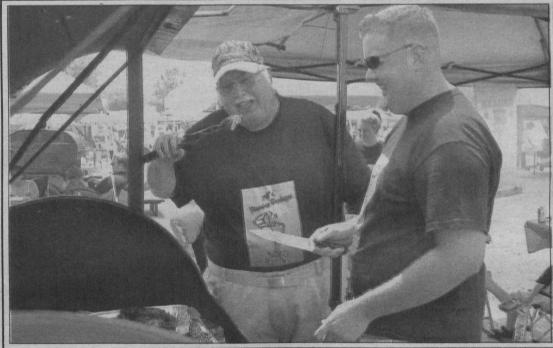
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2ND ANNUAL BARBEQUE



- JAMES RADA JR. / THE DISPATCH

Lindy Angleberger samples his son-in-law Alan Fitzgerald's cooking at the 2008 Emmitsburg Mayor's Barbeque on Aug. 2. Fitzgerald was the reigning Emmitsburg Grand Griller.

Things heat up in Emmitsburg

UpCounty wins 2nd Annual Mayors Barbeque

By James Rada Jr.

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EMMITSBURG, Md. – Alan Fitzgerald of Fairfield spent hours over the grill at the 2nd Annual Emmitsburg Mayor's BBQ on Aug. 2, slathering chickens with his secret sauces.

His father-in-law, Lindy Angleberger took a deep breath of the spicy aroma and said, "I used to weigh 123 pounds until he had me taste all his recipes."

"That was when you were in sixth grade," Fitzgerald said, meaning that was the last time his father-in-law weighed 123 pounds.

Both men laughed at the goodnatured teasing, which is part of the attraction of the barbeque competition. The grillers bring their grills and sauces, but they also bring their friends and family to sit around the grill laughing and talking.

"We're just here for the bragging rights," said Dave Fisher, another of

the 12 competitors at the barbeque.

Dave Nash with Pot Belly Barbeque in Taneytown competes around the mid-Atlantic with his chicken.

"This is a different competion," Nash said. "They're grilling. We're smoking, but we're here to have fun."

Everyone was also there to help raise money for the Emmits-

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FEMA reverts back to closed gate policy

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EMMITSBURG, Md. – The gates at the Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency in Emmitsburg will once again be guarded come the end of the month following a year and a half of open gates.

"Over the course of the last year and a half we've become more customer friendly," said Tom Olshanski, spokesperson for the U. S. Fire Academy.

Visitors to FEMA have been able to freely enter the site, prompted only by a large sign at the entrance to check in at the security office before proceeding to their destination. This "Open Gate Policy" has posed several problems, including parking issues and visitors entering the wrong buildings, which at times interrupted meetings and such.

"We've been operating on the honor system, that was not really quite working," Olshanski said. "We try to accommodate people... but with the guards it worked so well."

Thus the decision was made to once again have guards at the gate. With thousands of visitors, tourists and students entering the site each year, Olshanski believes the change will help keep order and help things run smoother. The change is not being made because of any heightened security threats.

Olshanski said mostly likely three guards would work the gate at a time, as it once was. The public is still invited to visit the site and its many monuments and cafeteria, Olshanski said, and will only be required to state their name and purpose to the guards who will check them in and direct them to the proper place.

FEMA officials met with Emmitsburg Mayor James Hoover recently to discuss the change, in an effort to keep local officials apprised of the change, Olshanski said, which is typical.

"We [FEMA] operate under part of the Emmitsburg community. Some of our staff live here and we consider you [Emmitsburg] good neighbors, we depend on the town," Olshanski said. "Anytime there's change we like to let the leadership know."

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EMMITSBURG, Md. – Roger Taney's bust sparked a controversy in Frederick earlier this year, but not nearly as big a controversy as a decision the U.S. Supreme Court he presided over did in 1857. The Dred Scott Decision split the country over the issue of slavery and was a factor that led to the Civil War.

Now imagine holding that decision in your hands as it, was printed in 1857 and reading it in the context that citizens read it in the 19th Century. In fact, a U.S. citizen in 1857 might have held the document you're reading, clutching it tighter as he or she read the inflammatory language.

Lucky for those of us today that person didn't rip the decision up in anger because we are able to hold it in our hands and read it as it had been written back then.

Mount St. Mary's University's Phillips Library will host a collection of rare books and documents, some of which are more than 500 years old. The collection is on loan from The

Remnant Trust beginning Aug. 21. The Remnant Trust encourages learning by allowing people to view and actually touch early editions of impor-

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From a moody golfer

In The Dispatch's last issue, someone suggested that I suffer from a very bad mood swing. What is true, is that I suffer from a very bad golf swing.

> Fr. Vincent O'Malley, CM Emmitsburg

Quoting Corinthians about visionary

sionary" article of last week...

Love is patient, love is kind. Love is not jealous or boastful. It is not arrogant or rude. Love does not insist on its own way. It is not irritable or resentful. It does not rejoice at wrong but rejoices with the truth. Love bears all things,

Regarding the "Local Vi- believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never fails. 1 Corinthians 13:

> Less said...best said... enough said.

> > Denise Sauvageau Emmitsburg

A sad day in Heaven

when you have Dr. Sullivan with Mission of Mercy talking against a Holy Catholic Priest who is standing up for our Holy Fathers ruling in Rome on his wife Gianna.

Putting a paid-for advertisement of Doomsday to instill in the minds of all readers in the lovely town of Emmitsburg

It's a sad day in Heaven Maryland and surrounding areas FEAR ... cult like???? I would say yes.

This is the work of the

Shame on the Dispatch for giving this any attention.

> Sue Langton Carroll Valley, Pa.

Appalled by disrespect

I was appalled by the way Michael Sullivan was allowed to disrespect Fr. O'Malley in such a disgraceful manner.

Mr. Sullivan claims he has cited Fr. O'Malley's mood swings, behavioral outbursts, distortions of the truth and obsession of spreading false statements about his wife Gianna. The description Mr. Sullivan portrays of Fr. O'Malley is far from the truth. How can Mr. or Mrs. Sullivan give an accurate opinion when neither one has ever taken the time to know him? They continue in words and in action to be disrespectful to Fr. O'Malley. It seems that anyone who does not belong to the "Gianna Movement" is considered an outcast by the Sullivan's and most of her followers.

Fr. O'Malley is not moody; he is a fair man with a great sense of humor. However, he is very serious about what goes on in this parish. It is his job as pastor to minister to the people, to guide them to speak the truth that Jesus has taught us. If asking questions from

the members of this church concerning the belief or disbelief of Gianna's alleged visions is considered harassment then Mr. Sullivan is disillusioned.

As Pastor, Fr. O'Malley has an obligation to teach what the Catholic faith professes. Nowhere in the Bible or the Church teachings does it say ANYTHING about end times that Gianna professes. The bible however does reveal this about the end time: Matthew 24: vs 36, "As for the exact day or hour, no one knows, neither the angles in heaven, nor the Son of man, but the Father alone." No one means No one!!

Since Gianna and her followers do not like what our pastor or St. Joseph's Church has to offer, then perhaps Gianna and her followers should become their own church, then they won't have to abide by any rules that the Archdioceses of Baltimore has proclaimed about the alleged visions.

> Elaine Ebaugh Emmitsburg

Words from a proud smoker

In response to your piece about the smoking ban, I am a smoker of 43 years. I started when I was 15 years old, and for the last 11 years have been smoking seven packs a day. See the doctor very little in fact. Been given a good lung report from doctor.

But for the non-smokers I am proud of you. Don't start.

But for those that are smokers, let's stand up for our rights, not only to keep our US of A freedom of choice, but our freedom that I've learned to have and to live! I live and mostly stay home and breathe my own air which is worse than any other place I've ever visited. I wear glasses anyhow and haven't ever had trouble seeing around, across the floor of any restaurant or bar!

When I visit a restaurant or bar, their air is cleaner than my own by a long shot. As a mechanic, auto body worker, painter, lawn mower shop worker, I've inhaled more bad fumes than most, but I am still here!

But smoking isn't the problem. It's what's else is being put in the air by Power plants, factories, fires, etc., etc. That's what I have concerns about.

Keep up the good work smoking. Let's stand up for the freedom we use to have. I have and do boycott any and every place non smoking and if I see a no smoking sign I don't go in. I turn around and leave there not to return again. But I am only one! Been a Marylander since I was born and now I'm a Pennsylvanian.

> Carroll Wolfe Fairfield, Pa.

Craig's attacks on McCain unwarranted

I got home on Monday the 21st, and upon reading the latest rant by Harold Craig, I just had to forego dinner and put my reply down.

How dare you, Mr. Craig, accuse John McCain of being a "war-mongerer"! How dare you! Liberals such as yourself have hurled some real nasty vitriol in this campaign, and in this newspaper, but your latest letter takes the cake. A person who spent over five years as a P.O.W., and who was tortured regularly; a person who, despite other faults, does indeed put the country before himself and his party; this is a war-mongerer? No, Mr. Craig, a war-mongerer is the type of person your empty suit candidate, Barack H. Obama, would negotiate with. Oh, wait, that's right, he didn't say that. Well, I had just written that sentence, so he could have easily changed his mind in that amount

You should be ashamed of yourself for writing such an elementary-level opinion piece. Try doing some research into the many, many positions that the community organizer Obama has taken on the key issues facing this country. Do all of his positions (I believe the direction of the wind, as well as all of his useful idiot advisers, plays a part) really meet the political definition of "spine" or "conviction"?

