

Homewood at Frederick

ILRA PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

THE CHATTER

Two things contribute to the good life we enjoy at Homewood in Frederick:

- A capable and caring administration and staff
- A strong Residents Association

The Residents Association is *us – each of us who lives here*. The many activities and programs of the Association add to those the Homewood administration provides. Membership in the Residents Association also carries with it the opportunity to share in decision making and leadership affecting our life together.

A word of thanks to those who are in leadership roles as officers, committee chairs, neighborhood Vice Presidents and Representatives and the host of folks who serve on committees. You make Homewood at Frederick the good place it is.

I offer an invitation to neighbors and friends, both those who have been a part of Homewood at Frederick for some time and those new neighbors. *Get involved!* Nominations are being received for officers and neighborhood representatives. You have received nomination forms in your cubbies. Additional copies are available at The Lodge and Crumland Farms. Please take this opportunity to contribute to our life together by providing names of persons, including yourself if you are so inclined, for the positions available.

If serving in one of the identified positions for which nominations are being gathered is not what you feel able to do just now, make a decision to serve on one of the Association committees. You can speak to your neighborhood Vice President or any of the Association officers about your interest in becoming involved.

Roland Hobbs

President, Residents Association

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

March has finally arrived and the promise of warmer weather is on its way! Soon, the robins (and the Orioles) will be playing outside.

As I look back over the last 30 years there have been a lot of major events in my life that have happened in early spring. This March is no exception with the retirement of Homewood's CEO, Ernie Angell. I am dedicating this month's article to Ernie to "Thank" him for the almost 22 years of leadership he has given to our Homewood Communities. He has been a wonderful source of encouragement to me in my journey.

Ernie came to Homewood in 1997 just at the time our vision was moving from downtown Frederick, at the former Francis Scott Key Hotel, to the north end of the city where the John Crum family donated 27 acres to Homewood and what we call Crumland Farms today.

Ernie launched our Capital Campaign along with board and community members, ensuring a strong foundation for the expansion. He instantly showed his dedication and commitment with his active involvement in our project. Many of us were not sure of what the future would bring, but we were learning to know the person who was leading us there.

Soon after the opening of Crumland Farms, we found ourselves without an executive director, and Ernie filled the role for over six months. He quickly became "one of the team", and a strong bond was formed as we worked closely to organize our new community.

At Homewood's 70th anniversary in 2002 Ernie stated that he believes "Homewood's future lies in its ability to adapt to industry changes but never forget what made Homewood what it is today - providing affordable housing with Christian values. Our reputation is built upon providing good Christian care - it's always been our mission." Reputation alone won't keep us (Homewood) the retirement option of choice, "You have to build what people want". Ernie has allowed us to build what people want. As I look out over a beautiful campus with wonderful people and an engaging lifestyle, I see his vision growing every day.

This year brings 87 years of service to Homewood as a corporation and 40 years of service to our Frederick campus! We have taken risks, met challenges and learned from failures. May we grow in our faith and service as we look toward our new leadership and remember Ernie's words, "The future is bright, indeed."

Be Grateful,

Karen

Hope to see you at our next Campus Connection on

Thursday, March 7th at 9:30 AM at The Lodge.

CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE

Chaplain Shelley Weakly

Lent comes to us late this year, with Ash Wednesday falling on March 6th. Still, it is not the time of year that matters as much as the meaning of the day. The putting on of ashes to symbolize penance, mourning and mortality began in the Old Testament and continued through the early church. In the Middle Ages, those who were dying were laid on a bed of sackcloth spread with ashes and asked, "Art thou content with sackcloth and ashes in testimony of thy penance before the Lord in the day of judgment?" The Gregorian Sacramentary, which dates at least to the eighth century, contains the ritual for the Day of Ashes. An Anglo-Saxon priest named Aelfric, preaching in about the year 1000, linked the practice with the day at the beginning of Lent. In all of these examples, ashes were used to represent penance, mourning and mortality, just as they are when we receive them on Ash Wednesday in the present time.

Our Ash Wednesday service will be held March 6th at 10:30 AM. Please join us as we reflect on our faith journeys and the ways in which we may draw closer to God in the shadow of the Cross.

The Rev. Rob Apgar-Taylor will hold a special Lenten Bible study on "Simon Peter" on Thursday mornings at 10:30 AM in the Assisted Living Activities Center beginning on March 7th. Everyone is welcome.

We wish all our Jewish friends a joyful Purim and our Christian friends a rich and meaningful Lenten journey.



