

Florin Ward [1 seat] Democrat



JOHN E. MATONEY

Mr. Matoney, worked as a bricklayer for over 20 years. He is a real estate salesman and owner of apartment buildings in Mount Joy and Elizabethtown.

He was educated at the Patton Masonic School in Elizabethtown and served in World War II and Korean War in the Marine Corps.

Mr. Matoney is a member of the Democratic County Committee, executive director of Pennsylvania Apprenticeship and Training, secretary of the Apprenticeship and Training Council, member of the educational board for Lewisburg Federal Penitentiary, and of the Contract Advisory Board of the Pennsylvania Human Relations Committee.

Mr. Matoney pledges that if elected he will work hard and give dedicated service in the best interests of all the people of Mount Joy.

He is opposed to a new borough ordinance requiring continued payment for water and sewage service for vacant apartments. He feels the law imposes a hardship on apartment dwellers, mostly retired people or "young persons just getting started."

Mr. Matoney understands the questions and concerns of citizens opposed to the

commercial development of the corner lot at Angle Street and Donegal Springs Road. But he feels the borough Council dealt unfairly with the firm that wanted to develop the lot, by requiring expensive planning and surveys, without ever telling the developer that "his plan may not be approved."

Matoney also feels that the recent ordinance which would fine landlords up to \$300 for not reporting their tenants to the government harms "good relationship with the business community" and is "possible an illegal act. If requested all landlords would gladly cooperate in surveying the community for tax assessment, which has traditionally been the responsibility of the government."

Republican



M. GEORGE FITZKEE

Biographical Information

M. George Fitzkee, 615 Donegal Springs Road, Mount Joy, is 46 and was born in Rapho Township. He is a graduate of Mount Joy High School and Pennsylvania State University, from which he received a degree in business administration.

Fitzkee served four years with the United States Air Force in Japan and Korea.

He is a past president of the Florin Lions Club and also of the board of directors of the Mount Joy Library. He is a member of Trinity Lutheran Church, Mount Joy.

For the past 15 years Fitzkee has been employed as a computer salesman with Sperry Univac.

Fitzkee and his wife Ann have three children: Georgeanne, Deborah, and Peter.

Fitzkee's Statement

Since I returned to Mount Joy in 1960, I have watched Mount Joy grow in population, new industry, and in area. Due to the slow action of Mount Joy developing a good zoning and growth plan for the borough, undesirable situations developed from this growth which can not now be easily corrected. Although a great deal has

been done to correct these situations by borough council, a lot of work remains to be done.

Other problems facing Mount Joy which will require a strong council to resolve without a great expenditure of taxpayers' dollars, are remedying the deplorable conditions of the Penn Central Railroad bridges in Mount Joy and providing sewerage facilities to sections of the Florin Ward.

If I am elected to council in November, I will be attentive to the needs of the people and will work to make Mount Joy a better place in which to live.



Duck hunters should cooperate

by J. L. BIESECKER

Grasspatches and small islands had recently been the scene of increasing activity in preparation for last week's opening of duck season. Scrap bits of lumber, driftwood, new lumber, burlap, chicken wire, and grass had been carried about the river and formed into duck blinds. Our recent flood carried away most of the earlier weeks' efforts, but the tenacious duck hunters had been out rebuilding the blinds that they hoped would assure successful hunting.

Duck blinds range from the simplest structure of chicken wire and grass, to the wind proof, house-like structures that rise above the high water mark. Like their quarry, duck hunters return year after year to the same spot on the river. A few old-timers have erected their blind and spread their decoys on the same spot for 40 or more years. One should not be surprised to find that like a nesting duck, hunters scrambled back again to rebuild after Eloise destroyed their earlier work.

Some people ask if the pleasure of duck hunting is worth all the effort involved.

In fact, many wonder what pleasure can exist in getting out of a warm comfortable bed long before daylight to go out on the river to sit in a cramped, wet, wind swept blind. The pleasures and motivations of this sport are greater and more varied than the uninitiated realize.

Duck and hunter are called each fall by some ancient voice that triggers a response which brings them together in the timeless ritual of hunting. For man this results in eager preparation of blinds on warm fall afternoons as the river hums by, retelling of past shared experiences and developing new experiences with hunt-

ing partners. Also involved with the annual push onto the river are the sportsman's developing awareness and increasing knowledge about ducks and expanding skills of hunting.

Pleasant memories stir about and remind us that the effort is small compared to the gain. That misty morning when a flight of Canada geese broke out of the low hanging clouds, cupped their wings and cautiously settled among the decoys; the big Chesapeake joyfully leaping from his perch, shattering the scum ice, bodily retrieving the last duck of the season and many other experiences are a part of those pleasant memories.

Intruding into those memories are present realities that warn of change, difficulties and possible dangers. Each year the river becomes more crowded as increased numbers get involved in duck hunting. These new comers often build blinds on or too near a sight that, by tradition, belongs to another hunter. At times the novice spreads his decoys in a manner that warns off ducks rather than pulling them in. Through these and other means, we find hunters displaying a lack of respect for or knowledge of the unwritten system of rules that have developed through the years.

Man being a territorial animal, resents others intruding into an area that he sees as belonging to him. Some men remember the duck season long past when they had wide areas of the river to themselves. This is no longer possible. Increased amounts of leisure time, greater affluence, and a growing population have contributed to the numbers of hunters on the river.

A decreasing area, small-

er bag limits and increased numbers of people dictate the need for increased cooperation among those who hunt ducks. We need to cooperate and police our ranks to protect the sport.

This gathering together should be for a effort of inclusion and sharing, not one of exclusion and limiting, as some organizations do. We have already cooperated on a large scale in formal organizations such as Ducks Unlimited, and in so doing have saved several million acres of duck nesting areas from the land developers brand of progress. This has helped assure the future of ducks.

However, we also need the small informal groups who can cooperate through sharing the river and it's limited resources. Exclusion, greedy squabbling and the like will reduce the number of hunters on the river and may increase the number of ducks in your bag, but it will cheat others of sharing the experience and decrease the number of people supporting your sport. In the long range this decreasing support will aid the destruction of hunting. We need many interested duck hunters if we are to stop the draining of swamps, and pollution of bays, and in other ways fight the forces that would destroy ducks and duck hunting.

If we do not cooperate, share and work together, fading memories will, each fall, rekindle a call that will not be answered. We will be like the barn yard Mallard with pinioned wings, who stirs about when his wild brothers fly past each fall. The call will be there, stirred by faint recollections and the wings will be impotently lifted, while the fat domestic Peking duck looks on, uncomprehending.

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