And Emmitsburg, am I alone in this town? Write some letters if you feel the same way as I do. I'd hate to assume that since Mr. Craig's whims are just about the only letters published, I am the only one with such an opinion.

> Bernie Kaufhold Emmitsburg

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Dispatch encourages its readers to express their thoughts and opinions about issues that appear in this publication or affect the community. Letters must be exclusive to the The Dispatch and should be no longer than 300 words in length. They must be signed and include the writer's address and phone number for verification purposes. The Dispatch reserves the right to edit

EDITORIAL

Reporting the news

Emmitsburg, Thurmont, and its surrounding region are lovely and The Dispatch works hard to do its part to keep it that way. That is why we inform our readers about their region, even if some people do not like it. It is not a newspaper's job to judge either way, but it has a serious duty to report it all.

This was the principle behind an article in our July 17 issue. In June Dr. Gianna Talone-Sullivan published a spiritual message that we did not initially report. It did not meet our standard for news until Michael Hillman's interpretation of the message made it controversial. The differing views about the message's meaning made it news. The Dispatch carefully reported it because it gave our readers facts to help them form their opinions. But some readers objected to our report itself.

It is our professional duty to report the news whether it conforms to our own opinions or not. It's the same when we report newsworthy things that other people say - no matter who likes or dislikes reading those comments. The words are theirs, not ours.

To see our point consider this: Would you have The Dispatch be silent if a mass mur-

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derer were living next door to you? Would you not want to know? If you didn't know, you couldn't protect yourself. The Dispatch reports the news, good or bad, to give readers an opportunity to do something if necessary.

Our July 17 article reported on Michael Hillman's startling interpretation of an alleged message from Heaven. He is an intelligent man who operates an Emmitsburg website. William Steo then sent us an unsolicited commentary on the article (see right). He taught theology in a Catholic college and says he keeps up with the subject. He has no website but we think his viewpoint, too, may be useful to our readers. Hillman is sincerely trying to protect others from Gianna. Steo is sincerely trying to protect others from Hillman. You judge. We won't.

A final note... If you do not believe the message Gianna says she received from Mary, you many want to warn others. If you believe it, you many want to prepare spiritually, as the message recommends. If this subject does not matter to you at all, The Dispatch still has a responsibility to make it known to those to whom it does matter.

Guest Commentary

A Prophecy by the Virgin Mary? **Clearing Some Misconceptions**

A July 17 article in The Dispatch reported on a message by the local visionary, Dr. Gianna Talone-Sullivan, and Michael Hillman's interpretation

Hillman wrote that he sees a relation of the message to "end of the world' cults." There isn't any. The message refers to the death of many humans - but not all. The "end of the world," however, commonly refers to the death of the universe, not just humans.

A cult is a group of adherents of a system of beliefs and practices. A cult is not a bad thing. Throughout the world there are hundreds of cults dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Yes, the people who say prayers in honor of Our Lady of Emmitsburg are a cult. Their monthly devotions are all centered entirely on Mary, not the end of the world. No fees, no sales, no self-aggrandizing sermons by Gianna who is one member of this cult and happens, she says, to receive messages from Mary.

The June 1 message does not predict that "the Earth is about to get smacked by an asteroid." It only speaks of "two suns" and much damage to Earth. Hillman misunderstood who Gianna is, and what the messages are. Again he is not alone. Schools do not give classes about 'prophecy."

There are three common misconceptions about prophecy: that any prophecy not found in the Bible is questionable, that "prophecy" means "prediction," and that prophecy is a religious act. None of these is necessarily

A prophecy usually contains a reproach, a warning, and a prediction. It condemns something wrong that people are doing and warns what may happen if they keep doing it. Moral judgment is the necessary element of a prophecy, not the warning or prediction. The prediction is never its main point. Even when a prophecy includes a prediction, its purpose is not to tell the future, but to move people to change.

The June 1 message is a prophecy. It includes a prediction, but listen to its

"Prepare, spiritually prepare. You will always be with my Son if you trust. God has a special plan, a new beginning! Look to Him; and do not fear, but love with all your heart."

Hillman asked on his website: "Why can Mary only give Gianna an approximate number? ... Why was she not more specific about casualties, disease and starvation if she wants us to pray and be saved?"

The answer is that details are not necessary for Mary's prophetic purpose. "Millions dying" is enough to move anybody to "prepare spiritually." People would not pray more fervently if they heard precise numbers.

So, "What gives here?" Hillman asks. The answer is: Prophecy, not prediction, like the prophecies of Ben Bernanke about the economy. Everybody utters prophecies. Few give religious ones, like Gianna.

Since God is not necessarily the author of every prophecy since Biblical times, no one is obliged to believe them and, according to Catholic doctrine, no one is required to disbelieve them.

> William Steo **Emmitsburg**



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Emmitsburg adopts 'sidewalk ordinance'

By Stephanie Long Dispatch Staff Writer slong@thedispatch.us

EMMITSBURG, Md. -The Emmitsburg Town Council recently adopted a proposed sidewalk ordinance that will regulate outside cafés, sandwich board signs and other sidewalk items.

Originally brought to the table in 2006, the sidewalk ordinance was shot down due to disagreement among the board and forgotten about until recently when questions arose between the town and business owners in respect to sidewalk cafés and such.

Town Manager Dave Haller said the town staff recommended instating the ordinance to deal with business requests, insisting that the town had "reviewed existing uses and other requested uses and this ordinance (sign ordinance) will support all of those and will not put a burden on the rest of the town."

Haller also said he believed the ordinance was a "very good effort to allow for reasonable use of our sidewalks and will actually en-

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plays, obstruction rules and sidewalk cafés.

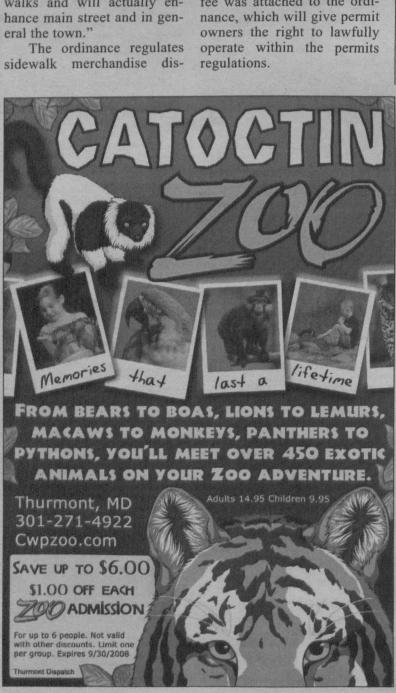
While the commissioners voted to adopt the ordinance, Council President Christopher Staiger asked that a few minor changes to be made to save business owners some "hardship."

Staiger asked that sidewalks cafés not be required to have an enclosure, which would take up extra space in already "tight spots," and not require business owners to remove tables and chairs from the sidewalk during closed business hours.

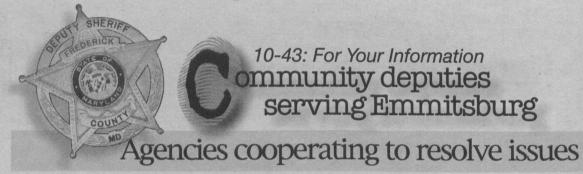
The ordinance mandated that cafés may only consist of tables, chairs and/or umbrellas, and are "limited to areas immediately adjacent and contiguous to the property of the applicant," according to the official ordinance.

The commissioners agreed to amend the ordinance to reflect Staiger's suggested changes and unanimously voted to adopt the ordinance, Commissioners Glenn Blanchard and Joyce Rosensteel absent.

A \$20 annual permit fee was attached to the ordi-



TOWN NEWS



By SGT. DINA BLUNDELL Contributing Writer

EMMITSBURG, Md. - Over the past several months the Frederick County Sheriff's Office, the Town of Emmitsburg, and Mount Saint Mary's University have collaborated to address recurring issues with the town. These issues stem from parties at residences that continue into the early morning hours. Typically, the hosts of the parties are not the homeowner, but rather, renters. The agencies have held several private meetings and two public meetings.

The cooperation between these agencies and the public is essential. The working relationship that has been established and the guidelines implemented have produced positive results.

Currently, if the Frederick County Sheriff's Office responds to a house for a party/disturbance complaint, an incident report is written. If it is determined that at the time of the disturbance Mount Saint Mary's University students are involved, then the Mount security office is contacted and they respond to help identify students. They can then take disciplinary action if warranted.

Additionally, once the incident report is complete, a copy is forwarded to the Town of Emmitsburg. The Town of Emmitsburg can then send the homeowner a letter warning them that the activities at their residence have been causing a disturbance. The Town of Emmitsburg can then fine them monetarily if additional letters

We ask that the public continue to notify us when disturbances occur. If it is an emergency please call 911, for non-emergencies (such as noise complaints) please call (301) 600-2071. As always, the resident deputies can help you with any questions you may have or feel free to contact me, Sgt. Dina Blundell, Community Deputy Supervisor, at (301) 600-

We all want to see a peaceful resolution to these problems and we ask for your continued support and patience, as this will be a gradual

National Fire Heritage Center soliciting interest in membership

By JAMES RADA JR. News Editor

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EMMITSBURG, Md. - Work toward establishing a National Fire Heritage Center in Emmitsburg is moving into "phase 2," according to Heritage Center President Ronny

The NFHC sent out a letter on July 29 inquiring about interest in supporting the new center.