NEW FITNESS PROGRAM

by Gretchen Smith

A new series called *Gab with Gretchen and Friends* will start in March. The first talk will be *Exercise and Diabetes* with Gretchen and her friend **Bob Manthey**. It will be in the Event Center at The Lodge on Wednesday, March 27th at 10:30 AM, following the Coffee Hour. A shuttle will leave Crumland Farms at 10 AM.

Gretchen Smith with **Bob Manthey**

Photo by **Todd Schucker**

RESIDENTS' UPDATE

MEETING HER GREAT GRANDCHILD FOR THE FIRST TIME

by **Joan Buckley**



A photo and article in the April 2018 *The CHATTER* showed **Jane Freeland's** Four Generations and mentioned her granddaughter Kate would be giving birth to a third great grandchild in late October. Kate actually gave birth to a son, Ethan Michael on November 1st. He is happy and healthy and growing by leaps and bounds. Recently the family visited so Jane could meet Ethan.

Photo shows Jane holding Ethan, now three months old, for the first time.

IT'S TIME TO THINK SPRING

by **Ed Chaney**

As I write this the weather person is talking about two days of "mixed precipitation". On days like that I try to cheer myself up by focusing on the upcoming pleasant gardening days. I hope you feel the same.

For those residents who are new to Homewood, we have a garden area behind the main building on the Crumland Farms side of the campus. There are 23 plots of various sizes. Three of them are planted in perennials, and two of those three are asparagus beds reserved for harvesting by Homewood farmers. That leaves 20 plots for residents who are interested in joining us.

There will be a meeting for any Homewood residents who would like a place or two in the garden. There is water on site. We have a shed full of hand tools, tomato cages and even a wheelbarrow. Plus, the garden is tilled in time for the planting season.

Homewood farmers have won ribbons at the Frederick County Fair. Could this year be your turn? If not, it is still good exercise and lets you enjoy really fresh veggies, or maybe even some fresh cut flowers – your choice, not to mention sharing gardening tips or bragging rights with fellow gardeners.

A meeting for all interested Homewood farmers is scheduled for March 14th at 10 AM in the 3rd floor library at Crumland Farms. Plots will be assigned at the meeting.

Questions? Contact **Ed Chaney** at **301-644-4264** or just show up on March 14th.

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE REPORT by **Jerry Fuss**

The Environmental Committee met on Wednesday, February 13th with five residents and one staff person present. Topics discussed covered issues related to our living environment on the Homewood campus including removal of dead trees behind the west cottages (when the ground is dry enough to allow the use of heavy equipment), bio-ponds and landscaping enhancements. With an interest in environmental consciousness on campus some information available from the Frederick County Solid Waste Department was shared. Suggestions included sharing tips for our personal practices in recycling and thoughts about ways in which to reduce the use of non-recyclable materials at Homewood.

We learned that there are some pending changes this spring in the way Frederick County handles the recycling materials. When those changes have been made, we hope to have a person come who can speak directly to residents with the latest guidelines on recycling. At that time we will gather and share more information for Homewood residents. The best source for current guidelines on recycling do's and don'ts, what is/is not acceptable in recycling is on the Frederick County government website, Department of Solid Waste Management:

https://www.frederickcountymd.gov/5634/Waste-Management-Trash-and-Recycling

The Environmental Committee welcomes new members and visitors. **Judie Kirkpatrick** is currently serving as convener. The Committee would like to have each area of Homewood residences represented (apartments, cottages, Patio Homes, and The Lodge). The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 13th from 8:30 to 9:30 AM, at the ILAC at Crumland Farms. Come and share your thoughts, concerns and ideas.

MAIL DELIVERY TIP by **Graham McIntyre**

During on-campus discussions the subject of unacceptable US Mail delivery has been raised.

Cottage and Patio Home residents are reminded that they are personally responsible for seeing that their respective mail boxes are properly labeled with the current resident's name and unit address inside the boxes. The labeling assists the postal carrier to route the mail to the correct cottage or Patio Home. The frequent turnover of residents makes regular maintenance of the labels a must.

It is your responsibility to ensure that your box is properly labeled inside the metal unit. Check it periodically. Proper marking of the box does improve mail delivery. If you need assistance, call me at **301-644-4267**.

BOOK REVIEWS by **Vernon Rippeon**

Murder at Ford's Theater by Margaret Truman

Margaret Truman in one of my favorite authors. Her mysteries are always based in the Washington, DC area. Since I worked in DC for five years and attended Ford's Theater, *Murder at Ford's Theater* is of special interest to me.

It is a challenge to identify the killer, which I did. Enjoy! This paperback is in the 4th floor library at Crumland Farms.

