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Most Anything  
At A Glance

- By Abigail -

The Emmitsburg Community Center — a great achievement and we should be proud of it.

I for one, salute our county commissioners and our town government for converting the old school building into such a useful structure for our citizens.

I also like to thank the Emmitsburg Community Center represents more than a brick structure. It is a place which our elders and youngsters use, and where our police force and our library are housed.

Again, congratulations to all!

So many of our citizens turned out to visit the Community Center on Saturday, and from the comments I overheard, everyone is delighted with the new quarters.

The Citizens Committee meeting the other night brought out a lot of sentiment concerning people's attitudes about what some believe to be a drug problem in Emmitsburg.

However, as you all know by now, the Citizens Committee has been disbanded by our mayor who incidentally has the right to do that. He created it in the first place.

I have heard some phrases bandied around such as pot users and witch hunting vigilantes. We all love this town, and we all worry about it. But it seems to me that people's emotions sometimes get too hot and communications break down. So with the disbanding of the committee, things might cool off a bit; then perhaps our wise citizens will sit down together and talk things over.

I found this editorial in a June, 1907 copy of the old *Chronicle*, and decided that I couldn't say it better myself. I think it has quite a few points we could all reflect on.

Why should any one want to leave Emmitsburg? Certainly not because there is nothing to be done here. Simply because the town has not yet struck a progressive pace is no reason why one should leave it. The thing to do is to remain and take an active interest in its development. The possibilities are here and all they need is unfolding, maturing, and by those who are willing to exert their intelligence, their energy and perseverance and to display a fair amount of patience. No one with capital to invest need take his capital away from here. There is no reason why any business or manufacturing industry already established should not steadily grow.

I stated that Emmitsburg had not yet struck a progressive pace. Let that be modified into full progressive pace for progress is beginning, and as this spirit is already showing signs of life it behooves every citizen and every resident in the community to lend a hand and to encourage it.

Cooperation is the only means by which progress can be made — cooperation and an absence of that narrow, petty spirit which discerns only a personal motive underlying the efforts of those who propose improvements or developments that are for the benefit of all.

People who manifest a narrow, purse-bound, self-centered spirit invariably hold back from new enterprises, and in addition to this they get out their wet blankets and their hammers. Yet if those who undertake improvements and a betterment of conditions possess the proper courage and, in spite of adverse criticism, carry their plans to a successful completion and demonstrating that their conceptions and their methods were right, and their ulterior motives honest and for the good of all — then the wet blankets and the hammer-throwing brigade gets into line for the next move.

Stay home, then, and give your share, lend your aid and your encouragement to every improvement and every new enterprise, take an interest in your town and support its industries, and always speak well of it and its people.



Emmitsburg welcomes Super Thrift, a modern store planned for shopping convenience. Their grand opening will be Wed. Feb. 18. Shopping hours are Mon. and Tues., 8-7; Wed. 8-8; Thurs. and Fri. 8-9, and Sat. 8-8. To welcome patrons will be (left to right) Charles Strickhouser, Grocery Manager; Ann Adams, Head cashier; and Robert Smith, Store manager.

## Mayor Dissolves Citizen Committee



Members of the local Boy Scout Troop 284 welcomed visitors to the Emmitsburg Community Center last Saturday, and also greeted their guests with an outdoor cooking demonstration. (Chronicle photo by Mary Johnson)

The Burgess and Commissioners of Emmitsburg announced Friday that "Effective immediately, Friday, February 13, 1976, the Citizens Committee of Emmitsburg is hereby dissolved due to poor attendance of the members, lack of communications, and making decisions without first consulting the town council."

Ramifications of the recent Citizens Committee meeting are still reverberating around town. When asked what she thought about the dissolution of the committee, Mrs. Gail Harris, acting chairperson of the committee said, "I don't believe Citizens of this community or any community should stop caring about what's happening, or stop trying to improve their environment whether

it's individually or by committee."

When other committee members were reached for comment, they had this to say:

Mrs. Chris Gauss, "feels like the only reason it was disbanded was because a hornets nest was stirred up. If we had no drug problem, why disband it? I suggest not to disband it, but go ahead and have another meeting."

Alice Boyle said, "In view of what's happened, I feel it's the best thing."

Mrs. Joyce Grindler said she thinks it's a good idea, as "I never knew what was going on."

Rev. Walter Bower felt "the way things were going, it was the only thing that could have happened. I like the idea of a citizens committee and

would like to see something like this continue, but the committee was not functioning as a committee."

"I expected this," states Rev. Ronald Fearer. "The committee never really got organized. The problem was lack of elected leadership. This committee was given temporary leadership by Mrs. Harris and Rev. Bower for a certain period of time, but volunteers from the committee to serve were not forthcoming, therefore they couldn't hold an election. The election was put off and temporary leaders never got around to it. I regret this ending, but it was the only course of action for the mayor."

When asked for further information on the dissolution of the committee, the Mayor had no comment.

## Report on the Citizens Committee Meeting

The Citizens Committee meeting was held Feb. 12 at Saint Joseph's High School with a turnout of 28 interested citizens present.

Mrs. Gail Harris, acting chairperson, reiterated her position on the drug and alcohol problem in Emmitsburg, and said that "angel dust" (a combination of PCP, a horse tranquilizer, and embalming fluid) and quaaludes have made their way into our community.

There was a division among those present as to whether or not Emmitsburg does, in fact, have a drug problem.

One citizen present said that while he personally used drugs — he doesn't now and he doesn't believe a drug problem exists locally.

Mrs. Harris stated that she was personally inconvenienced as are some educators and citizens in the area that such a problem exists.

According to Mrs. Harris' sources marijuana smoke in the laboratories of Catoctin High School is so bad that it's almost impossible to breathe. One student present from Catoctin stated he has never noticed any smoke, while another student said she had been threatened by other students not to discuss this problem.

When reached for comment, Mr. Edward Kerns, Vice Principal of Catoctin stated that "most high schools in this area have a problem and I will not deny that we have some students who abuse alcohol and other drugs, however, I do not think

it's a terribly large percentage."

Mrs. Harris went on to say that the citizens committee was only concerned with keeping drugs and alcohol away from students under eighteen, and while she didn't advocate a vigilante group, parents could roam around town to places where teenagers congregate acting as deterrents. It was learned that there are federal funds available to citizen groups for use in combating crime.

One of the committee members suggested that teenagers need a place of their own that does not serve alcoholic beverages; where they could talk and dance. It was pointed out by Rev. Walter Bower that such a

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## Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

When the Citizens Committee began a few months ago I thought of all the help a group of concerned citizens could give to the mayor and councilmen of this town.

Many heads are better than a few. Somewhere between its inception and last Thursday night these hopes and aspirations were lost.

I attended the last meeting and, to my dismay, all I heard were accusations, and distortions of the truth. Why a small group of people should take it on themselves to destroy all the trust and cooperation it took so many years to develop between the governing bodies of this town and its people is beyond me. What purpose does it serve?

Fear of "secret lists," wandering bands of vigilantes and most of all the suspicion that our police are not doing their job is unfounded and unnecessary, creating doubts as to their effectiveness.

I understand people being concerned with the problems they face and the situations that arise, that is why I took the time to write this letter.

I applaud the mayor and councilmen's decision to dissolve the citizens committee. It has outlived its usefulness. Months will pass before all the ill-feeling that was generated will be forgotten.

As I have said a citizen's committee is a good idea and if we have another one, I hope it does not take the same road the last one did.

Thank you,  
Mr. Leo Orndorff.

Finally, the action taken by the Burgess and town council was sound. They managed to save face for the town by preventing an age of "Big Brother is watching you."