'Some of those voices have become silent because they are no longer with us and worst yet, their written words have disappeared from sight. Many of the original works of our greatest thinkers have gone into landfills, unfortunately," Coleman wrote in the letter.

Since work began in creating the center about 2 1/2 years ago, the organization has:

• Become a 501 (c)3 non-profit organization

Created a strategic plan to guide its

· Established various committees to begin to act to implement the strategic plan

Created a logo

· Conducted teleconferences to get the word out of the NFHC's goals

'Phase 1 was getting organized," Coleman said. "Phase 2 will get getting members. That's where we're at now."

The NFHC will begin accepting charter members beginning Sept. 1.

"What we're preparing to do is to go out and let the fire service know that they can be involved at several different levels," Coleman said.

Coleman said that his goal is to have 500 members in a year, which he hopes is a conservative goal.

Once established, the plan is for the center to have a temporary home in the former Emmitsburg Ambulance Company building with the Frederick County Fire Museum. Once the exhibit grows large enough and the NFHC has enough funds, the center will find its own building. Coleman said he expects that the NFHC final home will still be located in Emmitsburg to be near the National Fire Academy.

For more information, visit the NFHC web site at www.nationalfireheritagecenter.com.

Barbeque

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burg Mayor's Scholarship Fund, which Mayor James Hoover started last year. The goal is to this year and the feedback I got

make the fund self-perpetuating so that it can help an Emmitsburg student with college expenses year after year.

"There are more vendors

prior to this was that people are really looking forward to it," Hoover said.

The chickens were judged anonymously and Upcounty Center won the title of "2008 Emmitsburg Grand Griller."

Bob Hance with the Carriage House Inn said he is hoping to use the winning recipe for a boneless chicken entrée at the restaurant.

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> 2nd Place Randy Hall

3rd Place David Fisher



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Mayor concerned over burglaries

Emmitsburg town meetings, a member of the Frederick County Sheriffs Office presents a monthly police report, detailing the crimes and calls the department responds to in Emmitsburg. A recurring crime on the reports is burglary, which has Emmitsburg Mayor Hoover a bit concerned.

Hoover expressed his concern that burglaries are "on the rise" in Emmitsburg and although he does not know how serious the burglaries are, he wanted to know if the community could do anything to curb the thefts.

Cpl. Mike Grunwell, who

EMMITSBURG, Md. - At presented the report, told the mayor that varying factors could be contributing to the burglaries, including unlocked vehicles and doors and faulty alarm systems. Grunwell did say that the "majority of it" is to make sure your vehicles and houses are locked and look out for neighbors and suspicious activity.

Several burglars have been apprehended, Grunwell said, adding that has led to more information which will hopefully lead to more

- S. Long

Fallen Firefighters Foundation gets grant

EMMITSBURG, Md. -The National Fallen Firefighters Foundation received a \$1 million federal grant on July 8. The Fire Prevention and Safety Grant will be used to produce online life safety training classes and DVDs.

The NFFF will use the award funds to distribute life safety training online courses and DVDs to more than 30,000 fire departments nationwide. The courses and DVDs are part of the NFFF's

"Everyone Goes Home" Program that works to prevent firefighter line-of-duty injuries and deaths. The NFFF has received more than \$2.7 million over the past three years in funding to support their critical efforts.

The grant is funded through the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program.

- J. Rada

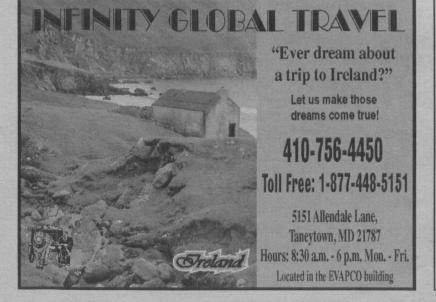
EMMITSBURG TOWN MEETING SCHEDULE

Town Meeting August 18, 7:30 p.m.

Parks and Recreation August 19, 7:30p.m.

P & Z Commission August 25, 7:30 p.m.

Meetings are held at the Emmitsburg Town Office, Emmitsburg Community Center, 300A South Seton Avenue, Emmitsburg. For information call (240) 629-6300 or visit www.emmitsburgmd.gov.



Emmitsburg may get new transportation

By Stephanie Long Dispatch Staff Writer slong@thedispatch.us

EMMITSBURG, Md. The heads of several local agencies are coming together in an attempt to solve a major problem in Northern Frederick County - transportation.

Back in September 2007 Debbie Wivell, the Catoctin CASS Coordinator, and the heads of other local agencies, including the Daughters of Charity, UpCounty Center and the Frederick County Department of Aging formed a coalition, the NCTC (North County

Transportation Coalition), to look at ways to provide residents with transportation. The idea of purchasing a van was brought to the table and thus for the past 11 months the group has been developing a plan and looking into grants to fund the project.

Wivell said that the project would involve the purchase of a van and hiring of a driver and provide at-need residents with a basic, yet vital, service.

"We want to provide service to the elderly, low-income families and the handicapped," Wivell said, "and allow individuals to get to

the Frederick area for needed appointments."

Such appointments would include medical and social services appointments. Although there is another shuttle that runs in the area, the new van would not replace the current service, Wivell said, but rather would supplement and support the current service while allowing people more time and pick-up location options.

The project is still "in the works" but the hope is to submit the plan for grant consideration by November Wivell said.

Town moves to annex small parcel

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EMMITSBURG, Md. There's a lot in the Brookfield subdivision along Irishtown Road where the tiniest portion of the southeast corner of the building lot is in Frederick County whereas about 95 percent is within Emmitsburg. However, that five percent in the county means that a home can't be built on the property even if the home was on the portion of the lot in Emmitsburg.

Town Manager Dave Haller

told the town council on Aug. 4 that it's because Emmitsburg "can't issue a permit to a property not entirely within the town."

Because of this, the town is pursuing the annexation of about a half-acre of property into the town. The parcel is along Irishtown Road and because it is keeping four building lots from having building permits issued, the town council is willing to pursue annexation.

"The reason for this request is to avoid future litigation," Haller said.

When the property was

originally annexed, a portion had to be left within the county to avoid creating an enclave around the adjacent Bollinger property, which did not want to be annexed into the town.

"This would leave approximately 7.4-foot gap to keep the Bollinger property from becoming an enclave and making this an illegal annexation," Haller told the council.

The annexation allows no additional housing to be built. It only allows the town to issue permits for already approved housing.

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Governor's staff meets with Emmitsburg mayor

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EMMITSBURG, Md. – The relationship between Emmitsburg's town government and Maryland government is friendly in a way that should benefit the town, according to state and local officials.

Emmitsburg Mayor James Hoover and Executive Director of Intergovernmental Affairs with Governor Martin O'Malley's office, Israel Patoka, recently met together to discuss the state of Emmitsburg and the relationship between Emmitsburg and the Maryland governor's office.

"We depend heavily on state funding and state resources," Hoover said, prior to the meeting. "I think it is very important to have a good relationship all around. It's always easier to call for help if you have an established relationship... build the bridge before you need it."

Patoka and Josh Russin, legislative coordinator O'Malleys office, both attended the meeting, and shared similar sentiments with Hoover on the importance of having a solid relationship between the governor's office and Maryland's municipalities.

"It's all about face to

face," Patoka said. "You can't govern if your world is the four walls of the office, the state is much larger."

Once a week Patoka and Russin venture around Maryland, meeting with the various municipal leaders who manage the 157 towns and cities of Maryland. Emmitsburg's meeting was much like those other meetings. Hoover spoke to Patoka and Russin about his concerns and also the areas where he felt the state had helped the town.

Among Hoover's concerns were lack of funding, in particular highway and school funding for the area, and the rising home foreclosure rate in Emmitsburg.

Both Hoover and Patoka acknowledged Maryland's budget crisis, but Patoka said he would pass on Hoover's concerns to the governors and suggested some programs the mayor could look into to help fund town projects.

Despite the issues Hoover raised, he said he's "been pretty happy with the administration" and was grateful for Patoka's and Russin's effort and visit to Emmitsburg. Hoover extended an invitation for O'Malley and/or Lieutenant Governor Anthony Brown to visit Emmitsburg, which Patoka said he would pass along to the governor.

Mount offers free admission to Emmitsburg residents for some shows

By James Rada Jr.

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EMMITSBURG, Md. – Following up on the success of its "Powerful Partnerships" joint entertainment program in late 2007/early 2008, Mount St. Mary's and the Town of Emmitsburg are planning even more joint entertainment for fall semester 2008.

"We're planning on 10-12 events that begin in late August and run through Novem-

ber," said Emmitsburg Mayor James Hoover.

The programs include a variety of entertainment, including music, hynotists, comedians and lectures.