2019 HOMEWOOD YARD SALE by **Shirley Erdmanis**

Our annual Yard Sale will be Thursday, May 2nd from 2 PM to 4 PM for Residents and Staff only. The sale will be open to everyone starting Friday, May 3rd from 8 AM to 3 PM and Saturday, May 4th from 8 AM to 12 Noon.

Start setting aside items you no longer use so they are ready to donate. The April *The CHATTER* will have "How to donate" information. If you would like to volunteer during the Yard Sale choose from the following list and call the Team Leader. We encourage everyone to join a team if able, meet new people, make new friends and have a fun experience.

LEADERS

Cashiers – **Bill Weller** 301-695-2697 and **Ray Green** 301-694-3536

Raffle/Free Table – **Bobby Rickman** 301-644-5816

Treasures – **Betty Wheeles** 301-644-5854

Jewelry/Boutique – **Pat Culwell** 301-644-4280

Small Furniture – **Graham McIntyre** 301-644-4267

Puzzles – **Barbara Moore** 301-644-5804

Books – **Stan Schweinfurth** 301-644-4279

Holidays – **Sharron Smith** 301-915-6463 and **Martha Badger** 240-415-9812

Electronics – **Adrien Tudor** 301-732-6407

Small Appliances – **Gene** and **Claireanne Ganssle** 301-644-5901

Miscellaneous – **Donna Jeo** 240-815-5777 and **Coralinn Kuehl** 301-662-6290

Housewares – **Ginger Ward** 301-644-4282

Linens – **Peggy Strine** 301-644-4261

Framed Items – **Gloria** and **Ray Gafney** 301-644-4271

Publicity – **Fred Spahr** 301-663-8299

Pick Up – **Dean Wood** 301-644-4270

Treasure Corner –**Mara Dudrow** 301-644-4281

I really want to thank Bobby Rickman, Pat Culwell, Ed Chaney and Bootsie Orr for "stepping up", taking the lead with me assisting them to hold our Annual Yard Sale. They are a very committed group who see that we are one community, while meeting new neighbors, making some money for the Resident Association activities and having fun.

If you have any questions please call any member of the Committee listed below.

Pat Culwell 301-644-4280 **Bootsie Orr** 301-662-1964 **Bobby Rickman** 301-644-5816

Ed Chaney 301-644-4264 **Shirley Erdmanis** 301-644-5796

Auxiliary will sell hotdogs, country ham sandwiches, chips, drinks and desserts on Friday during lunch hour.

RETIRED CLERGY OF HOMEWOOD MEETING

by **Jerry Fuss**



Pictured in the photo are (R - L) Chaplain Suzanne Morris, Rev. Bill Holmes, Rev. Chris Holmes and Rev. Jerry Fuss

Retired Clergy of Homewood and interested guests participated in meaningful and interesting conversation Monday, February 18th, in the Multi-purpose Room/Chapel at Crumland Farms. We had as our guest presenter Rev. Chris Holmes, author of *The Art of Coaching Clergy: A Handbook for Church Leaders, Clergy and Coaches*. He is the son of our Homewood friends **Bill** and **Nancy Holmes**.

Rev. Holmes (Chris) an ordained United Methodist Minister, has been a pastor of congregations and served as a District Superintendent. In 2008 the International Coaching Federation (ICF) credentialed him as a Professional Coach (PCC), and the United Methodist Church endorsed Chris for the ministry of coaching in 2009. He has been travelling around the country and world doing presentations and seminars on innovations in ministry, making a difference in the lives of clergy and congregations.

A comment on his book and method by Rev. Dr. Phil Schroeder, director of congregational development, North Georgia Conference of the UMC notes that "...Coaching, as Chris describes it, is not just a technique, but a spiritual practice for the pastor as a way of being and interacting with the world."

Coaching is a supportive process, not a program and pre-determined plan. It calls forth the best gifts and deepest faith and callings of pastor and congregation working together to serve a common mission. Some of us present thought it would be interesting to experience some form of coaching at Homewood as we seek continuous fulfillment in this season of life. Opportunities abound! Some discussion on this is merited and will be planned.

We are grateful to Bill and Nancy Holmes for helping us get connected with Chris and to experience his faith, energy and gifts! We are delighted to know that Chris was able to enjoy a good visit with his parents, and that he thinks very highly of Homewood!

Homewood Retired Clergy meet on the third Tuesday of each month at 10 AM in the ILAC at Crumland Farms. Guests are welcome to participate. The next gathering will be March 18th. Rev. **Bob Manthey** will be our program and discussion leader.

