



Rollin Steinmetz tours Lancaster County in his sports car.

## Rollin Steinmetz, local writer, tells about Lancaster Co. in new guide

Rollin C. Steinmetz, R.D. 2, Manheim, edited the new **Guide to Lancaster County**, which has just been published.

The updated **Guide** contains "information about what to see, where to stay, shop, eat, have fun and worship."

Among other information the book tells the reader how to distinguish between a Beachy Amishman and a Horning Mennonite and the locations of all of the 32 covered bridges still spanning streams in Lancaster County.

Steinmetz, who lives with his wife Grace near the Mount Joy Legion, is also author of **History Trails of Lancaster**, just published.

He is presently at work on a book for the Bicentennial Commission about Tories, pacifists and prisoners in Lancaster County during the Revolution. Another work scheduled to appear is a history of Casiphia Lodge, Mount Joy, which will celebrate its centennial next year.

Previous books written by Steinmetz are: **The Amish Year**, **Vanishing Crafts and Their Craftsmen**, **Adventures in Dining**, and **History of American Kitchens, 1776-1976**.

Mr. Steinmetz was previously managing editor of the **Sunday News** and taught at Millersville State College. He is presently editor of the **Lancaster County Republican**.

Steinmetz left his position at the **Sunday News** to enlist in the Army and serve in Europe as a corporal. His wife Grace enlisted in the Marines at the same time. Steinmetz comments without rancor, "She outranked me; she was a sergeant."

## Interview: Dennis Shumaker sees need for tough zoning to preserve Marietta

Dennis Shumaker, vice president of the Marietta Restoration Associates, sees historic districting as a way for Marietta to keep control of its own destiny. (See story on front page.)

"It's a way for the people of the town to speak their minds," he says. "We can say; This is what's right for us."

Dennis is proud to live in Marietta. He thinks that the people of Marietta, as well as the architecture of the town, have a special character that has disappeared from most places.

"Donegal represents a spirit of individualism," Dennis says. "People who live in Marietta still feel that they are important; that this is their town and they belong here."

"If the Donegal Rangers were alive today, they'd be proud of Marietta," Dennis continues. "That fierce spirit of independence hasn't died in 200 years. I don't think the Rangers would be so proud of

Lancaster."

An Historic District Commission would give the people of Marietta a tool to help maintain that special character, Dennis feels.

There are two threats to Marietta's uniqueness, Dennis thinks. One threat is the possibility of unchecked growth. The other threat is that Marietta will become a museum for tourists to stare at. Either possibility, according to Dennis, would mean that local residents will lose control of their town to outside business interests.

"The word progress can only mean beneficial growth," Dennis says; "Growth that is beneficial to the whole community is progress. Growth without any direction is chaos."

Dennis thinks Marietta should pressure the Lancaster County Planning Commission into rezoning Route 441. Current zoning plans call for a high density, commercial strip along the section of Route 441 outside Marietta.

"I don't want people in

Lancaster to decide what's right for us," Dennis says. "We don't need a lot of drive-in hamburger stands in Marietta. If somebody wants a hamburger, he can drive to Columbia."

Dennis thinks the people of Marietta want to preserve their town. "The danger," he says, "is the quick buck idea. Sell your land and get out. That's where responsible local government comes in."

He hopes the people will give some serious thought to what kind of future they want for Marietta, and will tell their elected officials what they want.

Dennis is president of Marietta-Maytown-East Donegal Bicentennial Committee, vice-president of the Restoration Associates, an appointed member of the Marietta Planning Commission, an officer of the Marietta Lion's Club, and a member of the re-created Donegal Rangers. He and his wife, Lucy, live in a mansion on Market Street, which they are restoring.

## Locally made quilts are best in the world says Evelyn Gleason—Her customers agree

A famous TV actor from New York visited Marietta recently. Nobody recognized him as he walked up and down the streets.

The actor loved Marietta. He plans to come back again this summer.

The actor had travelled to Marietta to buy quilts from Evelyn Gleason. Evelyn and her husband, Hovey, run an antiques business in their Market St. home.

Hovey handles the furniture. Evelyn sells quilts, and

other articles made by women.

She sells only locally made quilts. "Local quilts are the best," she says. "You can't get better quilts than you find around here."

Her customers agree. Buyers from California make regular trips to Marietta to buy from the Gleasons.

"I've never advertised," says Evelyn, "so it must be the quilts. And everyone who comes here loves Marietta. Some of them live in really nice places, but I've never had a customer who didn't like it here."

Quilts and other antiques are on display at 135 N. Shippen St. in Lancaster, where the Women's Auxiliary to St. Joseph's Hospital

is presenting "Living With Antiques." Ten local antique dealers, including the Gleasons, have set up displays in a Shippen St. townhouse.

For a \$2 advance donation, or \$2.50 at the door, antique lovers can hear lectures, admire the displays, and buy anything they see. Ten percent of the sales proceeds will go to the hospital.

The display will open Thursday, March 25, from 10 to 5 p.m.; Friday, March 26 from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Saturday, Mar. 27 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Sunday, March 28, from noon to 5 p.m.

Evelyn Gleason will lecture on quilts Thursday at 2 p.m.



Evelyn Gleason sits on one of her locally-made quilts. Another quilt adorns the wall behind her.

## Get the inside story on Lancaster County in our new magazine

The Susquehanna Magazine, produced by the publishers of the **Susquehanna Times**, will be on newstands in early April, selling at 60 cents a copy.

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## Newsletter in Mt. Joy

Borough Manager Joseph Bateman has announced that a spring newsletter from the borough government to the citizens of

Mount Joy will be sent out early in April.

The first such newsletter from the government to the people, was issued last fall.

### DID YOU HEAR...

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Spittler, Mount Joy, R.D. #1, will celebrate their 41st wedding anniversary on March 28 - which happens also to be

Mrs. Spittler's birthday.

Their anniversary notice has appeared every year in the **Bulletin**. Congratulations! and Happy Birthday!