"It's a pretty good variety and assortment," Hoover said.

The town-university partnership allows town residents to attend certain performances for the donation of a non-perishable food item. One event during the Mount's Family Weekend will have a admission price. The six events last school year turned out to be a successful joint venture.

"We loved inviting the community to the events and saw a lot of community members at the events," said Brooke Donovan, assistant director of campus activities at the Mount.

For more information, contact the Mount's Office of Campus Activities at (301) 447-5274 or Mayor James Hoover at (240) 629-6300.

IF YOU DECIDE TO GO ...

Interested in attending one of the free shows sponsored by Mount St. Mary's University and the Town of Emmitsburg? Here's what's playing.

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The Chronicles of Narnia: Prince Caspian

Outdoor movie Friday, Aug. 29 at 10 p.m. Quad

Anthony Lappe: Shooting

Speaker and author Thursday, Sept. 4 at 7 p.m. Knott Auditorium

Lorene Cary

Speaker and author Thursday, Sept. 11 at 6 p.m. Knott Auditorium

Johnny Hi-Fi: Passion and Profession

Lecture and concert Friday, Sept. 12 at 7 p.m. Knott Auditorium

Brian Bushwood

Bizarre magician Saturday, Sept. 20 at 9 p.m. Knott Auditorium, \$5 charge

Indiana Jones and The Kingdom of the Crystal Skull

Movie Sunday, Sept. 21 at 2 p.m. Laughlin Auditorium

John Zaffis

Ghost hunter Saturday, Oct. 4 at 7 p.m. Knott Auditorium

Susan Swetnam: My Best Teachers Were Saints

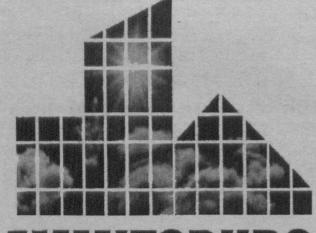
Speaker and author Thursday, Oct. 23 at 7 p.m. Knott Auditorium

Rory Scovel and Danny Rouhier

Comedians Saturday, Nov. 1 at 9 p.m. Knott Auditorium

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The new Thurmont Regional Library opens

By Stephanie Long
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THURMONT, Md. – When the Thurmont Library on Main Street opened 52 years ago, Gloria Angleberger was the first storyteller to read to a group of children in the new library. But history has a way of repeating itself, as Angleberger experienced first-hand whilst surrounded by 30 children at the recent opening of the new Thurmont Regional Library on East Moser Road on Aug. 2.

Once again Angleberger became the first storyteller to read to a group of children in the new Thurmont library, an event she was honored to participate in, despite her nerves.

"I felt nervous at first, but it felt good once I got going," Angleberger said after the reading. "I love reading to kids."

The making of the library

"Ten years ago we started talking about it [a new library] and looking for land," said Thurmont Librarian Erin Dingle.

Finding affordable land proved in some ways to be the hardest part of the project. But a two-acre donation from the town moved the project one step closer to completion. With a place to build, plans for the library could be made.

"It was very much a group effort," Dingle said. "Frederick County helped, the users helped... the community worked together."

Community representatives spoke with the architectural firm about building a library that would represent the community and they spent hours planning to ensure that the library was exactly what was originally intended.

Darell Batson, director of the Frederick County Public Libraries, said that the community support truly helped the project come to fruition.

"The steps aren't complicated, but they're long," Batson said. "I love that the people in town have always supported the library."

After all of the hard work, Dingle said that everyone got exactly what they wanted and then some with the new library that opened on East Moser Road.

"It's pretty perfect," Dingle said, looking around the library with a huge smile on her face, "I'm thrilled."

New Features

The new library was built to resemble the Catoctin furnace and boasts 40-foot high ceilings.

Inside, the Thurmont Lion's Club donated a handicapped-accessible technology station, which magnifies and reads text to people with vision problems. A Lock-A-





Shelf system protects the DVD collection and wireless internet.

Two meeting rooms can be booked for community use online at FCPL.org. The children's library has early literacy stations, a puppet stage, covered bridge, computer stations and more. An agricultural library boasts rare, local volumes pertaining to agriculture in the area. For those on the run, a drive through, which is open until 1/2 hour before the library closes, can be used to drop off items or pick up items on hold. Outside, a large deck runs along a tree-lined area, with tables, chairs and wireless internet access available where users can bring their lunch or snack to eat.

Comfortable chairs, internet stations, and tons of relaxing areas are tucked all around the library, giving users a place where they can truly relax and partake of all the library has to offer, which is something Dingle expects to happen.

"We really expect to see usage increase," Dingle said. "There's plenty of parking, easy access, a lot for kids... there's just so much."

Public Reaction

Hundreds of visitors attended the grand opening and were pleased and in awe with what they

"We like it a lot more than the old library," said Raymond Barry, of Thurmont.

Jadia Clem, 5, enjoyed the new computers in the children's library so much that she couldn't be bothered to explain exactly why she liked the new library, except to say she enjoyed it "because it's so fun."

Even non-Thurmont residents were enjoying the new library. Sarah Harrison, of Hagerstown, was visiting family in Thurmont and decided to stop on in.

"I think it's the most-beautiful library," Harrison said. "It's so personal, homey, inviting. I needed help and the staff was so eager and helpful."

Harrison was especially impressed with the children's section

"I thought the kids section was adorable, neat and interactive," Harrison said. "You don't see that a lot in a small town. It's a good step for Thurmont."



Top left: The new Thurmont Regional Library features new technologies such Lock-A-Shelf system to protect the DVD collection. Top right: Hundreds of people filed into the new library after the Aug. 2 ribbon cutting. Left: Children enjoy the kid-specific computers in the children's library. Right: Gloria Angleberger conducted the first storytime when the library opened on Main Street 52 years ago and she conducted the first story time in the new library on East Moser Road.

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Fort Ritchie Community Center grand opening

CASCADE, Md. - Fort Ritchie kicks off its new life with the grand opening of the first new building there since the closing of the former army post. At the grand opening event which takes place from 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 27, the public can come enjoy a variety of activities for all ages throughout the facility, including music by the country band, Peterbuilt, a basketball

hoop shooting contest, flower planting, crafts, free snacks, giveaways, and more. At noon, the Center will be officially dedicated to the community in a short ceremony. The Fort Ritchie Community Center will offer a full basketball court, multi-sport room, fitness center, computer/reading room, craft room, meeting rooms, snack bar and locker rooms for use by people from all four fortritchie.com.

surrounding counties (Washington, Frederick, Franklin and Adams). The developer of Fort Ritchie, Corporate Office Properties Trust (COPT), and PenMar Development Corporation (PMDC), are jointly funding this 20,000+ squarefoot facility. It will be the first "green" (LEED certified) public building in Washington County. For more info: www.

Carroll Valley spends the night out

CARROLL VALLEY, Pa. - field Road from 5 - 8 p.m. Carroll Valley residents participated in the Third Annual Carroll Valley National Night Out on Aug. 5. The event was held in Carroll Commons on Fair-

Catoctin

Pregnancy

This is a time set aside throughout the United States for communities to get together and meet their local police officers and emergency responders. The purpose is to strengthen the relationship between the citizens and those who have taken an oath to protect them.

The event included games and free hot dogs for the kids. Good Samaritan Lodge #336, Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania of Gettysburg were providing free child IDs through their CHIP Program.

"This is a really great program we are lucky to get," said

Carroll Valley Police Chief Richard Hileman. "Not only will they take fingerprints, but they also make a CD with digital stills and movie of your child and a take home DNA kit. It is really great of the Masons to do this for us at no cost. All materials are given to the parents and it is a convenient kit to keep at home and take on vacation to help the authorities should your child become lost."

The Center for Traffic Safety also conducted free drive-thru child seat

Frederick County's voter registration increases

FREDERICK, Md. - In the first half of 2008, 7,007 Frederick County citizens registered to vote, according to figures from the Frederick County Board of Elections. That represents an increase of 5.9 percent since the beginning of the year. Current voter registration for Frederick County is 127,218.

"I'm impressed by these numbers", stated Election Director Stuart Harvey. "People are still coming to our office to register to vote on a daily basis, and we continue to receive a significant number of registration forms from MVA and through the mail. I expect this trend to continue through the close of registration on Oct. 14."

Though more Democrats are registering than Republicans, Republicans are the dominant party in the county (43.6 percent) but not the majority party. Democrats are 38.1 percent of registered county

In Legislative District 4A, there are 2,188 registered voters currently. The party breakdown is as follows:

Democrats – 834 – 38.2%

- Republicans 797 36.5%
- Unaffiliated 529 24.1%
- Greens 10 .04%
- Libertarians 18 .08%

Frederick County residents who still wish to register to vote in the November 4, 2008 Presidential General Election are reminded that the deadline for voter registration is 9 p.m. on Tuesday, October 14. In order to become a registered voter, individuals must be a U.S. citizen, live in Frederick County, and be at least 18 years of age on or before November 4, 2008.

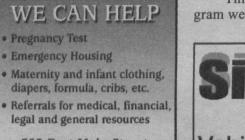
Voters are further reminded that October 14 is the deadline to make any changes to their name, address, or party affiliation for the General Election. Registered voters can check to see if their registration information is correct by checking the Board's link to the polling place locator at our web site, www.co.frederick.md.us/elections. Changes can be mailed or faxed to the Elections Office.

