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## Most Anything At A Glance

- By Abigail -

Spring is "busting" out all over! Our pride is showin'! Emmitsburg has taken on the appearance of a freshly scrubbed urban community. All those winter problems wrought by Old Man Winter are undergoing extensive improvements and renovations within the Town and throughout the vicinity.

The streets and pavements, full of pot holes, cracks, and general disintegration are rapidly being repaired. Walks and curbs, newly laid, are a welcome sight.

Those pavements needing repairs, either in front of or adjacent to you property, are usually your responsibility, Mr. and Mrs. Citizen. Remember, you are liable for legal action. There is no reasonable excuse for this when your Town Council will have this service performed and bill you for same. If you are unable to obtain someone to do the chore, call your Commissioner's office and tell them so.

The particular ordinance, referred to in the above paragraph, will be enforced and upheld by the Town Officials this year.

Sorry, but I must deviate a moment. It is disturbing and distressing example to have to call attention to a pavement area over which pedestrians have been compelled to travel for a number of years. This particular section would be classified as extremely hazardous. It is exceptionally narrow in places and completely broken down. Pedestrian traffic is very heavy. This, coupled with very close vehicle traffic next to the crumbling curb, makes for a potential death trap.

I know! I, personally, have had occasion to almost break my neck or have it broken, on this said concrete obstacle course. Shamefully, it detracts from one of the main parts of the Town. It isn't quite crick-et, you know, while others accept their responsibility. What gives here, Commissioners?

Now! Where was I? Oh, yes. Fresh paint is evident everywhere one looks. Shining new signs stand smartly upright, directing all to their destination; Bright yellow and white street divider lines command your attention, adding greatly to traffic safety.

Trees have been pruned and trimmed. The blunt bareness is gone. Nature has now taken over again with her green foliage and blossoms.

The Commissioners have seen fit to increase the Town's maintenance crew. Bless them! These men are invaluable for maintaining our good public works service for you.

As a result of the recent election, we now have two neophyte commissioners; Messrs. Philip Topper and Sterling Goulden. They bring with them esprit de corps and vigorous fresh blood to complement our present Mayor and Council.

Emmitsburg is only what you make it. This means you! YES, YOU!

## County Students Receive Scholarships

The Frederick County Educational Secretaries Association, made up of secretarial employees in the public schools of Frederick County and the Board of Education offices, has awarded scholarships to four local graduates of the class of 1971. The awards, of \$125 each, were presented at the last meeting of the secretarial association, held at Liberty Elementary School. Recipients were: Andrea Hedges, Middletown High School; Joanne E. Nelson, Linganore High School; Shelia Ambush, Frederick High School; and Peggy Jean Ennis, Catocin High School. Three girls plan to attend Hagerstown Business College and one girl plans to attend Frederick Community College.

The Association has awarded 10 scholarships totalling \$1100 in the four years the program has been in existence.

**FOOD SALE**  
St. Anthony's Church is sponsoring a Food and Clothing Sale this Saturday, May 15, beginning at 1 p.m. The sale will be held at St. Anthony's Hall and everyone is welcome to attend.

## Miss Gelwicks Bride Of Jerome Ridenour



Miss Margaret M. Gelwicks, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earle R. Gelwicks, DePaul St., Emmitsburg, and Jerome F. Ridenour, son of Mr. and Mrs. William J. Ridenour, DePaul St. Ext., Emmitsburg, were united in marriage on Saturday afternoon, May 8, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Emmitsburg. Rev. Harry Kuhn performed the double-ring ceremony. Mrs. Louella Rosensteel presided at the organ.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, was attired in a floor length gown of Chantilly lace, styled with an Empire waist, high neck and long sleeves with ruffles. The ruffles were repeated on the chapel length train which fell from a headpiece of Chantilly lace loops with pearl flowers. She carried white and red roses.

Miss Joan Gelwicks, Emmitsburg, was her sister's maid of honor, and wore a yellow floor length gown. She wore a yellow ribbon in her hair and carried a long stemmed yellow rose. The bridesmaid was Miss Donna Joy. She wore a yellow gown with a blue lace coat. She also wore a yellow ribbon in her hair and carried a long stemmed yellow rose. The Misses Donna and Maria Kaas, nieces of the bride, were the flower girls and were dressed in yellow organdy street length dresses. Each carried a yellow rose.

Larry Glass, Thurmont, was best man. Ushers were Joseph and John Gelwicks, Emmitsburg, brothers of the bride. Ringbearer was Master William J. Kaas, nephew of the bride.

The bride attended Catocin High School, and is employed at St. Joseph's College.

The groom, a 1970 graduate of Catocin High School, is presently employed in Gaithersburg with a construction firm.