Ray Sheaffer

To the members of the Emmitsburg Citizens Committee, and the Residents of Emmitsburg:

I, George Danner, a Commissioner of Emmitsburg had no knowledge of your committee being dissolved until it had been done and reported to other newspapers Friday, February 13, and reported in the Frederick Newpost Saturday, Feb. 14, 1976.

Thank you,  
George L. Danner Jr.

Citizens of Emmitsburg:

I was at the recent Citizens Committee on Thursday evening. Whether it accomplished anything or not is neither here nor there right now. What bothered me was the fact that many people were fighting against the committee.

It seems to me that these were the same parents and citizens who were outraged when "hippies" invaded our town. Those aren't my words.

They charged that their children were going to get caught up in the drug scene. Now they don't want any part of anything that will clean up the problem that had them scared!

It seems to me that these "parents" tried every trick, threat and loophole they could think up to

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## Parental Responsibility

### Can Legislation Help?

By Walter S. Orlinsky

FBI statistics show crime rose 17.6 percent in 1974. Children between the ages of 10 and 17, who make up 16 percent of the population account for almost half of all arrests for violent crimes and theft. Recognition that juveniles are causing a disproportionate amount of the crime is a first step in reducing our soaring crime rates. Since much of this juvenile crime is street crime, we need to get juveniles who are committing these crimes off the streets.

In our society, it is the responsibility of parents to control their children. The breakdown of the family unit contributes greatly to delinquency. Statistics also show that all too many

parents are not living up to their responsibilities. Their failure to do so has become a public danger. When such conditions exist, it becomes necessary for government to attempt to punish delinquent adults for their failure to perform their function as parents.

This is the goal of the curfew bill about to become effective in Baltimore City on March 1. It requires parents take steps to insure that youth, 16 years of age and under, be off the streets and out of public places by 11 p.m. on weeknights and by midnight on Friday and Saturday, unless accompanied by a parent or responsible adult.

For a first violation parents will be notified by mail. Upon subsequent violation the parents will be assessed

a fine of from \$5 to \$100 for their failure to exercise this responsibility.

The bill has been enacted on a trial basis for eighteen months. After that, it is to be reviewed by the Police Commissioner who will make recommendations to the City Council as to whether it should be retained, modified, or repealed.

I voted for the bill because I agree that we must take steps to reduce crime by juveniles. Most responsible parents already keep their children off the streets at night, so the curfew will not affect them. I do not know whether the curfew is the answer, but the high crime rate for juveniles, to my mind, justifies giving it a try.

We need to re-establish the responsibility of parents for their children. Parents need to know they are going to be held accountable. Their position of authority needs to be recognized and fortified by our public institutions. For instance, they need to know when their children are disruptive or truant in school. A committee of the City Council on Juvenile Crime, which I initiated, has made recommendations in this area calling for a uniform policy and enforcement regarding absenteeism and truancy.

This does not mean that the child himself, is not accountable for his behavior. Learning to take responsibility for one's own actions is what growing up is all about. A national Commission on Juvenile Justice Standards recently recommended sentencing for juveniles based on the seriousness of their crime, rather than on the needs of the youngster, because unless a child knows he is going to be held responsible, our penal system does not work.

When the age of majority was lowered to 18 in this state we shifted full responsibility for conduct from the parent to the youth at an earlier age. But when we said that a youth 18 years of age and over is responsible for his own conduct, were we not also saying that responsibility for the conduct of a youth under 18 years old is the parents'?

This does not alleviate the role of our schools to teach our children, or social service agencies to provide assistance to troubled children and parents, or the courts to deal with youth in a manner that will benefit the wholesome development of each individual. But all of these institutions ought to function in a manner that reinforces the role of the parent and the family unit whenever and wherever children are dealt with.

Parents must be kept informed about what their children are doing in school. They must also be involved when children are brought into court. Failure to do so not only makes it highly unlikely that a child's problems will be resolved, it also undermines parental authority and the concept of family.

Since the parent bears the responsibility for his children in our society, then that responsibility must be upheld and insisted upon. Parents who need help should have services available to them through public and private agencies. But failure to recognize this responsibility and enforce it will only lead to further disintegration of the family, and continued increases in juvenile crime.

## Bicentennial Coins For Frederick

In an early Valentine celebration this Friday the Thirteenth, the Frederick County Bicentennial Committee defied superstition; and in spite of the normal forebodings surrounding the date, none of those involved broke a leg, or even tripped over a chair. In an atmosphere of festivity, Mayor Ronald M. Young laughingly accepted an enormous red, lace-encrusted valentine, embellished with flowers and birds, accompanied by a buss on the cheek by the Committee's Executive Director, Dana Keister. Hal Walters, newly appointed Executive Vice-President of the Frederick County Chamber of Commerce, and Jerry Coates, Chairman of the Tourism Advisory Council assisted in the presentation.

It was all part of an effort to bring attention to one of the current projects of the committee: the center of

the valentine contained two mounted and framed bicentennial coins. One, of sterling silver, depicted the Hessian Barracks. The other, of bronze, showed the flip side of the coin, which is a replica of the Catoctin Furnace. Appropriately, both structures are being restored in this year of our nation's two-hundredth birthday, and both figured prominently in Frederick County history.

The Barracks has been used in various ways throughout the years. Built in 1776 for the accommodation of Revolutionary troops, it instead became a housing site for Hessian and English prisoners during the Revolutionary War. The Civil War created the need for hospital facilities and the chameleon-like building was adapted to that end. It has also been used as an arsenal and finally, was

the first home of the Maryland School for the Deaf.

Catoctin Furnace was founded by Thomas Johnson and operated on a continuous basis from 1774 to 1902. From its vast interior came diverse products: stoves and pots for the Continental Army, parts for James Rumsey's steamboats and plates for the Monitor. The medallion design was done by Joann Miller, a fifth generation resident of Catoctin Furnace.

Coins are available at all banks, at Schifferstadt and the Chamber of Commerce. There are a limited number of the silver coins, which are numbered, still available from the total of three hundred which were minted. The silver coins sell for \$25.00. Bronze coins may be purchased for \$1.00 each.



Mayor Ronald N. Young accepts a large Valentine which contains Frederick County Bicentennial coins from Dana Keister, Director of the Bicentennial Committee, while

Jerry Coates, Chairman of the Tourism Advisory Council, and Hal Walters, Executive Vice Pres. of the Chamber of Commerce look on.





Mother Seton School Flag designed by Joe Antolin, Connie Medvid, Lisa Maloney, Sharon McCormick and Bill Schoonover.

## Mother Seton School Celebrates Catholic School Week

The halls and classrooms buzzed with activity at Mother Seton School during Catholic Schools Week. Tuesday found many parents visiting the classrooms and admiring the displays of the boys and girls which illustrated in art and composition Prominent Catholic Americans both living and dead.

Wednesday afternoon, the entire student body at-

tended an assembly in which representatives from each room presented the life and works of Prominent American Catholics through compositions, cassettes, overhead projectors and skits. Much talent was displayed by the boys and girls. A committee of eighth graders designed a flag for the school and presented it to the school during the assembly. At the end of the assembly, Sister

Natalie, principal read the names of the boys and girls who won in the poster contest for Catholic Schools Week. A first prize award was chosen from each parish represented at Mother Seton School. The winners were: First prize, George Hawver, Christine Wey, Rita Wood, Joseph Small, Maria Hoben, Frankie Seidel, Angel Speden, Lisa Maloney, Ann Cole and Michele Shipley; Honorable Mention, Marcia Demoya, Jimmy Small, Maria LaCross, Mary Enright and Randy Nusbaum.

Thursday evening found parents once again visiting the classrooms and teachers. The highlight of the evening was the talk on Catholic Education by Msgr. William Newman, Superintendent of Parochial Schools in the Archdiocese of Baltimore. Monsignor, in his address, answered the Questions: Who are Catholic Schools? What are Catholic Schools? Where are they going?

