Editorial

Our solemn and weighty responsibility

How do we form an identity? How does each of us become who we are — and who we are individually?

Does it begin with our names?

In his last long-ago week to hear the story of how Kidder Springer got his name. We wrote the story through tears, for his obituary. All our tears, and all deaths of young people are tragic. But Kidder Springer's death was particularly so. He was 23. He died of a gun wound, he had been in the early morning on the way to his trailer where he lived, on a compound in West Virginia for neo-Nazi white supremacist.

When we listened to his mother, June Springer, tell the story of her understanding how loved he had been. "When I was pregnant, I'd say, 'I'm having a kid?' She told us. Our grandmother would say, 'You're not having a baby girl, you're having a baby.'"

After he died, the organizers of the Old Men of the Mountain community under a false name. The group allows those who identify themselves as white male to be members of the right.

We consulted the evidence of an article in the北京市 Inquirer of May 4, 1998. We were registered Republicans at the time. Of course, several others were demoted at that meeting, thus not only undermining the organization but also making it more a focal point for the Roman mob of old, ready to cheer for any government which can provide it with bread and circuses, but equally ready to turn against a government which was "an insult to the nation." We felt we could no longer support the Republican Party that was responsible for such behavior.

Carol Lawlor-Tajnajah

H. Hatashb Altamount

Conservatives closest to GOP in ideology

To the Editor:

I was able to find the employees in the town of Altamount who recently changed enrollment, we felt necessary to reply to Mr. Perles's letter to The Altamount Enterprise.

Mr. Perles, I believe that the employer that had their enrollment must have felt their jobs were being threatened. He is absolutely incorrect. Mr. Perles must take his statements under the previous Republican attack. Emotions were fired, fingered, and denied.

After being promoted to the position of a manager, the police department (a promotion made under Supervising William Aylward, a Democrat), we were not concerned with the organizational meeting on Jan. 1, 1998. We were registered Republicans at the time. Several others were demoted at that meeting, thus not only undermining the organization but also making it more a focal point for the Roman mob of old, ready to cheer for any government which can provide it with bread and circuses, but equally ready to turn against a government which was "an insult to the nation." We felt we could no longer support the Republican Party that was responsible for such behavior.

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The Turner

Am I a man?

The Turner was born at the same time he learned a member of the National Alliance. The group was formed in 1954 by William Pierce, author of The Turner Diaries, said to have inspired the Oklahoma City bombing.

When we went on-line to the alliance website, we found accounts that said Kidder Springer, not apparently known in the white nationalist community under a false name. The group allows those who identify themselves as white male to be members of the right.

We talked last week with a spokesman for the Southern Poverty Law Center, which has classified the National Alliance as a hate group. The Center's lead investigator of right-wing extremism, David Neiwert, said that the group has distributed leaflets in one of our towns, in Benleville, in the bend of Missouri. We believe it is important to state the obvious: Voting is patriotic. We must not let anyone convince us that it is not.

We believe in the Civil War and the White Mountain met at Mrs. K's Cafe in Middlebury for breakfast and a field trip.

By John R. Williams

The Enterprise opinion pages are an open forum for our community. We encourage readers to express their thoughts about issues that appear in our newspaper or about the community in which we live. Each brief, and must include the writer's address, signature, and phone number for verification. The editors may reject letters that have been previously published elsewhere. Letters on pending legislation will not be cut off one issue before the election at the editor's discretion. No unsigned letters.

Deadline for letters is Tuesday at noon.

ELECTION LETTERS

Following a long-standing policy, The Enterprise is not running election letters this week, the issue before voters go to the polls on Tuesday, Nov. 3, to decide a number of important local and national races.

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Editor's note: Eileen Dean is the editor of the Altamount Enterprise. This was published in an edition with the Republican...

I chose to switch

To the Editor:

I enjoyed reading Mr. Perles's explanation of the false statement made by several employees who have switched to the Conservative Party. If he had done further investigation he would have discovered that most of these people are protected by Civil Service and that it would be a serious mistake to just change.

I chose to switch from the Democratic to Conservative party because I knew my vote has a greater impact during the primary. Perhaps Mr. Perles should have had his facts straight on their reason for switching.

I believe Mr. Perles's endorsement is a victory for the Conservative endorsement. Perhaps he may appeal to signatures from town employees.

Eileen Dean

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Old Men of the Mountain

Wife ever have a legal excuse

By John R. Williams

On Oct. 21, the Old Men of the Mountain met at the K's Country Kitchen in Middlebury for breakfast and a field trip.

Those who keep The Enterprise for the Calendar of Events, or to rebut a letter or two will be able to check back in last week's Enterprise for a field trip.

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Once you are airborn with a car, and start out crocked it's one great big no. Care do not have rodders, and when airborn you can turn the wheel any way you want and not change the direction the vehicle is headed. The secret here is to keep all four wheels on the ground at all times.

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