Functional Pathways - Rehabilation Department Expansion

by **Leslie Hobbs**

Homewood is fortunate to have an excellent on-site rehab department. Now it has expanded with a **second facility located in Crumland Farms apartment #126** that will provide physical, occupational and speech therapy to meet the needs of independent living residents. Tanya Artis, Functional Pathways site manager at Homewood, is very excited about expanding the Rehabilitation Department to be able to serve the needs of more of our residents! "I couldn't be happier! There are so many things that we can do to help our residents here at Homewood! I hope this helps the residents to know how much Homewood cares for them by adding this special space. We are focused on providing the best quality of care in the most caring way!"



Front row: Angela Roberts and Tanya Artis

Back row: Carla Powell, Joanna Jobin and Kathleen Moore

Perhaps you attended their Open House to see the new space and new equipment and to meet the therapists who will be based there and continue to work with their IL patients. Physical therapist Angela will be providing the physical therapy and be assisted by Kathleen. Tanya will continue to oversee the care of those needing occupational therapy and will be assisted by Carla. Speech therapist Joanna will meet IL patients there also. The rest of the team will continue to provide the services at the Health Care Center as they have been, but they will all continue to work as one unit.

By expanding their facilities, Functional Pathways is committed to meet the therapy needs of our Homewood community as it grows across the expanding campus. If you are interested in Rehabilitation services and already have your physician's order, you can make an appointment by calling the Rehabilitation Administrative Assistant, Sydney Faulkner, at **301-644-5600 ext. 6098** or by stopping by the Rehabilitation Department in the Health Care Center to get things set up or have any questions answered. Also, please feel free to visit the new Outpatient Rehab Suite on the first floor of Crumland Farms apartments to see the new space. It is open weekdays from 9 AM to 5 PM. If you choose to enter from the green parking lot, ring the doorbell and someone will open the door and welcome you.

THE FIRST LADIES MAN

by **Lora Schucker**

On February 9th, Homewood residents enjoyed a fascinating presentation by Andrew Och, *The First Ladies Man.* He is a journalist and dynamic speaker who has done extensive research on the U S First Ladies.



Did you know?

President Rutherford B. Hayes' wife, Lucy, the first First Lady with a college education, convinced her husband to have the Washington Monument finished. That project had been stalled for decades.

President Teddy Roosevelt's wife, Edith, provided the impetus for adding to the White House a West Wing (for office space) and an East Wing (for receiving formal and public visitors). The Roosevelts had six children, and she wanted more privacy for the family, especially since the previous president, William McKinley, had been assassinated.

The blooming cherry blossoms brightening the Tidal Basin every spring are there thanks to President William Taft's wife, Helen. She loved the cherry trees she saw in Asian parks while her husband was Governor General of the Philippine Islands and suggested bringing Japanese cherry trees to Washington, DC. Her husband ordered that the first batch be destroyed by fire because of an insect infestation. The Japanese were embarrassed about the infestation and sent a larger number of healthy trees in the replacement batch.

Helen Taft was also the first First Lady to ride with the President in the Inaugural Parade, to own and drive a car, and to write a commercially published book, *Recollections of Full Years*. She and Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis are the only First Ladies buried in Arlington National Cemetery.

President Herbert Hoover's wife, Lou, the first woman in the U S to graduate with a geology degree, started the sale of Girl Scout cookies and was very influential in expanding the membership of the Girl Scouts in the U S.

Andrew Och includes many interesting videos on his website at:

http://www.firstladiesman.com/

NEW RESIDENT PROFILES

Leslie Hobbs and Lora Schucker



Jack Devlin lived in Medford, New Jersey, before moving to an Independent Living apartment at Crumland Farms in November 2018. His sons picked Homewood to be his retirement community. He has three children and four grandchildren.

Jack was born in New York City and graduated from Iona College in New Rochelle, New York. After serving in the U.S. Navy, he worked in radio advertising and marketing.

Jack is a member of the Knights of Columbus. He is interested in sports, having coached football in the past.

Dean and **Joanne Durst** came from Accident, MD to their patio home in December 2018.



Joanne was born and grew up in Accident and attended Catherman's Business College in Cumberland. She was a homemaker who was active in her church and garden club and served as a mediator for the State of New Hampshire. She continues to enjoy gardening as well as floral arranging, painting and needlework.

Dean attended the same schools as Joanne and had a career with Goodyear Tire and Rubber where he worked in sales and management throughout the Northeast. Dean is a Lion and involved with church activities. He likes all sports and especially enjoys golf, curling, horseshoes and hunting.

Diane and Bob King moved to The Lodge in February 2019 from Millsboro, Delaware to be close to their large family of six children, ten grandchildren and eleven great-grandchildren. Diane is a native of Washington, DC and worked for the federal government. She was a member of a Lions Club and now enjoys quilting and crocheting as well as movies and exercise.

