful future. Jan believes the County Commissioners should work hand in hand with the Board of Education and the community to maintain and improve the excellent educational system that exists in Frederick County.

Jan and her husband John live near Frederick City with their three children. All of her children attend Frederick County Public Schools. She has an undergraduate degree in Finance and Economics from the University of Notre Dame and a M.B.A. from Xavier University in Cincinnati, Ohio. She worked for almost a decade for the Quaker Oats Company in operations planning, distribution, and new product development.

Jan has been actively involved in the community serving as Secretary of the Frederick County Civic Federation, Legislative Chair of the PTA Council of Frederick County, Chair of the Spring Ridge Conservancy Advisory Committee, and a member of the Zoning Ordinance Update Committee. Jan has also volunteered as a Girl Scout leader for the past five years and organized a religious education program at her church.

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Many of you may remember the poor condition the cemetery was in before Sam's retirement compared to the excellent condition at the time of his death. Since that time, and probably as a result of people appreciating Sam's efforts, the cemetery has received major donations, such as the flagpole, entrance shrubbery and trees and the installation of an electrical line, for which the directors of the cemetery are most thankful.

A few years ago, the cemetery directors decided to proceed with a \$10,000 project to fix loose and bro-

ken memorial stones and their foundations. This was completed using the cemetery's own assets.

In honor of Sam and to support other enhancing projects, the directors of the non-profit Emmitsburg Memorial Cemetery corporation would appreciate your cash donation. This donation may be made in memory of a loved one or friend. Please make checks out to Emmitsburg Memorial Cemetery, Inc. and send to Ms. Leeanna Franklin, 8519 Orndorff Road, Thurmont, MD 21788.

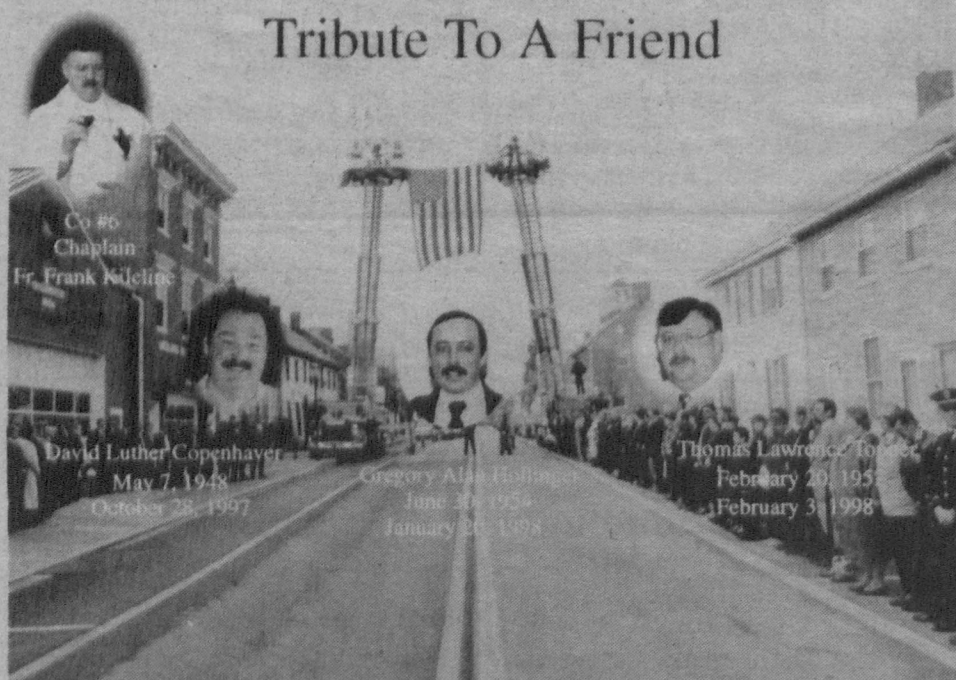
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Emmitsburg Memorial Cemetery, Memorial Day, May 1995.

A Dispatch Photo.



Local photographer Bob Rosensteel has produced a special commemorative photograph honoring three Emmitsburg firemen who died within the last year while serving as active members of the Vigilant Hose Company.

The men honored are David Copenhaver, Greg Hollinger, and Tom Topper. Also pictured is Father Frank Kilcline, Chaplain for the VHC.

Proceeds from the sale of the 150 limited edition photographs will go towards a scholarship fund for a student from the Emmitsburg area

attending Mount St. Mary's College.

Mr. Rosensteel said he hoped that the student who receives the scholarship will be someone who grew up in Emmitsburg and attended the elementary school.

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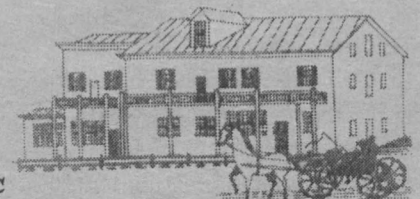
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We were joined by a loyal band of volunteer writers and staff whose selfless efforts gave *The Dispatch* its special flavor.

Loyal community-minded merchants who believed in the importance of a local publication supported our efforts through their advertisements. Their financial support made the paper possible.

Our goal was (and still is) to have this paper become a permanent part of the community's infrastructure.

However, *The Dispatch's* continued existence and growth depend upon reorganizing to meet changing circumstances. (Also, we are wearing out, as Senior Citizens are wont to do, and need a little help.) By creating part-time jobs and hiring help to continue publishing we need to generate income through a subscription base of at least 300 - 400 local subscribers. We will also sell issues at selected sites. The subscription/sales income would be added to the advertising income to

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by John Gehring

Former Baltimore County police officer Carl Angleberger's passion for planes began even before he could drive a car.

"I have always wanted to fly. I used to build model airplanes as a kid," said Angleberger, not yet sixty and a youthful looking retiree with an outdoorsman's tan.

It is that fascination with flight along with a chance to fill a local police need that has Angleberger up in the air again providing support to the Frederick County Sheriff's Office.

If the worn out working man looks toward retirement with lazy thoughts of a channel changer in one hand and a cold beer in another, Angleberger says he enjoys blending a personal love with an important service to the community.

A few years ago the 1960 Thurmont High graduate retired from the Baltimore County Police Department, where he served thirty years and became the first supervisor for the department's aviation unit.

Two days a week you can find Angleberger who along with his wife Jeanne owns an aerial photography company called Sky View Photos—surveying the scene 1500 feet below in his own Cessna fixed wing airplane. Last year he volunteered his services to Frederick County Sheriff Jim Hagy, who liked what he heard. "I just told the sheriff that I have an airplane and the time and the knowledge to do this," Angleberger said.

Once an agreement was reached, he completed the physical and psychological exams to become a reserved deputy and was ready to take off at Frederick Airport. The air patrol provides deputies working in the field proactive support to bolster the state police heli-

copters who will sometimes respond to calls for assistance. While the state's air units have more powerful equipment and faster speed capabilities, the helicopters are not consistently patrolling the area. Now, with Angleberger's plane, Frederick deputies know they have reliable air support directly in the area.

"This is certainly something that is beneficial to the county and us," said Frederick County Sheriff Jim Hagy. Hagy said his office receives numerous complaints about speeders. The ability to monitor this from the air, he said, has been a help catching drivers exceeding the speed limit.

Along with using a stopwatch-like instrument called a chronograph to track speeders, Angleberger assists with police chases, takes aerial surveillance for crime scenes, responds to off-road vehicle complaints and monitors parks and recreation areas for unlawful behavior. A few weeks ago he was assisting the Narcotics Unit by taking aerial photographs of an area where police suspect marijuana is growing. The power of the plane's photographic capabilities allows for an eye-in-the sky view of the most carefully concealed marijuana plants slipped in between stalks of corn and other crops. Call it a candid camera in the clouds.

More than anything, Angleberger hopes that he can strengthen a sheriff's department that has grown considerably in professional stature over the last thirty years. He also wants to catch the attention of public officials in the county which he believes would benefit from owning a county plane. "An airplane could be a valuable asset to the county. They are not expensive. My hope is if what I do impresses someone in the county they will say 'Hey, why don't we get our own plane?'"

Romance in Emmitsburg: Love, a lawnmower and "I do."

By John Gehring

For hours in the humid heat of July, twenty-eight year old D.J. Shorb proved that love can be expressed with sweat as much as with sweets.

Pushing a hand-held lawnmower, Shorb turned overgrown grass into the universal symbol for affection. Then, because no heart that truly loves is ever empty, he began filling it up with a special question that had filled his mind ever since a young lady won him over five years ago: "Will you marry me?"

It was delicate work, this business of listening for Sarah, making excuses to explain his unusual amount of time out behind the house, carving out the big question with wood from locust trees. Made that bending-down-on-the-knee stuff seem downright easy. One close call caught his breath short, but he was saved by the creaky warnings of an old bridge. "Sarah came up one night but the bridge gave her away," he said. "I would be up there working and running back and forth whenever I heard a noise from the bridge."

So it has come to this. Five

years after meeting each other country dancing, after thousands of nights falling asleep thinking about each other, countless "I love you's" passing between their lips, twenty-one year old Sarah Hemler is walking up a hill backwards. "I guess in a way I thought he was crazy," Hemmler said about the backward trip up the hill behind the house on the property the couple bought.

The old windmill looks over the property with a view perfect for this moment. Looking down, Sarah's eyes are filled with the heart and the question that ties her tongue. "I guess I was just speechless, which doesn't happen very often. He didn't even have to ask."

On June 12, 1999, D.J. Shorb, son of Don and Patricia Shorb of Emmitsburg, and Sarah Hemler, daughter of Ronnie and Martha Hemler of "Kelbaugh Kounty," will be married at Saint Anthony's Catholic Church in Emmitsburg.

