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Proposal to have mayor chair town meetings dies, **COPE** rallies around commission president

Richard D. L. Fulton News Editor

Members of Citizens Organized to Preserve Emmitsburg (COPE) spoke out at the Feb. 7 commissioners meeting against having the mayor displace the board president at town meetings.

Currentboard President William B. O'Neil, Jr. is also a member of COPE, and was one of the group's founders.

Despite the fact that mayors chair town meetings in a number other Frederick County of communities, COPE members felt that doing so in Emmitsburg violated the "separation of executive and legislative branches" of local government.

COPE member and candidate for board of commissioners Harold C. Craig, Jr. was emphatic, "I fail to see any merit (in the proposed change). This proposal is a direct insult to the current board president."

Sabrina Paxton-Daily, COPE President, voiced concerns that the

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WilliamB.O'Neil, Jr., Emmitsburg board of commission President, is a member of COPE and was one of the group's founders.

proposal would burden the mayor with additional responsibilities beyond what he is currently doing on behalf of the town.

Daily said every time she opens a newspaper, "Mayor Hoover has gone somewhere to do something to represent the town. I don't think

putting the burden of running the meeting on him is a good plan."

COPE also found an unlikely ally in former board President Patrick Boyle, whose approved Silver Fancy Farm property annexation was overturned as the result of a COPEinitiated referendum.

"I agree with everyone who came up here," Boyle said. "The two branches must be kept separate. We (the former board) didn't have any problem running the meetings."

Even Mayor James E. Hoover was reluctant to back the change, pointing out that it would not only affect who ran the meetings, but also the process established by code for approving and signing ordinances.

"Maybe we should review how the meeting is run (rather than who runs it)," he said. He asked if the town was prepared to change the charter every time people became unhappy with who was running town meetings.

CommissionerJoyceRosensteel had suggested the change at the Jan.19 town meeting.

Mazaleski files to challenge mayor in **April 27 election**

Dr. Stanley Mazaleski has filed to run against incumbent Mayor James E. Hoover in the upcoming April 27 election.

"I filed (Feb. 11) to improve the town," Mazaleski told The Emmitsburg Dispatch. "My philosophy is, whatever anyone can do in town I can do better, do things in a more timely manner, and give the people what they need."

Mazaleski, defeated in his bid for a commissioner seat in the 2004 election, was previously employed by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Office of Pesticides Programs, the Center for Disease Control, the National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health, and the Veteran's Hospital.

Now retired from the government, he works for the Frederick County school system and is self-employed as a nutritional and environmental health consultant.

Incumbent Mayor James E. Hoover filed Feb. 1; incumbent Commissioner Joyce Rosensteel filed Feb. 4.



Dr. Stanley Mazeleski, nutritional and environmental health consultant. Emmitsburg mayoral candidate.

Harold Craig, Jr. has indicated he will vie for Rosensteel's seat, but had not filed as of Feb. 14.

Terms of office for the seats up for election this year will run from May 2005 into October 2008.

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John C. Weaver, inducted into Frederick County YMCA's Alvin G. Quinn Sports Hall of Fame on Feb. 5, recalls his years of coaching at Emmitsburg High School, flanked by his fellow inductees. From L to R, Benny Grove, David Kehne representing his mother Elizabeth "Boots" Kehne, Dave Markoe, John Weaver at the podium, Richard Sharrer, and Kenny Thompson.

Giving back what was given to him

John Weaver's dedication to Emmitsburg sports

Megan Zimmerman Staff Writer

responsible for implementing a full-time sports program at

what was so richly given to him. He was inducted into

Frederick County YMCA's Alvin John C. Weaver, the man G. Quinn Sports Hall of Fame on Feb. 5, at the Francis Scott Key American Legion Post 11 in Emmitsburg High School, has Frederick, along with five former dedicated his life to giving back area sports standouts.

As a child, Weaver could not afford to join the YMCA, but Alvin Quinn, former director of the Frederick County YMCA,

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gave him a membership. Because of this simple gift, Weaver went

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100 Years Ago "In this place" From The Emmitsburg Chronicle

This column offers a regular look back at Emmitsburg through the eyes of The Emmitsburg Chronicle which first appeared on June 14, 1879, published by Samuel Motter. In 1909 the paper became known as The Weekly Chronicle. It continued regular publication, allowing for a 5-year hiatus during World War II, until February 9, 1977.

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Found Fortune in House Mrs. McKenna's Neighbor Discovered

Hidden Money Roll. February 17, 1905 - Thirty-

seven hundred dollars was found behind a large picture at the home of the late Edward McKenna, in Cumberland who died last week. His widow, aged 80 years, is overjoyed, as she had no idea that her husband had left money in any amount. She at once summoned a cab and was driven to the Second National Bank, where she deposited the money.

The discovery was made by a neighbor, who was dusting the pictures at the McKenna home. The bulk of the money was in a large roll, although in bags suspended from nails behind the picture were considerable silver and gold coins. Money in smaller sums is said to have been found since Mr. McKenna's death in stockings, tin cans and the pockets of trousers.

The McKennas made their living by conducting a small truck farm. Mr. McKenna was a native of Ireland and 84 years of age at the time of his death. He was an expert gardener and a specialist in the cultivation of small fruit. He lived near Rose Hill Cemetery. No children survive.

> **Baptizing Excitement. Fifty Spectators Break Through the Ice On a Pond**

February 24, 1905 - During baptismal services Sunday afternoon by Rev. Mr. Bowersox , of the Church of God, in a large pond on the farm of County Commissioner Joseph Ernst, of Baltimore City.

February 17, 1905-Wanted in Blair's Valley, Washington county, 50 persons, who were standing on the ice watching the ceremonies, were precipitated into 12 feet of water by the ice breaking, and many of them had narrow escapes from drowning.

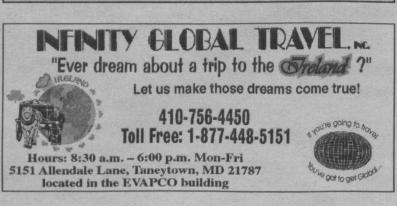
> Misses Irene Bloyer and Mary Suffacoll were rescued in an exhausted condition. A dozen or more would have perished but for the prompt and cool-headed action of a number of men who assisted in the rescue.

