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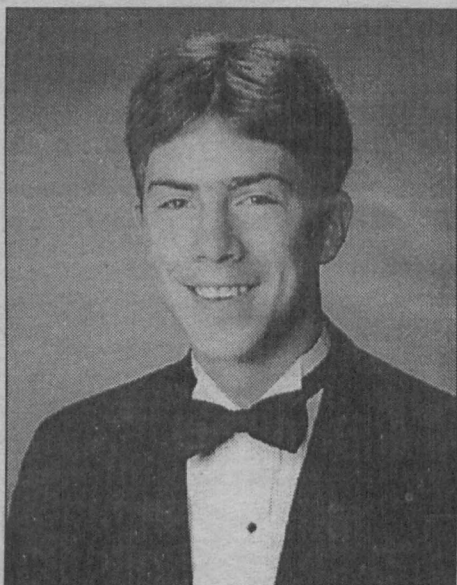
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Company 6 honors John Compton

John Compton has been around emergency services all his life. He hung around the Woodsboro fire station with his dad, Rob Compton of Woodsboro. While a student at Catocin High School, John enrolled in the Frederick County Fire and Rescue Cadet Program that was offered through the Frederick County School system. The program is sponsored by the Frederick County Fire and Rescue Association.

John is a 1999 graduate of

(See COMPTON on Page 9)



JOHN COMPTON

Dispatch dinner-dance benefit set

Gala fund-raiser to help improve newspaper's production system

BY CARYL AUSTRIAN
Dispatch Correspondent

It's not too late!! There's still time to see and be seen — and help support this newspaper — at the *Dispatch's* benefit dinner dance!! You will have fun, enjoy the company of friends, please your taste buds with a superlative meal, practice your tango, twist or turkey trot!! Experience a live auction for four valuable items; participate in a silent auction for many, many more!!

Not only will this be an occasion to socialize with your friends and neighbors, and meet lots of other nice people; it also is your opportunity to show you care about *The Dispatch* — a significant portion of the cost of each person's ticket, \$65, will go toward a sorely needed upgrade of the paper's computer system, and production and operational expenses. Come and enjoy adoration — from the volunteers and others who have been struggling to put your area newspaper together on old, outdated computers and cranky software systems.

So — save Saturday, March 25, and plan to be at JoAnn's Ballroom,

Carriage House Inn, 200 South Seton Avenue, at 6 p.m. to start the festivities at the cash bar.

Get your friends together. Put together a table of 8 if you wish. Please send your reservations and a check payable to the Emmitsburg *Dispatch* Fundraiser to Mrs. William Rapp, 2 Provincial Parkway, Emmitsburg, MD 21727. Questions? Call Mrs. Rapp at

(301) 447-2992. Unable to attend? Your contribution to the paper will be greatly appreciated.

Need more enticements? Just look at the list of marvelous items (on page 12 and 13 of this issue of the *Dispatch*) that can become yours by means of a live auction, and many others by silent auction (and please patronize the business donors who made this possible!).



Dispatch photo
Co-chairpersons of the *Dispatch* fund-raising committee, Audrey Glass (left) and Becky Jones, lead a committee of 15 volunteers in planning the upcoming gala.

Lions to hold 17th annual Health Fair March 25

The 17th annual Emmitsburg Lions Club Health Fair will be held on Saturday, March 25, 2000, from 7:30--11:00 a.m. at the Mother Seton Elementary School in Emmitsburg, Maryland.

The Health Fair features several important screening services, many of which are recommended to be done on an annual basis. The Gettysburg Hospital is offering a multiphasic blood screening (MBS) which focuses on early detection. The program consists of a series of

blood tests which are used to monitor the functioning of the major body organs including the high density lipoprotein (HDL) test, valuable in predicting the risk of coronary heart disease; and a complete blood count (CBC), used in the diagnosis of infection and anemia. Other tests include glucose; cholesterol and triglycerides; uric acid; and electrolytes, including potassium, which can determine dehydration.

A fast of 10-12 hours is required before a blood sample can be taken.

The program is being offered to Health Fair participants for \$25.

In addition to the MBS, the hospital is offering four optional blood tests. The prostate specific antigen (PSA) blood test is recommended for men over the age of 50 as a preventative measure against prostate cancer. The cost of the PSA blood test is \$15. The second is the sensitive thyroid stimulating hormone (TSH) blood test. This test is used in the early detection of thyroid dis-

(See HEALTH FAIR on Page 9)

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.

Found POW diary interesting

Dear Editor:

Please know how interesting I found the diary of Mr. Dan Kaas's experiences as a prisoner of war. I am so pleased he shared his ordeal with us. I think it is important for the generation not having been to war to know how brave Mr. Kaas was in

servicing his country. Too often we don't know of the hardships of a patriot. I am happy Mr. Kaas reminded us. I thank him for his service in our behalf.

Mary A. Dryer
Washington D.C.

Thanks from pregnancy center

Dear Editor:

Our thanks and deep appreciation to all who in any way helped with our Year 2000 spaghetti dinner on January 29th. It was a success! From those who set up the tables to those who bussed tables, or made meatballs, tossed salad, or served spaghetti sauce, to the ticket-takers and kitchen workers, to those who performed the hundreds of tasks such a dinner entails. Thank you.

To the merchants-Carriage House Inn, Cozy Restaurant, Jubilee Grocery Store in Emmitsburg and Thurmont, Mountain Gate Restaurant, McDonalds Restaurant in Emmitsburg, the Ott House and the

Shamrock Restaurant -who supplied the basic needs for the dinner -a grateful thank you.

To those who doubled, tripled and more their entrance fees for the dinner- thank you. To those who brought gifts for the baby shower -diapers, formula and new clothes -these gifts will be enjoyed by mothers who otherwise would not be able to dress or feed their babies so well.

Our dinner was a success because of the willing cooperation of many. We salute the love and hard work each volunteer exhibited.

Melanie Turner, Director
Catoctin Pregnancy Center
Emmitsburg, MD

Willowby's ear muffs returned

I would like to thank whoever returned my blue ear muffs. It was really cold when they disappeared. I did have an old white pair that I used, but they were broken and the plastic kept poking a hole in my head.

I think I may have to sit in a different position this coming summer. It seems that an awful lot of people need my sunglasses, and every so often, apparently folks are still working out in the hot fields planting and picking and need my straw hats.

Some days I think I really need a hard hat to protect me from the folks

that are going the wrong way on the one-way street across from me. And, the U-turns make me cringe.

I really want to thank the kind people that have shoveled the snow in front of and alongside my house. I also think that the town staff did a remarkable job removing the snow from the streets.

Hi to everyone who still comes by to see me.

EMMITSBURG, where you can still see the stars.

Willowby

Town to issue parking vouchers

Parking vouchers are now available at the Emmitsburg Town Office. Vouchers allow you to park at meters for a six-month period for a fee of \$75.00. If this seems like a remedy to paying meter fines or constantly having to feed your meter, please inquire at the Town Office Mon. through Fri., 8:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.

Council of Churches considers resettlement of refugee family

A group of interested persons representing five local churches met Feb. 17 at Incarnation United Church of Christ to hear more about the Emmitsburg Council of Churches proposal to sponsor the resettlement of a refugee family in Emmitsburg.

Alex Kirculescu, head of the Refugee Resettlement Sponsorship program for the Church World Service, and Sarah Krause, also from that office, told the group that refugee families could be from a number of places in the world with the current placement coming primarily from Africa, Bosnia, and Vietnam. It will be up to the Council to select the area where the refugee family is from.

Once the Council of Churches makes the decision to sponsor a family it will take about three months for the Church World Service to select the family for Emmitsburg. In preparation for the family's arrival, housing accommodations must be secured and several committees formed to assist the family in settling into their new home.

The goal of sponsorship is to assist the refugee family in adjusting to life in a new culture, and to help them become self-sufficient as quickly as possible. Mr. Kirculescu said that the Council should be prepared to make a commitment of at least three months to assist the family, but that actually, six months is more realistic. One of the objectives of the Church World Service program is to

ensure that the refugee family does not use welfare assistance or food stamps. The family, however, is entitled to six months of medical assistance from the state, which also includes dentistry for the children.

"There is a certain amount of risk in sponsoring a family, Mr. Kirculescu said. "It won't be a perfect family, and there will be problems, but the satisfaction is great in knowing you are helping someone."

Also attending the meeting were Pastor Don Hammond of Trinity Church in Thurmont, and Don Spalding, co-chairman of the Refugee Resettlement Committee from Trinity Church, who shared their experience with the resettlement of a family from Bosnia in Thurmont last year. "It was a good expression of our faith," Pastor Hammond said.

Mr. Spalding emphasized the importance of having good committee chairmen. Trinity Church created six committees that began working a month before the family arrived. The committees were responsible for housing, finances (employment, banking, fund raising, etc.), necessities (food, clothing, shopping, etc.), communication (interpreters, etc.), life issues (medical, dental, education, etc.) and transportation (locating a car, assist getting driver's license, etc.).

People who are interested in participating in the sponsorship of a family are encouraged to attend the next meeting which will be held March 7 at 7:00 p.m. at United Church of Christ, 124 West Main Street. All are welcome.



A *Dispatch* Photo

Alex Kirculescu (second from right), head of the Refugee Resettlement Sponsorship program for the Church World Service, recently met with persons interested in sponsoring a refugee family in Emmitsburg. Those shown around the table are, from the left, Phyllis Kelly, Loretta Adelsberger, Dick Dodds, Janet Springer, Margaret Dodds, Paul Harner, president of the Emmitsburg Council of Churches, Don Spalding and Sarah Krause.

Ambulance company does 'whatever it takes'

To scale heights requires teamwork. This year Chief Ann Messner of Emmitsburg Ambulance Co. 26 presented at the Annual Awards Banquet the company's highest award, "EMS Provider of the Year," to the entire membership. "Every member of this company, regardless of number of service hours, was responsible for the 'recovery' of this company."

According to Chief Messner, "The company situation a year ago was near disastrous. We had only 30 members on the books and only 10 active volunteers carried the load. Our late response call was 12%. We had only one young member. We were pretty much at the bottom of the barrel," said Chief Messner.

In a series of meetings held during the year, Company 26 voted to remain an all-volunteer operation, "doing what it takes." "We had to get rid of our wants and keep the needs—the needs that get the job done," said Messner.

This year Company 26 responded to 999 emergency calls, second in the county excluding Frederick City. The failed response rate dropped to 5% (5 points below the county's accepted minimum.) Membership has increased to 70 with 30 active volunteers responding to calls. There are now training classes held locally for young volunteers. Currently there are five seventeen 22-year olds in the program.

"For these reasons I give our highest award to the company. I'm really proud of these guys," Chief Messner said.

Special recognition for top responders went to John Compton (427 calls), Rick Sharrer and Loretta Sprankle (224), Karyn Myers (205), Alan Hahn (197), Denny Ott (164), Rick Kendall (156), Tom Humerick (143), Bob Dinterman and Pat Sullivan, Sr. (122), and Mary Lou Little (113).

Recognition for actual time spent on a unit went to John Compton (352 hours), Alan Hahn (148 hours), Karyn Myers (127 hours), Rick Sharrer (124 hours), Tom Humerick (120 hours), Loretta Sprankle (106 hours), Pat Sullivan, Jr (107 hours), Rick Kendall (94 hours), Ann Messner, Denny Ott and Bob Dinterman.

These hours of service translate directly to the care and assistance of persons with injuries (117), cardiac cases (149), respiratory cases (138) personal injury accidents (87), personal illness (75) fire assists (71), service calls (48), unconscious persons (44), abdominal pain (43), behavioral problems (28), seizures (26) OB/GYN (28) hemorrhage (23), stroke (21), back (20), cardiac arrest (17), OD/poisoning (17), allergic reactions, (14) and choking (6).