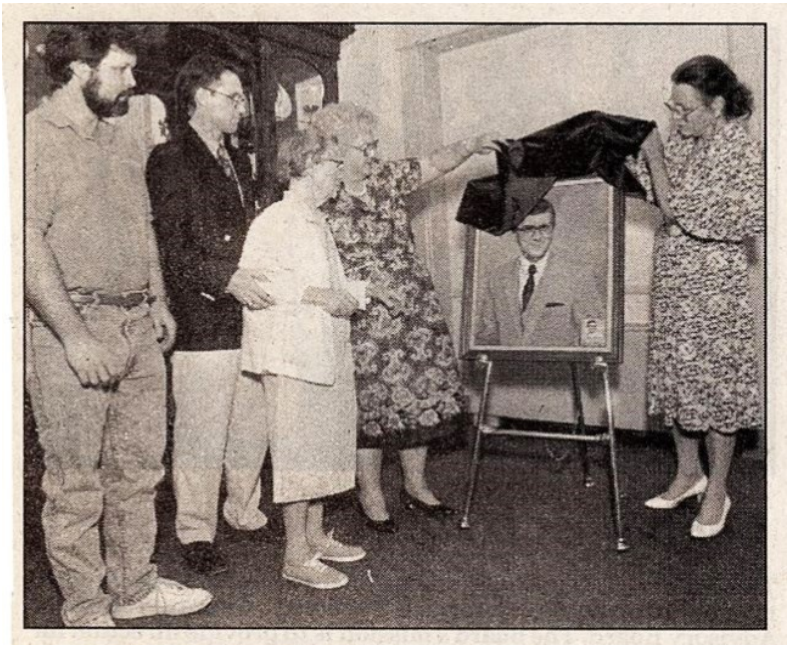


Bob was born in Radford, Virginia but attended schools in Maryland, graduating from the University of Maryland. Owning his own construction firm, he was a paving contractor as well as a renovations contractor. Bob was a very active Lion and was a leader in church and Masonic groups. He especially enjoys woodworking. Bob and Diane love to travel and have visited most continents around the globe.

UNIQUE STORY

The Story of The Smile

by **Fred Wenner**



Do you ever glance to your left as you enter the Multi-purpose room at Crumland Farms? If you do, you will likely feel welcomed by the warm smile on the oil portrait of Joe Clem, who was the first administrator of Homewood at Frederick, when we were in downtown Frederick.

Joseph Henry Clem was born in 1930 in Utica, just a few miles north of Homewood. After graduating from Frederick High School, he worked in banking for three years before studying at Catawba College in North Carolina and Lancaster Theological Seminary in Pennsylvania. He was ordained into the Christian ministry by the United Church of Christ in 1957.

Joe first served as pastor in the Hagerstown area for seven years, until he was called to Grace United Church of Christ in downtown Frederick where he pastored for ten years and became a highly respected community leader.

In 1974 he moved into retirement home administration, first at Homewood at Williamsport, and then from 1979 to 1990 at Homewood's first Frederick facility in the former Francis Scott Key Hotel. Following his service to Homewood, he was the administrator at Citizens Nursing Home in Frederick County until he died of cancer in 1993.

The newspaper photo (above) shows the unveiling of the Clem portrait on August 13, 1993 in the lobby of the old downtown hotel. Unveiling the painting are, from the left, sons Ellis and Michael, Joe's mother Grace, his wife Montie and the artist Elizabeth Prongas.

On the right is a photo taken last fall with Montie standing next to the portrait of her husband. Montie Clem, a retired elementary school teacher, moved to Homewood at Crumland Farms last year.

About that smile — it was not an invention of the artist — that smile is genuinely Joe, beloved by church members and Homewood residents for more than a half century.



FREDERICK HISTORY

FREDERICK 'S WATER TUNNELS

by **Sal Cosentino**

"…the way a raging river flows."