The climax that week was the Eucharistic Liturgy celebrated in the Seton Shrine Chapel at Saint Joseph's Provincial House. The area pastors concelebrated Mass which was attended by the entire student body, parents and friends. The concelebrants were: Rev. Harry Kuhn, Rev. Paul Dolan, Rev. Edward Sargus, Rev. Salvatore Zangari and Rev. John Bakle. Rev. Edward Sargus gave the homily.

## Zip Column

The 50 State Flags sheet of Commemorative Stamps, as mentioned in the January 29th paper, will go on sale at our office at 11:00 a.m., Monday, February 23rd, 1976. Although Washington, D.C. is the first day city, the stamps will be placed on sale nationwide, at the above time.

If any of our customers missed the January 29th Zip Column, information on requesting of First Day Issue Stamps or State Capitol Cancellations may be obtained at our post office.

The week of February 23-28 has been designated by Postmaster General Benjamin F. Bailar as Postal Consumer Protection Week to emphasize the importance of consumer protection and inform the public of its availability to users of the mail.

The Postal Service provides safeguards in the transportation of mail, against mail fraud and false representation, and provides assistance with mail-order and service problems. Our consumer protection program works through the Inspection Service, Consumer Protection Office of the Law Department, the Judicial Office and The Consumer Advocate.

Working together these four departments resolve complaints of alleged mail-order swindles when postal customers fail to receive merchandise ordered, refunds promised or find that the service or product purchased is not as advertised.

When a complaint is made, the Postal Service decides whether to investigate for possible commercial deception or to handle it informally as in cases where poor business practices are found to be

the problem. Whatever the action, the customer is notified.

In cases where it is believed that false representation by mail exists, the Consumer Protection Office working with information obtained from postal inspectors initiates administrative proceedings to stop the mail in response to the alleged false representation.

If it is found following administrative proceedings that the mails are being used to promote schemes to obtain money by misrepresentation, the Judicial Officer issues a mail-stop order which results in the return of all subsequent mail to the senders, unless it is clear that the correspondence has nothing to do with the scheme.

Where violation of the Mail Fraud Statute is indicated, postal inspectors refer the case to the appropriate U.S. Attorney for consideration of criminal prosecution.

The Consumer Advocate provides the consumer with a strong voice in postal management in cases of delayed or lost mail, non-receipt of mail order purchases or refunds, extension of rural routes, delivery schedules and employee conduct.

If you have any problems with the mails, come in and talk with me or a postal inspector. We want to help.

In continuation of our weekly topics on classes of mail, third class is next in line. Third class mail is any mailable matter which is: not mailed or required to be mailed as first-class mail; not entered as second-class mail and less than 16 ounces in weight.

I mentioned in a previous column, that I would explain the various classes of mail and give the advan-



Congressman Goodloe E. Byron and Mrs. Mary Johnson discuss items of mutual interest during Congressman Byron's recent visit to the Emmitsburg Post Office.

tages of one over the other. Even though the above requirements may be met for using third-class mail service, if speed is necessary, do not use it.

George E. Rosensteel  
Postmaster

## Hospital Report

Admitted: Mrs. Emma Robert, Fairfield; Mrs. Marsha Kint, Fairfield; Theodore Wolfe Jr., Emmitsburg; Mrs. Sarah Strang, Fairfield; Charles Wetzel, Emmitsburg; Mrs. Margaret Binns, Emmitsburg; Mrs. Robert Weagley, Thurmont. Discharged: Mrs. Charles Brawner, Emmitsburg.

Births: Mr. and Mrs. Robert Weagley, Thurmont, daughter.

## Directors Elected

At the recent meeting of the stockholders of The Detour Bank, the following directors were re-elected: Frederick J. Bower, Arthur W. Clabaugh, Edgar G. Emrich, D. Leonard Reifsnider, Robert R. Saylor, Ralph W. Stonesifer and George C. Zinkhan, Jr.

The board held its reorganization meeting and elected Mr. Emrich president, Mr. Stonesifer vice-president, Mrs. Mary Ellen Catlin, cashier and secretary. Mrs. Romaine

E. Gruber bookkeeper and assistant secretary, and Mrs. Helen J. Burrier, teller. Mrs. Gladys W. Mathews and Mrs. E. Jeanette Dutrow are part-time employees at the bank.

Donald A. Herring is assistant cashier and branch manager of the Keymar Branch office of The Detour Bank. Mrs. Kathryn F. Coshun, assistant cashier, and Mrs. Joyce N. Clingan, bookkeeper.

Frederick J. Bower has been designated as attorney for the bank.

## Area Deaths

Mrs. Grace Bartgis

Mrs. Grace Bartgis, 74, of Taneytown, died suddenly, Feb. 10 at her home on Fairview Avenue. She was born in Frederick County, the daughter of the late George and Martha Schildt Bartgis. She was a member of the United Church of Christ in Taneytown.

She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Gloria Clemm of Woodsboro; two brothers, Charles Bartgis of Pittsburg, Pa., and Kenneth Bartgis of Westminster; a sister, Mrs. Lela Carl of Hagerstown; and two grandchildren, Miss Patricia M. Clemm and Joseph W. Clemm Jr. of Woodsboro.

The funeral services were held at the funeral home Friday at 11 a.m., the Rev. Frederick Wenner officiating. Interment was at the Mount Hope Cemetery in Woodsboro.

Mrs. Daisy J. Miller

Mrs. Daisy J. Miller, 84, Rt. 1, Thurmont, died Tuesday, Feb. 10, at Colton Manor Nursing Home, Hagerstown.

She was born in Frederick County, a daughter of the late Charles and Mary Carty Frawley.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Mary E. Martin, Mrs. Irene V. Harne and Mrs. Helena V. Baxter, all of Thurmont; three sons, Charles J. Miller, George E. Miller and Libert W. Miller, all of Thurmont; one sister, Mrs. Luvienna McBride, Ladiesburg; 15 grandchildren, 43 great-grandchildren and 10 great-great-grandchildren. Interment was in the Lewistown Cemetery with Rev. Willard J. Brummett officiating.

## Mount Begins Spring Registration

Mount Saint Mary's College, Emmitsburg, began the 1976 Spring semester with registration on Jan. 26, 1976. For the second semester of the academic year of 1975-1976 there is a total of 1,251 students registered in the undergraduate department according to Bernard S. Kaliss, Dean of Academic Affairs for the college.

Registered are 355 freshmen, 264 sophomores, 268 juniors and 273 seniors. This semester finds an increase in the number of women enrolled to 430, the highest number in the college's four years as a coed institution.

Another increase in enrollment is found in Mount Saint Mary's new degree completion program

for nurses, the bachelor of science degree in professional arts. In the second semester of this program, there are 32 nurses registered.

Dr. Raymond R. Lauer, director of the Graduate School of Business, reports that there are approximately 50 people registered in the MBA program for the coming semester. In addition to those registered at the college there are also about 50 registered in the cooperative graduate program with Shenandoah College, Winchester, Va. These students will take all graduate level courses in management at Shenandoah, meet all degree requirements, and receive the

master's degree from Mount Saint Mary's.

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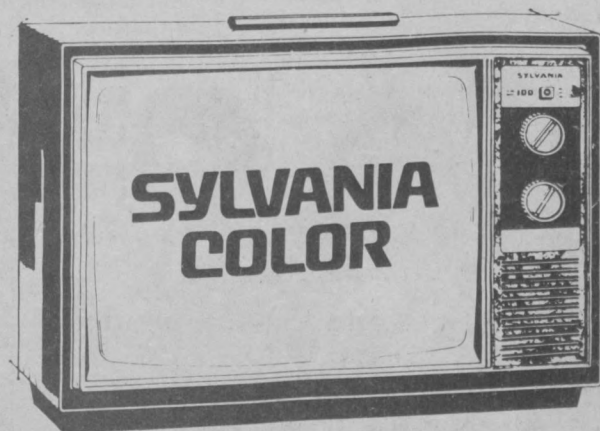
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## Boy Scout News

Troop 284 of our local Boy Scouts held a Court of Honor February 10 at the Emmitsburg Community Center as a special activity of Boy Scout Week. Following the Presentation of Colors, the following new Boy Scouts were introduced: Owen Rosensteel, Robert Plumb and David Shields. An impressive candlelight ceremony was conducted by Larry Kehne and Andrew Mitchell, assisted by Scoutmaster James Dickinson.

