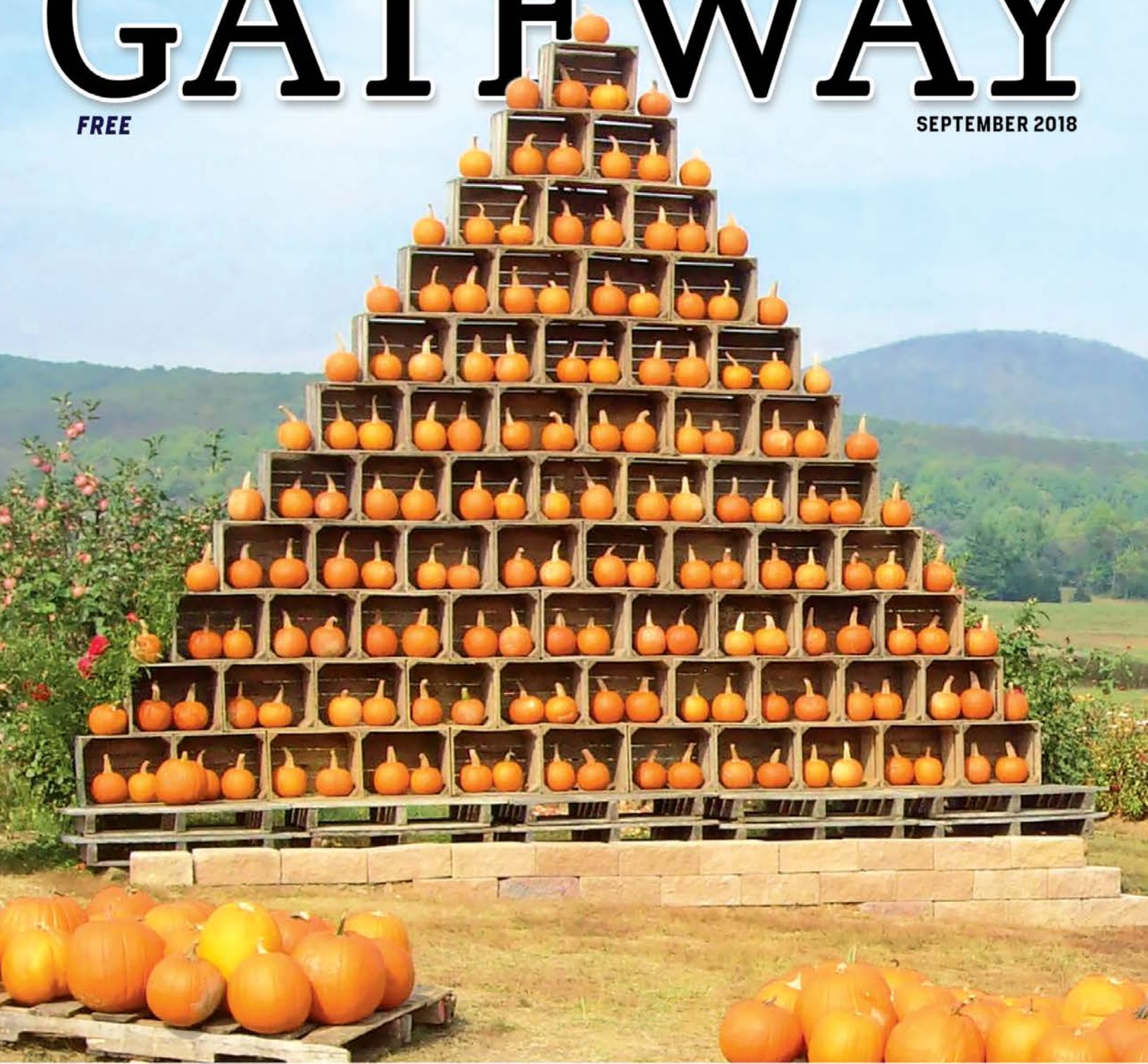


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❖ Welcome to Thurmont ❖



Mayor John A. Kinnaird
Town of Thurmont

Outdoor fun and adventure! One of the most outstanding aspects of living in or visiting Thurmont is the access to a never-ending selection of outdoor activities. Thurmont maintains an amazing amount of recreational parklands within our municipality and is surrounded by some of the prettiest countryside and mountains in the entire state of Maryland.

Our local parks offer playing fields for baseball, softball, football, soccer, lacrosse, tennis, handball and any other sport you would like to play. All of our large parks feature picnic tables or pavilions and restroom facilities. We also have some of the best playground facilities including a state of the art all-inclusive playground at East End Park. This new playground is a welcoming outdoor area suitable for kids of all abilities. At the Community Park we have a great paved walking and exercise trail featuring several stops with exercise equipment including several stations that accommodate those in wheel chairs.

Thurmont is proud to be the home to the Trolley Walking and Biking Trail. This trail follows the path of the Hagerstown and Frederick Railway through Thurmont from East Main Street

to Moser Road and the Regional Library. The H&F was the last interurban trolley to run in Maryland and we are planning on extending the trail South of Thurmont to Catoctin Furnace. The Trolley Trail is also a part of the Gateway Trail that extends into the Catoctin Mountain Park, home to the famous Blue Blazes Still and the Presidential retreat at Camp David.

