

Marietta Jaycees discuss plans for old high school

The year 1980 marks ten years since the Marietta Jaycees purchased the old Marietta High School. Their goal in 1970 was to renovate the building into a recreation center serving the community of Marietta and its surrounding areas.

From 1970 to 1977 progress was slow and consisted entirely of volunteer manpower and fund raising. During this time windows were replaced, painting was done and many hours were spent in general clean-up and maintenance.

In 1977 the Jaycees secured the services of the DeVitry, Gilbert, and Bradley architectural firm, in an attempt to secure federal funding. The firm did a feasibility study of the community needs and how adaptable the building would be in fulfilling these needs. Their report, along with the proposal, was submitted. In 1978 the Jaycees of Marietta received their first federal grant approval for the building. It was decided that this money, which would be made available in 1979, would be used to put a new roof over the gym and to secure the services of the architectural firm in an

attempt to obtain future federal funding.

In 1979 the Marietta Jaycees received the approval for their second federal grant to be used on the recreation center. This money would be available for use in 1980.

During this time the Jaycees have done some demolition on the first floor. The old gym floor was taken up, the stage and gym areas were cleaned of several truckloads of debris and a few walls were removed. The Jaycees are now involved in putting a roof on the remainder of the building.

It has been decided to use the 1980 federal funds to complete the gym and locker rooms. The stage is also set for completion in addition to finished classrooms for project Head Start to use. During this time the Jaycees hope to renovate two general meeting rooms upstairs. September 1980 has been projected as the completion of these goals.

A governing body, called the Marietta Trust Fund, has been established to handle future policies and decisions on the Recreation Center.

Donegal Menu

Following is the lunch menu for the Donegal Schools for the week of January 21 through 25. Milk is included with each meal.

Monday
Juice
Pizza
Cheese Stix
Green Beans/butter sauce
Fruit

Tuesday
Pork Choplet
Mashed Potatoes
Sauerkraut
Bread & butter
Applesauce

Wednesday
Turkey Shifter Sandwich
Butt. Swiss Mix
Fruited Jello/topping

Thursday
Wiener Wink
Baked Beans
Lettuce/creamy dressing
Banana in Orange Juice

Friday
Lasagne
Tossed Salad
Butt. Carrots
Italian Bread/butter
Raspberry Crumble



Ammon L. Smith

Ammon L. Smith talks of plans for Mount Joy Council

Ammon L. Smith, newly elected president of the Mount Joy Borough Council, told the *Susquehanna Times* last week, "I feel we have a good council and a good borough manager to work with for the next two years. I hope we can keep on the way we have in providing services—and if we can provide some new services, without spending too many dollars—good."

"There are a few pet things I've been interested in over the years: up-grading the storm sewers and better street lighting. Improvements in sewers and lighting are expensive, however, and have to be slow."

Mr. Smith was first elected to council in 1970 from Florin, the district he still represents on council. "I feel it's your duty to serve where you can," he says.

He is the son of Samuel and Mabel Smith, who still live in the house on Donegal Springs Road where Ammon Smith was raised. At 80, the elder Smiths are still active, spending a lot of their time refinishing furniture. Their son Ammon is very proud of them.

Except for his years in the Army, Ammon Smith never had an address other than Mount Joy. He was graduated from the old East

Donegal High School, class of '51, in Maytown. He then went to work for Musser Longhorn Farms, where he

had been working summers and Saturdays ever since he was nine years old.

From 1955 to 1957 he was

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serving in the Army, mainly with the occupation forces in Germany.

After his Army service, Smith went to work for Hollinger Oil in Mount Joy. When Newcomer Oil in Elizabethtown bought Hollinger in 1976, Smith went with Newcomer. He is presently Service and Installation Manager of the Newcomer Oil Corporation.

Smith is married to the former Patricia Hollinger. The Smiths have three children: Edward, living in New Castle, Delaware; Elaine (Mrs. Charles) Karus, Maytown; and Cynthia (Mrs. Russell) McKinney, Mount Joy.

The Smiths have five grandchildren.

Mr. Smith's brother Lehman lives in Elizabethtown, a sister, Mrs. Phares Wenger, Mount Joy, and a brother, Norman, McAllisterville, Pa.

The Smiths attend Christ Lutheran Church, Elizabethtown.

Mr. Smith's hobbies are camping, square dancing, and fishing.

His general goal as president of the borough council will be to maintain an ongoing program of improving services to the citizens.

Smith's guiding philosophy as a public official has always been to do what he thought was best for the majority of the people.

Smith has a strong impression that the people of Mount Joy like Mount Joy because of its small-town atmosphere. Smith says, "I have tried to keep this impression in mind, and do whatever I can to preserve the small-town atmosphere of Mount Joy."

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