Lowman Keeney, president of the company, announced that this year the company paid off the building (a year early) and was able to purchase a new ambulance.

"Our slogan was 'Whatever it Takes'," said Messner. "We did it and we did it in less than a year," she said.



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Top photo: Directors of the Emmitsburg Ambulance Company who were recently installed at the company's annual banquet are, seated from left, Jamie Eyler and Jonathan Troxell. Standing, from left, are Robert Dinterman, Loretta Sprankly, Tom Humerick, Sr., and Carl Angleberger. Not shown are line officers Ann Messner, chief; Richard Kendall, first assistant chief; and Steven King, second assistant chief.

Bottom photo: Administrative officers of the Emmitsburg Ambulance Company who were recently installed at the company's annual banquet are, seated from left, Lowman Keeney, president; and Dennis Ott, Sr., vice-president. Standing, from left, are Karyn Myers, secretary; Penny King, assistant secretary; Mary Lou Little, treasurer; and Tom Humerick, Sr., assistant treasurer.



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CROP WALK

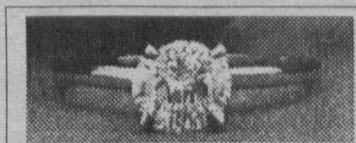


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Paul Harner, president of the Emmitsburg Council of Churches, and Phyllis Kelly, organizer of the 1999 Crop Walk, present to Rev. Margaret Dodds and Janet Springer of Incarnation United Church of Christ, a plaque recognizing U.C.C. as the organization which raised the largest amount of pledge dollars during the walk. Walkers for Incarnation raised \$1,200.

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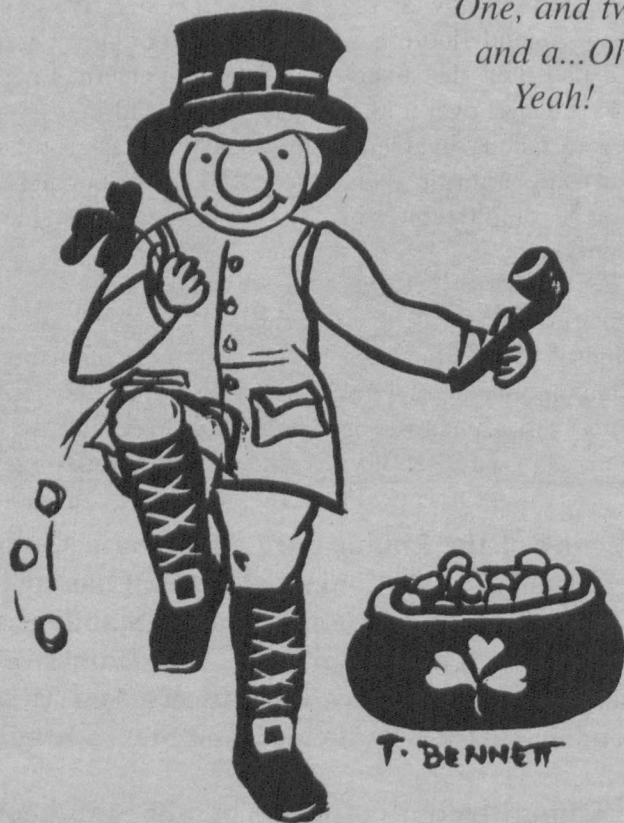
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“POST OFFICE ON WHEELS” TO BE FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS

The Carroll County Rural Free Delivery Centennial Committee is working very hard to preserve a piece of Carroll County history for future generations. They are a dedicated group of volunteers who are working to commemorate a fascinating experiment which took place in Carroll County 100 years ago.

In the late 1800s, county residents in outlying areas walked miles to the Westminster Post Office just to receive and read mail, a luxury we take for granted today. Mr. Edwin W. Shriver, a Carroll County resident and clerk at the Westminster Post office conceived an idea to provide postal delivery in Carroll County. He convinced the Post Office Department to let him try his idea in his home county. In order to put his idea to the test, Mr. Shriver built a special wagon that would travel and provide all the services of a regular Post Office. The wagon was known as “The Post

Office on Wheels.” This special wagon was painted navy blue with black trim. The running gear was yellow with red stripes and each side was lettered: “U.S. MAIL POSTAL WAGON.” The body of the wagon was 8 feet long, 4 feet wide and 6 feet high, and weighed 600 pounds. The wagon began its experimental service around the Westminster area on April 3, 1899. It was very successful; three additional wagons were built. Service to the whole county was started on December 20 of the same year. Rural Free Delivery service is still provided by the U.S. Postal Service.

Today, the location of most of these wagons is unknown, if they still exist at all. The Carroll County/R.F.D. Centennial Committee hopes to preserve and perpetuate this bit of Carroll County history for future generations. They hope that 100 years in the future the residents of Carroll County will be able to see the history of R.F.D. and how their county was involved in its beginnings.

The Committee is accepting donations to build a “Post Office On Wheels.” In 1899, the original wagon cost \$1,750 to build. Today’s reproduction will cost about \$18,000. When completed, it will be housed at the Carroll County Farm Museum and used for educational and special event purposes. It will be displayed there for all to enjoy. The Farm Museum also owns a rare original mail wagon which was used on a rural delivery route. Due to its age and fragile condition, it will be displayed as an important artifact in the Museum’s collection.

Tax-deductible donations may be made to this worthy effort. Checks should be made out to: *The Historical Society of Carroll County*. Indicate on the check that it’s intended for the Shriver’s Wagon or the “Post Office on Wheels.” Mail your donation to: The Historical Society of Carroll County, Carroll County R.F.D. Centennial Committee, 210 East Main Street, Westminster MD 21157-5225.

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Thank you...

Last month we listed the names of people who responded to the *Dispatch's* call for help in 1999. Needless to say, we were touched by the outpouring of community support and spirit.

This month we wish to thank a community-minded organization and some generous volunteers who have played an important part in keeping the *Dispatch* alive. Midway through last year, we were, as the saying goes, “struck out of the blue” by a most generous donation from the Emmitsburg VFW Post # 6585. This donation helped to get us settled into a new little office on South Seton Ave. and we are most grateful to the VFW for their generous support.

The office is being staffed by volunteers and we wish to thank Chata Carr, Ruth Richards, Delores Henke, Bev Fitzgerald, Tish Enright, and Marion Levandowski for sharing their

time, interest, and enthusiasm in keeping the office open Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

Not to sound like a winner at the Golden Globes (but we do), we must also thank the volunteers who have labored to produce the paper this past year. We thank Ann Marshall, Lolly Polvinale, William Elliott, and Annetta Rapp for helping with the layout each month; Lori Rubeling assisting with production; and Bill Rapp with circulation. And where would we be without our copy editor, Pat Bell, and proofreader Caryl Austrian? We’d rather not say. And, of course, making all of this possible are our advertisers, stringers, and writers.

Now as we go forth into 2000 we are indebted to a group of volunteers who have been working very hard on the gala fundraiser to be held March 25. More about this group next month.

Free Seeds

Interested in starting your own garden? Pick up free seeds either in the Emmitsburg Library or the Emmitsburg Food Bank. Bethel Lutheran Church of Frederick has asked Emmitsburg to help with their program “Partners in Stewardship” by distributing these seeds. All you have to do is come pick them up and sign your name. This is only to keep track of how many people use these seeds. There will be no phone calls or use of these names later-only for a count.

Hell hath no fury like a liberal scorned. ...Dick Gregory

Fluoride: cavity fighter or toxic chemical?

BY LOLLY POLVINALE
Dispatch Correspondent

Spring 1939....a small town deep inside Germany. Six men sit around a table in a secluded castle. Four of the men are of the German General Staff; two are scientists. The scientific evidence is in their hands. If they systematically introduce infinitesimal amounts of sodium fluoride into the drinking water it will reduce an individual's power to resist domination by slowly poisoning and narcotizing an area of the brain. It will make the population, as well as political prisoners and prisoners of war, more docile toward authority, and unwilling to defend themselves.....FACT or FICTION?

Lest you think this is fiction or fantasy, it comes from a published volume, *Fluoride-The Freedom Flight*, by Dr. Hans Moolenburgh. It is one of hundreds of volumes of published material, including books, newspapers, magazines, and scientific reports that shed light on the fluoride controversy. A controversy has raged since the early 1950's when the U.S. Public Health Service prematurely endorsed the use of fluoridation in public water systems. This occurred after the original studies [in 1931]conducted by Dr. Trendley Dean, the father of fluoridation, became invalid after he freely and willingly confessed in court that the studies were inaccurate and based on false data. The earliest outspoken objections to fluoridation were published in 1953 in the *Journal of the American Dental Association*, opposing fluoridation because of its lethal qualities, and unpredictable consequences.

As one continues to read the

research, it becomes very clear that fluoride is a dangerous, toxic substance that has not been proven to reduce cavities or protect the teeth from tooth decay. In fact, in study after study, fluoride has been proven to be a highly toxic protoplasmic poison virulent to all living tissue; it is a mutagen and causes cellular and genetic mutation. There is also evidence that it could possibly *promote tooth decay*.

Fluorine is a trace mineral, and very small amounts are necessary in the diet, which can be provided through fruits, vegetables, fish and dairy products. Tooth decay is not caused by fluorine deficiency; it is caused by a deficient diet and refined sugar. There is no such thing as fluorine deficiency.

The key to the whole debate: Why are we fluoridating if we know it hasn't been proven to reduce cavities, and can be toxic? It has been determined [through ongoing scientific testing] that it is a toxic chemical which can cause heart failure, paralysis, respiratory failure, leukemia, skeletal fluorescens, and cancers of all types. In a study as recent as 1988, the Battelle Research Institute was contracted by the U.S. Public Health Service to conduct a study on fluoride and cancer. After eight years, and to the dismay of the Public Health Service, the findings showed that fluoride causes a rare form of liver cancer, oral cancer and bone cancer. The study was never released!

In 1991, Dr. Robert Carton spoke of the necessity to police the Environmental Protection Agency as it makes further assessments regarding fluoridation of the American public's water systems. This report

states there were fraudulent statements made regarding the safe levels of fluoride when it had already been established that levels as low as 0.7 mg could cause skeletal fluorescens. Also, it was established that exposure to fluoride at 1mg/l over a long period of time may calcify ligaments and tendons causing arthritic pain, and alarming rates of hip fractures in the elderly population.

After reading reams of reports on this subject, one should be willing to question the motivation of the U.S. government and big business [and whether it is in our best interest] as hand in hand they have fully endorsed the use of fluoride in American water systems. [e.g. Alcoa Aluminum's chief by-product is hydrofluosilic acid, a toxic waste

which Alcoa sells to the U.S. government to provide fluoride to dump into our water systems.]

An investigative report should provide enough information to encourage concerned people to read and question further what/why they are ingesting in their food and water. We need to do our homework, and fully investigate what has been repudiated by over 98% of the nations of the world, who do not permit/allow fluoridation of their water supplies. After years of [published] scientific research they have concluded that fluoridation is unhealthy, unsafe and toxic to the majority of the population. There is no definitive evidence whatsoever that fluoridation is healthy for humans or prevents cavities.

State chamber director visits EBPA

Kathleen Snyder, president of the Maryland Chamber of Commerce was a guest of the Emmitsburg Business and Professional Association at a buffet luncheon hosted by George Houston, president of Mount Saint Mary's College.

The Maryland Chamber has adopted a Business 2000 agenda and Ms. Snyder has been traveling throughout the state to speak with local business leaders and to hear local issues. Members of the EBPA had an opportunity to chat informally with the executive officer of the Maryland Chamber.

As part of the Business 2000 agenda, the Chamber is focusing on these issues: long-term funding of Maryland's transportation network, repeal of the inheritance tax, reducing the state personal income tax rate

to 7.75%.

