

Back Mountain Baseball For Boys Opens Season Saturday

Judge Ben Jones Says Award Is Well Deserved

States Community, In Honoring Editor, Is Honoring Itself

Community response to the annual dinner of Back Mountain Protective Association Monday night at Irem Country Club, said more plainly than the spoken word, its gratification that Howard Risley, editor and owner of the Dallas Post, had been chosen to receive the award of the year for outstanding service to the area.

"We may not always agree with him," said Todstmaster Atty. James Lenahan Brown, "but we always know exactly where he stands on any given question. His pronouncements are not always popular, but they are sincere."

Speaker the Honorable Benjamin R. Jones reminisced about his former classmate at Seminary, where he and Howard had been thrown much together. "Unfortunately," said the Judge, "our paths for a time diverged. He went to Dartmouth. But as the years passed, this was forgiven him, and during the past several years, we have been drawn more closely together."

Atty. Brown, in introducing Judge Jones, reminisced that it was before his father, another Judge Jones, that he had himself first appeared before the bar. And it was a strict lawyer who presided over the court.

Judge Ben said that there was only one subject which would divert Mr. Risley for more than a moment from working for his chosen community, and that was the Civil War. Drop the name of Shilo, or Antietam, or Gettysburg into a casual conversation, and the horses were off to the races, with the newspaper business momentarily forgotten.

The Judge then left Mr. Risley for a few moments, to speak seriously about the question of zoning. Zoning he said, was vital to the progress of the community. "And if we ever DO get the new highway," he continued, "zoning will be constantly more vital. It used to be a dirty word, labelled unconstitutional, and infringing upon the rights of property owners, but this is no longer the case. If this area is ever to realize its potential, it must have a planned development."

He suggested that the Back Mountain Protective Association take planned development as a project, acting as the conscience of the Back Mountain, that such planning should not consider the challenge on a piecemeal basis, but as a whole. He concluded his remarks by saying that in honoring Mr. Risley, the community was honoring itself; that every worthwhile project in the Back Mountain that had been initiated since Mr. Risley took over the Dallas Post more than thirty years ago, had been supported enthusiastically by the local paper, and that most of the ideas for betterment had been originated in its pages and accorded to its editorial policy. He cited as prime examples the establishment of the library and its continued support through the annual Library Auction.

Mr. Brown, thanking Judge Jones, said "The highway IS coming. All that is holding it up at this point is a matter of a couple more condemnations. It won't be long now." He added that the Protective Association was already sending representatives to zoning and planning meetings, and called attention to the land-use meeting scheduled for Tuesday night at Dallas Senior High School.

Atty. Brown presented the award to Mr. Risley. In response, Mr. Risley said that he could not accept it for himself, but in the name of the Dallas Post, "a community institution that was here before I was born, and that will be here after I am gone, I accept it in behalf of all those who have had faith in this wonderful community."

No human being, he said, could help but be deeply moved . . . and very humble. "I am deeply touched because this award comes from a community which I have loved so long . . . whose problems have been my problems, and whose struggles, my struggles."

Mr. Risley was given a rising ovation.

Introduced from the head table were Sisters Celestine and Marianna, who as President and Dean had received the award for College Misericordia the preceding year.

Rev. Francis A. Kane, pastor of Gate of Heaven, gave the invocation; Rev. Russell Lawry, pastor of Dallas Methodist Church, the benediction.

Entertaining were members of the Misericordia String Players, Lorraine Rowe, Kathleen Murphy, Barbara Turnbach, Joan Voveris, and Carol Walcavage. Patricia Ungemach, soprano, accompanied by Enid Housty, sang two selections, and Lorraine Rowe gave a violin solo. These music students had remained (Continued on Page 4 A)

Rotary Mower Lacerates Toes

Donald Weidner Hurt At Library

Donald Weidner seriously injured the toes of his right foot Saturday afternoon when he slipped on some daffodil leaves while cutting the terraces at Back Mountain Library with a rotary power mower.

