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By R. A. R.

Pennsylvania's new "sunshine" law, which is an attempt to allow more light to be focused upon meetings of public officials, is much in the news these days.

Several official bodies in the local area are subject to the act. But, as far as we know, all are living within the "letter of the law".

As we see it, the "Sunshine" law has changed nothing. Actually, it has better defined ways to hold closed meetings which are not open to the public. The law now sets out how a board or commission may close its doors and hold executive sessions.

So, having held their shuttered sessions and made their private decisions, on most matters, the membership may appear in public and vote "on the record" and remain completely within the "letter of the law."

Locally, the official decisions of boards are not kept secret. They are on the record and available.

But, what the Sunshine law does not do is to shine light upon what, perhaps, is an even more important feature of board voting. It would seem inherent to the system of openness in government that the public should know WHO votes for WHAT and WHY. All too often boards reach a "meeting of the minds" in private session and then vote officially in public as if there is a

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HOMES TOUR

Set Nov. 3 As Date

The Mount Joy Business and Professional Women's Club will sponsor its annual Candlelight Tour on Sunday, Nov. 3, from 2 to 7 p.m.

Thirteen locations will be open to the public and tours may start at any point.

Arranged by the finance committee, with Mrs. William Barto and Mrs. June Whalen as co-chairmen, proceeds from the event will be used to underwrite these various projects for the BPW:

Cancer Drive, Chinese Nursing Fund, Christmas Decorations, Dental Clinic, Foreign Exchange Student, Girl of the Month, Library, Maxwell Scholarship, Medical College of Pennsylvania, Memorial Day Parade Float, and Projects, Mount Joy Community Council, Senior Citizens Christmas Gifts and Scholarship for Donegal High School Students.



MISS ANNE MILANOF, 22 Donegal Springs Road, (left) staff assistant at the Mount Joy Library, on Monday night ended five years and one month of service and is retiring. During that time, she was absent from the library only two nights, both because of a death in her family. Also pictured is Mrs. Jane Emery, Columbia, R1, who will be taking over the duties of Miss Milanof, who is explaining the library's charging machine.

'Of This and That'

by the editor's wife

Lasagna ... braciolo ... sweet and sour pork ... egg foo young ... beef stroganoff ... strawberries Romanoff ...

What do these interesting foods have in common? They are from the menus of a gourmet cooking class in which we are enrolled, and which meets one night each week for ten weeks at McCaskey high school in Lancaster.

There are 14 people in the class, and each evening we prepare a complete menu, with two or three people responsible for each part of the dinner — the appetizer, the main course, the vegetable, the salad, and the dessert.

At the close of the evening we sit down and eat the gourmet meal together!

What a fascinating thing it is, and how many interesting things we are learning!

The first menu was Italian, and the braciolo was so delicious that we prepared and served it to guests at home, with excellent results. The second menu was Chinese, and we learned how to make sweet and sour pork, egg foo young, fried rice, etc. The sesame seed Chinese cookies we made, whose shortening was peanut oil, were interesting — but we think good old American brownies are better! Next week it will be a French menu. The high point for us will be the week we fix pate de defoie gras, breast of chicken in curried mushrooms, potato bake chantilly, brussel sprouts with chestnuts and chocolate rum mousse!

Enrolled in the class are two men. The editor is one, and the other is the instrumental music teacher at Washington elementary school in Lancaster. Both are proving to be apt pupils, and take the mild teasing of their female classmates with good humor.

It's a sociable group, working enthusiastically, sometimes noisily, in the big, well-equipped home ec kitchen at McCaskey. There's much chatter and visiting among the various little groups preparing

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NAMED SECOND RUNNERUP

Mount Joy Entry In Lancaster County Pageant Thrills Ephrata Contest With Grand Opera

Gloria Longenecker, Mount Joy's entry in the 1974 Miss Lancaster County Pageant, held Saturday night, Sept. 28, at Ephrata, is back in college this week!