EBPA president, Don Briggs has developed a series of business luncheons to provide local members of broad business, political, and regulatory issues across the county and state.



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Tax credit story earns Thurmont woman presidential spotlight

BY LESLIE PERSSE
Dispatch Correspondent

Jessica and Tommy Cupp of Thurmont were one surprised couple when on Jan. 12 they met one-on-one with President Clinton.

The meeting resulted from a series of phone calls initiated by Associated Catholic Charities in Baltimore. Catholic Charities contacted its Up-County Family Center in Emmitsburg looking for a family that had benefited from the federal earned-income tax credit (EITC). Leslie Persse from Up-County Family Center had been visiting Jessica on a weekly basis and was aware that the Cupp family had filed for EITC and benefited from the EITC in the past.

Jessica agreed to support the President in his request to increase the tax credit. The kicker was that she was

to introduce the President with a 3-4 minute original speech before an event sponsored by the Democratic Leadership Council at George Washington University. The phone lines between the White House and Jessica's house were numerous.

On Jan. 12, Jessica, husband Tommy, their daughters Aliza, Maggie, and Sarah, and Jessica's mother Bonnie Rexroth met privately for several minutes with President Clinton. Following remarks by Senator Joseph Lieberman, D-CT, Jessica made her introduction. She explained how helpful the EITC has been for her family. The money returned to them in 1998 assisted them in locating a new house and vehicle—things they would not have been able to afford without the help of the EITC. Jessica said, "It's kind of a reward for being a married, hard-working couple. It gave us a boost."

The EITC is designed to assist people making between \$10,000 and \$31,000 per year and to keep people working and off welfare.

For the one-income Cupp family of 5 (three are just over 2 years old), it has been very beneficial. However, as Jessica noted in her remarks, had her husband made \$2000 more in 1998, they would not have been eligible for the credit.

President Clinton detailed his plan to expand the earned-income tax credit and assist more low-to-middle income families. He would also like to expand the program to make it available to families who have more than 3 children. He requested that Congress vote to increase the EITC program by \$21 billion over the next 10 years.

The Cupps are just one local family who feel that many other families would benefit from the proposed plan.



Jessica Cupp of Thurmont awaits her moment to introduce President Clinton at a Democratic Leadership Council sponsored by George Washington University. From the left are Senator Joseph Lieberman, D-CT, President Bill Clinton and Jessica Cupp. Photo courtesy Up-County Family Center.

Up-County makes 'wish list'

BY BEV FITZGERALD
Dispatch Correspondent

The Up-County Family Center, located at 303 W. Lincoln Avenue, Emmitsburg, has helped many families in its thirteen years in the area. It is a non-profit organization which works with families with children under four years of age.

The intent of Up-County Family Center is to provide and promote, through mutual respect, opportunities that strengthen and build healthy and positive family functioning for all. Up-County serves approximately 70 families in the Emmitsburg-Thurmont area and it is not income based. Because Up-County depends on government funds to run the Center, it welcomes any donations to help make parents to be more supportive of their families.

Employee of the month



BARBARA DICK

"The Center encourages family time, meal time and moral support to anyone in need," says Jane Counsellor, the Child Development Specialist at the Center.

The Center is always in need of volunteers, ideas, and monetary assistance to help those in need. It serves families of all economic levels and circumstances. The families assisted are appreciative in their time of need. All Family Support Services are free. Up-County is one of Maryland's Family Support Centers and a recipient of aid from Catholic Charities and United Way.

A "Wish List" includes new baby and maternity clothing, personal hygiene items, cleaning supplies, diapers, paper supplies, office supplies and volunteers for cleaning & maintenance.

St Catherine's Nursing Center Employee of the Month for January 2000 is Barb Dick. Barb has been employed as an LPN since June of 1995. She demonstrates good leadership for her fellow employees and is always willing to help the GNA's. Barb is willing to try new things to help make work go smoother. She always has a kind word for everyone and always says thank you to everyone for helping. She goes out of her way to make everyone feel welcome. Congratulations, Barb.

Indian Lookout

Directors of the Indian Lookout Conservation Club held their 6th annual meeting recently at the Gateway Family Restaurant in Thurmont. Members gathered to enjoy a little fellowship and present some awards. Mary Diehl was honored as Member of the Year, Merle McCleaf was recognized for his gracious support of the club in making the 2nd annual car show a big success. Mike Thompson was also recognized for his support of the club through



Dispatch photos

Jeannie Eyler presents plaque to Merle McCleaf.



Mike Trout presents Member of the Year award to Mary Diehl.

his donations.

Historian Gil Eiker reported that in 1999 the wildlife feeding program was successful, the 2nd annual car show had 115 entries and was double the size of the first show, club grounds were prepared for the annual fall shooting match, walnut trees were planted and a planned rest room will be completed. Last year the club also made donations to the Emmitsburg Lions Club, the Emmitsburg Ambulance Company and the Emmitsburg Christmas Decoration Committee.

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The Country Quilter at Zora Market Place

Cozy, quaint, and filled with handmade items

BY SARAH WASSNER
Dispatch Correspondent

Nestled within a charming grouping of pastel cottages is a tiny shop, small in size but grand in quality and merchandise. The Country Quilter, located in the Zora Market Place on the edge of Fairfield, crams a large selection of various hand-made crafts into a miniature yet cozy and quaint shop.

Run by Kim Shimmel and her husband Richard of Mont Alto, The Country Quilter offers a variety of quilted wall hangings, decorated cheese boxes, fabric dolls, picture



KIM SHIMMEL

découpages and even Beanie Babies. All items (except for the Beanies) are created entirely by the Shimmels with Kim handling the design, sewing and painting while Richard manages the wood and wire work.

The Shimmels began their busi-

Lions offer Morningstar Memorial Scholarship to area students

The Emmitsburg Lions Club announces the Dr. George Morningstar Memorial Scholarship for a class of 2000 high school student residing in the Emmitsburg Lions Club service district. This district includes the Emmitsburg Elementary School district and the 21727 zip code.

This one-time scholarship award of \$500 for college or other post high school education will be based upon the merits of an essay of application produced on a computer and signed and submitted by the applicant. This essay of application should contain such information as career goals, high school activities, non-school activities, and any other information deemed relevant by the applicant. The essay, as much as possible, should not contain information that directly identifies the

applicant so that the judges will not know the name of the applicant writing the essay. The scholarship chairman will render the essays anonymous and submit them to the judges.

OR: The applicant may, in a signed letter produced on a computer and sent by U.S. Mail, submit an internet web address of an internet web page containing the essay of application and any other text information (no graphics) deemed relevant by the applicant.

ness five years ago, traveling to craft shows to display and sell their goods. They soon enjoyed enough success on the road to open up their shop in the Zora Market Place. Also, the Shimmels' crafts are available for purchase on the Internet at Ebay.com under the address quiltetc@cvn.net

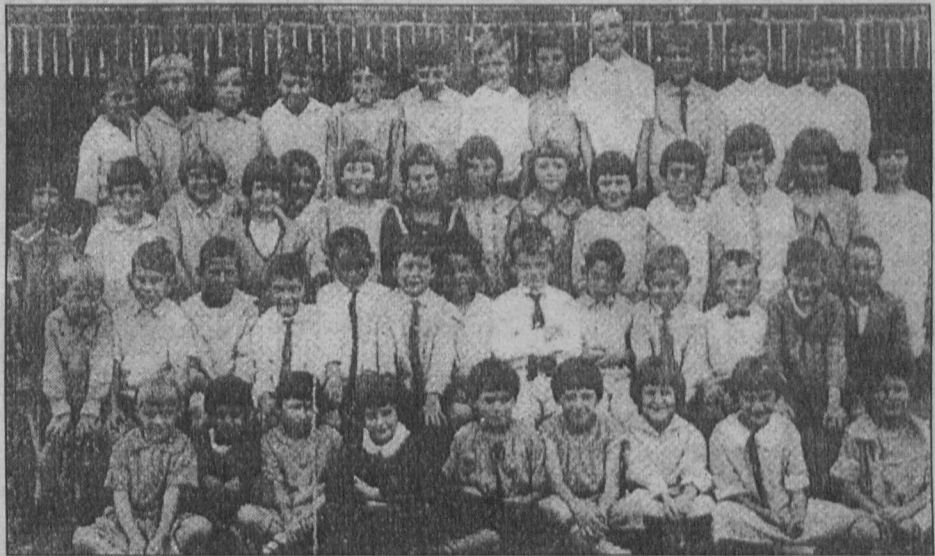
We get a lot of business from people just passing by, as well as skiers coming from Liberty," commented Kim. "Plus we began selling on Ebay a year and a half ago and that has brought us even more customers."

In order to keep up with the increasing demand of their goods as well as to manage what the Shimmels describe as "The largest selection of quilt hangings around," the couple are constantly creating and working on their crafts. However, business life for the Shimmels will have to slow down just a bit as Kim is expecting their first child in July.

"After the baby is born we hope to go back to being open four days a week," said Kim. Until then, The Country Quilter welcomes customers on Fridays (4 p.m. - 7 p.m.), Saturdays (10 a.m. - 5 p.m.), and Sundays (11 a.m. - 5 p.m.).

"Everybody is welcome to stop by and check it all out," said Kim.

Zora Market Place includes these shops and businesses: Jester's Hope Chest, Jester's Computer Service, Country Quilter, and Peaceful Paths.



GOOD OL' DAYS — The year was 1926 when these second- and third-grade students from Emmitsburg gathered for their class picture. Submitted by Anna (Eiker) Ray, the photograph includes students from the Stoney Branch and Annandale one-room school. From left, front row are Dorothy Snyder, Luella Stonesifer, Virginia Stonesifer, Amy Gillian, Ruth Stonesifer, Helen Ott, Rachel Grimes, Gladys Sayler, Anna Keilholtz; second row, Edwin Ohler, Joe Fitz, Ronald Long, Jimmie Martin, Harold Hoke, Paul Eyler, Breta Keilholtz, M.F. Shuff, John Hoke, Leonard Long, Tom Gingell, Bill Bushman, Jack (?) who was visiting that day; third row, Ruth Eiker, Jame Bollinger, Helen Eyler, Janet Hoke, Emma Warrenfeltz, Bertha Kimball, Beulah Long, Jane Miller, Hazel Sheeley, Janet Adelsberger, Elizabeth Eyler, Dorothy Eyler, Esther Grimes, Helen Annan; fourth row, Bud Annan, Ralph Kelly, Dick Zacharias, Richard Motter, Richard Ott, unknown student, Richard Harner, Wilbur Grimes, Luther Zimmerman, Richard Sayler, Robert Eiker, and Cramer Eyler.

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Grange Christmas party, caroling held

Thurmont Grange held its annual Christmas Party and Caroling on Sunday, December 5. Forty people attended this event. The hall was decorated by Lisa, Jim, and Sandy Moser. Dinner was provided by the Mountain Gate Family Restaurant.

Following the meal Helen Troxell, Lecturer, presented a program which included the legend of "The Candy Cane."

Cheryl Lenhart and Patty Johnston were presented their 25-year membership pins and certificates by Thurmont Grange Secretary Peggy Royer and Maryland State Grange Secretary Helen Eyer.

Dottie Plumer was also recognized for her 25 years of membership to Thurmont Grange.

Rodman Myers received his 50-year membership pin from Thurmont Grange Master Jim Moser.

A needy family was adopted through the Seton Center of

Emmitsburg by Thurmont Grange. Members purchased 34 gifts, 29 food items, and gift certificates to Jubilee Foods and Toys Are Us for a mother and her three daughters.