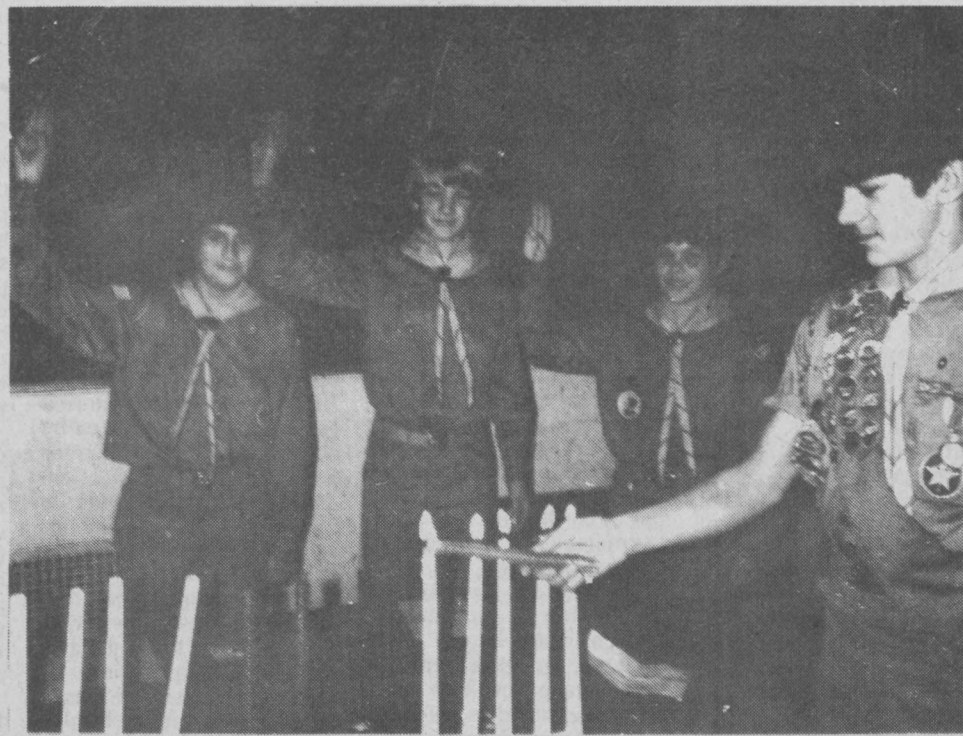
A humorous skit, "The Midget" was presented by the following Boy Scouts who delighted their audience with their antics: Joseph Antolin, the midget, Andrew Mitchell, William Wagerman and Larry Kehne.

During the evening it was noted that all Boy Scouts were wearing new neckerchiefs, bearing the Troop number and Emmitsburg as a distinguishing feature of the blue scarf. Submitting the winning artistic design for

the new neckerchief was Robert Antolin.

The following Rank awards were presented during the evening program: Robert Preston, Second Class; Robert Antolin, Tenderfoot; Carl White, Second Class; Douglas Mitchell, Second Class; Robert Rosensteel, First and Second Class; Robert Plumb, Scout Class; Jeffrey Welborne, Star Scout.

Merit Badge Presentations included: David Shields, Emergency Preparedness; First Aid: Carl White, First Aid; Emergency Preparedness: Art: Robert Rosensteel, Emergency Preparedness: Art: Citizenship: Community Living: Douglas Mitchell, Pats: M. J. Golibart, First Aid; Emergency Preparedness: Robert Preston, First Aid; Emergency Preparedness: Art: Owen Rosensteel, Emergency Preparedness, First Aid; James Gauss, Emergency Preparedness, Home Repairs; Robert Gauss, First Aid; Daniel Fearer,



Emergency Preparedness, First Aid, Water Skiing, Citizenship, First Aid, Scholarship: Larry Kehne, Paets: Robert Antolin, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness, Michael Dillon, Reading: Jeffrey Welborne, Emergency Preparedness: Robert

Wagerman, Personal Management, Emergency Preparedness: Barney Gingell, Personal Management, Emergency Preparedness: Barney Gingell, Personal Management, Emergency Preparedness: Andrew Mitchell, Reading.

Skill Awards were presented to the following: Michael Gingell, Citizenship, Cooking, First Aid; Owen Rosensteel, Citizenship, Community Living, Family Living; M. J. Golibart, Communications.

Leadership Corps Awards were given to Scouts Robert Gauss, Barney Gingell and Jeffrey Welborne. Photo and Chip

Awards were received by M. J. Golibart, Daniel Fearer and Robert Antolin. The Eager Beaver Awards, featuring the D. C. Capitol Area was presented to Robert Preston, Douglas White, Daniel Fearer, Robert Wagerman and David Shields.

Named as Senior Patrol Leader was William Wagerman, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader is Larry Kehne.

Concluding the Court of Honor was a period of refreshment and fellowship by Scouts and their families. Mrs. William Meredith served as Chairman of the Refreshment Committee.

## Pro Deo Emblem to Daniel Fearer

First Class Scout Daniel Fearer was presented the Pro Deo et Patria emblem at Elias Lutheran Church Sunday, February 8. The recipient is the twelve-year old son of Pastor and Mrs. W. Ronald Fearer and has been in the Scouting program for four years. He is a member of Troop 284, sponsored by the American Legion Post 121. This marks the first time that an Emmitsburg Scout has earned the Pro Deo et Patria emblem.

Scoutmaster James Dickinson, leader of Boy Scout Troop 284, presented the candidate for the special recognition Service. Assistant Scoutmaster Robert Gauss presented a resume of the requirements for the Pro Deo et Patria emblem during the Worship Service which was attended by members of Troop 284, and members and officers of the Troop committee.

The Pro Deo et Patria program is administered nationally by the Office of National Youth Agency Relationships of the Lutheran Council in the U.S.A. on behalf of the American Lutheran Church, Lutheran Church in America and Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. The emblem is granted by that office upon the recommendation of the local Scout Troop and a congregational Review Board. Serving on the local Review Board were Mr. Robert R. Saylor, Mr. George Glenn,

Jr. and Mr. James Small, Jr. Mr. Small, a student at Duquesne University, is a Pro Deo et Patria Scout. He received the emblem while he was a member of the Boy Scout Troop in Fairfield in 1972.

Following the Service an informal reception was held for members of Troop 284 and members of the congregation. Assisting in serving were Mrs. Charles Long, Mrs. John Reaves and Mrs. Robert Saylor.



Daniel Fearer



February 8-14 has been proclaimed National Vocational Education Week. Frederick County's Vocational Advisory Council is shown at a recent meeting. Seated clockwise around the table from left front are: Bernard L. Droneburg - F. L. Culler Inc.; Dennis A. Hawkes - Associate Dean for Instruction, Frederick Community College; Kenneth W. Baker - Personnel Manager, Moore Business Forms; William L. Woodcock - Credit Manager, Rutzahn's; Ross V. Smith, Sr. - Hillside Turkey Farm; Dr. John L. Carnochan, Jr., Superintendent of Schools, Jesse L. Barall - Farmer; Ed Reiley - Supervisor of Vocational Education; G. Bernard Callan, Jr. - Callan and Cramer; Paul S. Stull - Principal, Vocational Technical Center; Louise J. Strine - Manager, Remsburg's

Jewelry: Kitty M. Reed - Manager, Assistant Secretary, Branch Office, Citizens Building and Loan; Charles Watson - Watson's Restaurant.