In close proximity to Thurmont is the Cunningham Falls State Park. This park occupies the mountain West of Thurmont and contains an amazing selection of outdoor activities. There are miles of hiking trails from easy trails to challenging hilly mountain trails, many with the reward of beautiful vistas. A large part of the park is the home of the Catoctin Furnace Iron Works, a business that had its roots during the American Revolution and produced iron until the early part of the 20th Century. Several buildings remain including one of the original iron furnaces, workers homes in the village, the foundations of the owners' mansion and many water features and ore pits scattered throughout the area. Cunningham Falls is located within the park and there are plenty of trails to the falls including an all access board walk path. Cunningham Falls is the highest free flowing falls in the State and is well worth the walk to view its beautiful rock formations. The park is also home to the Hunting Creek Dam, this dam features a beach, fishing, and boating opportunities as well as camping and picnicking.

Adjacent to Thurmont is the Catoctin Mountain Park. This park was established in the 1920 and 1930's and has several areas featuring structures built of logs from the natives chestnut tree felled by the Chestnut Blight. One of the areas originally built as a retreat for federal employees is now the home of Camp David, the Presidential retreat. The park has beautiful winding roadways, many hiking trails, camping facilities, horse trails and ample picnic spots. You will also find a demonstration moon shine still, set up close to the location of the famous Blue Blazes Still. The Blue Blazes was one of the largest illegal distilling sites raided in Maryland. The Federal Park was originally part of the holdings of the Catoctin Furnace Iron Works and that heritage is displayed in the charcoal making exhibits. Be sure to stop by the Visitor Center at Park Central Road for an understanding of how this park came to be.

If driving or biking or hiking through beautiful farmlands is your way to relax, this area will not disappoint! We have miles and miles of winding rural roadways that can challenge even the best riders. Along the way you can visit three of Maryland's remaining covered bridges, all open and in daily use. There are beautiful orchards to ride through and two award winning wineries to visit while sampling some of the best wines available.

When you are looking to escape to the great outdoors be sure to visit Thurmont, home of year-round outdoor fun and adventure!



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❖ Welcome to Emmitsburg ❖



Mayor Donald N. Briggs
Town of Emmitsburg

Established in 1785, in the idyllic setting amid mountains, farmland and streams at the northern reaches of the Catoctin Mountains. Near the Mason-Dixon Line, the town is an enduring northern gateway to Frederick County.

Shaped by its friendly people and rich history, waiting for you are a wide array of adventures in visiting the Fallen Firefighters Memorial, the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Basilica, Mount St. Mary's University, restaurants, shopping and museums.

The sense of historic place for the town has been preserved by a National Historic District and Maryland Sustainable Community designation. To which our square and downtown sidewalks were recently respectfully revitalized through a joint Town-State project. Imagine, the thousands of Union Army troops encamped in Emmitsburg before setting out for the three day battle in nearby Gettysburg.

Though with a rich history, today Emmitsburg is more commonly referred to as, "Fire Town" or "Green Town".

"Fire Town" as most every firefighter in the country knows of Emmitsburg through the Fire Academy and have taken classes here or on line, but more fittingly through the Fallen Firefighters Memorial located on the Homeland Security Department National Emergen-

cy Training Center campus. October 5th – 7th, is the 37th Fallen Firefighters Memorial Weekend. An annual solemn respite for the families of fallen firefighters and emergency medical personnel, the fire services and the nation to commemorate those who died in the line of service to their communities.

"Green Town" because of forward approaches to sustainability and our everyday reality, of being goal driven to make Emmitsburg not only a better place today, but also for tomorrow and future generations. To this end, with determination, we have adhered to sustainable neighborhood concepts of enhancing walkability, sense of place, social cohesion, stability and resilience in the face of changing conditions. As a confirmation to our efforts, Emmitsburg received the 2017 State of Maryland Green Registry Leadership award.

In addition to becoming a more walkable connected town centered on enhancing accessibility to the square and its parks, Emmitsburg offers residents and visitors alike many passive and active recreational options. A dog park, a renovated (to new) community pool, an exercise stations trail, tennis court, indoor and outdoor basketball courts, baseball and softball fields and for the more adventurous a 14+ mile multi-user trail that traces its way through parts of the town's 1,100 plus mountain acres. If that's not enough memberships are available at the University Athletic Recreation Center.

We are day in and day out committed to enhancing the quality of life in Emmitsburg.

Emmitsburg, a great place to live, work and visit.

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An Apple A Day IN THURMONT...

**Plan your daytrip to Thurmont
and get a taste of Maryland's
finest orchards**

VICKIE GRINDER

The smell of fall is in the air, so why not follow that scent straight to the Thurmont orchards! Frederick County agriculture roots run deep and has been harvesting revenues in agriculture longer than any other industry. All types of farming industries are found throughout the county, but orchards have been a long-running legacy in the Thurmont area and is also the orchard capital of Frederick County! New York may be known as the Big Apple, but after a trip to the following orchards and all the varieties of apples they produce, you just may think of Thurmont as the Big Apple!

