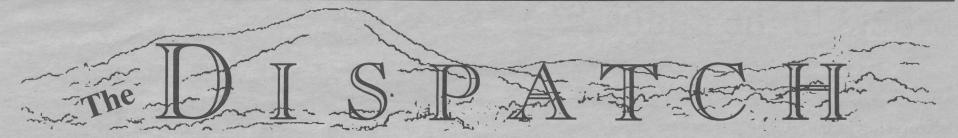
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Gaining Strength from One Another

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Candlelight tour of historic churches planned for holiday season

The participating congregations of Emmitsburg's historic churches and the Emmitsburg Council of Churches are hosting a Candlelight Tour Sunday, December 27, 1998, from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

The eight participating churches decorated for the Christmas season will be open for the entire evening and will present programs at various times. Refreshements will be provided. For additional information call (301) 271-2826.

Schedule of special events:

- Tom's Creek Methodist Church, 4:00-4:30 - Selected Christmas music.
- St. Anthony Shrine Parish, 4:30-5:00 p.m. - traditional Christmas music performed by the choir, folk

groups, and other members of the ministry.

- The Basilica of the National Shrine of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, 5:00-5:30 p.m.- Organ recital of seasonal music.
- St. Joseph's Catholic Church, 5:30-6:00 p.m. -Children will present a live Nativity scene.
- Elias Lutheran Church, 6:00-6:30 p.m.-Church history and a puppet show and hand bell choir.
- Church of the Incarnation-United Church of Christ, 6:30-7:00 p.m. - selected Christmas music.
- Trinity United Methodist Church, 7:00-7:30 p.m. - Organ recital of seasonal music.
- Emmitsburg Presbyterian Church, 7:30-8:00 p.m.- Selected Christmas music and church history.

Chorus presents annual concert

By Sue Allen

The Emmitsburg Community Chorus, under the direction of Kelly Crenshaw, accompanied by Pat McEllroy, will present its 35th annual Christmas concert on Sunday, December 6, 1998, at 3:00 P.M. The concert will be held in the Basilica of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton at St. Joseph's Provincial House in Emmitsburg.

This program of sacred Christmas music will include familiar carols and hymns, and new compositions. The centerpiece of the program will be a cantata, "The Wondrous Story," by Don Besig and Nancy Price. Published in 1998, this work was designed by the authors as a reverent, simple retelling of the story of Jesus' birth, focusing on the perspective of those present at the event. Included in the cantata are speaking parts, inspired by scripture, for several readers.

The chorus is very pleased to have five special guests participating in the cantata as readers and musicians. Pastor Bonnie Van der Linder

is Librarian and Associate Professor of Bibliography at the Lutheran Theological Seminary in Gettysburg. She also serves as assisting priest at Prince of Peace Episcopal Church, Gettysburg. Sister Sandra Goldsborough is a Daughter of Charity and an administrator at Villa St. Michael. Rev. Larry Eby serves as minister to both Trinity United Methodist Church in Emmitsburg and Catoctin United Methodist Church in Catoctin Furnace. Rev. Margaret Dodds is pastor to Incarnation United Church of Christ, Emmitsburg. Ms. Meg Keller, a student of Karen Botterbusch of Gettysburg, will accompany the chorus on the flute.

The Emmitsburg Community Chorus invites the community to begin its celebration of the holiday season with this special musical presentation. The basilica is accessible to all. There is no admission charge; a free-will offering will be collected. We hope that the music and message will help all who attend to recapture the wondrous joy of Christmas,

New after-school program to begin in January

Emmitsburg officials, working since June with the Frederick County Bureau of Parks and Recreation, have developed a comprehensive after-school youth program which will include homework assistance, supervised recreation, and social skill development.

"We now have a youth program!" said Mayor Carr. "Under Deborah Spaulding, a county parks and recreation employee, Emmitsburg's youth program will start in January, 1999." According to Carr: "Across the board Emmitsburg citizens have expressed a need for a youth program; now we have it."

The after-school program was approved by a 4-0 vote by the town council. The town commissioners and staff believe that if this program is supported by the parents it can become this community's greatest asset. "This is a community effort to assist our children. It plays very

much into the theory of 'it takes a village to raise a child,'" said town manager David Haller.

As currently proposed, the program will operate Monday through Friday from 3:30 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. in the Emmitsburg Community Center. The program will be organized to serve students in grades 3 through 8. Middle school students will be dropped off by the bus at the community center. All students attending the program must be picked up by their parents at the Community Center not later than 6:15 p.m.

Current plans are to make the program as inexpensive as possible for participating familes—there will be minimum charge. It has been proposed that the town's portion of funding the program come from parking meter revenues (approximately \$15,000), with the balance coming from the general fund.

Emmitsburg Child Care Center family celebrates Thanksgiving



The local center, in its third year of operation, offers before- and afterschool care (w/ transportation), all day pre-school care, a half-day nursery program, and accepts drop-ins. There are programs for children from ages 2-12. The center, located in the former Mother Seton Elementary School, boasts a large gymnasium for indoor play and splendid educational facilities.

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.

Discovering grandmother

We look forward with anticipation to receiving each issue of the Emmitsburg Regional Dispatch.

There always seems to be some article of particular interest to us. We especially enjoy reading Ruth Richards' articles; they bring back many memories. Her article about Frailey's Store at Christmas time was one of those memories. We remember looking forward to Christmas just to go upstairs at Frailey's Store to look at all the displays and gifts for Christmas.

In your last issue of the *Dispatch* in the "100 Years Ago" column, in the section of it entitled, "Sewing Party," we were surprised at seeing this news item about our grandmother, Mrs. John Sebold. We checked and located this information about our grandmother whom we never knew.

Mr. John D. Sebold, married Miss Stella Fowler in 1883. They had nine children: Allen, Raymond, Joseph, Roy, Bennett, Gertrude, James, Marion and Margaret. Mrs. Stella Sebold died on August 12, 1910, at the age of 46. Henry Fowler, father of Stella Fowler, owned a farm in the western suburbs, one-fourth mile from Emmitsburg, which was then known as Fowler's Hill. Later on, the farm was owned by John D. Sebold.

Mr. Sebold was a self-made man in the general merchandise business under the firm name of Hoke & Sebold. John D. Sebold died on October 22, 1926. The above property is currently owned by Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Fitzgerald.

Mrs. John Sebold was the grandmother of local residents Jerry Joy, Michael Joy, Dolores Henke, and Gloria Bauerline; Gertrude Sebold Joy was the daughter of John and Stella Sebold.

We enjoyed looking into our family history of one hundred years ago.

DOLORES HENKE & GLORIA BAUERLINE Emmitsburg

From the desk of the town manager, Nov. 25, 1998

The Town:

- 1) has completed the reworking of lagoon #1 of our wastewater treatment plant and it is back on line;
 - 2.) is presently installing the play ground equipment at Silo Hill Park;
- 3.) is in the process of finalizing the arrangements with Frederick County Parks and Recreation Department for our After School Program. This program will begin in January, 1999, at the Community Center and will be for children from 8 14 years old;
 - 4.) will soon begin to rewrite our zoning and subdivision regulations; and
- 5.) is in the process of developing a Maryland Occupational Safety & Health (MOSH) compliancy program.

David Haller Town Manager

Community Service

The Town of Emmitsburg would like to thank Mr. Don Briggs (Coach) and the Mount Saint Mary's rugby team for their recent community service efforts. On Saturday, November 7, 1998, Coach Briggs and the rugby team volunteered their services to paint many of the curbs for the Town's noparking zones. This kind of interest and community service demonstrate just what an asset Coach Briggs and these young men are to their team, Mt. St. Mary's, and our community.

Thanks again from the Town of Emmitsburg!

December Events at the Mount

The public is cordially invited to celebrate the Christmas season with the students, faculty, and staff at Mount Saint Mary's College.

Sunday, Dec. 6

4 p.m. - Mount Band and Chorale Christmas concert, Chapel of the Immaculate Conception.

6 p.m. - Tree lighting ceremony, music by the Mount Band, upper quad in front of Bradley Hall.

8 p.m. - Mass in the Chapel of the Immaculate Conception.

The public is invited to attend at no charge. For further information contact Becky Brown at the Mount, (301) 447-5396.



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Country elegance



A new business in Emmitsburg, located at 123 East Main Street, provides its own brand of elegance—Country Elegance. The store features Amish-made wood crafts, wreaths, floral arrangements, candles, porcelain dolls, Victorian prints, antique and reproduction furniture

Owner Billie Singleton and son Jef have collected a wide array of interesting items for home and room decoration and have added a little twist—design or redesign services. Jef is an interior designer who can advise and assist in redesign, taking existing items and furnishings and creating a new decor. "This is an inexpensive way of creating a new and fresh look," said Jef. "Old becomes new."

