



Santa Claus meets Miss Lancaster County in Elizabethtown.



Santa gets a kiss from Kim Lauver, Miss Mount Joy. Mayor Jim Gingrich looks on. photo by Corky Flick

Beahm class makes Thanksgiving feast

Members of the seventh and eighth grades special education classes of Wilber I. Beahm Junior High School, Mount Joy, planned, prepared and served a feast of Thanksgiving under the direction of Mrs. Weigard in their classroom.

The group started from scratch by researching the menu of the first Thanksgiving held by the Pilgrims. A similar bill of fare was prepared by the students. The menu included Johnny cakes and honey, hand picked English Walnuts, Moravian Coffee Cake, cranberry sauce, ol-

ives, celery, spiced pears, apple and cranberry juice. Invitations were extended to all the faculty members at the school plus the administration of Donegal School District who were invited to "drop in from 8:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. Wednesday.

Members of the classes are: Cindy Beaston, Kevin Fitzpatrick, Robert Pardoe, Frank Smith, Coby Waltman, Clara Zink, Bonnie Bowers, Wade Custer, Mary Ebersole, Debra Graham, Dulio Hernandez, Sharon Lump, Kevin Mark and Lloyd Shank.

Volunteers needed to visit old folks

The Lancaster County Office of Aging's newest program, Volunteer Services, is currently recruiting volunteers to be trained as Friendly Visitors for senior citizens 60 years and older in the Elizabethtown, Mount Joy, Marietta and Columbia areas.

Training sessions for Friendly Visitors give some guidelines on how to be a Friendly Visitor, and what to do in various situations. They prepare the person for situations in which he or she may be involved. These sessions can be arranged for groups or individuals in any area during day or evening hours.

Each person who is accepted as a Friendly Visitor is assigned to a person in need of a friend.

Older people need to maintain as much independence and self respect as possible. A Friendly Visitor can contribute to this with encouragement, reassurance and appreciation. Friendly Visitors commit themselves to spend at least one hour a week visiting with an assigned person in a friendly, relaxed atmosphere. If possible, the Friendly Visitor will be assigned to someone near their home community to minimize transportation difficulties.

In addition to the Friendly Visitors Program, there is a wide range of volunteer opportunities that may be arranged through the office of Aging Volunteer Program. For further information call Jacquie Beyer, 299-2547.

Rudolph is fussy eater, Santa Claus says

The *Susquehanna Times* caught Santa Claus in Elizabethtown square last weekend and got some hot items for all you Santa Claus fans.

Santa had just been kissed by Miss Lancaster County, Lynn Grote, and was in a talkative mood.

"How does it feel to be Santa Clause?" we asked.

"Its the greatest thing in the world!" he roared.

Then, before we could ask our next question, he leaned closer and whispered confidentially, "Do you know how we manage to deliver all the toys on Christmas Eve? There are

a lot of children who get toys, you know. You might think it would be difficult, but, you see, we travel at the speed of light--that's 186,024 miles per hour--so fast that the children don't even see me!"

Before we could get another question in, Santa went on, "Tell the children, if they want to be nice to me, to leave a glass of reindeer milk next to the chimney. I never drink cow's milk, only reindeer, and Rudolph--he's my lead reindeer, you know--just loves cookies with a raisin on top. But the raisin must be in the exact center of

the cookie, or he won't eat it. He's fussy.

"How do you plan your itinerary?" we asked.

"Well," said Santa, "Mrs. Claus keeps records on all the children to see who's been good that year. Then she turns the records over to Rudolf, and he updates the master file and plans our route."

"He must be a very intelligent reindeer", we ventured.

"Oh yes!" replied Santa, "He's just tops. I'd be lost without him."

"How long does it take your elves to make all the toys?" we asked.

"They work 11 1/2 months a year" Santa went on.

"Its a big job to make all those toys. Tell the children that if they want a fancy, special toy that they should place their orders by May, otherwise we just get swamped with work and don't have time for any but simple toys."

"Do the elves go to toy-making school?" our reporter asked.

"No, they train each other. Its been nice talking with you, but I must go now. There are a lot of children waiting to see me."

Teens rock to help world's hungry people

The Trini-Teens, the youth group of Trinity Lutheran Church, West Main Street, Mount Joy,

sponsored a "Rock-a-thon" for World Hunger.

The rock-around-the-clock event began last

Friday at 1 p.m., and lasted until all participants finished rocking. Deadline for finishing was set for 9

a.m., Sunday.

Each participant rocked in a rocking chair continuously for as long as they could. Church members and friends sponsored the rockers for a designated amount of money for each hour of rocking. 20 to 25 people rocked.

The women of the church prepared refreshments and beverages for the "rockers." Members of the church served as judges. All contributions were donated to the World Hunger Appeal.

The advisors were: Mrs. Jere Duke, Mount Joy R2; Mrs. Jay Bucher, 6380 Jackson Drive, East Petersburg, and Mrs. Charles Ruhl, 206 Pinkerton Road, Mount Joy.



Teenagers at the Trinity Lutheran Church Rock-a-Thon raise money to fight World Hunger. Photo shows Robin Pflieger, Sue Klepper, Kathy Klepper, Julia Klepper, and David Klepper. Jackie Zeller is seated in background. Photo by Corky Flick

Marietta Chorus to present cantata

"Christ is Born," a cantata, written by John Peterson, will be presented by the Marietta Community Chorus, on Sunday, December 5, at 8 p.m. in the English United Presbyterian Church, W. Market Street, Marietta.

The Chorus is under the direction of Mrs. Gerald Libhart. The narrator will be Donald Kugle. Soloists will be Rose Livelsberger, soprano; Sheryl Lichty, alto; Hoffman Charles, ten-

or. A soprano-baritone duet by Roselyn Barr and Robert Erdman will also be performed.

Margaret Miller is organist for the cantata and Clara Anna Bryant is pianist.

The club functions are held twice annually and persons who like to vocalise are invited to join. Fred Reitz serves as president. Hoffman Charles is vice-president and Clara Anna Bryant is secretary-treasurer.

Mount Joy Chorus plans Xmas program

The Mount Joy Community Chorus, a group of 36 voices, will present "Songs Of Christmas" on Sunday, December 12 at 3:00 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church, West Main Street, Mount Joy and the public is cordially invited to attend.

The chorus is under the direction of Miss Dorothy E. Schock and Mrs. Carol

Bubacz is the pianist. Miss Beulah Smith, Organist at Trinity Lutheran Church, will play the offertory.

Soloist will be Miss Sandra Heisey, Miss Verna Brandt and Mrs. Dorothy Heilig, sopranos, and John F. Way, Jr., bass.

A free-will offering will be received.