Follow Thurmont's Orchard Trail and explore three local gems:

Catoctin Mountain Orchard is a family-owned business that has been in operation since 1948 and is in the fourth generation of Harry Black. Catoctin Mountain Orchard is located along the National Scenic Byway, and is situated among rolling plains with the Catoctin Mountains serving the picturesque backdrop to the Market and bountiful orchard trees. Catoctin Mountain Orchard also supplies a variety of Apples, Plums, Kiwi Berries, & Pears to Frederick County



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- Over 25 varieties of Apples throughout the Apple season
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- A Bakery with Homemade Breads, Cakes, Cookies, Pies, Apple Dumplings, and a variety of other baked delectable. There are also pies that are made frozen & you just take and bake! Diabetic baked goods available too
- Large variety of locally made Jelly,

Jam, Pickles, Salsa, Honey, Cider, large assortment of Nuts, Gift Baskets, and much more

Address: 15036 Franklinville Road (Route 15)

Website: catoctinmountainorchard.com

Hours: Open Daily May through October:
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**Fruit, produce, & vegetables based on availability of the season.*

Next, follow Thurmont's Orchard Trail straight to **Pryor's Orchard**. This orchard is located at the foothills of the Catoctin Mountains and has roots dating back to 1905. Pryor's Orchard is a third-generation



Catoctin Mountain Orchard



Pryor's Orchard



Pryor's Orchard



Scenic View Farm

operation that slowly transformed from a dairy farm to the orchard that exists today. Pryor's Orchard Market is situated in the forefront of the Catoclin Mountains in the original barn built with wooden pin construction in 1940, nestled within the plentiful orchard fruit trees.

What you find at Pryor's Orchard:

- Over 15 varieties of Apples throughout the Apple season
- Sweet Corn
- Ample variety of Pumpkins for the Perfect Pie & Jack-O-Lantern
- When in season: Apricots, Blackberries, Blueberries, Cherries, Nectarines, Peaches, Pears, Plums, and Produce
- Honey, Nuts, Baked Goods, locally made Jams and Jellies, Cider, and more

Address: 13841B Pryor Road

Website: pryorsorchards.com

Hours: Mid-June through November 15, seven days a week, 8a.m.-6p.m

**Fruit, produce, & vegetables based on availability of the season.*

The final gem on our Thurmont Orchard Trail, is **Scenic View Farm**, located five miles outside of Thurmont on Route 550. Scenic View Orchards began in the mid-1800s with primarily a hay and grain operation. Through the decades, Scenic View Farm added a large variety of crops to meet the needs of the market demand. The farm has remained family owned and operated for



Scenic View Farm

the past seven generations. As for the name, once you visit Scenic View Farm, you most certainly will understand why it is called Scenic View! This orchard has a panoramic view of the countryside along with a landscape of peaks and valleys that is breathtaking!

What you will find at Scenic View Orchard:

- Many varieties of Apples throughout the Apple season
- Sweet Corn
- Flowers and dried bouquets
- Bountiful selection of Pumpkins for the Perfect Pie & Jack-O-Lantern
- When in season a large variety of: Apricots, Blackberries, Cherries, Nectarines, Peaches, Plums, Raspberries, Strawberries, and a large assortment of produce

- Large variety of Jelly, Jam, Specialty Foods, Cider, Gift Items, Birdhouses, Gift Baskets, and much more!

Address: 16239 Sabillasville Road (MD 550)

Website: scenicvieworchards.com

Hours: Seven days a week May through November, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

**Fruit, produce, & vegetables based on availability of the season.*

With the peak of apple season, pumpkin pie, and jack-o-lantern carving on the horizon, its time to plan your daytrip to Thurmont and get a taste of Maryland's finest orchards. Don't forget, while in Thurmont take a stroll down Main Street, and enjoy shopping, art, and be sure to dine at one of Thurmont's delicious restaurants!

Sip & Savor

AT THURMONT'S VINEYARDS

ELLIOT JONES

When visitors come to Thurmont, they tend to come expecting certain sights on the way. Rolling farmlands, spectacular views of the Catoctin Mountains, and while they won't be disappointed on those fronts, they'll probably be surprised to see a distinctive crop among the Thurmont landscape... Vineyards. Yes, the Gateway to the Mountains is also poised in the center of the Catoctin AVA (American Vineyard Area), one of only three regions in Maryland designated for the growth of Wine grapes. And while we can't cover every stop on the Frederick Wine Trail, let's take a moment to see the choice vineyards available in the Thurmont Area.

Visible from Route 15 just south of Thurmont, **The Springfield Manor** stands out, set against the Catoctin Mountains. Restored from a dairy farm by the St. Angelo Family, Springfield Manor Winery and Distillery was the first vineyard in Maryland to be licensed for production of wine, spirits, beer, and also the first licensed distillery in Maryland. The site of the annual Maryland Lavender Festival, Springfield Manor offers a venue for weddings set against the backdrop of the mountains, while also offering an eight-suite bed and breakfast. Springfield

Whether you're an experienced enthusiast looking for a new cabernet sauvignon or a casual connoisseur looking for a new weekend relaxation spot, Thurmont has something to offer everyone.

Manor offers twelve different wines, including their Iron Master Oak Aged Red Wine, and their Farmhouse Semi-sweet wine. Gin Lovers should also sample their award-winning Lavender Gin.

Further north up Route 15, north of Thurmont, one can see the **Catoctin Breeze Vineyard** nestled just past the Shamrock Restaurant. When Voytek Fizyta and his family visited a Virginian Winery, they decided that starting their own Vineyard would be the next phase of their lives and scouted the most ideal location in Maryland to start planting. With a gorgeous view and an ideal soil geology for Wine grapes, they found their ideal location in the Thurmont area, planting grapes in 2010 and having their first harvest in 2013. Catoctin Breeze now has twelve wines with plans to expand to new grapes plantings in the future. They have numerous events at their Wine Tasting venue (finished last year), hosting a rotation of food trucks and live music including acoustic guitar, classical guitar, Jazz and many others. Especially notable are their charity events, the next of which is the 5th annual "Wine and Swine" Pig roast charity

benefit, to fundraise the fight against children's cancer. Catoctin Breeze specializes in dry wines, such as their 2015 Oratorio Barbera or their 2013 Prelude Vidal Blanc.