Also a member of the Advisory Council but absent when the picture was taken is James Freeman, Vice President and General Manager of the Frederick Gas Company.

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## Letters to the Editor

Land grab in Washington County is like pulling the rug out from under you.

There is over 30% of untaxable property and land off the tax base in Washington County. It is still rising due to the land grab along the C&O Canal and Antietam Battle Field on a Federal level and Fort Frederick and South Mountain on a State level, not mentioning county land taken under the Open Space Bill. This bill should be abolished or amended and the money used for drainage problems and county roads.

It is far time for all phases of government to stop taking land off the tax base in Washington County. Our government representatives should be using their influence to get land back to private ownership, such as the obsolete Radar Center on the Sharpsburg Pike. They should draw the line on minority groups as far as Fort Frederick and the Antietam Battle Field are concerned. Land off the tax base helps to put every property owner in jeopardy of higher assessments which in turn causes higher rent.

Our county should be reimbursed for land taken by Federal and State Government at least 75% of the

assessed value on a yearly basis. This still would be only a portion of tax dollars being returned.

**PRESIDENT JAMES ADAMS**

Ten Suggestions from The Citizens' Meeting of June 18, 1975:

(1) That our citizenry get involved in our community's problem of "rowdiness" by quickly reporting offenders to the police and being ready to press charges in court.

(2) That citizens look favorably on our police "getting tough" with these offenders, and quick to support them in such action, until we clean up the streets of Emmitsburg.

(3) That citizens look favorably on our police being paid an incentive wage, rather than a minimum wage.

(4) Since most of these older youths come from outside Emmitsburg, by automobile, private parking areas should be closed at night, leaving only the limited space of on-street parking, with meters working.

(5) That every organization, and many individuals, write letters to our elected

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## Editorial

The action of Major Richard Sprankle on Friday, Feb. 13, 1976 to dissolve the Emmitsburg Citizens Committee ended a short career which started with civic concern over an allegedly high crime rate in our town and supposedly rampant drug abuse by our juvenile population.

Alarm over these issues was frequently voiced, confidentially and in the open; some citizens, with every good intention, assigned to themselves the task of cleaning up the town. Other citizens resented this turn of events - passions ran pretty high.

The Mayor's decision to dissolve the Citizens Committee seems to have aimed at cooling off these passions and hopefully providing an atmosphere of reason in which discussions of community problems could be carried out. We support the Mayor's action in this regard.

There was dissension among members from the very beginning. For a while, all of us hoped that committee members could bury their differences and act in unison. They did not. The disagreement was one of philosophy, goals and means.

The zeal displayed by some committee members in their

honest and honorable attempts to cleanse Emmitsburg turned, it seems to us, into personal crusades.

The issue of drug abuse, to mention only one alleged criminal activity in the town was overshadowed by the method which some committee members employed to combat this evil. Serious questions were raised: Had the committee supplanted the duly elected government? Had the committee usurped the role of the local police in tracking down alleged criminals? Or should committee members hurl charges of drug abuse in a public meeting based on "confidential information"?

One final comment, we certainly do not support some of our citizens angry statements against some committee members. True citizenship is not determined by the citizens' length of residence in the town. The number of years which a certain citizen has spent in this community should not be used to impugn that citizen's intentions and sincerity in working for the town. To say otherwise, would be to sow dissension and discord in this community, and in the end, all of us would suffer.

## To Hold Registration

Registration for kindergarten children will take place at Emmitsburg School on February 24 at 2:00 P.M. Children who will be five years old on or before December 31, 1976 are eligible to attend kindergarten. Parents are asked to bring their child's birth certificate or baptismal record to the registration. Any child who is not presently enrolled in kindergarten and who will be six years old on or before December 31, 1976 may be registered for first grade on the above dates.

processes to grades 1 through 8. The following students participated in this program: Portrait drawing: Beth Hamburg; Silk screen: Donna Null, Ken Brown; Crafts: weaving - Susan Dempsey; plaster casting Dunbar Stewart;

ceramics Eileen Rounsley; painting (oil) Kathy Guise; mural Kathy Collier; Sheryl DeBolt; film making Paul Adkins; The art demonstration was part of the cultural program sponsored by the Emmitsburg P.T.A.

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## Senior Citizen News

We wish to thank everyone who visited our center Sat., Feb. 14 for open house. We welcome you back any time.

### MENUS FOR FOOD 'N FRIENDS

Feb. 23-27, 1976

**Monday**  
Barbecue/roll, French

tries. Buttered broccoli, Fruit, Rice Krispie square, and Milk.

**Tuesday**  
Macaroni cheese, 1/2 Hard boiled egg, Lettuce, tomato, Buttered limas, Bread/butter, Pear, and Milk.

**Wednesday**  
Roast Beef openface

sandwich. Whipped potatoes. Mixed vegetable, Applesauce, and Milk.

**Thursday**  
Meat loaf, Bread butter, Buttered corn, Sweet potatoes, Jello/topping, and Milk.

**Friday**  
Pizza, Cole slaw, Green beans, Peaches, and Milk.

## Heart Association Holds Heart Symposium

A symposium entitled "How to Have a Healthy Heart" to be sponsored by the Frederick County Heart Association and Frederick Community College will be held on Friday evening, Feb. 20, 1976 from 7 to 10 p.m. at the Lecture Hall of Frederick Community College. The public is cordially invited to hear the following topics elaborated on by the designated physicians: **The Unhealthy Heart**, Dr. Nicholas P.

Foris, President, Fred. Co. Heart Assn.; **Blood Pressure**, Dr. Steven Pickert; **Exercise: Excess Weight**, Dr. Ronald Williams; **Blood Lipid (fat) Problems**, Dr. Robert Kaufmann. Following the presentations, a summary will be given. There will also be time for questions to be asked by the attendees; so, if you have any questions regarding any of the above topics, come on out to FCC. There will be door prizes

and refreshments for all those in attendance. Those persons who wish to have their blood pressures taken may do so at this time also.

This symposium is part of the ongoing educational program of the Public Health Education Committee of the Frederick County Heart Assn. of which Jean S. Frizzell, A.N.P., is Chairman.

## 97 Years Ago

(Items taken from past

Chronicles July 12, 1879)

Flat Run at the bridge on the Taneytown road, is as dry as last years cornstalk.

The work on the steeple of the new Presbyterian church is progressing fine. It is coming to a point.

The 4th of July celebrations this year were generally conducted in the way of picnics and such like social gatherings, which on the whole are the most rational, agreeable and satisfactory forms of recreation.

Mr. Frank Seabold, son of Nicholas Seabold, met with a sad accident last week. In gearing up his mare, he drew the crupper strap too tight, when she kicked, breaking his jaw bone and knocking out a couple of his teeth.

We insist on our paper being recognized by its title, "The Emmitsburg Chronicle." It would have been a great convenience to us in the hurry of business, had we just named it The Chronicle, published at Emmitsburg, Md. But we wished to work for Emmitsburg, and placed the emphasis thereon with the full purpose of making our fight on that line. And

there we stand.

On Tuesday evening the usual quiet of our town was disturbed by the unusual spectacle of a horse race. The contestants were a horse from the livery stable of Messrs. Guthrie and Beam, and Mr. J.A.S. Tawney's horse. We learned that the former horse won the stakes of \$50 by two or three lengths.

John Burkitt is Town watchman. Every night he makes the echos roll with "Past ten o'clock." "The stars shine tonight." "Or it is cloudy tonight," as the case may be.

The street sprinkler has gotten to work in the Village, where it has been greatly needed. Mr. Peter Hoke regulates its operation. It could not be in better hands; but on what plan it works we do not know.

