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Who is the Emmitsburg Doughboy?



Casey Bly leaves community with good memories

BY STEPHANIE LONG

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THURMONT, Md. - Casey Bly, the Thurmont teenager who captured the hearts of so many, passed away August 17 following a battle with cancer, but his memory continues to live on as many in the area remember him as wonderful, brave and a great friend to everyone.

Hundreds of community members turned out to celebrate Casey's life at St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church and honor the young man who touched so many in his short life and taught them what is truly important.

"God used Casey to flip our lives upside down and inside out and reprioritize our lives," said Reverend K. Craig Moorman.

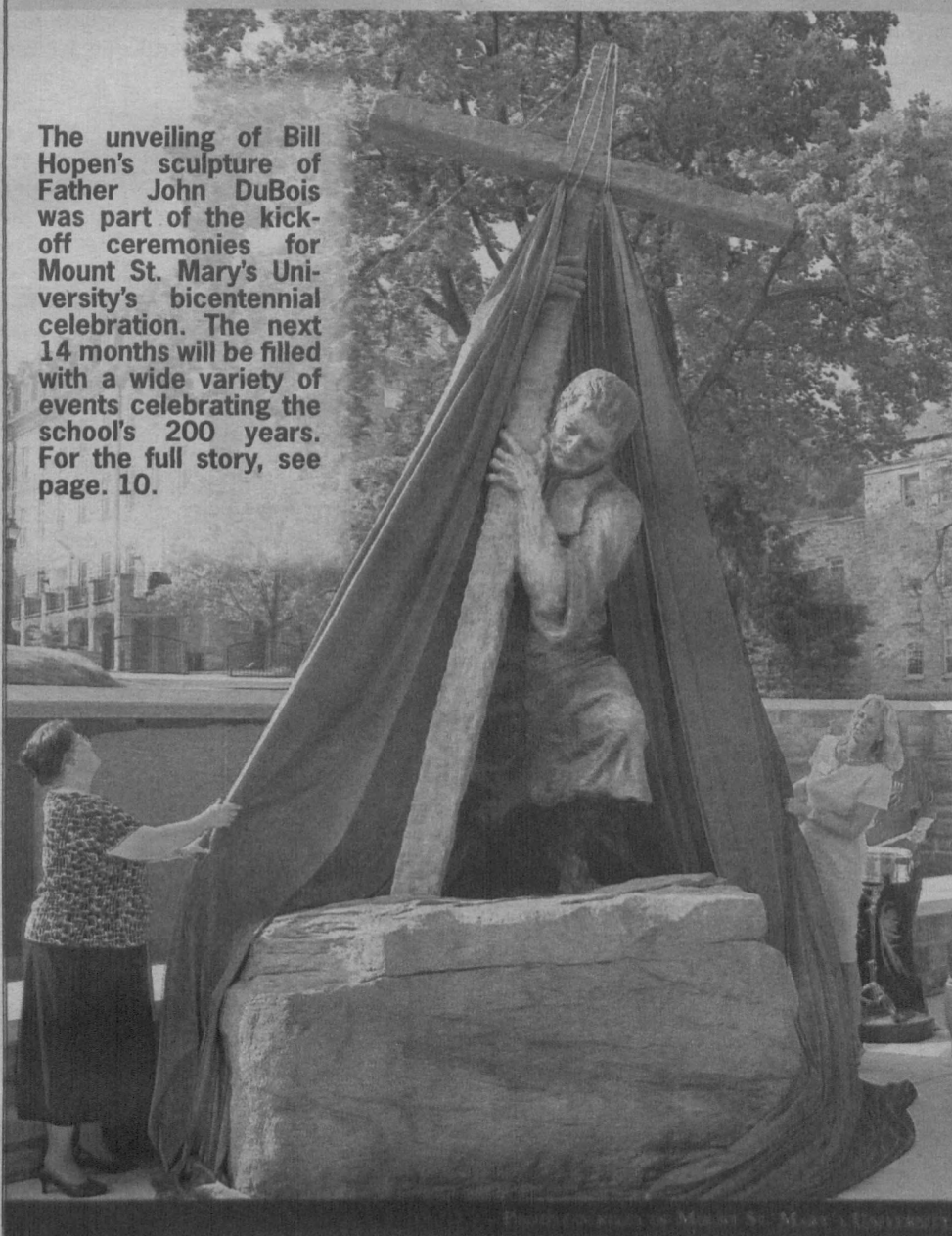
Casey was remembered by those at Duke University Hospital and Georgetown University hospital, where he received treatment, as a funny kid, who was a privilege to know and who "made it through with dignity."

The sentiments that were shared are echoed in blog entries Casey made on his blog that he kept throughout his battle with cancer. Documenting his daily on goings at the hospital and his treatment, Casey kept often blogged about his love of video games and visits from his family, friends and his girlfriend Olivia Fretch, the love of his life. Despite his circumstances Casey never wrote angrily of his experience, but remained positive,

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200 YEARS AND STILL GROWING STRONG

The unveiling of Bill Hopen's sculpture of Father John DuBois was part of the kick-off ceremonies for Mount St. Mary's University's bicentennial celebration. The next 14 months will be filled with a wide variety of events celebrating the school's 200 years. For the full story, see page 10.



Emmitsburg has three crime "hot spots"

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EMMITSBURG, Md. - Though Emmitsburg is far from a gotham of crime, it does have a few "hot spots" where more crimes tend to occur.

The Frederick County Sheriff's Office analyzed the 2251 calls for service in the first seven months of 2007 and mapped them out by location as well as time. The location analysis showed that the area around the downtown square and just east of it, around the community building on South Seton Avenue and the area around Silo Hill.

Mayor James Hoover said he was a little surprised to see that the downtown square was a "hot spot." "You would think with all the foot traffic on the square that it would be hard to get away with anything."

The time analysis, which Emmitsburg Commissioner President Chris Staiger had asked about during an Aug. 6 meeting with Sheriff Chuck

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Community show at Catoctin High School this weekend

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THURMONT, Md. - Over 2,500 farm and garden, household, quilt, livestock, machinery and commercial displays will be featured in the 51st Annual Thurmont and Emmitsburg Community Show at Catoctin High School this weekend.

"I look for there to be a good turnout," said Rodman Myers, one of the organizers.

"We have people come every year to see old friends and make new ones."

Between 7,000 and 9,000 people have been attending the community show over the three days of activities. Among those, are around 650 exhibitors who will be competing for about \$8,000 in premiums. The premiums are supplied from the Maryland Agricultural Fair Board. Other expenses are held to a minimum because all the help for the show are

volunteers.

"This year we'll be honoring the libraries and all the people who spent so much time making them successful," Myers said.

The Community Show is

recognizing the 100th Emmitsburg Library and the 50th Anniversary of the Thurmont library during the opening night's ceremonies on Sept. 7. Katie

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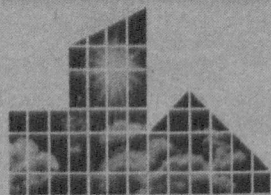
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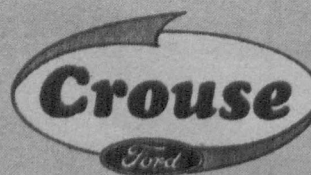
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A little more about Jack Dalton

I don't know what happened to "Jack" Dalton after he disappeared from Emmitsburg, but as a baseball historian (25 books), I believe that I can fill in some gaps in his big-league resume.

Dalton, it seems, had the penchant of being in the right place at the wrong time. After all, there were only 400 major league players during his era. So he must have been pretty good!

He had his best season with the Brooklyn Robins (later the Dodgers) in 1914. They finished in fifth place that year. After he moved on, in 1916 and 1920, they won pennants.

He ended up with the Detroit Tigers in 1916. One year before he arrived in the big leagues (1910), they won their third consecutive pennant.

In 1914, when he batted .319, his career high, he played center field between Zack Wheat and Casey Stengel, two Hall of Famers. Wheat batted .319; Stengel, .316. Dalton was right there with them. In fact, that outfield was one of many great ones that had each member hit .300.

Careerwise, Dalton batted .286. That's pretty good!

In his three full big-league seasons, he fielded .966, .965, and .966, just about the same as the great Ty Cobb's lifetime

mark. That's pretty consistent. It's also pretty good company!

He couldn't steal bases as Cobb could, but he could hold his own. In the equivalent of two 500-plus at-bat seasons, he stole safely 52 times. Over the last two seasons, less than 20 modern-day players will match that number.

Uniquely, he was a great pinch-hitter, an art that few players have mastered. In three of his four years in the big leagues, he hit .333-or-higher. Overall, he batted .357 coming off the bench.

That's not only pretty good—it's great!

Here is what, I believe, Jack Dalton's downfall could have been.

The Federal League, a renegade loop, formed in 1914 and lasted for two short years. But, with higher salaries, it lured many big-league players away from the traditional franchises.

Remember, Dalton had his best season with Brooklyn in 1914. Undoubtedly, he was underpaid that year, and he would be under valued the next one, also.

At the time, the Brooklyn organization was parsimonious and penurious, as the Dodgers of later years, under General Manager Branch Rickey, were. Yes, they were cheap, also! So Dalton followed the "Fool's Gold." In 1915, he jumped to the Federal League for more money, but when it folded at the end of the season, he was overpriced for the majors.

Ironically, in the year that Dalton disappeared, Joe DiMaggio and Ted Williams became the first players to draw salaries of six figures. But perhaps more importantly, they spiked the salaries of players with lesser skills, too.

Interestingly, under today's system, four years in the majors would assure a player such as "Jack" a generous pension. Like many of his contemporaries, though, it is safe to say, "He was born before his time."

But from one reader's perspective, looking back at his big-league resume, I would have to conclude, "He was pretty good!"

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EDITORIAL

Who do you want to run the town?

All of the candidates have thrown their names in the ring for the town commissioner races in both Emmitsburg and Thurmont. You'll find some familiar names and some new names on both candidate lists. Come October, a few will be happy, more will be disappointed and a few may be wondering what they got themselves into.

The Dispatch congratulates all those citizens of both towns who wanted so much to make a difference in their towns that they were willing to disrupt their lives to campaign for public office. We thank you for your willingness to serve and for your family's willingness to support your efforts. You have demonstrated for the rest of us part of what being a good citizen is about.

Now the responsibility falls upon the rest of the residents of Emmitsburg and Thurmont to find out more about the candidates and where they stand. At least one candidates' forum is planned in Thurmont, The Dis-

patch will be asking questions of the candidates and the candidates themselves will certainly be out trying to meet and talk to you.

Use those opportunities to ask the candidates the questions about the issues that mean the most to you and let them know how you feel about those issues. Then, informed and well-armed, take a few minutes to exercise your right as a citizen and stop in at the election sites and vote for the candidates of your choice.

Voter turnout, particularly for municipal elections, is usually pitifully low, yet it is the officials who take office because of these elections who will be making some of the decisions that can most affect you. So if you want commissioners who will represent your interests, then take 10 minutes on either September 25 in Emmitsburg or October 1 in Thurmont and vote for the candidates who represent your interests. This is when your voice and your opinions will have the most influence.

Crops didn't get rain when they needed it

When I read the recent article in *The Dispatch* I thought, "Some explaining is due" from my perspective as a volunteer official weather observer for Emmitsburg. Yes, we are in a drought, but we did have 3.4 inches of rain in June and July. Our yearly average rainfall is about 40 - 42 inches. We have received 20.2 inches through July 31, so we are close to achieving that average. But what about the drought? Unfortunately, almost 14 inches of that 20.2 inches of rain fell in February, March and April; but only 4 1/2 inches fell the last three months. Not enough to grow corn, soybeans or keep the grass green.

I remember planting corn in April of this spring in fields so wet we kept getting stuck. But then the rain stopped. Corn needs

ample precipitation at three critical times: after it's planted, at tasseling stage and when the ears silk. We missed two of the three. And what survived the dry weather, the beetles feasted on. Our corn average of about 175 bushels per acre for this county was only 84 bushels per acre last year. Our educated guess for 2007 is about 25 bushels an acre. Even crop insurance won't cover your total loss. So the farmer has had two bad years in a row of failed crops. Soybeans can survive the dry weather a little better than corn, but the hot dry days brought out the spider mites, a very tiny insect that lives under the leaves. So now the question is: Do we spend the money to spray?

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Emmitsburg

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Warthen, Blanche Helmholtz, Joan Boyle, Jean Cadle, William Rodman Cadle, Chata Carr and Annette Rapp will be recognized for their contributions to the Emmitsburg Library. Ernest Hammaker, Victor Jagow, Ralph Forward, Grace Smith, William Riffle, Erin Dingle, Helen Flanagan and Margeuerite Baker will be recognized for their work with the Thurmont Library.

The Thurmont Community Show began in 1957 in the old Thurmont High School. Emmitsburg's last community show was in 1958, but

when Catocin High School opened in 1968.