If one wishes to explore the countryside east of Thurmont, they can find their way to **Detour Winery**, which at thirty-three wines has the widest breadth of selection of the wineries discussed here. Started by the Tamminga family eight years ago, Detour Winery seeks to be a family destination with something to offer everyone. A supporter of the Thurmont Art and Wine



Catoctin Breeze Vineyard



Stroll, Detour offers a large venue for parties and weddings (up to five- hundred people). Their Meadow Breeze won best Rose in 2011, and their “Butterfly Collection” Wines incorporate fun trivia on the wine labels for kids to enjoy while their parents sample the contents. Detour plans to build out new attractions including lacrosse fields and hiking trails, committing to being able to offer something for everyone who comes.

Finally, on our list is one of the newest additions to the Frederick Wine Trail, **Links Bridge Vineyards**, which opened just this Spring 2018. Links Bridge is owed by Joan Cartier and Robert Thompson, a former Rockville couple who came to exemplify the Maryland Winery movement. Originally planning to have their Thurmont Residence as a weekend retreat, after watching one of their renters plant crops year after year, they decided to set aside one acre to plant wine grapes for themselves. However, after working closely with Maryland Winery Association, they soon decided to move up to Thurmont permanently in order to plant and develop their own wines. Now they have a selection of fourteen wines, of which you can sample seven in their Wine tasting cottage, set a short walk from their home. Kayakers and canoers should es-



Links Bridge Vineyards

pecially make note of Links Bridge, as it is the only Vineyard on the list accessible from the river (indeed, there is a patio area where you can sit and view the remaining pylons from the original Links Bridge that was destroyed by hurricane Agnes.) And of course, with the addition of Links Bridge, one can visit each stop on the Fredrick Wine trail with no more than a twenty-minute drive between each Vineyard.

Whether you're an experienced enthusiast looking for a new cabernet sauvignon or a casual connoisseur looking for a new weekend relaxation spot, Thurmont has something to offer everyone. So, when you're ready to reward yourself after an adventure up the Catoctin Mountains and you want to savor something along with the local scenery, take a trip to the local winetasting hall of your choice and sample the mountain vintage. Cheers!



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COLORFEST – A WEEKEND FULL OF TREASURES IN THURMONT



Colorfest weekend on Frederick Road

Photos Courtesy of Russell C. Poole

BY JIM HUMERICK

Colorfest in Thurmont was established in 1963 and has evolved into one of the largest outdoor craft shows on the East Coast. Over 100,000 visitors attend the Colorfest each year to enjoy close to 800 vendors and their amazing variety of crafts, art, jewelry, unique household items, delicious food, and much more. Colorfest weekend takes place rain or shine, each year on the second full weekend in October. The entire town gears up for this amazing event with the largest craft and vendor areas located at the Thurmont Community Park, the Guardian Hose Co. carnival grounds, the Edwin C. Creeger American Legion grounds, and Criswell Chevrolet. Other vendors are set up all throughout town and along many of the main streets. If you're planning to attend Colorfest, we recommend planning ahead, getting here early, and leave the driving to us by utilizing one of the shuttle bus parking lots at Catoclin High School, Eyler Stables Flea Market, NVR Homes, or Thurmont Elementary School. Shuttle buses transport visitors to and from these four shuttle parking lots on the perimeter of town into the center of all the action in the downtown areas. Colorfest is the largest fund raiser of the year for many of the local non-profit organizations including churches,



Thurmont Guardian Hose Company Carnival Ground

civic groups, scouting, and schools. If you're looking for great early bargains, residents throughout town, along with our neighboring communities hold yard sales during the week before Colorfest weekend kicks into full swing on Saturday. Once you have finished all of the fun at Colorfest, be sure to stop by one of our local restaurants, orchards or wineries to finish out your day with a taste of Thurmont!

The Town of Thurmont Police Department., Department of Public Works, and the Administration Department handle all of the logistics and planning for this event. Planning begins for the following year immediately after the last Colorfest vendors and visitors leave

on Sunday evening. Throughout the weekend, the Town of Thurmont coordinates all permits, public safety services, bus services, trash collection services and sanitation services. The Town of Thurmont works diligently to provide for the event, without impacting the daily services required for over 6,500 residents.

To learn more about Colorfest in Thurmont, call the Thurmont Municipal Offices at (301)-271-7313 or just stop by the Municipal Offices located at 615 East Main Street to pick up a Colorfest brochure. Visit Thurmont and discover why thousands come to Colorfest and return year after year.

We hope to see you on October 13 and 14!

CATOCTIN COLORFEST

CELEBRATES 55 YEARS!



Thurmont Community Park

Photos courtesy of Russell C. Poole

BY CAROL ROBERTSON

Catoctin Colorfest, one of the largest Arts and Crafts Show on the East Coast, is celebrating its 55th Anniversary in Thurmont, Maryland this year on the 13th and 14th of October.