A reception was held at the VFW Annex, Emmitsburg, after the ceremony. Following a short trip to an unannounced destination, the couple is residing in a newly furnished apartment on West Main Street, Emmitsburg.

## To Begin Film Series For Local Children

The first in a series of entertaining films for area children will be shown Saturday afternoon, May 22, at 2 p.m., in the Lutheran Parish House. The motion picture chosen to begin this Children's Film Series is "Treasure Island." This motion picture will last 1 1/2 hours, plus an intermission for light refreshments. The program should be completed by 4 p.m. The admission price is 15c, plus an additional 5c for each drink and snack during the intermission.

Sponsored by the local Council of Churches, the Series will be offered each month throughout the year, but during the school months only. The Series is planned for all children of the area in grades one through six. However, there is no restriction on children younger or older attending these films, if they are interested.

The first two films are experimental to determine the content, method and need for the program. Pastor Fearer is administering the Council's project.

A June film has been scheduled for Friday night, June 11, at 7 p.m., in the United Church of Christ Fellowship Hall. It is entitled "Davy Crockett, King of the Wild Frontier." The admission price for this second film in the Series will be 25c. Refreshments will be free.

In Shakespeare's day, school hours were from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. during the summer, and from daybreak to dusk in winter.

## VFW Officers Installed

State Adjutant Charles A. Kreachman, and past Department Commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, installed the newly-elected officer of Emmitsburg Memorial Post 6658, at the regular meeting of the post last Wednesday evening. District 7 Commander, Walter Chaney, also assisted at the installation.

Officers installed were: Roger I. Zurgable, commander; Verne Ray, sr. vice commander; Leo M. Boyle, jr. vice commander; quartermaster, Lumer F. Norris; post advocate, Daniel Lind; Charles Stull, chaplain; William Kennedy, surgeon; trustee, Clarence Orndorff; and the board of directors which includes Raymond Baker, Jack Ott, Francis Little, William Topper, Leo M. Boyle, Thomas Saylor, and William Sanders.

Chairmen for the various committees include: Americanism, Raymond Baker; Blood Donors, Leo M. Boyle; Buddy Poppy, Jack Ott; Community Action, Thomas Saylor; Historian, Harold Hoke; Hospital Activities, Allen Bouey; Life Membership, Francis Little; London Membership Service, Clarence Orndorff; Loyalty, William Topper; March of Dimes, Eugene Lingg; Membership, Verne Ray; Safety, Pat Buch; VFW Tags, Allen Bouey; Voice of Democracy, Ralph Long; and Youth Activity, Thomas Harbaugh.

## Postage Rates To Increase Sunday

The official effective date of the temporary postage rate increase is May 16, 1971.

The increase has been authorized on a temporary basis, until such time as the newly created Postal Rate Commission can make recommendations to the Board of Governors of the Postal Service on permanent changes.

The first-class letter rate will be raised to 8c per ounce, for the first 12 ounces. Air Mail up to 8 ounces will now be 11c per ounce. Post Cards may be sent for 6c.

For heavier than those pieces mentioned, rates will be charged accordingly to a new priority mail chart.

The new rates for our community will be effective after the last dispatch on Saturday, May 15, which will be 5:30 p.m.

The Maryland-Delaware Crop Reporting Service at College Park, has announced that the June Livestock Questionnaire will be ready for distribution by May 20.

Our carriers will distribute these to our farmer customers as soon as they are received.

The new 6-cent single and 12-cent double Paul Revere postal cards will be first placed on sale on May 15, at Boston, Mass., birthplace of the Revolutionary War patriot.

These new cards will be placed on sale at our office on Monday, May 17, 1971.

Our rural customers are hereby reminded that next week is the annual mail box improvement week. Customers are encouraged to paint and fix-up their mail boxes as part of the National Beautification Program.

Requirements such as inscribed name and box number, proper height, etc., must be adhered to. Inspection of our rural routes will be made during the week of May 24.

## Kump's Dam Park To Open Sunday

Commander Roger I. Zurgable this week announced that the Emmitsburg Memorial Post 6658, Veterans of Foreign Wars, will officially open the picnic season at Kump's Dam Park this Sunday. A fishing rodeo for members and their families will be held at one o'clock. All children will be permitted to fish first, and prizes will be awarded in several categories. Refreshments will be served.

## Senior League Teams To Play May 25

The next meeting of the Emmitsburg Senior Baseball League will be held on Thursday, May 20, at 8 p.m., in the Fire Hall.

Anyone wishing to give a donation is asked to contact Mr. Pat Buch, or send it to the secretary, Mrs. William Topper, Box 24, Emmitsburg, Md. 21727.

The two teams will have an exhibition game on Tuesday evening, May 25, at 6 p.m. All are urged to attend and support the teams.

