

Mount Joy Library Faces Possibility Of Financial Crisis

After nine and one-half years of service to the community, the Mount Joy Library is faced with the possibility of cutting back on services and eventually closing the library.

This year's fund drive goal is \$5,000. But so far, only \$2,700 has been received.

It appears, Library officials say, that the residents of the Mount Joy area do not want a local library or they are unwilling to support one. An organization such as the library, they add, can be only as functional as the people who use and support it want it to be.

Either the people of Mount Joy support the library or they will not have one, it is pointed out.

The financial cooperation of interested persons is needed to keep the library functioning and operationally, the officers report. Contributions may be sent to William Eby, treasurer, or to one of the three local banks in the Mount Joy area.

'Of This and That'

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adopted him during his stay.

Then one morning, suddenly and unexpectedly he was gone! His friends hope that he departed voluntarily and that he did not become a prized trophy for the wall of someone's den!

"Nostalgia" is a familiar word in our vocabularies today. Webster defines it as "a longing for something long ago and far away."

A few Broadway shows, like "No, No, Nanette," feature nostalgia. So does the movie, "American Graffiti" and others. The charm of the television series, "The Waltons," is nostalgic. It seems that in the confused state of our world today we are reaching out for "something long ago and far away."

Closer home, and more real than any of those mentioned above, was the nostalgia we were privileged to experience at the annual "Old Folks Hymnsing" held recently at the Elizabethtown Mennonite Church.

Carrying their beloved little hymnals, "Life Songs No. 1", and another book also out of print, scores of people filed into the church to spend two hours singing the songs of another era.

And it was beautiful music they made! Led by "singing masters," some of whom were elderly, and all of whom were experts with their little pitch pipes or tuning forks, the congregation sang heartily and lustily and with devotion.

There was no instrumental accompaniment, of course, and it was possible to hear each of the four parts — soprano, alto, tenor and bass — blending into a "heavenly harmony!"

The hymns seemed to have been written and arranged to compliment this sort of singing, and the people sang them well! We could have

listened easily for another hour!

We were interested to see that all the people in the congregation were not "old folks." There was a heavy sprinkling of young people, to whom "parts singing" is completely familiar. They enjoyed joining the older people in singing the old-time songs!

There were even many children in the group. We would hope that they, too, learn to sing in the same manner, so that the nostalgic tradition of the "Old Folks Hymnsing" will never die out.

Coaches To Show Film Friday Night

Eager to serve the community as well as to promote athletics at Donegal high school, the newly-formed Donegal Coaches' association on Friday, March 22, is bringing to D.H.S. a first-run movie, "Jeremiah Johnson."

Billed as "top-flight, quality entertainment," the film is for high schoolers and the community residents for \$1.25 and 75c.

Profits will be used by the DCA for installation in both the boys' and girls' locker rooms a refrigeration unit to provide immediate cold packs for athletic injuries.

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Attempt To Make Road Curve Safer

An effort to make the "cemetery curve" on Marietta avenue safer was begun last week by the state highway department (PennDOT).

Trees were removed and later, according to the an-

nounced plan, a guard rail will be installed.

LEGION

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Kraybill Strickler. Those unable to be present are: Albert Myers, Sol Barr, George Reigel, Harry Geibe, Carl Zeager and Joe Breneman.

Certificates of Participation were presented to

Harold Etsell, Richard Brown, John H. Coldren, Irvin H. Smith Jr. and James C. Buehler Jr.

Auxilliary awards went to Cindy Santiago, Ruth Rineer, Mary Coldren and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Liput.

A comedy act was furnished for the group and Gloria Longenecker, Sharon Zimmerman, Don Witman and Keith Smith sang

several numbers from "Brigadoon," which will be presented at Donegal high school March 28, 29 and 30.

They were introduced by Mary-Margaret Perraro the dramatics coach. Henry McCullough was Master of Ceremonies, Commander Earl Rettew made the Post awards and President Betty Overly made the Auxilliary presentations.

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