> About 100 persons assembled on the banks of the pond to witness the Baptism. The pond, which is 15 feet deep in some place, was covered with ice, which had to be broken before the candidates could be immersed. In order to get a better view of the ceremony about 50 persons walked out on the ice, which was about six inches thick where they stood. Suddenly the ice gave way and the spectators, men and women, found themselves struggling frantically in the water and ice for their lives.

> The greatest excitement prevailed and shouts for help and despairing screams of women were heard on all sides. Many of those rescued were taken with violent chills, due to their water soaked garments. The dripping victims were hurried to nearby farm-houses and given dry clothing and medicine. After the excitement had subsided Rev. Mr. Bowersox proceeded with the baptism of five persons.

Dedication at Rocky Ridge

February 24, 1905 - At the formal dedication of the recently completed hall of Rocky Ridge Council, No. 247, Jr. O.U.A.M., Wednesday evening at Rocky Ridge, addresses were delivered by Reno S. Harp, of Frederick, and J. Griffin Hall, of the Record Office, Superior Court





Ted Brennan Ethics Commission Chairman

Resident asks for removal of ethics commission head

Emmitsburg resident Cathy Bodin asked the town commissioners to remove Ted Brennan as chairman of the ethics commission, saying, "I'm outraged over the conflict respond to Bodin's request made of interest of the head of the commission. This is a political vendetta."

Bodin urged the board to ask for Brennan's resignation, adding that the investigation is being "handled in an unprofessional manner."

Brennan lost his town commissioner's seat to Arthur "Art" Elder in Emmitsburg's 2003 election.

Both Elder and William B. O'Neil, Jr., board president, are under ethics commission investigation.

The commissioners did not during public comments at the Jan. 7 town meeting.

Brennan has maintained that the investigation is not the result of any political animosity on his part. He says he is responsible for conducting investigations solely by virtue of his appointment as head of the ethics commission.



Cathy Bodin calls for Ted Brennan's resignation as chair of the ethics commission at the Jan. 7 town meeting.

COPE responds to comments in ethics complaints

Richard D. L. Fulton News Editor

Citizens Organized to Preserve Emmitsburg (COPE) referenced in each of was complaints against two the Emmitsburg commissioners filed with the town ethics commission.

The commissioners under investigation, William B. O'Neil, Jr. and Arthur "Art" Elder, have both been associated with COPE since it was organized in the fall of 2003

O'Neil was a co-founder and served as COPE president until he was elected in April 2004 to the board of commissioners. Elder is also a COPE member, as is his cousin Lisa (co-owner of Chronicle Press).

Links between COPE and commissioners questioned

Both complaints note that COPE became involved in issues with the former RyWest, Inc. and the Silo Hill Car Wash.

David Runkle, who filed one of the complaints and whose wife owns Custom Image Printing (CIP), noted previously that COPE members had prevented him from removing printing equipment from the building that had housed his bankrupt RyWest, Inc. operation.

In his complaint, Runkle wrote, "As the day proceeded,

or more of his friends, including Lisa Elder, Commissioner William O'Neil, and other members of COPE. They formed a line so that the moving truck could not vacate the property."

COPE is also mentioned in an e-mailed complaint, "As I said in the town meeting (Sept. 14), there has been an organized attempt from COPE, which we all know involves O'Neil and Elder, to stop this car wash from being built, and to harass our business."

The writer went on, "I also stated, and believe to be true, that with one more COPE member elected to the board, COPE will then have a quorum to use town staff, including the town attorney, and town taxpayer funds to forward any agenda they deem worthy."

Organization explains position and actions

COPE President Sabrina Paxton-Daily does not deny that COPE tried to prevent the Silo Hill Car Wash, owned by Kirby Delauter and Carl Athey, from obtaining approvals.

"COPE did oppose the building of the car wash for several reasons," Daily told The Emmitsburg Dispatch. "We are a small town that already has one (owned by COPE member Art Elder), the intersection at Silo

Art Elder had called at least ten Hill is already traffic riddled, an automatic car wash makes a lot of noise."

She commented further, "We were in the midst of a drought at the time and there are residents there who would be inconvenienced by a business that the area was not originally zoned for."

Regarding the allegation that the noise complaint against Silo Hill came from a COPE member, Daily said, "Barbara Mullinix joined COPE last spring. As far as I know she had already filed her MDE (Maryland Department of the Environment) complaint."

Daily added, "She (Mullinix) claims that she had tried contacting Athey and Delauter about the noise and neither would return her calls.

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After receiving no satisfaction with them or the town, she joined COPE because she remembered that we opposed the car wash."

Referring to the blockade to stop Runkle from removing printing equipment, Daily said the people who gathered there were simply a group of friends, not people rallying around another COPE member.

"Mr. Runkle has a hard time distinguishing between the actions of COPE and the support of friends," Daily told The Dispatch. "Her (Lisa Elder's) friends and Art's came together to stop an illegal activity. COPE (as an entity) was not involved. COPE has never taken any action in the Lisa vs. Runkle issue. It has never been on our agenda or discussed at a meeting."

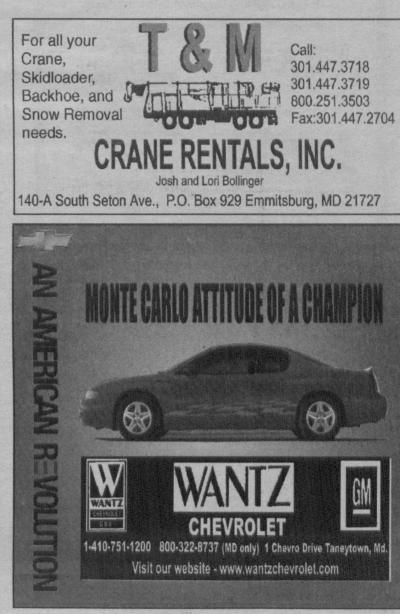
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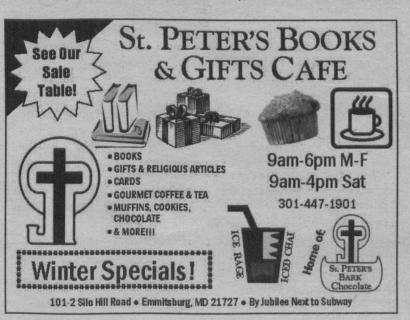
Daily responded to the suggestion that COPE is trying to gain a quorum on the town board of commissioners with "This is nonsense. COPE is a non-profit organization. We are not a political group. We have no 'agenda."