## Miss Topper Becomes Bride Of Glenn Gonder



Miss Deborah Jean Topper, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph F. Topper, Taneytown R2, became the bride of Glenn Eugene Gonder, II, son of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn E. Gonder, Westminster R1, on Saturday, May 1, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Emmitsburg. Rev. Harry Kuhn performed the ceremony with Mrs. Louella Rosensteel presiding at the organ.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a floor length white lace over satin gown accented by a white satin bow around the Empire waist. She wore a veil of illusion with a crystal star crown, and carried a cascade bouquet of white rosebuds and daisies attached to a Bible which was a gift of the groom.

Mrs. Venessa Kreitz, Emmitsburg, was matron of honor. Miss Debbie Gonder, Westminster R1, sister of the groom, and Miss Denise Topper, Taneytown R2, sister of the bride, were bridesmaids. They were attired in floor length mint green gowns featuring Empire waists. The matron of honor carried a nose-gay of pink

and white daisies while the bridesmaids each carried one long stemmed pink rose with fern. Miss Deanna Jo Topper was her sister's flower girl and was attired in a street length white lace over satin dress with a satin bow around the Empire waist. Dana Gonder, Westminster, was best man. Ushers included Francis Minor, Mayberry Rd., Westminster, Bruce Dutterer, Westminster, and Gary Baker, Linwood, Md. Ringbearer was James Hobbs, Jr. Altar boys were Duane and Dwight Topper, brothers of the bride.

The bride is a graduate of St. Joseph's High School and Patricia Stevens Career School. She is employed at Leggett's Department Store, Westminster.

The groom, a graduate of Francis Scott Key High School, is employed by the Edwin Armacost Construction Company.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held at Mt. Manor Restaurant. After a wedding trip to Virginia, the couple is residing in Westminster, Md.

## Bronze Star Medal Awarded Local Sailor



Thomas W. Humerick, Gunners Mate Second Class, United States Navy, son of Mr. and Mrs. John G. Humerick, West Main Street, Emmitsburg, was recently presented with the Bronze Star Medal "for meritorious service while serving in armed conflict against the North Vietnamese and Viet Cong Communist aggressors in the Republic of Vietnam from August 1969 to June 1970."

"Petty Officer Humerick, while serving as a crew member on a river patrol boat participated in two hundred sixty combat patrols, engaging the enemy in eleven fire fights. Humerick, while acting as boat gunner on October 4, 1969 on a five boat patrol on a small canal off the Ong Doc River, maintained a heavy volume of fire which aided the patrol in clearing the canal when coming upon an intense enemy attack. Petty Officer Humerick's technical knowledge and long, arduous hours of work were directly responsible for the constant state of readiness of his river patrol boat. His exemplary professionalism, courage under fire, and devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

GMG2 Humerick returned last week after completing a tour of duty in the Mediterranean. He is presently at home in Norfolk, Va., with his wife, the former Glenda Shook of Thurmont, his daughter, Jillian, and infant son, born Monday, May 10.

**WANTZ SERVICES**  
Funeral services were held from the Wilson Funeral Home, Emmitsburg, last Tuesday afternoon, May 4, for John Russell Wantz, 66, who died at his home, R1, on Saturday. The Rev. W. Ronald Fearer and the Rev. Philip Bower, officiated. Burial was made in Mountainview Cemetery, Emmitsburg. Pallbearers were Harry Troxell, Elwood Eiker, James L. Kemp, Daniel Williams, Roy Thomas and Alfred Hahn.

Approximately 30,000 people a day go in and out of the entrances to The Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore.

## Local Churches To Conduct Summer Program

For the first time in the history of Emmitsburg, the religious community will be acting together to provide a Christian summer program for the children of this area. The annual Vacation Church School which has been conducted by the Protestant Churches in former years, will be open to all children and is being planned for by representatives of both the Catholic and Protestant laity and clergy. Likewise, the Liturgical Recreational Program formerly conducted under the auspices of the St. Joseph Parish, will be open for all children of the community regardless of their religious affiliation. The committee asks the cooperation of all parents in sending their children to the appropriate program.

The Vacation Church School sessions will be held for two weeks, June 21 to July 2, each evening except Saturday and Sunday, from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. in the various churches. This school is for all children who will be four years old during 1971 to those who will complete 6th grade in school this term.

The Liturgical Recreational Program will begin Monday, July 5, and continue for 6 weeks, to August 13. The morning sessions are for children in grades 5 to 8. They will be held at Mother Seton School on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings from 9:30 to 11:00, with Mondays reserved for trips to Caledonia Park. The evening sessions are for youth who finish grades 9 through 12 this year and will be held at the Mother Seton School on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, from 7:30 to 10:00 p.m.

Details on both of these programs will be announced in future articles but all children are asked to keep these dates in mind and plan to attend.

