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## New boro manager has broad background

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street maintenance and reconstruction and for storm sewer construction and come directly from a small percentage of the state liquid fuels tax. Wage and property tax incomes pay for salaries and for the day-to-day business of running local government.

What problems does a medium-size borough such as Mount Joy have? "Road and street maintenance take a lot of our time and budget," Hamer states. "But storm water runoff is one of our biggest problems. Almost all of our complaints from residents concern that problem."

Is it too soon for him to see any possible changes which could be made to better Mount Joy Borough

management? "I've just talked recently with the borough council about that," Hamer says carefully. "We need to implement our storm runoff with storm sewers. But, more importantly, we lack comprehensive short- and long-range plans. I'd like to see that remedied."

What advice would he give a young man or woman thinking about going into town or borough management? "Take undergraduate work in government and government administration," Hamer suggests. "Then get into the field, work at it for awhile. Find out if you like it. Then go for any graduate degrees you may need to advance. And

remember: local government administration is a public service job. So the rewards come from getting the job done right. They're not necessarily just monetary rewards."

And what does a young borough manager do for relaxation on weekends and during the three or four evenings a week he doesn't attend work-oriented meetings? Would you believe that Bruce Hamer is a dedicated drummer who has played professionally with a dance band that specializes in Polish music and has performed as far away as Texas and for a President of the U.S.? His face lighting up with obvious pleasure.

Hamer talks more about his music: "Before coming to Lancaster County, I played with two dance bands at different times. We played in New York state and New Jersey, as well as locally, and we even cut a polka recording one time. We use the old-time concertina, an instrument similar to an accordion, in our bands, and I own two of them."

He's also taught drums part-time in the past and is considering taking on a few students here in the Fall. He and his wife like to travel, visiting historical sites wherever they go, and he spends much time reading, mostly technical periodicals concerning his field of work.

## Lumberjacks to convene here for competitions & festivities

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Friday the 7th. All cakes become the property of the crew.

At 8:00 PM on Friday, Red Taylor and Toppers of Adams County, PA will provide great square dance music. This is free. A macadam area is available for the dancing.

Saturday, September 8th's events start at 8:00 in the morning, when the crew auxiliary will serve breakfast until the amateur woodsmen's competition starts at 10:00 AM. The rides and carnival will be open throughout the day on Saturday so the kiddies can ride to their hearts' content.

(There will also be a children's petting zoo, operated by the FFA club for the tots.)

The Northeastern U.S. Woodsmen Championship will get underway at 1:30 with a total of twelve events. \$1000 in prize money will be given away in the professional division.

At 5:00 PM a wood hick costume contest will be held. The person with the best 1800's lumbering era outfit will get a trophy.

At 5:30 the Falling Stars Parachute Team will jump from 9000 feet and land in the competition area.

At 6:30 "The New Life," a fast-rising gospel quartet, will put on a two-hour show.

Shorty Long and the Santa Fe Rangers, along with two superstars and Miss Dolly, will present their 50th year show.

Rain date for the Woodsmen's Festival is September 14 and 15. To get there, get off the Rheems-E-town exit of Rte. 283 (Cloverleaf Road) and go north 1 1/2 miles. There will be plenty of parking. Camping is available for self-contained units only. Bring lawn chairs.

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## Maytown-East Donegal Fire Co. to hold picnic on Sunday July 15

All members of Maytown-E. Donegal Fire Co. are invited to attend the family picnic being planned for Sunday July 15th.

Location will be at town Park, at the old Legion building. Time: 11AM 'til 7. Featured in the afternoon

will be a softball game between Maytown Fire Co. members and firemen from Florin Fire Co. Game time: 2PM.

There will also be games for children and adults. Members who will be attending should contact

Deb Smeal at 426-2108 for a list of items still needed for the picnic. Bring lawn chairs and enjoy the fun-filled day being planned by the organizations of the Maytown-E. Donegal Twp. Fire Co.

## June was a busy month for Maytown-East Donegal Fire Co.

Maytown/East Donegal Twp. Fire Chief Charles Shaffner reported 9 emergency fire calls for the month of June.

Emergency calls were: 4 calls to Donegal Conoy Health Center, Malfunction of Auto. Fire Alarm System; 3 assist calls to Marietta

Fire Co.; 1 assist call to Bainbridge for a barn fire; and 1 vehicle accident at Rt. 141 and Colebrook Rd.

In addition, Chief Shaffner also reported 4 Public Service Calls, and 3 training sessions. A total of 15 Maytown Fire Police responded to the 9 Emergency

Calls and 1 training session.

For the 6 month period—Jan. 1 to July 1, 1979, Maytown Fire Co. has responded to a total of 49 emergency calls, 13 public service calls, 3 controlled burnings, 6 work details, and 17 Monday night training sessions.

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