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Construction Update—Almost There!

The Emmitsburg Osteopathic Primary Care Center is near completion of its 1st phase! We hoped that at the time of this mailing we could say it is done. But of course, a work in progress is just that. We can say we are weeks away from opening at 121-123 West main Street in Emmitsburg. We have consolidated both the Gettysburg and Thurmont practices in Thurmont until we can make the final move to Emmitsburg.

The lab draw station will be an immediate benefit. We have received inquiries from three separate physical therapy providers. It may be we will be able to have some simpler services until the larger programs can be set up.

Drs. Talbot Smith and Nora Olsen have moved into our Gettysburg office and are serving many of the patients who were not able to travel to our new location. Fliers with directions have been sent to our clients in hope that will stay with us.

We encourage you to check out the web site www.eopcc.com for our progress.



Grant Award: We are very happy to announce that EOPCC has been awarded a \$2,000 grant by the **Community Foundation of Frederick County** to help in furnishing the waiting room at 121-123 West Main Street. We extend our sincere appreciation to the Community Foundation for their continued support.

Our August 6th Fun Day was a great success! Over 100 people, including the families of several of our Town Commissioners, joined us for our celebration. With donations from local businesses and community members we were able to provide a free picnic supper of hot dogs

(**Jubilee Foods**), orange drink (**McDonalds**), tomatoes and corn on the cob and home made relish.

The children were able to enjoy a free moon bounce services of **Marlene and Gary Megee**. It turned out that the generator needed for the moon bounce was needed and used to provide the power for **Emmitsburg's Music in the Park with Waking at Seven**, The Megees refused any reimbursement "It is our service to the community, we like to do this." **Bridget and Abby McCarthy** worked the concession stand while **Karen Adelsberger** worked her art with face painting. Some children opted for their names to

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Training & Education of Medical & Nursing Students

Emmitsburg Osteopathic Primary Care Center, Inc. team is proud to share our 2005 service. While the team crew changes as the needs and demands change, it is powerful to see how many wonderful people add their time, work and talent, often at great sacrifice to help the program stay strong and on track.

We train future medical care providers: As we close this year, we are excited about the prospect of working more closely with Mount St. Mary's University

students. We have been in touch with the pre-med program and have plans for a 4 hour credit program with one student spending 11 hours per week learning medicine in the different settings of hospital, nursing home, office, and house calls. Our medical assistant student **Rose Chreech** already has a job with Dr. Sedlecki in Hanover.

Katie Matlock, college student, rotated with us and she is already applying to medical school. **Martha Bowman** during her 4th year

as medical student, is applying for her internship. **Lana Rike**, will be doing her anesthesia residency in Richmond, V. **Teresa Neimiec**, was also interested in anesthesia, graduated from New York College of Osteopathic Medicine.

Margaret Hallahan, now a Gettysburg College Senior will rotate with us again this year. **Lisa Zaleski**, is now applying for her dermatology residency.

Thank You, Volunteers

We could not exist without our volunteers. This year we honor **William O'Toole** and **Catherine Bodin** (husband and wife) for our *Volunteers of the Year for 2005*. Their work behind the scenes through the years, as well transforming **Burns Night**, a local celebration into a growing fund raising event for EOPCC, has long earned our gratitude. The preparation for Burn's Night, magical and fun requires elaborate planning, the gifts of time, talent, long hours and tight organization. Bill and Cathy make it seem ever so doable. The Burns Night web site helps heighten the anticipation for the event.

The EOPCC *Service Award* goes to a special volunteer who provided essential physical services toward the building project. There are many candidates and through the years we hope to honor them one by one.

This year we honor **Kermit O. Stambaugh** who contributed his

construction expertise and fearlessness. Kermit has bravely scaled the three floors of the 123 building and removed the two disabled chimneys and patched the roofs holes. He has also helped with the interior preparations required for the phase 2 of the building project. We have the pictures to prove it. Kermit has gone where none of us would or could go and accomplished what we could not. This contribution of know how, power and physical preparation saved us thousands of dollars that we would have had to somehow find. Thank you Kermit and Kermit's family that loaned him to us.

We want to thank some very special people who have helped us fund raise. Dollars are like sun/air/gas/oil for a building project: **St. Anthony's Church**, Emmitsburg, on October 8th weekend shared a yard-sale with us. This year the wind and rain made the event heroic work. Still, we were able to raise \$324. A spe-

cial thanks to **Helen Reaver, Myrna Eshleman, Donna Cuseo, Cathy Bodin, Linda Junker, Susanne Samples** and **Rose Samples, Anne-Marie Miller** who braved the weather to make the weekend a success.