"I just wanted to do something special for the girl that I love," Shorb said. "Little things like this mean a lot to both of us and they are sure to continue throughout our lives."

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The Emmitsburg Branch Library

By Kate Warthen

Thanks to the **Friends of the Library** and the fashion show they hosted in May, the library has a new filing cabinet in which to hold its historical and genealogical material.

Also we have a new set of shelves paid for by the Friends and built by a volunteer.

In addition, the library has bought a fatigue-free mat for the floor behind the desk, to relieve the strain of standing there for hours.

The Friends are in the process of buying a new CD/tape/radio player for the library, as well as a video camera and a loudspeaker system. The group is also looking into win-

dow decoration for the multi-purpose room and possibly the main library.

The **Summer Reading Club** has been very successful: parents and children are coming in together, and that is what we like to see.

The **book discussion group** has been meeting the second Friday of each month at 1:00 p.m. in the multi-purpose room. All are welcome. On September 11, the group will meet at 12:45 in the library parking lot for a special "field trip" to Civil-La-Tea, a tea room in Gettysburg. The discussion there will be on the September selection, *Four Letters of Love* by Niall Williams. For reservations, call the library at (301) 447-2682 by September 9th.

Senior Citizens' News

By Anna Margaaret Martin
Summer's out
Fall's in
Swimming's over
School begins-
Where has the summer gone?

The children had Little League ballgames, swimming at the pool, Vacation Bible School, and "fun things" to do. We Seniors spent time at the air-conditioned Center with cards, Bingo, and exercise classes along with lunch and fun. We will continue activities as follows

Bingo: Sept. 2, 1:00 P.M.

Sept. 16, 1:00 P.M.

Sept. 30, 1:00 P.M.

Cards: Sept. 9, 1:00 P.M.

Sept. 23, 1:00 P.M.

Pizza Party: Sept. 2, 5:00 P.M.
at Pizza Hut. Reservations a must
by Friday, Aug. 28!

Birthday Party: Sept. 15.
Reservations a must!

Community Show: Friday,
Saturday, and Sunday, Sept. 11, 12,
& 13. The Seniors will be exhibiting
their quilt, made and quilted by
group members. Raffle tickets for
the quilt will be sold for \$1.00 a

chance. The drawing will be held at
the Senior Citizens Bazaar, Oct. 31.
Stop by the display table and support
our Senior Citizens.

Strength Training (exercise
using weights) is offered on
Tuesdays and Thursdays at the
Center at 1:00 P.M. Call Linda at the
Center (447-6253) for more informa-
tion.

Fall Bus Trip to Berkeley
Springs, W.VA., for lunch and a
show featuring Tom Netherton of the
famed Lawrence Welk Show,
Monday, Oct. 19. Cost, \$40.00 per
person. Deadline for reservations,
Sept. 30. Reservations a must! Bus
will leave the Center at 9:45 A.M.
and return at 5:00 P.M. Call Linda
(447-6253) for information.

NOTE: Flu Clinic, Friday, Nov.
6, 9:00-11:00 A.M., at the Center.
Sponsored by the Frederick County
Health Department.

Don't forget the Food 'N'
Friends program every weekday,
Monday-Friday, at 12 noon.
Reservations must be made 24 hours
in advance by calling 447-6253.
Food, fun, and fellowship served
here at the Emmitsburg Senior
Center!

CATOCTIN HIGH CLASS OF 1983

The Catocin High School Class
of 1983 will hold their 15-year class
reunion on October 10, 1998, at
Mount Saint Mary's College in
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details will follow in August.

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Warthen receives scholarship

Elizabeth Ann Warthen of Emmitsburg recently received the ARINC Scholarship from Mount Saint Mary's College. The amount of the scholarship is \$1,000. She is the daughter of Wayne and Kathy Warthen and is a 1995 graduate of Delone Catholic High School. Warthen is an elementary education major.

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Emmitsburg House Tour

By Linda Postelle

These two houses are the last in the series of the interviews with the homeowners who have been gracious enough to allow their homes to be on the October 4, 1998, House Tour of the Emmitsburg area. Tickets will soon be available at Studio Gallery and the Seton Shrine in Emmitsburg as well as other locations in Frederick. Our tour is part of the celebration of Frederick County's 250th Anniversary.

These last two houses are both on Harney Road not far from the Monocacy River and even though they have Taneytown addresses, they are in Frederick County.

This lovely Federal-style home (below) situated on more than 160 acres of farmland was researched by architectural students of the University of Virginia who dated it back to at least 1804. No additions have been added. There are four levels with five original fireplaces all of which are still in use.

When Clue and Freda Meyerhoffer decided to buy this property in 1955, the house was in very bad condition. A mortgage company ventured the opinion that the house was worthless. There was no heat, no plumbing, and there was evidence that there was a history of fires in the house near the kitchen fireplace. Nevertheless the Meyerhoffers had a dream. They saw the historical value and the possibilities of restoration in both the main house and the summer kitchen house. They were also interested in conservation and the environment, with an emphasis on organic farming. Their goals were more than reached in both the buildings and

the land.

The Meyerhoffers were both raised in the Shenandoah Valley and met in college in Baltimore. They thought they had no ties to this area but it felt like home. Later they found that Clue Meyerhoffer's ancestors were prominent in Frederick County history and some are buried on the Lutheran Church property in downtown Frederick.

The floor plan of the house has not been greatly changed even though the Meyerhoffers spent fifteen years in restoration. On the main level there is a central hallway with a living room to the right and a library to the left. The ceilings are high and windows sills are deep. Warm colors, original flooring, antiques, and paneling make the rooms feel inviting. At the end of the hall is a very large kitchen and a bathroom. It is very pleasant to step out of the kitchen onto a comfortable porch and settle down to enjoy the view of the countryside.

The second floor contains four bedrooms and a bathroom created by the Meyerhoffers at the end of the hall. There is also a full attic above and the lower level is now a family room with a huge fireplace. There is evidence that this fireplace was used for cooking at one time.

One hundred thirty acres remain in farmland. The Meyerhoffers decided to invest in the restoration of their lovely Pennsylvania Dutch-style barn because there are so few of them remaining in a restored condition in the United States. The building which was once a summer kitchen is now a guest house. Perhaps this too will be on the house tour.



The home of Freda Meyerhoffer, 12221 Harney Road, Taneytown, MD 21787

Photo courtesy Freda Meyerhoffer



The home of Kenneth and Frankie Fields, 12812 Harney Road, Taneytown, Md. 21787

Photo courtesy of Linda Postelle

Kenneth and Frankie Fields tell us that no formal research has been done on their property, but they have been told that the original section of two rooms and a hall downstairs and three rooms upstairs was built anywhere from 1750 to 1780. A second addition was probably added between 1800 and 1814. Plasterers doing work in one of the rooms engraved 1814 in the plaster. This has been left exposed. Another addition was added between 1890 and 1912 on the back of the house. This was a summer kitchen with space above.

The property has been known as the Hill Property and the Shoemaker Property. The Hills bought the land from Mathias in the 1700's. Mathias owned several thousand acres and the Hill Property purchase was several hundred acres of that land. It is thought that they probably lived in the summer kitchen house until they were able to build. Mr Hill was a miller on the Monocacy River during the era of the border dispute between Pennsylvania and Maryland which was finally settled by the Mason Dixon Line.

The Fields purchased these 188 acres in 1960. The original intention was to level the existing house and build something contemporary. But something urged them not to do away with the house and they have had a great deal of fun adapting it to their own family needs.

From Harney Road one sees the side of the house. This used to be the

front entrance. However now the entrance is approached by a circular drive. Steps lead up to a porch furnished with many comfortable rocking chairs. As you enter the house the living room with the original fireplace is on the left. Tiles have been added to the fireplace depicting the surrounding state symbols and birds and wild flowers natural to the farm. To the right of the entrance is a study. A large hallway is central to the floor plan. A "compass rose" medallion had been painted on an old ceiling which had deteriorated. It has been recreated in lighter tones of the original dark colors.

Off this hallway is a large room, the last addition, which the Fields plan to turn into a big farm kitchen in the near future. Today's current kitchen is very pleasant with a beamed ceiling and small TV room off to the side. The kitchen boasts a large fireplace. When the Fields purchased the property the fireplace was covered with paneled doors. Ken Fields removed these because he felt they were a modern addition. Luckily he saved everything because he is beginning to believe that the doors perhaps were not modern after all.

The upper level has a center hall which divides three bedrooms in the earliest part of the house and a bedroom and a bathroom in a later addition.

The house is furnished with antiques and collectibles from both Ken's and Frankie's families as well as items collected by the two of them.

Emmitsburg House Tour October 4

Emmitsburg Community Calendar

August

- 31 Emmitsburg Planing and Zoning meeting, 7pm; Community Center, Senior Citizen Room, contact Town Office: 301-447-2313

September

The Taneytown Rod & Gun Club, Inc. and the Department of Natural Resources Police are having a Hunter safety Course at the Taneytown Rod & Gun Club clubhouse at 12380 Shoemaker Road, Sept. 8th, 6 p.m. - 9 p.m.; Sept. 10th, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.; Sept. 15th, 6p.m. - 9 p.m.; and Sept. 27th 10 a.m. till finished. Pre registration by phone is a must. Call Dick or Florence Miller: (410)751-1685.

