

Mount Joy Area Leisure Club meeting

The Mount Joy Area Leisure Club met recently with 165 members present. The noon dinner was

planned and served by the men of the club, and enjoyed by all.

Mr. William Balabanow, with the Consumer Protection Agency, talked to the group regarding the purpose of the agency. He also outlined the steps to take if someone has problems with a piece of merchandise or a contract.

Two ladies from the Office of Aging also attended the meeting, signing up members and distributing the new Discount Booklets.

President Joe Shaeffer called the business session to order, Teresa Heisey presented the secretary's report, and Almeda Hostetter read the treasurer's report. Minnie Tucker, of

the Sunshine Committee, reported two cards sent to shut-ins during the past month.

Members signed up for a bus trip to Longwood Gardens, scheduled for Friday, December 12. The bus will leave from the rear of the United Methodist Church at 1:00 pm. It will stop at Frey's Christmas store and Harvest Drive restaurant for a family style dinner, and then travel to Longwood Gardens for the evening.

The annual Leisure Club Christmas party and dinner will be held at Hostetters Monday evening, December 15, beginning at 6:00 pm. A special entertaining program will be part of the evening's fun.

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the next phase could begin.

"Phase one" is virtually completed. Under the original plan, a permanent sewage treatment plant and storm drainage system would have to be completed before "phase two" could begin. Also, under the original plan, a large percentage of the "phase two" housing was to have been single-family dwellings.

Developer Julius Goldfarb of Maytown Associates, builders of Country Village on the former Endslo farm, asked that the sewage improvements be postponed and that a larger percentage of multiple-family units—semi-detached homes, townhouses, etcetera—be permitted.

Mr. Goldfarb explained that expensive homes are not selling well today because of high interest rates, and that profits from the low-income housing are necessary to raise money to complete the sewer and drainage improvements in the plan.

Citizens voiced a wide range of objections. Many said they'd no idea that a project of this size had been contemplated in Maytown. Others worried that local schools, utilities, roads, police protection, etcetera would have to be drastically expanded at taxpayer expense, and that low-income newcomers would not add enough money to the tax base for improved services.

Dr. John Brown, of the local planning commission, said that the planners were unhappy with the proposed variance, and recommended denial by the township supervisors. Dr. Brown said that he preferred "natural, gradual" growth outward from Maytown, and that the developer's proposals left "many unanswered questions."



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