COPE was incorporated in fall 2003 at O'Neil's suggestion. Members who concurred and helped were Harold Craig, Art Elder, Dot Davis, Lisa Elder, Elizabeth Prongas, Bill Rapp and Daily.

According to its bylaws, one of COPE's purposes is to "advance the interests of the citizens of Emmitsburg by advocating public

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EDITORIAL

A government of COPE, by COPE and for COPE? Election 2005 could find organization at the helm

Representatives of Citizens Organized to Preserve Emmitsburg (COPE) have repeatedly assured many of us that they are not trying to take over town government, as some have alleged.

But as things presently stand, the results of the impending April 27 town election could find COPE in a position that would at least give the appearance of a take-over, even if by default.

Two COPE members presently sit on the board of commissioners. COPE co-founder William B. O'Neil, Jr., elected in 2004, serves as the board's president. COPE member Arthur "Art" Elder, elected in 2003, is both a commissioner and chairman of the town water committee.

Now, COPE vice president Harold C. Craig, Jr. has announced his intention to run for Commissioner Joyce Rosensteel's seat which is up for grabs.

A victory for Craig would put three members of COPE on the four-member board. What exactly does that mean? The first is obvious. COPE members would have a majority vote on the board. If COPE members got on a roll promoting the organization's agenda, the fourth non-COPE member would have little hope of stemming the tide.

But such a victory would be even more far-reaching. A COPE member majority on the board of commissioners would also be in a position to nullify any mayoral veto.

COPE recently argued at a town meeting for maintaining the separation of executive and legislative branches. What separation will there be if a COPE coalition gains control of the board with the ability to override mayoral vetoes?

If COPE, or any other activist organization, were to gain control of the town's legislative process, that group could effectively neuter many of the mayor's objectives.

This writer has nothing against any of the individuals involved in running the government, or in running for government, or against COPE. We all disagree at times.

We have all seen COPE members play the "I didn't have my COPE hat on at the time" card. Maybe the town needs legislation that would require members of an organization to actually wear a hat indicating who they represent at any given moment ... except that, of course, the ACLU would step in with some separation of hat and state argument.

This writer does not want to convey the impression that COPE has any ill intent, nor that gaining majority rule on a board would further any such non-existent ill intent. The problem is that it would nearly eliminate diversity of ideas and opinion on the board.

Every voter must thoroughly consider these issues before casting ballots on April 27. This election may well determine our town's direction for many years to come.

> Richard D. L. Fulton News Editor

COPE responds

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or private plans, projects, or policies of benefit to Emmitsburg."

Might COPE's association with the print shop feud, if only happenstance, and its battle to stop the car wash, and subsequent noise complaints, send up a red flag to other businesses thinking of relocating to Emmitsburg?

Daily told *The Emmitsburg Dispatch*, "I don't know that COPE has a formal position on commercial growth. We would like to see more local employment opportunities, but not ones that are detrimental to the current residents."

"If COPE's involvement in this sends any message to businesses, it should be that we expect businesses to do right by the residents of Emmitsburg," Daily said.



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Attorney Rosemary McDermott asked during public comments at the Feb. 7 town meeting that the ethics investigation be put on hold until the commission complies with state mandates.

Commissioners cooperated with *The Dispatch* regarding ethics complaints

Commissioners William B. O'Neil, Jr., and Arthur "Art" Elder provided *The Emmitsburg Dispatch* with copies of the complaints lodged against them which triggered the ongoing ethics investigation.

Both commissioners did so in the spirit of cooperation and without hesitation. The paper did not obtain the information directly from ethics committee president Theodore "Ted" Brennan, as some town residents might have concluded.

In fact, O'Neil had town staff fax his copy of the complaints to the newspaper on Dec. 29, even before he had read them himself.

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wants to give the commissioners appropriate credit for their openness in dealing with the media. Without their willing cooperation, it is unlikely that this newspaper would have been able to obtain information about the specific allegations.

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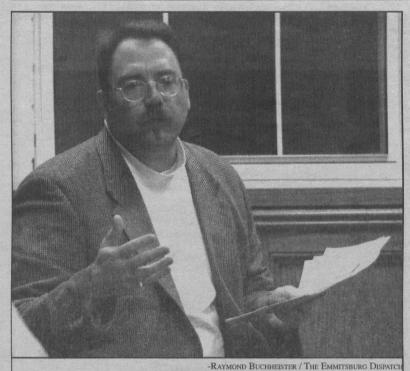
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Mount St. Mary's professor speaks to Emmitsburg Coalition to Prevent Substance Abuse

Dr. Timothy W. Wolfe, Associate Professor of Sociology and Criminal Justice at Mount St. Mary's University spoke on Feb. 10 in the meeting room at Bradley Hall about causes of drug abuse, prevention programs and addiction treatment. Because the group was small, Dr. Wolfe shortened his prepared remarks and led a discussion about substance abuse, causes and cures. Participants were Meg McKeon, Mount St. Mary's Dean of Students, Phil Caruso, Catoctin High School guidence counselor, and Ted Brennan, head of the Emmitsburg Coalition to Prevent Substance Abuse.

Wolfe shared the results of a survey of students at Thurmont Middle School and Catoctin High School he had conducted in the spring of 1998 in conjunction with Emmitsburg Coalition for a Better Community. The survey combined telephone and in-person interviews.

He said, "students had a very different take on the situation than adults." There was a disconnect between youth and adults –parents maintained that drugs were not here, but students said that drug use took place. The survey pointed out that youth needed things to do after school. The after school adventures program and the literacy task force were both outgrowths of the 1998 survey.

McKeon suggested conducting a follow-up study to act both as a report card on what has been accomplished and as a guide for what needs to be done. Mount St. Mary's is joining the Emmitsburg substance abuse coalition.

BUSINESS

Bankruptcy of former print shop owner 're-opened'

Richard D. L. Fulton News Editor

The recently appointed marketing director for the EmmitsburgBusiness&Professional Association (EBPA) is under a U.S. Bankruptcy Court investigation for alleged bankruptcy fraud.

David Runkle, who also recently became EBPA's membership chairman, is alleged to have made false statements regarding his personal bankruptcy, false statements in the RyWest bankruptcy, and to have transferred clients and other assets during the RyWest bankruptcy proceedings.