- 5 Emmitsburg Bazaar and Civil War camp, military drills, entertainment and children programs; Emmitsburg Community Park, open 10 - 4 pm; contact Stephanie Brennan: 301-447-3746
- 6 Frederick County 250th Parade in Frederick City 2 p.m. The parade begins at Seventh and Market Streets and moves south on Market Street to the intersection of Patrick Street. There, it will turn west and proceed to College Avenue, ending along Carroll Parkway at Baker Park. rain date September 7
- 6 Emmitsburg Bazaar and Civil War camp, military drills, entertainment and children programs; Emmitsburg Community Park, open 10 - 4 pm; contact Stephanie Brennan: 301-447-3746
- 6 Emmitsburg Civil War Ball, tickets \$5; music performed by Gilmore's Light Ensemble; dance lessons start at 7:30pm, light refreshments - 19th century dress is not required. Sponsor Victorian Dance Ensemble; contact Stephanie Brennan: 301-447-3746

September calendar continued:

- 7 Annual Labor Day Festival; Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish; Noon until 5:00 p.m.; on the Church grounds, Church St., Thurmont. Fried chicken and ham dinners (Adults, \$7.50; children, \$3.50; children 6 and under free.). Air conditioned dining room and parking available. Live Bluegrass music, bingo, crafts, country store, and kiddie games.
- 12 Annual St. Joseph's High School Reunion Dance, 8 p.m. till midnight. Set-ups available, BYOB. \$5 admission. Music by B & J Djs. Profits to benefit M.S.S Scholarship Fund; contact Roy Adelsberger: (301)447-2934.
- 14 JoAnn Hance Memorial Golf Tournament, Mountain View Golf Resort. To benefit the Sr. Barbara Hance Home. Sponsored by the Carriage House Inn, contact: Bob Hance: 301-447-2366
- 14 Emmitsburg Town Council Meeting, 7pm; Community Center, Senior Citizen Room, contact Town Office: 301-447-2313
- 14 Women's Thurmont Aglow, Mountain Gate Restaurant, Thurmont. 6:15p.m. buffet (\$7.00); 7:15 p.m. general meeting. Speaker: Ruth Beach. Call for reservations by Sept 11: 301-447-2283.
- 16 Community Survey Public Presentation, Emmitsburg Community Center, Senior Citizens room; contact Up-County Family Center: 301-447-2810
- 19 Annual Peach Festival, St. Marks Lutheran Church, Sabillasville, Md. (Rt. 550); beginning at 10 a.m. Featuring yard and bake sales, soups, sandwiches, peach desserts.

September calendar continued:

- 20 Country Breakfast at the Taneytown Rod and Gun Club, 12380 Shoemaker Rd; 7 to 11 a.m. Adults \$4.50, Children 8 to 12 \$3.00. If you are a member and show paid up membership, 1998 car bet 50 cents off
- 20 Council of Churches Crop Walk; Take a fall 2.5 mile hike through the grounds of the National Emergency Training Center and the Provincial House or continue for another 2.5 miles through the town of Emmitsburg. Take part in this community project sponsored by the Emmitsburg Council Churches. 25% of the proceeds goes to the Emmitsburg Food Bank with the remainder going to right world hunger. See your church CROP rep representative or call a member of the local clergy- they'll lead the way.
- 26 Tom's Creek United Methodist Church All you Can Eat Breakfast, Tom's Creek Church Road (off Route 140 between Taneytown and Emmitsburg) from 6:00 to 10:30 A.M. Adults: \$4.50, Ages 5-10: \$2.25. Advance orders for sausage and pork chops can be made by calling: (410) 756-6878 or (301) 447-2691.
- 26 Willow Pond Farm's 2nd Annual Great Pumpkin contest; weigh-in 2 to 4pm; located at 145 Tract Road, Fairfield, PA
- 28 Emmitsburg Planing and Zoning meeting, 7pm; Community Center, Senior Citizen Room, contact Town Office: 301-447-2313

October

- 3&4 MASON-DIXON Line Festival; Sponsored by the E B P A, Town of Emmitsburg and local organizations; contact Hope Mahoney: 301-447-6522

The Emmitsburg Community Calendar is published monthly. Calendar information will be posted by date and available space. Provide:

- Event Name
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Please note:
Calendar submission deadline is the 20th of each month.

October calendar continued:

- 5 Emmitsburg Town Council Meeting, 7pm; Community Center, Senior Citizen Room, contact Town Office: 301-447-2313
- 7 Emmitsburg Coalition for a Better Community Follow-Up Meeting, 7pm, Senior Citizen Room, Community Center; contact Up-County Family Center: 301-447-2810
- 10 & 11 RIDGEFEST, Rocky Ridge Mt. Tabor Park. Apple Butter Boiling Sat. only. Apple Butter orders: 301-271-2880. Food, soup, sandwiches, pies, Firemen's fried ham, sandwiches; flea market; crafts; country store. Benefit Mt. Tabor Lutheran Church; free flea market space, call: 301-271-2135
- 26 Emmitsburg Planing and Zoning meeting, 7pm; Community Center, Senior Citizen Room, contact Town Office: 301-447-2313

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Summer Celebration

16th Annual Lions Community Day

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Three Legged Sack Race

(5-8 Years, 2nd heat)

1st. - Mathew Thompson and Brian Lacroy

2nd. - Ethan Long and Drew Wantz

(17 and up, 1st heat)

1st. Toby Andrew and Blaine Ridenour

2nd. - Joey Knox and Becky Knox

(17 and up, 2nd heat)

1st. Kenny Little and Pat Little

2nd. - Lori Bollinger and Todd Canby

Water Balloon Toss

1st. - Todd and Tracie Canby

2nd. - Rebecca Corbell and Theresa Bucheit

Pie Eating

(5-8)

1st - Samuel Morgan, 2nd. - Erin Emory

(9-12)

1st. - Nicholas Wivell, 2nd. - Donna Geiger

(13-16)

1st. - Ashley Keeney, 2nd. - Kate Emory

(17 - up)

1st. - Ron Schweiger, 2nd. - Bill Emory

Water Melon Eating

(Up to 4 years)

1st. - Bobby Knox, 2nd. - Misti Bradshaw

(7-13)

1st. - Bobby Knox, 2nd. (tie) Steve Little and Amanda Miller

(13-16)

1st. - Shanda Rippeon, 2nd. (tie) - Ashley Keeney, and Paul Emory

(17 - up)

1st. - Stan Schweiger, 2nd. - Ron Schweiger

Raffle Winner

Steve Smith, York Springs, Pa.

Photos by Mrs. Jim Hahn

"Here, Piggy, Piggy, Piggy my foot!"



The annual "Greased Pig" Race.



The Balloon Toss

"Contestants, launch your balloons."

"Yo-o, Heave Ho!"



The "kids" enjoy a friendly Tug-of-War.

LITTLE LEAGUE NEWS

By Marta Hillis

Another season of baseball and softball has ended in Emmitsburg. Our annual "awards" picnic was held on August 30th at Memorial Park.

Winners of the Little League raffle were announced at the town's July 4th celebration. Mike Hourihan was the lucky \$250.00 first prize winner. Second prize winner Pat Engle took home \$150.00 and Pauline Grimes had the \$100.00 third prize-winning ticket. Congratulations, winners, and a big league *thank you* to all raffle participants.

Kudos to the Emmitsburg girls softball teams! The Angels, managed by Tracy Boyd and coached by Shannon Cool, Doug Swartz, and Tina Reaver, finished in first place in the regular season standings with an impressive 13-2 record. The Pink Panthers, managed by Tina Kerns with coaches Tiff Stahley and Jimmy Click, finished number two also with 13 wins and 3 losses.

Players for the All-Star girls softball team (11-12 year olds) were

picked from the two Emmitsburg teams and Taneytown. The Twisters' roster included the following girls: Beth "Jungle Jane" Boyd, Samantha Weaver, Becky "Wild Thing" Ott, Amanda "Shorty" Sweeney, Britney "Lacey" Kerns, Tristin Flohr, Britney Gray, Cassie Andrew, Sara "Gumby" Rohrbaugh, Sara "Air" Robertson, Sam Robertson, Erin Jenkins, and Rachel Devilbiss. Tracey Boyd was the manager. Tina Kerns and Mike Wilson were the coaches. The Twisters All-Stars captured the District II championship with a 3-1 record. In late July the team went on to the state tournament at Elkton, Md.. They did a great job, finishing 4th in the state. Way to go, girls!

Emmitsburg's 11-12 "A" boys All-Stars finished second in the annual Leisner Memorial Tournament at Thurmont. Our team lost the title game to a tough Gettysburg squad.

The girls 13-15 year-old softball team won the District II championship. The manager was Terry Eyler and the coach was Marcie Houck.

game" for the children as well as old-fashioned bingo and guessing games for the adults. James Houck III and Marc T. Houck won the horseshoe tournament, and a magician held the audience in awe for about thirty minutes.

Next year's reunion is scheduled for Sunday, June 27, 1999, at the same location. Hope to see everyone there!

WINNERS' CIRCLE STUDIO: TWIRLING COMPETITION

The annual Winners' Circle Summer Contest was held recently at the studio for members of the Catoctin-Aires Twirling Corps and private students of the studio. Events were held in marching, modeling, and twirling. First-place wins were rewarded with trophies and all other places were rewarded with medals.

Contest results were: Sportswear modeling- 1st-Amy Snyder and Jessica Reckley; 2nd-Meranda Stoian; 3rd-Alexis Rice. Baby sportswear modeling-Corinne Stoian; 2nd-Jasmine Smith. Parade Strut- 1st-Crystal Reed, Meranda Stoian, Corinne Stoian; 2nd-Tracy Shultz, Jessica Reckley, Ashley Trout; 3rd-Angel Thomas, Lorretta Lookingbill; 4th-April Tressler; 5th-Alexis Rice. Best appearing modeling- 1st-Amy Snyder. Pairs strut- 1st-Tracy Shultz and Crystal Reed. Parade Routine- 1st-Alexis Rice, Jessica Reckley, Kaylla Poland, Ashley Trout, Lorretta Lookingbill; 2nd-Meranda Stoian, Corinne Stoian, Angela Ridenour; 3rd-Megan Mort; 4th-Angel Thomas. Basic Strut- 1st-Jessica Reckley, Meranda Stoian, Corinne Stoian, Lorretta Lookingbill, Amy Snyder; 2nd-April Tressler, Kaylla Poland, Ashley Trout, Crystal Reed, Angela

Ridenour; 3rd-Alexis Rice, Angel Thomas. Baby Basic Strut- 1st-Jasmine Smith. Duet- 1st-Meranda Stoian, Amy Snyder. Pom Pom Strut- 1st-Ashley Trout, Crystal Reed, Jessica Reckley; 2nd-Corinne Stoian, Tracy Shultz, Meranda Stoian; 3rd-Lorretta Lookingbill, Angela Ridenour, April Tressler; 4th-Angel Thomas.