For more information, contact the Elections Office at (301) 600-VOTE (8683) from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Taneytown Chamber member elected president

TANEYTOWN, Md. Roger Diehl of Prudential Insurance, a member of the Taneytown Chamber of Commerce, in Taneytown was elected President of the National Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors in Maryland last month. The NAIFA of Maryland is comprised of 10 associations statewide with almost 1,000 members. Diehl has been a member of the

NAIFA for almost 30 years and NAIFA-Carroll-Howard for 27 years. Diehl was honored once before in 2006 earning the Paul Murphy Award before taking a state office. No one has ever achieved receiving the Paul Murphy Award honors before serving a state office in Maryland. Historically the Paul Murphy Award is given to the immediate past president of NAIFA-MD.



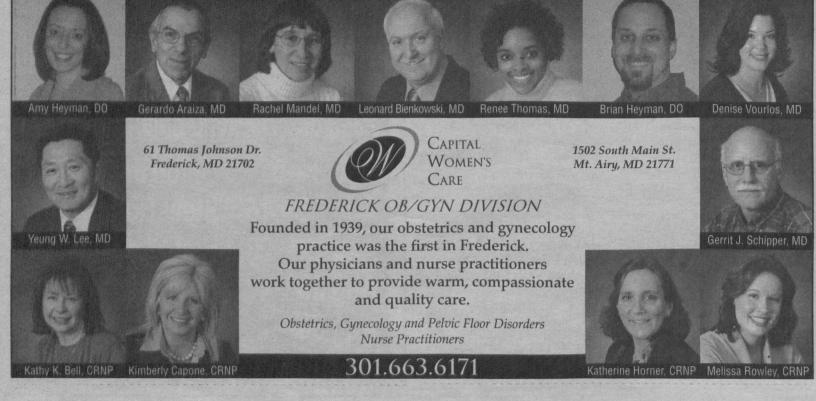
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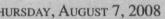




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Administrators, instructors, clergy and guests, including Maryland Governor Austin Crothers (front row in the top hat) gather for a group picture to commemorate the Mount's centennial in 1908.



Editor's Note: This is the final in a series of articles The Dispatch has included to highlight the year-long celebration of Mount St. Mary's University's bicentennial.

By James Rada Jr.

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EMMITSBURG, From its founding in 1808, Mount St. Mary's College survived fire, war and bankruptcy. It not only survived, it grew. By 1908, the college boasted around 325 students or more than seven times its first class of 39 resident students and seven or eight day students.

At 100 years old, Mount St. Mary's had plenty of reasons to celebrate in 1908 and it

The college's centennial celebration was held on Oct. 14 and 15, 1908. The weather was pleasant and the trees added color to the event with their changing leaves. The college buildings were covered with the college colors of blue and white as well.

At night, thousands of Japanese lanterns glowed where they had been strung through the groves and terraces and up the mountain path to the Grotto. Elsewhere, calcium lights showed off the campus including a brilliantly lighted arch-

"The days chosen for the

celebration, marking the rounding-out of one hundred years of toil and labor in the fields of education, were indeed days of joy and thanksgiving for the hundreds of loyal Mountaineers, who came from all parts of the land to pay homage to alma mater," reported the Mountaineer newspaper.

Church representatives and former alumni from all around the country, many times one college for the events. Even the governor of Maryland attended. Of the crowd that filled the Mount to capacity, about 600 were alumni.

Masses, receptions, speeches, dinners and special events. Not surprisingly, many of the speeches and talks centered on the history of the college.

In a letter from Pope Pius X, he had authorized an Apostolic Delegate D. Falconio to write, in part, "In the sacred cause of education the name of Mount St. Mary's has ever been pre-eminent. When trials and difficulties threatened her very life and made the way of progress hard, the heroic band of Christian educators, true to the ideals and principles of their saintly founder, pressed forward undaunted.

"Now that the way lies open and success crowns the early toils and labors, we are happy to find the same lofty ideals, the same guiding principles, the same devotion and sacrifice among the sons of Mount St. Mary's as in the days of old."

Honorary degrees and actual degrees were also conferred upon various individuals.

The College Glee Club and the same, returned to the sung "Ad Vesperas," a song of college life at the Mount, composed especially for the centennial by Rev. D. Brown, a faculty member.

Rev. Patrick L. Duffy, an The days were filled with alumni, read the "Centennial Ode" he had written for the occasion.

> The Alumni Association met to discuss future plans for the college, including the building of a new church and how much the alumni were willing to contribute. About \$15,000 was pledged at the meeting.

It was the type of party that many colleges and universities don't get to celebrate once. Mount St. Mary's is now able to say it celebrated it twice. The first time in 1908 and now this year as it has been remembering through a variety of events and activities its bicentennial.







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Woodsboro Bank opens new office in Thurmont

THURMONT, Md. - Woodsboro Bank opened its newest branch at 143 Frederick Road in Thurmont on Aug. 4. The new building's 2,500 sq. ft. more than doubles the size of the bank's previous location on North Church Street. The opening coincides with the bank's 15-year anniversary of service to Thurmont and northern Frederick County. Prior to its relocation, the Thurmont branch had been on North Church Street.

C. Richard Miller, Jr., president and CEO of Woodsboro Bank, said the relocation was prompted by "increased business volume" at the branch. "The Thurmont office has consistently been our most-active branch since it was established. I attribute this in large part to Steve Ott, vice president and branch manager, and his very capable staff."

Ott believes the financial institution's success in Thurmont is due to the community's embrace of Woodsboro Bank's relationship-based approach to banking. "Our staff is committed to providing a quality of personal service that customers really respond to," said Ott, who also manages Woodsboro Bank's branch banking system. "Our new location, reinforced with our many new check-

products ing services and such as mobile banking and remote deposit capture, markedly improves the bank's offerings to private and commercial customers alike."

The neo-Federal style brick office, designed by Proffitt & Associates Architects and constructed by GRC Contracting, is located on a parcel adjacent to Mountain Gate Family Restaurant, owned by the

McCleaf family. The branch, with ample parking, offers four driveup window lanes. Other drive-up features include a dedicated ATM lane as well as another for night deposits.

on Aug. 2.

Inside, the handicap accessible office features five teller stations, which Ott said can all be required at peak banking hours. The branch also includes a private conference room large enough to comfortably accommodate eight people. "The office will celebrate its northern Frederick County residency with artwork created by Yemi, an award-winning, local artist," noted Ott. Customers entering the bank vestibule will be greeted by a view of contemporary downtown Thurmont that has been faux frosted on the interior doors. "Yemi, who is a bank cussignature work that would serve as a gift to the staff and our many local customers," said Ott. Additionally, the artist was commissioned by the bank to create an etchedglass mural depicting regional scenes. The horizontal, five panel glass etched mural includes representations of surrounding Catoctin Colorfest, the historic Catoctin Furnace, Cunningham Falls, and Camp David. "The mural captures some of the areas most beloved and celebrated landmarks," said

cludes an insulated glass vestibule that will significantly buffer the din of nearby traffic. Sophisticated security and sensoring equipment prohibits entry into the branch or exit to the street, should the presence of substantial metals be detected. "State of the art technology has been integrated into every aspect of the branch's construction and daily function," Ott said.

Founded in 1899, Woodsboro Bank is a locally-owned community bank with assets in excess of \$190 million, serving Frederick County residents and businesses from seven office locations and an ATM network in excess of 32,000 nationwide. For more information visit www.woodsborobank.com or call (301) 271-4944.



Woodsboro Bank recently opened its newly constructed branch in Thurmont, located at 143 Frederick Road. The 2,500 s.f. office with four drive-up window lanes, offers

immediate access from U.S. 15-N. Bank staff held an open house at the new branch

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WTHU 2nd place AM station in the region

July 30, Stuart McRae the President of ABC Radio called Michael Betteridge, President of the Christian Radio Coalition to ratings period, WTHU main-

THURMONT, Md. - On congratulate WTHU 1450am on the Arbitron ratings released for Spring '08 (April 3 - June 25).

For the second consecutive

tained an average quarter-hour (AQH) rating making WTHU 11th in the overall market of 29 stations of 189,500 listeners. WTHU is the number two AM radio station in the region.

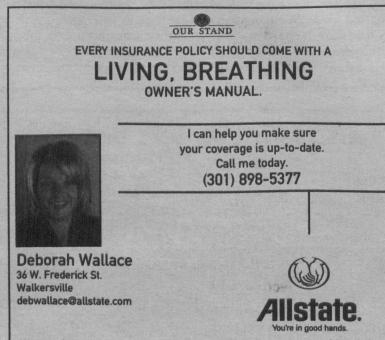
The definition of average quarter-hour persons (AQH Persons) is the average number of persons listening to a particular station for at least five minutes during a 15-minute period. The ratings in WTHU's area are only sampled twice a year in the spring and fall. The next ratings will be out sometime around Christmas.

Some comparison figures for perspective on what this means:

 WTHU beat WAVA 105.1 FM and WCRH 90.5 FM, two other Christian radio stations in the listening area

• WTHU tied with WMAL 630 AM in Washington DC for listener share

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tant works on human rights and liberty.