He was given first aid treatment by Dr. Harry G. Gallagher and received further treatment at Nesbitt Hospital where it was found that one toe was fractured and eight stitches were required to close lacerations of two others.

The injuries might have been more serious had Mr. Weidner not been wearing heavy composition-soled hightops. The swiftly revolving blade of the mower completely sheared them in two.

Fortunately, Mr. Weidner, who suffered polo a number of years ago, was wearing a larger shoe than usual on his smaller foot. Had it been the normal foot that was cut he would have lost half of it.

Atty. Chamberlin Court Reporter

The Luzerne County Courts last week appointed Attorney Earl T. Chamberlin to the court reporting services in the Luzerne County Domestic Relations court only. This will require only three or four days each month, leaving Mr. Chamberlin free the balance of the time to take care of his Back Mountain law practice and perform the other duties devolving upon him.

Atty. Chamberlin said he was gratified that the Court named him to its official reporting staff, and still more pleased that his duties will demand a minimum of time. He has a private practice to maintain. The Dallas Post carried a story about Atty. Chamberlin when he was first admitted three years ago to the Luzerne County Bar, at an age when most men feel that they have earned retirement. Atty. Chamberlin's keen mind sparks his efforts, and retirement he says, is not for him. He and his wife live in Lehman Township.

Susquehanna River Gives Up Its Dead

The body of a former Beaumont woman, lost in the swollen Susquehanna under tumbling blocks of ice March 16, was discovered near Towanda Sunday night, in an area which had been dragged repeatedly after the tragedy.

Mrs. Lillian Merdick, 42, resident of Sayre, was buried on Tuesday from Athens.

When her car skidded a mile north of Sayre into the river, her companion, a 36 year old Sayre resident, was able to get out of the sinking car, and was rescued as she clung to the branches of an overhanging tree. The long search for Mrs. Merdick's body was abandoned when it was concluded that she had been swept far downstream to the Chesapeake Bay during the spring flood.

She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hoyt, of Beaumont. Other local survivors are these sisters: Mrs. Russell Newell and Miss Hoyt, Noxen; Mrs. Clifford Chapin, Dallas; a brother John Hoyt, Harveys Lake.

Enthusiastic Crowd At Protective Association Award Dinner



The head table at the Back Mountain Protective Association annual award dinner Monday night is barely seen at the far end of the main dining room at Irem Country Club, as photographer James Kozemchak snaps a picture of the crowd, and moving picture cameras whirl for a newscast on Franklin Cos-

Receive Degrees At Misericordia



Ten residents of the Dallas area received degrees from College Misericordia Sunday evening, May 27. They are: Marcia Canzoneri, Dallas, A.B. in elementary education; Maryann Kupstas, Trucksville, B.S. in nursing education; Marilyn Smith, Harvey's Lake, B.S. in nursing education; Jean Spears, Trucksville, B.S. in elementary education; Eileen Lawrence, Shavertown, B.S. biology; Leonora Swan, Lehman, A.B., sociology; Carole Thomas, Dallas, B.S. in elementary education; Maryann Kupstas, Trucksville, B.S. in nursing education; Marilyn Smith, Harvey's Lake, B.S. in nursing education; Jean Spears, Trucksville, B.S. in elementary education.

Graduates are shown here before their hooding ceremony on Saturday night at the college. Reading from left to right are: Therese Kennedy, Marcia Canzoneri, Carole Thomas, Jean Drapiewski, Judith Fenstermacher, Maryann Kupstas, Eileen Lawrence, Leonora Swan, Marilyn Smith, Jean Spears.

Mrs. Parrish Attributes Her Long Years To Never Having Overeaten

Scores of well-wishers came from near and far to wish Aunt Callie Parrish a happy birthday, Sunday May 27, one day prior to her hundredth birthday.