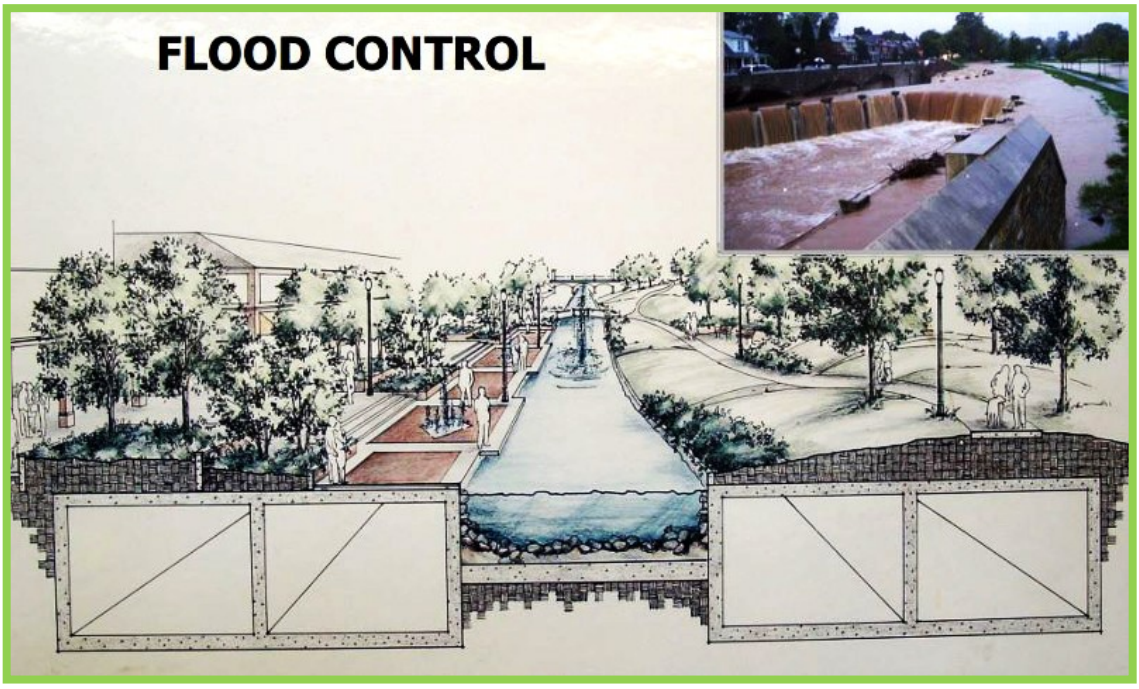
The Bluegrass singer and song writer Billy Droze sings of an unrequited love…"cause in your world the way love goes is the way a raging river flows".

Billy was born in Lafayette, Louisiana in 1986, the tenth of twelve children and began singing with his dad at the age of four. It is safe to say he never heard of Shakespeare's *The Taming of the Shrew.*

The unrequited lover in Billy's song saw the problem clearly enough, but most likely, failed to understand her world or how to tame her.

The way to tame the flow of a raging river is to channel its energy. In the instance of the Monocacy River, after it "raged" due to Tropical Storm Agnes on June 23, 1972, the city and state politicians hired consultants who developed a plan to channel the river into four concrete tunnels, each more than a mile long beneath Carroll Creek Park. Each tunnel is 20ft x 20ft having a total carrying capacity of over four million gallons per minute.

Below is a cross section of the tunnels.



The Frederick web site has many photos of Baker Park shortly after the Monocacy River overflowed.

A reader's digest of the reports is available by researching an article written by Nancy Lavin of the *Frederick News-Post* dated October 8, 2016.

There's a saying, "It's an ill wind that blows nobody some good." In this instance the City of Frederick now has a river-walk thanks in part to "the way a raging river flows".

MOONSHINING IN FREDERICK AND WASHINGTON COUNTIES

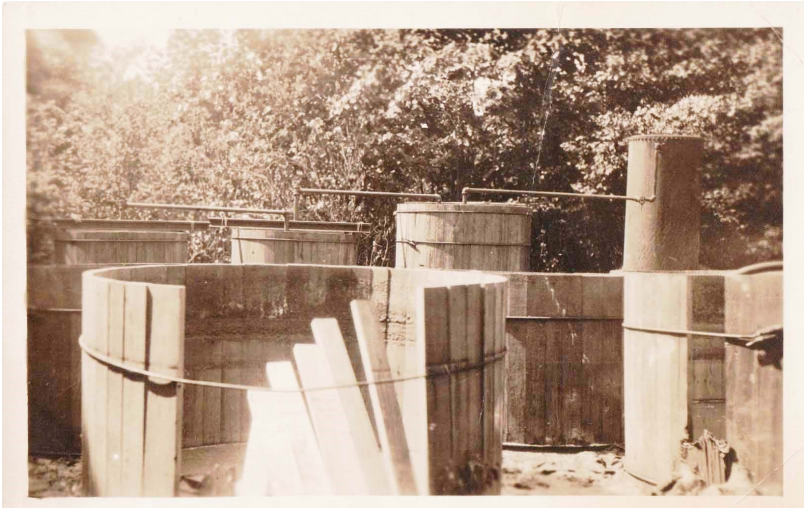
by **Lora Schucker**



The National Park Service estimates 1734 as the year when pioneers in Frederick County began converting corn and rye into alcohol to increase profits from selling them in more populated areas. A horse could haul only four bushels of corn from the Catoctin Mountains but could haul the equivalent of twenty-four bushels of corn that had been made into whiskey.