Runkle declared personal and company bankruptcy in 2003 after his printing firm, RyWest, went through a period of financial setbacks. The U.S. Bankruptcy Court closed the case on Jan. 9, 2005, according to Runkle's attorney, Jeffrey Orenstein.

The complaint against Runkle was filed with the bankruptcy court Jan. 10. A motion to re-open the case was also made Jan. 10, but was not granted until Jan. 13.

Runkle shared his attorney's opinion, dated Jan. 21, with *The Emmitsburg Dispatch*. Orenstein wrote that, due to a technicality, the complaint was made after the allowable timeframe for filing complaints.

"It is my position that you cannot file a complaint in a case that is not open," Orenstein wrote in a letter to John L. Daugherty, a trustee with the U.S. Trustee Office.

In the letter Orenstein also suggests that the complaint was filed

outside the appropriate jurisdiction, "Bankruptcy Rule 5005(a) states that documents, including complaints, shall be filed 'in the district where the case under the code is pending.""

However, Orenstein is not seeking dismissal of the complaint based on technicalities, but wrote, "I would rather you review any information you desire and be convinced that there is no merit to the case."

Board won't allow bonds in lieu of credit letters

The town board of commissioners voted to stand by its attorney's view that developers may not submit bonds as financial assurance.

The board rendered this decision at its Jan. 19 meeting in response to a request from Apple Tree Homes, developers of Mountainview at Southgate, a residential development located on South Seton Avenue.

According to a town ordinance, developers must provide letters of credit from a lending institution or recognizedlendertoensurethatpublic improvements in any development Referring to the allegations, he said, "I didn't do any of that." Runkle continues to blame Arthur "Art" Elder for RyWest's financial failure. He maintains that Elder granted raises to the print shop

Runkle told The Emmitsburg

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remains

Dispatch that he feels the

unidentified, "acted in bad faith."

complainant,

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are ultimately completed to the town's satisfaction.

Thomas Carolyn, owner of Apple Tree Homes, had sought permission to submit a bond rather than a letter of credit. Carolyn argued that a bonding company is, more often than not, also a recognized lending institution.

Town attorney John R. Clapp advised against accepting bonds. Town Manager David Haller noted that it costs the town nothing to draw down on a letter of credit, but that it could cost both money and time to pursue payment under a bond.





Embattled Southgate may seek relief in court \$2 million investment at stake for Apple Tree

Richard D. L. Fulton News Editor

An appeal hearing lasting for more than two hours Jan. 27 resulted in yet another defeat in Apple Tree Homes' struggle to complete the Mountainview at Southgate development.

The town board of appeals voted unanimously to deny Apple Tree's appeal of 11 building certificates which the developer alleged were impacted by previous town denials, alleged misguidance by town staff and an "unfair" taps allocation plan.

Branding the so-called moratorium and the subsequent taps allocation plan a "Trojan Horse for resisting growth," Apple Tree Homes owner Thomas Carolyn told The Emmitsburg Dispatch the issues would now likely have to be resolved in court.

Developer says town misled him with denials

Carolyn testified that the town staff's repeated denials of zoning certificate applications dissuaded him from trying to have additional applications processed

Attorney Alan Betten, representing Apple Tree Homes, submitted letters from the town that denied applications with no explanation.

Victoria Myers, a permit facilitator with Maryland

Building Permits, Inc., has been processing Apple Tree Homes' permit applications for six years, as well as those of other clients. She said Patricia Feeser, now Town Manager David Haller's administrative assistant, told her, "The town would not be issuing any more zoning certificates."

Carolyn maintained that had it not been for the town's persistent but unexplained denials of a few of Apple Tree Homes' requests, he would have filed for all of the permits he needed at the same time

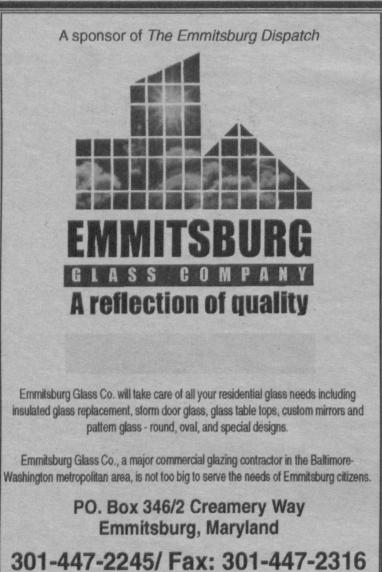
"I asked them how they could do this (impose a moratorium) administratively and got no answer," he told the appeals board

Town staff had been issued a "verbal directive" during the March 21, 2004 town meeting to stop issuing new zoning certificates. A formal "moratorium" was not adopted until May 26, when it was approved during a "work session."

Questions fairness of taps allocation plan

Carolyn particularly challenged the formula in the taps allocation plan, which he says essentially pitted Apple Tree Homes against the larger Brookfield development.

In the formula, developed by Haller, taps are to be allocated



based on the number of units a developer has ready. According to the formula, the larger development would get the lion's share of the permits.

Carolyn pointed out that every permit granted reduces the total number of homes pending, which causes even fewer permits to be granted the following year based on the formula.

At this rate, he said, it could take him five to six years to build out 11 homes. "If another development comes in," he stated, "it could take me six or seven years to build out."

Carolyn maintained that the taps allocation plan should have been written to take into consideration how close to completion individual projects were, and then allowed permits to be distributed to help finish off those projects first.

The commissioners adopted the taps allocation plan at a "work session" on August 23, 2004.

Town attorney brushes grievances aside.

Board rejects appeals

John R. Clapp, representing the town of Emmitsburg, stated that the ordinance requires that an appeal be filed within 30 days of the original denial of the permits.

Based on that premise, Clapp asked the board of appeals not to take into account alleged town actions when assessing the validity of Apple Tree's appeals.

Haller testified that the allocation plan had been created in as fair a manner as the town thought possible, although there were other ways it could have been done. He said that allocating permits on a first-come, firstserved basis, to his knowledge, had not been considered, except as a way of distributing unclaimed taps.

The board of appeals rejected Apple Tree's appeals because they were not filed within 30 days of the denials. The board declined to rule on the fairness of the taps allocation plan because it "has no jurisdiction" to do so.