In 1974, the Catocin FFA started the beef, sheep and swine show with Robert Valentine as chairman, William Baker, Ralph Zimmerman and Robert Meunier as the auctioneers.

Community Show booklets with the premium list are now available in area business locations and contain the rules and time of entry of exhibits.

The show is sponsored by the Thurmont Grange, the Catocin FFA Chapter, Catocin FFA Alumni, Maryland Agricultural Fair Board and the Maryland State Grange.

What's happening at the Community Show?

Friday, September 7
6 - 10 p.m.

- 7 p.m. - Community flag ceremony, library recognitions, Catocin FFA Ambassador program
- 8:30 p.m. - Baked good auction
- 9 p.m. - Champions

Saturday, September 8
9 a.m. - 9 p.m.

- 9 a.m. - Beef, sheep and swine fitting and showing
- 10:30 a.m. - Pet show
- 3-7 p.m. - Turkey and ham supper
- 7 p.m. - Beef, sheep and swine sale
- 7 p.m. - Catocin High Band concert
- 7:30 p.m. - Emmitsburg Community Chorus

Sunday, September 9
9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

- 10 a.m. - Goat and dairy show
- 12 p.m. - Catocin FFA alumni chicken BBQ
- 12 p.m. - Decorated animal contest
- 1 p.m. - Horseshoe pitching contest
- 1 p.m. - Cross cut log sawing contest
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Casey

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even after finding out his cancer had returned.

"It just so turns out that a lot of stuff has happened since the last time that I blogged. For example I graduated and walked across the stage first to receive my diploma which was very nice. But then the very next day I had an appointment in Georgetown clinic where they did just a normal routine bone marrow biopsy checkup type thing and they found that my leukemia has made a reoccurrence so I got admitted immediately the day after I graduated. I'm not back into remission yet but the doctors here at Georgetown University are trying their absolute hardest to knock me back into remission

as fast as they did the first time," he wrote on his blog, remaining positive.

A nurse who spoke at the memorial service said "It is amazing how much Casey was able to affect people he didn't know." What is even more amazing is Casey's life continues to affect people. A video was posted on youtube.com a week after Casey passed away, which honors Casey's life. The friend who made the video wrote, "I have made this as a tribute to such a strong kid. He had cancer and battled it pretty well...He had so much support from everyone. He was brave and will always be remembered." Over 3,200 people have viewed the video, many of whom never met or knew Casey, yet they are affected by him.

There is no doubt that



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Casey's life will continue to affect people and that he will be remembered as he should be, as a young man who was strong and brave in the toughest of times. Now that he has passed on we must "carry Casey's torch" Moorman said.

Join in the liberation of Emmitsburg

EMMITSBURG, Md. - On Saturday, Sept. 15, American troops will arrive in Emmitsburg to "liberate" the town from the Nazis.

The 4th Infantry Division Military Police Platoon (re-created), (made up of about 16 vehicles and 40 soldiers) will march north on South Seton Avenue and through the town square to St. Joseph's Church.

The 15-minute event will be designed to look like the liberation of a French town with a name similar to Emmitsburg in August 1944. The platoon will liberate the town on their way to the Eisenhower National Historic Site to participate in their WWII weekend event.

Activities will begin at 10 a.m. Residents are encouraged to line the street similar to how the French welcomed

the American troops. The soldiers will also give the children candy and gum as they would have done in 1944. The re-enactors will also arrange to have people handing the soldiers French bread, cheese and wine (sparkling apple cider).

Banners that read "Vive Les Americains!" and "Vive Les Libérateurs" will be hung along the route.

A movie camera operator with Lionheart Filmworks will be part of the convoy. He will be filming scenes during the weekend's events for a yet-unnamed WWII movie project.

For more information on the Eisenhower Farm WWII event, visit: www.nps.gov/eise/planyourvisit/events.htm?om=8&oy=2007&prk=eis.

- J. Rada

Crime

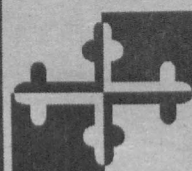
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Jenkins, shows that nearly 40 percent of the town's crime happens between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. while only 13 percent happens between midnight and 10 a.m.

"It's no secret that we have a limited amount of deputies," Hoover said. "Therefore, we're going to have a limited amount of coverage and people are going to learn when that coverage is."

The three greatest numbers of calls for service for sheriff's deputies patrolling Emmitsburg have been patrol checks (826/36.7%), traffic stops (416/18.5%) and talks/crime prevention/community (200/8.9%). Together, these three account for nearly two-third of the calls for service in town.

"I wouldn't go so far as to say I'm surprised," Hoover said. "I really didn't see anything shocking to me."



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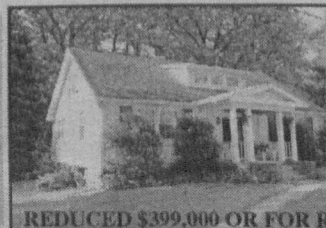
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SEPT 8th - Bike Rodeo 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. at the Community Building. Meet the Sheriff's on bikes and get a free helmet. For info call (301) 447-3110.

SEPT 18th - EPBA invites you to a presentation by Dr. Thomas Powell, President of Mt. St. Mary's University. Tue., 6:30 p.m. at The Carriage House. Reservations required. Call (301) 447-3110.

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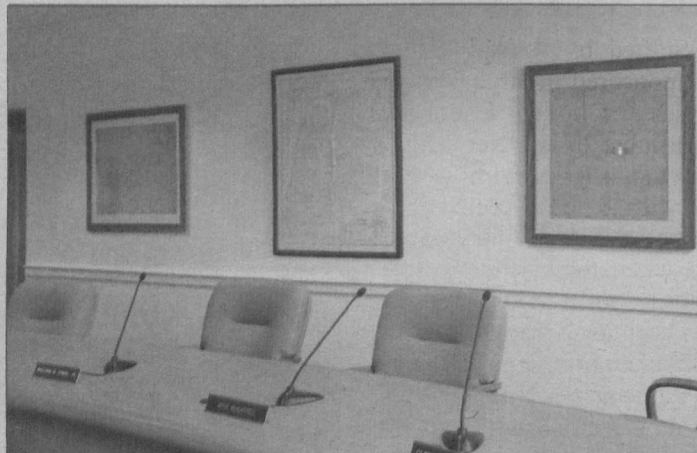
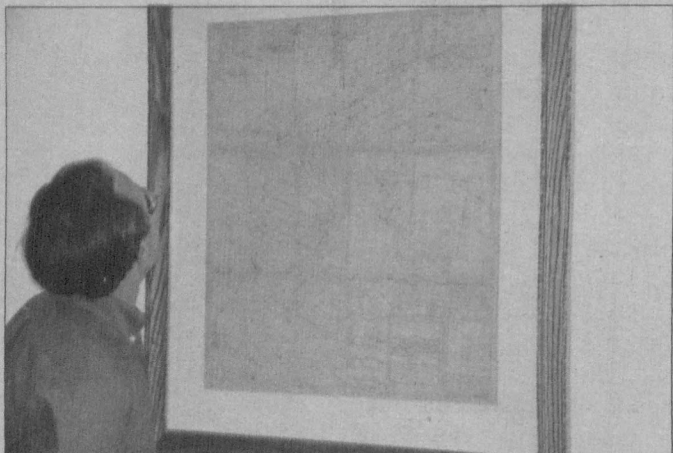
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TOWN NEWS

Maps make their way to Emmitsburg town office



- JAMES RADA, JR. / THE DISPATCH

Mike Hillman with the Greater Emmitsburg Area Historical Society straightens one of the historical maps of the town that now hang in the third-floor meeting room in the town office building. In addition, the Historical Society donated an old photograph of the town fountain and justice of the peace and trustee meeting minutes from 1817 to 1825, which besides the maps, are the oldest surviving legal documents of the town of Emmitsburg.

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EMMITSBURG, Md. — The Emmitsburg Town Council voted to replace two trees that were destroyed by lightning in Memorial Park. Following a recommendation by the Parks and Recreation Committee, the town commissioners voted to contact

the New Forest Society about getting two trees to replace the destroyed trees. The new trees will be close to their original locations but not close enough to damage new utilities that have been buried in the area.

- J. Rada

Town Meetings

Municipal meetings

Town Meeting
September 17, 7:30 p.m.

Streets Committee
September 18, 7:30 p.m.

Planning and Zoning
September 24, 7:30 p.m.
• Daughters of Charity
Land Use Request
• Water Resources Plan
• Schedule for Final Document Adoption

Town Elections
September 25, 7 a.m. — 8 p.m.
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TOWN NEWS

Glidden Tour heads to Gettysburg

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GETTYSBURG, PA. — In a world filled with fast cars and tricked-out rides, it's a rare sight to see a car that doesn't contain a computer-filled engine or CD player. But that will all change, as the Revival AAA Glidden Tour heads to Gettysburg.

From September 9 to 14, nearly 300 antique vehicles, pre-1943, will take to the streets of South-Central Pennsylvania and Northern Maryland, touring various historical and scenic locations around the region.

Started by AAA in 1904 and sponsored in large part by Charles J. Glidden, a wealthy industrialist from New England, the original aim of the tour was to introduce Americans to the automobile at a time when they were seen as anything but practical and reliable. In its infancy the tour was something of a road rally or endurance test for the cars, a trip made from point A to point B, covering hundreds of miles of rough roads, as the participants' times were tracked.

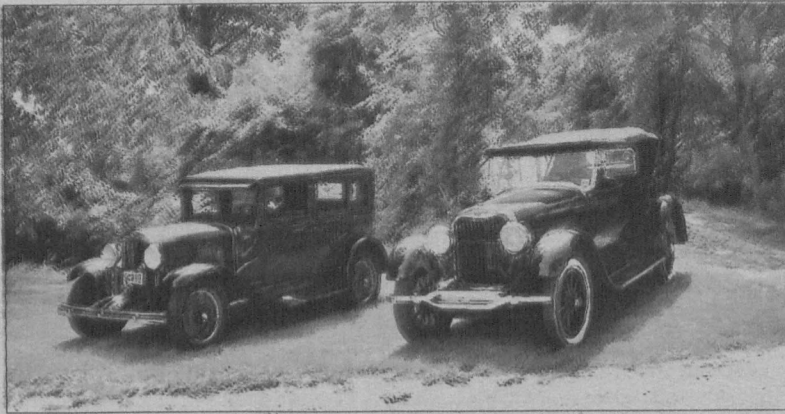
Today, things are a little different. The roads the tour will travel on are actually paved and the tour does not go from point A to point B, but

rather covers hundreds of miles located around a central point, where the participants return to each day. The times of participants are still tracked and the coveted Glidden Trophy is awarded at weeks end, but the tour is more of a relaxed, enjoyable event compared with the early days.

The Gettysburg Region of the Antique Automobile Club of America (AACA) is sponsoring the event held at Gettysburg's Eisenhower Resort and Becky Zinn, chairperson and member of the Gettysburg Region of the AACA, said the group has been planning the event for over a year and are expecting 500 to 600 people to show up.

"People are coming a long way," Zinn said. Participants are coming as far North as Maine, as West as South Dakota and as South as Texas and Florida.

The tour will not only give participants a chance to take their cars out but also visit many historical sights, something many may not have the chance to do otherwise, Zinn said. The last time the tour visited Gettysburg was in 1911, when the tour stopped overnight on the way to Jacksonville, Fla.



- PHOTO COURTESY BECK ZINN

More than 300 antique automobiles will be driving through the region on their way to the Gettysburg Eisenhower Resort as part of the AAA Glidden Tour.

Best places to see the cars

- 9/10/07: Penn Township Fire Hall in Huntsdale, Pa. at lunchtime.
- 9/11/07: Glen Rock Community Park in Glen Rock, Pa.. The group will split up for this stop. Some will visit later in the morning and some after lunch. OR Wisheaven Banquet Hall in East York, Pa. at lunchtime.
- 9/12/07: Gettysburg Battlefield all morning. The group will be touring around the town of Gettysburg probably all day.
- 9/13/07: Visiting the National AACA Museum in Hershey, Pa. The group will be here approximately 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- 9/14/07: Hampstead Fire Hall in Hampstead, Md. at lunchtime OR Wheeler Kia Antique Museum in Westminster, Md. The group will split up for this stop. Some will visit in the morning and some after lunch.
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This new program will join Up County Center's other offerings for children and families. The center provides parent-child activities, parenting education, on-site child care, field trips, recreational and leadership opportunities, life skills, education classes (ESL, ABE/GED, flexible high school, home teaching, literacy), job search, computer and employability readiness classes, service coordination and referrals and home visiting services. All services provided are free of charge, and transportation may also be provided.

For more information about the KISS program or about the Up County Center itself, call (301) 447-6325.

