

Single parents club will meet next Friday

Parents Without Partners will meet at 7:45 p.m. Friday, October 15, at the social hall of the Grace Lutheran Church, James and N. Queen Sts., Lancaster.

Psychologist Dr. Gary Gruber will speak on "Children's Reaction to a Parents Remarriage or New Relationships."

All single parents, be-

cause of death, divorce, separation or unmarried status who have at least one living unmarried child under 21 years of age are invited to attend. Custody of your children is not a factor.

More information on the purposes and activities of the organization may be obtained by calling Jane Sumpman 684-7617.

Funds still needed to cut building debt for Pioneer Fire Co.

The Pioneer Fire Co. No. 1, Marietta is canvassing the boro and surrounding areas this week for donations to help reduce the mortgage on the company building.

The modern, three-bay structure was dedicated in May of 1975. It cost \$80,000. Through the Heilman memorial fund and

various fund raising projects sponsored by the ladies auxiliary, the debt has been reduced to \$12,000.

If anyone was missed during the annual drive and would like to contribute, please call 426-3644 after 5 p.m., and a pick-up will be made. Business men will also be solicited for contributions.

United Way fights pro-gun control image

The local United Way has issued the following statement:

Some Lancaster Countians have let it be known that they will not support the 1976 United Way of Lancaster County fund drive, now in progress, because, they say, the United Way supports gun control.

The gun control issue was first raised during United Way's 1973 campaign when delegates to a national YWCA convention passed a resolution supporting gun control.

According to Chris McMurtrie, volunteer campaign chairman, "Anyone still using the gun control issue as an excuse for not giving is obviously misinformed. That issue happened three years ago, and one sentence from the re-

solution specifically excludes sport shooting and hunting from any form of control."

"Furthermore," he said, "no money from Lancaster County's United Way or from our local YWCA was ever spent to further the issue."

In July, 1974, representatives of the PA Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs met in Harrisburg with representatives of PA YWCA's and pledged their "best efforts to assure the success of our local United Ways."

McMurtrie added that even if individuals do not support the YWCA, "there are 37 other United Way agencies which offer vital country-wide community services and depends on the continued generosity of all Lancaster Countians."



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