

Bicentennial and Anniversary Ball

Everybody had a ball at the Joycettes party last Saturday night in the Donegal High School gym. The Bicentennial Ball co-chairmen were Mrs. Carl R. Hallgren and Mrs. John Harnish. They were ably assisted by about 30 Joycettes—and a lot of husbands.



Costume prize-winners take a bow. From left to right are; Mrs. Beatrice Lauver, Mr. and Mrs. Ammon Smith, Doug Witman, and Carol Zimmerman.



For a minute, it looked like a dangerous situation. While elegant citizens in ruffles and lace stared from their tables, a crowd of homespun, rednecked, rowdy Donegal Rangers charged into the dining hall. Brandishing their deadly Pennsylvania rifles, the Rangers marched up to Ben Franklin with a petition of grievances. There has been bad blood between the Rangers and Franklin ever since Franklin thwarted the Donegaler's attempt to invade Philadelphia in pre-revolutionary days.



Relaxing at their table are, from left to right; Mayor James Gingrich, Jerry Nolt, Joanne Nolt, Charlotte Parish, Don Parrish (partly hidden), Dale Phalen and Lois Phalen.



Ben Franklin (portrayed by Wilbur Stark) tries not to flinch as the angry crowd of Rangers, and their equally fierce womenfolk halt within a few feet of his makeshift lecturn. Captain Matthew Smith (portrayed by Dr. William B. Landis) read a list of grievances, and the Rangers dispersed without firing a shot.



Ben Franklin (portrayed by Wilbur Stark) awards a prize for one of the oldest costumes to Joanne Nolt. Joanne wore her great-grandmother's shawl.



Vera and Paul Gingrich, co-chairmen of the Mount Joy Bicentennial Committee.



Mr. and Mrs. Michael Cohen (left) and Mrs. William B. Landis (right).