Catoctin Colorfest began in 1963 as a nature walk by a local park ranger and quickly evolved to include arts and crafts featuring well known and respected artists and craftsmen from local talent as well as all areas of the United States. Many unique items are offered during the weekend by artistic participants along with craftsmen demonstrating their talents with broom making, blacksmithing, wood turnings, candle, jewelry making, wood carving, and various other items. Each year the U.S. Post Office has a mobile unit which is located in the Community Park which features a postal cancellation for the weekend which is designed by one of the artists participating in the event.

Throughout Colorfest weekend approximately 800 vendors will be offering a wide variety of creative arts and crafts throughout Thurmont as well as a wide assortment of delicious food ranging from Asian, French, Greek, and of course the iconic Maryland Crab Cakes. But the show wouldn't be complete without the mouth-watering Apple Dumplings sold by the Thurmont Ambulance Company which is always a crowd favorite! You won't miss out on the apple dumplings as they are located at the entrance to the Community Park.

During Colorfest weekend local churches, schools, and organizations are provided an opportunity to have fundraisers for their various groups, and through the strong commitment to the com-

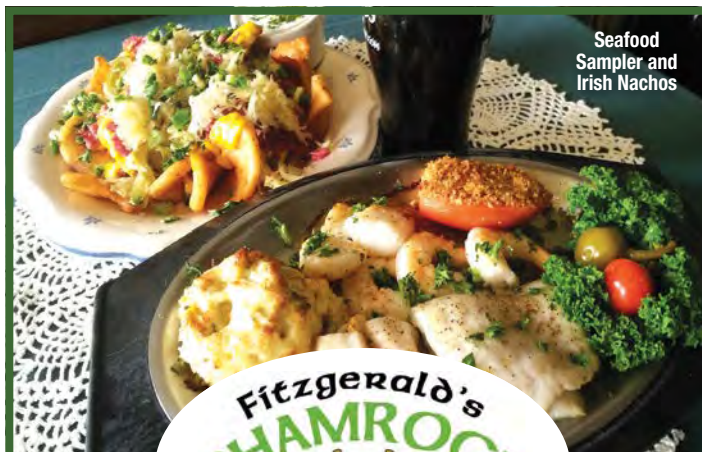
munity by Catoctin Colorfest, Inc., many donations are distributed to many groups within Thurmont as well as scholarships to local students.

Catoctin Colorfest has continued to grow throughout the years with well over 100,000 people attending the event each year. Many people scheduling vacations each year coming from points all over the United States which include as far away as Texas and California. The event always takes place during the second full weekend in October every year which enables people to make their arrangements a year in advance for hotel reservations, reunions with family and friends, and enjoy the fall season in Thurmont and the beautiful Catoctin Mountains.

Catoctin Colorfest, Inc. is happy and proud to be celebrating the 55th Anniversary on October 13th and 14th, and eagerly looks forward to many more years of providing a quality arts and crafts show highlighting the talented individuals who have made this show successful for so decades. The show runs from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. each day, and breakfast is available from various food vendors starting at 7:00 a.m.

Shuttle Bus service is available each day from various stop & park locations and runs from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Admission is free to Colorfest, but a nominal fee is charged at the parking locations throughout the town.

The Town of Thurmont is located at the base of the beautiful Catoctin Mountains in Frederick County, Maryland. It is easily accessible via U.S. 15 and is a pleasant drive from points north and south.



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MEET ME ON MAIN!

Fall is upon us which signals the holidays are just around the corner. Meet me on Main Street Friday, November 9 from 5-8 PM for our holiday Art & Wine Stroll. You will meet many local artists who will be located in many Main Street businesses, experience a live drawing session, participate with interactive art, handmade crafts, & and much more! For you wine enthusiasts, you will enjoy wine samplings from Thurmont's local vineyards: Cactotin Breeze Vineyard (Winner of the 2018 Maryland Comptrollers Cup Best in Show) Detour Winery, & Links Bridge Vineyard who will be on hand to talk about their grapes and bouquets. What makes a better holiday gift than a bottle of vino from a local vineyard!

While on your stroll, be sure to stop into Thurmont's crown jewel on East Main Street, Timeless Trends Boutique. This gem is located in the historical Creager's Furniture store built in the mid-1800s. The boutique has



Michele & Robbie Maze of Seven Dragonflies Studio

grown from 1,200 sq ft when it first opened in August of 2009 to over 4,200 sq ft spread across two buildings. The second building known as the Vintage Warehouse, (located behind Timeless Trends Boutique) where you will discover eclectic vintage finds. This is the most wonderful time of the year at Timeless Trends Boutique because all 4,200 square feet is transformed into a winter wonderland with a warm atmosphere to boot!

Don't miss this enjoyable event where you will find lots of smiles, wine, holiday finds, and musical entertainment along your stroll! Meet me on Main November 9!

Christmas Shopping List for Art & Wine stroll:

1. Bottle of wine from a local orchard
2. A piece of artwork on canvas from a local artist
3. A pet portrait by a local artist
4. Hand-painted wine glasses from a local artist
5. Vintage finds for the person who has everything
6. Victorian jewelry
7. Christmas ornaments-traditional, vintage, & retro
8. Hand crafted furniture
9. Local authored books
10. Gift certificate from one of our local businesses or from one of our restaurants (or both!)

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This summer, Fox 5 Morning News took the show on the road to Thurmont for their fourth season of Zip Trip! Fox 5 Zip Trips expose their viewers to dynamic communities within the DC, Maryland, and Virginia areas that are fantastic getaways and are within an hour of the DC metropolitan district. After applying in the summer of 2017 and after an extensive review by Fox 5 producers, Thurmont was chosen as a Fox 5 Morning News Zip Trip.