The store has been open for about 5 weeks and space is now being prepared to display more furniture. Currently the store hours are Mon. & Wed. 4-8, Thurs. 10-7, Fri 10-6, Sat. and Sun. 10-5.

Answering the call for elder care

There is a great need for care of the elderly in northern Frederick County, and Pat Baker plans to meet that need through her newly formed TLC Home Care Services. Built upon her 20 years of experience in caring for the elderly, Mrs. Baker is newly licensed by the State of Maryland Mental Health Department.

Mrs. Baker's career began at FMH where she worked and studied. "It's not all book work though," said Mrs. Baker. "Special lessons have to be learned from the patients themselves. I learned patience from caring 10 years for my mother who was bedridden and couldn't talk." Pat also worked 10 years in Florida and upon returning to her home decided to go into business for herself. Currently she is deeply involved in the process of recruiting and screening aides, which includes verifying skills qualifications, finger-printing, and a personal background check.

Services are available for Geriatric Care, pre- and post-Maternity, pre- and post-Surgery, terminally ill patients, and persons stricken with AIDS, strokes, and cancer. Custodial care for the elderly confined to home



includes personal hygiene, meal preparation, light housekeeping, and patient laundry, as well as shopping and errands. The services are provided by care givers of an appropriate level – companions, nurse's aides, certified nurse's aides, and geriatric home health aides.

Pat will soon be joined in the business by her daughter Jean Lantz and is supported by her husband Kenneth Baker. A new computer system was given to Pat by an appreciative grandson of "Nannie," a long-time patient of Pat.

Total Look welcomes new stylist

Barbara Topper joins Sheila Pittinger, stylist and now owner of Total Look Hair Design, located on the square in Emmitsburg. Barbara has been a hairdresser for 11 years and manager at the Haircuttery located in Cranberry Mall, Westminister, Md.

Barb is married to Francis Topper, Jr. and they have two children, Andy and Kerri. The family resides in Emmitsburg.

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New director for Up-County Family Center

Vicky Marick is now the new
Director of the Up-County Family
Support Center, the local agency
which provides support and enrichment for families with young children. Vicky assumes the position left
open when former director Lori
Sheffeld-James moved from the

Vicky served for six seasons with the Frederick County Energy Assistance Program (MEAP), three as the Director. She has served as a member of Central Maryland Energy Advocates and the Coordinator of Frederick County Energy Funds. She is a certified Budget Counselor, holds a Maryland State Teaching Certificate, and is a former teacher at the Visitation Academy. She has also been a substitute teacher for the Frederick County Board of Education. Vicky believes her greatest accomplishment in MEAP has been focusing on affordability, and working with individual customers towards achieving that goal.



Vickie Marick

Vicky has been the force behind collaborative efforts with other agencies, the religious community, and utilities. She will be taking on new challenges in a new organization but feels her enthusiasm and ardor will be helpful in her new role.

Scam

In a message dated October 20, 1998, Lorna G. writes:

I received a telephone call today from an individual identifying himself as an AT&T Service Technician who was conducting a test on our telephone lines. He stated that to complete the test I should touch nine (9), zero (0), the pound sign (#) and then hang up. Luckily, I was suspicious and refused.

Upon contacting the telephone company, I was informed that by pushing 90#, you give the requesting individual full access to your telephone line, which allows them to place long distance telephone calls billed to your home phone number. I was further informed that this scam has been originating from many of the local jails/prisons. I have also verified this information with UCB telecomm, Pacific Bell, MCI, Bell Atlantic, GTE and NYNEX. Please beware.

DO NOT PRESS 90# FOR ANYONE. The GTE Security Department requested that I share this information with EVERYONE I KNOW.

SEASON'S GREETINGS HAPPY HOLIDAYS Weee... Emmit Brand An Emmitsburg Christmas Six-pak

100 Years Ago - "In this place"

From the Emmitsburg Chronicle

Dec. 2, 1898- Fire destroyed the log and frame barn on the farm of George Robertson Sunday morning. One horse was burnt to death and another horse and one cow were also burned, but not fatally. A lot of hay, straw, harness, and farming implements were consumed, and very little was saved from the burning structure. The origin of the fire is unknown. The loss is between \$500 and \$600.

Ten Prisoners Plead Guilty.

In the Circuit Court of
Hagerstown, on Monday, a large
number of prisoners were arraigned.
Judge Stake warned the prisoners
that if they intended to plead guilty
to do so at once and not put the
county to the expense of trying
them. Those who would not do this
could not expect leniency from him
when he come to sentence them.
Then prisoners followed the judge's
advice and pled guilty to indictments.

A Brilliant Reception
Mr. Wm. F. Maxell, one of our

energetic and enterprising young men, was married to Miss Ada Longenecker at the home of the bride's parents on the evening of November 23rd. The following day (Thanksgiving), he with his charming young bride returned to the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert H. Maxell, near Emmitsburg, where there was a large number of friends and relatives in waiting to receive them, and extend to them their hearty congratulations. About fifty invited guests satisfied their craving appetites at the heavily laden tables prepared by the groom's parents in honor of the occasion. Oh! how the poor turkeys did suffer.

Cupid Won the Race

Miss Mary Davis and Mr. Edgar Miller, of Bakersville, drove hastily to Boonsboro Sunday and were married at the Reformed parsonage by Rev. G. W. Snyder. The bride's father and brother appeared at the parsonage shortly after the marriage ceremony, intending to prevent the ceremony if they could, but they were too late to interfere. They then forgave the bride.

Plain Talk by Judge Stake.

In the case of Mrs. Mary
Stinebaught for cursing, Judge Stake
warned her if she ever came before
him again on that charge he would
send her to the House of Correction,
in spite of her children. He told her
if she could not hold her tongue to
go out in the back yard and swear at
the cabbage stalks and fence posts,
and not molest decent people with
her shocking oaths.

A Pretty Home Wedding

Dec. 16, 1898-A pretty home wedding was solemnized at the residence of the bride's parents on East Main Street, at high noon on Wednesday. The contracting parties being Miss Effie Norris, daughter of Mr. Joshua H. Norris, and Mr. M. Frank Rowe, all of this place. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Charles Reinewald, in the presence of a number of relatives and friends of the contracting parties. The bride was attired in a handsome brown traveling gown, and wore hat and gloves to match, presenting a very pretty appearance. A sumptuous dinner was served immediately after the ceremony. The happy couple were the recipients of many valuable and useful presents.

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Commentary: Echoes of the past

"Hell'uva way to run a railroad"

"It's one hell'uva way to run a railroad" - One used engine ("Dinky"), 2 or 3 cars of rolling stock and 7.2 miles of track. But run it did for many years carrying staples, supplies, and passengers, keeping our community viable.

There is a lesson to be learned from "Dinky" that the *Dispatch* is trying to heed—local solutions to local problems. There was a need, local people believed they could meet that need, and came together as shippers of goods, riders, employees, and stock holders. "Dinky" chugged into the future. The tracks were easy to traverse, but the financial road had its ups and downs—Emmitsburg Railroad Co. never did pay a dividend—but it ran till the trucks ran faster.

So what have we learned? We learned—through the outpouring of sentiment, notes of appreciation, a willingness to pledge support of a community newspaper—that like "Dinky" the *Dispatch* should chug on. The fact that many area residents said it was the only way they had of

finding out what was going on in the community gave us heart. Now we are going about the task of reorganizing.

Five years ago we believed there was a need for a community newspaper. So we did it with high hopes and in good faith. Through over 200 pledges and many verbal promises the community has said, "Keep going." So we will keep giving it a go.

We will be forming an advisory group to help us organize a plan to set the paper into the community in a more permanent way. We will be actively recruiting people to help us. We will be studying how to mix sponsorships and advertisers to help raise and stabilize revenues in order to offer incentives for those who work with us. We will be talking later more specifically about the kind of help we need.

We will chug on. We would like to hear from anyone interested in working with us.

Poaching: the Good, the Bad, and the Ugly

by Jack Deatherage, Jr.

On October 19, 1998, the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) posted on their web site an article titled: "DNR Endorses Hunters and Farmers Feeding the Hungry." The article estimates the average deer yields 50 pounds of meat. Through the program the meat is processed and distributed to local food banks, churches, feeding ministries, children's homes, emergency assistance programs and community organizations at a cost of about 70 cents a pound. (Retail meat costs \$2 to \$5 per pound.)

As of Oct. 19, more than 18,000 pounds of legally taken deer meat have been donated by hunters through the program. With the increased bag limits (16 legal deer for a hunter in Frederick County) and hunter participation this year, the DNR says the venison donations have surpassed cash contributions!

For information about the program, call director Rick Wilson at 301-582-4506.