Graciously accepting all plaudits and well-deserved honors Aunt Callie claimed she was near tears many times as she had not realized she had so many friends.

Lovely looking with her first "perm" and new dress gaily decorated with an orchid (gifts of friends), Aunt Callie posed for pictures and movies near her colorful tea table of pink roses, tapers, and birthday cake.

Realizing her need for a new radio, neighbors gathered that fund as her personal doctor, her florist, and several friends remembered her with flowers, money, and personal gifts.

When the "Open House" was over, Aunt Callie said she was feeling fine, had enjoyed her many received kindnesses and interesting conversations, and was looking forward to Monday May 28, when she wanted to visit her niece, Miss Florence Frear, at Carpenter's Nursing Home, where she planned to take one of her birthday cakes and some candy to share with all the guests!

Her personal advice for longevity was, "I have never overeaten!"

Kiwanis Club Observes 35th Anniversary Tonight

Dallas Kiwanis Club will observe its thirty-fifth anniversary tonight with Atty. Mitchell Jenkins, Legion of Honor member, and Al Ackerson, District Governor, as speakers.

Highlight Of Annual Award Dinner



Editor and publisher Howard W. Risley accepts an award from Atty. James L. Brown, president of Back Mountain Protective Association, in recognition of outstanding service to the community over a period of

more than thirty years. Dinner chairman Rev. Robert DeWitt Yost takes notes at the left, and Judge Ben Jones, at the right, has just concluded his address. Photo by Kozemchak

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let's T-V news program. Dick Demmy, Sixteenth annual award dinner chairman, has his eyes closed against the sudden glare. At the head table, reading from left to right, are: Rev. Francis A. Kane, Mrs. Charles Glave, Sister Marianna RSM, Sister Celestine,

RSM, Mrs. Howard W. Risley, Rev. Robert DeWitt Yost, Howard W. Risley, James Lenahan Brown, Ben R. Jones, Mrs. James L. Brown, C. H. Glave, Dr. and Mrs. F. B. Schooley, and Rev. Russell Lawry. Photo by Kozemchak

Key Club Boys Are Briefed On Denver Trip

Send Off Is Being Planned For Next Friday Afternoon

While all arrangements are not yet complete, it is expected that the Back Mountain community will give the Dallas Kiwanis Key Club Drill Team a big send-off when it gathers sometime about noon on Friday June 8 at Orchard Farm Restaurant, just before leaving for Scranton and Denver.

Final arrangements for the send-off will be announced in next week's Post, but it is not too early for us to mark Friday June 8 at noon on our calendars. Everybody who can arrange it should be there—Editor

When Dallas Kiwanis Key Club Drill Team, composed of thirty-three boys, leaves Lackawanna Station in Scranton on Friday, June 8, aboard a special car for the Kiwanis International Convention in Denver, Colorado, Mr. and Mrs. William Wright and family and Mr. and Mrs. George McCutcheon will accompany them as tour directors.

The round trip fare for each boy is \$82. They will have six meals aboard the train and will start the return trip on June 14.

While in Denver they will be guests in the homes of members of Denver Key Clubs.

The cost for each boy on the trip will be about \$150 or a grand total of \$4,950. Each of the boys has worked at extra jobs to raise some of his own expenses.

The boys have been instructed by Denver friends to be sure to display PENNSYLVANIA prominently on all of their banners or "those Dallas, Texas, cowboys will claim you came from Texas."

Jay Laury, manager of entertainment for Kiwanis International Convention, met with Gary Cobb, Bob Letts, William Wright and George McCutcheon Sunday.

Mr. Laury was on his way to Pittsburgh from Chicago and wired asking that they meet him in Scranton and review the setup for the show which will be presented on Wednesday night, June 13 in Denver.

Mr. Laury explained the entire show revealed the title of the extravaganza as "Music Man from the Rockies."

He said the audience will number 18,000 people from the United States and Canada.