- J. Rada

Soldier gets "Rob's Van" on Sept. 8

EMMITSBURG, Md. — On September 8, a severely wounded soldier from the 10th Mountain Division will receive a wheelchair-equipped van during a halftime presentation at the first Army football home game at West Point. The van is a gift from 1st Lt. Robert Seidel, III, who was killed in Iraq in May 2006.

"Operation Support Our Troops" raised the money for the van through its "Wheels for Warriors" program. The van will be known as "Rob's Van" in honor of Seidel. The presentation will be made during the Rhode Island vs. Army game that is scheduled to begin at 1 p.m. on September 8. It will be broadcast on ESPN Classic.

Seidel was a 2000 graduate of Catocin High School and a 2004 graduate of the United States Military Academy at West Point. He was an

Airborne Army Ranger qualified for Air Assaults and a rifle platoon leader with 1st Platoon, B Company, 2nd Battalion, 22nd Infantry Regiment of the 10th Mountain Division out of Fort Drum, N.Y.

Seidel was buried with full military honors in Emmitsburg on Memorial Day 2006.

For any additional information about this event, please contact the President of Operation Support our Troops: Mary Kay Salomone at mksalomone@cox.net.

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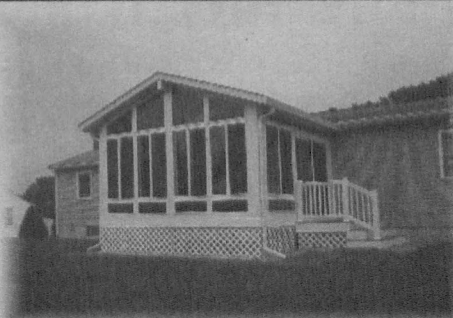
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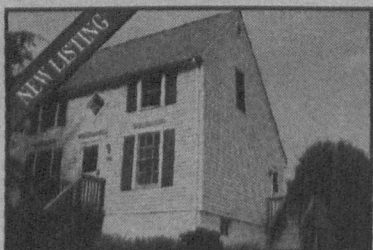
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REGIONAL NEWS

Thurmont sewer issue still in court

BY STEPHANIE LONG

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THURMONT, Md. — Another trip to court for the Town of Thurmont saw a nearly \$3.5-million award from a trial earlier this year reduced by more than \$900,000.

The seven plaintiff couples filed a lawsuit against the town in 2004 over flooding that occurred in their homes in 2003. In May, a Frederick County Circuit Court jury award families nearly \$3.5 million. However, in August's post-trial motions, Judge Julie

Stevenson Solt reduced the award due to duplication in the award and Solt's ruling that to municipal protections under state law, there was a cap to how much a family could be awarded. All seven families saw their awards reduced in some way.

Solt capped the largest award, given to Robert and Rachel Patrick, at \$500,000 to comply with a local government tort claims act, which protects towns from paying more than \$500,000 per occurrence.

The town had argued that flooding should be considered as one occurrence, that only

\$500,000 total should be awarded, but the judge did not agree saying that each home and its flooding was a separate occurrence and therefore seven events occurred and each plaintiff was entitled up to \$500,000.

The judge also denied the defendants request for a new trial, saying "the court is comfortable with its rulings."

Thurmont Mayor Martin Burns said the town is will appeal the decision. However, the town's appeal will have to wait for an appeal that the Patricks have made over the reduction of their \$699,733 award to \$500,000.

Revised Awards

Family	Original Award Amount	Reduced Award Amount	Difference
Bishop	\$567,222	\$427,221.86	\$140,000.14
Brown	\$435,723	\$333,222.82	\$102,500.18
Furr	\$498,953	\$373,950.29	\$125,002.71
Lavigne	\$437,344	\$323,939	\$113,495
Matweecha	\$505,939	\$380,939	\$125,000
Patrick	\$699,733	\$500,000	\$199,733
Valentines	\$317,101	\$214,601	\$102,500

Open houses for the Thurmont Region Plan

FREDERICK, Md. — The Frederick County Planning and Zoning Department will hold two open houses to give people the chance to view the draft Thurmont Region Plan.

Land use maps and other informative materials will be available at the meeting. County planning staff will also be on hand to answer questions.

The meetings will be at:

Thurmont Middle School - Cafeteria

408 E. Main Street, Thurmont
Monday, September 24, 2007
5-8 p.m.

Emmitsburg Community Center - Gymnasium

300 A-1 S. Seton Avenue,
Emmitsburg
Monday, October 1, 2007
5-8 p.m.

The public hearing for the draft plan will be on Oct. 24 at 7 p.m. in Patriot Hall on Mount St. Mary's campus.

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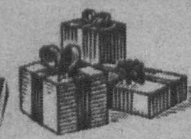
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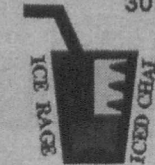
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BY JAMES RADA JR.
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EMMITSBURG, Md. — Need to know where to get a haircut in Emmitsburg? Want to find a good local place to eat? How about finding a doctor for your pets or yourself?

The Emmitsburg Business and Professional Association is offering free maps of the businesses in Emmitsburg at local businesses, travel centers, the town office and library.

"The idea was to put something together that's distinctly Emmitsburg," said Bob Rosensteel, an EBPA officer and the photographer for the map project.

Besides showing where all the businesses are located in town, the map also categorizes 34 businesses in town along with the business phone numbers.

Rosensteel said the costs to produce the 5,000 maps was entirely funded through advertising businesses purchased.

"We really didn't have anything of this dimension before," Rosensteel said.

Once the 5,000 maps are distributed, the EBPA will put together a new map with new advertising. For instance, Rosensteel said the next edition of the map will include an EBPA contact number, which was left out this edition.



Roll-off containers available for residential rental

KEYMAR, Md. — Cheetah Services of Keymar offers roll-off containers and flat beds available to residential customers for short- and long-term uses.

Cheetah Services, a new division of From The Mill Enterprises, anticipates developing relationships with local contractors, lumber yards, farm operations, residential home owners, and restaurants having a need to recycle, rent refuse containers, or use hauling services. The company will initially have 100 containers for rent and hopes to grow the business over time.

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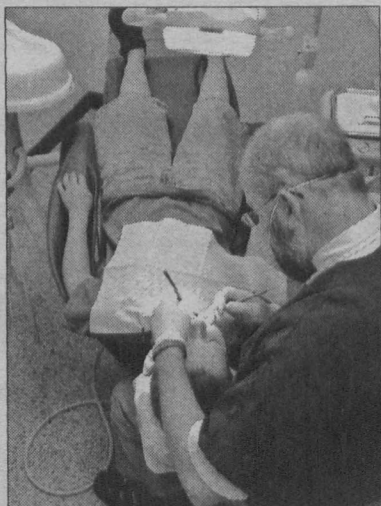
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A note from the family of Pam Shriver

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Ten-year-old Paul Tiller, Jr. was the first patient to try out the equipment in Dr. Michael Hargadon's new dentist office in Emmitsburg. Hargadon, a dentist with 24 years experience, opened his office on the first floor of 9 East Main Street in Emmitsburg. He maintains offices in Baltimore and Emmitsburg.

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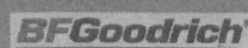
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Who was the Emmitsburg Doughboy?

BY JAMES RADA JR.
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EMMITSBURG, Md. — The "Doughboy" statue at the end of West Main Street commemorates the sacrifice of 135 Emmitsburgians who went off to fight in World War I and the nine who didn't return.



— ROBERT ROSENSTEEL / THE DISPATCH

The statue stands in front of tiny park in front of the Emmitsburg House. The doughboy is walking between two tree stumps. His right arm is raised holding a hand grenade and his left arm clutches a rifle with the bayonet affixed.

But the "Doughboy" himself, the subject of the statue has remained unidentified for nearly a century.

His name was Louis Cook.

He wasn't from Emmitsburg or even Maryland. He didn't fight in the war, but it is his face and body that adorn many monuments, such as Emmitsburg's "Doughboy" memorial.

The Greater Emmitsburg Area Historical Society recently received

an e-mail from Louis Cook's son along with an obituary for Cook.

"His family was out trying to identify all the statues of their father and they stumbled across our article about the doughboy on the web site," said Mike Hillman, president of the historical society.

Hillman asked for a picture of the statue they were looking for and compared it to Emmitsburg's statue. The two matched.

Jon Cook wrote to Hillman, "The newspaper obituary pretty well sums up my dad's life history. He never did get overseas as the war ended in Nov of 1918, while he was still in ROTC. Further, he was a victim of the influenza epidemic of 1918 and when he recovered, he received a medical discharge from the Army as they were downsizing after the Armistice was signed. When WWII started, he was too old for active duty, but enlisted in the Coast Guard Reserve and served at the Coast Guard station in Racine WI, while he worked at a defense plant in Kenosha that manufactured aircraft engines."

Louis Cook died in 1971 at the age of 70, according to the obituary from the *Valis County News Review*.

"By most in this community Louie was known as a quiet and dedicated officer, always on the job, and ready to assist with the skating programs at the Eagle River Sports Arena. To others he

will be remembered for his posing for the famed Statue of an American Doughboy in World War I, and to others as the officer in northern Wisconsin who spotted and reported the sighting of parts of Russian Sputnik IV that disintegrated over Wisconsin," the newspaper noted.

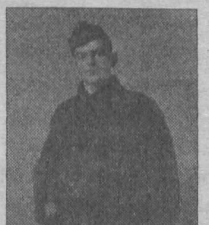
E.M. Viquesney, the sculptor and Cook's friend, asked Cook to pose for the statue because of his build and his ability to hold a pose for a long time. The sculpture of the "Doughboy" was copied and placed as a memorial in many parks across the country.

"Although the facial features of the statue are not real distinct the stance is familiar to the family of Louis Cook. It shows the American soldier carrying a rifle and throwing a hand grenade," the newspaper noted.

The sculpture took Viquesney two years to complete. It was called the "Spirit of the American Doughboy" and it sold originally for \$1,000. Emmitsburg is believed to have purchased its statue in 1923.

At least 110 Doughboy statues are known to exist in at least 24 states, according to a 1991 article in the *Frederick Post*.

The Greater Emmitsburg Area Historical Society also maintains an honor roll of area veterans that contains information and pictures about the town's veterans at www.emmitsburg.net/archive_list/articles/history/ww1/index.htm.



The Emmitsburg WWI statue of a U.S. "Doughboy" soldier honors Emmitsburg servicemen in the war. The statue has stood at the end of West Main Street for 84 years, but until recently no one has known who the model for the doughboy was.



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EDUCATION

It's back to school
for area students

BY STEPHANIE LONG

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THURMONT, Md. - On August 27 bells rang out, school bells that is, as students across the area headed back to school.

Jack Newkirk, Catoctin High School principal, where over 250 students began their first day as high schoolers, said that the first day of school went well.

"We had a great opening day and it was nice to see the kids again," he said. "It was a textbook day."

Newkirk did have advice to all of his new freshman students, which he made sure they heard directly from him during first period.

"Stay orderly, get organized, keep up with your homework... and develop good study habits," Newkirk said. "Be successful."

To help students be successful, Catoctin High has started a new program for ninth graders called Cougar Achiev-

ment Academy, which is designed to help the students prepare for standardized tests starting in ninth grade. This year 60 students are involved in the academy.

Over at Thurmont Primary, more than 400 students started school and nearly 400 started Thurmont Elementary. In Emmitsburg, over 300 students began their first day of school at Emmitsburg Elementary.

For all the students that headed back to school there always seems to be one question lingering in the air, "Are they really happy to be back in school or do they wish it was still vacation?"

Don Byarg has been picking his great grandson up from Emmitsburg Elementary School since last year and said that his great grandson "was ready to go back" but added with a smile that "he wasn't excited."

Even at Catoctin high school it appeared that many were excited to go back to school according to Newkirk.

"They're certainly happy to see people, their friends," he said.

Catoctin SAT scores drop 6 points

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THURMONT, Md. - Recently released results of the Scholastic Aptitude Test shows that Catoctin High students earned a combined score of 1507 between the three tests for reading, math and writing.

The math scores are up slightly over the past five years while the reading scores are down slightly.

"If you look, you'll see the nationwide trend across the nation has been down," said Catoctin Principal Jack Newkirk.

This is true and it appears that Catoctin's scores tend to be higher than the state of Maryland average (1498) but less than the national average (1511). The scores are also below the county average (1548). Catoctin's average was the third lowest among the nine county high schools.

"Improving our scores is part of our school improvement plan," Newkirk said.

He added that one of the ways the school is working to raise the scores is by offering an SAT prep course that is geared toward sophomores and juniors. Students who take the advanced course offered at the school have also been shown to

do better on the tests.

"But there's no one specific button that you can push and fix everything," Newkirk said. It has to be a systemic improvement."

The number of seniors taking the test is also significantly below the county's average. Last year 62 percent of county seniors took the SAT while only 50 percent of Catoctin seniors did.