"That's the whole point of the exhibit is to allow people to hold them," said Christian Kendzierski with the Mount's communications staff. "We want people to be able to handle them."

Of course, visitors will have to wear cotton gloves supplied by the Mount to keep dirt and oils off the documents.

"These documents formed our nation and these philosophies continue to form our future," says Mount President Thomas H. Powell. "It is an honor to be able to enrich our student's academic experiences with these historic texts and to be able to share them with the local community."

Besides the Dred Scott Decision, other documents and books visitors can view and handle are:

• First edition printing of "The Gettysburg Address", by Abraham Lincoln, (1863)

• Third edition of "The Declaration of Independence" (1776)

• First printing of "The Bill of Rights" (1789)

• First edition printing of essays written by Ralph Waldo Emerson (1841)

• First edition of Thomas

Paine's "Common Sense" (1776)

• First printing of "The Bill of Rights" (1789)

• First English edition of "The Republic" by Plato (1763)

• The narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass, autobiography (1846)

• Summa Theologiae Pars Secunda by Thomas Aquinas (1475)

"The Mount community will have total access to this collection. Being able to see and touch the actual books and volumes will make the past come alive for students. To hold a first edition of Emerson's Essays or Smith's Wealth of Nations will connect them directly to authors and readers long gone as they wonder who else has held this book over the centuries," says Dr. Stephen Rockwood, Dean of the Library. "These books are a tangible reminder to all of us that ideas are just as enduring and valuable as diamonds. '

Special events are planned throughout the semester while the exhibit is housed at the Mount's Phillips Library.

The display is open to the public for viewing Monday through Thursday, 8 a.m.-Midnight; Friday, 8 a.m.-10 p.m.; Saturday, 9 a.m.-9 p.m.; Sunday, Noon-Midnight. To schedule a group visit, please contact Rockwood at (301) 447-5244.







Top: Dispatch Editor James Rada and Phillips Library Dean Stephen Rockwood look over a first edition of Thomas Paine's Common Sense (1776). Middle: This map, which depicts the America of 1836, is part of Alexis de Tocqueville's second edition of Democracy in America. Lower Right: Many of the documents that are part of the Remnant Trust Collection, which are still in their protective cases. Many of them will be displayed during the exhibit and most of them will be able to be handled. Right: The first page of Common Sense, in its original condition. The booklet helped solidify the American opinion in 1776 that the country should be independent from Great Britain.

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Catoctin High teacher receives award from Chesapeake Bay Trust

April Wells named Teacher of the Year

By Susan Allen Contributing Writer

THURMONT, Md. - April Wells, environmental science teacher at Catoctin High School, has been selected as the 2008 Chesapeake Bay Trust Teacher of the Year for high school environmental science. She coordinates the Environmental Academy at CHS while teaching halftime, and is beginning her fifth year as the Schoolyard Habitat Teacher Specialist for Frederick County Public Schools. Wells works with teachers and students throughout the county to plan, set up, and maintain gardens and at the end of the upcoming

school year. "Environmental science is very big in high schools now," Wells said, referring to surveys that show it as the third science choice for students at all academic levels. The Environmental Academy is open to all CHS students. Twenty seniors graduated

from the academy in 2008, and at least 25 are expected in 2009. "We're trying to get students to enroll earlier," she adds. "It [environmental science] meshes very well with other programs at the school...especially the agriculture classes [and] the Earth Systems Science Research

business and your community

Bob Beavan (agriculture science teachers)" and they have been helpful with habitat projects at Catoctin. In the past Wells has taught the agriculture department's forestry management class. Students in the horticulture classes have donated plants to butterfly garden habitat

"Farming, land use, and related issues are all part of environmental science," said Wells. Students learn that what goes on the ground locally runs off into nearby streams and eventually into the bay, affecting life in the water all along the way.

Environmental habitats on their school grounds. students also work with fel-The trust has supported the low students and children in the teacher specialist position with a school's child development prothree-year grant that will expire gram, leading hands-on garden-

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April Wells **Environmental Science Teacher**

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ing projects and nature studies. Their projects blossom along the base of the school building.

Wells exhibits a slight bewilderment as to how she arrived in a career teaching environmental science. "I was never a digging-in-the-dirt, messing with earthworms sort of person," she said. She majored in zoology at Wells said she "works the University of Massachusetts, very well with Diane Ogg and where "I took one class in ecolo-



APRIL WELLS

gy," and she began teaching standard science courses. E nvironmental science, she maintains, can attract students who aren't drawn to the traditional science. Her approach is to ask

them "what are you interested in? How can we relate that to the environment? It's the same approach that the University of Maryland uses in its program." She was nominated for the teaching award by Stacey Adamiak, FCPS science curriculum specialist for high schools. The nomination was supported by letters from CHS

teachers and other county teachers with whom she has worked, administrators, and former students ("those were the best" for Wells personally she said.)

Students and parents interested in learning more about environmental science offerings and the Environmental Academy at Catoctin High may contact Wells by email, April. Wells@fcps.org.

Mount gets \$100,000 donation from SunTrust

EMMITSBURG, Md.-Mount St. Mary's University's College Federal Reserve Challenge Team recently received a \$100,000 endowment from the SunTrust Foundation Mid-Atlantic.

The endowment money will be used to keep the team competitive by improving and expanding research capabilities and resources, as well as cover expenses associated with competitions.

"SunTrust believes that a strong knowledge of our economy and finance enhances the communities we serve," said Mr. J. Scott Wilfong, President of SunTrust Foundation Mid-Atlantic. "Endowing the Federal Reserve Challenge Team continues the SunTrust legacy of support for education and financial literacy."

The College Federal Reserve Challenge is a national competition in which undergraduate students from over a hundred schools explore the U.S. Federal Reserve's economic management

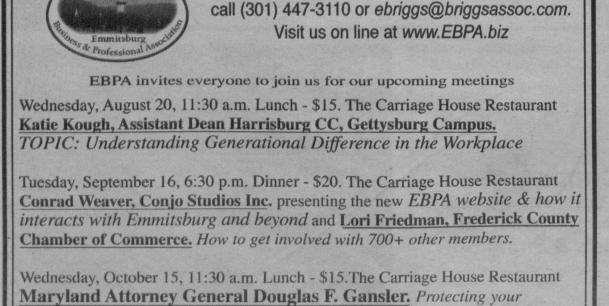
"We thank the Sun-Trust Foundation and express our extreme gratitude for its support of the Mount's business program and our College Federal Reserve Challenge Team," Mount President Thomas H. Powell. "This endowment will help ensure that our Mount education is one that extends well beyond the classroom and that our students have first hand opportunities wto learn skills needed in business."

Since the competition's inception in 1997, Mount teams have maintained a strong presence in the program, placing first at the then-Baltimore-only challenge in 1999, and second in 1997 and 2001. Since then the team has been awarded numerous honorable mentions and several regional championships.

In 2005, students on the Mount team competed in the national round of competition, there they placed third and had the opportunity to hear a speech by then-Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan.

For more information on the Mount's Federal Reserve Challenge Team, please visit www.msmary.

SUNTRUST





Catoctin students excel at National SkillsUSA competition

By Susan Allen Contributing Writer

THURMONT, Md. - Five Catoctin High School students were among 19 Frederick County Career and Technology students who competed recently in the National SkillsU-SA Championships in Kansas City, Mo. Four of them placed in the top 10 nationally in their skills contests, as did 11 others from the county.

Elyssa Cool and Myra Derbyshire received third place bronze medals in the fields of First Aid/CPR and Prepared Speech respectively. Seth Sweeney placed sixth in Employment Application while Tyler Bennett and his partner Derek Hink from Linganore High School placed tenth in TV/Video Production. Eric Hamrick competed in computer-assisted Architectural Design. All Maryland students who ranked in 4th-10th places received a certificate of achievement from the state SkillsUSA program.

trip to the national contest. In 2006 she competed in Nursing Assisting and finished eighth. Since then she has qualified as an emergency medical technician and graduated from CHS. In June she received the Dr. George Morningstar scholarship from the Emmitsburg Lions Club. She is enrolled at Frederick Community College to study for a degree as a paramedic. Her career goal is to become a flight paramedic. "Kansas City is so much fun... tall buildings and fountains everywhere.'

Myra Derbyshire, a rising senior at CHS who plans a career in business, studies marketing at Career Tech and "thought I'd try public speaking" because the program includes working with Toastmasters and the Rotary Club. Kansas City "was beautiful," she said, "a good culture shock." The organizers planned lots of activities, including a mixer with music and games, and "just enough free time" to meet others and explore the city a

Sixth-place finisher Seth Sweeney said "it was a lot of hard work" putting together a book of his classroom preparation and completed work from Career Tech. The project was one part of his qualification process for the Employment Application category. But the trip to Kansas City, including a visit to a music park, was "really great."

