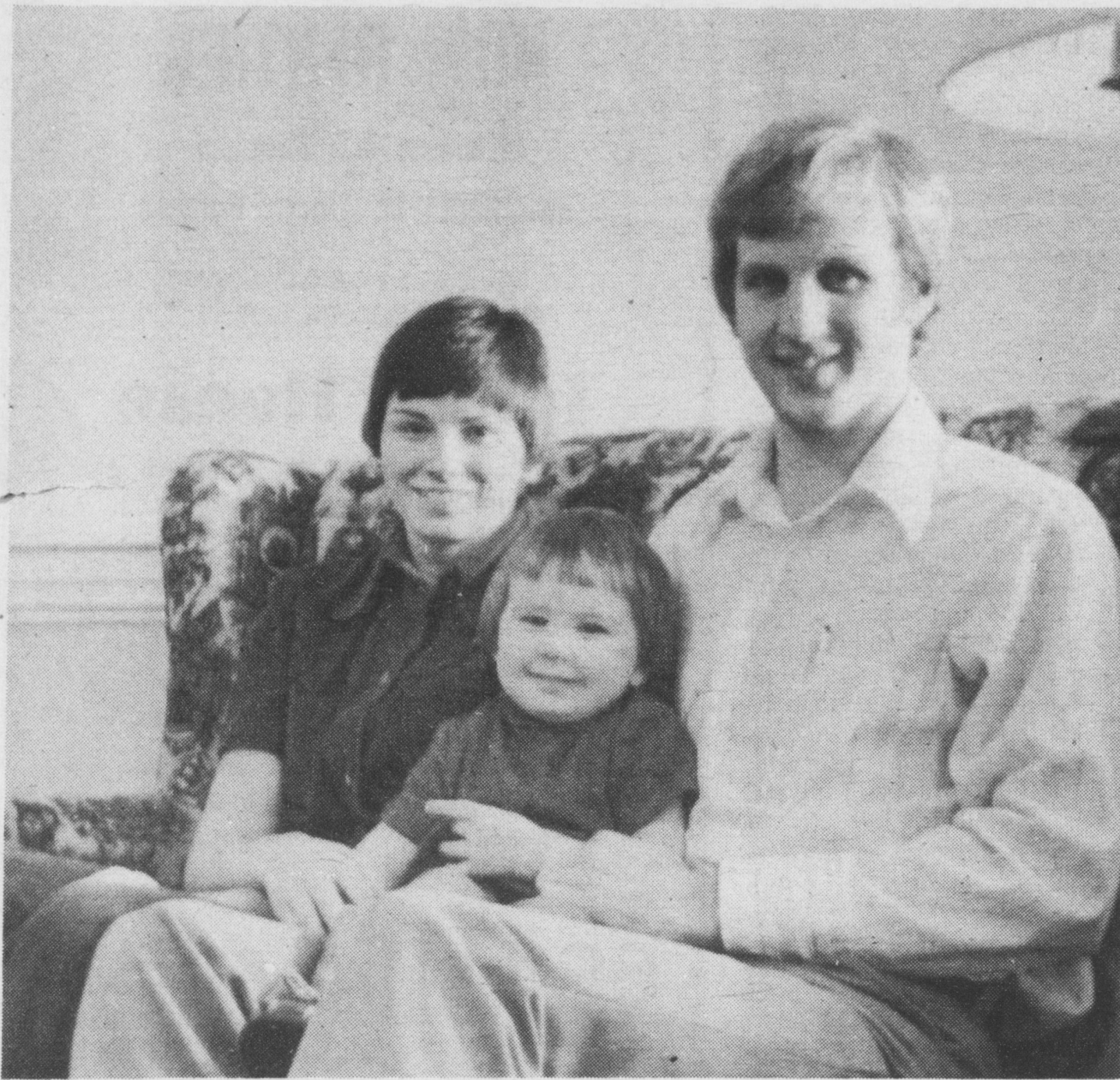


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Rhonda, Michele, & Steve Proctor

In September of 1969 Steve Proctor entered the St. Clair County Community College in Michigan as one of eight male students of nursing in a class otherwise composed of some seventy girls.

Met in nursing school

Out of all those girls in his nursing classes, there was one who almost immediately caught his eye, but she seemed to be engrossed with another girl and two fellows from her home town. Just by chance one time, Steve and the attractive girl, whose name was Rhonda, were paired off to take each other's blood pressure. (They didn't tell the Bulletin whether their blood pressure was up that first time they got acquainted.)

Later, they worked together in obstetrics and the nursery. The more they talked to each other, the more they found they had similar ideas and points of view.

But Steve was a little shy about asking Rhonda for a date, and Rhonda was confiding to a friend that she "knew" he was going to ask her out, but wondered just when he'd get around to it.

It took about a month until Steve asked Rhonda to go to a football game with him.

From then on they started to see each other regularly. Rhonda was impressed by the respect Steve showed her in little ways, like opening doors for her, walking on the outside of the sidewalk, and coming to the door for her.

One night Steve brought his guitar along and played and sang on a balcony adjoining Rhonda's apartment. She listened and was moved. **Shared a religious faith**

They were also discovering that they shared a strong religious faith, a belief that the relationship between a man and a woman was a part of their relationship to God. Together, they were active in a local church youth group.

Steve took Rhonda home to meet his family, and they took her in as one of their own immediately. Steve has five brothers and sisters, one of whom was adopted, but his family had also raised ten foster children. It was a household where newcomers were made welcome. Rhonda was most welcome.

It was clear now that Steve and Rhonda were for each other for keeps. Steve's father said to him that if he ever had an argument with Rhonda not to bother coming to him about it, because Steve's father would assume it would be Steve's fault.