The unusual bag limit comes from a large increase in the number of deer in the state. A drive along many of our roads just after sunset can bring deer uncomfortably close as they move from field to field. The potential number of road kills is growing along with the dollar amount of damage to

vehicles. Farmers are also experiencing more crop loss due to the expanding deer population.

For DNR officers the task of hunting poachers has also grown with the deer herds. Meat poachers have



A "caped" carcass along Tom's Creek.

always been a problem. Hunters frustrated with their lack of luck and skill will take a doe without a permit.

Others will take a shot after legal hunting hours. Some will take more than the limit to fill their freezers.

These occasional poachers are breaking the law. Because they are often local hunters, they get away with their illegal activities as their friends and neighbors will not report them. A few pounds of free venison can keep many people quiet.

There are also other poachers who kill for meat. They strip the deer

to rot. These people have to be a little more careful of their friends and neighbors who are often angered by such waste.

The newest type of poacher is

of the meatiest parts and leave the rest

The newest type of poacher is the "caping artist." These poachers are more sophisticated at their game. "Caping" is the removal of hide from behind the deer's shoulders, around

Photo courtesy Jack Deatherage, Jr.

the belly and up the neck to its head. The head is then cut from the neck and is mounted as a trophy. ALL of the meat is left to rot! These poachers only want the head and hide so they can sell the finished trophy to out-of-country buyers. The DNR believes the current market is in Asia. A few years ago it was the deer's antlers that were bringing the poacher money. Now it is a mounted head. Either way, tons of meat are left to rot.

The DNR officers say the problem is state wide. In the Emmitsburg area alone there have been confirmed reports of six "caped"

deer and word is spreading that there have been more than fourteen rotting carcasses found "caped" in our area. The DNR estimates the average deer yields 50 pounds of meat. If there are 14 rotting deer in the area, that is 700 pounds of meat left for the buzzards and flies.

The DNR feels it has little chance of catching this new type of poacher without the help of area residents. Reported shots in the night aren't of much help. A vehicle tag number or some other solid information is needed to identify these criminals. DNR's "Catch-A-Poacher" 800-635-6124 can be called anytime to report suspected poaching. All calls are confidential.

But getting close enough to identify a poacher is dangerous. The state police occasionally assist the DNA in making arrests. A spokesperson for the police commented, "The game wardens really have it tough. Everyone they go after has a gun."

Self-proclaimed meat poachers may be the people who can curtail the trophy poachers. The meat poachers have the advantage of living in and knowing the area. They know how and where to find deer after dark. Some of them have begun hunting the trophy poachers. Unlike the DNR police, these people are used to acting outside the law.

The trophy poachers may soon find themselves, at best, shunned by relatives, friends, and neighbors—at worst, left bloody and broken in a field beside their latest kill. The trophy money must be good!

7th Annual Christmas Decoration Contest

The Emmitsburg Business and Professional Association announces it will be awarding specially selected prizes for the best Christmas decorations within the corporate limits of Emmitsburg. There are two categories: single family homes and other (businesses, offices, multiunits, etc.).

The judging will take place on Sunday Dec. 20th. Winners will be announced at the Town Hall on Monday Dec. 21.

Decorations should be either Traditional, in keeping with the Christmas Spirit with the Historic District, or Contemporary, tasteful Christmas displays and lights.

Mount Community Club Christmas Party

Mount Saint Mary's president George Houston invites members of the Mount Community Club to his house December 17, 6 - 8 p.m., to share in the spirit of the season. Music will be provided by the Mount faculty band "Physical Therapy."

For further information, or to join the MSM Community Club, contact Dr. Lisa Schwartz at the Mount, (301) 447-5394.

The Dispatch...Keepin' on keepin' on. Over 200 pledges and many warm and heartfelt notes of encouragement and appreciation have been received. We take this as a good sign and will continue to publish the paper monthly while working on reorganizing in the public radio model-operating

with sponsors, pledges, and advertisers.

We will be in touch with those who have pledged their support in the months to come.



Senior Citizens' news

By Anna Margaret Martin

Christmas is coming! Are you ready?

Trees are twinkling, bells are ringing.

Christ was born for you and me.

December is a busy month for the Senior Citizens. Our center will be decorated for the special season. Be sure to visit us.

On Wednesday, December 9th, the Christmas season begins with a trip to the **Living Waters Theatre**, Lancaster, Pa., to see "Holiday Time." The cost is \$50 for the trip, dinner, and the show. The bus will leave the center at 9:15 a.m. sharp. Call Linda at 447-6253 for information.

Our Christmas dinner will be held on Monday, December 14, at noon. It will be catered by the Mountain Gate Family Restaurant - Cost \$2. Reservations are a must by Thursday, December 10th. No reservations by phone. You must "drop by" and pay the \$2 in person.

Activities at the center are as follows:

Bingo: December 2 and 30 - 1

Christmas Bingo: December 18, bring a gift worth \$1 wrapped, no name please - 1 p.m.

Cards: December 23 - 1 p.m. Shopping trip to Frederick: Dec. 16 - 1 p.m.

Craft Day: December 11 - 1 p.m.

Births

Congratulations to these parents:

Mr. & Mrs William Little,
Emmitsburg, Md., a son, Oct.12.
Mr. and Mrs. Chad Umbel,
Emmitsburg, a daughter, Nov. 4.
Cindy and Bill Emory, Fairfield Pa.,
a daughter, Nov. 8.

Shannon Shorb & Jeffrey Poehler, Emmitsburg, a son, Nov. 12.

Tanya L. Benjamin, Emmitsburg, a daughter, Nov. 15.

Shannon & Brad Doyle,
Emmitsburg, a daughter, Nov. 16.
Melissa L. Travers & Christopher

Melissa L. Travers & Christopher M. Brugger, Emmitsburg, a daughter, Nov. 17.

Robin Farmer & Darrin Clem, Emmitsburg, a son, Nov. 25. Catherine Mendez & Donald Naugle, Rocky Ridge, a son, Nov. 27. Strength exercises are offered free of charge to all persons 60+ at the Senior Center.

Classes are held at the Senior Fellowship Center (Tuesday and Thursday at 11 a.m., Wednesday and Friday at 9 a.m.) and at the Emmitsburg Senior Center (Tuesday and Thursday at 1 p.m.)

The strength exercise program is a total body workout. It includes strength building, flexibility, stretching, and balance exercises and all major muscle groups in the body are involved. Small hand weights (1-2 pounds) are used with slow progression to heavier weights if desired. All exercises are performed standing or sitting in chair.

A certified personal trainer conducts the class and performs all exercises with the class. Relaxing music is played. The program is a self-limiting group class and participants are encouraged to rest frequently and use chair exercises when necessary.

The class does not perform cardiovascular (aerobic) exercises but participants are encouraged to walk and perform other types of cardiovascular activity on their own.

The center will be closed on Wed. Dec 9, Thurs. Dec. 24, Fri. Dec. 25 and Jan 1, 1999. For any information call Linda at 301-447-6253. We wish you all a holiday filled with Love, Peace, and Joy!

Hmmm...

"Would a fly without wings be called a walk?"





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Coalition task forces underway

At the recent November meeting of the Emmitsburg Coalition for a Better Community (ECBC) task forces were charged with developing strategies for addressing perceived needs of the community as determined from the recent community wide survey. Task forces are composed of residents interested in designing solutions to problems and meeting identified needs.

The task forces will meet again as a group Jan 15. Each group will present reports on the initiatives they propose to take— what they intend to do, how they will do it, who will do it and how much solutions will cost. This information will be compiled into a strategic plan for community development. The strategic plan will serve as a guide and justification for seeking funding through grants.

"We have come a long way in a year," said United Way Director Susie Loveland. "Some people thought we wouldn't be this far. Loveland stressed the point that the task forces were the level at which important work needed to be done.

"Now we need to reach out more and get others in the area involved. There is a great opportunity here for citizens who are interested in working in a special area to make an important contribution," she said.

The nine Health Task Force members have met twice to discuss dental, optical, mental, environmental, and women's health concerns. They listed multiple resources, especially the Lions Club, St. Vincent dePaul Society, the Catoctin Pregnancy Center, SHARE, and possible transportation through local churches and institutions. They also recommended a community hotline, cable ad, on-going health information education, and a local comprehensive resource center to be located in the community building. Citizens and area residents who have any ideas or information to share are asked to contact the Health Task Force c/o Up-County Family Center, (301)-447-2810.

The Housing Task Force met under the direction of Joe Purello. A number of housing issues are under discussion including the availability and affordability of local housing. Safety repairs, home ownership, and resources for housing were also discussed. The Habitat for Humanity chapter at Mount St. Mary's has assisted several residents in making safety improvements and refurbishing efforts. Citizens and area residents interested in meeting housing needs in the area are invited to attend the next meeting December 9, 5:00 p.m. at the Student Union Building at Mount Saint Mary's.