Reflecting on their experiences, all the Catoctin students rated meeting fellow competitors from other states and U. S. Pacific and Caribbean This was Cool's second territories as the highlight of their trip. As in the Olympics, participants arrived in Kansas City wearing T-shirts and bearing pins with an original state design. Trading the pins was a favorite free-time activity. "Everyone wanted to get one from Hawaii or Guam," said Tyler Bennett, who added that the "whole thing was a blast!" A baseball fan, he especially enjoyed the chance to go to a Kansas City Royals game, amazed to find "a waterfall in center field" in "the city of waterfalls." Bennett and his partner had to create a promotional

television advertisement for a randomly selected local attraction, a three-day assignment which included on-site filming at Kansas City's Steamboat

EDUCATION

Eric Hamrick was "disappointed at first" about finishing out of the top ten, but enjoyed the competition itself. He learned from other students that the Maryland Skills USA program is more challenging than that in some states, because students must compete at local, regional, and state level to qualify for the national championship. Hamrick also graduated in June, and will be attending the University of Maryland, "probably" majoring in architecture.

The National Skills USA event is the showcase for the best career and technical students in the nation. More than 5,000 students participated in eighty-seven technical and leadership contests in Kansas City. Frederick County's Career and Technology Center offers twenty-four career-specific programs for students in grades 10-12.

QUICK FACTS

Five Catoctin High School students competed in the National SkillsUSA Championship, in which four walked away ranked in the top 10 in the country.

More than 5,000 students participated in the event.

Eleven other students from Frederick county placed in the top 10 in the country.

Help out CASS with school supplies

EMMITSBURG, Md. - CASS is working again with area churches in Emmitsburg and Thurmont and other organizations to collect and distribute school supplies for children in the Catoctin Feeder Area. The goal is to make sure that every child shows up to school on the first day with all the supplies he or she needs to be

To make a donation, contact the CASS office or get a wish list.

Donations can also be made to the Thurmont Ministerium by indicating "CASS/School supplies" in the "for" sections. Mail your check to:

Thurmont Ministerium Attn: Pastor Jeff Gehris Graceham Moravian Church

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Graceham Moravian Church 8231 A Rocky Ridge Road Thurmont, MD 21788

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Please call the church office at (301) 447-6239 to arrange drop offs. If you need help with school supplies for your children, please call the Catoctin CASS Office at (240) 236-1770. The supplies will be available the week of Aug.

Meet the Coach Night

THURMONT, Md. - For students interested in playing fall sports at Catoctin High, you can meet the coaches and ask them any questions you might have. Meet the Coach Night is on Friday, August 7 at 7 p.m. in the CHS auditorium. If you have questions call Athletic Director Tom Sherald at (240) 236-8090.

WTHU 1450am Fall 2008 Program Schedule

	WEEKDAYS A.M.		WEEKENDS - SATURDAY P.M.
Midnight - 6	ABC Timeless Classics	12-1	Celebrate Life
6	Messianic Minutes	1-2	IOTC's American View
6:30	Truth for Life	2.3	Second Look at Sports
7-10	Rise & Shine Morning Drive	3-5	Contemporary Christian Music
10-11	Energy Matters	5-6	Teens Crosswalk
11-12	The John Lofton Show	6-8	20 Countdown Magazine
	WEEKDAYS P.M.	8 - Midnight	ABC Timeless Classics
12-1	Money Life		SUNDAY A.M.
1-2	Turning Point	Midnight - 6	ABC Timeless Classics
2-3	Contemporary Christian Music	6-7	Praise & Worship Music
3 - 3:30	Keys for Kids	7-8	Lamb of God Church
3:30 - 4	Adventures in Odyssey	8 - 8:30	Renfro Valley
4-6	Afternoon Drive Show	8:30 - 9	Pioneer Baptist Church
6.8	Contemporary Christian Music	9-11	In Memory Of
8 - Midnight	ABC Timeless Classics	11 - 12	Precious Memories
	WEEKENDS - SATURDAY A.M.	145	SUNDAY P.M.
Midnight - 6	ABC Timeless Classics	12-1	Psalm 95
6-9	Praise & Worship Music	1-2	Lifetalk
9-9:30	Thurmont World	2-3	Pastor's Prayer Line
9:30 - 10	Down Gilead Lane	3-6	Hymns & Praise
10-11	Kids Corner	6-8	Southern Gospel
11 - 12	Science, Scripture & Salvation	8 - Midnight	ABC Timeless Classics



Clarke wins junior bronze and silver awards

ROCKY RIDGE, Md. – Taylor Clarke of Rocky Ridge earned the National Junior Angus Association's bronze and silver awards, according to James Fisher, director of junior activities for the American Angus Association® in Saint Joseph, Mo.

Clarke is the 12-year-old daughter of Tim and Becky Clarke and attends Thurmont Middle School. A member since 2003, Clarke is active in both the NJAA and the Maryland Junior Angus Association. She has served as communication director for her state junior Angus association and has participated in the state photography contest. At the National Junior Angus Show, Clarke has participated in the photography, poster and the All-American Certified Angus Beef® Cook-off contests. She has exhibited her

cattle in many state, regional and national shows and has enrolled them in the Angus Herd Improvement Records program. In addition, Clarke is involved in 4-H and her county livestock club and received with the county beef recordbook award.

The bronze and silver awards are the first two levels of the NJAA Recognition Program that began in 1972. Junior Angus breeders must apply for the awards and then meet point requirements in many areas of participation before receiving the honors. Applicants are evaluated in areas of junior Angus association activities and leadership, participation in showmanship, contests and shows, using performance testing to improve their herd and their progress in producing and merchandising Angus cattle.

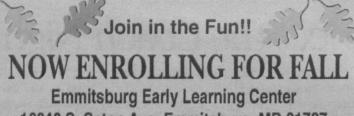




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Thurmont High's Class of 1953



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The members of Thurmont High School's Class of 1953 celebrated their 55th reunion with a dinner at the Carriage House recently. The graduating class had 49 members; 17 are now deceased. Those attending the reunion were: Back row (I to r): Joe Sweeney, Pat (Fraley) Weddle, Ernest Snyder, Ray Long, Eugene Martin, Curtis Shuff, Russell Moser, Betty Lou Shriner, Dick Creager. Front row (I to r): Dot (Shinn) Budd, Charlotte (Brown) Nusbaum, Shirley (Zentz) Bostian, Marian (Troxell) Pelkey, Betty (Weddle) Mumma, Cecelia (Green) Damutle, Naomi (Fraley) Long, Betty (Hahn) Toms.

New Thurmont Lion



Lions Club District Governor Susan Timmons, assisted by Thurmont Lion Vic Jagow recently inducted Linda Bittner into the Thurmont Lions Club. Over the last year, the Thurmont Lions Club has inducted over 14

new members. If you would like to explore the opportunity of becoming a member of one of the world's oldest and largest service clubs (Lions Clubs International) visit www.thurmontlions-club.com, or email our Membership Chair, Lion Sam Miller at highwaysam@verizon.net. Pictured above are (left to right) Thurmont Lion Vic Jagow (sponsor), new member Linda Bittner, and District Governor Susan Timmons.

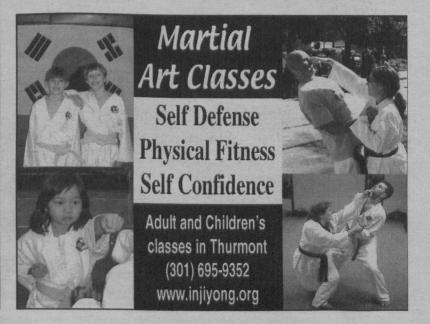
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ACTIVITES & EVENTS

LIBRARY EVENTS

August at the Emmitsburg Library

Storytimes

Babies with Books

(birth-24 months with an adult) August 6, 13, 20, 27 at 10:30 a.m.

Two Terrific Storytime (age 2) August 5, 12, 19, 26 at 10:30 a.m.

Pre-School Storytime (ages 3-5) August 7, 14, 21, 28 at 10:30 a.m.

Family Storytime (all ages) August 6, 13, 20, 27 at 7 p.m.

Children's Programs

Kid's Café-Bug Bonanza

(ages 6-12)

Come up and enjoy some fake insect entrees. August 2 at 11 a.m.

Bugs! (all ages) Strawberry Hill Nature Center will introduce you to the world of bugs. August 6 at 6:30 p.m.

American Girl Book Club

(ages 6-11)

Enjoy tea and a craft featuring a different American Girl each month. August 20 at 4 p.m.

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

Enjoy storytime and coordinating art project. August 25 at 10:30 a.m.

Teen Programs

Pimp My Book Cart (teens)

Help take a book cart from functional to fantastic August 2 at 2 p.m.

Knit 1, Bead 2 (teens and adults) Bring your favorite craft August 5 at 6:30 p.m.

Animé Club (grades 6-12) August 14 at 6 p.m.

Adult Programs

Leaving a Legacy: Write About Your Life

Learn to record your personal accounts of life "back when", to share with others. August 4 at 1:30 p.m.

Tuesday Evening Book Club

August 12 at 7:30 p.m.

Knitting Nook (teens and adults) August 21 at 4 p.m.

Genealogy Focus Group

(teens and adults) August 28 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: (301) 600-6329.

Can it be August already?! We still have reunions and carnivals to attend and gardens to tend in this last full, steamy month of summer. But the schoolchildren head back to classes on Aug. 25, so watch for them as they cross Seton Avenue and Main Street. Don't forget that when you are at home and the days get too hot, our center is open and air-conditioned. Keep cool--come in and shoot some pool!

