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The Prosecutor



Steve Englert shows how the prosecutor stick is used to fend off a knife attack. The object in the lower right is a hand holding a knife; the stick is hitting the hand. The prosecutor stick is not designed for striking; however, it can be used for this purpose.

What looks like a piece of broken ladder, is made of unbreakable plastic, and is carried by up-to-date police officers? It's called a prosecutor stick.

Like the traditional nightstick which it replaces, the prosecutor is round and heavy. It isn't as long, though, and it has a handle coming off the side.

According to Sgt. Steve Englert of the Marietta Police, the prosecutor is far superior to the nightstick, especially as a "come-along" which, hooked behind a hoodlum's arm, will make him come along—hence the name. Without the out-sticking handle, a nightstick is useless as a come-along.

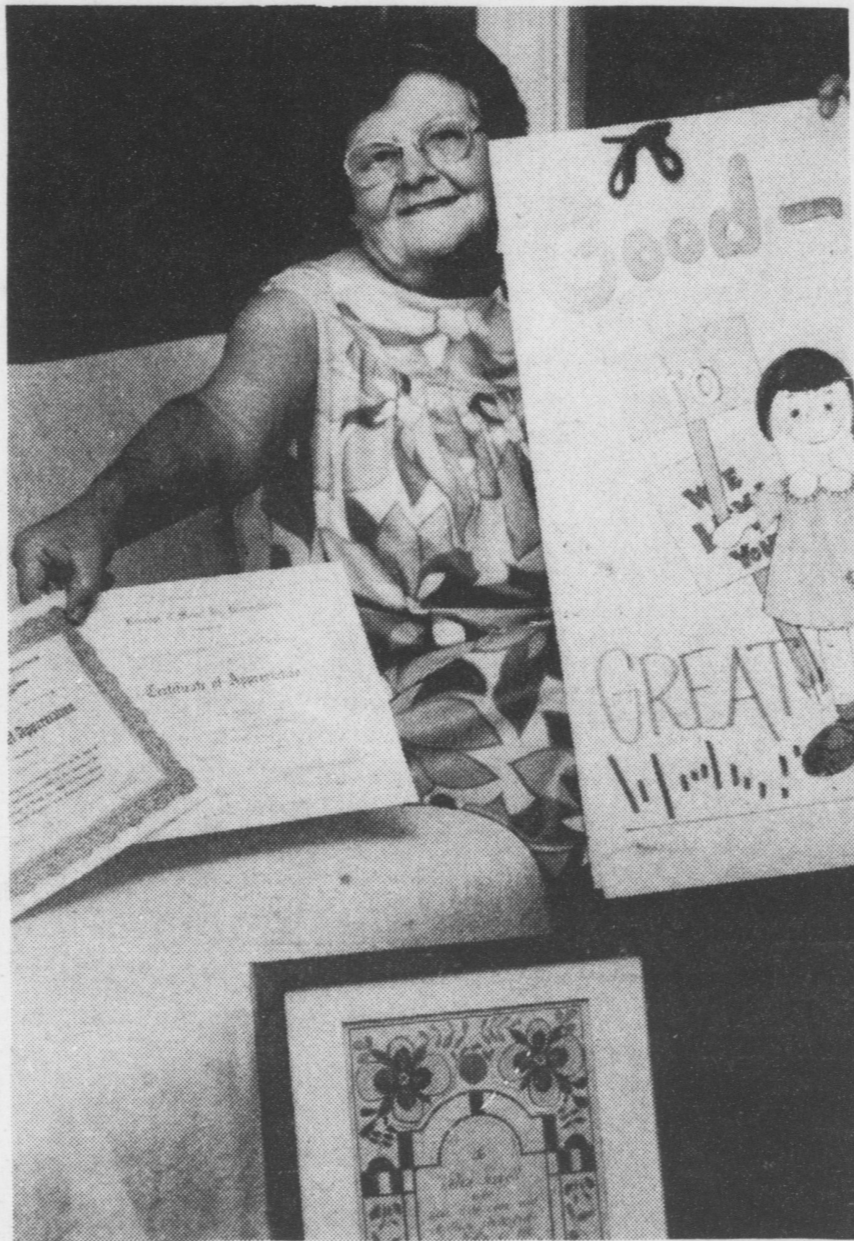
"You can use it for just about anything," says Sgt. Englert of the prosecutor.

When held with the long part along the forearm, the stick can be used to block blows and kicks, while leaving the other hand free. In a confrontation situation, it is less obvious than a nightstick, and less threatening—indeed, it is not intended for striking, although it can be used for this.

Sgt. Englert, who has used his prosecutor stick about a half-dozen times as a come-along, told us that students at the Police Academy in Hershey get 8 hours of training in the use of the nightstick and prosecutor.



Drawing of a prosecutor stick



Helen Pennell is shown in her living room at 27 Mount Joy Street, Mount Joy, with some of the things given her in honor of her retirement as a crossing guard at Seiler School.

The giant card was made by Mrs. Wise, art teacher at Seiler. The back is signed by hundreds of Seiler students. Not one kid told Helen that she would be getting the card, which amazes her.

The two papers in her hand are the certificates presented her at the Mount Joy Council meeting; the fraktur on the floor was given to her by Mrs. Wise at a Seiler School and Home Association.

