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Mount Joy mayor James Gingrich signs a proclamation declaring January 20 through 26 Jaycee Week, while Jaycee Bob Stoner looks on.

## Mount Joy Mayor James Gingrich proclaims Jan. 20-26 Jaycee Week

Mount Joy Mayor James A. Gingrich has proclaimed January 20 to 26, 1980, as Jaycee Week, and he has asked local citizens to take part in the observance.

The purpose of the week

Safety Rodeo and The Miss Donegal Area Pageant.

Nationally, the Jaycees will be celebrating their sixtieth anniversary. Built on a solid foundation of creating opportunities for leadership training through community betterment projects, 385,000 Jaycees are today active in more than 9200 communities in the United States. Local observances will start with the Mount Joy Community Prayer Breakfast on Saturday, January 19, 7:00 am at Hostetter's

Banquet Hall. The Jaycees will be attending services at St. Luke's Episcopal Church Sunday, January 20. The finale to the week long observance will be the 23rd Annual Distinguished Ser-

football and basketball, and so was quite qualified to coach. "I always loved organizing games, and helping the kids with athletics," Mr. Peters says. One gets an idea of how the students of Marietta

High felt about Mr. Peters by reading the dedication to

## Teacher of the Week (cont.)

had taught.

coach.

former students. He showed

us a large selection of

clippings describing the

accomplishments of the

young men and women he

leader at Donegal where he

became the first head

football coach. He was also

the junior high basketball

While being so involved

with his school, Mr. Peters

also found time to get

involved in community work

in his hometown of Colum-

bia. He was head of the

Columbia Rec League for 28

years. "The Rec League has

been a very important part

of my life. When I started

there was only one play-

ground in the town. There

are now five playgrounds

and a Community Center.

When I Think of all the work

we put into the program, it

is just hard to believe. I

thought one time of having a

reunion of all the members

of the playground staff

during the years I was in

charge. Even if only half

could come, I don't think

there is a hall big enough to

hold them all. It is

wonderful just how many

kids helped with the pro-

gram. They are the ones,

along with their concerned

parents, who worked and

Mr. Peters continued as a

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in a graduating class. "We were very close, the students and the teachers. The students felt safe with the teachers and came to them with problems. It was great from the teacher's point of view, also, for you could be with a student and watch him grow over the four-year period. There is something to be said for small schools."

While at Marietta, Mr. Peters brought in his own shop equipment and showed students how to operate the various tools. He did this in what spare time he had. "There were very few nonacademic kids finishing high school at this time. There was really little to hold them there. I felt something like a shop program would be of real value to the students who would join the labor force right after high school.

"We went to the state seeking money to start a real shop program. The told us that in order to receive funds we would have to consolidate, because we were too small." That was the beginning of the Donegal Union School District. Donegal opened its doors in 1955, about five years after the first steps toward the union were taken.

earned the money to put up In addition to his teaching the Community Center and duties at Marietta, Mr. the various playgrounds." Peters coached basketball and baseball. He had earned Mr. Peters was a water twelve letters at Millersville safety instructor, and he and State College, in baseball, a group would go around to various communities who were putting in pools for the first time, demonstrating water safety and the techniques used in the

teaching of water safety. Mr. Peters was also involved with scouting. "He would be gone from 7:00 in the morning until 10:00 at night," says Louise Peters, his wife. "Why, I saw more of him before we were married," she laughs. Today she sees more of him, as they work together. Mrs. Peters, after the three children were in high school, got a job teaching math in the adjacent room to her that of her husband. Today, Mrs. Peters is the guidance counselor at the junior high. The Peters' have three children. Ben, lives in Gettysburg and is a State Rehabilitation Counselor. Huberta lives in Marietta and is a hair stylist, and Richard, who also lives in the area, works at the Armstrong Carpet Plant. When asked about his teaching methods, Mr. Peters says that he believes in the basics. "Every student must be able to add,

subtract, multiply and divide. He should also understand whole numbers, fractions and decimals, and be able to change fractions to decimals and percents, change decimals to fractions and percents, and change percents to decimals and fractions. A person must have these skills to go through the world. It is that simple. I believe in forcing the students to learn these processes. If they are left to work at their own pace, they become lazy and cheat themselves out of an education. Eighth grade students at our school at one time had a ninth grade mathmatic level. Today the level is grade 7.9. I feel this is because of new programs which do not force students to learn the basics."