In a highlight of the day, Angela Ridenour and Megan Mort provided a wonderfully creative duet number to the music, "Splish Splash," which earned them each a first-place trophy. Parents' Strut results were: 1st-Monica Trout, 2nd-Betty Lookingbill, 3rd-Pat Tressler and Tina Smith, 4th-Nadene Heward.

The contest marked the debut individual performance for many of the school's students. Several of these students will in a few weeks enter competition with the Capital Area Marching Association.

Judges for the event were Donna Landsperger, owner of the studio, and Kelly Reed. Both are judges with the Capital Area Marching Association. For more information about the studio, call 334-5567.

Wantz Reunion

The annual Wantz reunion was held on Sunday, June 28, 1998, at Indian Lookout Conservation Club grounds in Emmitsburg, Maryland. Seventy-six people attended. The wonderful weather provided a nice background for the food, fellowship, and fun for all ages. There were relay races as well as a scavenger hunt and the famous "fishing

Births

Congratulations to these new parents.

Michelle and Kevin Hanvey, Emmitsburg, twin daughters, July 6; Karen and Jay Ruby, Rocky Ridge, a son, July 30; and Mr. and Mrs. Kevin T. Rippeon, Emmitsburg, a son, Aug. 2.

Orndorff Family Reunion

The descendants of Frank H. and Cora Orndorff will be gathering at Mt. Tabor Park, Rocky Ridge, Md., on October 18, for a family reunion. Families are to bring meat, vegetables, and/or desserts to share. A covered dish midday meal will be enjoyed by all starting at approx. 1 p.m. In addition to the big slide, other activities are planned as well as good conversation.



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The Women of Main Street

By Ruth O. Richards

The Women of Main Street. This sounds lewd, doesn't it? I can assure you, or very nearly assure you, there was nothing lewd about these women. In fact they didn't even think of themselves as women—they were "ladies." That is not a point to be argued by me. The women I write about were all good citizens of Emmitsburg and went about their womanly duties in much the same way as each of their neighbors with few variations: cooking, cleaning, washing, ironing, tending children.

What did these women look like? How did they dress? I shan't try to describe their faces or their bodies. I couldn't if I wanted to. But I can describe their clothing, which very nearly was generic. Women all over America wore "the housewife costume" while going about their womanly duties at home.

The daily costume was a house dress, the term so common that it rated an entry in the Unabridged Webster's Dictionary of the 40's. The dresses were made of printed cotton fabric, with perhaps a touch of rick-rack or bias tape here and there to perk them up. They were short-sleeved, self-belted and were worn below the knees. Some of the dresses were sewn at home, others were bought ready-made, probably at Houck's, a family clothing store on the northeast corner of the square. Over these dresses was a washed, starched, and ironed apron, a clean one every day. On their feet women wore either black or brown tied shoes, oxfords, with either white ankle sox, or lisle stockings. (Lisle was a kind of strong cotton thread.) Nylon, a relatively new kind of synthetic thread, was being used for parachutes in the war effort. How do I know this? I know it, because I became a "house wife" in 1940 when I came to Emmitsburg.

You might ask, "Why didn't we housewives wear slacks?" Such attire was not common and did not become common until after the war. The women who worked in defense plants did wear pants and finally after the war, nearly all women wore slacks, except in Emmitsburg, where, for a short while, there was a law prohibiting women from appearing on the street in slacks. Wow! I wonder whose idea that was?

Housework wasn't the only job that the women of Main Street had. Some of the women had babies and others were providing care of another kind, seeing to the needs of an elderly parent or other relatives who for one reason or another needed extra attention.

Among the women who had children were Charlotte Eyster, Margaret Wilhide and Tess Stinson. Charlotte had two babies in 1940, Georgie and Susie. A "stop in" visit to Charlotte would always find her in one or another baby tending modes, and she might say, "Help me with my homework," and then she would hand over diapers that had been dried outside on the clothes line and needed to be folded. No disposable diapers then.

Margaret's baby was a bit younger. Tommy, I believe, was born in 1941 and he was the darling of the neighbors. I might be invited to "come in and see the cute tricks" of Margaret's baby.

The woman that I got to know best in 1940 was Tess Stinson whose husband was Dr. Stinson, the only dentist in town. Tess was just a great person, with a marvelous sense of humor. She was kept busy with five children, four girls and a boy. Her rapport with her children was to be envied.

Tess had done many things for me as I was trying to settle into living in Emmitsburg and I decided that I must try to repay her. I invited her and Oscar for a chicken dinner. Chicken was a treat in those days. (Oh, for the time when chicken was scarce and not thought to be good for you!) I cooked the chicken—one hour—two hours—it never did become edible. It was just plain too old and tough. We pretended that the main meal was over and went immediately to dessert. Tess and I had a good laugh about my first effort at entertaining in Emmitsburg.

Edith Nunnemaker was another kind of caregiver. I never got to know her very well, in fact I was intimidated by her tall, stately manner, her precision in walking step by step with a basket on her arm. She was caring for her brother, Guy, who I believe had suffered an injury in World War I. Although I was never privy, as others had been, to a showing of the contents of Miss Edith's cedar chest, I was told that in that chest was "her hope" of marriage as

evidenced by her trousseau. I hope that she didn't care that I knew this. It made me very sad since I was in Emmitsburg because my "dream" had come true.

In a gloomy-looking house built of cement blocks were the Rowe sisters, Carrie, Elizabeth, and another whose name I either didn't know, or have forgotten. Elizabeth was a nurse, and that is about all I knew of them, except for their love of their brother Chick's children, a boy and a girl. I was never in their house but would speak with them at the grocery store or at the Post Office.

Across the street from the Rowes was the home of Mr. Shuff, who had once been a funeral director. His daughter "Miss Ruth," (many of the unmarried women were spoken of or addressed as "miss") cared for him. She was also the organist for the Lutheran Church. "Dar," Ruth's sister and her husband Bill lived in the same house. Bill ran a little "A&P" grocery store near the bank.

I have previously written of Ruth, also Miss Ruth Gililean and her little notions shop. She too, was a part of a group of sisters who lived together. I had an excuse to frequent her shop since I both sewed and knitted, and so got to know those women fairly well. There was Carrie, who was a bit naïve, Ruth, outgoing and helpful, and Rhoda, who had been a nurse overseas during the first World War.

"Tude", I believe she was called, was a sweet, frail-looking black woman who lived in the west end of town and literally served other women. I mostly saw her when she was helping at tea or a luncheon. She then was dressed in black and wore a white apron. She walked to the stores to shop, and carried her groceries in a basket on her arm. When she was

working for others, she came in and went out the back door. She wasn't allowed to do otherwise. (I often wondered how much she was paid.)

All of the above women lived in the west end of town.

In 1943 John and I moved out to the ESSO gas station, and then a few months later we moved again, to a house known as Minnie Eichelberger's house, owned by the Emmitsburg Water Company. Our move was made necessary by events not of our own making. It was a horrid house—hand-fired smoky furnace—termites—and other things not of our liking, but housing was scarce and we had to move.

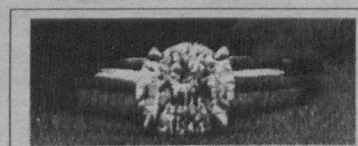
With that move we had as our neighbors the Harners, Charlie and Edythe. They owned the grocery store in the square where the Ott House is now. Mrs. Harner, like Mrs. Frailey, spent long hours working in and for the family store.

Mrs. Harner was wonderful to me. I was pregnant with our first child and needed a lot of encouragement. She brought us lovely things to eat and encouraged me all through my pregnancy. And then after Kathy was born Mrs. Harner became a kind of grandmother to her. Kathy's own grandmothers were a thousand miles away.

As I bring this to a close I want to say that these few women that I have written of aren't by any means the only women I met. They are the ones that have come popping into my mind as I wrote along. They have all gone on to where they no longer are clad in brown tie shoes and starched house dresses with aprons. They left an impression on me as I have recorded, and a good impression, whatever they called themselves: "Ladies or Women."

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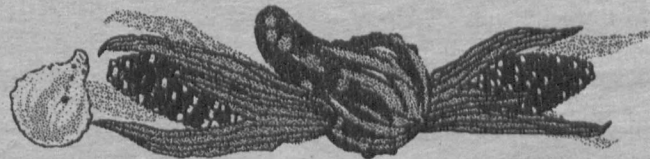
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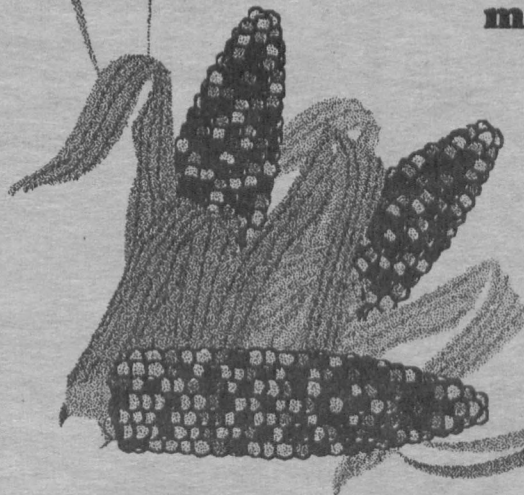
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Rocky Ridge News

By Emma Keeney

CELEBRATIONS

Congratulations to Barbara Jean Leach Turvin and Eric Steven Turvin, who were married August 15, 1998, at the Mt. Tabor Lutheran Church. Barbara Jean is the daughter of Barbara and Tom Leach of Emmitsburg. Eric is the son of Steve and Linda Turvin of New Midway, Md.