"Increased participation is often associated with some decrease in mean score, as a result of a more-inclusive group of test takers," said Deborah Gilmarin, coordinator of testing and accountability for Frederick

County Public Schools.

The SAT is a program of the College Board, developed and administered by the Educational Testing Service of New Jersey to measure critical reading, writing and math skills. The scores - in conjunction with students' transcripts and other measures of performance - assist many colleges and universities in selecting students for admission. Because the SAT is an elective test, results do not reflect the performance of all students. However, the trend in SAT scores is a useful criterion for assessing district and school performance.



Students at Emmitsburg Elementary School load onto a school bus after their first day of school on August 27.

- STEPHANIE LONG / THE DISPATCH

Frederick County 2007 SAT scores

School	Score	% taking test
Brunswick	1540	46%
Catoctin	1507	50%
Frederick	1501	56%
Gov. Thomas Johnson	1536	69%
Linganore	1540	63%
Middletown	1588	72%
Tuscarora	1491	71%
Urbana	1625	77%
Walkersville	1547	56%
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MOUNT SAINT MARY'S



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EMMITSBURG, Md. — More than 1,000 people visited Mount Saint Mary's University for the kick-off events in the 14-month bicentennial celebration.

"The goal of the celebration is to get people excited and learning about the Mount," said Bicentennial Director Liz Monahan.

The kick-off events on Aug. 24 included the dedication of Founder's Plaza and the statue of John DuBois, a ribbon cutting for the historic timeline hallway and the debut of a documentary about the Mount's history.

"We have tried to create as many kinds of events to appeal to many kinds of people," Monahan said.

Future events over the next year include an old-time baseball game to celebrate 125 years of Mount baseball, a service trip to Peru, a concert by the Maryland Symphony Orchestra, a bicentennial stamp card and a Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York.

According to Director of Communications Linda Sherman, of the thousands of the colleges and universities in the country only around 30 have reached the bicentennial mark. Mount St. Mary's is the second-oldest Catholic college in the county; the first being

"We've got a rich and deep history"

Liz Monahan
Bicentennial Director
Mount St. Mary's University



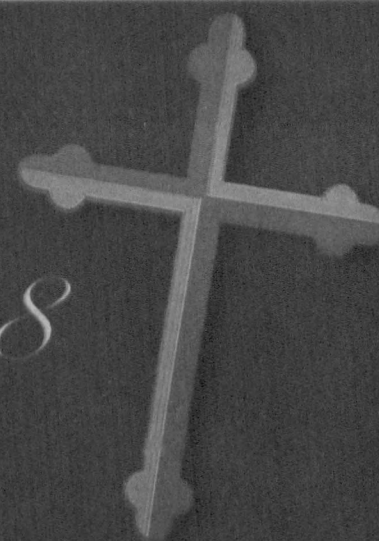
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The journey and growth has not always been smooth for the Mount. The school suffered a major fire in 1824 and nearly went bankrupt in 1881.

However, the faculty and students persevered. The school had a grand centennial celebration on Oct. 14 and 15, 1908. During the school's sesquicentennial celebration in 1958, the school entertained both President Dwight Eisenhower and Robert Kennedy.

Now the 40-member bicentennial committee hopes that the 14-month bicentennial celebration will surpass those events.

"We want to maintain the buzz on campus and hopefully we've planned various types of events to achieve that," Monahan said.

The Mount is offering a number of bicentennial items to help people remember the event long after the celebration has ended. Signed and unsigned color prints of a painting of the Mount campus, a bicentennial coffee table book by National Geographic photographer Dan Biegel, copies of the Mount documentary and bicentennial rings are all available at the college bookstore or by calling (301) 447-5271.

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- **June 6-8, 2008**
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- **Spring/Summer 2008**
Presidential Trips to Costa Rica
- **Fall 2008 Semester**
Remnant Trust Foundation
- **Oct. 11, 2008**
Marian Symposium
- **Oct. 11, 2008**
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Not only was the first American-born saint's birthday honored on Aug. 26, but the annual celebratory Mass for St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, which was held in the basilica, honored all Elizabeths and Elizabeth Anns in attendance. The Elizabeths ranged from babies to seniors. After the Mass, attendees shared birthday cake, refreshments, snow cones, and balloons in the basilica courtyard. The event draws about 370 people each year.

Anderson to lead parishes as Pastoral Life Director

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ANDERSON

THURMONT, Md. — As Barbara Anderson prepares to begin her new role as pastoral life director of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Thurmont, and St. Anthony Shrine, Emmitsburg, the 51-year-old director of religious education said she is "honored and humbled to be asked to take on the responsibility" of leading the twinned Frederick County parishes.

Cardinal William H. Keeler appointed Ms. Anderson to her new post effective Aug. 1. "The parish has undergone a lot of change in the last five years," said Ms. Anderson, who has served for three years as director of religious education at Church of the Resurrection in Ellicott City. "The people have done a wonderful job retaining a sense of community there," she said.

Ms. Anderson succeeds Sister Joan Maenner, O.S.F., who died in November. Sister Marietta Culhane, O.S.F., has served as temporary administrator for the last eight months. Raised in St. Agnes parish in Catonsville, Ms. Anderson earned a master's degree in theology from the Ecumenical Institute at St. Mary's Seminary and University in Roland Park. She previously was a program coordinator for the United States Conference of Catholic

Bishops, staffing the subcommittee on youth and young adults. She is a former coordinator of youth ministry at St. Isaac Jogues, Carney, and a former director of religious education and coordinator of youth ministry at St. Francis of Assisi, Fulton. She was also involved in ministry at St. William of York, Baltimore.

Ms. Anderson said her background in youth ministry will be an asset at her new assignment as the parish prepares to strengthen its youth ministry program. There are approximately 700 registered families between Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St. Anthony Shrine. The biggest challenge facing the two churches is accommodating increasing numbers of families as new housing developments are erected nearby, Ms. Anderson said.

"I've met with the staff and they are all very supportive," she said. "I am looking forward to this new time in my life, and I ask for prayers and the opportunity to meet new people." As pastoral life director, Ms. Anderson will oversee the administration of the parish while Father John Lombardi will attend to sacramental needs as the assigned priest.

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LIBRARY EVENTS

September at the Emmitsburg Library

Storytimes

Babies with Books

(birth-24 months with an adult)
September 5, 12, 19, 26 at 10:30 a.m.

Two Terrific Storytime (age 2)

September 4, 11, 18, 25 at 10:30 a.m.

Head Start Storytime (ages 3-5)

September 11, 18, 25 at 9:45 a.m.

Pre-School Storytime (ages 3-5)

September 6, 13, 20, 27 at 10:30 a.m.

Family Storytime (all ages)

September 12, 19, 26 at 7 p.m.

Children's Programs

All Day Drop-In Craft (ages 3 and up)

Make a special library card.
September 1 at 10 a.m.

Hooray for Grandparents Day!

(ages 3 and up)
Bring a grandparent for special friend for special stories and to make a craft.
September 8 at 11 a.m.

Reading Rocks! (ages 10-12)

Read your choice of a title by Roald Dahl.

September 10 at 4 p.m. Registration required.

Night Owls (ages 6-12)

An evening of games, crafts, snacks and lots of laughs.
September 17 at 4 p.m. Registration required.

"Did You Know?" Series (ages 6-12)

Learn what the library has for homework help, fun and exploration through databases. September 18 at 11 a.m. Registration required.

The Book Bunch (ages 6-11)

Activities about "Gooney Bird Greene" by Lois Lowry.
September 19 at 4 p.m.

A.R.T. (Artistic Readers Time) (ages 3-6)

Storytime with a fun book and coordinating art project.
September 24 at 10:30 a.m.

Teen Programs

Movie Makers Club (grades 6-12)

Learning about directing, writing and acting in movies.
September 4 at 7 p.m.

Animé Club (grades 6-12)

September 14 at 6 p.m.

Sci-Fi Fantasy Book Club

(teens and adults)
September 18 at 7 p.m. Read "Here, There Be Dragons" by James A. Owen.

Adult Programs

FCPL Board of Trustees Meeting

September 5 at 7 p.m.

Leaving a Legacy: Write About Your Life

Learn to record your personal accounts of life "back when", to share with others.
September 10 at 1 p.m.

Tuesday Evening Book Club

(adults)
September 11 at 7:30 p.m.

Non-Fiction Book Club (adult)

September 13 at 1 p.m.

Knitting Nook

(teens and adults)
September 20 at 4 p.m.

Genealogy Focus Group (teens and adults)

September 27 at 7 p.m.

Programs, unless otherwise noted, are held at the Emmitsburg Library in the Community Center on South Seton Avenue. Registration or information: (240) 629-6329.

SENIOR EVENTS

Senior Events in September

"Try to remember the kind of September"—when school started after Labor Day, and families all went to the Great Frederick Fair on Fair Day when kids received free admission. Hope all of your September memories are good ones!

The seniors encourage all eligible persons (50 years and older) to join them for regular program activities and special events. Our lunch program is open to those 60 and older. The center is lovely and the "natives" are friendly! Check us out!

Special events

September 12 - Brown Bag Bingo

September 14 - Lunch trip to Frederick Senior Center, followed by a dance, 1-3 p.m., to celebrating National Senior Center Month. Cost: \$5 each for lunch and dance.

September 18 - Meeting Day, 12:30 p.m. Blood pressure check with Nurse Steve.

September 25 - Mystery Trip!!! Sign up by September 21; transportation fee: \$3.

Regular activities

Bowling: Mondays at Taneytown bowling center. Carpool; meet at center at 12:30 p.m.

Strength Training & Conditioning: Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. Dress comfortably, wear athletic shoes. Participants will use small weights. Led by Linda Stultz.

Bingo: September 12 and 26.

Cards, 500, and Bridge Group: September 5 and 19.

Men's Pool: Wednesdays at 1 p.m.

Pinochle: Thursdays at 12:30 p.m.

Cards & Games: Fridays at 12:30 p.m.

Shopping at Jubilee Foods: Thursdays at 12:30 p.m.

Programs are held in the Community Center on South Seton Avenue. Call for lunch reservations 24 hours in advance. The Senior Center will close whenever county offices are closed. To register for special events or for information, call program coordinator Linda Umbel, (301) 600-6350.

FAIRFIELD SENIOR EVENTS

Senior Events at the Fairfield Senior Center

The Fairfield Senior Center welcomes all seniors of the Greater Fairfield, Pa. area. The center is in the social room at St. John's Lutheran Church, 13 E Main St, Fairfield. Questions about activities? Call Cheryl Kulkusky, the site director, at (717) 642-6523.

Special Events

Sept. 13 - Out to lunch, noon

Sept. 18 - Speaker from Go Sport, 10 a.m.

Sept. 20 - Strawberry Hill Nature & Discovery Show, \$3.75 per person

Bring your project - beginners welcome. (Other needle-workers are welcome too.)

Lunch: Monday through Friday at noon, except for Special Events already noted.

Card games: Your choice. Tuesdays and Fridays, 9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Games and puzzles: Thursdays from 9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m., except for Special Events.

Chat Time: Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m.

Call for lunch reservations 48 hours in advance. The senior center will close whenever Adams County offices are closed. To register for special events, call (717) 642-6523.

Sept. 27 - Out to lunch. Shopping at the outlets.

Sept. 29 - Pippinfest! Bake sale 8:30 a.m. until ?? Donations and volunteers needed.

Regular Activities

Exercise: Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. Dress comfortably and wear athletic shoes.

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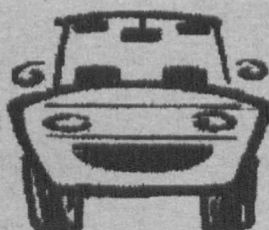
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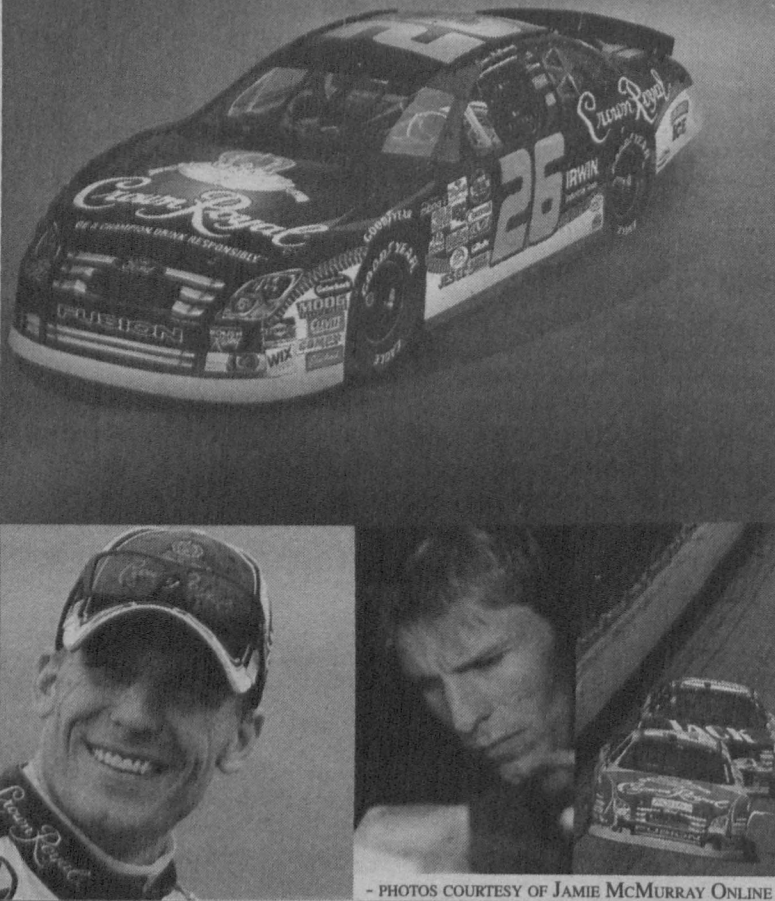
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COMMUNITY NEWS

NASCAR in Thurmont

NASCAR driver Jamie McMurray's #26 Crown Royal car will be on display at Gateway Candyland/Liquors on Saturday, Sept. 15 from 12 - 3 p.m. Stop in and see the racing car. The store is at Route 15 and North Franklinville Road.