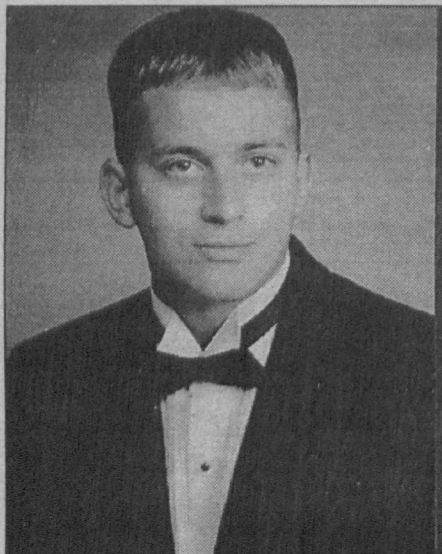
Members sang Christmas carols and presented fruit baskets, made by members, to area shut-ins. These people included; Elizabeth Keilholtz, Albert Zentz, John Amery, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Hoke, Lillian Dominique, Charles Anders, Doris Filler, Leroy Riffle, Alan Miller, John Birkland, the late Albert Eyer, Luella Kreitz, Charles Brauer, Ray Seiss, and Bonnie Willard.

Personal Care Boxes were made and given to the following in area nursing homes; Lily Reaver, Mary Troxell, Lola Zentz, John Martin, Mary Barbe, Harold Waskey, Sam Bittner, the late Jim Eby, the late Marian Delauter and the late Leda Lambert.

Robert Seidel to Attend USMA

Robert A. Seidel III has accepted an offer of admission to attend the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, NY. Rob will attend Cadet Basic Training this summer for six weeks and upon completion, he will be inducted into the Corps of Cadets. Rob received his nomination from U.S. Sen. Barbara A. Mikulski (D-MD).

Rob is currently a senior at Catoctin High School. He is the son of Bob and Sandy Seidel, Jr., of Emmitsburg. He is the grandson of Bob and Ruth Seidel Sr., of Emmitsburg, and Arlene and the late Donald Giannini of Graceham.



ROBERT A. SEIDEL III

Valentine earns highest FFA degree

Mr. Robert Valentine is one of the most dedicated people to the Catoctin FFA Chapter and of the Catoctin FFA Alumni. Mr. Valentine recently attended the National FFA Convention and received his Honorary American FFA degree. The Honorary American FFA degree is the highest degree that a person can acquire in the FFA. In addition, he is one of the few people to receive his Honorary degree the same year his son, Mark Valentine, received his American FFA degree.

Mr. Valentine is graciously devoting his time to the Catoctin FFA chapter in Thurmont, Maryland. He takes time out of a

busy schedule to transport the chapter members to conventions, CDE's and other chapter events. Mr. Valentine also helps out at many of the chapter events.

The Catoctin FFA chapter would like to thank Mr. Valentine for all of his hard work and hopes that he will continue his dedication to the chapter. He is very deserving of the recognition he has received. Mr. Valentine will always be welcome in our chapter as well as the Maryland FFA Organization.

BROWNIES



On December 14, 1999, Brownie Troop #1079 of Emmitsburg held a ceremony to present gift boxes to Bill Derbyshire of the Emmitsburg CASS program. Mr. Derbyshire accepted the gift boxes on behalf of four local families. The troop decorated the gift boxes, filled them with food, school supplies, toys, books, and toiletries. Each troop member made and decorated holiday cards to accompany the boxes. Each gift box also contained \$25. The \$25.00 for each gift box was the profit that the troop earned from their fall "Nuts and Calendar" sales. Troop members include: front row: Amanda Rand-Campbell, Deanna Nettleton, Greta Nettleton (leader); second row Heather Pozzouli; Third row: Misti Bradshaw, Amanda Delphey, Ashley Delphey, Brandi McCarty; Fourth row Jessica Boller, Danielle Pozzouli, Hannah Clayton. Not pictured: Hollie Hoke, Kourtney Roman, Jessica Potts, Lesley Potts (co-leader).

It's Girl Scout spring registration time again

It's Spring Registration time again. Any girl who is already registered as a Girl Scout may re-register for the next school year. If you are not currently a Girl Scout and would like to register for the next school year now, you may do that also. Scouting is available for all age groups in the Thurmont area. Someone will be available for registration at Thurmont Middle School Thursday, March 16, from 7-9 p.m. and at the Emmitsburg Celebration Night at Emmitsburg Elementary School.

Girl Scout cookie orders will be taken in the beginning of March and delivered by the middle of March. Thank you very much for your support. The profit from the cookies goes for much more than the functioning of the troop. Our council receives a profit also. That money is used to improve or repair our our three local camps that the Emmitsburg Girl Scouts use often. We are also trying to obtain a camp in Frederick County. Without your support this wouldn't be possible.

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Party held for John Sherwin

BY MARK KAY FRISHKORN

On January 16, one hundred guests attended a party for John Sherwin's 50th birthday at the VFW Hall in Emmitsburg. Attending were Beth Sherwin, John's wife, and their sons, Bobby and Mikie, who helped make this day so special. Also attending were friends, co-workers and family.

John's brother-in-law Mike Frischkorn and his sister, Mary Kay

Frischkorn, were Masters of Ceremonies. Lots of kind words for John and many old tales were told by all. John's niece Meredith Megles sang a lovely Marilyn Monroe "Happy Birthday" to John. Elaine and Denny Ebaugh's Karaoke entertainment was wonderful. John's sister and brother-in-law, Marty and George Methee, and his sister and brother-in-law, Alice and Richard Megles, created a delicious buffet followed by a huge 50th birthday cake. A delightful time was had by all.

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Catoctin High School and is planning to enter college for paramedic training.

At its 11th annual banquet held Feb. 12, Emmitsburg Ambulance Co. gave John special recognition for being Top Responder with 427 hours and spending the most time on a unit in active service—352 hours. John is sometimes men-

tioned in the "are you still here?" category. He readily admits spending 40 hours per week at the ambulance building.

John is proudest of becoming a member of the EMS family. "The people around the station have welcomed me as a member of their family and that gives a nice feeling," John said. "To know that I can help benefit the community and other people is important," said John.

His advice to other kids regarding emergency services training: "If you enjoy getting respect and doing something that makes you feel good, then go for it." John has followed his own advice and takes his service seriously, amassing 2,515 hours of service over the last year.

John lives in Emmitsburg with

Health Fair

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ease. The cost of the TSH blood test is \$10. Other optional blood tests include the Vitamin B12 deficiency test at \$10 and the glycohemoglobin (HbA1C) test available for diabetics only for an additional \$15.

In continuing with their tradition of a comprehensive health screening, the Lions Club will also offer the following free screenings: blood pressures, vision, glaucoma, hearing, height and weight measurement, oxygen saturation, foot exam, oral cancer screening, spinal evaluation, massage therapy, and general health and health care information.

For more about the 17th annual Emmitsburg Lions Health Fair, contact Joe Ritz at 301-447-2939 (evenings).

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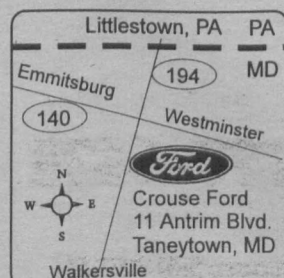
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LOOKING AHEAD

March 3,

World Day of Prayer Service will be held at the Incarnation Church of Christ, 124 West Main Street, Emmitsburg, at 2:30 p.m. All are welcome.

Monday, March 6

An evening of traditional Irish music sponsored by the Emmitsburg and Thurmont Branches of the Frederick County Public Library will be held at 7:00 p.m. at the Emmitsburg Branch Library. Irish Balladeer Brian Coughlan will present the program of Irish ballads from the nineteenth century. Call 301-447-2682 or 301-271-7721 today to register.

Sunday, March 12

"All You Can Eat" pancake, sausage & egg breakfast from 7:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. sponsored by St. Joseph's Parish on North Seton Avenue in Emmitsburg, Md. The menu includes pancakes, sausage, eggs, home fries, fruit, juices, gravy, & hot beverages. The price is \$5.00 for adults; children ages 5-12 is \$2.50; and children under 5 are free.

Monday, March 13

Thurmont Women's Aglow will hold their monthly meeting at the Mountain Gate Restaurant. The buffet begins 6:15 p.m.; cost is \$7. The meeting begins at 7:05 p.m. This

month's speaker is Mary Ellen Geeslin. The topic is Helping Your Children Stay Innocent and Grow Wise. There will be signing for the hearing impaired. For reservations please call 301-271-4346 or 301-447-2283.

Saturday, March 18

Turkey and oyster supper sponsored by Tom's Creek Methodist Church on Tom's Creek Church Road will be held from 1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Adults \$9. Ages 5-10 \$4.50. Carryouts \$9.50. Baked goods and craft table available.

Sunday, March 19

A Good Old Country Breakfast at the Taneytown Rod and Gun Club, 12380 Shoemaker Road, from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. Snow date March 26. Adults \$4.50, Children 87-12 \$3.

Monday, March 20

Tole Painting Class, 7 p.m. at Rocky Ridge Church of Brethren. Cost \$10. Must supply brushes and 8" or 10" flower pot; paints provided. Call to register or for information 410-756-6348 or 301-271-7230.

Tuesday, March 21

EBPA luncheon meeting 11:30 at the Carriage House Inn.

Saturday, March 25

Oyster Feed at Taneytown Road and Gun Club from 4 p.m.-7 p.m. \$18 per person. Tickets purchased in advance.

Free parenting classes offered at Catocin HS

Parents: register now to take part in a free Systematic Training for Effective Parenting (STEP) course offered by the Frederick County Health Department's Substance Abuse Division, Prevention Services. Topics of discussion include methods of effective discipline, building positive self-esteem, improving communication skills, and much more.

The course will be held Tuesday, March 7 - April 25, 2000, at Catocin High School. Call Todd Crum at 301-631-3285 to register.

Middle school child fair set

Thurmont Middle School is hosting our **First Annual Child Fair** on March 16, 2000, from 7:00-9:00 p.m. at Thurmont Middle School. The theme of this year's fair is "Absolutely Incredible Kids."

Child-oriented organizations and businesses are invited to participate by manning booths and/or having interactive demonstrations. We are requesting such groups bring materials regarding their organizations and the family services they offer, to

share with the community.

Please send your response to me, Judy Lingg, Thurmont Middle School PTA President, at 15879 Eylers Valley Road, Thurmont, MD 21788, by no later than February 11, 2000. If you have any questions, please call 301-271-2464 and leave a message.

I look forward to having your participation at our First Annual Child Fair, celebrating Maryland's Absolutely Incredible Kids Day.

Little League final registration March 11

BY DEAN TORGERSON

Dispatch Correspondent

The Emmitsburg Baseball and Softball League will hold its final player registration session on Saturday, March 11, from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Trinity United Methodist Church on West Main Street in Emmitsburg. If you are unable to sign up your child on that date, please call League President Bill Wivell at (301) 447-2354 or League Secretary Dean Torgerson at (301) 447-3130.

League tryouts are scheduled as follows:

Little League: Saturday, March

25, at 1:00 p.m. and Monday, March 27, at 5:30 p.m.

Note: Players must be there for both days.

Minor League: Wednesday, March 29, at 5:30 p.m.

All tryouts will be held at the Little League field behind the Antique Mall in Emmitsburg.

The next league meeting, which is open to the public, will be held on Thursday, March

16, at 7:00 p.m. at the Trinity United Methodist Church on West Main Street in Emmitsburg.

As always, thank you to everyone who supports the Emmitsburg Baseball and Softball League.

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March 12, 7:30 p.m.

March 19, 7:30 p.m.

March 26, 7:30 p.m.

April 2, 7:30 p.m.

April 9, 7:30 p.m.