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of rural amusements there is scarcely any locality more inviting than that of our village, and surrounding country: Those who have once sojourned here, generally return.

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There can be no hesitation in recommending Emmitsburg to all who desire a pleasant summer vacation.

## An Open Letter

To our Friends and

Neighbors of Emmitsburg, You are cordially invited to a showing of ELIZABETH OF NEW YORK, an original production by St. John's University, Jamaica. This four-act drama, with its lilting musical score and beautiful choreography, has been warmly praised by New

York critics.

It will be presented in DePaul Auditorium on the Saint Joseph College Campus on Saturday afternoon, February 21, at 3. There is no charge for admission.

Faculty and students from the University worked over the week-end to erect the effective stage-settings. Mr. Gene Myers of our

local Myers Radio & TV Shop is responsible for the sound system.

Please come and enjoy this bit of lovely theatre with us.

SISTER ROSA, Administrator St. Joseph's Provincial House

## Rocky Ridge News

By Harvey M. Pittenger

Mr. and Mrs. Franklin C. Thomas and son Mark, of Littlestown spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Charles H. Setherley and family and also with Mr. Harvey M. Pittenger.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Setherley, Karen and Debbie, of Thurmont, spent Sunday evening with his mother, Mrs. Cora M. Setherley and family.

Mrs. Dorothy V. Cavell of Boyds spent the weekend with her sister, Mrs. Charles H. Setherley and family and also with her father, Mr. John Pittenger. Mr. John N. Cavell and son, Norman, of Boyds visited Mr. Harvey M. Pittenger Sr. on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Mackly of near Taneytown visited Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Bowman recently.

## Notice

To all parents: Babe Ruth League — Parents, Jr. and Sr. meeting for election of officers, Feb. 25, 7:30 p.m. at Fire Hall.

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## Girl Scouts 60 Meets

The Girl Scout Adults of Emmitsburg, Thurmont, and Lewistown met in the Incarnation United Church of Christ Fellowship Hall on Monday night, Feb. 16, for the regular monthly meeting of Community 60. Mrs. John Chatlos, Community Director, conducted the meeting.

Questions regarding the recent subscription drive were asked and answered. If anyone subscribed through the Girl Scouts and has not received the magazine, please contact Mrs. Chatlos, 447-2270, so that the problem can be resolved.

All leaders reported that their girls were eagerly selling the annual Girl Scout cookies. Have you purchased yours? This is one way in which the girls are able to raise money for the activities of their troops. Big plans cost big money. You can help by getting your cookies from the Girl Scouts. Cookie sale will go from Feb. 14 to Mar. 6.

Plans for Thinking Day, Feb. 22, were shared by each troop. Girl Scout week in March was also discussed. On March 12, Girl Scout Birthday, at 5:00 p.m. Girl Scouts across the nation will be lighting candles, "Flames of Freedom." The time is shortly before sunset. As night falls on this Girl Scout Birthday, the light of our commitment will be burning brightly wherever there's a Girl Scout troop. It will shine not only across the continent, but also in far-away places where American families live.

The possibility of a day camp for this community was discussed and also the need to encourage more of the girls to attend established camp. This is a rare opportunity for a girl to have a wider experience in Scouting than she is able to have in a troop.

Every registered adult belongs to the Area Association and this Association will have a covered dish supper at Hill and Hollow, our camp site near Libertytown, on May 11 at 6:30 p.m. This will be the annual business meeting of the Association when Council delegates will be elected as well as a president, vice-president and secretary.

The Spring Council meeting was announced for May 26, another date for registered adult Scouts to remember.

Plans for the Council-wide Bicentennial celebration, S.H.E. '76, to be held at Timonium Fairgrounds

May 1 and 2, were discussed and guidelines set up for the working out of the plan. This Community plans to have a booth in the Hall of Heroines depicting Saint Elizabeth Seton as our heroine. Cadette Troop 350 plans to present "dances from then to now." Mrs. Edith Shriver is the community Bicentennial Coordinator but she was unable to attend the meeting this night.

The meeting closed with the lighting of the candles of each leader by the Area Director, Mrs. Pat Perkins. These leaders will in turn light the candles of the girls in their troops in preparation for the lighting of "Flames of freedom" on March 12.

Those present were: from Lewistown troops — Becky Oyhus, Etta Leveronne, Gail Brenton; from Thurmont troops — Betsy Baker, Joyce Byers, Harriett Glass, Joanne Trapane, and Beth Ruppel who is Troop Service Director for the troops in Thurmont and Lewistown; and from Emmitsburg troops — Barbara McGraw, Dorothy Seiss, Ginny Preston, Mary Greco, Margaret Myers who is Emmitsburg registrar, and Sheila Chatlos, community director. Mrs. Pat Perkins was also present as Area Director.

The next meeting will be held in the Thurmont Scout House at 8:00 p.m. on Monday, March 15th.

### HAVE YOU BOUGHT YOURS?

Mints! Peanut Butter! Butter Trefails! Assorted Cremes! or Samosas! These are the five kinds of cookies the Girl Scouts and Brownies are selling in and around Emmitsburg during the next few weeks. Sale began on Saturday, Feb. 14, and will continue until March 6th. Cost of each box is \$1.25.

The girls earn money from the cookie sale for the activities which they carry out during the year, particularly the camping program and special trips. Twenty cents from each box purchased goes to the troop to which each girl belongs. Additional money goes to the Central Maryland Council of Girl Scouts to help with the programs for girls in the Central Maryland area. A good part of the budget for the Council is derived from the profits of the Cookie Sale. You are helping all the girls when you purchase a box of cookies. AND THEY ARE GOOD!

## Local Scouts At Open House

Persons visiting the renovated Community Center last Saturday at the "Open House" were welcomed to the gymnasium area by our local Boy Scout Troop 284, under the very capable leadership of Scoutmaster James Dickinson and Assistant Scoutmaster, Robert Gauss. The boys, dressed in their complete uniforms and wearing their newly acquired Merit Badges, Skill Awards and blue neckerchiefs, greeted their guests with an outdoor cooking demonstration. Their menu included chicken and potatoes. Those who managed to get samples were very im-

pressed. Maybe some of us who profess to be experts in the field of culinary arts could take a few lessons from our Scouts. Well done boys.

And a big "Thank you" to the American Legion Post 121 who sponsors Troop 284.

## Letters to the Editor

(Continued from Page 3)

representatives in Annapolis and Washington, urging special consideration for Emmitsburg to have a District Court Representative and office within the community.

(6) That letters to Magistrates Thompson and Bennet of the Frederick District Court be written by our citizens, urging harsher punishment of the offenders, until we can clean up the streets of Emmitsburg (hopefully by September 14).

(7) That the Court's decisions on those arrested in Emmitsburg be published in our newspapers on a regular basis, so we know whether they have heeded our protest.

(8) E. light of the incident in front of the laundromat this spring, a small select group of citizens (with monitors) volunteer to be ready for emergency deputization for the protection of our police until professional assistance can arrive.

(9) That our police protection be expanded to 24 hours a day, and the Department enlarged in one of the following ways: a. employment of addi-

tional resident police. b. participation in the resident state trooper program, such as Middletown. c. participation in the resident deputy program, which according to Sheriff Barnes can be completely funded by federal money for the next three years.

(10) That a Citizens' Committee be created by the Mayor (following this assembly) to follow through on these suggestions with further discussion, urging community involvement, and maintaining a cooperative relationship with the Mayor and Council.

First goals of the Citizens Committee meeting - Aug. 1975:

(1) Getting letters off record points 5 and 6 of meeting June 18, 1975. This has been done.

(2) Keeping abreast of police arrests and convictions regards (meeting of June 1975) point 7. This has been done.