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Lawson awarded first Mayor Black Scholarship

THURMONT, Md. — Sara Lawson, a Thurmont resident and student at Frederick Community College, was recently named the first recipient of the Mayor James F. Black Scholarship.

Lawson is studying business management at FCC and hopes to own her own retail business in the future.

"This award will significantly aid me in my academic pursuits," Lawson said.

Black served as Thurmont's mayor for 16 years during the 1970s and 1980s and as a town commissioner from 1967-1969. He also served on the Frederick County Council of Government and was the president for three years. He was a member of the board of directors for Frederick Citizens Nursing Home and the Catocin Medical Center.

After Black died in 2003, his son, Dennis, founded the Mayor James F. Black Scholarship Fund to honor his father's memory and longstanding commitment to the Town of Thurmont. The fund provides educational assistance for town



- PHOTO COURTESY OF THE FREDERICK COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

Sara Lawson (2nd from right) received the first Mayor James F. Black Scholarship. Pictured above are (l to r): Martin Lopera, community foundation trustee; Mayor Martin Burns; Dennis Black; LaRue Black; Lawson and Thurmont Commissioner Bill Blakeslee.

employees and their legal dependents, with preference given to full-time employees who have been accepted to attend an accredited college or technical courses directly related to their job responsibilities.

Lawson's father, Harold, is a town employee.

"We are delighted that the scholarship fund established in

my father's memory was available to assist Sara with her education expenses," Dennis Black said.

For additional information on the Mayor James F. Black Scholarship Fund or any of the more than 600 funds held the Frederick County Community Foundation, visit www.cffred-co.org or call (301) 695-7660.

The beat goes on,
and on and on

Catoctin High School's Marching Cougars kept up a school tradition this year by marching in the Rocky Ridge Fire Company's Annual August Carnival Parade. The 35-member band has been marching in the parade since the mid-1990s.



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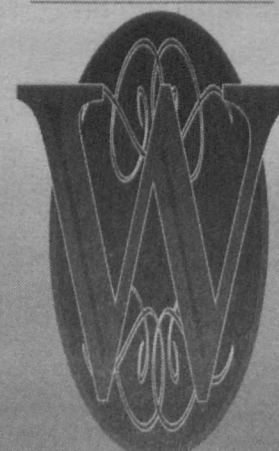
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September 6 – Subs and Slippery Pot Pie to Benefit St. John's Union Church Restoration in Creagerstown. Questions or to order (301) 898-7718. Leave message or order.

September 6 – Depression and Bipolar Disorder Support Group. A mutual-help support group for persons with depression or bipolar disorder is meeting in Emmitsburg, Maryland. Sponsored by the DBSA (Depression and Bipolar Support Alliance), the group meets once a month from 7 - 8:30 p.m. No charge. For more information and location, call Paul at (301) 447-2207.

September 7 to 9 – 51st Annual Emmitsburg/Thurmont Community Show at Catoctin High School. Animals, enjoy food, view arts and other exhibits highlighting the best of Northern Frederick County.

September 7 – Night Sounds at ThorpeWood. 7 - 9 p.m. The woods at night are full of sounds - who's making them? Come find out how to "read" the night noises of woodland animals. RSVP - (301) 271-2823; Cost \$5 per person; for more information visit our website www.thorpewood.org.

September 8 – St. Stephen's Church Annual Fall Festival at 25445 Highfield Rd. Cascade, Md. Begins at 3 p.m. Come enjoy our delicious food; BBQ chicken dinner, hand-cut french fries, hotdogs, Italian sausage sandwiches, funnel cakes, etc., children games, raffle, auction, and ice-cream from Antietam Dairy.

September 8 – The Baltimore Bicycling Club is hosting its annual cycling event in Thurmont, MD. Riders will be leaving from Thurmont, MD near the Cozy Motel. As in the past, you can visit the South Mountain and Antietam or Gettysburg battlefield sites or all three of them if you elect to ride the full century while cycling through some of the most beautiful countryside east of the Mississippi. Any questions, please contact us at cwc@baltobikeclub.org

September 8 – Gettysburg Farmers Market on Lincoln Square. 7 a.m. - Noon. Call (717) 334-8151 for more information.

September 8 to 9 – 3rd Annual Gettysburg Wine & Music Festival at the Gettysburg Area Recreation Park, presented by the Gettysburg Adams Chamber of Commerce. Noon - 6 p.m. rain or shine. Tickets \$17 in advance, \$20 at the gate. Admission includes souvenir wine glass, wine tickets for sampling, live music and gourmet cooking demo. For more information call (717) 334-8151 or visit www.gettysburgwine.com.

September 8 – East Berlin Colonial Days in East Berlin, Pa., 19 miles east of Gettysburg on Pa. Route 194. Featuring 18th century crafts and demonstrations from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. For more information, call Leslie at (717) 259-0822.

September 8 – Bus Trip to the National Mall in D.C. sponsored by the Adams County Historical Society will feature a visit to the Korean, Vietnam and WWI memorials with additional free time. Reservations and fee are required. Call (717) 334-4723, ext. 201 for information or visit www.achs-pa.org.

September 8 – Junior Golf Instruction at the I-70 Golf Center on Saturdays for four weeks. This course introduces the basics of the golf swing fundamentals and is taught by a PGA Professional and staff. Equipment is available for use, but feel free to bring your own. Ages 6 - 14, \$75 per participant. Visit www.Recreator.com or call (301) 600-2936 for more information.

September 8 – Thurmont Grange will serve a buffet turkey and ham dinner in the Catoctin High School cafeteria from 3 - 7 p.m. Adults - \$10; children under 12 - \$ and children under 5 - \$4.

September 9 – St. Joseph's Church Catholic Faith Formation (CFF) classes for children ages Kindergarten to Confirmation begin Sunday at Mother Seton School. To register your child, please contact Rina at the Parish Office, 301-447-2326, or e-mail rrocal@comcast.net. Your child has the right to have this opportunity to learn about their Catholic faith as you assist them by your good example and instruction in the Catholic faith you share with them.

September 9 – American Legion Annual Picnic at The American Legion, Thurmont, Md. Steamed crabs, fried chicken, salads, cold beer. 1 - 5 p.m. members only. Must be 21 to attend.

September 9 – Catoctin FFA Alumni will serve a chicken bar-b-que dinner at the Catoctin High School cafeteria at 12 noon. Adults - \$7.50; under 12 - \$5. Carry-out \$8.50. These events, along with many other activities, are being held in conjunction with the Thurmont & Emmitsburg Community Show on September 8, 9 and 10 which is held at the Catoctin High School.

September 9 - 14 – 62nd Revival A.A.A. Glidden Tour will be hosted by the Gettysburg Eisenhower Resort. 300 Antique vehicles are expected to participate. Each day the group will tour a different area of South Central Pa. or Northern Maryland. On September 12 the group will spend the day in Gettysburg. Local business merchants should be ready to welcome the participants. For more information, call Becky Zinn at (717) 632-3060.

September 9 – "Where's the Instruction Manual?" at FMH Wellness Center, FSK Mall, Frederick. Baby Care Basics Class. Advance registration and payment required. Fee: \$65/couple. For more information, call (240) 379-6000.

September 9 – Lewiston Ruritan Chicken Bar-B-Q on U.S. 15 North & Fish Hatchery Road. (301) 748-1708.

September 9 – Beginner Golf Instruction at the I-70 Gold Center on Sundays, this course introduces the fundamentals of grip, aim stance and posture. Equipment is available for use, but feel free to bring your own. Ages 18 or older, \$75 per participant. Visit www.Recreator.com or call (301) 600-2936 for more information.

September 10 – HACC Foundation Scholarship Gold Tournament at the Links at Gettysburg. There is a men's and women's tournament, scramble format. For registration information, contact Sandy at (717) 780-2416.

September 10 – Adult, child and infant CPR & AED. 6:30 p.m., 2 year American Heart Association cards. (301) -473-5670 or www.healthfirstcpr.com.

September 11 – EXPO 2007 at the Holiday Inn Holidome & Conference Center (near the FSK Mall) 8 a.m. - 3 p.m. This year's Business Expo is all new. It's our biggest networking event of 2007. The expo is a fantastic opportunity to see new faces, make new connections, and learn things about Frederick County businesses that you never knew before! Frederick exhibits are free and open to the public. To order tickets for the breakfast seminar, or reserve a booth for your company, please call (301) 662-0745 or visit www.frederickchamber.org.

September 13 – Baltimore Pike Farmers Market at Mulligan MacDuff 1360 Baltimore Pike is open from 2 - 7 p.m. every Thursday. Call (717) 337-1492 for information.

September 13 – Learn Classical Ballroom Dancing at Ballenger Creek Middle School. This fun and easy 10-week class will teach you the basics of waltz, foxtrot and East Coast swing. Couples only. Ages 16 years and older. The cost is \$75 per participant and classes will be held Thursdays. Call (301) 600-2936 or log on to www.Recreator.com to register.

September 13 – Learn Latin Ballroom Dance at Ballenger Creek Middle School. This 10-week class will teach you the basic steps of hot Latin dances like cha-cha and rumba. Couples only. Ages 16 years and older. The cost is \$75 per participant and classes will be held Thursdays. Call (301) 600-2936 or log on to www.Recreator.com to register.

September 13 – Learn How to Ballroom Dance at Centerville Rec. Center. Learn how to dance like the stars! We offer fun as well as knowledge of many rhythms, such as East Coast swing, waltz, cha cha, mambo, tango, etc. Couples only. Ages 16 years and older. Participants under 18 must register with an adult. The cost is \$50 per participant. Classes will be held Thursdays for eight weeks. Call (301) 600-2936 or log on to www.Recreator.com to register.

September 14 – Karaoke with Ron & Brenda at the American Legion, Thurmont, Md. 8:30 p.m. until. Kitchen open every Friday, 5:30 - 8:30 p.m.

September 14 to 22 – The Great Frederick Fair at the Frederick Fair Grounds, 797 E. Patrick St., Frederick.

September 14 – Horsepull at the Frederick Fair at the Frederick Fairgrounds, 797 E. Patrick St., Frederick. 7 p.m. Free event.

September 14 – Children's History Symposium. In conjunction with the exhibit, "To Be a Child," the Historical Society of Frederick County and the Catoctin Center for Regional Studies will be co-sponsoring a symposium from 9 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. at Frederick Community College. The symposium will feature four noted speakers offering presentations on fascinating historical topics relating to children and childhood. Cost is \$65 for members and \$75 for non-members. Refreshments and lunch are included in the registration fee. Additional info and registration forms are available at www.hsfcinfo.org or at the Museum of Frederick County History.

September 14 – Ghost Stories at ThorpeWood. 7 - 9 p.m. Join us around the bonfire for a cup of hot cider and more spooky tales—this time in the middle of the Catoctin woods! RSVP - (301) 271-2823; Cost \$5 per person; For more information visit our website www.thorpewood.org.

September 14 to 16 – 5th Annual Old Fashion Tent Revival at the future site of Tom's Creek United Methodist Church, between Taneytown and Emmitsburg on route 140 (2 miles before Emmitsburg). 7 p.m. Entertainment nightly. Friday, Gospel Travelers, Saturday, PB & J Band & Sunday, Tailor Made. Special Guest Speaker and refreshments served each evening.

September 15 – "Somebody Catch My Homework!" at 3 pm at Granite Hill Campground. Presented by the AOK Players is a free play based

on the works of Poet David L. Harrison. Thanks to sponsors Robert C. Hoffman Charitable Endowment Trust, Collaborating for Youth in Adams County, The LeVan Family Foundation, Embarq and The Pub and Restaurant, there is no admission fee. Visit www.adamscountycouncil.org for other dates or information.