Thurmont was spot-lighted Friday, July 13 to hundreds of thousands of viewers! Fox 5 personalities that hosted the Zip Trip in Thurmont were Meteorologist Tucker Barnes, and Anchors Maureen Umeh and Annie Yu. Zip Trip was live every fifteen minutes with segments that included an interview with Mayor Kinnaird and a First Responders interview with the Guardian Hose Company, Thurmont Ambulance Company, and the Thurmont Police Department. Thurmont's Gateway Brass Band

played at Mechanicstown Square Park, National-Award Winning Esp Dance performed twice during the broadcast, and three local restaurants were spot-lighted - Bollinger's Family Restaurant, Rocky's Pizza, and Simply Asia. Other segments included the Fox 5, Five-Year-Old of the Day, Hannah Lawrence, a Junior Reporter with Warren Schafer doing a weather hit with Tucker Barnes, and a segment sponsored by the Washington Nationals titled the "Hometown Team" where the Thurmont Little League was showcased. Another highlighted interview for Zip Trip was the "Hometown Hero" segment which featured Mr. Ed Schildt who is making a difference in public awareness on opioid addiction after the passing of his son Christopher. The "5 Must Stops" to see when visiting Thurmont which was pre-recorded, played throughout the broadcast featuring The Main Street Center, Timeless Trends Boutique, The Eylers Stable Flea Market, Cunningham Falls State Park, and the Catocin Wildlife Preserve and Zoo.

It was an amazing day for Thurmont to be featured on Fox 5 Morning News Zip Trip, but what made the day so amazing? Many of the towns non-profit organizations and our residents came out in force to setup tents and their displays at 5 AM to showcase their organizations and pride for their town. The non-profits and local residents who came out created an incredible cheering section showing all viewers how much fun and spirit Thurmont has to offer and impressing the Fox 5 staff! Thurmont is in a prestigious group of cities chosen by Fox 5 to visit for the 2018 Zip Trip series such as Laurel, Silver Spring, Bethesda, Frederick, Alexandria, Woodbridge, Reston, Winchester, Leesburg, and the National Harbor. If you missed Thurmont's Zip Trip you can view the sponsored segments by googling Fox 5 Zip Trip Thurmont. Fox 5 Zip Trips are broadcast live every Friday from 6-11 AM and run from Memorial Day through Labor Day.

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Mount St. Mary's students and faculty



Emmitsburg welcomes the students and faculty of Mount St. Mary's University back home to begin the 2018/2019 academic year. Opening day for employees is August 15th, followed by new student orientation and a welcoming ceremony for the incoming class of 2022, Fall classes officially begin August 20th. What a thrill for the new and returning students to be back at the Mount for the upcoming year and what an honor for the Town Emmitsburg to be able to partner with the University to help provide volunteer opportunities, off campus activities, and residential accommodations to these students. Mount students have earned special recognition in the Town of Emmitsburg for all the community service hours they contribute to make life pleasant for the residents.

The Mount's main campus in Emmitsburg is located on 1400 tree lined acres. It is home to all traditional undergraduate programs, several graduate programs, Division I sports,

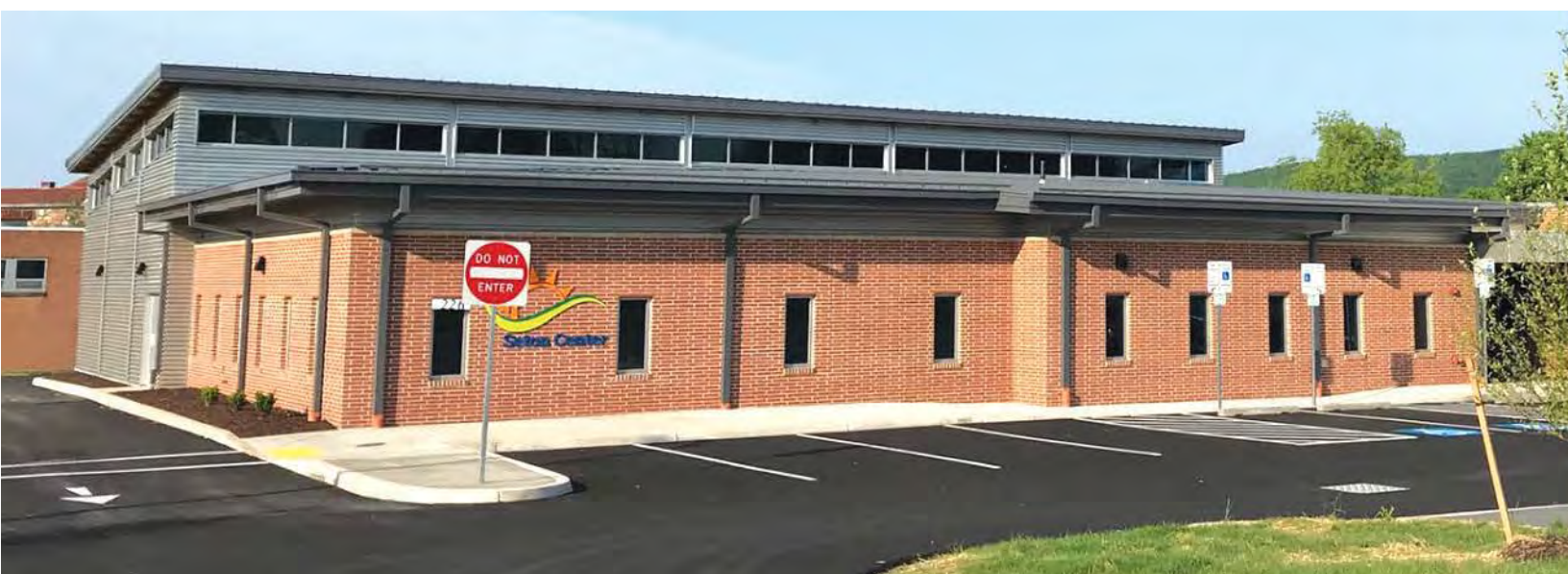
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Mount St. Mary's Seminary and the National Shrine Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes. If you plan on visiting the Mount, think about making the Town of Emmitsburg part of that visit. Emmitsburg is a special community with beautiful mountains, an historic main street, and a small town charm. Although Emmitsburg was founded in 1785 and later incorporated in 1825, it has roots dating back to 1733. Emmitsburg is in a charming valley next to the Catoclin Mountains which provides excellent outdoor recreational opportunities such as fishing, hunting, and nature walking as well as