Birthdays for August: Happy Birthday to Heather Valentine, Mary Ellen Cummings, Diane Hahn, Richard Dinterman, Jennifer Hobbs, Steven Day, Regina Dinterman, Charity Wivell, Cody Wivell, Larry Duble, Jennifer Hobbs, Emily Sixx, Betty Lee Mumma, Burneda Russell, James Stambaugh, Melissa Sharrer, Lucille Waynant, Lewis Smith, Grace Albaugh, David Dinterman, Dorothy Wiley, David Cockerill, Margarite Wachter.

Birthdays for September: Happy Birthday to Mae Long, who will be 95 on the 23rd, Marie Stambaugh, Vicky Powell, Michael Harris, Jr., Betty Lee Brown, Bonnie Eyler, Pauline Stambaugh, Tammy Wiles, Michele Martin, Guy Pittinger, Robert Burrier, Helen Ogle, Kenneth Sharrer, Ralph Baker, Bonnie Bealle, Bonnie Hurley, Betty Ann Mumma.

August Anniversaries: Congratulations to Russell and Eleanor Ohler, Carl and Verna Keeney, Bret and Shannon Shearer, Calvin and Melissa Keeney.

September Anniversaries: Congratulations to Jeff and Shirley Sharrer, Steve and Faye Wolfe, Robert and Betty Ann Mumma, Ralph and Naomi Baker, Geolrge and Betty Ann Moser, Curtis and Shirley Greene, John and Bonnie Sanders.

FIREMAN'S RAFFLE WINNERS:

Edwin Huson, \$250.00; Kevin I. Miller, \$150.00; Teresa Ogle, \$50.00; John Houde, \$50.00; Donald Pastorett, \$50.00.

BABY SHOW WINNERS

At the baby show held on August 8 at Mt. Tabor Park, Rocky Ridge, 75 babies were entered—43 girls and 32 boys. The following winners were announced.

Youngest baby (9 days old): Noah Ruby, son of Jay and Karen Ruby of Rocky Ridge.

Farthest distance traveled (50 miles): 22-month-old Kayla Brittany, daughter of Kevin and Wendy Damuth of New Freedom, Pa.

Twins (8 mos.): Wesley and Kasidy Staub, children of Brian and Melanie Staub of Fairfield, Pa. Twins (14 mos.): Leanne and Lindsey Young, daughters of Brenda Young of Taneytown. Twins (18 mos.): Nicholas and Stephen Young, sons of Donnie and Chris Boller of Fairfield.

Age 1-3 months—5 girls and 4 boys

Prettiest girl: 12-day-old Natalie Johnston, daughter of Crystal Long and Herman Johnston of Taneytown. **Cutest boy:** 2-week-old Dylan Wright, son of Jamie and Rhonda Wright of Thurmont. **Chubbiest baby:** 3-month-old George Stone, son of Tim and Marilyn Stone of Frederick.

Age 4-6 months—6 girls and 2 boys

Prettiest girl: 6-month-old Jennifer Dinterman, daughter of Mike and Kim Dinterman of Rocky Ridge. **Cutest boy:** 4-month-old Taylor Garner, son of Kevin and Jennifer Garner, Fairfield. **Chubbiest baby:** 6-month-old Jacob McCleaf, son of Dean and Denise McCleaf of Blue Ridge Summit, Pa.

Age 7-12 months—14 girls and 9 boys

Prettiest girl: 8-month-old Jessica Fogle, daughter of Tammy Fogle, Detour, Md.

Cutest boy: 12-month-old D.J. Vergura, son of Cathy and Dino Vergura of Frederick. **Chubbiest baby:** 8-month-old Kasidy Staub, daughter of Brian and Melanie Staub of Fairfield.

Age 13-18 months—11 girls and 11 boys

Prettiest girl: 13-month-old Raven Garver, daughter of Shawn and Susie Garver of Rocky Ridge. **Cutest boy:** 14-month-old Blaine Angleberger, son of Frank and Melissa Angleberger of Rocky Ridge. **Chubbiest baby:** 18-month-old Nicholas Boller, son of Donnie and Chris Boller of Fairfield.

Age 19-24 months—7 girls and 6 boys

Prettiest girl: 23-month-old Chelsea Denbleyker, daughter of Mellissa Denbleyker of Emmitsburg. **Cutest boy:** 19-month-old Luke Clabaugh, son of Jim and Lisa Clabaugh of Keymar, Md. **Chubbiest baby:** 19-month-old Zachary Stultz, son of Ron and Diane Stultz of Sabillasville, Md.

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MT. TABOR QUILTERS

By Inspector 13

The quilters had no meetings in August, but everyone has been busy pickling beets and cucumbers and processing beans, corn, and fruits. And, searching for *new* zucchini recipes. Most of them have quilt projects which they work on at home. July and August are festival and carnival times at Mt. Tabor Park—the quilters help with all of them. Working on quilt-related items serves as much-needed rest and quiet time.

I am often asked what "guild" our quilters belong to. In reply, I inform them, proudly, that we are a group of ladies who like to meet for the fellowship and any money earned by us is donated to our places of worship. Once a lady said, "Oh, a *church* group." She was not complimenting us! Time has proven that not everyone is so snobbish.

However, this episode raised the question, "What is a guild?" After reading about quilt guilds, talking with guild members and the owner of a quilting supply shop, I've found there is a wide difference between guilds and groups like ours—each is important in its own way.

A guild can consist of several hundred members. Each guild is registered as a non-profit organization with elected officers. Most are members of the national Quilters Association.

Monthly guild meetings feature lectures or demonstrations by well-known quilt specialists such as Jinny Beyer. Splinter groups of the guild may have all-day workshops for charitable projects. However, guild members do not quilt as a group on "customers'" quilts. Some members are not really quilters, but are collectors, designers, or people interested in the informative side and the charity projects.

By comparison, Mt. Tabor Quilters are not organized, don't elect officers, don't have hundreds of member. But we do meet weekly, quilt for other people and help each other through crises, illnesses, and other human frailties. We each act as educators by sharing quilt (and other) tips with each other. We reach out to those in the community who need a shoulder to cry on.

We do not meet the criteria of a guild as described by Webster's *Collegiate Dictionary* (1965): an association of men with kindred spirits or common interests or aims.

As the younger generation would say: "Duh!"



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OBITUARIES

Mrs. Shirley Topper

Mrs. Shirley Fay Goss Topper, 90, of Mountain View Road, Emmitsburg, died Tuesday, June 30, at her residence.

She was the wife of Frank S. Topper Sr., who died Nov. 1, 1973.

Born Jan. 5, 1908, in Champaign, Ill., she was the daughter of the late Harry M. and Margaret Mabel Ackerman Goss.

Mrs. Topper was a member of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, Emmitsburg, the Miraculous Medal Society, and the Legion of Mary. She instructed CCD classes at St. Joseph's, volunteered at Mount Alto Restoration Center, and wrote book reviews for the *Emmitsburg Chronicle*.

She was vice president of the PTA and a Cub Scout leader in Illinois.

Surviving are one daughter, Patricia Alice Topper of Emmitsburg; one son, Michael Anthony Topper of Prescott Valley, Ariz.; 11 grandchildren, Pamela Anne Topper, John Michael Topper, Diane Marie Schmecht, Steven Francis Topper, Susan Marie Wheeler, Derek Howard Huff, Matthew Joseph Topper, Paul Jerome Topper, Christine Marie Kalinich, Francis Victor Topper and Laura Nicole Topper; eight great-grandchildren, Sean Morgan Wheeler, Kyle Joshua Topper, Christopher Thomas Topper, Corrine Kalinich, Justin Bailey Topper, Kevin Michael Topper, Megan Marie Kalinich and Margaret Topper; and one brother, William H. Goss of Lopez Island, Wash.

Mrs. Topper was preceded in death by two sons, Frank Samuel Topper Jr and John Edward Topper.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held Saturday, July 4, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, with Mrs. Topper's pastor, the Rev. Michael J. Kennedy, as the celebrant.

Interment was in New St. Joseph's Cemetery, Emmitsburg.

Mr. Gregory Thomas

Mr. Gregory Damien Thomas, 38, of 9902-C Rocky Ridge Road, Rocky Ridge, died Friday, July 10, at home.

Born July 1, 1960, he was the son of James J. and Dolores Y. Thomas Of Rocky Ridge.

Mr. Thomas was a member of St. Anthony Shrine Parish, Emmitsburg.

He graduated from Mother Seton Elementary School, Emmitsburg, and Catocin High School, Thurmont.

He was a carpenter, cabinetmaker, mechanic, and amateur astronomer.

Surviving in addition to his parents are five brothers, Stephen, David, Edward, Christopher, and Patrick; and three sisters, Jeanette, Margaret and Miriam; one daughter, Shannon M. Monaghan; one son, Matthew G. Thomas; one grandson, Owen M.T. Monaghan; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Mr. Thomas will also be remembered

by many friends.

A Memorial Mass was held Friday, July 17, at St. Anthony Shrine, Emmitsburg.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial donations be made to the American Cancer Society or Hospice of Frederick County.

Mr. John Randolph

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Mr. John C. "Jake" Randolph, 83, of Emmitsburg, died Thursday, July 23, at his residence.

He was the husband of the late Helen Lingg Randolph.