Helen Pennell honored again, this time by Mount Joy Council and Police

Helen Pennell was honored by the Mount Joy Council and the Mount Joy Police Department for the 21 years of service as a crossing guard prior to her retirement last January.

Certificates were presented to her by Mayor Gingrich and Officer Frank Aument. Officer Aument was Helen's first patrol boy when she started as a crossing guard in January of 1957.

Helen knows hundreds of local children and youths as a result of 21 years at Seiler School and the old

Mount Joy Elementary School. Most of them say "high" to her, she says, until they graduate from high school. The ones who go to college, Helen told us, are friendlier than those who don't. "I guess that's because they don't see me as often," she says. "What will she do now? 'I have plenty to do,' she says. 'We [i.e., she and her husband, Bruce] belong to the Senior Citizens. I babysit for my daughter. And we have a big house and three gardens.'"

Forest Fire Crew launches fund drive

The E-town/Mount Joy fund drive is now under way, according to crew chief H. Eugene Altland.

Members of the crew will soon be knocking on your door as they canvass the township. Any donation you give them will go to insulate the new headquarters at Greentree Station.

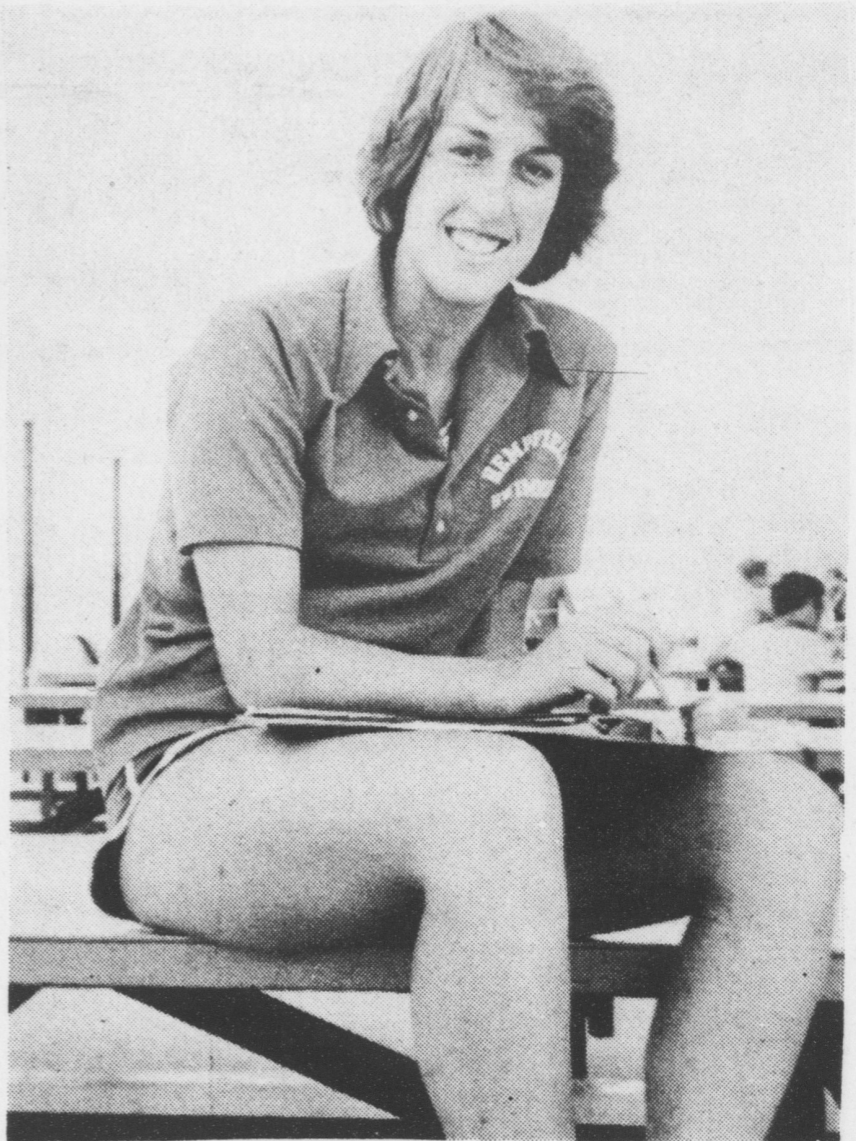
The boroughs will not be canvassed; however, any resident of Marietta or

Mount Joy may donate to the office at 139 No. Market St., Mount Joy.

The crew is hoping to raise \$1500. Any donation you can make will be greatly appreciated.

Incidentally—any group can arrange to tour the new Greentree Station, built entirely by crewmen, by calling 653-2130 for an appointment.

Psychology/swimming



Laurie Bryson

"There's a lot of psychology involved in swimming," says Laurie Bryson, coach of the Mount Joy Swim Team. She should know—she's both a swimmer and a psychologist.

Laurie was an All American swimmer at Hempfield High School. She was the YWCA national breast-stroke champ in 1975. Now at the University of Virginia (on the first athletic scholarship that the U. of V. has ever granted to a woman), she is again All American.

Laurie's major is psychology; she wants to work as a high school guidance counselor and swim coach after she graduates.

"A lot of coaching is counselling," she says. "Attitude is important to a team, as well as technical skill, when it comes to winning."

The Mount Joy Swim Team has a 2-1 record now. They are undefeated in three divisions: 8 & under boys', 14 & under boys', and 17 & under boys'.