a complex array of hiking and bicycling trails for those enthusiasts that appreciate a genuine challenge. Emmitsburg is also home to many historical monuments, statues, and buildings, as well as the National Shrine of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, FEMA Emergency Management Institute/National Emergency Training Center, the Fire Heritage Museum, the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial and many more. Emmitsburg recognizes its responsibility to minimize negative impacts on human health and the environment while supporting a diverse, equitable, and vibrant community and economy all of which embody the Town's commitment to sustainability.

Emmitsburg also prides itself on being a walkable community with many great places to eat, visit, and to just plain relax all within walking distance of the Sleep Inn and Suites Hotel. Make visiting the historical sites and scenery of Emmitsburg part of your next visit to the Mount.

Seton Center, Inc. seeks to build a hopeful future with communities help



Founded in 1969, Seton Center, Inc. was established by the Daughters of Charity at the request of the people of the Emmitsburg area. Three mothers approached the Sisters to express their need for quality day care, which would enable them to work and support their families while their children received safe, adequate care, and developmental enrichment. In 1970, the licensed Seton Day Care was opened, followed by the addition of social and nationally-recognized educational services. The Thrift Store also opened in 1970, which is now called Seton Family Store. To accommodate the demand for expanded services, Seton Center recently moved to their new building at 226 East Lincoln Avenue, Emmitsburg in June 2018. Their official Ribbon Cutting and Dedication ceremony was held on Tuesday, July 10, 2018.

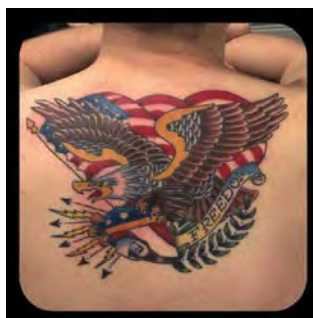
Today, their Outreach Office continues to offer hope to the under-resourced neighbors in our valley; from emergency, short-term assistance with financial

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needs to life-changing programs for long-term success. Emergency material assistance, referrals, workshops, the Getting Ahead and DePaul Dental programs, just to mention a few, bring substantial relief to many who struggle to make ends meet. Seton Center will host their second annual JOB FAIR on Monday, October 8th 2018 at Mother Seton School. Attendance for Job Seekers is free and open to the public. Job seekers can get help with resumes and interviewing skills by contacting the Seton Center directly. Employers can register at: www.eventbrite.com/e/2018-emmitsburg-job-fair-registration-44610350760 for a nominal

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THE NATIONAL FALLEN FIREFIGHTERS MEMORIAL WEEKEND

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To firefighters around the nation and the world, Frederick County, Maryland – and specifically Emmitsburg – are extremely well-known. This is where they come to enhance their fire service education from renowned instructors at the National Fire Academy. Equally as important, it is the home of the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial.

The Memorial was created in 1981 and in 1990 it was recognized by Congress as the official monument to all fallen firefighters. Two years later Congress created the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation (NFFF) to lead a nationwide effort to remember these American heroes. Every year since then, thousands of people converge on Emmitsburg during the first weekend in October for the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial Weekend.

“When the loved ones of the firefighters who are being honored arrive for Memorial Weekend, they will meet other Fire Hero Families who have walked this same path a little longer and who understand their grief in way others may not,” explained Chief Ron Siarnicki, Executive Director of the NFFF. “They also learn about the programs and services provided by the Foundation. Our goal is to reassure everyone that they, and their firefighters, will not be forgotten.”

Everyone is encouraged to make luminaries, memory boxes, and Christmas ornaments to honor and remember their firefighters. They can also record memories of their loved ones through the Foundation’s Hero Tributes.

On Saturday evening, the families gather for a meal followed by the Candlelight Ser-

vice filled with music and quiet reflection. The tradition of the Remembrance Candle is explained and light from the candle is shared with the new families, symbolizing their connection as Fire Hero Families.

The National Fallen Firefighters Memorial Service on Sunday is open to the public so that anyone can pay tribute to the fallen and their loved ones. More than 5,000 people, including members of Congress, Administration officials and other dignitaries, families, friends, and co-workers of the fallen firefighters attend.