The Task Force for Literacy met to discuss this problem so that they may find ways to help people improve their reading skills.

Illiteracy creates many barriers and these problem were discussed. There are many community strengths and some resources to be tapped. Anyone interested in working on the Literacy Task Force can call Sr. Mary Jerome at (301) 447-3121.

The Task Force for Abused or Neglected Children and Family Violence discussed issues and concerns including the significant percentage of first born babies and single parents, transportation, domestic violence and families in need not being identified. Barriers and resistance to solutions stem from factors such as transportation, slow acceptance of problems and services due to fear, embarrassment, resistance to change and isolation. Anyone interested in working on strengthening family relations and reducing abuse and neglect of children can call Bill Derbyshire at the CASS office, (301) 447-3611.

The Task Force for Communication discussed ways of getting the right message to the right people at the right time. They are looking at the best ways to implement the existing channels of communication such as "word of mouth," using print, telephone nets for referral, and radio and TV media. Special interest is being given to the use of email networks and local web page rings. Any designers, writers, photographers, computer literati are invited to participate and can call Bo Cadle at (301) 447-6275.

Other task forces include: Parent-Child Interaction - Al Opak, (301) 447-6100; After-School Programs - Tim Wolfe, (301) 447-5373; Crime - Bill Carr, (301) 447-2313 and Job Training - Susie Loveland, (301) 663-4321.

Hmmm...

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Emmitsburg - An Historic Mason-Dixon Line Community

For the Folk of Chicago Town

by Kathleen O'Connor

All autumn in the northern wood, the sound of the ax and saw

Resounded from the Bay du Noc to the Straits of Mackinac;

To Manistique we brought the spruce and balsam, by horse-drawn

To our three-masted schooner, the Roose Simmons, awaiting to depart.

Our captain, Herman Schunemann, a rugged lakeman

Many times had sailed, with lakeman's luck, to the western "horseshoe" horn;

On Clark Street in Chicago, each Christmas without fail,

He filled the dock with tannenbaum—friends eager for the sale.

And its weigh hey for Christmas Day! On Lake Michigan we're bound

With our decks piled high with Christmas cheer for the folk of Chicago town.

Thanksgiving Day 1913, the sun off Point Seul Chois

Rose red against the darkening clouds gathered o'er the Frenchman's bois;

One treacherous storm had just blown out, another threatened snow,

But Santa had a date with us three hundred miles below.

The wind screamed in the rigging and the waves rose thirty feet

As, next morning off of Sturgeon Bay, the Coast Guard saw a treat;

The ice, it sparkled in our sales lit by signals of distress;

Though brave men risked their lives for us, our dreams were hopelessness.

And its weigh hey for Christmas Day! On Lake Michigan we're

With our decks piled high with

Christmas cheer for the folk of Chicago town.

"Oh what was ever on my mind," our captain cried to me,

"To bring you out, at this time of year, on this wild and wintry sea?

I'd give a full year's wages, and more, God knows that well,

To have you all in port right now and off this wicked swell!'

"Friday. Everyone goodbye! I guess we are all through.

Thursday, we lost the load and boat. Ingvald and Steve gone, too!

Our sails are torn," said the bottle note washed up by Cheboygan;

"Our hull is coated o'er with ice. God help us! Herman Schunemann."

And its weigh hey for Christmas Day! On Lake Michigan we're

With our decks piled high with Christmas cheer for the folk of Chicago town.

In Chicago, Christmas came and went with usual good cheer;

Friends waited on the Clark Street dock in vain some news to hear:

The Simmons never came aground, her fate we'll never know;

She sails a hidden current three hundred feet below.

Yet, in springtime, when the ice broke up and tuliptime drew near,

The fishermen around the Lake discovered something queer;

Their harvest was not trout or bass, nor ought that they could sell,

But load on load of Christmas trees—the Simmons last farewell!

And its weigh hey for Christmas Day! On Lake Michigan we're bound

With our decks piled high with Christmas cheer for the folk of Chicago town.

The Winners



Safety awareness program

The Emmitsburg Town Office and the Frederick County Sheriff's Department co-sponsored a Halloween safety awareness poster contest at the Emmitsburg Elementary School. First place winners were Mrs. Shelba Bollinger's 5th Grade Class Front row (L to R): Kimmy Smith, Tara Ridenour, Chris Kelly, Trevor Swain, Becky Peters, Cory Sites. Second row: David Cool, Rachel Froitzheim, Jessica Schmidt, Shaun Huff, Meghan Gray, Derek Shlton-Sheperd. Back row: Ms. Harbaugh-assistant, Michael Compton, Robin Hawkings, Michael Topper, Bradley Greene, Joey Vitale, Megan Adelsberger, Ashton Eyler, Christopher Kubala, Katie Shoemaker, and Mrs. Bollinger-

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JAYCEES work with CASS

Northern Frederick County Jaycees are presently assisting the CASS and Emmitsburg Elementary School sponsored Systematic Training for Effective Parenting (STEP) program being held at the local elementary school. The Jaycees provide child supervision while parents participate in the parenting class STEP. "The child care provided is extremely valuable in that it allows parents to attend the classes without worrying about paying for a baby sitter," said CASS Director Bill Derbyshire. Without the willingness of NFC Jaycees, many parents could not participate in the STEP program. Presently six children are supervised and four additional children are expected to join them as more parents are attending the class.

The Northern Jaycees, a not-forprofit organization, has accomplished much since its inception in March of this year. The primary

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mission of this chapter is to raise funds and/or provide volunteer services to organizations that serve children, youth, and the elderly. Recent activities include raising \$1,000 for the CYA lacrosse program, tutoring in the local schools, visiting residents at St. Catherine's Nursing Home, and planning a raffle to supplement youth athletic teams in this coming spring. This local chapter has been very successful in raising more money for projects than most chapters in the state. Recently, at a state Jaycees convention, the Northern Frederick County Chapter received 5 state awards and one national award.

If you would like to become a member of the Jaycees or have an idea for how they can assist residents of Northern Frederick County, please call Laura Lewis at 301-271-4301.

The Dispatch...

will keep on "chugin'." See Commentary on page 4. We were deeply touched by readers sentiment. Now we have work to do.

It's Christmas!

Gingerbread houses

The Carroll County Farm
Museum and the Maryland
International Cake Exploration
Society will be presenting a holiday
gingerbread spectacular during the
Farm Museum's annual Holiday
Tour, December 5 through
December 13. The museum operates
under the Carroll County
Department of Recreation, Parks,
and Facilities and is located at 500
Center St., Westminster, Md.

An exhibit of 30 gingerbread creations will be on display when the Museum is open to the public during the Holiday Tour. The public is invited to vote for the "People,s Choice" award during the week.

Builders and decorators of all ages and skill levels will be competing for many awards, so that the show promises to highlight the true versatility of gingerbread. The highest awards will be given to creations that are entirely edible. This means that a great deal of creativity and ingenuity will need to be used for those highest prizes.

Judging will be held on Sat.

Dec. 5. Since the Museum will be decorated in its holiday best, a visit to the gingerbread show will become a highlight to start off this years's holiday season. Hours are Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Sat. 10 a.m. - 8 p.m. and Sun. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.. Admission is \$1.00 per person.

A Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens will be pre-

sented by the Caledonia Theatre Company on December 3 through 20 at the historic Capital Theatre, Chambersburg, Pa.. You will enjoy an evening of magic in which the sights and sounds of Victorian England unfold before your eyes and wrap you up in the Yuletide spirit. Tickets make great stocking stuffers and group rates make for great family gatherings, office parties, and employee gifts

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Mt. Tabor Quilters

By Inspector 13

On November 7, Mt. Tabor Quilters met at the Emmitsburg library for a showing of some of the quilts we have made. Continuous demonstrations of steps in making a quilt were held. Attendance was light but those who visited took time to carefully study all the exhibits and ask questions.

The librarian on duty that day was apprehensive about leaving the quilts displayed until Monday as small children would be using the room Monday morning. The entire room—walls chairs, and tables—was covered with quiltworks. Since most of the quilts on display were loaned to us by their present owners, we took those home. We left the wall hangings and Bea Keilholtz left her quilts behind.

Two classes of children used the room on Monday. The children were very interested in the display. We saw that same interest when the preschoolers from St. John's Lutheran Church (Thurmont) visited us on Q-day every January. We regretted having to discontinue the day, but we don't have enough quilters to play

host

Today's children will be the quiltmakers of the future. Those of us over 60 must do everything we can to encourage the young. If we fail, the art of "old-fashioned" quiltmaking and a great American heritage will be lost forever.

We've often been asked if we would teach quilting. Some of these people have met with us (to learn) but came on a regular quilting day when we were unprepared to teach except by observation. We will be glad to answer your questions and assist you if you've started a project and run into problems.

