



From the President's Quill

**AND THE SEASONS
CHANGE**

As I sit here enjoying my first cup of morning coffee with the chickadees at the bird feeder, I look out on our first blanket of snow here at the ranch. The frenzy of preparation that is fall has come to a quiet and peaceful end; the hay has been put up, ditches have been shut off, and wood for the old coal stove (yes I still have and use an old Monarch Range) has been split and stored in the Log Barn.

I have planned for the winter myself by collecting a stack of good books to read, gathering my most colorful quilting fabric together, and getting ready to settle in close to Stove for the winter months ahead.

Soon the Holidays will be upon us, with their family gatherings, and cheerful glittering decorations, lending a bright interlude to an otherwise somber and tranquil setting. It is time to step back regroup and reflect on the simpler side of life.....and the seasons change.

Nancy Maurin President

Calendar of Events 2015

Emma School House Christmas Bazaar

Emma School House Emma Rd. off of Hwy 82

Time: 4-8 pm Friday November 13

8-4 pm Saturday November 14

Come to this valley tradition of 39 years and shop for your holiday gifts. A portion of this years sales will be donated to the Multiple Sclerosis, Pediatric Brain Tumor and Parkinson's Disease Research Foundations.

**St. Vincent's Annual Christmas Bazaar
St. Vincent's Church**

Midland Avenue downtown Basalt

Time: 9-4:00 p.m.

Date: Saturday November 21

Join us for homemade baked goods, handmade items and Santa's Secret Shop for the 12 and under crowd.

Easy Crock Pot Apple Butter

6 cups sliced apples	1 cup sugar
1/2 cup water	1 TB cider vinegar
1 tsp. cinnamon	1/8 tsp grd. cloves
1/16 tsp all spice	1/16 tsp nutmeg

Mix apples with the sugar and spices and put in crock pot. Add water and cook on high for 5-6 hours. Stir each hour then mash the apples. Let cool and put in smaller freezer containers. Will keep for 6 months.

Mrs. Ermine Jorrioz of Basalt

by Earl Elmont

Mrs. Ermine Jorrioz was like a grandmother to all of the little kids in Basalt. A more loving person never lived. When we would visit her home she would invite us in for a "lillo ice-a cream-a and a lillo Seven-up-a. The amount of ice cream was massive and when she poured the Seven Up we would all yell "whoa!" She kept a bull snake or two around to keep away the mice. One day one of her larger snakes made its way across the street to Elmonts house. Blanche Elmont was so frightened she grabbed a hoe and chopped the snake in seven pieces. When Mrs. Jorrioz found out she cried and said: "You kill-a my mouse-er." Mrs. Jorrioz was originally a Blanc and was related to Oscar and Lena Blanc who lived where Larry and Betty Terrell later lived. Mrs. Jorrioz first husband was a Cerise, father of Mela, Gina, and Eva. When he died from an accident, she married Mr. Peter Jorrioz. When he died, she much later married a former hired-hand, Gene "Shorty" Chatrain. She loved to cook Polenta and Fava Beans for him. When she later had a stroke, she was nursed back to health by Mrs. Viola Hendricks, who surprised us. None of us ever knew she was a nurse.