During the service, the names of the firefighters being honored are read as the families are presented with an American Flag that was flown over the Memorial and the U.S. Capitol building, a personalized badge and a red rose. A bronze plaque with the names of the

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firefighters is officially added to the Memorial and joins other plaques revealing the names of more than 3,500 firefighters.

"The plaques surrounding the Memorial are especially important to the Fire Hero Families, as well as everyone in the fire service," Chief Siarnicki said. "This is hallowed ground. We can see the names are of people we loved and worked with, and this is a touching reminder of their beloved families, friends and colleagues."

Hundreds of firefighters volunteer throughout the weekend. They assist and escort the families and friends, of those who died in the line of duty the previous year, to each of the weekend events. Members of Pipes and Drums Corps and Honor Guard units from around the country also volunteer to help make the weekend special.



Beyond Memorial Weekend, the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation sponsors conferences and workshops for the adults and camps for the children of the fallen. A scholarship program is also available through the Foundation to help spouses, children and step-children of fallen firefighters pursue their educational goals.

The Foundation is committed to helping the U.S. Fire Administration reduce the number of line-of-duty deaths that occur

annually. The NFFF hosts meetings and training programs on the NETC campus throughout the year and provides education programs and assistance to fire departments nationwide.

The National Fallen Firefighters Foundation takes great pride in the assistance and dedication of our neighbors in Emmitsburg and Frederick County who help us honor the men and women whose names are part of this important national monument.

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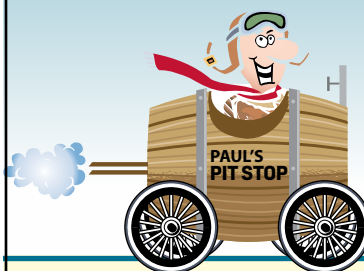
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TEN WAYS TO SPEND A DAY in Emmitsburg Maryland

First, get on the internet and book a room or suite at the Sleep Inn Suites Hotel in Emmitsburg, it is located right off Highway 15 and Route 140 about a mile south of the Maryland Pennsylvania state line.

Second, after enjoying a restful night's sleep, either drive to the Downtown Square and park your car or you can easily walk to the Square from the hotel; Emmitsburg prides itself on being a walkable city and almost everything can be accessed on foot.

Third, stop in for a homestyle breakfast in the Square then plan your day based on your mood or interests; if you want history, Em-

mitsburg has lots of it. Our historic Main Street has charming buildings and structures, as well as many churches, and memorials such as the Dough Boy statue commemorating fallen soldiers from Emmitsburg that died fighting in WWI.

Fourth, walk south down Seton Avenue and you will pass the Fire Heritage Museum and the National Shrine of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, the first American Saint; the Seton Village, St. Joseph's Ministries, and the Daughters of Charity are all located in this beautiful complex.

Fifth, just west from there across Seton Avenue is our Com-

munity Park, if you are up for a swim we have a new pool and recreation area; if you feel like walking and exercising some more, we have an excellent half mile nature walk with exercise stations and equipment along the way.

Sixth, Emmitsburg has lots of antique stores on and just off Main Street and near the Square that will satisfy your shopping interests and might get you a bargain on something you have always wanted.

Seventh, if you are hungry again, you can head back north up Seton Avenue to eat at one of our fine Classic American restaurants, or if you are in the mood for pizza, Emmitsburg has several restaurants with excellent pizza and Italian food located within walking distance from the Square. We also have famous sub sandwich and fast food restaurants nearby if you just want a quick meal for lunch.

Eighth, if you drove your car to the Square and you are in the mood to hike or bicycle the mountain trails, head west from the square to our Emmitsburg Trails by taking Mountain View Road to Annandale Road to Hampton Valley Road up the mountain to Rainbow Lake.

Once you are at the Lake, look for the signs and pick a trail that suits your physical abilities and energy, there are family trails which are great for beginners as well as advanced trails for the more adventurous outdoor enthusiasts.

Ninth, maybe you have worked up an appetite and want to eat dinner; if you are still in your car there are many great places serving Italian, Homestyle, Classic American, and Seafood, and if you haven't experienced eating Maryland Crabs yet, you just can't beat feasting on them for dinner.

Tenth, stop back at the square and cap off the day with a beer and some great live music on the weekends.

After all this, it is probably time to go back to your room at the Sleep Inn Hotel, because tomorrow there is Mount St. Mary's, the National Shrine Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes, the Gettysburg Battlefield about seven miles north in PA, and the Town of Thurmont home to Camp David just 10 miles south of Emmitsburg on Highway 15.

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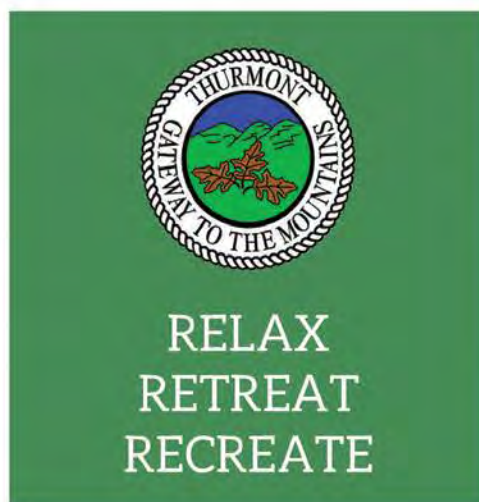
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