Carolyn told The Emmitsburg Dispatch that it seemed unreasonable to him for the town to approve a development and then throw roadblocks in its path.

"They knew they had problems (with the wastewater infrastructure) when they approved the development," he said.

Enforcement actions by the Maryland Department of the Environment to compel Emmitsburg to deal with its decrepit wastewater collection system date as far back as 1992.

Town News Briefs ...

Commissioners 'back away' from pay raise review

The board of commissioners decided to take no action Feb. 7 on a plan that might have paved the way for annual raises for them and the mayor.

Each board member receives \$4,000 per year; the mayor receives \$8,000.

Town staff had suggested annual review of an salaries paid to mayors and commissioners in neighboring communities to ensure that Emmitsburg's elected officials receive comparable pay.

Although former commission President Patrick Boyle, who stressed that he was familiar with the work required of a board member, supported a rate increase, the board dropped the matter after Commissioner Joyce Rosensteel said, "Let it go as is."

Commissioner Arthur "Art" Elder suggested the town staff reintroduce the proposal in two years, leaving the pay scale as is in the interim.

Town hires new code enforcement officer

Emmitsburg has hired a replacement for the recently retired town code enforcement officer, Eva Miller.

Amy Naill, of Gettysburg, was hired February 7 as the new code enforcement officer, starting at a pay rate of \$9.89 per hour.

One of the primary duties of the code enforcement officer

is enforcing parking meter limits. Miller's retirement left the town without an immediate replacement, with the result that no parking tickets could be issued throughout January until Naill was hired to resume enforcement.

Miller retired due to health reasons effective December 31, 2004.

Town News Update

Driver's insurance to pay for any water tank damage

According to Town Manager David Haller, a repair claim may be filed against the insurance of the driver who struck Emmitsburg's new water storage tank during the week of Dec. 13.

Hallertold The Emmitsburg Dispatch that the driver was working for Utility Services at the time of the accident.

Utility Services rehabilitated the old water tank, and has been on the site addressing problems that resulted from improper curing in the old tank after it was refurbished.

The new tank will be taken off-line for an interior inspection looking for any shock damage to the glass liner. But the new tank cannot be taken off-line until the old tank is back on-line.

Haller said the worker lost control of the truck in the mud and hit the new tank. Commissioner Arthur "Art" Elder, who serves on the town water committee, said the only visible damage is scratches on the outside of the tank.

Charter review committee closer to adoption

7 meeting to have attorney administration. One such issue John R. Clapp "clean up" the might be a resident-approved draft charter review committee town founding date. ordinance for further review at the town's Feb. 21 meeting.

committee would develop review committee. issues on which the community having the commissioners decide.

The committee could hold public meetings to determine or not to place an issue on an if residents felt a given issue warranted a community-

The board of com- wide vote, and then would missioners agreed at their Feb. issue a report to the town

President Commission William B. O'Neil, Jr. initiated If established, the the effort to establish a charter

"The concept would be to could vote, rather than just set up a body that would enable the commissioners and mayor to make recommendations for review (to determine whether election ballot)," O'Neil stated.

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-RAYMOND BUCHHEISTER / THE EMMITSBURG DISPATCH

Former Emmitsburg High School basketball players and cheerleaders gathered around Coach John Weaver at the Quinn Hall of Fame ceremony on Feb 5. Top row, L to R: Terry Fleagle, Morris Zentz, Robert Wagerman, Norman Shriver, Jr, Michael Humerick, Coach John Weaver, Bill Zimmerman, Pat Zimmerman, Richard Swomley, Randy Valentine, Kenneth Swomley. Bottom row, L to R: Susan McGlaughlin Sanders, Susan Daugherty Ancarrow, Becky Hays Jones, Becky Naill Kile, Harriet Hahn Valentine.

Weaver

-Continued from page 1 on to excel in sports, coaching and teaching.

In 1958, Weaver became a history teacher and coach at Emmitsburg High School. The school had had a small sports program since the 1920s, but only with part-time help, and little emphasis. High expectations surrounded Weaver in the hope that he would be able to get a full-time sports program started.

"It was a challenge," explains Weaver. "I remember one boy saying to me, 'I hope you don't think we are going to win.' They were in for a big surprise."

The Emmitsburg High sports program was weak, but Weaver was determined to change that. With about 50 boys to pick from, Weaver developed soccer, baseball, basketball, and track teams. He wanted Emmitsburg to have a chance against much larger schools, and he wanted his students' high school experience to be a happy, productive one.

Weaver put incredible effort into coaching, even though he received no pay. He often manicured the town diamond with his car to get it ready for baseball practice and games, and helped mow the track. Thanks to Jim Phelan, the basketball team often went to Mount Saint Mary's to use their bigger court. In addition, Weaver helped his students with their studies by tutoring them after school.

Norman Shriver, a former soccer and basketball player at Emmitsburg High, remembers Weaver's dedication. "He tried his heart out to help us and did a marvelous job," says Shriver.

Randy Valentine was a senior soccer player when Weaver was coaching. "He was a great coach," explains Valentine. "Even though we were such a small school, he developed a confidence in his athletes that we could compete with the best and win. He made believers out of us."

The hard work of the athletes and coach soon put Emmitsburg sports on top.

Weaver started the first baseball team in many years in Emmitsburg. In 1959, the Emmitsburg H.S. soccer team tied the nationally ranked, undefeated Montgomery Blair High School, 4-4. In 1958, the basketball team stripped Walkersville High of their undefeated title, and advanced to the championship. In addition, Weaver trained and took his track team to their first county track meet.

"The students and athletes never let me down, and Emmitsburg was finally put on top," says Weaver.

Valentine remembers, "We

took it one game at a time, and we could hardly believe our success. Looking back, it is thrilling to see what we accomplished."

After Weaver left his position at Emmitsburg High School in 1960, the teams continued to have great success under the direction of John Horine.

Emmitsburg High School has since blended with Thurmont to become Catoctin High. Weaver believes the sports in northern Frederick County are still strong, and are sure to get stronger.

Many Emmitsburg High School alumni were there to witness Weaver's induction into the hall of fame, including athletes, cheerleaders, students, and colleagues. Some had not seen him in 47 years.

"The alumni of Emmitsburg High are like family. It was great to see them all again and to have their support," says Weaver.