Mr. Peters tries to make learning math interesting for his students. "I like to use a problem dealing with a student's family tree. I tell them it has been about twenty generations since the time of Christopher Columbus. To figure out how many members there are in their family tree going back to that time we use the base 2 to the 20th power. The students are amazed when they come up with a number in the millions. This is what I call making learning fun. They will want to experiment with other problems like this."

We asked Mr. Peters why he was retiring at this time. He replied by saying, "I still love kids, and it was fun when I saw the children of my former students coming into my class. But do you know what? I am starting to see the grandchildren of my former students. That is when it is time to get out!"

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is to focus attention on young men and the work they are doing, and to emphasize the outstanding job the Mount Joy Jaycees have done since their founding in 1951. The Jaycees have helped community members of all ages through projects such as the 75 Plus Banquet, Bike

### **Mount Joy Sports Club** shows increase in membership

The Mount Joy Sports Club would like to inform you that they now have a membership of 1102 members paid to date. Mount Joy's club has been involved in wildlife management programs and passing game laws with the Pennsylvania Game Commission and the Pennsylvania Fish Commission. The have also worked for sound conservation laws with the Federated Sportsmen of Lancaster County, helped with National Hunting and Fishing Day celebrations, and administered

N.R.A. and PA Game Commission Hunter Education Courses. The club has certified over 1400 youngsters in their Hunter Education Courses. They also had their own pheasant stocking programs for many years.

The club is glad that "in this day and age of misinformed anti-hunters and anti-gun people, . . . our membership has been increasing steadily in the last ten years. We are now one of the biggest sports clubs in Lancaster County."

vice Award Banquet to be held Saturday, January 26 at Hostetter's. Reservations for the Banquet can be made through Tim Crouser at 653-2460.

Mount Joy's outstanding young man will be announced at the banquet and presented with the coveted Distinguished Service Award Plaque. For weeks, Jaycees have been contacting churches, businesses and other organizations to determine which young man of the community has contributed the most during the past year. Last year's winner, William Martin, will present this years award. Other community awards, including the Joycee-ettes Woman of The Year Award, will be presented during the evening's festivities.

The speaker for this year's Banquet will be Al Benedict, the Pennsylvania State Auditor General. Master of Ceremonies for the event will be Mayor Gingrich.

The Jaycees would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who have given their support to the organization in the past.

the 1951 yearbook.

To Mr. Hubert K. Peters, who has been the main reason for our success as a class by his inexhaustible efforts in promoting class activities, who has influenced us with his timely and valuable advice to cooperate wholeheartedly with our fellowmen, and who has given us beneficial and well-considered guidance for becoming good citizens, we with deep regard and respect, do hereby dedicate this "Mariettian".

Mr. Peters has been more than a teacher to us, he has been a kind friend and gracious companion. Our simple words cannot adequately bespeak the great bond which has held us together throughout our school life and which we dread to sever at graduation. His constant concern of our well-being, and his readiness to help us promote any project for the group, will be our guiding lights in the years to come. We shall never need a friend or advisor so long as Mr. Peters is around M.H.S.this we know.

Mr. Peters did follow the lives and careers of his

#### Have a band looking

# for a job?

Delta Phi Eta Honor Sorority of Millersville State College is seeking bands to play during the 5th Annual 28 Hour Dance Marathon to be held from 8 pm Friday, March 7, to midnight on Saturday, March 8. The dance marathon will be held at the Student Memorial Center on the Millersville Campus.

The proceeds of the marathon will benefit the Lancaster Chapter of the American Heart Association. Any band wishing to volunteer its time may contact the Heart Office at 246 West Orange Street, Lancaster.