However, if you want us to teach you quiltmaking, it will be by our methods, and in an organized class. We do not teach rotary cutting, strip piecing, or machine stitching and quilting. We teach the basics of patterns, fabric and color selection, scissors cutting and hand stitching. You learn the ABC's of quilting first.

A very intelligent young man who is a computer wizard once told me, "To learn computers, you first should learn the basics of language and technical skills." The same idea can be applied to quiltmaking.



Mary Ellen Cummings, Pauline Duble, Emma Lou Harris and Emma Keeney at work demonstrating basic quilting techniques and skills during their quilt show held at the Emmitsburg Library November 7.

A Dispatch Photo

Opportunity for a year in Germany

"...an open door to a thrilling experience for young people interested in studying abroad and representing the U.S.," Roscoe Bartlett

Congressman Roscoe Bartlett (R-6-Md.) alerted high school students in the 6th Congressional District to the opportunity to apply for a fall scholarship to live and study in Germany next year under the Congress-Bundestag Youth

Exchange Program jointly funded and cosponsored by the United States Congress and the parliament of Germany, the Bundestag. The scholarship application deadline is December 8, 1998. Students who want more information or are interested in applying for one of the 300 scholarships should contact the Congress-Bundestag office at 1-800 TEENAGE or visit its web site at www.USAGermanyScholarship.org.



A stitch in time. Bea Keilholtz and Marie Stambaugh apply finishing stitches to a quilt in process.

A Dispatch Photo





New teacher incentives proposed

By Nancy S. Gramick, State Superintendent of Schools.

As we approach the next century, rapidly rising teacher retirement and student enrollment trends predict an alarming shortage of teachers to fill Maryland classrooms.

Public school enrollment is projected to rise by 20-40 percent in some school systems, while the number of retirement-eligible teachers increases concurrently. Our teacher training programs are not producing enough graduates in areas of critical need, and more than 40 percent of new hires are brought in from out of state.

It is imperative, therefore, that we rise to the challenges before us - that we make teaching a more attractive career option for students and graduates, recruit the best candidates, and retain our experienced, effective teachers who serve as role models and mentors.

The Teacher Recruitment, Retention, and Quality Plan I brought before the State Board of Education in response to these challenges was approved unanimously and will now be submitted to Governor Glendening for his consideration during the upcoming legislative session. The package, designed to reward exemplary achievement, encourage continued professional development, and attract talented new teachers, includes:

- **♠** A pre-tax tuition on credit for graduate courses;
- **★** A stipend for teachers achieving national certification;
 - **♠** A \$500 state tax credit;
- ▲ A signing bonus (\$5,000 a year for three years) for new teachers who graduate in the top 10 percent of their class;
- ▲ A \$5 increase in teacher certification fees to ensure faster, easier certification and certification renewal:
- Competitive grants for teacher mentoring program, in which skilled teachers provide ongoing support to new teachers (requiring an increase in tenure eligibility from two to three years of experience);
- Regulations ensuring that provisionally certified teachers who do not pass certification tests within two years have there provisional certificates revoked; and
 - **★** Incentives of up to \$1,000 for

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Friends of the Library

Libraries are a fundamental source of stimulus to human consciousness. "They are places where 1 + 1 = 3. Libraries are places of synergy where the whole is more than just the sum of its parts," said Darrell Batson, director of Frederick County Public Libraries (FCPL). Libraries expand our view.

"Libraries are very much part of the growth schemes being addressed by all the communities in the county," said Batson. "They directly affect the quality of life issues that deal with the wonder, amazement, and awe. Libraries are about breaking limiting cycles. Libraries support intellectual growth which is as much apart of the growth equation as jobs, housing, health, or video game parlors."

Frederick County is a rapid growth area but has a lot of room for development and improvement. "When you consider the variables in the formula that makes up a good library system-facilities, user support, collections development, technology, staffing, and on-going support, FCPL ranks close to the bottom of the list of county library systems in the state," Batson said.

Currently twenty-five percent of FCPL's funding comes from the state. Seventy percent comes from the county and five percent comes from endorsements, trusts, gifts, fees, and library fines. Increasing the size of funding appropriations from the state and county is seen as one way of enhancing the overall quality of the system across the county. The county-wide concern is not to be taken as diminishing local efforts, but as a way of providing long-term basic core and services.

A county-wide Friends of the Library organization is seen as an

"A room with a view. . ."

crucial part of an effective library system. "Friends" are local chapter groups who are aware of the unique information needs and interests in their community. They are in a position to address local concerns. FCPL's job is to provide the core of informational services. "Friends' can provide that little extra, the icing on the cake," said Batson. Friends of the Library can provide depth to the local libraries' core collections. They can raise funds for local programs and interests. They can enhance children's summer reading programs.

The range of assistance that has been provided by local "Friends" groups in other counties is wide. "Local 'Friends' chapters have initiated projects from organizing, and operating a local PC center to the simple and basic as the procurement of more shelving space and materials," said Batson. "Friends can help change local libraries to a place of awe for children," Batson said.

The Emmitsburg Branch of FCPL will soon be organizing a local chapter of the county-wide Friends of the Library. This opens the way for fund raising projects to support the local library program and project development. The local "Friends" chapter will send representatives to the county organization to participate in lobbying and other county wide activities to enhance development of the entire county system. For lovers of libraries there is room for any particular interest. For more information talk with local librarians, Kate, Kathy, or Carolyn. David Martin, president of the local advisory group (soon to become "Friends") or Elizabeth Prongas are available to provide more information or answer questions. Call David at (301) 447-2353 or Elizabeth at (301) 271-2826.





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The Wetzel - Munshouer Murder-1879

By Mike Hillman

Shocking murder near Emmitsburg

"For the first time in the memory of man, together with the farthest extended traditions, a foul and dastardly murder has been committed in our community." - *Chronicle*

With this headline, on August 16, 1879, the *Emmitsburg Chronicle* drew open the curtain on a murder mystery that would capture the attention and energy of almost every Emmitsburg area resident for years to come.

The story, like so many others, began many years before the actual murder. The chief protagonist, Felix Munshouer, was the eldest of a hardworking farm family. Five feet 8 inches in height, and weighing 210 pounds, Felix was imposing in appearance. Yet his structure tended toward corpulence and to those that knew him, he was wanting in any indication of intellectual capacity.

Unwilling to accept the life of farmer, around 1875 Felix headed west to seek his fortune. His search however proved illusory, and in March of 1879, following the death of his father, Felix returned to Emmitsburg to claim his share of the proceeds from the sale of the family farm.

Flush with over \$1700 in ready cash, Felix set about trying to buy a reputation as a gentleman of means—a reputation that he long desired but was unwilling to work for. Felix quickly took up residence in the Emmit House, purchased a fine horse and buggy, and became a standing member at many of the meeting and drinking houses that populated Emmitsburg at the time.

However, without income, Felix's fast-paced life soon rid him of the entire patrimony which the industry of his parents had secured to him. It was said that Felix's last dollar was squandered on a horse race, and soon the aspiring gentleman found himself deeply in debt and reduced to sleeping in barns, being completely at the mercy and beneficence of others for his substance.

PRELUDE TO MURDER

As his debts increased, and with no hope of a reprieve on the horizon, Felix began to look to the sinister side of life for relief. He did not have to look far.

Felix's cousin, James Wetzel, was a hard-working, industrious farm hand. Forty-one and single, he had resided up until recently with his mother and sister in the tenant house of Elijah Close.

Upon the marriage of his sister to John Knode, Wetzel sold his household belongings and moved in with them at the old Morrison farm, east of Tom's Creek Methodist Church. Wetzel had a profound distrust of banks, and as such was known for carrying his life savings on him. An easy prey for a desperate man.

It was in mid-July, while residing with William Rentzel, a part-time bootsmith, that Felix begun to lay his trap. At every opportunity, Felix sought out Wetzel's company.

Since he and his cousin had never really been close, the business of convincing his cousin to part with his hard-earned cash took some time.

As the association between the cousins solidified, Felix began to focus more and more on his timetable and the benefits of his planned actions. Even going so far as haphazardly commenting to Grimes that by early August he would be back in the money again.

Over the ensuing weeks, Felix bombarded Wetzel with illusionary tales of "get rich" schemes. One that seemed to strike a chord with Wetzel, who imbibed more than he should, was the selling of illegal alcohol. The trap was now ready to be sprung.

On August 2, Felix borrowed a 12gauge shotgun from Daniel Lawrence, telling Lawrence that he was going hunting, and would return the gun in a few days with all the money he owed him. The following while walking through Stansbury's woods, Felix crossed paths with Thomas Shorb. While walking together, Felix shot a squirrel. As he loaded the barrel with new pellets, he noted to Shorb that he used only the right barrel because it had more power, and that he had yet to fire the left, which still had some old shot in it.