Weaver is one of 172 local sports figures inducted into the YMCA's Hall of Fame since 1977. Although Weaver has already given so much to Emmitsburg, he continues to give. During the induction ceremony, Weaver presented a needy student with a membership to the same YMCA he used to attend.

"This gift has been my motivation," says Weaver. "I want to give back what was so richly given to me."

Town accepts Brookfield Phase I roads

The board of commissioners formally accepted dedication of several Brookfield development roads at the Jan. 19 meeting, in spite of staff concerns over possible continued construction traffic.

RJD Development requested that the town accept those roads completed within the first phase of the project, including Huntley Court, Timbermill Run, Ramblewood Court and Wheatley Drive.

Town staff suggested that the commissioners might not want to accept Wheatley and a portion of Timbermill because construction vehicles accessing Phase II construction might use these roads.

RJD co-owner Charles "Chuck" Karfonta told the board that construction equipment would not be using Timbermill Road, and that the roads are blocked so that work vehicles cannot use them.

Commission President William B. O'Neil, Jr. commented, "This developer has done an outstanding job." He said he wanted to send the message that when a developer works with the town, the town is willing to work with the developer.

The board then voted unanimously to receive dedication on all the roads within Phase I.

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PRESENTATION TOPICS

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THURSDAY, APRIL 7 KEYNOTE ADDRESS, KNOTT AUDITORIUM, 7 P.M.

Hearing God's Call in an Idolatrous World The Role of the University Between Popular and Ecclesial Culture Thomas Hibbs, Ph.D. Distinguished Professor of Ethics and Culture and Dean of the Honors College Baylor University

FRIDAY, APRIL 8

SESSION 1A: TEACHERS, STUDENTS AND THE CALL, BRADLEY CONFERENCE ROOM, 9-10:30 A.M.

Life Calling Initiative: Creating a Model for a Life-Calling Discovery Process Bill Millard, Ed.D.

Strengthening the Vocation of the Catholic School Teacher Deborah Wallace Ruddy, Ph.D.

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FRIDAY, APRIL 8

SESSION 1B: WITNESSES TO GOD'S CALL, LAUGHLIN LECTURE HALL, 9-10:30 A.M.

Called to Be Saints: Holiness and Sanctity in Today's World

The Rev. William C. Mills, Ph.D.

Making "My Boss Is a Jewish Carpenter" More Than Just a Bumper Sticker Slogan: Practical Advice for Thinking about Vocation John Larrivce, Ph.D. FRIDAY, APRIL 8 SESSION 2A: CHALLENGES TO CALL--BRADLEY CONFERENCE ROOM, 11 A.M.-12:30 P.M.

Hear My Cry/Hear My Call: The Struggle for Black Women's Leadership During the Civil Rights Movement and Its Biblical Origins

Karen Jackson-Weaver

The Ethics of Vocation in a Violent Calling: Reconciling Military Service and Christian Faith

The Rev. Stephen Butler Murray, Ph.D.

FRIDAY, APRIL 8 SESSION 2B: DISCERNING A CALL, LAUGHLIN LECTURE HALL, 11 A.M.-12:30 P.M.

The Language of Vocation Stanley Nevins, Ph.D.

Discerning the Soft Voice of God in a Loud World: Pluralism, Doubt and the Emergence of Faith Timothy P. Muldoon, Ph.D.

FRIDAY, APRIL 8

KEYNOTE ADDRESS, KNOTT AUDITORIUM, 2 P.M.

Numb and Numb-er: Youth and the Church of "Benign Whatever-ism" The Rev. Kenda Creasy Dean, Ph.D. Associate Professor of Youth, Church and Culture Director of the Tennent School of Christian Education Princeton Theological Seminary

FRIDAY, APRIL 8

KEYNOTE ADDRESS, KNOTT AUDITORIUM, 7 P.M. The Art of Teaching and the Christian

Vocation Jeanne Heffernan, Ph.D. Assistant Professor, Department of Humanities and Augustinian Traditions Villanova University

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SATURDAY, APRIL 9 SESSION 3A: THE CALL OF THE CHURCH, BRADLEY CONFERENCE ROOM, 9-10:30 A.M.

The Universal Call to Fatherhood and Motherhood Philip M. Sutton, Ph.D.

Vocation as Proclamation: "In the Heart of the Church, Who Is my Mother, I Will Be Love"

The Rev. Thomas P. Looney, CSC

SATURDAY, APRIL 9 SESSION 3B: INTEGRATING THE CALL, LAUGHLIN LECTURE HALL, 9-10:30 A.M.

When Does the Artistic Vocation Become a Calling? Gael Mooney

"Wearing Different Hats": Character, Compartmentalization and Vocation Bill Mattison, Ph.D., and Marc Parisi

SATURDAY, APRIL 9 SESSION 4A: A CALL TO TRANSFORMATION, BRADLEY CONFERENCE ROOM, 11 A.M.-12:30 P.M.

From Punk to Professor: Personal Reflections on a Life's Journey Tim Wolfe, Ph.D.

"Christ's Technique" Questions Aren't Enough: The Vocation of Constructive Critical Analysis and Action in a World of Social Suffering Using Dorothy Day as an Exemplar Laurie Cassidy, Ph.D.

Susan Mountin, Ph.D.

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SESSION 4B: THE CALL IN CONTEMPORARY CULTURE, LAUGHLIN LECTURE HALL, 11 A.M.-12:30 P.M.

A Stranger on the Bus: God's Call in Joan of Arcadia

Jessamyn Neuhaus, Ph.D.

The Hobbitus of Vocation and The Lord of the Rings David K. Weber, Ph.D.

SATURDAY, APRIL 9 SESSION 5A: A PERSONAL CALL, BRADLEY CONFERENCE R00M, 2-3:30 PM.

Panel Discussion on the Book Personal Vocation: God Calls Everyone by Name Carol Hinds, Ph.D., Patricia Kreke, Ph.D., Dennis Cali and undergraduate student Katic Schmidt

SATURDAY, APRIL 9 SESSION 5B: CALL AND THE UNIVERSITY, LAUGHLIN LECTURE HALL, 2-3:30 P.M.

The Vocation of Student: Callings in Undergraduate Education Charlene Kalinoski, Ph.D.

A Calling to "Institutional Intimacy" Kevin Buckley

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MOUNT CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Feast of the Chair of St. Peter Mass Tuesday, February 22 Immaculate Conception Chapel, 4:30 p.m.