April 16, Palm Sunday
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April 21, Good Friday
12:00 noon

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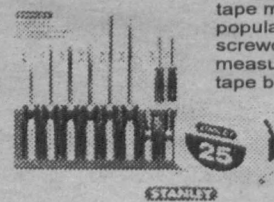
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THE MULBERRY BUSH

A time recalled when Monday meant washing and hanging out the laundry

BY RUTH RICHARDS
Dispatch Correspondent

Here we go 'round the mulberry bush, the mulberry bush, so early Monday morning.

This is the way we wash our clothes, wash our clothes—so early Monday morning.

That childhood verse says it all. Monday was long ago chosen as the day the family's clothes were washed, at my home in South Dakota, in Emmitsburg, and every place else that I know of. And I hated it.

I have a strong memory of myself as a 4-year-old speaking on the phone to an out-of-town aunt of mine and asking if I could live with her because my mother washed clothes on Monday. I was hoping that she didn't follow this weekly habit. Alas, she did. She washed clothes on Monday, too.

As I grew older, I hated it even more. The specter of the day really began when on Sunday we were instructed to gather up all the dirty clothes, put them in the laundry chute sending them to the basement where they were sorted by color and made ready for the washing machine on Monday morning.

My mother, a full-time secretary in my father's law office, got up at 5 o'clock on Monday morning to do the family laundry, before she went to work. I was the designated member of the family who had to help with this onerous task.

For those of you who don't remember, or might never have known it, the Laundro-Mat is an innovation of the middle of the 20th Century. You might remember that as children singing the "Mulberry song," we "washed our clothes," by scrubbing, bent over, on an imaginary washboard. This is the way it was done long, long ago. There was a wash tub and a washboard, and with these the cleaning of the clothes took place.

I suppose my grandmother out on the prairies of South Dakota in the 1800s had to use the washboard, and my mother, no doubt, had to help her. But when I was a child there was an electric washing machine. Water, hot water, was put into a cylindrical tub that had a device called an "agitator" which moved the clothes around. After the clothes were determined to be clean, they were put through a wringer, by hand, to squeeze the wash-water out, and then put into a tub of water for the rinsing. In my family there were two tubs for rinsing. The moving of the clothes was all done by hand.

In my school days the hand-moving of the clothes was my job before I went to school in the morning. I also had to help hang the clothes on the outdoors line. Sometimes they froze stiff—and so did I, but by the time school was over they were dry enough to bring in.

When I got to Emmitsburg in 1940, I was devastated to find no washing machine in Mrs. Patterson's house. There was a single wash tub with faucets and a washboard (You all know what a wash board looks like? Corrugated (from Latin *to wrinkle*) metal nailed onto a board.) Was I going to have to do our sheets, towels, shirts, table linens with this contraption?

Someone, and it probably was Mrs. Patterson, saved the day, and suggested I ask Goldie Kugler if she would do our wash. Goldie lived on West Main Street. That was very hard for me to do as I grew up in a house where we didn't ask others to do our menial work. But I asked her and she agreed to do it.

Every Sunday, just as at home, we (probably I), gathered up our dirty clothes, put them in a laundry bag and the bag into a clothes basket and took them to Goldie. She washed them Monday, dried them either outside on her porch or in the house in bad weather, and we picked them up on Tuesday,

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"rough dried," no ironing. Then back to the Mulberry bush.

Goldie's charge for her work was 50 cents. At the time I didn't think 50 cents was very much, but then we didn't have much money either. Goldie had washed, starched the shirts and table clothes and folded the rest of the clothes for just half a dollar.

In 1942 when we moved out to the Neighbors' house, I was pleased—elated in fact—that there was a washing machine in the basement. So I went through all of

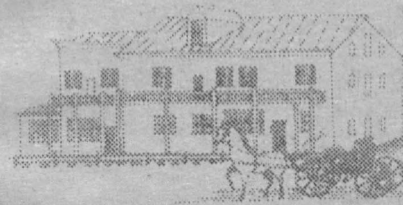
the steps that my mother had gone through: gathering up the clothes, sorting, washing, hanging them outside. When? Monday, of course.

My mother and our neighbor women competed (mother denied it) to see who could get her clothes out on the line first. Mother, because she had to go to work, usually won. For me, at the Neighbors', there was no competition as I would never have risen at the crack of dawn to be first at anything. I do have to say, though, that I felt mighty proud seeing how white my things looked hanging out in the sun.

Then we made the move to the house next to the bank and once again I had no washing machine. There were two fixed wash tubs with faucets in the basement but I wasn't going to do the family

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28. Three 3-Gallon Rheingold Arborvitae and Two 3-Gallon Dwarf Crimson Pygmy Barberry Plants. Donor: Middle Creek Nursery.

29. Two Lace Wall Hangings. Donor: The Quilt Patch Home Furnishings.

30. Octagon-Shaped Birdbath. Donor: Boyer Nurseries & Orchards

31. \$25.00 Gift Certificate. Donor: Gallery 30.

32. White Corked Jug with Apple Motif. Donor: Zerfings's Hardware.

33. Two Gallons of High Quality Off-White Flat Interior Wall Paint, w/ essential painting supplies. Donor: David E. Little Painting.

34. A Baker's Dozen of Herbs for Your Garden. Donor: Alloway Creek Garden & Herb Farm.

35. Webster's Collegiate Dictionary and a "Jim Phelan" Clipboard. Donor: Mount St. Mary's College.

36. Twig Wreath with Multi-Colored Dried Flowers. Donor: Rooster Vane Gardens.

37. Picnic Basket Backpack for Two. Donor: PNC Bank.

38. Bird Feeder with Seed and a Table-Top Gas Grill. Donor: Zurgable Brothers Hardware.

39. Six-Piece Bathroom Accessories in Silver. Donor: Joseph C. Reckley's Plumbing, Heating & Air Conditioning.

40. Car-Cleaning Supplies. Donor: Taneytown Auto Parts.

Collectibles

41. Three Beanie Babies. Donor: Trish's Treasures.

42. World Globe with 21 x 32 Colored World Wall Map and an Emmitsburg T- Shirt. Donor: Crouses on the Square.

43. \$50.00 Gift Certificate. Donor: Emmitsburg Antique Mall.

44. Authentic Ceremonial Southwest Indian Turquoise Stone. Donor: Bonita Portier.

45. Shaker Candle Table. Donor: William Carr.

46. Original Aluminum Sculptures Housed in Maplewood Box. Donor: Rubling & Kain Studio.

47. "Family" of Three Hand-Blown Glass Chickens by René Burri of Switzerland. Donor: Becky Jones.

48. 1995 Basket of Plenty for Collectors or Admirers of Longaberger Baskets. Donor: Betty Jean Meredith.

Sports and Entertainment

49. Basketball Autographed by Coach Phelan. Donor: Jim Phelan.

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51. Four Rounds of Golf with Cart at The Links in Gettysburg. Donor: W. S. Drywall Service, Inc.

52. One Golf Lesson with Casey Counsellor, PGA Pro at Gettysburg Country Club PLUS Dual-Shoulder Golf Bag Strap.

Donor: Casey Counsellor.

53. One Dozen Golf Balls. Donor: Carroll County Golf Course.

54. Seat Next to Dottie. Donor: Dottie Phelan.

55. Beginner's Ski Package at Ski Liberty Resort. Donor: Ski Liberty Resort.

56. Lesson with PGA Golf Pro Jon Stennet. Donor: MountainView Golf Course.

57. Soccer Game. Donor: The Black Swan.

58. Four General Admission Season Tickets to MSM Men's Basketball for the 2000- 2001 Season. Donor: Mount St. Mary's College Athletic Department.

59. Two Ravens Home Game Tickets. Donor: Tim and Susan Noffsinger.

60. Two Tickets to Redskins Game. Donor: Eric Glass.

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More Gala Items

61. Four Tickets to Ravens Game. Donor: Eric Glass / U.S. Food Service

62. Four Tickets to Sky Box Suite for an Orioles Game.(Includes Parking Permit.) Donor: Audrey and Eric Glass.

63. Four Tickets to Sky Box Suite for an Orioles Game (Includes Parking Permit). Donor: Audrey and Eric Glass.

64. Three \$10.00 Gift Certificates for Video Rentals. Donor: Emmitsburg Video.

65. Equine Care Product and Baseball Cap. Donors: Black Hills Tack and Breezy Hill Farm.

66. A One-Hour Riding Lesson. Donor: Windy Meadow Farm.

Dinners and Other Treats

67. Gift Certificate for Mother Seton School Carnival in May 2000. Donor: Mother Seton School.

68. \$30.00 Gift Certificate from Carriage House Bake Shop in Walkersville. Donor: Carriage House Bake Shop, Walkersville.

69. \$50.00 Gift Certificate at Grille at Park Circle. Donor: Grille at Park Circle, Hagerstown.

70. Dinner for Two at Antrim 1844. Donor: Antrim 1844.

71. \$50.00 Gift Certificate from Main Street Deli. Donor: Main Street Deli.

72. \$50.00 Gift Certificate for Shriver Meats. Donor: Shriver Meats. Sandra and Norman Shriver, Jr.

73. Grand Marnier Deluxe Gift Box. Donor: Paul's Pit Stop.

74. Two \$20.00 Gift Certificates—One Each from One More Tavern and 140 W. Mini Mart. Donors: One More Tavern and 140 W. Mini Mart.

75. \$50.00 Gift Certificate to Rudy's Restaurant. Donor: Rudy's 2900.

76. \$40.00 Gift Certificate to The Palms Restaurant on Main Street. Donor: The Palms Restaurant.

77. "Warm-Up Basket." Donor: Mason-Dixon Oil Company.

78. Buffet Dinners for Two at the Mountain Gate Family Restaurant. Donor: Mountain Gate Family Restaurant.

79. Basket Overflowing with Food and Kitchen Items. Donor: Callie's Collectibles.

80. \$25.00 Gift Certificate toward Dinner at The Shamrock Restaurant. Donor: Shamrock Restaurant.

81. \$25.00 Gift Certificate from the Ott House. Donor: Ott House on the Square.

82. ROCCOCO's.....\$100.00 Gift Certificate. Donor: Roccoco's.

83. Lunch for Two at Fairfield Inn. Donor: Fairfield Inn.

84. Dinner for Two at the Fairfield Inn. Donor: Fairfield Inn.

85. Lunch for Two at the Brown Pelican. Donor: The Brown Pelican, Frederick.

86. \$25.00 Gift Certificate for Mountain Liquors (your own selection). Donor: Mountain Liquors, Inc.

87. Dinner for Four at MSM President Houston's House. Donor: President George Houston.

88. Two Large PIZZA HUT

Pizzas. Donor: Pizza Hut, Emmitsburg, Maryland.

89. Dinner for Four at the Carriage House Inn. Donor: Carriage House Inn (Our Hosts for the Gala!)

90. \$20.00 Gift Certificate for Stavros Pizza. Donor: Stavros Pizza.

91. \$25.00 Gift Certificate to Emmitsburg Subway. Donor: Emmitsburg Subway.

92. Dinner for Two at Piggy Duke's Popular Sports Bar. Donor: Piggy Duke's Saloon.

93. Gettysburg Health and Fitness

- One Month Membership. Donor: Gettysburg Health and Fitness.

94. One Adult Membership for Mount St. Mary's Recreational Center. Donor: Mount St. Mary's Recreational Services.

95. \$40.00 Gift Certificate to Curly Sue's. Donor: Curly Sue's Hair Works.

96. \$50.00 Gift Certificate for Dental Services. Donor Timothy Bringardner, D.D.S.

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Mount to offer symposium on corporate social responsibility

By SARAH WASSNER

In an attempt to address the worldwide issue of corporate social responsibility, a symposium is being offered this spring at Mount Saint Mary's. Headed by keynote speaker Dr. Patricia Werhane, the symposium will offer an insight into the various measures that U.S. companies are taking regarding maintaining their own human rights policies while working in foreign nations. The symposium will be held on Wednesday, March 29, at 3:30 p.m. in the Mount's Knott Auditorium.