The seniors encourage all eligible persons (50 years and older) to join them for regular program activities and special events. We're calling on men 55 and older to get our pool league started again. Our lunch program is open to those 60 and older. The center is lovely and the "natives" are friendly! Check us out!

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Special events

We would like to start a 50and-up volleyball program this fall, using the community center gym. If you are interested in participating in this recreational activity, please call Linda at the center, (301) 600-6350.

Monday, Sept. 1 - The center will be closed for Labor Day.

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. Free.

Bingo: Aug. 13 & 27.

Cards, 500, and Bridge Group: Aug. 6 & 20.

Men's Pool: Wednesdays at 1

Pinochle: Thursdays at 12:30

Cards (canasta) & 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.

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Jubilee Manager Rich Boyd took children on a tour of the store on July 15. The children toured the deli and produce departments, decorated cupcakes in the bakery and each had a turn using the checkout scanners. Child Care Providers Kara Baker of Thurmont and Christy LaBarbera of Emmitsburg supervised the children during the tour.

- PHOTO COURTESY OF CHRISTY LABARBERA

DEATH NOTICES

Mrs. Florence Josephine Sorosky, of Emmitsburg, died July 11, 2008.

The family received friends from 7 to 9 p.m. Sunday, July 13, at the home of John and Penny Jurchak, with a prayer service at 8:30 p.m. A Memorial Mass was celebrated at 11 a.m. Monday, July 14, at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Roman Catholic Church in Thurmont, MD with Fr. Malachi Van Tassell,

TOR, officiating.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to St. Catherine's Nursing Center, 331 S. Seton Ave., Emmitsburg, MD 21727, or to Carroll Hospice, 292 Stoner Ave., Westminster, MD

Getting a taste of Emmitsburg

Ellen F. Shimchock of Alexandria, Va. and formerly of Fairfield, died Thursday, July 17, 2008.

Interment was in the Mount Comfort Cemetery, Alexandria,

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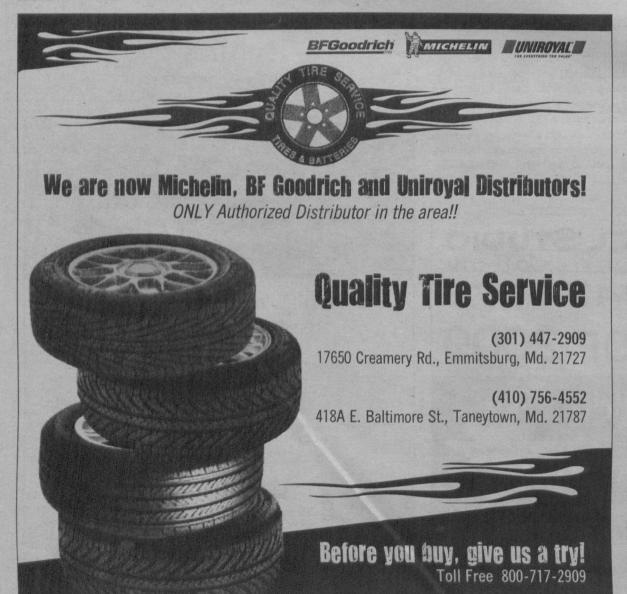
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Becky and Keith Crum, Carroll Valley, Pa., a daughter, July 11.





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Community Calenda

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Through late October - Gettysburg Farmers Market. 7 a.m. to noon every Saturday. Lincoln Square.

Aug. 7 - Depression or bipolar disorder support group. Emmitsburg. No charge. Information: (301) 447-2207.

Aug. 7 - Meet the Coach Night for Fall Sports. 7 p.m. Catoctin High School auditorium. Information: call Tom Sherald, Athletic Director (240) 236-8090.

Aug. 8 - Pre-Teen Pool Party. 7 to 9 p.m. Emmitsburg Pool.

Aug. 8 - Basket Bingo benefiting Habitat for Humanity of Frederick County's Women Build project. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. Games at 7 p.m. Emmitsburg Vigilant Hose Co., 25 W. Main St. Advance tickets \$20, at the door \$25. Information: (301) 524-2315 or lisalabanana@yahoo.com.

Aug. 9 - Annual Big Picnic. Mt. Tabor Park, Rocky Ridge, Md. "Home of the Big Wooden Sliding Board." Soup & sandwich stand, 11 a.m. Car Show "Cruise In," noon to 5 p.m., Baby Show 1 p.m., fried chicken and ham buffet 2 to 7 p.m. adults \$9.50, children 5 to 10, \$6.50, under 5 free. Entertainment at 7 p.m., "Hat Creek Country."

Aug. 9 - Annual Jacob's Church Festival. 495 Harbaugh Valley Rd., Fairfield, Pa. Food, entertainment by the "Crossroads Gospel Bluegrass," York, Pa.

Aug. 9 - Peach Festival. Pipe Creek Church of The Brethren, 26 Pipe Creek Rd. Union Bridge, Md. 11 a.m. - quilt, antiques auction; 1to 6 p.m. music by Bob Plunkert and "Real County Band" country/gospel. 1:30 to 6:30 p.m. kettle fried chicken platters. Information: (410) 775-7693.

Aug. 10, 17 - "Sunday Run" Childbirth Education. Attend two consecutive Sunday sessions. Frederick Memorial Hospital Wellness Center, FSK Mall, Frederick. Advance registration & payment required: (240) 379-6000.

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Aug. 13 - 2008 CYA 4th Annual Golf Outing. Carroll Valley Golf Resort, Fairfield, Pa.

Aug 13 and 27 - Catoctin CASS assistance. 9 a.m. to noon. Catoctin Area CASS office, Emmitsburg Community Center, 300 S. Seton Ave. Get help with DSS and FCAA programs. Applications and re-certifications accepted for health care programs, energy assistance, homeless services, food stamps, outreach and transportation, medical assistance, housing counseling & purchase of care, case management, housing assistance, weatherization & housing rehabilitation services. DSS information: (301) 600-2450; FCAA information: Todd Johnson at (301) 600-1506. No

Information: appointment necessary.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Aug. 15 - Karson Brewster Golf Benefit. 8:30 a.m. Glade Valley Golf Club, Walkersville, Md. All proceeds will benefit the Brewster family, whose daughter has a rare 18q-Syndrome. \$100 per person or \$400 per team. Fee includes 18 holes of golf, cart, balls, unlimited beverages, lunch buffet, 50/50, putting contest, closest to the pin and longest drive, door prizes and raffle, gift bags. Information: Mike McMahon (301) 846-5634, (304) 279-4590, mtmcmahon1@hotmail.com or Tim Brown (301) 271-9845.

Aug. 16 - "Frederick and the War of 1812." 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Roger Brooke Taney House, 121 S. Bentz St., Frederick. Cost: adults, \$3, children are free. Information: (301) 663-7880 or jwinter@hsfcinfo.org.

Aug. 18 & 25 - Auditions for Frederick Regional Youth Orchestra. Noon to 9 p.m. Frederick Church of the Brethren. New woodwind, brass, percussion, and string players who have played for at least one year may audition. Nonwww.fryo.org.

Aug. 18 -Greater Emmitsburg Area Historical Society meeting. 7 p.m. Emmitsburg Community Center. Focus on East Main Street.

Aug. 19 - 12-inch cold cut subs fundraiser. \$5. Pick up 4 to 7p.m. at the Wolfsville Ruritan Community Park, Brandenburg Hollow Road. Cost: \$5. Information and sub orders call: (301) 293-2535 by Aug. 15. Leave name, telephone number, and number of subs. Proceeds benefit community activities and park maintenance.

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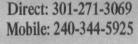


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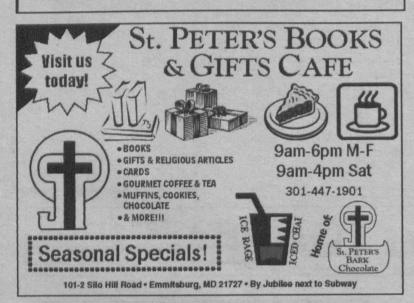


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Aug 24 - 17th Annual Renfrew Jazz Festival. 2 to 4 p.m. Renfrew Museum, 1010 E. Main St., Waynesboro, Pa. Featuring tenor saxophonist Houston Person, vocalist Nancy Reed, Pianist David Leonhardt, bassist Matthew Parrish and drummer Paul Wells. Free. Information: (717) 762-

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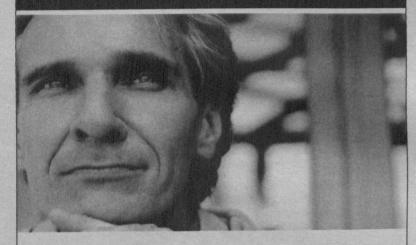
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Houston Person (tenor saxophone) is known for his soulful playing, often heard in blues oriented organ groups or with the late singer Etta Jones, with whom he performed for more than 30 years. Although he has performed in the hard bop and swing genres, he is most experienced in and best known for his work in soul jazz. Person is also known for his distinctive sassy sound and his expressive style of playing. He received the Eubie Blake Jazz Award in 1982.

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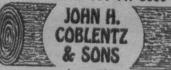
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