Born Jan. 26, 1915, in Augusta County, Va., he was a son of the late John Scott and Martha Crosby Randolph.

He retired after many years as a presser at the Emmitsburg Manufacturing Company.

Surviving are one son, John Philip Randolph of Chambersburg, Pa.; two daughters, Martha Austin and Diane Randolph, both of Emmitsburg; one brother, Richard H. Randolph of Batesburg, S.C.; one sister, Nell Bollinger of St. Petersburg, Fla.; four grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Graveside services were held at the convenience of the family.

Arrangements were handled by Skiles Funeral Home, Emmitsburg.

Mr. Gary Grable

Mr. Gary Steven Grable, 46, of Emmitsburg, died Thursday, July 30, near Emporia, Va., as the result of a traffic accident.

Born May 15, 1952, in Frederick, he was the son of the late Charles C. and June B. Fox Grable.

Mr. Grable was employed by BDR Express of Frederick.

Surviving are two sons, Gary Seven Grable Jr. of Woodbridge, Va., and Wayne C. Miller Jr. of Emmitsburg; four daughters, Barbara Wagerman of Emmitsburg, Katie Grable of Frederick, LuAnn Moser of Taneytown, and Heather Grable of Woodbridge; two brothers, William A. Grable of Adamstown, and Charles C. Grable Jr. of Frederick; seven grandchildren; and five nieces and nephews.

Mr. Grable was preceded in death by one sister, Doris L. Travis.

The Rev. Susan Haas-Yatta, pastor of Elias Lutheran Church, officiated at the funeral services held at the Skiles Funeral Home, Emmitsburg.

Rachael Hobbs

Mrs. Rachael Mae Hobbs, 68, of North Seton Avenue, Emmitsburg, Saturday, Aug. 1, at her residence.

She was the wife of Joseph H. Hobbs, Sr.

Born Dec. 26, 1929, in Emmitsburg, she was the daughter of the Lawrence F.

and Irene Stouter Haley.

Mrs. Hobbs was a member of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, Emmitsburg. In her younger years, she was very active in the church and the Sodality of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

She worked as a licensed practical nurse at Gettysburg Lutheran Home and Villa St. Michael at St. Joseph's Provincial House, Emmitsburg.

Surviving in addition to her husband are two sons, Joseph H. Hobbs Jr. of Walkersville, and Stephen B. Hobbs of Houston, Texas; two daughters, M. Elaine Norris of Westminster, and Joyce A. Giannini of Emmitsburg; 10 grandchildren; and one sister, Agnes Gillespie of Emmitsburg.

Mrs. Hobbs will also be remembered by her primary care nurse, Phyllis Green, and by all of her home call nurses.

Mrs. Hobbs was preceded in death by one brother, Billy Haley.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held Tuesday, Aug. 4. Mrs. Hobbs' pastor, the Rev. Michael J. Kennedy, was the celebrant. Interment was in New St. Joseph's Cemetery, Emmitsburg.

Memorial donations may be made to the American Diabetes Association, 2 Reservoir Circle, Suite 203, Baltimore, Md. 21208.

Mrs. Julia Eyler

Mrs. Julia Anna Crum Eyler, 65, of W. Lincoln Avenue, Emmitsburg, died Monday, Aug. 10, at her residence.

She was the wife of Morris Arthur Eyler Sr., who died Dec. 19, 1991.

Born March 28, 1933, in Biglerville, Pa., she was a daughter of the late Robert I. and Sally Russell Crum.

She was a member of Trinity United Methodist Church, Emmitsburg.

She worked for many years as a secretary at Matthews Gas Co., Emmitsburg.

Surviving are three children, Darlene K. Williams of Cascade, and Morris A. Eyler Jr. and Betty Ann Eyler Redding, both of Emmitsburg; and one brother, Larry Crum of Pennsylvania.

She is also remembered by many devoted friends, neighbors, home-care nurses, and Sisters of Charity.

She was preceded in death by three brothers.

Funeral services were held Aug. 13 at Skiles Funeral Home, Emmitsburg, with her pastor, the Rev. Larry Eby, officiating. Interment was in Emmitsburg Memorial Cemetery, Emmitsburg.

Memorial donations may be made to Vigilant Hose Co., P.O. Box 171, Emmitsburg, Md. 21727; United Cerebral Palsy, 5736 Industry Lane, Frederick Md. 21701; Emmitsburg Ambulance Co., P.O. Box 1101, Emmitsburg, Md. 21727; American Lung Association of Maryland, 1840 York Road, Suite M, Timonium, Md. 21093; or American Cancer Society, 1011 E. Patrick St., Frederick Md. 21701.

Mrs. Nancy Topper

Mrs. Nancy Louise Ridenour Topper, 55, Keysville Road, Emmitsburg, died Monday, Aug. 17, at Hershey Medical Center, Hershey, Pa.

She was the wife of Theodore Newman Topper, who died in November 1981.

Born May 11, 1943, in Frederick, she was the daughter of the late Guy Anthony and Sarah Grable Ridenour.

Mrs. Topper was a member of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, Emmitsburg, the Sodality of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and the auxiliary of VFV Post 6658, Emmitsburg.

She was an avid bingo player.

Surviving are eight children, Sam Topper and wife Deb, Wanda, James, Helen Elizabeth, Laura Ann, and Patrick Newman Topper, all of Emmitsburg, John Christopher Topper of Littlestown, Pa., and Ronnie Eugene Topper and wife Rae Lynn of Thurmont; 12 grandchildren; 10 brothers and sisters, Olia Cool, Helen Sharer, William Ridenour, Frank Ridenour, Mae Fogle, Doris Ott, and Guy Ridenour, all of Emmitsburg, Clarence Ridenour of Thurmont, and Mary Kuykendall and Florence Hobbs, both of Fairfield, Pa.; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Topper will also be remembered by her son John's friend, Wanda Small of Littlestown; and her daughter Laura's friend, Richard Brown of Emmitsburg.

Mrs. Topper was preceded in death by two brothers, Charles and James Ridenour.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held at St. Joseph's Catholic Church with Mrs. Topper's pastor, the Rev. Joseph R. Wright, as the celebrant.

Interment was in St. Joseph's Cemetery, Emmitsburg.

Memorial donations may be made to Emmitsburg Little League, c/o William Wivell, president, 16636 Tom's Creek Church Road, Emmitsburg, Md. 21727.

Mrs. Inez Ott

Mrs. Inez Evelyn Halloway Ott, 68, of Frailey Road, Emmitsburg, died Wednesday, Aug. 19, at Glade Valley Nursing & Rehabilitation Center, Walkersville.

She was the wife of Joseph A. Ott.

Born Nov. 1, 1929, in Andrews, N.C., she was the daughter of Glestie Nelson Halloway of Andrews, and the late Joseph Halloway.

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

She had worked as snack bar

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Civil-A-Tea, A Tea Experience

By Kathleen O'Connor

Civility: [ME civilite < Ofr, L civilitas (civilis, CIVIL), politics, hence politic behavior, politeness] 1.

Politeness, esp. in a merely formal way 2. A civil, or polite, act or utterance. Webster's New World Dictionary, 1988.

In a town devoted to remembrances of the American Civil War, the word takes on layers of meaning. It can mean cultured, civilized, refined-polite, courteous; and it recalls an era that was especially so devoted. It has connotations that range from merely avoiding rudeness, to polite etiquette, to sincere and heartfelt thoughtfulness of others. In regard to women, one is reminded of the disinterested devotion of chivalry or gallantry's dashing display of courtesy. How many Civil War officers were also gentlemen is a story in itself.

Civil-La-Tea is a teahouse that also recalls the days when "Made in France" was a well-sought label and the lingua franca was the speech of polite society. Times change, but slowly. Even in more recent days, when Nana used to take granddaughter "visiting," one never left the house without a hat and gloves-especially to church. And ladies need not remove their gloves for a handshake or their hat in the restaurant or church.

Sometimes, however, if you step through the right little door, you may find yourself back in time at a Victorian tea party. The round tables are double-layered in colorful cloths. Encircling the flowered centerpieces are delicate teacups and saucers of fine china in a variety of floral patterns. A rich carpet,

lace curtains, and candlelight set a very soft and relaxing scene. Enter the fragrant aromas of carefully blended teas, like the "Victorian Garden" tea I tasted, and you are there-your picture hat, your summer gloves, and-if he is brave-perhaps even your gentleman officer.

Civil-La-Tea was several years in the dreaming. Pat Hartman, the owner, and Peggy Williams, her manager, had been inspired by the "Christmas in the Woods" held in Baltimore each year, for Peggy is herself a seamstress and skilled in crochet. In the summer about 3 years ago, they opened in Gettysburg-for a limited 10-week engagement-a consignment shop for specialty crafters. One hot afternoon, the thought came to the tongue-"Let's have tea!" And the search began.

After 2 years of hunting, Pat and Peggy thought they had found the ideal house in Littlestown. However, at the last minute, the zoning could not be changed. Pat was beginning to wonder aloud whether her dream would ever become a reality; but her husband encouraged and reminded her, "If it were easy, everyone would be doing it."

Just then, the ladies noticed an advertisement for some used restaurant equipment and found that it was at 39 York Street in Dr. Knox's former residence. His offices had been on the lower level and he had lived upstairs. The building had been converted to a restaurant at one time, but was old, and required much work. Florescent lights needed to be removed and ceiling holes plastered, cupboards moved and lovely new rose wallpaper applied. The women began work on September 1,

and remarkably opened by October 1, 1997!

One enters through a garden gate onto the veranda where wicker chairs and tables allow a fresh air tea in the cool shade. The first room is full of beautiful handcrafted articles for sale and almost every kind of teapot that you could imagine. Crafters often come to demonstrate their creations, including a gentleman who makes teaspoon wind chimes. One lady, on hearing of him, brought one teaspoon from each of her relatives' silver sets that he might make a special heirloom chime for her.