## VINCENT MONROE O'TOOLE

Vincent Monroe O'Toole, 75, retired Thurmont garage operator, died Tuesday at Frederick Memorial Hospital.

Born in Frederick County, he was a son of the late Vincent R. and Adelaide Orndorff O'Toole. He and his brother became co-owners of the Thurmont garage after his father's death. He retired in 1956. He was a member of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church and a member of the Holy Name Society.

He is survived by a brother, Claude A. O'Toole, Thurmont; two sisters, Mrs. John A. Burroughs, Bethesda, and Sister Avita O'Toole, St. Joseph's Provincial House, Emmitsburg; and eight nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held this morning (Friday) at 10 o'clock with a Requiem Mass in Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church, with his pastor, the Rev. Fr. Edward V. Echle, officiating. Interment will be in the church cemetery. Creager Funeral Home, Thurmont, is in charge of arrangements.

## Teen Center To Hold Election

The Emmitsburg Teen Center was again open last Friday night, May 7, from 8 until 10:30. The entertainment of the evening was the usual ping pong and pool, and was highlighted by the second appearance of the "Guess What" from Emmitsburg. The "Guess What" band is composed of Steve and Mike Myers and Mike Rosensteel. The Center also held nominations for officers to be elected this Saturday evening. The nominations are as follows: President, Bob Cantley, Gary Baker, Claudia Rosensteel and Gene Miller; vice president, Roy Adelberger, Joan Gelwicks, Chris Warthen, Mike Schirf and Camille Lunny; secretary, Ricky VanBrakle, Kathy Stoner and Donna Joy; and treasurer, Jim Gelwicks, Lenny Ridenour and Mike Olinger. The election for these officers will take place Saturday night at the Teen Center, where entertainment will again be provided by the "Guess What", and refreshments provided by the Emmitsburg chapter of the Ladies Auxiliary.

## Little League Donors

Recent contributors to the Emmitsburg Little League, are as follows: Lewis Smith, Mt. Manor Motel & Restaurant VFW Auxiliary, Post 6658, Emmitsburg Lions Club.

Call 662-6333 to report a fire.

## State Senator To Speak At SJC Commencement



Mrs. Margaret C. Schweinhaut, State Senator from Montgomery County and member of the Maryland Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee, will be the main speaker at the 162nd commencement exercises being held at St. Joseph College on Sunday, May 30. During the outdoor exercises scheduled for 11:30 a.m., Senator Schweinhaut will be awarded the honorary doctor of laws degree.

Senator Schweinhaut's political career is highlighted by her support and sponsorship of legislation aimed at promoting the growth and welfare of the state and its citizens. Notable among her activities was her sponsorship of legislation enacted in 1959 establishing the State Commission on Problem of the Aging. She has served as chairman of the commission since June 1959. A consultant to the Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare on nationwide problems of aging, Senator Schweinhaut is also a member of the Board of the National Council on Aging.

Among the bills she has sponsored for the aged are the measures providing for a state policy on housing for elderly persons, centers and ancillary services for retired persons, additional tax exemptions or credits and other benefits for the elderly. She also supported the forming of a State Commission on the Status of Women.

Senator Schweinhaut attended George Washington University and the National University Law School. She was elected to the Maryland House of Delegates in 1954, appointed to the Maryland Senate in 1961, and re-elected in 1966 and 1970. In addition to the Judicial Proceedings Committee, Senator Schweinhaut serves on the Senate's Rules Committee and the Executive Nominations Committee. She is the first woman to chair a major committee in the Maryland Senate.

Her past committee assignments have included Juvenile Problems, Labor, Ways and Means, Rules, and a special committee studying Potomac River development. She has also served on interim Legislative Council committees dealing with education, racing, state and local employees, and environmental protection.

Senator Schweinhaut was married to the late Henry A. Schweinhaut, United States District Judge for the District of Columbia. She holds membership in the Catholic Daughters of America, League of Women Voters, and the Business and Professional Women of Wheaton.

## CARED To Meet

### At Local Church Hall

The environmental group, CARED, usually active in Thurmont, is coming to Emmitsburg for two big meetings. The assemblies will be held Tuesday, May 18 and Tuesday, May 25, at 8 p.m. in the social hall of the Methodist Church. The meetings will be held here because of requests of CARED's Emmitsburg members and to see if a good response can be obtained from the public. If the people respond sufficiently, an Emmitsburg branch of CARED will be formed. If apathy prevails, such plans will be postponed. Films are scheduled for both meetings, in addition to discussions on the group's plans, goals, etc. All organizations, officials, and citizens of Emmitsburg are invited to attend and learn about CARED and its fight for a better environment.

United States is the world's oldest existing republic that began with a President as its executive.