On Monday, August 4, Felix met with Wetzel at John Knode's house, and with Knode listening in with profound disgust, discussed the final plans for intended business plans. The two agreed to meet early the next morning near the old bridge over Tom's Creek (just upstream of the

present Tom's Creek Bridge) and walked into town to meet a prospective supplier.

Monday evening it rained, the first rain the area had received in weeks, and most of the rain ran off of the hard clay soil.

MURDER!

Tuesday, August 5, 1879, began like any other late summer day in Emmitsburg. Many were up early to beat the oppressive summer heat. At 6:00 a.m., Wetzel left home and headed toward Rentzel's. On the way, Wetzel stopped in at Thomas Haugh's blacksmith shop. After a short chat, Wetzel was once again on the road and his rendezvous with history.

The two met as planned around 6:45 a.m. at the recently washed-out old wooden bridge over Tom's Creek, and headed toward Emmitsburg. The two walked silently down the Old Poolsville Road (now Keysville), with Wetzel in the lead, and Felix a few steps behind, carrying the shotgun, which he supposedly intended to return to Lawrence while in town.

Fifteen minutes later they passed William Koontz, who was headed in the opposite direction toward the Munshouer farm, now the residence of Felix's brother Jim. After the customary exchange of pleasantries, the pair resumed their march. Sensing something wrong, Koontz turned around to take another look at the two, only to discover the two had left the road.

And left the road they had. Intending to meet their supplier in a secluded location, the two had turned north and headed into "Myers""s Woods." Unaware that he was being lured into a trap, Wetzel was led by Felix into the woods and down a gully to the intended meeting point.

We will never know whether Wetzel ever realized what was going to happen. At approximately 8:00 a.m., just as the pair set foot into the gully, Felix placed the end of the shotgun just below and to the back of Wetzel's left ear and pulled both triggers. The right side of Wetzel's head disappeared in a spray of bone and blood.

The blast echoed through the valley, and was noted by many. William

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Emmitsburg Community Calendar

December

Catoctin High Band Boosters are sponsoring a Basket Raffle during December. Winning tickets match 3 digit MD lottery numbers. You win basket or pottery assigned to that day; 31 chances for \$5.00; contact:(301)447-2854

- Country Christmas Fare; Noon to 9pm; St. Joe's Parish Hall,
 North Seton Ave.; contact Pat Orner: (301)447-2202
- 5 Country Christmas Fare;9am to 5pm; St. Joe's Parish Hall, North Seton Ave.; contact Pat Orner: (301)447-2202
- 5 Elias Lutheran Church will hold its annual Christmas Bazaar Sat.

 Dec. 5, starting at 1p.m. Meals include beef, turkey, ham with apple fritters, filling, gravy, mashed & sweet potatoes, etc..

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- 5 Visitation Academy Christmas
 Bazaar; East 2nd St., Frederick,
 MD. Brunch with Santa from
 11am to 1pm; future planned
 events include a night out with
 Noel Lester and MotherDaughter tea at the Tyler-Spite
 House; contact Visitation
 Academy: (301)662-3322

- 6 Emmitsburg Community Choru
 "The Wondrous Song", 35th
 Annual Christmas concert;
 3pm @ the Basilica of St.
 Joseph's Provincial House.
 Admission is free; an offering
 to support the chorus will be
 offered; contact Susan Allen:
 (301)447-6891
- Studio Gallery Open House; Studio Gallery; opening 2 - 5pm cards, gifts, paintings & refreshments, contact Linda Postelle: 301-447-3292
- •6 An Evening of Christmas Spirit, Carriage House Restaurant; 6-9 p.m; Live Nativity, cookies, hot chocolate, hot dogs, santa, choir, hay rides
- Emmitsburg Town Council Meeting, 7pm; Community Center, Senior Citizen Room, contact Town Office: (301)447-2313
- •14 Women's Aglow, Mountain Gate Restaurant, Thurmont; buffet 6:15_{PM}, meeting 7:15_{PM}; \$7.00 reservations taken 'til Dec. 11; speaker: Bunny Jett men are invited; contact Sandy Holt: (301)447-2283, (301)271-4346

- Emmitsburg Community Chorus
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 Joseph's Provincial House.

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 Joel Warthen Art Exhibit; open ing reception Dec. 17, 2-4pm;
 Emmitsburg Community Center Media Room; Emmitsburg Arts
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 - 27 Candlelight Tour of the Historic Churches of Emmitsburg; 4 8pm; 8 churches their histories, programs and refreshments; sponsor:
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 - 27 De Marillac Center Holy Family Mass, 2pm; The Basilica of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton; 2nd Blanket of Love to be dedicated; a light reception to follow; contact: (301)447-1811
 - Emmitsburg Planing and Zoning meeting, 7pm;
 Community Center, Senior Citizen Room, contact Town Office: (301)447-2313

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Horsing Around in the Emmitsburg Area By Kim Beckett

The horse industry and equestrian activities in the Emmitsburg area have been growing rapidly in the past 10 years. New horse operations have been popping up such as Breezy Hill Stables owned by Joe Topper that offers boarding and lessons with Ann Corcoran as trainer. Even Mount St. Mary's College has a collegiate equestrian team! Many families are getting into the equestrian activitiesincluding sending their children for riding lessons and competing at local shows. It is a good activity to keep children and teenagers out of trouble. Valerie Walter, owner of Sweet Oasis Stables, boards horses, trains and gives English riding lessons. She has years of experience with teaching children and adults how to ride. She also has studied and earned degrees in horse management, training and instruction from Meredith Manor Equestrian facility.

elaborate Concerning the Equestrian Center that was supposed to come to Emmitsburg, area equestrians were disappointed to find out that it might not even happen. This equestrian center would have so much to offer, including state of the art facilities with indoor and outdoor riding arenas, lessons, clinics, and top notch shows. This type of facility could host clinics by famous Olympian equestrians. What a shame, we were really looking forward to this happening. It would be so impressive for Emmitsburg to have such a facility. Also, we are looking for places to hold trail riding with large tracts of land with very little or no roads to cross. It is one thing that is dwindling in the area-places to trail ride safely.

Local equestrians in the Emmitsburg area had a successful year. On November 8th , Ashley

Wivell, now 15, completed her highly successful first year as Emmitsburg's first entry into the young rider circuit in the sport of Eventing (a combination of dressage, cross-country jumping, and stadium jumping). Ashley and her horse Kettle, under the coaching of Mike Hillman, this year placed first at Waredeca, 2nd at Menfelt in Frederick, Md, 3rd at Elysian Hills, and came in 2nd at Blue Ridge. Ashley has been in the top 6 all season. Meghan Kubala, daughter of Gary Kubala, riding Dream Cloud placed third at the McKay Horse Trials. She also placed 2 nd this year riding Home From School at Dominion Valley Pony Club Horse Trials (eventing). Meghan also received two blue ribbons at the Thurmont Riding Club horse show in novice equitation. Valerie Walter's daughters also had a successful show

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season. Christina Walter won Children's beginner rider at the Thurmont Riding Club Hunter Horse show on Tamara, an Arabian horse owned by Harry Steiner. Karen Walter, riding Tamara, won 3 reserve championships this year and Marie Walter riding Bozomati,c a thoroughbred, won Junior Equitation year-end Championship and she was reserve

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Cougar News By Marlene A. Tarr, Principal, Catoctin High School

Our addition/renovation project is still on schedule. Bids are expected to go out in December. Groundbreaking will take place in late January with construction beginning in February/March (weather permitting).

This is a major renovation project which is expected to take 18 months to complete. There will be many interruptions to our normal routine during this time that will require everyone's patience and flexibility. Once finished, we will have new classrooms, an additional gym, a renovated gym and looker room, new and renovated science classrooms, computer wiring throughout the building, renovated media center, and many other improvements.

The architectural plans are displayed in the office windows (gym hallway). We invite you to stop by and take a look.

A number of activities are set for December. The athletic department open their winter season with wrestling and basketball events throughout the month. The PTSA brings Maria Broom back to Catoctin in a special assembly for students on December 4 during Blocks, I and 2. The Holiday Dinner-Dance is scheduled for December 11 from 7:00 to 12:00. The Holiday Art & Music Festival will be held on December 17 beginning at 7:00 PM. The annual Winter Workshop for kindergartners

from our feeder schools and Mother Seton will be held from 8:05 to 2:55 on December 17.

School will close on December 23 and remain closed through January 3 for the winter break. In whatever manner you and your family celebrate the holiday season, the students and staff of Catoctin High School wish you a Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, Happy Kwanzaa, and a Happy New Year. May 1999 be a year of peace, love, and prosperity for all of us!

