



A SUCCESSFUL PRESENTATION was held Tuesday evening at Garrett College, where over 50 persons gathered to hear MD SUN's program director Corey Ramsden explain how to form a solar cooperative. Ramsden gave detailed information on solar and co-op technology, costs, management, and other information to encourage western Marylanders to form a group. A local co-op, he said, would make incorporating solar power easier and save individuals/businesses up to 20% of costs. Interested persons can learn more and/or sign up

online at www.mdsun.org/mountain-md. It was noted that becoming a member is not a commitment to purchase panels. Once the group is large enough, MD SUN (Maryland Solar United Neighborhoods) will help obtain competitive bids from area installers. Once a company is selected, group members will have an opportunity to purchase panels based on the installer's group rate. "This is a wonderful opportunity to save money and help save our environment by using a renewable energy source," stated a presentation organizer.

Lutheran Church Plans Fundraiser Bingo Activity

Christ Lutheran Church, 180 Main St., Grantsville, will hold a basket bingo and raffle on Saturday, Aug. 20. Doors will open at noon and bingo will begin at 1 p.m.

The bingo ticket price is \$20 before the event and \$25 at the door. All proceeds raised will help pay for kitchen improvements for the church's weekly community dinners.

For additional information or to buy tickets, persons may contact Pastor Ingrid Chenoweth at ingridchenoweth@gmail.com or 814-289-9512; or church council president Regina Holliday at reggiart123@yahoo.com or 202-441-9664.

Sheffield Named Office Manager For First United



Robin E. Murray, senior vice president and director of retail banking for First United Bank & Trust, and Philip L. Rodeheaver, Garrett County market president, have announced the appointment of Paula R. Sheffield to the position of community office manager in the Grantsville office of First United.

Sheffield has almost a decade of experience in the financial services industry and has been with First United since 2007. She served as a customer service representative, head teller, and customer service officer before her promotion to assistant community office manager in January 2016. She has completed numerous workshops and seminars, and is actively involved in many community organizations, including the Grantsville Rotary Club and the Greater Grantsville Business Association.

"It gives me great pleasure to announce this well-deserved promotion," said Rodeheaver. "Paula's outgoing, friendly personality and attention to detail makes her the perfect fit to meet the needs of our customers at the Grantsville office."

Outside the workplace, Sheffield says she enjoys spending time with her family, especially at the beach. She also enjoys hiking, boating, and travelling.

She resides in Meyersdale, Pa., and has one son, Harrison.

First United Corporation operates one full-service com-

mercial bank, First United Bank & Trust. The bank has a network of community offices in Garrett, Allegany, Washington, and Frederick counties in Maryland, and Mineral, Berkeley, and Monongalia counties in West Virginia. As of March 2016, the corporation posted assets of \$1.32 billion.

FSU Colloquium Showcases Works By Local Students

The recent Frostburg State University English Colloquium showcased the 17 best written works by students of any major over the previous year as determined through blind readings by a faculty committee. The event provided an opportunity for students to present their work

in a professional academic setting.

Four of the 17 pieces showcased were written by three Garrett County students.

Nicholas Callis, Oakland, who is a history major, presented "Satan as the Tragic Hero in Paradise Lost" and "Gandhi's Assertive Stance on Passive Resistance."

Michelle Knotts, also of Oakland, a liberal studies major, presented "Blood."

Tyler Sweitzer, McHenry, presented "Text Sets: Effective Tools for Combating Eurocentrism." He is a history major with an international concentration.

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OAKLAND

The regular monthly meeting for the Oakland Mayor and Town Council will be held on Monday, Aug. 1, beginning at 5 p.m.

Following the approval of the July 5 meeting minutes, proposed agenda items include bills for payment, the June and July financial reports, utility bill adjustments, the mayor's update, and committee reports.

The meeting will conclude with an executive session.

WELCA Group To Sponsor Trip To Brethren Ctr.