Lecture—Dr. Karen A. Keely, "To Protect the Nation': Immigration Restriction and Eugenics in the Interwar Era" Tuesday, February 22 Knott Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.

BSU Black History Month Presentation Wednesday, February 23 Knott Auditorium, 7:00 p.m.

The Fabulous Hubcaps Dance March 18, 8-11:30 p.m.

Knott Arena

The cost of admission for the concert is \$20 per person and the doors will open at 7 p.m. For information contact the Mount ticket office at 301-447-5700. All proceeds go to the Mount St. Mary's baseball team.

Men's Basketball Home Games

Visit www.mountathletics.com for scores, highlights and interviews with the players.

vs. St. Francis (Pa.) Monday, February 21, 7 p.m.

vs. Long Island Saturday, February 26, 7 p.m.

Women's Basketball Home Games vs. St. Francis (Pa.) Thursday, February 24, 7 p.m. vs. Long Island Saturday, February 26, 3 p.m.

IT'S TIME FOR Spring Sports!

Women's Lacrosse Home Games vs. North Carolina Sunday, March 6, 1 p.m.

vs. George Washington Sunday, March 13, 1 p.m.

Men's Lacrosse Home Games vs. Delaware

Tuesday, March 8, 3 p.m. vs. Providence Saturday, March 19, 1 p.m.

vs. Robert Morris Wednesday, March 23, 2 p.m.

Men's Baseball Home Games vs UMBC Tuesday, March 8, 3 p.m. vs. Marvland-Easten Shore (DH)

Wednesday, March 9, 1:00 p.m. vs. Canisius

Friday, March 11, 3 p.m. vs. Buffalo (DH)

Saturday, March 12, Noon vs. Buffalo

Sunday, March 13, Noon

Questions? Call the office of communications at 301-447-5366.

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Quilters **Quilts for warmth** and teaching



Mary Ellen Cummings Dispatch Writer

"Imagine a Christmas when gifts consist of cookies and fruit - not the latest video game. When there are no lights to untangle, ornaments to unpack or crowded malls to tackle. When the pie isn't pumpkin - it's pigeon, partridge, goose or turkey." (From the Frederick News Post introduction to a tour of George Washington's Mt. Vernon.)

Now, imagine a place where snow arrived for Thanksgiving and stayed until March and streams and ponds were favorite ice skating "rinks." Imagine a time when there were no closets in houses because they were taxed - and heating was a fireplace in each room. You roasted your shins while your shoulders were chilly. That was a time for wool clothing and blankets or quilts.

I have a quilt typical of this era - made in the 1920s - of squares cut from discarded wool clothing. It is typical of quilts for beds where winters ranged from cold to severely cold. Some of the squares were cut from World War I army uniforms. Others were parts of shirts, jackets, etc. Homemade dyes were used to improve some of the colors - a quilt made for warmth and not beauty.

One quilt, probably made in the early 1930s is a "string" pieced star blocks quilt of cotton fabrics. Some have called this method strip piecing. However, strip piecing today is done with uniform cuts (strips of fabric and usually using only 3-4 different colors for the entire quilt.)

The "stripes" in my quilt were made of different widths and multi-colored. The quilt maker sewed together scraps of fabric by machine. Then she used a paper diamond pattern and cut the star pieces from this "fabric." Some wide stripes, some narrow and sometimes the colors clashing, but it makes a quilt that appears different each time you see it.

This quilt is a great teaching tool. My children knew their colors and geometric shapes long before school age. Using this quilt, and another patterned one, they played on, wrapped up in, and made an indoor tent. Always asking questions - "Dat?" "Dis?" and "Wazis?" (That? This? What is?) - and pointing to different spots on the quilts. They learned that everything and everyone does not have to be exactly the same. Some parts of the whole can be long or short, round, rectangular or square. All things fit somewhere.

We need quilts as quilts as much as our ancestors did. However, we also need quilts as art as everything has its place. Now is a good time to learn something new - make a quilt.

ART & ENTERTAINMENT

Frederick Theatre Groups win state festival awards

Frederick County Three community theatre companies received awards at the 2005 Maryland Community Theatre Festival held Jan. 14-16 at the Cultural Arts Center of Frederick County.

Chosen from among the 13 entrants, the overall Festival winner was an original play, "xphiles unrequited," written and directed by Bob Bartlett, a faculty • member at Bowie State University and performed by the Hard Bargain Players of Accokeek.

First runner-up was the Colonial Players of Annapolis for their production of "Between Mouthfuls" by Alan Ackybourne, directed by Edd Miller.

Thurmont Thespians of Frederick County won second runner-up recognition for their production of "Bake Off," with Spence Watson, director. Joan Crooks of Westminster received an excellence in acting award for her portrayal of Rita in the play. Watson received the Ed-Ro-Char Award for Overall Technical Theatre Program, Dr. Kurt Excellence for the production.

host Lenten services Sunday

evenings at 6 p.m. Pastors

from various churches will

Feb. 20 at the Presbyterian

offer the evening message.

Church

The Music Theatre Factory from Frederick County presented "The Laramie Project," directed by William Morris. They won special recognition the judges for from their enrichment of the Frederick arts community and the Stage Manager's Award for the most professional company.

The Fredericktowne Players' artistic designer, Lee Hebb, received the set and costume design award for the company's production of "Trifles," directed by Jana Moberly. The Maryland

Festival winner and the first runner-up will both go on to compete in the Eastern States Theatre Association Regional Festival in Dover, Del., April 10-12.

Jennifer Plants, head of the Hood College Blaugher, Chairman of

St. Joseph's, "The Unprofitable

March 13 at Elias Lutheran

Presbyterian Church, "The

Tom's Creek UMC, "The

March 27 at 6 a.m., the

Sunrise Service,

Parable of the Sower"

March 20 at St. Joseph's

Sunday Evening

Lenten Service Schedule

Local area churches will March 6 at Incarnation

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Servant"

Tenants"

Easter



John Winston, Thurmont, portrays the Pillsbury Dough Boy in "Bake Off," the Thurmont Thespians' production in the **Maryland Community Theatre Festival** held Jan. 14-16. The play, directed by Spence Watson, captured third place in the competition, an acting excellence award for Joan Crooks, and the Ed-**Ro-Char Award for Overall Technical Excellence for Watson.**

the Performing Arts Department at Mount Saint Mary's University, and Paul Donnelly of Arlington, Va., served as judges.