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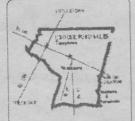
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Poem

by Crystal Albright

How did I ever get in so deep? I lie awake at night crying, I can't sleep.

I glanced in my old cracked mirror this morn;

My clothes are tattered, my face looks worn.

We made it through another night I think.

Then reality sets in; my hope starts to sink.

I start to worry again, how will I pay my bills ?

Will I have enough food to keep my children's stomachs filled?

I worry, will I have enough money for heat?

How can I get warm clothes and shoes for their feet?

My landlord is upset because I'm late with my rent.

I promise him the money will be sent, As I beg him not to throw my children into the cold.

We don't have much left— so much already had to be sold.

I tried to get another job today at a grocery store.

The manager smiled politely, said the job was filled, as she walked me to the door.

I felt like a failure and hung my head down in shame, so unimportant, like a face without a name.

As I walk along the street that will take me home, No one bothers to look at me.

I catch a glimpse of myself in a window; now I understand; I know what they see.

I try to remember how our lives turned into this.

When I get home to my little smiling faces, I give each one a kiss.

As my tears start to fall, I turn my head so they won't see.

After each is fed, given a bath, I tell them a story, then tuck them into bed.

I kneel by their bed as I begin to pray quietly, I listen, I open my heart for anything that God might have to say.

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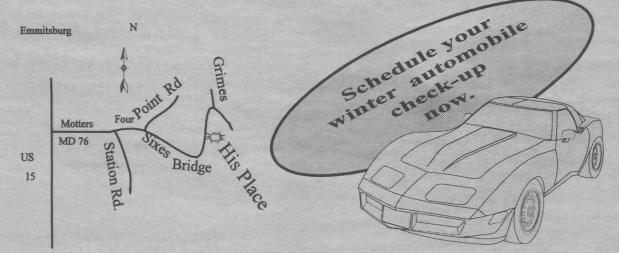
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St. Anthony's/OLMC Church News

Ann Marshall

Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve, 5:00 pm: St. Anthony Shrine. Music provided by John and Peggy Offut.

Christmas Eve, 7:30 pm: Our Lady of Mt. Carmel (in the Parish Center). Music provided by Matt Lechowicz and Sally Hill, Children's

Christmas Eve, 10:00 pm: St. Anthony Shrine. Music provided by Mary Lou Sanders and Choir.

Christmas Day, 9:30 am: Our Lady of Mt. Carmel (in the church). Music provided by Charlotte Thompson.

Children, youth, or adults who would like to sing or play an instrument before any of our Christmas Masses: please call Diane Decker in the Parish Office at (301) 447-2367.

The Emmitsburg Council of Churches will host a tour of Emmitsburg churches on Sunday, December 27, 4:00 to 8:00 pm. St. Anthony Shrine will participate in this event. There will be music and someone will be on hand to recount the history of the parish and to answer questions.

Lectors and Gospel Readers are asked to pick up their copies of the 1999 Workbook from the sacristy.

The Monthly Pastoral Council Meeting will not be held in December. The next meeting is

scheduled for January 19, 1999, at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish Center at 7:00 pm.

Mrs. Adeline Plumer is at St. Catherine's Nursing Center, Room T34, 331 S. Seton Ave, Emmitsburg, MD 21727. She greatly appreciates receiving cards and notes.

Congratulations to Russell Sanders who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on Saturday, October 31, at the Basilica of the Assumption in Baltimore.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish welcomes into the Catholic Faith Community Michael Alan Lutton, son of Hugh and Mary Lutton, who was baptized November 8, 1998.

St. Anthony Shrine Parish welcomes into the Catholic Faith Community Michael Anthony Carannante, son of Leonardo and Joyce Carannante, and John Garner Haley, son of Leo and Cynthia Haley. Both were baptized on November 22,

Evening Prayer and Eucharistic Adoration is held each Monday, from 7 to 9 pm at OLMC Church. This is a time for private prayer and reflection plus the opportunity to join in community prayer from 7:15 to 7:30 pm. Special prayer petitions which have been placed in a basket at the rear of the church will be presented before the open tabernacle at 7:30

Rocky Ridge News

By Emma Keeney

December Birthdays: Happy birthday to Carl Setherly, Jean Knipple, Erin Eiker, Betty Ann Moser, Joann Wetzel, Carole Larue Summers, Greg Sponsellar, Susan Sponsellar, and Donald Lee Brown.

Deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Kermit Glass, Mabel Thomas, and Kenneth Anders.

Deepest sympathy to Dolores Thomas and family on the loss of son Gregg and husband James.

The Mt. Tabor Youth Group filled and delivered fruit baskets for Thanksgiving on November 21 to the shut-ins.

The Church of the Brethren **Christmas Schedule**

Social and Program - Dec. 6, 5:00 p.m.

Candlelight service - Dec. 13, 6:00 p.m. (Firm Foundation plus other musical groups.)

Children's program Dec. 20, 7:00 p.m.

Christmas caroling - TBA

Mt. Tabor Schedule

Dec. 6, 9:30 a.m. Worship and Celebration (12 years together). Everyone is welcome. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Congregational luncheon - 12:00 noon; Annual congregational meeting - 1:00 p.m.

Dec. 12, 7:30 p.m. Sunday School Christmas Party.

Dec. 20, 9:30 a.m. Worship and Holy Communion.

Dec. 20, 7:20 p.m. Youth fellowship. Contemporary Music by Candlelight.

Dec. 24, 7:30 p.m. Christmas Eve program.



Murder, from page 12

Koontz, who had just returned from his errand to Jim Munshouer, noted to his son that the shot seemed to be just over the hill, in Myers" Woods.

Acting quickly, Felix's rifled Wetzel's now limp body and retrieved the goal of his act. Wetzel's calfskin purse, which by all accounts, contained only \$52.

Felix covered Wetzel's body with leaves, and, sure that the body was well hidden, retraced his steps back through the woods. He had no sooner left the woods than he was spied by Charles Troxel, who was returning from his morning butchering run to Maxell's Mill, located near Tom's Creek Bridge.

Unaware that his departure had been noted, Felix returned to the road and from there, to Rentzel's. A short while later, Rentzel too returned from the errands he had been on and inquired about Wetzel and the business deal. Felix said that he had met Wetzel at the head of Rentzel's lot, and had parted company with him thereafter Wetzel had decided not to get a license to sell the alcohol. Felix told Rentzel that he had told Wetzel that he thought that would cause them more trouble than it was worth and broke off the deal and returned home. According to Felix, Wetzel had headed to Tom Shorb's

and from there was going to Emmitsburg, where he had some business to do.

Shortly thereafter, Felix left, and headed to Motter's Station to buy a bottle of whiskey. Felix followed the path of the present-day Four Points Road, pressing forward with a strong sense of purpose. Once out of eyesight, Felix crept off into Oliver Morrison's woods, and under the safety of an old tree, sat down to inspect the scope of his ill-gotten

The contents of Rentzel's calfskin purse were quickly sorted, and most of its contents stuffed into a hole under the tree. While Felix sat reviewing his take, he was unaware that he was under the watchful eye of Isaac Bower, one of Oliver Morrison's farm hands. When the last of the papers were secretly hid under the tree, Felix resumed his trek toward Motter's Station, though at a more leisurely pace.

As if fate intended to curse him for his actions, Felix had no sooner left the woods than he crossed paths with Oliver Morrison's neighbor, William Motter. Motter inquired about Felix's presence in his neighbor's woods, to which Felix replied that he

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Obituaries

Dr. James J. Thomas

Dr. James Thomas, 69, of 9902-C Rocky Ridge Road, Rocky Ridge, died Thursday, Oct. 29, at his home.

He was the husband of Dolores Y. Thomas. They were married 46 years.

Born Sept. 4,1929, in York, Pa., he was the son of the late Chauncey and Elizabeth Thomas.

Dr. Thomas was Professor Emeritus of Mount St. Mary's College, Emmitsburg. A graduate of St. Rose of Lima Elementary and York Catholic High School, York, Pa., he earned a bachelor's degree from Mount St. Mary's College in 1952, a master's from Pennsylvania State University in 1954, and a doctorate from the University of Maryland in 1977.

He worked as a quality control chemist for E.I. duPont De Nemours and Co. of Seaford, Del., in1952; an analytic chemist for Applied Science Laboratories at University Park, 1953; and a polymer chemist for Armstrong Cork Research and Development Center, Lancaster, Pa., 1954-57.

Dr. Thomas joined the faculty of Mount St. Mary's College in 1957, where he rose to the rank of professor of chemistry. He served nine years as chair of the science department and moderated the Student Affiliate chapter of the American Chemical Society, twice leading it to receive an "outstanding" recognition. He published many technical articles and papers and organized a series of Science Alumni Symposia. He developed several courses, including one on the origin and development of science. He won numerous grants for the college and was project coordinator for National Science Foundation

(NSF) grants for three years.