(3) Looking into Beautification Program as punishment of minor offenses. This was done and investigation regarding putting such a program into

effect is still under way - with Federal funding.

(4) Keeping check on drug abuse. This is what the committee is trying to do now. Re: point 10 of the June 18, 1975 meeting. The citizens committee had always tried to assist the mayor and the council i.e. acting at their request, the committee contacted the business people of Emmitsburg regarding the forming of a Chamber of Commerce. Acting at their request, the committee has pursued points 3 above. Acting at their request, the committee has tried to find a civil defense coordinator for the town.

The Citizens committee had always made it a point to invite the Town Fathers to attend their meetings. The mayor responded once, and three council members attended once. The four of them at the same meeting. My understanding was that the Citizens committee was not formed to be under the direction of our Town Fathers, but to be an independent group as the name implies, and to assist them whenever possible.

Chris Gauss

## DAR Announces Winners

Winners have just been announced by Catocin Furnace Chapter D.A.R. in their American History Essay Contest. Five local schools were invited to have their students participate in this annual contest. The schools were Thurmont Middle School, Emmitsburg Middle School, Lewistown School, Wolfsville School, and Mother Seton School.

This year's winners are: 5th Grade, Anne Cole of Sykesville, Mother Seton School; 6th Grade, Sally Blickenstaff of Myersville, Wolfsville School; 7th Grade, Mary Angela Speden of Thurmont, Mother Seton School; 8th Grade, Anne Meyerhoffer of Taneytown, Mother Seton School.

The essays written by these four local winners were sent to the state contest for further competition. The runners-up were: Grade 5, Mary Anna White of Emmitsburg, Mother Seton School; Grade 6, June Brickey of Smithsburg, Wolfsville School; Grade 7, Jeanne Eyler of Emmitsburg.

Mother Seton School; Grade 8, Fitz-John Fitzpatrick of Thurmont, Mother Seton School.

The essays were written about the Declaration of Independence, a signer of the Declaration, or the reason for the Declaration and the resulting advantages to our country. The 5th and 6th graders wrote essays of 300 to 600 words. 7th and 8th graders wrote 600 to 1,000 word essays.

There were many entrants in the contest held by Catocin Furnace Chapter. Chapter members appreciate the hours of re-

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## News Notes

### Help Wanted

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Mrs. John Chatlos, phone 447-2270, is writing the history of the Emmitsburg Public Library and is desirous of obtaining whatever information is available. If you have anything which you think would add to the information so far collected about the early years of the Emmitsburg Public Library, please contact her. Or, leave your material with the librarian, Mrs. Warthen

or Mrs. Keilholtz, at the present Public Library.

Do you remember anything about the library during the early years? Do you recall anything about the library during the years from 1920? Mrs. Chatlos said she would like to make this history as authentic as possible and would appreciate anything and everything anyone can tell her. Do not be bashful. Please call her on the phone and give her what information or reminiscences you can. She said, "I will come to see anyone who has something to offer for the good of the cause."

### Attention

Mother Seton School PTA is having a spaghetti dinner on Sunday, February 29 from 1-5 in the school cafeteria.

The cost is \$2.50 for adults, \$1.25 for children from ages 6-12 and children under 6 are served free. A salad bar is included.

### Rosemary Garr At Rock Creek

The Frederick County Association for Retarded Citizens' General Membership meeting will feature Rosemary Garr at Rock Creek School on Monday, February 16, 1976 at 7:30 p.m.

Ms. Garr, a Program Specialist for Montgomery County Public Schools, will speak on the roles of the families and the schools in sex education for the mentally retarded. She will also discuss why parents should be the primary sex educators. Ms. Garr coordinates the sex education program for the mentally retarded for the Montgomery County School System.

There will be a short business meeting after her presentation. We encourage all individuals interested in the mentally retarded to attend. For more information, call 663-0909.

## Girl Scout Cookie Sales Under Way

The annual Girl Scout cookie sales are now under way in Central Maryland. Girl Scouts throughout Baltimore City and Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Harford and Howard Counties are approaching friends, relatives and neighbors to offer five varieties of cookies for sale. In addition, many troops have arranged for cookie-selling booths in shopping malls and neighborhood stores. The cookie sales end March 6.

Cookie varieties available in 1976 are the butter trefoil, chocolate mint, peanut butter, chocolate and vanilla sandwich creme, and the caramel-coconut samoa. All varieties are baked with pure vegetable shortening. Each box sells for \$1.25.

Troops receive twenty cents profit for each box of cookies sold by their members. When they plan their year's program, the girls themselves decide how their cookie money will be used. Some choose to take a trip, some buy materials for community service projects, others use their cookie profit for a camping

expedition or to purchase arts and crafts supplies. Besides helping to finance troop program, the cookie sales give Girl Scouts a chance to sharpen budgeting skills, practice safety measures, and gain confidence in meeting the public.

The share of cookie sale profits that goes to Girl Scouts of Central Maryland is the local council's main resource for service to troops, financing the upkeep and development of camp and program properties, and making grants to girls and adults who need financial assistance in order to participate in Girl Scout events. Allocations from the United Fund of Central Maryland and of Frederick County supplement the council's own fund-raising efforts.

Persons who are not contacted by a neighborhood Girl Scout may get information on obtaining Girl Scout Cookies by calling in Frederick County 662-5106. The Frederick Service Center is located at 1 North Bentz St., Frederick.

## Many Motorists Won't Get Renewal Forms

State Police predict that about 25,000 Maryland motor vehicle owners will not receive their license tag renewal applications this year. These renewal forms are being withheld by the Motor Vehicle Administration because of unsatisfied safety equipment orders that have been issued by police.

The State Police Automotive Safety Enforcement Division in Pikesville is the central repository for these repair orders. Before a motorist with an outstanding equipment repair

order can obtain a tag renewal, his title file at the M.V.A. must be cleared. This can be accomplished by certifying that the needed repair work has been performed and obtaining a release from the State Police A.S.E.D.

If a motorist has lost his repair order, a duplicate copy can be obtained from the State Police. Any person needing assistance with this problem can contact any State Police installation or Motor Vehicle Administration field office for help.

## All-Stars Zonked By Orioles

By Donna Needy

The Baltimore Orioles were guests at Catocin High School Saturday, February 14, for a benefit basketball game.

There was a total of seven guest players and thirteen home players. The guests were as follows: Jim Palmer, Tim Nordbrook, Jim Spencer, Thom Jasper, Stan White, Paul Blair, and Tom Shopay. Jim Spencer now plays with the Chicago White Sox and Stan White is a linebacker for the Baltimore Colts. The home team consisted of: Coach Jack Patterson, Steve Lengkeek, Coach George Kuhn, Carl Katzenberger, David Simpson, Estes Lockhart, and Dominick Massett representing Catocin's teachers. The rest of the home team was made up of Catocin Alumni.

They were: Dave Bollier, Ed Hobbs, Gene Stitely, Steve Wilderson, Bill Wilderson and Dave Coblenz.

In the beginning the Catocin All-Stars made a valiant try to make a basket. And that they did. Coach George Kuhn made the first basket of the game. Unfortunately, that was the only time they were ahead. The first foul shot was awarded to number 44 of the Orioles.

Jim Spencer. With seven minutes and fifty-two seconds left in the first quarter, Catocin made a shot that tied the game, 6-6. The Orioles quickly zoomed ahead and a last-minute shot by them made the score, at the end of the first quarter, Orioles 39; All Stars 16. Total foul shots for the first quarter amounted to four.

The All-Stars tried desperately to get ahead but to avail. By the end of the second quarter the score was 75-34 in the Orioles' favor. It seemed that the All-Stars were just no match for the well-trained members of the Orioles.

At half-time the Orioles gave out autographs to many eager fans.

