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## Free help for gardeners



"I did it myself!" says former Susquehanna Times editor Rick Bromer, of 15 So. Chestnut St. in Marietta. Rick has worked as a lumberjack, fisherman, steelworker, and salt miner as well as a journalist, but this was his first experience with roto-tilling; Marietta Canning Center worker Ella Newswanger, left, helped Rick set up the free roto-tiller and told him how to use it—all he had to pay for was the gasoline.

Ella told the Times that she is available to help any resident of the Marietta area with gardening. A mulcher is also available for free. The center has cheap seeds as well.

You can do it yourself too, and save money. Call 426-2623 between 8:30 and 9:30 AM, and ask for Ella. Information and free soil tests can be arranged also.

## School Board forum

### Board will hold open meeting...

The Donegal School Board will hold a public forum on May 2nd in the district administration building. The Board is interested in obtaining feedback from the citizens of the district on

areas of concern, and will try to answer questions on matters of policy and the budget.

School Board members will be available from 7:00 to 8:00 PM for individual

consultations. At 8:00 president Arnold will preside over a group session devoted to answering questions and listening to the views of the citizens who are present.

### ...and announce their agenda

The Donegal School Board will meet at 8:00 PM on April 20th in the district administration building. (The building is on S. Market Ave. in Mount Joy. Turn off Donegal Springs Road just south of S. Angle Street near Cross Roads Church.)

Items for consideration include: a new contract for district custodians; resignations by two teachers, appointment of a teacher for the balance of the school year at Riverview; a policy

on holding report cards for delinquent fees; the Vo-Tech budget; a teacher visitation program for the Vo-Tech; sabbatical leave requests by a teacher and an administrator; coaching assignments for fall and winter sports; a request from the American Legion baseball league for use of the athletic field; and a request from Marietta Borough to build a skateboard ramp on the Riverview grounds.

The complete agenda includes additional items as

well as many informational items. Copies of the agenda will be placed in each district building library on Tuesday, April 18, for the convenience of interested citizens.

The Board plans to review a preliminary budget on May 18 and to adopt a final budget on June 15. Budget considerations are extremely difficult at this time because of the uncertainty of the Pennsylvania budget allocation for education.

## Friendship Fire plans fund drive

### Money is needed for the new station

Plans have been announced by the Friendship Fire Co. No. 1 Mount Joy to begin a Capital Funds Drive. The goal of the campaign is \$300,000.

The fire company is planning to relocate on the corner of New Haven and David Streets. According to the Lancaster County Planning Commission future growth will occur on the south side of Mount Joy.

The north side of town is projected to remain primarily agricultural. Therefore the fire station's new location will be a step toward the future.

The decision to erect a new station was made when it was learned the

present building could not be renovated to meet space needs for the company.

The present building lacks an adequate heating system. Maintenance cannot be done on the equipment inside the structure. There is not enough space for training areas.

Robert Bishop, architect, Rheems, had worked with the firemen in designing the building.

The building will face New Haven Street. There will be 5 equipment bays. A 50 foot ramp will lead up to the front doors.

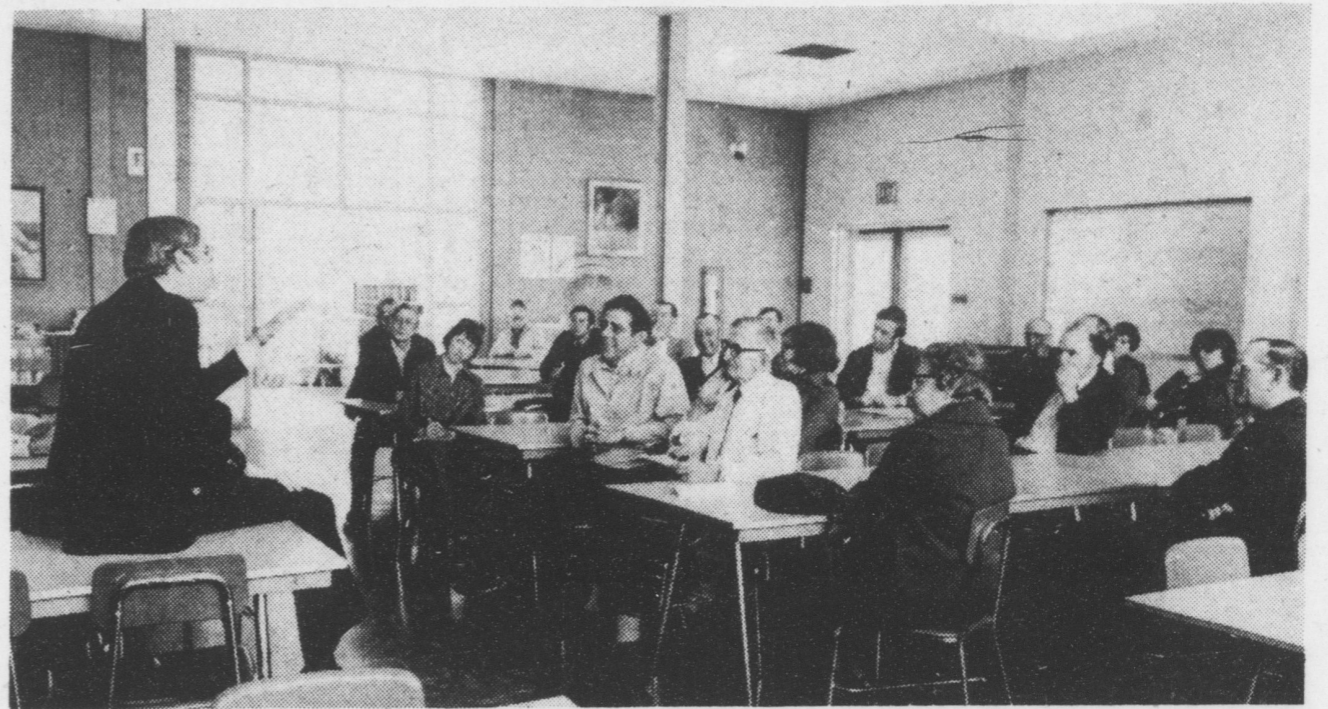
The rear section will be on two levels. The top level will house offices and training meeting rooms.

The lower level will be the kitchen area and public room.

The members of the company have been very pleased with the positive reaction from the community so far concerning this project.

If you are interested in seeing just why the men feel a new building is needed come and visit the present station. A development campaign office had been set up and personal will be available from 9 to 5 weekdays.

If you have any questions or would like a guided tour at a specific time call 653-5922 during office hours.



Bob Walker [at left] at the Town Meeting at Beahm

## Bob Walker visits Beahm

Congressman Bob Walker visited Beahm Junior High last week for a "town meeting," and made headlines in local papers by announcing that he has turned back \$55,000 of his operating expenses to the U.S. Treasury.

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About 25 people attended the meeting. Citizens voiced concern about inflation, busing, and excessive government regulation. One man was worried about communism taking over the country.

Walker reiterated his positions on these issues. To deal with inflation,

Walker favors balancing the national budget. He spoke out against busing, saying that it removes local control of citizens over their school boards. He cited the case of two towns in Delaware whose students are being bused back

and forth, so that their parents are not paying the teachers who teach their children. A citizen remarked at this point that school boards are so tied up in red tape that it makes little difference.

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## Jobs

Postmaster Gerald Hostetter announced the opening of an examination for Clerk-Carrier at the Mount Joy Post Office. This exam is being held to establish a register; there is no posi-

tion open at the present time. Applications will be available at the Mount Joy Post Office starting April 24 and must be filed by April 28, 1978, the closing date.