Sparked by Werhane's recently published piece "Corruption, Globalization and Moral Risk" as well as the ever-flagrant human rights issue, the Symposium on Corporate Social Responsibility will seek to educate students, faculty and community members on this controversial topic. Particularly, the panelists will offer input into the debate of how multinational and transnational companies should act when they do business in or with countries where human violations are commonplace.

Werhane, the Ruffin Professor of Business Ethics at the Darden

Graduate School of Business Administration at the University of Virginia, explains in detail her stance on corporate social responsibility in her paper she coauthored with Tom Donaldson. At the symposium, she is slated to address the issues raised in her paper, including contrasting examples of corporations operating in China. Werhane will shed light on both Levi Strauss and Motorola, companies with business involvement in China. Both corporations recently dealt with the moral issue of prison slave labor and a general disrespect of human rights in China. However, Levi and Motorola contrasted in the way in which they handled their business overseas. Werhane will explain how Levi Strauss opted "to conduct a three year phase-out program to withdraw business from its China contractors" while acting on the moral principles stated in the company's mission statement. On the other hand, as Werhane depicts in her paper, Motorola chose to remain in China while upholding a mission of "uncompromising integrity." The company does so by engaging in and contributing to community develop-

ment, "not simply [trading] with it." This, Werhane states, achieves moral, economical and political progress. However, she also points out that it is not evident how Motorola and other global companies operating in China are improving the human rights climate in China.

Also tackling this on-going debate will be two commentators who will entertain Werhane's principle address as well as offer their own thoughts and opinions. A Mount Saint Mary's faculty member and Dr. D. Jeffrey Lenn are scheduled to speak. Lenn, who recently completed a

Guggenheim fellowship teaching in China, is the Associate Dean of the School of Business and Public Management at the George Washington University.

Dr. Kirk Davidson, a professor of Business at The Mount, is currently organizing the Symposium on Corporate Social Responsibility. He is encouraging all faculty and students to attend, particularly those tied to Core Ethics courses, International Relations courses and Business courses. Community members seeking to learn more about this intriguing matter are welcome as well.

Laundry

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(John's and my) wash by hand.

Once again I found someone to wash for me. Mrs. Adelsburger and her two daughters, Janet and Alice. Mrs. Adelsburger agreed to not only do the laundry, but also to iron John's shirts and the tablecloths. She, Janet, and Alice could really iron. It was professional. I never have seen a shirt or a linen tablecloth done up so beautifully as those women did them. It was an art.

However despite the firm stand I took against using wash tubs, I was forced into it when Kathy was

born. I spent many hours washing diapers down in that clingy basement, and once again hanging things out to dry.

Lest you start feeling sorry for me, I want you to know that I finally got an agitator-driven washing machine after the war, and early in 1950 got an automatic washing machine. I know that I am a traitor, but I no longer confine my washing to Mondays—I probably never wash on Monday. And as for going around the Mulberry bush on Tuesday, science has practically made ironing a thing of the past.



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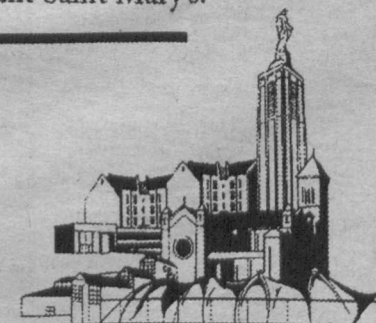
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Obituaries

Mrs. Dorothy Knox

Mrs. Dorothy Margaret Baumgardner Knox, of Mountainview Road, Emmitsburg, died February 2 at her home.

She was the wife of Charles William Knox, who died in 1972.

Born in Finksburg, she was a daughter of the late Thomas and Nina Morrison Baumgardner.

Mrs. Knox graduated from Emmitsburg High School and Thompson Business School in York.

She was a lifelong member of Elias Evangelical Lutheran Church, Emmitsburg.

Mrs. Knox had worked as a switchboard operator for Thurmont Telephone Co. She retired from the local school cafeteria of the Frederick County Public Schools.

Surviving are two daughters, Polly Ann Knox of Emmitsburg, and Linda Knox of Fairfield, Pa.; one son, Charles Thomas Knox and wife Doris of Emmitsburg; and two sisters, Jane Baumgardner of Taneytown, and Pauline Shank of Fairfield.

Mrs. Knox was preceded in death by one son, James Everett Knox; two brothers, Clarence Baumgardner and Carl Baumgardner; and three sisters, Helen McNair, Anna Gall and Emma Bruce Shorb.

Funeral services were held at Elias Evangelical Lutheran Church, Emmitsburg. Mrs. Knox's pastor, the Rev. Susan Haas Yatta, officiated, assisted by the Rev. W. Ronald Fearer. Interment was in Keysville Union Cemetery, Keysville.

Arrangements were by Skiles Funeral Home, Emmitsburg.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Elias Evangelical Lutheran Church, 100 W. North Ave., P.O. Box 465, Emmitsburg, MD 21727.

Mr. Eric Young

Mr. Eric Steven Young, 40, of Emmitsburg, died Tuesday, Jan. 25, at Adams Cowley Shock Trauma Center, Baltimore.

He was the husband of Robin Ann Young, whom he married Nov. 11, 1980.

Born Aug. 8, 1959, in Frederick, he was a son of Avis A. and Dorothy E. Epling Young of Walkersville.

Mr Young enjoyed the simple things in life such as spending time with family and friends.

He was a graduate of Walkersville High School and was employed by Bell Atlantic for 22 years, most recently as a cable-splicing technician at the Thurmont office.

He was a member of the

Communications Workers of American Union, Local 2001 of Frederick, and a member of the Telephone Pioneers of America.

In addition to his wife and parents, he is survived by one son, Eric Young, Jr., at home; two sisters, Diane VanVleck of Taneytown, and Heather Zaharoff of Woodsboro; two nephews, Brad Doyle of Emmitsburg, and Darren Zaharoff of Woodsboro; one niece, Paige Zaharoff of Woodsboro; and many aunts, uncles, and cousins.

He will also be remembered by a friend of 27 years, Mike Cregger.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Jan. 29, at the Dailey and Son Funeral Home, Thurmont, with the Rev. Donnie Cardwell officiating. Interment was in Union Cemetery.

Mrs. Mary Barbe

Mrs. Mary Ellen Ballweg Barbe, 84, formerly of Thurmont, died Thursday, Feb. 10, at St. Catherine's Nursing Center, Emmitsburg.

She was the wife of W. Vernon Barbe, who died Sept. 12, 1990. They were married for 50 years. Born May 11, 1915, in Syracuse, N.Y., she was a daughter of Henry Joseph and Catherine Snyder Ballweg.

Mrs. Barbe and her husband purchased the grocery store and post office in Rocky Ridge in 1949, where she served as the postmistress. In addition to working in the store, post office, and being a homemaker, she held many other jobs. She worked for Mount St. Mary's College, Emmitsburg, as part of the Seminarians' dining room staff. She was also employed by the Frederick County Board of Education as a school bus aide for Rock Creek School.

She was a member of Mount Carmel Church, Thurmont. Mrs. Barbe was a former president of the Thurmont Senior Center Citizens group and a life-long member of the Rocky Ridge Volunteer Fire Department.

Surviving are four children: Susan Barbe Long of Hagerstown, Harold S. Barbe of Thurmont, Mary Elizabeth Topper and husband Larry of Shirley, Mass., and Ann B. Eyler and husband Don of Smithsburg; four grandchildren, Jean Long Miller of Chesapeake, Va., Chris Long Collins of Hagerstown, and Tammy Topper Farley and Dan W. Topper, both of Shirley; six great-grandchildren: James Michael Collins II, and David Adam Collins, both of Hagerstown, Sean Patrick Miller, and Scott Andrew Miller, both of Virginia, and Erica Lynn Farley and Alexis Catherine Topper, both of Massachusetts.

Mrs. Barbe was preceded in death by

one brother, Henry Ballweg.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held Monday, Feb. 14, in Mount St. Mary's College Chapel, with the Rev. Carl Fives as the celebrant.

Interment was in Blue Ridge Cemetery, Thurmont.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Grotto of Lourdes, Mount St. Mary's College, Emmitsburg, Maryland 21727 or Shriners Children's Hospital, 950 West Faris Road, Greenville, S.C. 29605.

Mr. Paul Keepers

Mr. Paul Albert Keepers, 89, of Sandy Spring, died Friday, Feb. 11, at Gettysburg Hospital.

Twice married, he was preceded in death by his wives Regina A. Humerick Keepers, who died March 10, 1980, and Jessie L. Knipple Keepers, who died April 22, 1996.

Born October 14, 1910, in Thurmont, he was a son of the late Charles P. and Louise E. O'Toole Keepers.

Mr. Keepers was a member of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, Emmitsburg, and Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish, Thurmont. He was an honorary life member of Knights of Columbus Brute Council 1860, Emmitsburg, and an honorary life member of Pangborn Assembly 4th Degree, Hagerstown.

He was a former state warden of Maryland state council; a past faithful navigator, McNamara Assembly 4th degree Knights of Columbus, Frederick; a life member of Vigilant Hose Co., Emmitsburg; and a past president of Adams Co. Fire Police Association.

Mr. Keepers was a member of Frederick County Fire and Rescue Association, Thurmont Knights of Columbus, Our Lady of Mount Carmel Council 11975, Emmitsburg Senior Citizens, Thurmont Senior Citizens, and the National Association of Retired Persons.

He was a retired printer and book binder at St. Joseph's College and Provincial House for 50 years, and

retired from CPI Printing, Emmitsburg.

Surviving are two children, R. Marie Long of Emmitsburg, and Barbara Nickoles and husband James M. of Lecanto, Fla.; eight grandchildren, Cindy Ott, Deb Youmans, Vicki Stackhouse, Paul Nickoles, Pam Miller, Ralph J. Long, Allan Nickoles, and Mary Royce; seven great-grandchildren; four stepchildren, the Rev. N. Lee Knipple of Finley, Ohio, Clyde A. Knipple of Las Vegas, Nev., Suellen V. Jurgens of Thurmont, and Forrest E. Knipple of Rocky Ridge; nine step-grandchildren; five step-great-grandchildren; three sisters, Helen Sanders and husband Leonard J., Emmitsburg, Frances Rohrbaugh and husband George V. of Fairfield, and Teresa Orndorff and husband Karl J. of Emmitsburg. He was survived by one brother, Leo Keepers of Fairfield.

Mr. Keepers will also be remembered by his friend Mildred Whipp of Thurmont.

Mr. Keepers was preceded in death by one sister, Mary E. Keepers; three brothers, Louis A. Keepers, Cecil P. Keepers, and Charles E. Keepers; and one daughter, Mary Anna Keepers, who died in 1936.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held Monday, Feb. 14, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Emmitsburg, with Mr. Keepers's pastor, the Rev. Joseph R. Wright as the celebrant.

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

Memorials in Mr. Keepers' name may be made to St. Joseph's Catholic Church, P.O. Box 376, Emmitsburg, Md.

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A word about pre-arrangements and pre-financing



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ROCKY RIDGE NEWS

BY EMMA KEENEY
Dispatch Correspondent

March birthday wishes to Vernon & Bea Keilholtz, Eugene, Wayne & Heather Stambaugh, Kathy Wolfe, Annabelle Mackley, Jim and Richard Flohr, Joseph Brown, Linda Northrup, Jeff Sharrer, Ricky Beall, Kristie Frushour, Bob Ogle, Rebecca Shields, Crystal Shriner, Louie Powell, Edna Anders, Ruthann Masemore and Treva Fishpaw.