When asked what he thought of the game, Elrod Hendricks, who was there as a spectator, said, "It was a good game. For the Orioles, that is." Tim

Nordbrook and Jim Palmer both said that they found playing against the All-Stars to be very enjoyable. Thom Jasper said, "It's fun. It's good exposure and it keeps the guys in shape."

After the half-time break, the home team, full of new vitality, surged forward with hopes of pulling ahead. The score at the end of the third quarter was a whopping 108-48, with, of course, the Orioles in the lead.

The All-Stars could've given up then but they still battled furiously with a minute to go in the final quarter. Carl Katzenberger took a long shot and made it. The final score was Orioles 144; All-Stars 62.

All proceeds from this game will go to the Catocin Booster Club. As for the All-Stars? There's only one thing to say. You played a great game, fellas, but better luck next time.

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Frederick Co. Commissioner Lawrence Dorsey presents a check for Security to Town Council Chairman Eugene Myers during open house at the Community Center.



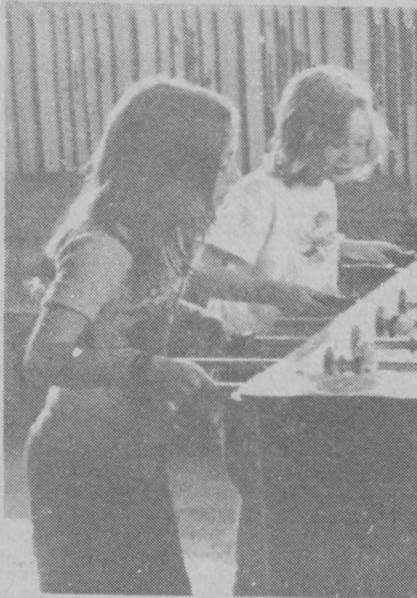
Mr. David Bushman, Pres. of the Dynamics, and Diane Kelly plan future activities for the local majorette group.



Town Commissioner, Ernest Rosensteel, his wife, Barbara, and Ms. Martha Reynolds of the Frederick County Library System discuss recent improvements at the Community Center.



Supervisor of County Maintenance, Charles Eyler and Edgar Virts of the Frederick County Commissioners, discuss Mr. Eyler's renovations at the center.



## Community Center Open House

Many local citizens visited the new Community Center during the open house held on Feb. 14 from one to four. Comments ranged from "a lovely building" and "big improvements" to "a big asset for Emmitsburg."

Our thanks go to Mr. James Bryan, County Administrator, and the Frederick County Commissioners for this "new" building.

According to Mr. Bryan, this is a pilot project designed to utilize buildings that have reverted back to the county. Mr. Bryan originally promoted this idea and urged the county commissioners to use the building to carry county services to outlying towns.

The actual work in making the building usable was done by county Director of Maintenance, Charles F. Eyler. Mr. Eyler and some of the people who would be using the rooms, worked together in designing each facility. With four men in his crew, and working in his spare time, Mr. Eyler completed the work in about four months at a cost of approximately \$18,000.

The first floor of the building houses the Emmitsburg Police Department, Frederick County Health Department and the Emmitsburg Public Library.

Senior Citizens has the use of the old cafeteria area and allows other

groups and organizations to use their room when the Senior Citizens are not using it.

The gymnasium area has been scheduled for use seven days a week with the largest number of participants being the Teen Center. The Teen Center also uses four rooms in the basement for its activities.

Other groups using the building are the Parent-Child Visitation program operated by the Board of Education through the Rock Creek Center; The Dynamics, Emmitsburg's majorette group, has the use of a room on the second floor. Another room on the second floor has been set aside for the town of Emmitsburg to use as a "community meeting room."

According to Mr. Bryan, it "is up to the citizens to respond and make good use of the available facilities and show personal responsibility in maintaining the areas used."

Commissioner Lawrence Dorsey, of the Fred. Co. Commissioners, pre-

sented a check to town Commissioner Gene Myers for "on-site" personnel to be in charge of building security.

When asked to comment on the Community Center, Commissioner Dorsey said, "We recycle cans, so why not buildings."

Other members of the Frederick County Commissioners on hand at the open house were Edgar Virts and Sterling Bollinger. Both were pleased at the building and the response of the people.

Members of the Emmitsburg Town Council viewing the new community center were Eugene Myers, Ernest Rosensteel, and J. Norman Flax. All were pleased with the changes that have turned a vacant building into a community center for the people.

Refreshments were served by each group in their rooms, and every group is delighted with their new quarters.

## Chronicle Photos by Mary Johnson



James Bryan, County Administrator, and Frederick County Commissioner Lawrence Dorsey can be proud of the pilot project that turned an old building into a "new" Community Center.



Boy Scouts of Troop 284 held a outdoor cooking demonstration for visitors to the new center on Saturday.

## Community Chorus Prepares for Bicentennial

On Friday evenings the halls of Brute Hall on St. Joseph's College campus are echoing with music from the past as the Emmitsburg Community Chorus prepares for the Bicentennial celebration it will present this spring and summer.

If you listen closely you will hear the drums of the Revolutionary War period thru the Civil War and up to the turn of the century; some familiar, some new, some serious, some fun. This concert will be presented locally May 16 in DePaul auditorium, St. Joseph's College at 8 p.m.

Prior to the above date the chorus plans a singing and pleasure trip to Colonial Williamsburg over Mothers Day weekend, May 7-9, where the Bicentennial program will be presented in Bruton Parish Church May 8.

This is the second concert the group has presented in this church. While in Williamsburg tours will be taken to Shirley Plantation on the James River, the new Busch Gardens to visit the "old country" with Sunday on-your-own to see Williamsburg.

This trip is open to the public and if you are interested in joining us contact Anna Margaret Martin at 447-2906 for details.

Other future engagements for the Bicentennial year include participation in the Adams Co. Religious celebration at Conewago Shrine, singing the Baccalaureate Mass at Prospect Hall and participating in the 42nd Eucharistic Congress to be held in Philadelphia in August.

Plan now to support the chorus by attending the concert at St. Joseph's

May 16. There will be no admission charge but a free will offering will be received.

## Citizens Committee

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place already exists, the Teen Center, and while there is adequate adult supervision inside the building, the problems of drinking and smoking would only take place outside the building.

Mr. Robert Rosensteel stated that he couldn't see the necessity for any more programs when we can utilize the existing ones. He also suggested that we "should clean up our own back yards before we started on another's."

Mrs. Harris went on to say that she and other persons have been contacted by citizens who are willing to give evidence concerning these problems, and this information has been turned over to the proper authorities. When asked about this information, Mrs. Harris stated that she was advised to tell anyone to contact Lt. Robert Snyder of the Maryland State Police.

As the meeting ended, it was decided that any interested and concerned parent should visit the Teen Center and see if these problems do exist outside the building and if they feel that they do, to offer their services in combating them.



## Letters to Editor

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run these "long-haired youths" out of town.

Just because they didn't succeed, does that mean they should make an about-face? An about-face that could be morally and physically deteriorating to children?

I heard two or three people insist we didn't have a problem. For the benefit of those who weren't in attendance, I repeat my answer to that.

If one person is on drugs, whether it's alcohol or marijuana, does that not constitute some kind of a problem? If one life is lost because a child or teenager tries to dodge a car because he's got courage from some artificial means, isn't that life still lost?

Maybe there are five young abusers; maybe there are fifty. One

abuser is a problem that no one seems to see that. One child who's been hurt in any way, has still been hurt. Personally, I'd consider it a blessing if there would only be one. Then we could stop it before it starts. But, unfortunately, there is more than one.

Like it was said at the meeting, if there isn't a problem, and the committee is trying to stop an invisible enemy, why is everyone so excited? It's only the committee members' energies that are being expended.

If you don't want to cooperate, don't. But don't put down the people who are trying to stop the very problem that you were afraid of only a few years ago.

Sincerely,  
Donna Needy