She was not the big winner, but she was second runnerup and the many Mount Joy people who saw the pageant were extremely pleased with her performance.

But, this week she is back at Lebanon Valley college, where she is a freshman, and in the thick of activities which are part of the choosing of a Homecoming Queen.

Gloria, virtually stunned

the crowd with her presentation of "Vissi d'Art" from Puccini's opera, "Tosca."

A particularly brilliant number, she handled the music with beautiful soprano clarity. Her appearance was

followed by tremendous applause and one Mount Joy person in the crowd overheard from a voice one row behind, "She's got it made."

But, that was not the way the judges decided. Marlene Louise Frank of Lancaster was the winner and becomes Miss Lancaster County in the Miss Pennsylvania contest.

Gloria, only 18, had never had a voice lesson until she entered Lebanon Valley earlier this month. Yet, she handled the high D in her Saturday night music with ease and clarity.

Besides the talent presentation, contestants appeared in swim suit and evening gown competition Saturday, preceded by a personality judging earlier and in private.

As first runner up, Gloria received a trophy and a \$300 prize, plus several merchandise awards.

Gloria's family, including her grandmother, Mrs. Estella Billow, Fairview street; her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Weaver, and her father Lineaus Longenecker, all attended the Saturday night pageant and a private party at the Sheraton Conestoga afterwards.

Gloria, plus a limited number of other contestants, was urged by the pageant producer to make plans to enter the contest again at a future date.

Street Program Finished For '74

Mount Joy's 1974 street improvement program is finished and the contractor has moved his work force and machines to their next job.

The summer program, which included about 20 blocks of streets, was concentrated in the Florin area and was completed within a span of about 10 days, Borough Manager Joseph Bateman said this week.

John E. Zeller Named "Contractor Of Year"

John E. Zeller, Pinkerton road, has been named "Contractor of the Year" by the National Insulation Contractors association at its 19th annual convention, held Sept. 22-26, at the Marriott hotel, Newton, Mass.

Zeller was honored for his contributions to the association and to the insulation industry. As chairman of the NICA labor committee, he was instrumental in the development of the association's labor manual and the

standard labor agreement.

More than 450 members and guests from throughout the United States and Canada attended the convention, its theme being, "The Spirit of '76".

Zeller participated in the program as a panelist on the topic, "The Three Legged Stool", dealing with labor, construction users and management.

He is employed by AC & S, a national insulation contractor, as manager of construction and labor relations.

Sees Public Apathy On 'Bus' Questions

What appears to apathy on the part of local citizens toward a "bus" questionnaire was noted this week by Borough Manager Joseph Bateman.

Although "ballots and ballot boxes" are located in various business places throughout the community, only a few people are replying, he said.

Although, no replies have been read, Bateman said

that by "peeping" into the boxes he is disappointed by the small number which have been made.

The questionnaires are part of a survey the borough is making, he explained, to gather information which is important to making decisions concerning attitudes about buses in, to and through Mount Joy.

Simple to fill out, the questionnaire, asks such questions as: "How often do you ride the bus?; If you do not ride the bus, why not?; If you are not satisfied with the bus service, why not?; What would induce you to use the bus service more often?"

Landisville Man Commissioned

James D. Poff, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester B. Poff, 205 Elizabeth St., Landisville, has been commissioned a second lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force upon graduation from Officer Training School at Lackland AFB, Tex.

A 1960 graduate of Hempfield high school the lieutenant received his bachelor's degree from Southwest Texas State University. He is a member of Alpha Chi.

TENNIS QUICKIE

Mixed Tennis Tourney

The Mount Joy Tennis Club will sponsor a Round Robin tournament on Saturday, October 5, 1974 at the Mount Joy Boro Park Courts.

Play of this special mixed doubles event will begin at 1 o'clock and conclude by 5 o'clock. Teams wishing to enter this free event should call 653-1212 or 653-4074 by Friday.