The Key Club will be part of an attraction that will feature stars from the Ed Sullivan show, big name choral groups, and a band from Iowa.

The Key Club will open the main part of the show and then be called upon to perform during the number "Seventy-six Trombones," played by the Iowa band.

The finale will feature all units carrying huge sparklers and marching in unison. Mr. Laury said the boys will get a taste of show business. On the day of the performance, the unit will report to the field at 3:30 p.m. and rehearsal until perfection is achieved. He said this should be about 7:30. Timing must be perfected to make the show move along without any hull in the action. The boys will then refresh themselves and dress at the stadium for the show.

During his discussion Mr. Laury was emphatic that the rifle team not appear for any other Kiwanis function prior to the show. He wants all of his attractions to be new to the audience for effect.

He did consent to the rifle team appearing at local high schools in Denver. This request has been made in correspondence between Mr. Wright and Pi Warren, Kiwanis Key Club chairman, from Denver.

Most of the local boys have received letters from Key Club members in the Denver area. The local boys will be living with these Key Club members while staying in Denver. The local boys have started correspondence with them giving them their time of arrival in Denver as 8:30 a.m. Mountain Standard Time.

In the next two weeks twenty new rifles will be reinforced under the direction of Mr. Philo; new gloves and leggings will be added to the uniforms and three new flags will be finished by the girls in the Home Economics Department, under the direction of Mrs. Watchulonis.

One of the flags will feature the hard coal regions. This is a white flag with nuggets of coal sewed to it.

A letter of information to parents was sent home with each boy this week. The letter advises parents concerning time of arrival and departure; what to pack for the boys and some of the tours being planned for them.

"I want to encourage those who love music and want to continue with it after they have left school," Mr. Miliauskas said.

Three Hundred Boys Have Part In Program That Opens Saturday At 2

Junior High School Band Will Play; Head Coach Clint Brobst Will Speak

Junior High PTA Installs Officers

Installed by Atty. Robert Fleming at the final meeting of Dallas Junior High School PTA were these officers: president, Mrs. Welton Farrar; vice president, Ernest Gay; second vice president, John Rosser; secretary, Ruth Fossedal; treasurer, Carl Kaschenback.

Dr. Robert A. Mellman, introduced by Robert Bachman, spoke on "What we can do for our children," stressing changes in teaching methods, employing TV, tape recorders, records films, etc., in a program designed to broaden their outlook, and provide more solid meat in their mental diet.

He said that schools would have to be equipped with up to date research facilities to keep pace with a changing technological requirements.

Classes, he suggested, might become on the one hand larger, as visual aides were employed, and smaller, for conference purposes. Literature would have to be more adult, libraries improved, supplementary texts and films increased. School districts, he said, would inevitably be larger.

Mrs. Carleton Davies, who presided during the first part of the meeting, received a past president's pin. Mrs. Guida Taylor led devotions. The meeting was closed by Mrs. Farrar, who invited teachers and parents to remain for refreshments.

The program of Back Mountain Baseball for Boys takes in more than 300 boys from eight through eighteen years of age. There are nineteen teams, six in the Minor League, six in the Major League and six in the Teeners League and one Senior.

Farm teams are now in the process of organization for the smaller youngsters. There is one at Lehman and one at Jackson. Other farm teams will be formed as soon as personnel is available.

Baseball for Boys is sponsored by Miners National Bank, Dallas Branch; Shavertown Lumber Company, Duke Isaac, Chrysler-Plymouth Sales; Strausser's Linoleum and Tile Shop, Gosart's Market, Dallas; Harter's Dairy, Lazarus Department Store and Daddow-Isaacs Post American Legion. Also by fifty advertisers who use the signs at the Little League Park. At present six sign spaces are available. Any one interested in advertising should get in touch with Robert Parry OR 4-7206 or any member of the League.