The inner room is the formal tea-room of the fantasy description above. Pat's teas are specially hand-blended by a woman in New York who once owned a perfume company with Herb Alpert; she has also catered teas and other foods for Donald Trump. Teas she says have special fragrances, just like perfume. Not only do they smell wonderful, they will do wonderful things for your body. *Prevention* magazine says that tea has more anti-oxidants than broccoli with which to remove impurities from your system. A few different iced tea flavors are also available each day.

The teas are named for their accompaniments. The menu includes three teas. Sweet tea is light and offers cookies and tea breads. Cream tea offers more with fresh-baked scones, fresh

fruit, lemon curd, and clotted cream and jam-which give the tea its name. Dessert tea is the most with fresh scones and fruit, lemon curd, clotted cream, cookies, and tea breads.

Special theme teas are also arranged by reservation only (717-334-0992) and also offer soups and tea sandwiches. The theme tea for next month is "The Last Rose of Summer," reminiscent of the Irish poet and lyricist, Thomas Moore, author also of "The Harp That Once Through Tara's Halls" and "Believe Me If All Those Endearing Young Charms." One specially arranged theme tea birthday party was a "Hat Party" at which each lady wore a special period hat for the occasion. Gloves and hats are not only permitted, but encouraged. Bridal showers are a rare treat here, for the bride is enveloped in the essence of romance.

Special events also underscore many on-going themes of the community. They have included teas for Civil War reenactors, a Charles Dickens storyteller, an American Girl doll party, a botanical garden party, and a tea-tasting party. Coming soon will be a book-signing party and a make-up party.

Perhaps one may eventually also hear the lilting notes of the silver flute or the haunting melodies of Thomas' golden harp--remembrances of a more gracious age. "This is," Pat says, "not a restaurant; it is a tea experience."

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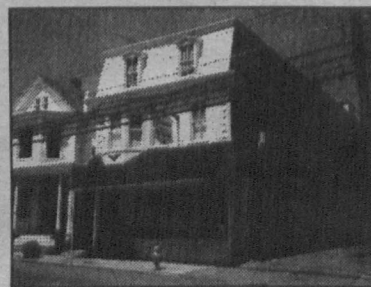
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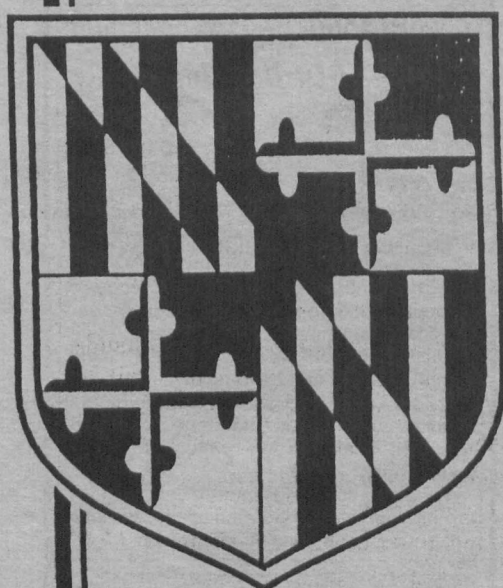
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LET'S TALK ABOUT IT

By Susan Star Paddock

Happy Couples Use Soft Approach, Affection

Jack and Jane were at it again. Jane had a perfectly reasonable request of Jack, but as usual her pitch for a change began with a lot of negativity. "Jack," she said with a scowl on her face, "You are the most selfish man I know. You never take me anywhere. You never do anything nice for me, and now you've forgotten our anniversary!" As soon as Jack saw the scowl on Jane's face he had a strong physical reaction. He felt his muscles tighten up, his blood pressure rose, and he reacted defensively. Instead of hearing what Jane said, he told her right away how wrong she was, and how she, not he, was selfish. The argument began badly, but it escalated quickly as Jack stormed out of the house and Jane collapsed in tears.

John Gottman, Ph.D. and his colleagues at the University of Washington have studied married couples for over twenty years. Gottman is the author of an excellent book, *Why Marriages Succeed or Fail*, and is continuing his research into how successful couples manage to stay together. In his latest report, published in the February, 1998, *Journal of Marriage and the Family*, Gottman watched 130 newlyweds over 6 years. By the end of the study, 17 marriages had ended in divorce.

In the most successful marriages, the wife raised issues with her husband in a soft manner, what the researchers called a positive "start-up." In those same marriages, the husband was more likely to respond to his wife with affection, humor, and compromise. Successful husbands were more willing to be influenced by their wives. Gottman said, "We found that only those newlywed men who are accepting of influence from their wives are winding up in stable, happy marriages. Getting husbands to share power with their wives, by accepting some of the demands she makes, is critical in helping to resolve conflicts."

Gottman found that the only accurate prediction of success in marriage came from measuring the male's level of physical distress

when confronted with the female's perceived criticism or argumentativeness. Many men react to women's criticism with a "fight or flight" stress response, a rapid flow of hormones which tighten his muscles, raise his blood pressure, and cause rapid heart-beat. Neither fighting nor fleeing will save a marriage. The man who walks away from a wife who wants to talk endangers his relationship as much as the man who gets angry. The man who can learn to calm down his own mind and body and stay around when his wife is upset is the real winner in relationships.

Women who managed to have stable, happy marriages were those who avoided a negative start-up to difficult discussions. Criticism and contempt from men or women are like acid poured on a relationship. In the example above, Jane could learn to approach Jack pleasantly, avoid all-or-nothing thinking ("you never...") and name-calling ("selfish"), and make a simple assertive statement about her feelings. She could have said "Jack, I am disappointed that we haven't celebrated our wedding anniversary today. Let's decide together on something special we could do today or next week."

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supervisor at Mount St. Mary's College for many years.

Surviving in addition to her husband and mother are three children, Joseph Allen Ott and John Daryl Ott ' both of Emmitsburg, and Cathy Ott Renner and husband Joseph of Ladiesburg, eight grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; four sisters,

celebrated our wedding anniversary today. Let's decide together on something special we could do today or next week."

Jack could respond by listening to Jane, and react with humor, affection, or compromise. Any of those reactions would reduce his physical stress level and preserve his marriage.

Susan Star Paddock, MSW, is the President of Behavioral Health Professionals, with offices in Emmitsburg, Gettysburg, and Hanover. Psychiatrist Eugene Long, MD, and psychotherapist Mary Lynne Ziegler, MSW, staff the Emmitsburg office. Call 1(800) 215-0073, or for Emmitsburg, (301) 447-3690.

Cecelia Bateman and husband John, Hildred McMahan and husband Dilliard, Annie Patterson and Helen Trammell, all of Andrews; and many nieces and nephews.

Interment was in Red Marble Baptist Church Cemetery, Andrews.

Local arrangements were by Skiles Funeral Home, Emmitsburg.

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Mother Seton School News

By Val Mentzer

We're Back!

Welcome to the Mother Seton School 1998-99 school year. You will notice big changes for this coming year - the school uniform! Our young girls will be wearing new dark green plaid jumpers with white blouses and the boys will be sporting tan pants with white polo shirts. The students will have a one-year transition period to transfer over to these new uniforms. All students will be wearing the dark green gym uniform.

Important Dates to Remember

August 31

School begins Grades 1-8 & Kind. A-H 12-30 p.m. dismissal

Sept. 1

School begins Kind. I-Z
12:30 p.m. dismissal

Sept. 2

First full day of school for all students

Sept. 7

School closed for Labor Day

Sept. 15

Faculty meeting - 3:05 p.m.

Sept. 17

Opening Liturgy - 9:00 a.m.

Sept. 24

Student Council

Sept. 30

Child Safe Program for Grades K, 1, 5, & 8

Raffle Calendar Winners

The envelope, please.

The lucky raffle calendar winners for the month of July are:

- July 1. Sr. Dorothy Fulmer
2. Stella Harbaugh
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4. Gary W. Grimes
5. Sr. Clementine Lockwood
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7. Joe/Edna Carlotti
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9. Ruby I. Tyler
10. Beth Miller
11. Jackie Scott
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21. Myrtle Shea
22. Kathy Cogan
23. Sr. Joyce Ross
24. Sr. Clementine Lockwood
25. Paul Forney
26. Tina Wildhide
27. Shirley Little
28. Matt/Maggie Lechowica
29. Wm. Griffin, III
30. Steve Messner
31. Marlene Rohe

St. Anthony/OLMC News

By Ann Marshall

St. Anthony's Cemetery dates back to 1806 and some burial records are unclear or incomplete. Also, the ownership of vacant plots is in question, especially those plots which appear to have been long abandoned/forgotten. Those who have plots in St. Anthony's Cemetery are asked to contact the Parish Office (301447-2367) as soon as possible with their information so that records can be verified. Staff will gladly make on-the-spot copies of relevant documents.

The Raffle Winners at St.

Anthony's July picnic were: \$300- Pat Miller, Mt. Airy; \$200 Dolores Lancaster, Thurmont; \$100; \$100- Bill Seibert, Phoenix, MD. The next fund raiser for St. Anthony's will be the Annual Turkey Dinner on Colorfest Sunday, October 11.

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

Parish is making plans for their annual Labor Day Festival which will be held on Monday, September 7, 12 noon to 6 p.m. It will feature a family-style fried chicken and ham dinner, bingo, crafts, children's games, country store, and bluegrass music by String Band America, Inc. The festival committee asks for donations of time, baked goods and jellies, crafts, and white elephants. The kitchen asks for help with donations of butter, tea, coffee, sugar, potato salad, tomatoes, green peppers, and onions.