September 15 – Heirloom Care is an informative class addressing special care needed for fabric, paper and other valuables. Hosted by Adams County Historical Society Executive Director Wayne Motts and Collections Manager Ben Neely. Reservations and fee required. Call (717) 334-4723, ext. 201 for information or visit www.achs-pa.org.

September 15 – 3rd Annual Golf Tournament to Benefit Adams County Prevent A Litter Society at the Mountain View Golf Course. \$65 registration fee includes greens fees, cart, breakfast, snack, lunch, drinks and prizes. Call Dottie at (717) 624-3408 for information. All proceeds go to spay/neuter programs in Adams County.

September 15 – "Wash for Life" at St. Joseph Church, DePaul St., Emmitsburg. The Pro-Life and Youth Group are sponsoring a Car Wash/Bake Sale. All proceeds to benefit the Catoctin Pregnancy Center. \$5 p/ car. 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

September 17 – Thurmont Cub Scout Pack 270 is registering new members at the Thurmont American Legion 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. Boys 1st thru 5th grade and parents are invited to this orientation meeting/registration. For questions call Joan Hertel (240) 674-9109.

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Sept. 6 - Oct. 11 - Beginning Drawing Studio at the Washington County Museum of Fine Arts in Hagerstown. Instructor: Mike Gouker. Thursdays 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. For more information on fees, dates and times, call the museum at (301) 739-5727. For the hearing impaired, call our TDD at (301) 739-5764. Registration can be made via our secure web site at www.wcmfa.org. Registration is required for all classes.

September 6 - Drawing in the style of the renaissance masters. Learn to draw using the techniques of DaVinci, Michelangelo, and other great Renaissance masters. Thursdays, September 6 through 27, 6 - 8 p.m., Amy Thrush-Dreves, instructor. Held at the Imagination Station classroom, 18 Carlisle Street, Gettysburg, to enroll or for more information call (717) 334-5006.

September 7 - Concert in the Park with Dan Sherman (Classic Rock) at the Emmitsburg Community Park Pavilion. 7 - 9 p.m.

September 7 - Imagination Station Art Show. Over the summer, 75 beginning and intermediate artist of all ages have participated in classes at the Adams County Art's Council's Imagination station. Those involved learned painting, drawing, photography, collage, jewelry-making and more. The public is invited to see their work at the art show, from 6 - 8 p.m. as part of Gettysburg's First Friday celebration.

September 7th - Night Sounds. 7 - 9 p.m. The woods at night are full of sounds - who's making them? Come find out how to "read" the night noises of woodland animals. RSVP - (301) 271-2823, Cost \$5 per person. For more information go to our website: www.thorpewood.org

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following day. Catocin Wildlife Preserve and Zoo, 13019 Catocin Furnace Rd., Thurmont. For more information or to purchase tickets, call (301) 271-3180.

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Sept. 14 - Oct. 19 - Young at Art. The Washington County Museum of Fine Arts in Hagerstown, instructor Kathryn Lant, Fridays from 1 - 2 p.m., ages 4 - 6. For more information on fees, dates and times, call the Museum at (301) 739-5727. For the hearing impaired, call our TDD at (301) 739-5764. Registration can be made via our secure web site at www.wcmfa.org; registration is required for all classes.

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September 15 - Gretchen Wilson at the Frederick Fair. 7:30 p.m. Tickets: Reserved track, \$55. Reserved grandstand \$50. Event tickets include fair gate admission, but not parking. Mail order ticket sales begin May 14. To be placed on the ticket order form mailing list, send your name and address to The Great Frederick Fair, P.O. Box 604, Frederick, Md. 21705, or e-mail your physical mailing address to email@thegreatfrederickfair.com.

September 16 - Thurmont Summer Series Concert with the Alesia Band. Free concert at 6 p.m. in Thurmont Memorial Park on East Main Street. Bring your own lawn chair or blanket to sit on.

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Sept. 22 - Oct. 13 - Young at Art at the Washington County Museum of Fine Arts in Hagerstown. Instructor Kathryn Lant, Saturdays from 12:30 - 1:30 p.m. or 2 - 3 p.m., ages 4-6. For more info on fees,

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Keys to Frederick Project unveiled at Art in the Park Night

FREDERICK, Md. - Thirty man-size fiberglass keys made their public debut during Art in the Park night at Harry Grove Stadium on Aug. 17. The event, sponsored by the Frederick Arts Council, celebrated the important role the arts play in Frederick County.

The artistically decorated keys are now on the streets of downtown Frederick and will remain on public display until Oct. 22. The number of keys was chosen in honor of the Frederick Arts Council's 30th anniversary of promoting, supporting, and advocating the arts. Keys were selected as the sculpture in recognition of the city's ties to Francis Scott Key, the author of the Star Spangled Banner.

"This project has reinvigorated the arts scene in Frederick. Frederick has a thriving arts community and this project validates the quality of art that exists here. Frederick is a major arts destination and this project is just one example of that," said Arts Council executive director Shuan Butcher.

The 30 artists include members of The Artists' Gallery, Hillary Banachowski, Bridget von Briel, Colleen Clapp, Vince Coates, Laura Renee Davis, Michael Dean, Steven Fiscus, Yemi Fagbohun, Leslee Forster and



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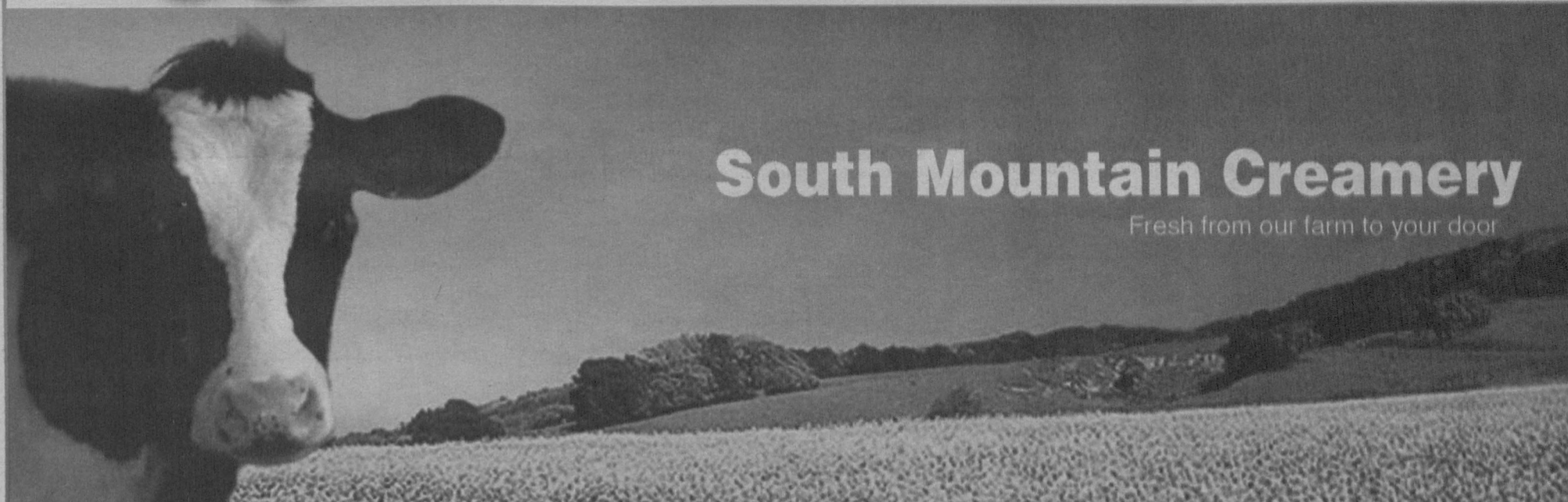
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Sister Catherine Norton, DC

Sister Catherine Norton, DC, former healthcare executive and vocation director for the Emmitsburg Province of the Daughters of Charity, died July 27, 2007 of injuries sustained in a fall while attending a meeting in Buffalo, N.Y. She was 73 years of age and 54 years of vocation.

Catherine Anne Norton was born in Troy, N.Y., to John W. and Anne Boyland Norton.

Sister Catherine will be remembered for her gentle ways, thoughtfulness and kindness to everyone. She lived her charism and was an exemplary Daughter of Charity.

Sister is survived by her brother, William Norton, and sister Patricia Ryan (Francis), and several nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. Sister Catherine was predeceased by her sister Jacqueline Keefe.

A Mass of Christian burial was offered August 4, 2007 at the Basilica of the National Shrine of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Emmitsburg.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Daughters of Charity Support Fund for the Elderly and Infirm Sisters, 333 South Seton Avenue, Emmitsburg, MD 21727.

Mr. Casey Bly

Mr. Casey Alexander Bly, 17, of Emmitsburg, died August 17, 2007 at Georgetown University Hospital, Washington.

Casey was born on September 21, 1989, in Gettysburg, Pa., a son of Patrick William Bly Jr., of Emmitsburg, and the late Ann Elizabeth Bly.

Casey was a 2007 graduate of Catocin High School and he will be remembered for being straightforward and his calm and caring attitude.

Surviving is his father, Patrick William "Pat" Bly Jr. and stepmother Mary Elizabeth "Beth" Bly; two stepbrothers, Robert Monaghan and wife Heather of Waynesboro, Pa., and Jason Monaghan and wife Shannon of Cheyenne, Wyo.; his maternal grandparents, William A. and Mary S. Willhide of Thurmont; paternal grandparents, Barbara P. Mervine of Florida and New York and Patrick William Bly Sr. of New York; also survived by aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews.

In addition to his mother, he was preceded in death by his

brother Christopher Patrick Bly in 2001 and his sister Jamie Ann Bly in 2006.

Casey will also be remembered by the love of his life, Olivia Fretch and the Fretch family of Emmitsburg; special friends David, Randy, Brandon, Nick, Billy and Zack, all who visited him at Duke University Hospital and at his home.

A special thanks to all of the Moser, Mashmeyer, DeVaughn and Sellers families, Tiffany Free and the entire community for the endless support that has been shown for Casey.

Funeral Services were held August 22, 2007 at St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church in Thurmont, with Pastor K. Craig Moorman officiating. Interment will be in Blue Ridge Cemetery, Thurmont.

Memorial donations may be made in Mr. Bly's name to the Lombardi Pediatric Cancer Center, 3800 Reservoir Road, NW, Washington, D.C.

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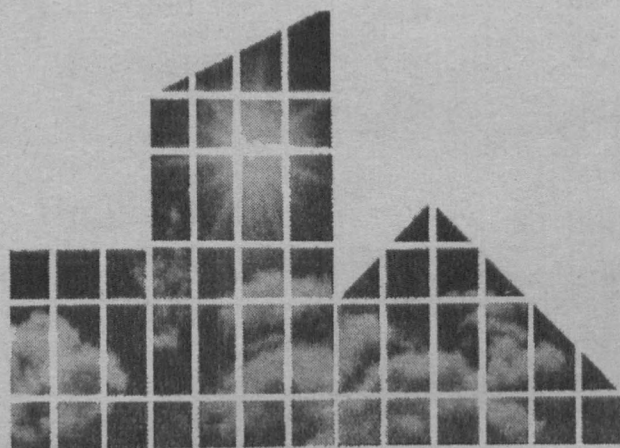
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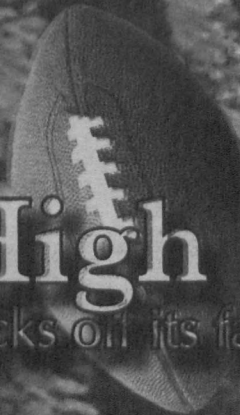
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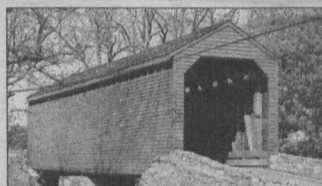


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Sachs Covered Bridge

Editor's Note: This is the fifth in a series of features on sites in the Mason-Dixon Region along "The Journey Through Hallowed Ground," the 175-mile area along the U.S. Route 15 corridor that reaches from Gettysburg, Pa. to Charlottesville, Va.

They are something from another era when roads were rougher and vehicles were horse-drawn. They are the covered bridges of Frederick and Adams counties.

"I think the covered bridges are evocative of early transportation," said John Fieseler, executive director of the Tourism Council of Frederick County. "It's a definite magnet to tourists in the county."

Frederick County has three of the eight remaining covered bridges in Maryland and they are all along "The Journey Through Hallowed Ground." Adams County, Pa., also has a covered bridge used during the Battle

of Gettysburg that is along the Journey.

The three Frederick County bridges are the Roddy Road Covered Bridge, the Loys Station Covered Bridge and Utica Mills Covered Bridge. The Sachs Covered Bridge is in Adams County.