The WELCA (Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America) group from the Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Bittinger, will sponsor a trip to the Brethren Service Center in New Windsor on Thursday, Aug. 18, leaving Bittinger at 9 a.m.

Owned and operated by the Church of the Brethren. Housing various organizations, this facility works in several areas of relief and development, disaster response, social justice, peace education, and hospitality.

The group will deliver completed quilts, health kits, school kits, layettes, and soap for Lutheran World Relief to the center. In addition to delivering items, the group will be given a tour of the grounds and center facilities.

Mary Ann Grossnickle, manager of the Zigler Hospitality Center, will also orient participants as to opportunities for volunteering at the center. Time will be allotted for the group to visit



WOMEN'S GROUP PLANS TRIP – The Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (WELCA) group from Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Bittinger will sponsor a trip to the Brethren Service Center in New Windsor on Thursday, Aug. 18. The group will deliver quilts, health kits, layettes, and soap for Lutheran World Relief to the center. All local churches are invited to join them on the trip. See story. Pictured above, from left, are Jenny Hady, McKenna Stanton, Laura Hall, Pastor Nathan Hall, Linda Buckel, Sally Poholsky, and Margie Brenneman.

and shop in the SERV Gift Shop.

All area churches are invited to attend. There will be no cost for transportation. If 30 or more persons are going, a chartered bus will be secured. If fewer than 30, vans or private vehicles will transport the participants. If a chartered bus is taken,

additional space will be available to transport items to the center from other churches.

The cost of the luncheon meal at the center will be \$10.

For additional information, persons may contact Linda Buckel at 301-245-4287 or 301-616-1875.

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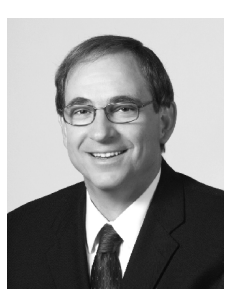
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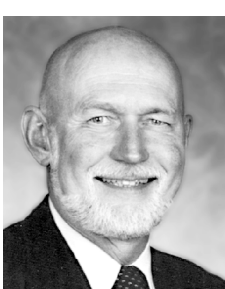
MON., AUGUST 1



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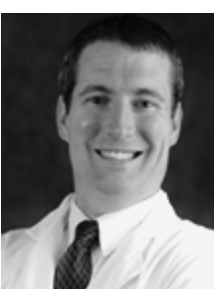


Lynn Patton
Alias
"Sour Dough"

TUES., AUGUST 2



Dr. Miller
Alias
"Hospice Doc"



Dr. Porter
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"The Doc"



Dr. Stephanie Sisler
Alias
"Sizzlin' Swiper"



Theresa Brenneman
Alias
"T-Bear"



The Greene Turtle
Alias
"The Turtle"

WED., AUGUST 3



Sherri Fredlock
Alias
"Final Arranger"



Chris Fredlock
Alias
"The Embalmer"



Dexter Fredlock
Alias
"The Digger Dog"



Cory Sturm
Alias
"The Last Responder"

THURS., AUGUST 4



Dave Terlizzi
Alias
"Shepherd Dave"



Pastor Nathan Hall
Alias
"Bicycle Bandit"



Stephen Hall
Alias
"Tricycle Bandit"



Sid Nazelrod
Alias
"Soul Seeker"

FRIDAY, AUGUST 5



Lynn Newman
Alias
"The Undertaker"



Rich Mattingly
Alias
"The Undertaker II"



Bryan Calhoun
Alias
"The Bear"



Debbie Workman
Alias
"Little Debbie"

DEPUTIES:

Linda Patton, Shannon Porter, Kathleen Lohr, Amy Lohr, Grace Bolyard, Renna Bess, Cheryl Taylor, Stephanie Hoover, Emma Robertson, Gracie Robertson, Mary Bernard, Lisa Sypolt, Donna Brenneman, Georgette Goralski, Ashley Kamp

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