After the federal Excise Whiskey Tax started in 1791, many whiskey makers began producing it secretly and illegally at night. That led to the term "moonshine".

According to James Rada, Jr., in his book, *Secrets of Catoctin Mountain*, during the Prohibition a quart of moonshine could be sold in Hagerstown for $16, equivalent to $225 in 2017. He quotes former Catoctin Mountain Ranger Debra Mills who said, "Prohibition was probably a good thing economically for people in this area".



An account published in 1923 and cited by Rada gave an estimate of 500 stills operating between Hagerstown and the Pennsylvania border. Whiskey was smuggled underneath seats in cars and in barrels labeled as cornmeal on trains, among other hidden places. Rada quotes a Thurmont resident who while travelling "was stunned to learn that the high quality of Catoctin moonshine was common knowledge in the Big Apple".

Blue Mountain House at Pen Mar attracted tourists seeking alcohol. Rada shares a report of someone selling moonshine out of a suitcase at various locations in that area, opening up shop for minutes at a time, then moving.

Maryland declared itself a "wet state" during the Prohibition, the only state that didn't pass a state enforcement act. However, federal and county authorities worked to ferret out illegal alcohol. In Smithsburg, federal revenuers pretended to be tourist hikers. In Cascade, they shut down a 30-gallon still in 1925.

The Blue Blazes Still in a dense forest west of Thurmont became a large business that used a steam locomotive's boiler and had thirteen massive vats, each holding up to two thousand gallons of mash. Tragically, Deputy Sheriff Clyde L. Hauver was fatally wounded during a raid on that still in 1929. He is the only deputy from the Frederick County Sheriff's Office who has died in the line of duty. Four days later authorities destroyed the still with dynamite.

WORDS AND PHRASES REMIND US OF THE WAY WE WORDED EXPRESSIONS IN OUR DAY

by **Jerry Hammond**

There are old expressions that have become obsolete because of the inexorable march of technology. These phrases include "Don't touch that dial," "Carbon copy," and "Hung out to dry."

A bevy of readers have asked me to shine light on more faded words and expressions, and I am happy to oblige.

Back in the olden days we had a lot of moxie, we'd put on our best bib and tucker and straighten up and fly right. Hubba-hubba! We'd cut a rug in some juke joint and then go necking and petting and smooching and spooning and billing and cooing and pitching woo in hot rods and jalopies in some passion pit or lovers' lane. Heavens to Betsy! Gee whillikers! Jumpin' Jehoshaphat! Holy moley! We were in like Flynn and living the life of Riley, and even a regular guy couldn't accuse us of being a knucklehead, a nincompoop or a pill. Not for all the tea in China!

Back in the olden days life used to be swell, but when is the last time anything was swell? Swell has gone the way of beehives, pageboys and the D.A.; of spats, knickers, fedoras, poodle skirts, saddle shoes and pedal pushers. Oh, my aching back. Kilroy was here, but he isn't anymore.

Like Washington Irving's Rip Van Winkle and Kurt Vonnegut's Billy Pilgrim, we have become unstuck in time. We wake up from what surely has been just a short nap, and before we can say, "I'll be a monkey's uncle!" or "This is a fine kettle of fish!" we discover that the words we grew up with, the words that seemed omnipresent as oxygen, have vanished with scarcely a notice from our tongues and our pens and our keyboards.

More next month!



"Settling down for a long winter's nap"

Photo by **Fred Burton**

Taken out my back door west end cottage 10 after snowfall of February 20th.

GROUPS AND PROGRAMS

HOBOs — Jim Spiller, Head Tramp

HOBOs LEARN PHOTOGRAPHY

In 1962 when young Dr. Scott Taylor finished his medical internship in Philadelphia, he became a US Air Force physician and was assigned to Ent AFB in Colorado Springs. Upon their arrival, Scott and his pregnant wife found there were no military quarters or civilian housing for them, contrary to what they had been told. They ended up in a basement apartment owned by one Myron Wood, a photographer who lived upstairs. Scott says, "I spent many nights chatting with Myron and watching him work in his dark room for the next month. That was the beginning of my fascination with the art of photography."

After 10 years of active duty, Scott departed the Air Force and practiced in Albuquerque, NM as an obstetrician/gynecologist. During that time he took a course in *The History of Photography* at the University of New Mexico. Now a resident in The Lodge at Homewood, Scott frequently has his work displayed in the hallway galleries of The Lodge and the "Big House" at Crumland Farms. He will share his love and talent for creating stunning photos when he speaks at the next meeting of HOBOs on Thursday, March 21st, in the MPR at Crumland Farms. Be sure to call 301-644-5600 to reserve or sign up for the noon meal at the CF reception desk by the day before the meeting. Our ladies are invited to join us for the program beginning at 12:45 PM.

