



Brilliant Pebble

Also, at a fair appearance, the displays provide an opportunity to bring together potential members and volunteers for regional civil defense organizations. One fair appearance (which can be arranged and staffed by a few people) can easily identify a large potential membership for a local civil defense group.

Therefore the Allentown Fair provided an opportunity to educate many people about homeland defense and also to strengthen the support and membership of several homeland defense organizations. These included Physicians for Civil Defense and Doctors for Disaster Preparedness represented by Dr. Orient, the American Legion civil defense effort and the New England Civil Defense Association represented by Mr. Alley, High Frontier represented by Col. Everett, and **Fighting Chance** represented by these people and by volunteers from Pennsylvania.

There is sometimes a tendency for organizations working toward similar goals to compete with one another to the detriment of their mutual work. America has no credible homeland defense and she surely cannot afford counterproductive competition between those who are working toward correction of this intolerable situation.

The Allentown Fair provides an excellent example of a cooperative homeland defense effort. We are especially pleased with the melding of the civil defense message and the strategic defense message of High Frontier in this appearance before over one-half million grass-roots Americans. Those responsible for America's defenses (and lack of defenses) are definitely going to be feeling the effects of Allentown and subsequent similar events.

Fighting Chance is privileged to have had the opportunity to make this event possible.