Congratulations to Robert & Helen Ogle on their 63rd wedding anniversary on March 26th. Happy anniversary wishes to Pastor Jim & Burneda Russell, Michael & Emma Lou Harris and Carrollton & Annabelle Houck.

Congratulations to Melissa Sharrer, 11th grade student at Catocin High School and Anthony Harris, 12th grade student at Catocin High School. Melissa won first place at the Landscaping competition, and

Anthony won first place in the Carpentry competition held recently at the Career & Technology Center.

Rocky Ridge Fire Co.

Every Saturday night: Money Bingo at the Rocky Ridge Activities Building starts at 7 p.m. Doors open at 4:30 p.m. with good food available.

Basket Bingo-May 7, 2000: Tickets are \$10 a person. Extra cards will be available at the door. Baskets will be filled with goodies. For more information or tickets, please call Bonny Hurley at 301-271-3370 or Nancy Summers at 301-271-4409.

Church of the Brethren News

March Birthdays: John Eichelberger, Jr. 3/2, Dennis Specht 3/3, Ruth Myers 3/6, Faye Wolfe 3/16, Ronald Anders 3/17, Carol Simpson 3/20, Orville Baker 3/25, Norval Eyer 3/26 and Lisa Reed 3/26.

Happy Anniversary wishes to Mr. & Mrs. Ray Lescalleet on their 54th wedding anniversary.



At the recent Rocky Ridge Volunteer Fire Company's annual banquet, Robert Albaugh (center) was honored for answering the most calls (130) in 1999. Robert Mumma (left), president, and Steve Whetzel, chief, are shown presenting the award to Mr. Albaugh. A Dispatch Photo



Among those honored at the Rocky Ridge firemen's banquet were the other top responders for 1999. Seated, from left, are Alan Hurley (87 calls), Tom Myerly (87), Bonny Hurley (81), Larry Eyer (65), Christina Hurley (65), and Matt Moser (59). Standing from left are Melvin Troxell (56), Charlie Riggs (55), Andrew Mathias (54), Donnie Kaas Jr. (50), and Eric Martin (45).

The company made a total of 171 emergency and service calls last year.

A Dispatch Photo



Tom Myerly, second from left, received the Honor Member Award for 1999, and Bernard Wivell, second from right, received a Special Award for his 25 years as treasurer of the Rocky Ridge Volunteer Fire Company. Shown with the honorees are Joe Ferguson and Barry Burrier. A Dispatch Photo

Obituaries

Mrs. Roselea Wetzel

Mrs. Roselea Regina Manning Wetzel, 84, of Waynesboro Pike, Emmitsburg, died Monday, Feb. 7, at the home of her granddaughter, Roxanne Andrew, Cool Road, Emmitsburg.

She was the wife of William Guy Wetzel, who died in 1957.

Born Jan. 3, 1916, in Chewsville, she was a daughter of the late John Michael and Mary Ellen Snyder Manning.

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

She was a sewing machine operator at Cambridge Rubber Company, Tandytown, retiring after 50 years

service.

She was an avid bingo player.

She is survived by two children, Ellen Marie Staub and Sandy Lee Wormley, both of Emmitsburg; 14 grandchildren; 26 great-grandchildren; and one sister, Goldie Andrew of Emmitsburg.

She was preceded in death by four daughters, Doris Mae Wetzel, Agnes Louise Glass and infant twin girls; two sons, William Ray Wetzel and Howard LeRoy Wetzel; three sisters, Rita Wetzel, Teresa Mort and Margie Manning; and two brothers, Herman Manning and Floyd Manning.

Funeral services were held on Feb. 10 at Skiles Funeral Home. Interment was in Friends Creek Cemetery, Emmitsburg.



Officers, Board of Directors, and Line Officers of the Rocky Ridge Fire Company installed at the annual banquet are first row from left Robert Mumma, president; Barry Burrier, vice president; Paulette Mathias, secretary; Joe Ferguson, assistant secretary; Bernard Wivell treasurer; Tom Myerly, assistant treasurer; and Rev. James Russell, chaplain. Middle row from left are directors Donald Kaas, Steve Wolfe, Robert Kaas, Dale Kline, Ken Mumma, and Ralph Baker. Back row from left are line officers Steve Whetzel, Alan Hurley, Dennis Mathias, and Luke Humerick, Jr.

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SECOND GRADE GOOD WORKERS FOR TERM 2: Brandon Bloom, Jessica Boiler, Misti Bradshaw, Candice Brooks, Jessica Clarke, Rebecca Fields, Carrie Gelwicks, Donald Giannini, Ashlee Hanvey, Hollie Hoke, Jessica Little, Patrick Loube, Robert Lowery, Kolby Maly, Terry McNail, Jr., Nicole Medre, Cody Ott, Danielle Pozzouli, Amanda Rand Campbell, Marquies Rogers, Kaitlin Stouter, Kathlee Sweeney.

THIRD GRADE EAGLE CLUB TERM 2: Chris Bodnar, Justin Buchholz, Ashley Delphey, Myra Derbyshire, Victoria Farmer-Long,

Colleen Heaton, Madah Hill, Katelyn Keilholtz, Shawn Little, Robert Myers, IV, Kevin Putman, Kourtney Roman, Midah Stone, Chelsea Tasker, Tonya Tester, Kyle Vaugh.

FOURTH GRADE EAGLE CLUB TERM 2: Randy Cool, Richard Cool, Becca Fink, Justin Loube, Sean Mayer, Darrel Marcelle, Ethan Miller, Cody Milter, Emily Mitchell, Brandon Northrup, Jury Rubeling-Kain, Kyie Sanders,

Deborah Sloane, Kassondra Topper, Corey Weddie, Amber Weikert, Ryan Wilt, Matthew Wolfe.

FIFTH GRADE EAGLE CLUB TERM 2: Kristyn Bradshaw, Jessica Chaney, David Cockerill, Georgia Cuseo-White Abigail Dawson, Brittany Dewees, Danielle Hoover, Heather Jones, Danielle Miller, Shane Saylor, Hayley Schnibbe, April Smith, Amber Snurr, Corey Stouter, April Tuggle.

Elementary school list 100% attendance for Term 2

Amato, Zachary; Andrew, Phillip; Little, Shawn; Loube, Justin; Stephanie; Baer, Daniel; Bloom, Leube, Patrick; Marcelle, Darrel; Brandon; Boiler, Andrew; Bradshaw, Martin, Jordan; Martin, Tabitha; Matthew; Bradshaw, Meagan; McGlaughlin, Tabitha; McGlaughlin, Bradshaw, Misti; Brooks, Candice; Andrew; McNair, Jr. Terry; Meyers, Busbey, Jennifer; Chaney, Cassandra; Katelynn; Miller, Amanda; Miller, Cool, Melissa; Cool, Randy; Cool, Danielle; Miller, Shelby; Moser, Richard; Dawson, Abigail; Delphey, Emily; Northrup, Brandon; Northrup, Ashley; Delphey, Amanda; Derbyshire, David; Ohler, Jr., Matthew; Pittinger, Myra Dorsey, Kevin; Douglas, Gregory; Ryan; Poole, Amelia; Price, Kasey; Douglas, Katherine; Droneburg, Joseph; Rohrbaugh, Garrett; Roman, Kourtney; ;Farmer-Long, Victoria; Ginnini, Shorb, Camden; Sizemore, Justin; Donald; Fogle, Brandon; Frech, III, Sloane, Tiffany; Snurr, Amber; Stouter, Milton; Gelwicks, Michaela; Gentile, Brandon; Stouter, Corey; Suit, Jared; Trevor; Grubic, Dylan; Heaton, Swartz, Timothy; Sweeney, Chad; Colleen; Heaton, Nicholas; Henderson, Vanbuskirk, William; Vaughn, Kyle; Lovette; Hobbs, Daniel; Howard, Luke; Wagerman, Nicholas; Wantz, IV, David; Jackson, Trei; James, Joan; Jones, Watts, Trey; Wilt, Bradley; Wilt, Heather; Lawrence, III Gary; Lawrence, Rachael; Wilt, Ryan.

Emmitsburg Elementary PTA Update

The Emmitsburg Elementary PTA Hospitality Committee distributed candy to all teachers and staff on Valentines Day.

The PTA recently sponsored "Moms & Muffins." Students and their moms were treated to milk, juice, coffee and muffins plus a chance to have their picture taken together. Approximately 75 moms attended. In April, the PTA will invite all grandparents to come to the school and enjoy a continental breakfast with their grandchildren.

Thank you to all who supported our Pizza Hut fund raiser. Our next fund raising event is the Gertrude Hawk Candy Sale which starts February 28th. The candy will be delivered in time for Easter. Plan now to place your order.

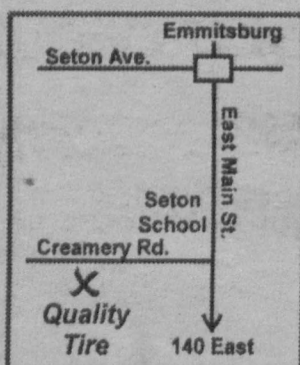
Our next meeting will be held on March 9th. The program includes Ned Remavage, Financial Advisor from F & M Bank, discussing "Investing In Your Child's Future." Please plan to join us on March 9th at 6:15 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

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MOTHER SETON SCHOOL NEWS

BY VAL MENTZER
Dispatch Correspondent

Expansion Campaign Update

On Sunday, February 6th, the Mother Seton School staff, along with staff from the Frederick County Catholic Schools, were guests at a Staff Appreciation Dinner sponsored by the Friends of Catholic Education, Inc. Some very exciting news was announced at this dinner. Friends of Catholic Education, Inc. donated a total of \$500,000.00 toward the expansion projects of the Frederick County Catholic Schools. Mother Seton School received \$100,000.00 toward our "Celebrating Our Past ... Building Our Future" Campaign.

At this time, our "Celebrating our Past... Building Our Future" Expansion Campaign has totaled \$910,818.00 in pledges and gifts-in-

kind. The total funds necessary to begin our ground breaking is \$1,500,000.00. We would like to thank all of our school families, staff, alumni, and friends who have generously donated to this campaign. Continued support is necessary to reach our goal! We would like to "March into March" by meeting our goal this spring.

Open House

Mother Seton School will be holding an Open House on Sunday, March 5, 2000, to register for the 2000 - 2001 school year. Please call 301-447-3161 to schedule an appointment.

During Open House, plan to join us for our school-sponsored Family Spaghetti Dinner which will be served from 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Adults \$6, children ages 3-10 \$3.

For information call 301-447-

3161 or check the internet at www.mothersetonschool.org.

Catholic Schools Week!

Although Mother Nature changed the schedule a bit, Mother Seton School celebrated National Catholic Schools Week last month. We would like to thank all of the staff, friends

and family who made that week possible. Lots of planning and flexibility were required to make this year's a wonderful celebration. As the nation's first parochial school, we honor this tradition of celebrating our Catholic school system in the USA.



Photo courtesy Val Mentzer

The Mother Seton School Band performing at the FSK Mall Jan. 29.

ST. ANTHONY/OLMC NEWS

BY ANN MARSHALL
Dispatch Correspondent

One-year Tuition Scholarships for Catholic high schools, colleges or technical trade schools are offered by St. Anthony Shrine Parish. Please call the Parish Office (301 447 2367) for details or for a Tuition Assistance Application which must be submitted by April 15. Need and seriousness of applicant are factors in making the awards.

Catholic School Tuition Assistance for parents with children in grades 1-8 is also available. Eligibility requirements are that the parents are registered and active members of the parish and that they use the church offering envelopes on a regular basis. For information and an application which is due by April

15, please call the Office (301-447-2367).