Volunteers Are Needed to help out in a variety of ways at the Provincial House at Villa St. Michaels, the Daughters of Charity residence for elderly and ill sisters. Anyone who wishes to contribute a few hours a month to this corporal work of mercy may call **Activities Department, 333 S. Seton Avenue, Emmitsburg, Md., 301-447-3121, Ext. 2560**

First Grade Students who will receive First Reconciliation and First Eucharist next year are required by Archdiocesan regulations to prepare by attending religious education classes this year as well as next year either at the parish level or in a Catholic school. **Eighth graders** who will be candidates for Confirmation when in ninth grade must also begin preparation this year. This is a serious obligation for par-

ents who are asked to call the Youth Ministry Office for further information: 301-271-4099.

Religious Education Programs

for grades K-8 will begin on September 13, and will meet weekly at Thurmont Middle School from 9:15 -10:30 a.m. For information about other classes for children and adults, call the Religious Education/Youth Ministry Office, 301-271-4099.

Couples With Strong Catholic Marriages are needed to assist engaged couples as they prepare for the Sacrament of Matrimony. See the church bulletin board for information or call Sister Carol at 301-447-2367.

The Knights of Columbus invite enthusiastic Catholic men to join their growing Council. Meetings are usually held the first and third Mondays of each month at OLMC Parish Center. Because of Labor Day, however, the first meeting in September will be on Tuesday, September 8, at 7:30 p.m. For more information, call Todd Hldreth at 301-271-3453.

A Used Truck has been purchased jointly by the parishes for snow removal and other maintenance tasks. The old truck died.

The Catholic Youth Music Festival will be held on September 26, from 1:00 to 10:30 p.m., at Catholic University, Washington, D.C. The registration fee of \$25 is due September 12. The Youth Ministry Office says that, based on last year's experience, this will be a great day. For further information, call 3012714099.

Congratulations to New Babies!

St. Anthony Shrine Parish Community welcomes into the Catholic Faith **Nicholas William Durski**, son of Dan and Jennifer Durski who was baptized on July 18, 1998; **Tori Michelle Chapman**, daughter of Donald and Michelle Chapman, who was baptized on July 26, 1998, **Christopher and Brian Faulkner**, sons of Raymond and Cynthia Faulkner, who were baptized July 26, 1998.

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish Community welcomes into the Catholic Faith **Nolan Lee and Ryan James Delonge**, sons of Steven and Katherine Delonge, who were baptized July 19, 1998.



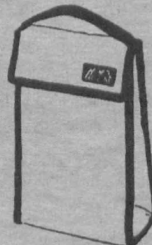
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Our dogs are almost... human. But thank God they're dogs!

By Terri Kieffer

We love our dogs. They have close emotional ties to us, and they seek us for companionship. We want to believe they are almost human. But why would we want that? Humans judge, analyze and criticize motives. Humans worry.

Dogs do not have the capability of seeing into the future. According to Jean Donaldson, author of *The Culture Clash*, they are creatures of the "now". If they could think about the future, they would never empty their water from their bowls on a 100-degree day, or drag their warm bedding from their sleeping area on a freezing one.

These creatures are so much a part of our lives that we see their personalities and emotions. Since we can't put thoughts to their emotions, we put our thoughts to their expressions. This is how we think of them as so human-like.

Well, it is a hard thing to swallow for some, but these are not odd-looking humans. They are wonderfully designed creatures who make our lives worth living on days when we really wonder if we can go on. They are a different species from us, but that's what endears them to us.

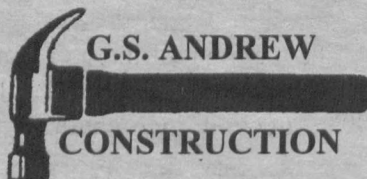
I wish that some of my "best and dearest" friends had more "human sense" for knowing what's safe for them and what is not. Sometimes they seem so fragile in their innocence of the laws of nature. There seems to be such intelligence when we look into those eyes. Maybe it's just a sparkle of their "spirit" showing through.

I have lost dogs to some of the "unthinking" things they do. I have wished a thousand times that I had seen the possibility of preventing accidents. I guess what I want to say is that they are very impulsive creatures. They find pure joy in the "little things" of life, and they would rather go all out than miss on an instant of fun. They always seem to find something "fun" to do that will make me laugh with delight.

I sit back and admire this mentality that loves me, loves whatever I love to do, and makes no judgments on me for my inadequacies. That's when I'm thankful they are not little furry humans.

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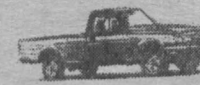
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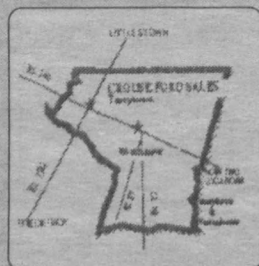
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42nd Community Show Events

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Over 2500 farm and garden, household, quilt, livestock, machinery and commercial displays can be seen during the three-day event.

Each year, the Community Show honors an organization for its contributions to community life. This year the show will be celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Emmitsburg High School Alumni.

The show opens Friday, September 11, 1998 at 6:00 p.m. to the public. At 7:30 p.m., the program will open in the auditorium with the massing of flags by community civic

organizations. The Emmitsburg High School Alumni will participate in the ceremony.

The highlight of the program will be the announcement of the 1998-1999 Catoctin FFA Ambassador.

Following the program at 9:00 p.m., an auction of all baked goods exhibited at the show will be held in the auditorium.

Saturday's activities include a Beef, Sheep and Swine Fitting and Showing contest from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and a pet show beginning at 10:30 a.m.

Thurmont Grange will serve a family-style turkey and ham supper in the school cafeteria from 3:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Milking equipment, gasoline engines and machinery will be displayed throughout the event. "Homer" and "Albert," owned by Ernest Jackson, will be back again this year. The Brown Swiss are 10 years old and weigh 3,000 pounds each. Pigs, calves and emu's will also be in display.

The Catoctin area FFA Alumni Beef, Sheep and Swine sale will be held in the Ag Center area at 7:00 pm.

On Sunday, September 13, the show opens at 10:00 a.m. with a dairy and goat show. The decorated animal contest will follow this event. At 12:00 noon, in the school cafeteria, a chicken bar-b-que will be served by the Catoctin FFA Alumni.

"Dash for Mash" pig, duck and goat races will be held at 1, 2 and 3 p.m. by Ronald Poole, a Washington County farmer. A K-9 dog show and demonstration will be held at 1:30, 2:30 and 3:00 p.m. by the Frederick County Sheriff's department.

The Catoctin Mountain Horseshoe Pitching contest will begin at 1:00 p.m., and the cross-cut sawing contest will begin at 2:00 p.m. under the tent.

Tyson and Silvia Creamer will have a sheep-shearing demonstration at 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. and there will also be a spinning and weaving demonstration.

During the three-day event, the Catoctin FFA and Hunting Creek Fisheries will have an aquaculture display in the Ag shop area.

The Frederick County Sheriff Posse Band will perform from 2:30 to 4:00 p.m.

Area quilters will be quilting in the quilt and afghan display room.

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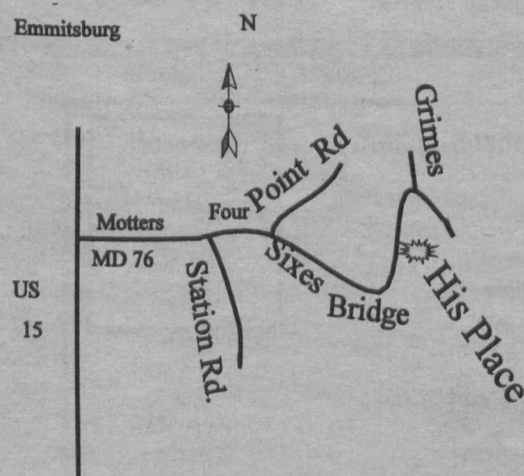
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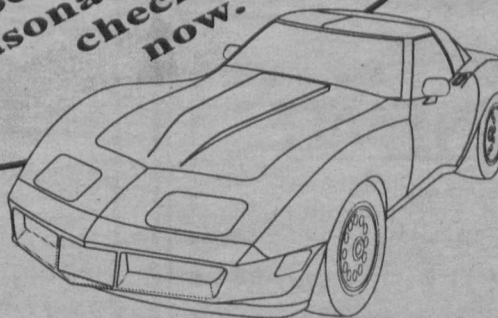
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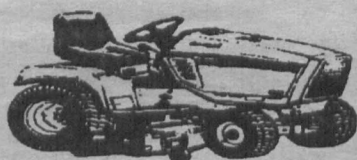
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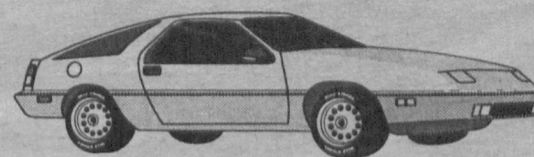
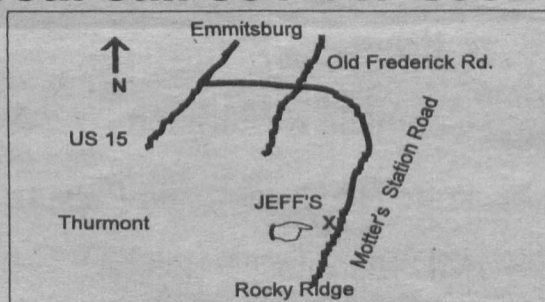
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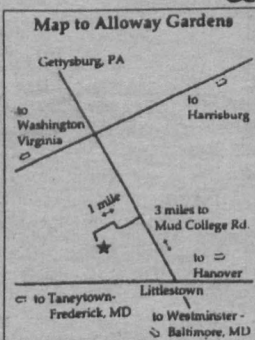


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