In 1991, he was faculty coordinator of the NSF Air Pollution Research Project in the Blue Ridge Mountains. Throughout his career at Mount St. Mary's he was also known for teaching his specialty, organic chemistry.

His efforts at self-renewal included NSF Summer Institutes, an NSF Faculty Fellowship and a sabbatical year at the University of East Anglia (UEA) in Norwich, England. While at UEA, he became a presenter for the *Mary Rose* Trust on the process of salvaging the *Mary Rose*, an English ship of King Henry VIII.

The Harrisburg chapter of the National Alumni Association of MSM presented him with the prestigious Dr. John Dillon Award in 1992. In 1995, Dr. Thomas received the President's Medal in recognition of his 37 years of service to the Mount community. Following his retirement, he served on the Alumni Scholarship Committee of the National Alumni Association from 1995 to 1997.

An avid amateur photographer, Dr. Thomas was a member of the Frederick Camera Clique, winning several awards in regional photography exhibitions.

He was a member of St. Anthony's Shrine parish, Emmitsburg.

Surviving in addition to his wife are eight children, Stephen, David, Edward, Jeanette, Christopher, Margaret Patrick and Miriam, and their families; 21 grandchildren; two step grandchildren; one great grandson; one brother, William D. Thomas; and two sisters, Sister Mary Thomas, SSJ, and Monica E. Brinson.

Dr. Thomas was preceded in death by one son, Gregory Damien; and two sisters, Ann Delores Zimmerman and Gloria Theresa Eisenhart. A Memorial Mass was held Sunday, Nov. 8, at St. Anthony's Shrine, Emmitsburg.

The Rev. Leo R. Tittler was the principal celebrant.

Mrs. Victoria Eyler

Mrs. Victoria Cora Tressler Eyler, 78, of 17056 Harbaugh Valley Road, Sabillasville, died Thursday, Nov. 5, at her home.

She was the wife of Harry Wilson Eyler, who died May 16, 1950.

Born April 3, 1920, in Frederick County, she was a daughter of the late John Jacob and Anna Catherine Black Tressler.

Mrs. Eyler was a member of Friends Creek Church, Emmitsburg.

She was employed at the Waynesboro Mini Mill, Waynesboro, Pa for 30 years as a foreman, and the Eagles Club of Waynesboro for 2 years as a cook.

Surviving are three daughters, Mary Ward of California, Martha Wetzel of Emmitsburg, and Bonnie Wolfe of Blue Ridge Summit, Pa.; eight grandchildren; 15 great grandchildren; two sisters, Naomi Baker of Waynesboro, and Lula Turner of Emmitsburg; three brothers, Daniel Tressler of Thurmont, Wilbur Tressler of Smithsburg, and Joseph Tressler of Littlestown, Pa., and many nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Eyler will also be remembered by her companion, William S. McFerren of Sabillasville.

Mrs. Eyler was preceded in death by one daughter, Clara M. Shilling; one son, Charles W. Eyler; two sisters, Sarah Patterson and Edna Eckenrode; five brothers, Melvin, Calvin, Mearl, Paul and Clarence Tressler and one grandson, Russell Wetzel Jr. Funeral services were held Monday, Nov. 9, at the Thurmont Funeral Home with the Rev. Warren Rice and the Rev. Wade Sandridge officiating. Interment in Friends Creek Cemetery, Emmitsburg.

Mrs. Gladys Grimes

Mrs. Gladys Louella Grimes, 89, of Mount Airy, formerly of Emmitsburg, died Friday, Nov. 6, at Frederick Memorial Hospital.

She was the wife of James Edgar Grimes, who died in 1986.

Born Oct. 26, 1909, near Emmitsburg, she was a daughter of the late Maurice Winfield and Bertha Stansbury Hahn.

Mrs. Grimes was a life member of Tom's Creek United Methodist Church, Emmitsburg.

Surviving are one son, Clyde E. Grimes of Mount Airy; one sister, Phyllis H. Dickey of Severna Park; two grandchildren; five great grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Nov. 10. The Rev. Donnie Jane Cardwell, assisted by the Rev. James Farmer, officiated. Interment will be in Keysville Union Cemetery, Keysville.

Memorial contributions may be sent to Tom's Creek United Methodist Church, Tom's Creek Church Road, Emmitsburg, Md. 21727





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had been out hunting. Motter looked Felix up and down and commented that he looked like he had been up to more than hunting. Felix, who by now was getting a little anxious, could think only to curse at Motter. Turning away, he continued toward Motter's Station.

Proceeding directly to the station s bar, Felix requested a bottle of whiskey. However, owing to the fact that he was already deeply in debt to the bar, his request was refused. To the bartender's surprise, Felix laid a new \$20 bill on the counter as down payment on his debt, and a bright new green bottle of whiskey was soon in Felix's possession.

That evening, Felix stayed at Rentzel's house in a room by himself. If he had any remorse for his actions, he never openly showed it. Early the next morning, Felix gave Rentzel a crisp new \$10 bill and asked Rentzel

to return the shotgun and buy him some new underclothes. "Don't tell anyone where you got the money from," directed Felix. "If they ask, don't answer." That evening, Felix asked Rentzel to replace the heels on his worn boots. On Thursday, Felix went to town and bought a new suit, paying the \$10.32 cost in cash.

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Mother Seton School News Reading is good For the Soul ... and the Belly! by Val Mentzer

Mary's College, Mother Seton School is very happy to welcome Mount students for field experience for their classes. Mount Saint Mary's is also coordinating the "America Reads/Community Work Study. Program" at Mother Seton School. This program provides Mount students to assist in an after school tutoring program as well as study placement per week.

And this "America Reads" Program is off and running in Mrs. Ott's 2nd Grade Class! One of the Mount students, Miss Christine Fee, taught à literature lesson by reading the book Old Turtle by Douglas Wood. This is a lovely story of a turtle discovering all the different places that "God is in". The students then designed their own turtles with a very, special message on the inside shell a list of all the places students think that "God is in." Well, they found God in smiles, hugs, warmth, family, friends, each of us, the sun, teachers, and 2nd graders (of course!).

These 2nd graders found out that reading is good for the soul...and the belly! Scholastic Magazine sponsored a "Hungry For Books" program that allowed Mrs. Ott's class to enjoy a Happy Meal party after each of the students completed reading 10 books.

Judging by the smiles and the large orders of french fries, this program was a success. Thank you, McDonald's for your wonderful job of serving our 2nd graders!

"And after a long lonesome and scary time, the people listened and began to hear and to see God in one another ... and in the beauty of all the Earth." The Turtle by Douglas Wood.

The October Calendar Winners are: 1. Rob Stouter, 2. Herb Miller, 3. Wm. & Rebecca Greco, 4. Wayne Stackhouse, 5. Buddy Prosnick,

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teachers who hold Advanced Professional Certificates and teach in high-risk schools.

While I realize that this package alone is not sufficient to entice exceptional candidates to the teaching profession, these measures are a step toward strengthening our schools, expanding and enriching our pool of teacher candidates, and ensuring quality education for Maryland students into the next cen-

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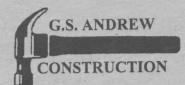
American Legion Announcement

By George Danner Francis X. Elder Post, 121

American Legion, Emmitsburg Md., is no longer handling wheel chairs, hospital beds, potty chairs, or walkers as it has over the past 50 years. In the past month the items we had were donated to Federated Charities, Home Care Medical Equipment located at 22 South Market St., Frederick, Md. There is no charge for home care equipment up to six months. The equipment is available to anyone anywhere in Frederick County, Maryland. For information call (301) 662-1561.

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champion in Equitation at Magic Rose Farm.

Another local woman, Lauren Maruskin, did very well on the Blue and Gray show circuit this year. With her horse Mr. Casual, a Trakhener, they won the year end High Point Championship. Kim Beckett's American Warmblood horse, Mario, shown by Sally Shirley, placed 5th out of 20 horses in his division at Menfelt Horse Trials in Frederick, Md. Mario also won championship last fall at his first Event with Sally Shirley at Maple Spring Farms Horse Trials in Howard County. Kim Beckett is owner of Whispering Cedars Stables and also owns a registered quarter horse under schooling to show at training level dressage. Rachel and Rebekka Froitzheim also placed at the local shows this year

with their horses Buddy Boy and Jimmy D. Michelle Cole on Local Day placed 1" in the Children's Jumpers at the Washington International Horse Show in Washington, DC. Other local equestrian news: Danielle Enriquez's quarter horse Bailey is in training as is Barbara Johnson's filly quarter horse Sugar, and Sandy Herring's thoroughbred Sundance.

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