Steve gave Rhonda an engagement ring on her birthday in June, 1970, nine months after they had met. They were married in February, 1971.

Administrator at Schock Presbyterian Home

In the summer of 1971 Steve was appointed administrator at Schock Presbyterian Home in Mount Joy. They moved here and lived for six months in Manheim.

Then they moved into a big old white farmhouse near Route 441 and Colebrook Road. In August, 1972 their daughter, Mich-

ele, was born.

This May, Steve will graduate in business administration from Elizabethtown College. He has been attending school at night since he came here, getting more training for his career in health care administration. He is scheduled to become administrator at a new Presbyterian home being constructed at Oxford, Pa.

"For better or worse"

The Proctors don't claim to have a perfect marriage. They admit to having arguments, Rhonda doesn't think a marriage can be good without some arguments. But when they have disagreements, "We turn to our faith, and we pray about it. . . He doesn't give in, and I don't give in, all the time. We discuss it."

Steve says that he feels a lot of people don't take the

words of the marriage ceremony seriously: "for better or for worse. When marriage is hard, you don't give up."

He thinks a lot of young couples figure, that, well, if things don't work out, "they can always get a divorce."

In other words, marriage is just "for better," but not "for worse."

The Proctors have had a lot of tough financial times since they were married. A lot of couples break up over arguments about the checkbook. It would never occur to either of the Proctors not to trust the other completely with the checkbook.

Rhonda quotes the Gospels, "not to worry about what we will wear and what we will eat." She thinks that when money was very short, somehow, "miraculously," they managed.

Communication

"Two become one" in marriage, which means to the Proctors that nothing is hidden from the other. They believe in absolutely free communication with each other about any concerns.

Rhonda asks, "If you can't be open with your husband - who can you be open with?"

The Proctors feel that marriage has changed since a generation or two ago, when many husbands and wives had an "unspoken relationship with each other." They feel that problems must be brought out in the open, discussed, and solved. Otherwise, the problems can grow big over the years, build up, and destroy a marriage.

Rhonda says that she feels that the husband is, fundamentally, "the head of the household."

But Steve quickly adds, "But the husband must never take advantage of that fact."

In their living room a family Bible is open to the 13th chapter of First Corinthians: ". . . Love will never come to an end. . ."



Bruce Sutter

Feb. 23, 1975

Bruce Sutter left Sun. for Cubs training camp

Last Sunday Bruce Sutter of Mount Joy flew to Scottsdale, Arizona, to begin spring training as a pitcher with the Chicago Cubs.

After three years with teams in the Cubs system, Bruce gets his big chance with the Cubs, the first Mount Joy resident on a major league ball team since Bob Sprout.

It only took Bruce three years to move up to the big-time. He made the move despite a bad elbow nerve in his throwing arm and a torn cartilage in his knee. Dr. Charles R. Winter of Lancaster relocated the nerve so that it doesn't bother Bruce's throwing. Dr. Winter also took care of the cartilage.

Bruce can't throw the fast ball anymore, which used to whizz past batters when he pitched for Donegal High School and won the County Championship against Garden Spot with a three-hitter. Loss of the fast ball doesn't bother Bruce, however, who has

been perfecting his sinker and slider. "Fast balls can be hit too," he says.

Bruce told the Bulletin he learned to play ball from his father, Howard H. Sutter. He played in the mid-level midgets in Mount Joy.

In high school he learned a lot, he says, from the late Don Staley and Al Brooks. They taught him "every aspect of the game." They taught him how to set up a batter and keep him off balance. They also taught him "respect," Bruce states.

Bruce felt confident the day before he left for Arizona. He has learned a lot in his three years in the minor leagues. "Mostly control and keeping the ball down," he says.

Although Bruce has been playing with some losing teams in the last few years, his earned run averages have been phenomenal. This fall his E.R.A. was an incredible .82.

It was those low E.R.A.'s that brought him up to the majors in such a short time.

DID YOU HEAR. . .

Don Witman, DHS senior, has been selected to represent Lancaster County in the 1975 National Music Education Convention in April. Don will be singing in Eastern Seaboard States Chorus. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Martin Witman of R. D. 1, Marietta.

DID YOU HEAR. . .

William A. ("Tex") Landis has received a certificate of merit from the National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test. He is one of less than one-half of one percent of all high school seniors in the United States to qualify. Tex is the son of Dr. and Mrs. William B. Landis of Marietta.

Letters to Editor

Dear Editor:

As you know the Maytown Youth Organization has not disbanded, but will continue to sponsor recreation for the youth of East Donegal Township.

The MYO would like to thank the East Donegal Township Jaycees for the campaign they put on to get the people - members and parents - to come out to our February meeting.

We would also like to thank the "Susquehanna Bulletin" for all the publicity you gave to the MYO. The articles in the paper became the "talk of the town"

and stirred up enough interest to get at least some of the people involved. So, thank you, "Susquehanna Bulletin" and East Donegal Twp. Jaycees, for caring and keeping us, the MYO, a going concern.

We will be holding elections at our next meeting, March 24, 7:30 p.m. at the former Legion home in Maytown. All members are invited to attend.

The MYO will hold baseball registration on March 10 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Legion home. This is

for boys and girls, ages 8 to 15. New children are asked to bring a birth certificate and all children are asked to bring a parent to the sign-up.

The alternate registration date will be Saturday, March 15 from 10:00 a.m. to 12 noon.

Thank you, once again, for all the help you have been to the Maytown Youth Organization.

Sincerely,
Pauline Henry
Publicity Chairman
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