LUNCH BUNCH — Nancy Boltz

The March Lunch Bunch meets at The Lodge Event Center on Tuesday, March 19th at 11:30 AM.

The topic for discussion will be: "If you could be a famous person for one week, who would it be?"

Please remember to R.S.V.P. to **Ev Higbie** at 301-304-0903 for your reservation.

ALOHA — Sue Chapin

Active Ladies of Homewood, come join us on Friday, March 22nd at Crumland Farms for lunch and a very entertaining program.

Author Lyn Widmyer will offer us a humorous and positive look on aging titled *I May be Old, but I am Funny: Tips on Aging with Humor.* One of her books, *I Must be Old, I have a Pill Dispenser* addresses problem areas such as living with a hard-of-hearing spouse, being lost in cyberspace and old people noises. Widmyer approaches growing older with humor and a zest for life. She says, "I plan to thoroughly enjoy my time as a senior citizen and laugh my way into eternity."

Raised in Jefferson County, WV as a child of an Air Force officer, Lyn wandered the globe with her family. Upon marrying a third generation dairy farmer in West Virginia, she settled down for good. *Chasing Cows: I'm Not in the Suburbs Anymore* is about her adventures as an unexpected and unprepared farm wife.

All women are welcome at the luncheon that begins at NOON. Please sign up with the Homewood Receptionist by Thursday, March 21st.

THE PROGRAM WILL BE FROM 12:45 TO 1:30 PM. ALL MEN AND WOMEN ARE INVITED TO ATTEND.

Shuttle from The Lodge at 11:30 AM.

THE VISIONAIRES — Avadna Coghill

The Visionaires will hold their next monthly meeting on Tuesday, March 5th at 10:30 AM in the Gardenview Lounge.

Marilyn Ward deLuise will come with two occupational therapists often provided by the state. They will have suggestions to assist with low vision problems. That is us! Do come.

UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS FOR MARCH

AARP Tax Service will be held in the Sun Room from 9 AM to 4 PM on March 4th, 7th, 11th,14th, 18th, 21st, 25th and 28th

1 - Sing-Along with the Homewood Harmonizers - CF - Meadows 2 to 3 PM
2 - Trip to Radium Girls - Maryland Ensemble Theatre - Bus leaves 7 PM
4 - Great Decisions - The Lodge Classroom B 7 PM
4 - How and Why "Great Tours: England, Scotland and Wales" - CF Assisted Living - 7 PM
5 - Coffee and Kinklings - The Lodge - Great Room - 8 to 9 AM
6 - Trip to Lucky Stiff - Dutch Apple Dinner Theatre - Bus leaves 9 AM
6 - Wine and Cheese - CF MP and Café 3:30 to 4:30 PM
7 - Campus Connection Meeting w/Karen Main - The Lodge event Center 9:30 to 10:30 AM
8 - Great Decisions - CF - ILAC - 10 to 11:30 AM
12 - Song Circle w/FAME - The Lodge - Event Center B 7 to 8 PM
14 - National Pi Day - The Lodge - Great Room 1 to 2 PM
15 - Birthday Party - CF - MP - 2 to 3 PM
18 - Women in History – Denny Lynch - CF - MP - 2 PM
18 - Great Decisions - The Lodge - Classroom B - 7 PM
19 - Welcome Thad Rothrock - New President of Homewood – CF - MP 10:30 AM
19 - Welcome Thad Rothrock - New President of Homewood – The Lodge - Great Room 1 PM
19 - German Enigma presentation with Louis Leto - CF - MP 3 PM
20 - Spring Fling - Wine and Cheese - The Lodge - Great Room 3:30 to 4:30 PM
22 - Great Decisions - CF - ILAC - 10 to 11:30 AM
25 - Sing-along and Ice cream– Thank you to Social Work - CF - Cafe 2:30 PM
26 – Sleep better – FMH program – CF - MP – 10:30 AM
26 – Legends Live On – Music of the Andrews Sisters, Lennon Sisters and more - CF MP 2:30 PM
27 – Nutrition program – - Rescheduled - Nutrition for Cancer Survivors - CF MP 3 PM
28 – Jazz Connection– CF - Café 6:30 PM
28 – Community Bingo – MP 2:30 PM
29 - Auxiliary Tea and Fashion Show – MP/ILDR
29 - Gratitude Pilgrims - Event Center A @ 10AM
30 - Todd Andrew – Vocals and some Guitar/Gospel Country - CF - MP 2:30 PM



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