Bankruptcy

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print shop staff just before Runkle took over the company, and that these raises contributed to RyWest's downfall.

In 1999 Elder sold The Emmitsburg Chronicle's press equipment and building to David Runkle, operating as RyWest, Inc.

Elder has previously told The Emmitsburg Dispatch that Runkle "declared bankruptcy and defaulted on agreements he had made to purchase my printing equipment and business assets. Even though I gave him time to try get caught up, he blames me for his failure in the printing business and is obsessed with destroying my name."



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Committee Meeting. 7:30 p.m.

OBITUARIES

Mrs. Jeanette Grisez

Mrs. Jeanette Grisez, 77, residing on the campus of Mount St. Mary's University, Emmitsburg, died Feb. 13, 2005 at Frederick Memorial Hospital.

She was the wife of Dr. Germain Grisez, professor of Christian ethics at Mount St. Mary's University, and worked as his secretary since 1979.

Born Feb. 10, 1928 in Canton, Ohio, she was a daughter of the late Perl W. Selby and Bernadette Huppert Selby.

Surviving in addition to her husband are three sons, Thomas Grisez, James Grisez, and Paul Grisez; 12 grandchildren; six greatgrandchildren; two sisters, Vivian Gedney and Ann Marie Karwoski; and one brother, William Selby.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Feb. 15 in the Immaculate Conception Chapel, Mount St. Mary's University with The Rev. Peter F. Ryan, S.J. as principal celebrant.

Interment was in St. Anthony's Shrine Parish Cemetery, Emmitsburg.

Mr. Clifton Manahan

Mr. Clifton William "Zeke" Manahan, 67, formerly of Thurmont, died Jan. 31, 2005 at home in Potomac Towers, Hagerstown.

Born May 4, 1937, in Thurmont, he was a son of the late Stanley R. and Annabelle Manahan.

Surviving are one daughter, Mille Manahan; four sons, Richard "Dicky" Manahan, Billy Stackhouse, Charles Stackhouse, and Jeffrey Stackhouse; stepdaughters, Deborah two Stackhouse and Robin Stackhouse Gray; ten grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

A memorial service was held

Feb. 5 at the Robert E. Dailey & Son Funeral Home, Thurmont, with the Rev. Richard P. Rutkauskas, Jr. officiating.

Interment was in Mt. Prospect Cemetery, Lewistown.

Ms. Betsy Paugh

Betsy J. Paugh, 75, of Frederick and formerly of Kitzmiller, died Feb. 10, 2005 in St. Catherine's Nursing Home, Emmitsburg.

Born Feb. 17, 1929 in Shallmar, she was the daughter of the late Joseph W. and Irene E. (Turner) Markley.

Surviving are two sons, Dr. Mark Paugh and Rob Paugh; one daughter, Debra Walker; one brother, Theodore Markley; seven grandchildren and five greatgrandchildren.

Funeral services were held Feb. 13 in the chapel of the David A. Burdock Funeral Home, Kitzmiller, with the Rev. Donald E. Marple officiating.

Interment was in the I.O.O.F. cemetery, Elk Garden.

Mrs. Sarah Smith

Mrs.SarahEmmaLinggSmith, 82, Welty Road, Emmitsburg, died Feb. 5, 2005 at the Shepherd's Choice, Gettysburg, Pa.

Born Sept. 30, 1922 in Fairfield, Pa., she was a daughter of the late George Washington and Bertie Grace Bollinger Herring.

Surviving are one sister, Lula Carson; and nine stepchildren, Karl Smith Jr., Ronnie Smith, Larry Smith, Jerry Smith, Jimmy Smith, Ricky Smith, Randy Smith, Jeff Smith and Jo Ann Smith.

Funeral services were held Feb. 9 at Elias Evangelical Lutheran Church, Emmitsburg, with her pastor the Rev. Jon Greenstone officiating.

Interment was in Emmitsburg Memorial Cemetery, Emmitsburg.

LOOKING AHEAD

Feb. 19 - Dinner Dance to benefit Habitat Home. 5 p.m. St. Joseph's Parish Hall, Emmitsburg. 4 p.m. groundbreaking ceremony. Silent auction and Fire City Jazz Band performance.

Sponsored by the United Methodist churches of Frederick County, students from Mt. St. Mary's University, Gettysburg College and Habitat for Humanity. Cost: adults, \$10; all students, \$5; children under three, free. For tickets, call Habitat, 301-698-2449; Mount. St. Mary's University, 301-447-4160; Gettysburg College, payner01@gettysburg. edu, or project steering committee members, 301-271-4489 and 301-624-0002

Feb. 21 - Town Meeting. 7:30 p.m. Town Office.

Feb. 26 - Children's Praise Choir. 11 a.m. Emmitsburg Branch Library. Public is invited.

Feb. 27 – Community Dinner at ThorpeWood. 4 to 8 p.m. Thurmont, Md. Guest Presenter: Harry Spiker, Black Bear Project Leader for the Department of Natural Resources. Learn more about black bear in our area. Free. Bring a dish to share. Reservations and information: call ThorpeWood at 301-271-2823 or visit http://www.thorpewood.org.

> Feb. 28 -Planning and Zoning Committee Workshop. 6 p.m. Continuation of the

> Comprehensive Plan review. Feb. 28 -

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Feb. 28 – Emmitsburg Area Historical Society. 7 p.m. Emmitsburg Community Center. A continuation of January's meeting. The group will pull out old maps and identify the location of old businesses and homes so as to pinpoint them on new maps.

March 5 - Family Fly Tying. ThorpeWood. Donna Fahres, Maryland Department of Natural Resources, will teach basic flytying techniques. Family event limited to 15 participants. Fee: \$10 for non-members, \$5 for Friends of ThorpeWood members. Register by Feb. 25: 301-271-2823.

March 5 and 6 - Used Book Sale. 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. St Johns Lutheran Church, 15 North Church Street, Thurmont. Used paperbacks and hardbacks. Homemade soup will be available for purchase. Sponsored by the Thurmont Thespians. For information or to donate used books, call 301-271-7613.

March 7 - CHS Safe and Sane Rocky's Spaghetti Night. 5 to 9 p.m. Tickets: call 301-271-2901. Adults \$8, children \$5, children under 12 are free.





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