"We are fortunate here that you can drive across all three bridges (in Frederick County)," Fieseler said. "People driving across them can get a feeling of nostalgia hearing the clickety clack of the floorboards."

Loys Station Covered Bridge

This was a Howe truss bridge built between 1850 and 1860 near Thurmont. It is a barned, one-lane bridge over Owens Creek. The bridge's design uses multiple king post trusses covered with beveled clapboard, and was rebuilt after an arsonist's fire nearly destroyed it in 1991. Whenever possible, original materials were used in the reconstruction and you can still see some of the charred

timbers. This bridge originally was 90-feet long but was modified by adding a concrete pier and steel beams that created two 45-foot spans. The roadway is 12.5-feet wide.

The bridge is surrounded by a community park with a playground, picnic pavilions and access to swimming in Owens Creek.

Roddy Road Covered Bridge

Roddy Road Covered Bridge is located just north of Thurmont. It was built in 1856. The bridge spans Owens Creek just east of Route 15 where Roddy Creek Road intersects with Roddy Road. It is the smallest covered bridge in the county measuring 45 feet in length. It features a King Post design.

Utica Mills Covered Bridge

Also called the Burr Arch Truss Bridge, Utica Mills was built between 1850 and 1860 over Fishing Creek along Utica Mills Road. It is 100-feet long and modified with steel stringers

and a concrete pier creating two 50-foot spans. The bridge has a Burr truss, named after Theodore Burr, who patented the design in 1817. The roadway is 17-feet wide. The bridge originally spanned the nearby Monocacy River but an 1889 storm washed it away. Citizens gathered the remains and reconstructed the bridge at its present site.

Sachs Covered Bridge

Built of oak and pine in 1854, the bridge was used by the Confederate army on its retreat from the Battle of Gettysburg and is said to have been used by both U.S. and Confederate forces during the battle.

It was also the site of a triple hanging at one end of the bridge, which makes a popular site for ghost hunters.

The 100-foot-long bridge spans Marsh Creek and connects Cumberland and Freedom townships.

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Pippinfest

Held this year on September 29 and 30, this annual festival, now in its 27th year, is held in Fairfield, Pa. It's a street fair and apple festival wrapped into one. For two days, the streets of Fairfield will be filled with the work of professional artist, craft exhibitors, demonstrations and hometown crafters. Lots of entertainment and delicious food will also be served up, as will several new attractions, including a Grease Car, which is a car solely run on vegetable oil, and antique tractor show. There will be several children's activities, in which the donations generated will be used to send care packages soldiers.

For more information on Pippinfest visit www.fairfieldpa.net/pippinfest.htm.

Apple Harvest Festival

Started more than 40 year ago by the Adams County Fruitgrowers Association, this years 43rd Annual National Apple Harvest Festival will feature over 300 arts and dealers, craft demonstrations, entertainment, a pie auction, petting zoo, apple bobbing, pie eating contest and plenty of mouthwatering food. The festival is held the first two weekends in October in Arendtsville, Pa.

For more information on the Apple Harvest Festival visit www.appleharvest.com/index.htm.

Colorfest

Over 100,000 visitors' head to Thurmont, Maryland each year to experience Colorfest, a festival originally started in 1963 as a series of nature walks. Over the years the fest has grown from a small affair to one that brings over 350 craft vendors and thousands of visitors from all over to experience the vibrant colors of autumn and the excitement of Colorfest. This year's fest will be held on October 13 and 14.

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[Find unique art from these unique artisans]

By STEPHANIE LONG

There exists a group of women in Gettysburg known as the Spirited Ladies. A group of 16 life-loving women who are artisans in their own right, the Spirited Ladies talents range from jewelry design to baking and this autumn everyone can take part of their spirit by taking part in the Spirited Ladies Studio Art Tour.

The tour came about when Martha Wolf and Sue Hudson met and discovered their mutual love of bead work and jewelry design and decided to team up to sell a custom line of jewelry, Uniquely Yours. After meeting other women in the area who had a passion for creative endeavors, the group met together to discuss their personal artistic endeavors when the idea of creating a tour to share their work came to light.

Within a few short months the first tour was held on Halloween weekend of 2004, which lent inspiration to their name the Spirited Ladies. Since then the ladies have worked together with one mission in mind, "to inspire, unite and promote the artistic endeavors of Spirited Ladies everywhere!" This year's tour is aimed to do just that and is the largest yet and will take participants to six different stops around the Gettysburg area where the Spirited Ladies will be.

The tour will begin at The Front Porch on Buford, which is somewhat of a headquarters for the Spirited Ladies and where some of their work is sold. The second stop will be at Tiffany Lane, where participants will meet the ladies behind Uniquely Yours and can visit with psychic Barbara Brown. Local artist Andrea Theisson, fiber artist Mary Luquette and sculptor Vera Mackey will be on hand at Studio A on stop three. The Bobbi Becker Gallery will be the lo-

cation of stop four where art star Bobbi Becker, multi artist Lynne Suprock and embroiderer Cheri Cline will showcase their work. Flowers will be the main attraction at stop five at the Nancy Hanmer's greenhouse and farm, Greystone Farm. The last stop, six, will be at Lightner Farmhouse where proprietor Eileen Hoover, knittress Barb Zimmerman and artist Phyllis Netherland will be on hand.

The tour truly offers something for everyone and the Spirited Ladies are sure to offer a fun filled day of art, inspiration and learning. The tour will run from 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. October 20 and from 12 - 6 p.m. Oct. 21. For more information or to pick up a tour map stop by or call The Front Porch on Buford, 114 Buford Avenue, at (717) 334-0808 and ask for Carol.



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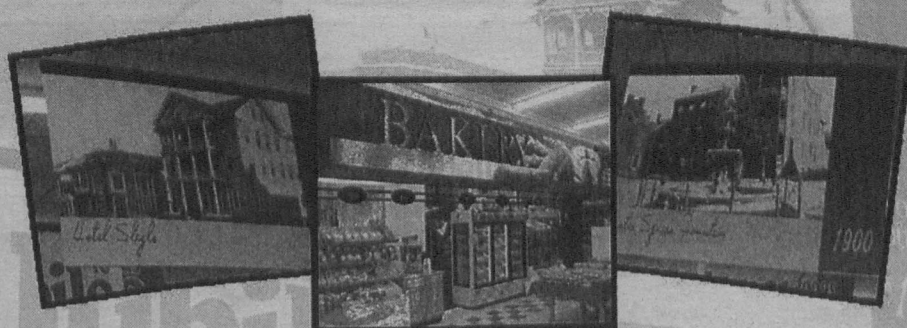
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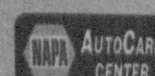
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[Mapping out a corn maze]

By STEPHANIE LONG

In autumn, something strange overtakes the cornfields of America. Shapes, patterns and designs appear where corn should be, as a maze of designs come to view. Are they crop circles, large mole paths, or could they be something else?

All across America corn mazes have become what some may call a national craze. People will travel miles and pay, in some cases, a lot of money to experience the excitement of getting lost in a sea of corn.

Corn mazes vary in size, design and shape and can either take mere minutes to several hours to get through. Some may think that the big question with a corn maze is how to get to the other end and master the maze, but what may be an even bigger question exists: How are corn mazes constructed? And that question poses more questions, Are large scientific calculations used, or huge cookie-cutter-esk devices

employed to cut out the shapes, or perhaps are aliens somehow involved?

Tim and Mary Beard, owners of Gray Wolf Plantation in New Oxford, Pa., run a corn maze on their property every autumn and explained their technique. Tim plants the corn later in the summer so that it stays green throughout the corn maze season while Mary takes care of the design of the maze, which spans two acres this year, mapping it onto a piece of paper. Once the corn reaches about a foot and a half tall, the real work begins for Mary.

She doesn't run to grab her cookie-cutter or pull out a sheet of paper containing scientific calculations and she certainly doesn't call E.T. up for some help. Rather, she heads out to the cornfield early in the morning with map in hand to stake out the field. Slowly she walks through the field and stomps down the corn as she goes, placing stakes along the path she is creating. For several days Mary does this, spending a couple hours each day creating the maze. Once the corn gets taller a weed whacker is used to cut down any remaining corn that stands in the path. By the

time the season opens, the corn may be 7 to 9 feet tall. Because the Beards begin their work early in the season when the corn is shorter they do not need to worry about tackling towering corn because the path already exist.

But what happens when one must construct a larger corn maze that involves a very intricate pattern or design? Is that when maze creators contact E.T.? Jeff Greenwood, of Summer Farms in Frederick, knows how to turn a mammoth cornfield into a corn maze or two.

Since 2004 Greenwood has been constructing the corn maze at Summers Farms. Greenwood crossplants his corn, which creates a grid, late in the summer to ensure that it remains green throughout the season. This year the Baltimore Orioles and Ravens themed mazes span nine acres and due to the intricacies of the mazes design Greenwood employed the help of a company based in Utah, who mapped out the design on a grid-like map with row counts to make it easier for him to create.

Once the corn reaches 6 inches tall, Greenwood



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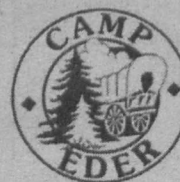
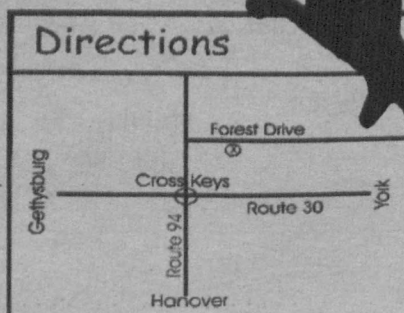
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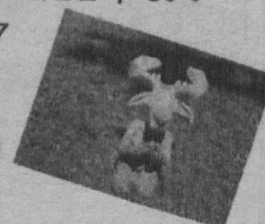
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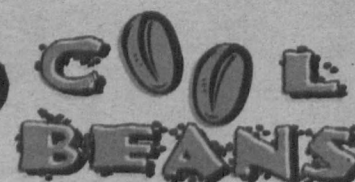
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heads out to the field with map in hand. Basically he counts rows, putting flags in certain areas at certain rows. For several days straight Greenwood does that and when all the flags are in place he is left with a field full of flags, but once he "connects the dots" the design comes to life. Armed with his backpack sprayer he walks

down the path and sprays the corn, killing it. After riding the path of the dead corn the maze is complete.

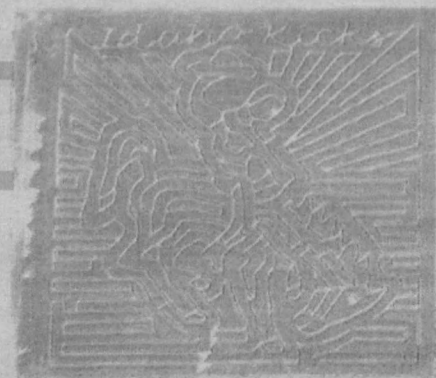
Greenwood said that there are simpler ways to create a corn maze, such as using a GPS unit to map it out, but he doesn't see spending the money when his method works, even if it can be

a tedious task at times.

No matter how corn mazes are constructed, whether by stomping down the corn, or killing it with a sprayer, and despite the fact that their creation may not be as mysterious as some may have thought, there is no doubt that they will continue to amaze and entertain many across America for



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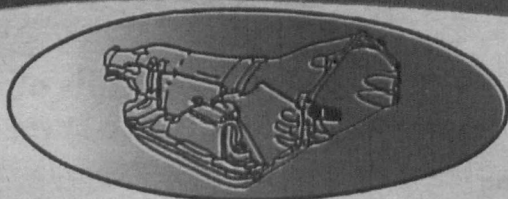
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- Sept. 18 Northern
- Sept. 24 Chambersburg Area
- Oct. 2 Bishop McDevitt
- Oct. 8 Lower Dauphin
- Oct. 10 Mechanicsburg Area
- Oct. 15 Susquehanna Township

(6:15 p.m.)

Boys Varsity Football (all at 7:30 p.m.)