Many thanks to **Bill Junker**, EOPCC's volunteer bookkeeper, he keeps us on track and we are most grateful!!



Bridget & Abby McCarthy at Fun

Other Exciting News: More Fun Day / Bingo & Bricks!

be painted on their cheeks and foreheads, my favorite: Benjamin. I asked Karen if she got "Benjamin" on his tiny cheek. Karen confessed "I did **Ben.**" It seemed we ended with more cups and glasses than we started out with at the dime toss. Folks loved to win, but had no need of a prize. The five dollar bill was won ten times over and returned re-donated each time. Thank to **Emmitsburg Ambulance Company**, community members were able to get their blood pressures checked. We also had success with the fund raising aspect of our program. Under the main tent, hosted by **Phyllis Green**, was our gift table. There were many wonderful donated items for sale. **Rosemary and John Bartlett of Gettysburg Gardens** fame, gave us boxes of gift items which found

their way into new happy homes. **Mrs. Query** and her children brought balloons which added to the fun. **Steve Nigida** called the Bingo and winners spit the pot with EOPCC. Tables and chairs were loaned by **St. Anthony's** and **Our Lady of Mount Carmel** parishes, Tents were provided by **Ken Brown** and **Kitty Haines**

Waking at Seven gave the performance of the year. **Phil** and **Ray** wove their enchantment. It was mellow, it was energizing and the evening ended with smiles and the sense of great community.

Speaking of Bingo, **Laura LaLumiere** was the winner of \$200 as Barnyard Bingo came to its final production. Our cow took a little over a half an hour before she laid her cow pie on Laura's square. **Phyllis Green** was the objective witness on site with

Linda Junker also confirming the square. Many thanks to **Phyllis** for organizing the fundraiser!

The Buy a Brick sales are doing very well and over \$1,000 is raised so far from this endeavor.

Cathy Bodin is our Buy a Brick coordinator and has been doing a fantastic job!

We also thank

Laura Portier-LaLumiere, now residing in Charleston, N.C, remains our volunteer grant-writer and web master. Thanks to Laura's efforts we were able to make the deadline for the Community Foundation Grant application. Laura also designed the fliers for our Buy a Brick campaign, Barnyard Bingo and the August 6th Fun Day

Save the Date!

Emmitsburg Osteopathic Primary Care Center's Grand Opening is scheduled for Sunday January 22, 2006 from 2:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. While there will be a more formal invitation forthcoming, we would like you to save the date.

Message from Bill O'Toole and Cathy Bodin: Looking for a special gift for that special person this Christmas? Give the gift that will benefit hundreds of people in the area who need treatment and who are without adequate medical insurance.

The Third Annual Emmitsburg

Burns Night will be held on Friday January 27, 2006 at 6 p.m. in JoAnn's Ballroom of the Carriage House Inn. Each year, we raise money for the building fund of the Emmitsburg Osteopathic Primary Care Clinic, now under construction on West Main Street in Emmitsburg.

Cost is \$50 per person - \$25 for the meal plus a \$25 tax-deductible donation toward EOPCC. Receipts for tax purposes will be provided. (Some people donate more than \$25.

Two years ago, 32 people attended and we raised \$1200. In

2005, 51 attended and \$1800 was realized for the building fund.) For more information, visit www.burnsnite.com or contact me (301.447.2690 or otoole@msmary.edu)

Thanks for your support.



More ways to help EOPCC

Help EOPCC Build A Healthier Community One Brick at a Time

EOPCC invites you to work together towards our community's health by making a gift of \$50-\$150 to help build a new clinic!



The clinic will not only bring EOPCC's offices to Emmitsburg, but will also bring many other new services to town, such as a blood draw lab, physical therapy and more, making our community a healthier place.

To help build the new clinic, EOPCC is selling **commemorative bricks**, to be placed in a prominent location in the new clinic where all the community will see it. For \$50, \$100, or \$150, you can buy a brick to be engraved with an inscription of your choice. This is a wonderful opportunity to honor a loved one by having their name engraved or show the community that you support EOPCC by engraving your name or your family's name on a brick.

For additional information, please contact Cathy Bodin at 301.447.2690

Please Support EOPCC

Your donation makes it possible for us to continue our building project. There is no donation too small or large. We hope to make you proud for every penny sent our way! Remember your gift is tax deductible. Donations may be sent to: EOPCC, P.O. Box 1219, Emmitsburg, MD 21727

Name _____ Address _____

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Thank you for your continued generosity!