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church each 2nd and 4th Monday from 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Altar Server Training in preparation for the Stations of the Cross during Lent and for the services of Holy Week is scheduled for March 4 from 10:00 -12:00 a. m. at St. Anthony's. During Mass on the weekend of February 26-27, the Altar Servers, new and experienced, were blessed and recognized for their service to our parishes.

ALPHA is for Everyone. Alpha meetings begin March 2, 7:00 -9:00 p.m. at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish Center. All are welcome but the new program is especially geared to: People interested in checking out

Christianity; Newcomers to the Church; Catholics who want to return to the Church; Couples preparing for marriage; Catholics who want to get back to basics. **Alpha**, the first letter of the Greek alphabet, means a "new beginning."

Congratulations. St. Anthony Shrine Parish welcomes into the Catholic Faith Community **Matthew Mettrick**, son of Mark Mettrick and

Jennifer Rommel, who was baptized on January 30, 2000, and **Joseph Francis Miller**, son of Robert and Anne-Marie Miller, who was baptized on February 19, 2000.

Congratulations. Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish welcomes into the Catholic Faith Community **Ruthann Nicole Kreun**, daughter of Thomas and Melissa Kreun, who was baptized on February 6, 2000.

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HEALTHY FAMILY

Warning signs of child abuse

A monthly column provided by the Emmitsburg Coalition for a Better Community (ECBC)

In 1999, over 400 reported cases of physical abuse of children were investigated in Frederick County alone. Since 1980 physical abuse reports have increased over 800 percent. Still many cases go unreported.

Physical abuse as defined by Maryland law is physical injury, not necessarily visible, of a child, under circumstances that indicate the child's health or welfare is harmed or a substantial risk of being harmed, by a.) a parent, b.) an individual who has permanent or temporary care or custody or responsibility for supervision of a child, or c.) a household or family member.

The State of Maryland requires most professionals such as teachers, social workers, and doctors to report suspected abuse. Anyone suspecting child abuse has the *right* and *responsibility* to report all cases to Frederick County Department of Social Services.

There are warning signs of a child's being abused:

- bruises, welts, or broken bones
- cuts or scrapes, unusual injuries
- burns
- missing hair
- injuries at different states of healing.

The way a child behaves can also provide warning signs of abuse:

- aggressive or withdrawn behavior
- unusual fears (of certain people or of going home)
- craving for attention
- fatigue or hunger
- frequent tardiness or absence from school

Agencies across Frederick County work together to provide support, preventive service and/or treatment to families dealing with abuse.

- Heartly House - (301)-662-8800
- ESCAPE (301)-696-2058
- Frederick County Hotline (301) 662-2255
- CASS (Community Agency for School Services) (301)-447-3611

In case of an emergency you may also contact your local law enforcement agency.

Abuse occurs in all parts of Frederick County and, while some populations are at higher risk, physical abuse can affect anyone regardless of race, gender, socioeconomic state, or age.

If you know or suspect a child is being abused please contact Child Protective Service at (301) 694-2464. People who call will remain anonymous. Community awareness and education is crucial in the prevention of physical abuse. You can help prevent abuse to children by assuming your right to report instances of abuse.

FITNESS

Continuing Exercise after Rehab

BY LINDA STULTZ
Certified Fitness Trainer

Many people do not realize how important exercise is for overall health. When you have an operation or are involved in an accident and you need rehabilitation for a certain part of your body, you go for physical therapy or "Rehab." This process can last from a few to several weeks, depending on the extent of your injury and recovery.

People are willing to go for this type of "exercise" because the doctor prescribes it and they need it to get back on their feet. What they don't realize is that they need to exercise even if they are not recovering from an injury. Exercise improves strength, mobility, circulation, energy and overall health. People use the excuse that they have no energy and are too tired to exercise. What they don't realize is that exercise gives you energy. It may be hard to get started, but once you do, you will find energy you never thought possible.

Doctors realize the importance of exercise; that's why they tell people to watch their diets and walk or do some type of physical activity. If you are one of the many Americans who need to "get on the move" and get some exercise, start today. It is the beginning of a new year, the perfect time to get started. If you are not sure what kind of exercise you need or want to do, seek advice from your doctor, therapist, or a trainer. These

trained professionals can help you set up an exercise program just for you.

Start slowly and work your way to better health and higher energy levels. Along with an exercise program, incorporate a better eating plan and a strength and conditioning program. You won't believe how much better you feel and look in just a few months. Once you incorporate this new lifestyle (starting slowly), you will look forward to your workouts and never miss the junk food. This is not a "Quick Fix." It takes time to get in better shape. Don't give up after just a short time; stick to it and soon it will be a way of life.

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Catoctin cheerleaders debut

The Catoctin Youth Association Football and Cheerleading Division would like to introduce to the community the Catoctin Cougar Cheerleading Competition Squad.

This special squad consists of 19 female participants ranging from grades four through eight. These athletes are working very hard toward achieving placement in the Nationals, March 17-19, 2000, at Williamsburg, Virginia.

CYA is looking for the support of the local business community. CYA would like to invite your organization to support this opportunity for some very special and talented athletes. CYA is a non-profit organization and all contributions to CYA are tax deductible.

As with many sports-associated competitions, the costs involved can determine a participant's ability to pursue the competition. The estimated cost per participant to compete is \$400.00.

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Something to Eat

Worms, slugs, bugs, and beetles may make a dainty dish

BY JACK DEATHERAGE JR.

A cousin told me a story about gathering nightcrawlers in his backyard. He noticed his neighbors, a family imported from an Asian land, also gathering the worms in their yard. "Where are you going fishing?" He asked them.

"We're not." Came a puzzled reply.

"Then why are you catching nightcrawlers?" asked my cousin, now also puzzled.

"To eat them. Why are you gathering them?"

Neither worm hunter quite believed the other's reason for catching worms. My cousin knew worms were excellent for catching delicious fish. His neighbors knew worms were a good meal in themselves. After all, they had eaten similar worms in their native country.

The cousin thought the Asians

were primitive savages, uneducated in what a civilized human *should* eat. The Asian neighbors thought he was an ignorant American without a clue as to what *could* be eaten.

My 9th grade French teacher claimed a bowl of mashed maggots was among her favorite dishes. I, and most of the boys in my class, had a crush on this woman until she made that statement. Years later I watched people on TV eat all kinds of bugs and worms. They seemed to enjoy the critters.

I've heard of a night-time raid on a cornfield and the campfire-roasted ears that were eaten with great relish in the dead of night. Then the daylight discovery of worm tunnels all through the naked cobs. "Best-tasting corn I ever had. Must have been the worms!" commented one of the raiders.

Have I been missing something? Worms, slugs, bugs, and beetles work

my garden harder than I do. I used to spray poisons, but I gave that up and went organic. For the last few years I've picked the crawlies off my plants and tossed them to the fish I keep outside. Should I be eating them instead?

I'd say the slugs got more out of my tomatoes than I did the last 3 years. The cabbage loopers and worms certainly got most of the cabbage and broccoli! Squash bugs did in the zucchini and flea beetles seemed to be everywhere.

I once thought to pickle hibiscus buds. But our hibiscuses were 11" blossoms of white, pink or red that drew Japanese beetles from several towns away. I'd notice the cigar-shaped buds early in the morning covered with beetles. At noon the petals were unfurled with cigarette butt-sized holes all through them. It didn't matter how many beetles I picked off and killed, no flower went unmarked.

Aphids feed on a variety of flowers and vegetables. I understand that ants sometimes place these bugs on plants and watch over them like shepherds. The ants then feed on a nectar the aphid produces. Obviously the aphids produce something useful to the ants. Could it be useful to us?

Do cabbage worms and loopers taste like cabbage or broccoli? Would rose petal-stuffed Japanese beetles taste like roses? (I don't care for rose petals, though my dogs seem to enjoy them.) Could the crunch of their exoskeletons become the crunch of a potato chip?

As a child I ate a bowl of homemade noodle soup that had weevils in it. I ate it because my dad told me to and he was eating it. The bugs didn't kill me. But I sometimes wonder if they did something to my mind.

Stir-fried cabbage worms? Maybe with enough bean sprouts to hide them? Couldn't be much worse than tofu!

NEIGHBORS

BY KATE WARTHEN
Dispatch Correspondent

Mr. Vince Cuseo, of California, recently visited with his parents.

Miss Megan Adelsberger competed in Lancaster, Pa., with her dance group. Megan won Most Talented Dancer in the Junior Division. She performed solos in jazz, tap, hiphop, and lyrical categories.

The Sodality of St. Joseph's Church had a wonderful party on Wednesday, Feb. 9th, at the Parish Hall. Fifty members were in attendance. A snowman decorating theme ran throughout the hall and prizes were won and games played for a very pleasant evening.

Another very successful computer class was given by David Martin with some assistance from the Fire Academy Personnel. Thanks to the Academy and Debbie Stottlemeyer.

Maryon Wasilifsky Melvin writes from Mon, Belgium. Her daughter has finished her studies and is now employed by Christies Auction house in London.

Justin Wasilifsky writes from Vancouver, B. C. that all is well with him and his wife Nancy.

Mr. Patrick Dillon is home for a

visit with his parents. Pat is stationed in California.

Mr. Brian Baker has accepted a position with the Anderson Company. He and his new bride will be living in Sydney, Australia. Brian is the son of Ray and Ruth Baker of Burke, Va., formerly of Emmitsburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Antolin recently became the proud parents of a new baby boy. Joseph and his wife live in California.

The weight-training group of the Senior Citizens meets every Tuesday and Thursday at 1:00. That is except the 3rd Tuesday of each month when they have their business meeting. Approximately 25 persons regularly enjoy the exercise with Kathy, our fitness trainer.

(See NEIGHBORS on Page 23)

QUILTERS

By MARY ELLEN CUMMINGS
Dispatch Correspondent

Mt. Tabor Quilters have been busy with a "Brown Bag Challenge." Each quilter was given a brown paper grocery bag containing fabric scraps, batting and fabric for lining. They were challenged to make two baby (or toddler) quilts each. Most of the quilts have been brought in and the results are amazing.

Quilters could use any pattern they liked, but had to use the fabric given them. Because there were no restrictions against using additional fabric, several quilters added pieces from their own stash. They found this project to be an excellent way to use odd scraps of fabric and recycle them for a worthwhile cause.

The purpose of this challenge was

to make a number of quilts to donate for use by a children's hospital, therapy center, or other baby charity.

One Thurmont resident heard of our project and made a baby quilt for us. If any *Dispatch* readers would like to participate in this project, please call 301-447-6661 for more information.

One of our group is a public health nurse and has several lists of children's charities available for us to choose from. Since we have no specific deadline, and prefer this project be an ongoing one; we have not yet chosen a recipient. Any time our quilters and/or our friends would like to make us a baby or toddler quilt, please do so. We will add it to our collection and see that a worthy charity receives the donation. (If you just wish to make a top, we'll see that it is completed.)

If you haven't tried making a quilt, try it—you might like it!

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Neighbors

(Continued from Page 22)

The next book club meeting will be held the second Friday of March (March 10) in the library. Diane Rehms' new book, *Finding My Voice*, will be the topic of discussion. All are invited.

Our condolences to Jean Cadle, who recently lost her mother.

Natalie Williams and Kate Warthen attended

the Friends of the Library meeting at Winchester Hall on Monday, Feb. 7th, at 7:00 p.m. Members from around the county were in attendance.

Hope Mahony and Kate Warthen attended the reception for School Board Candidate Noreen Haas at the Tyler-Spite House in Frederick on Sunday, Feb. 6th. Approximately 40 persons were there.

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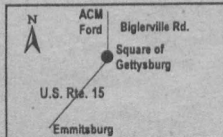
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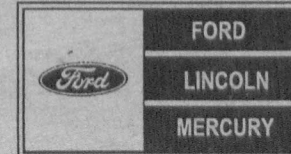
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