- Aug. 31 South Western
- Sept. 7 Manheim Central
- Sept. 21 Hershey
- Oct. 5 Palmyra Area
- Oct. 19 Middletown Area
- Nov. 2 Lower Dauphin

Boys Varsity Soccer

- (at 6:30 p.m., except as noted)
- Sept. 1 Gettysburg Tournament (9 a.m.)
 - Sept. 6 Middletown Area
 - Sept. 11 Lower Dauphin
 - Sept. 25 Palmyra Area
 - Oct. 2 Bishop McDevitt
 - Oct. 8 Carlisle
 - Oct. 9 Hershey
 - Oct. 11 Mechanicsburg Area
 - Oct. 16 Susquehanna Township

Girls Varsity Volleyball

- (all at 7:30 p.m., except as noted)
- Sept. 4 Shippensburg Area
 - Sept. 10 Northern
 - Sept. 15 Gettysburg Varsity Tournament
 - Sept. 18 Mechanicsburg Area
 - Sept. 24 Littlestown
 - Oct. 2 Waynesboro Area
 - Oct. 9 Red Land
 - Oct. 16 Middletown Area
 - Oct. 18 Big Spring



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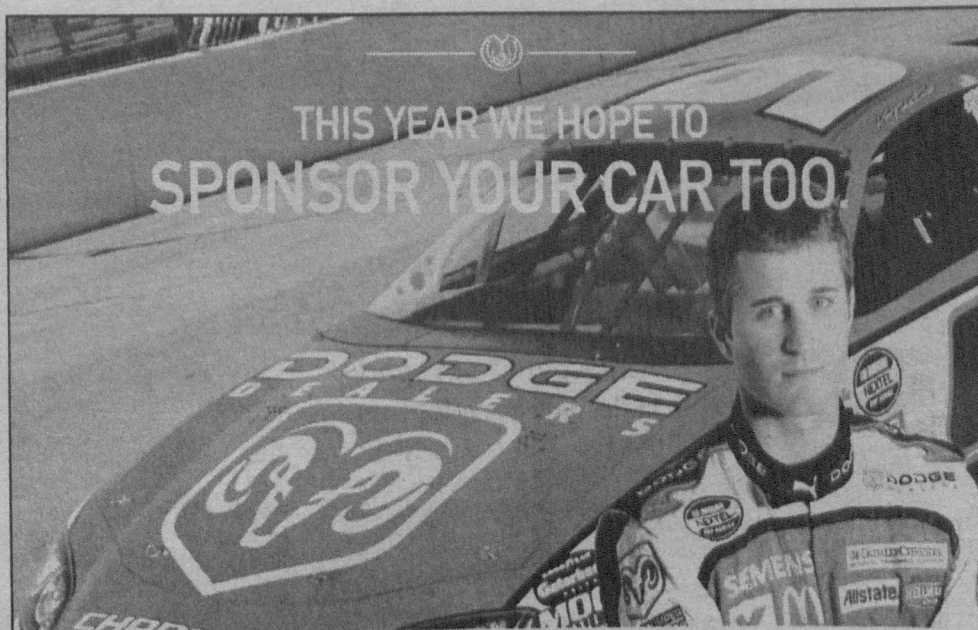
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The Weinberg opens its new season on Oct. 5

By JAMES RADA, JR.

Whether you are looking for comedy, dance, music, movies or even science, the Weinberg Center in Frederick has it and has it live.

"With live theater, whatever happens that night won't happen again in the same shape or manner," said John Healy, executive theater manager of the Weinberg Center.

The new season for the Weinberg Center opens Friday, Oct. 5 with David Sedaris a humorist, playwright and commentator for National Public Radio. He is also the author of Barrel Fever, Naked, Holidays on Ice and Me Talk Pretty One Day.

The Weinberg Center wasn't always a live theater. It began life in 1926 as the Tivoli Theater. The Weinberg family turned it over to the City of Frederick in 1978. For most of

the time since then, the theater has operated in partnership with the city.

Last year, 39,000 people (including 5,000 students) came to the Weinberg Center to watch and listen to the wide variety of national and local acts appeared there.

"I think they like live theater because with a music group, you can buy their CD and listen to it, but it's not the same. You miss the interaction the group has with the audience between song and the sense of community you get from being among friends and neighbors who are in attendance," Healy said.

Other shows include "An Evening with Colin Mochrie and Brad Sherwood." The stars of the TV show "Whose Line is it Anyway" will bring their special brand of improvisational comedy to the Weinberg for two shows on Saturday, October 20.

Audience participation is part of the show, which is never the same twice. Bluegrass sensation Doc Watson returns in January and the Beatles impersonation act 1964 - The Tribute will appear in the spring. Both shows were sellouts this last year!

Programs also feature special showing for students and classic movies.

For those who like to attend multiple shows, the Weinberg Center offers various package deals to fit every budget.

The historic theater will also begin undergoing a number of renovations this year.

"We're doing mostly a lot of cosmetic work," Healy said. "The biggest thing we'll be doing is replacing all of the seats in January."

For more information about the theater or the shows, visit www.weinbergcenter.org on the Internet or call (301) 600-2828.

upcoming shows at the Weinberg

October

- Oct. 5 - David Sedaris (humorist) 8 p.m.
- Oct. 10 - Essential Graham (dance) 8 p.m.
- Oct. 14 - Sweet Honey in the Rock (a cappella ensemble) 2 p.m.
- Oct. 20 - An Evening with Colin Mochrie & Brad Sherwood (comedy) 6 p.m. & 9 p.m.
- Oct. 26 - The Phantom of the Opera (classic movie) 8 p.m.
- Oct. 30 - Super Scientific Circus (kid's fun science) 10 a.m. & 7 p.m.

November

- Nov. 1 - The Rainbow Fish (kid's musical) 10 a.m.
- Nov. 2 - A Night at the Opera/A Day at the Races 8 p.m.
- Nov. 3 - The Rainbow Fish (kid's musical) 11 a.m.
- Nov. 4 - Julius Caesar (play) 2 p.m.
- Nov. 5 - Julius Caesar (play) 10 a.m.
- Nov. 9 - Chicago-The Musical 8 p.m.
- Nov. 10 - Chicago-The Musical 2 p.m. & 8 p.m.
- Nov. 11 - Elena Baksht in Concert (pianist) 2 p.m.
- Nov. 16 - Maryland Symphony Orchestra 8 p.m.
- Nov. 17 - The Capital Steps (musical comedy) 8 p.m.
- Nov. 18 - Gallagher (comedy) 8 p.m.
- Nov. 23 - Mary Poppins (classic movie) 2 p.m. & 8 p.m.

For more information, contact the Weinberg Center at (301) 600-2828.

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Natalie MacMaster
Wednesday, October 10
7:30 p.m.



The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (Abridged)
Saturday, October 20
6:00 p.m.

Arthur Tricks the Tooth Fairy
Wednesday, October 24
7:00 p.m.



Georgian State Dance Company
Saturday, October 27
8:00 p.m.

Aquila Theatre Company of London/New York
Friday, November 2
8:00 p.m.



Shaolin Warriors
Tuesday, November 13
7:30 p.m.



King's Singers Christmas Show
Wednesday, December 5
8:00 p.m.

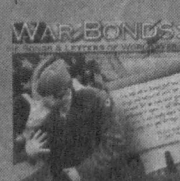


Jim Brickman
Monday, December 10
8:00 p.m.

The Blind Boys of Alabama - Go Tell It on the Mountain
Tuesday, December 11
7:30 p.m.

Tomaseen Foley's A Celtic Christmas
Thursday, December 20
7:30 p.m.

New Year's Eve The War Bonds: Songs and Letters of WW2
Monday, December 31
7:00 p.m.



Cirque Le Masque
Friday, January 18
7:30 p.m.

Little Women The Broadway Musical
Wednesday, January 30 - 7:30 p.m.

BeauSoleil avec Michael Ducet
Tuesday, February 5
7:30 p.m.

Trinity Irish Dance
Tuesday, February 12
7:30 p.m.

The Lettermen Sing Broadway
Saturday, February 23
8:00 p.m.

Friday, March 7 - 7:30 p.m.
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Dirty Sock Funtime Band
Sunday, March 16
3:00 p.m.

St. Petersburg Ballet Theatre Giselle
Wednesday, March 19 - 7:30 p.m.

Ain't Misbehavin'
Thursday, March 27
7:30 p.m.

Angèle Dubeau and La Pieta
Tuesday, April 1 - 7:30 p.m.

Taylor 2
Wednesday, April 23
7:30 p.m.
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Vicki Lawrence and Mama: A Two-Woman Show
Wednesday, April 30
7:30 p.m.



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A&E calendar



September 7 – Concert in the Park with Dan Sherman (Classic Rock) at the Emmitsburg Community Park Pavilion. 7 – 9 p.m.

September 7 – Night Sounds. 7 – 9 p.m. The woods at night are full of sounds - who's making them? Come find out how to "read" the night noises of woodland animals. RSVP – (301) 271-2823, Cost \$5 per person. For more information go to our website: www.thorpewood.org.

September 8 – Sunset Safari. Hear the animals hoot, roar and sing at night and cozy up to the campfire as you hear behind-the-scenes stories of living with all the zoo's animals. Attendees must be at least 12 years old. Tickets must be purchased in advance. Tickets: Evening Pass, \$79; 4 – 10 p.m. Overnight Experience Pass, \$119. Catoctin Wildlife Preserve and Zoo, 13019 Catoctin Furnace Rd., Thurmont. For more info or to purchase tickets, call (301) 271-3180.

September 14 to 29 – "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?" Edward Albee's dark comedy. A bitter university couple lets nothing stand in the way of their stinging barbs and games, even as they entertain innocent, late-night

guests. Starting time is 8 p.m. Ticket \$12, with discounts for seniors over 60, students with ID and groups of 10 or more. For more info visit www.gettysburgstage.org or by call toll-free (866) 859-5192.

September 14 – Ghost Stories. 7 to 9 p.m. Join us around the bonfire at ThorpeWood for a cup of hot cider and more spooky tales—this time in the middle of the Catoctin woods! RSVP – (301) 271-2823; Cost \$5 per person; For more information go to our website: www.thorpewood.org.

September 16 – Thurmont Summer Series Concert with the Alesia Band. Free concert at 6 p.m. in Thurmont Memorial Park on East Main Street. Bring your own lawn chair or blanket to sit on.

September 16 – Oak Ridge Boys at the Great Frederick Fair. 7:30 p.m. Tickets: Reserved track \$35. Reserved grandstand, \$30. Frederick Fair Grounds, 797 E. Patrick St., Frederick.

September 16 – Guilford Station Gospel Music. Beginning at 6pm at Fellowship Baptist Church, 110 Mount Hope Road in Fairfield, Pa. Come join in and enjoy the mu-

sic. Please contact the church office at (717) 642-6767 for more information or visit our website at www.fellowshipbaptistpa.org for more information.

September 18 – Piano4. A not-to-be-missed event of an international mix of four artists performing on four match grand pianos.; music ranges from Bach concerto for four keyboards to Debussy to Broadway and Sousa. 7:30 p.m. at Gettysburg Middle School.

September 20 – The Rockin Roadhouse Tour at the Great Frederick Fair. 7:30 p.m. Featuring Mark Chestnut, Lorrie Morgan and Aaron Tippin. Tickets: Reserved track, \$35. Reserved grandstand, \$30. Frederick Fair Grounds, 797 E. Patrick St., Frederick.

September 22 – Joe Nichols at the Great Frederick Fair. 7:30 p.m. Tickets: Reserved track seats, \$35. Reserved grandstand, \$30. Frederick Fair Grounds, 797 E. Patrick St., Frederick.

September 28 to 29 – Oct. 5 to 7 – The Fantastics! 8 p.m., except Oct. 7, which is at 2 p.m. Presented by The Fredericktowne Players, it is a classical coming-of-age-story. Tickets can be purchased by calling the Fredericktowne Players' Ticket Hot Line at (240) 315-3855 or through www.fredericktowneplayers.org.



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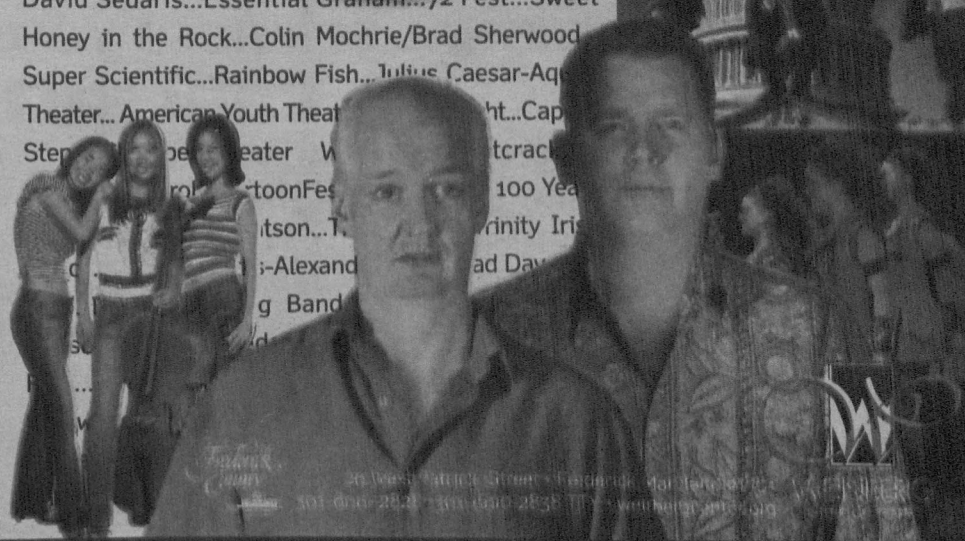
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