All Major League games are played at the Little League Park starting at 6:30 p.m. Monday through Friday; Minor League games Saturday starting at 10 a.m.; 12 noon and 2 p.m.

Teeners games are played every night but Thursday at 6:30 at Dallas Junior High School Field. Senior Teeners games played Saturdays at 6:30 p.m. at the Junior High Field.

New Goods Committees Meet At Herman Kerns

Plan of action for "Full steam ahead" was outlined Friday night when the New Goods Committee for Back Mountain Memorial Library Auction met at Herman Kerns.

Jim Alexander, chairman of New Goods, announced the days that the Risley Barn will be open to receive items from committee members. Secretaries have been assigned to each chairman, who will endeavor to keep donor's cards in good order. Each item will be tagged as it is received. An account of the value, donor and item will be recorded from the attached card.

Each Saturday, starting June 9, the barn will be open Friday June 22, Thursday, and Friday June 29 will be additional days, so that all goods will be in and recorded before the big opening day. A schedule of Barn Days is published in this paper and will also be posted on the Barn Door.

A delicious buffet was served at the close of the meeting. Sylvia (Mrs. Robert) Hughes is Secretary of the New Goods Committee and she will be assisted by the other secretaries to the co-chairman, who include: Mesdames Claire Perella, John Corke, Edward Scanlon, Willard Seaman, and Arthur H. Ross.

Dick Demmy, chairman of the 1962 Auction assisting Jim Alexander, explained that all solicitors were to be given their usual donor cards, that is, the donors with which each is most familiar, instead of unfamiliar business contacts.

Co-chairman present, Ralph Postert, Tom Hillyer, Mrs. Stuart Marks and Bill Moss. Committee members attending were: Dave Schooley, Ernest Gay, Stefan Hellers-perk, Myron Baker, Bill Koneman, John Conyngham, Robert Fleming, Walter Black, and Jim Post.

At Sandy Beach

"Oakly Miller, star of TV Bandstand and top recording star, will be at Sandy Beach Dance Hall in person Sunday afternoon from 2 to 5 with Wander's Band.

Old Drum Recalls Five Brothers Who Served During Mexican War

The six Conner brothers of Plymouth who served in the Mexican War in 1846, three of them as drummer boys, are commemorated in an appropriate Memorial Day window in James Beseker's Real Estate office on Main Street, Dallas.

Five of the brothers, one of whom was Mrs. Beseker's grandfather, Wilson Conner, also served in the Civil War. In the window display are the gun and bayonet he carried as well as his knapsack, powder and cap holder. His sergeant's cap and a drum carried by some of the brothers during the Mexican War, for many years the drum was displayed every Memorial Day at Plymouth National Bank.

As a background to the exhibit is a well-worn woolen American flag with thirty-four stars in its field of blue. It was made by hand

Opening ceremonies for Back Mountain Baseball for Boys will start Saturday at 2 at Little League Field in Dallas Township. Clinton Brobst, head basketball coach at Dallas Senior High School, will be the speaker. Mr. Brobst has spoken to the boys on other occasions and charged them with the goals and ideals they should strive for.

Dallas Junior High School Band, under the direction of Alfred M. Camp, will provide the music and the Junior High School majorettes will take part.

Keith Yelisey will be master of ceremonies.

There will be three-2-inning games when all of the teams in the Major League will have an opportunity to perform.

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Parents Advised To Be Their Age

A panel of students at Dallas Senior High School, composed of Barbara Tag, Marlene Futch, John Dana, Dale Mosier, answered questions posed Tuesday night by a parents' panel, Mrs. Fred Eck, Mrs. Earl Phillips, George Jacobs, and William Wright, Warren Yarnal, moderator.

Findings, says Mrs. Paul Rodda, were revealing.

Students feel more secure if they are restricted.

One of their complaints was that parents expect too much buddy-buddy relationship from their children. It isn't normal. Let the parents stop trying so hard; set a good example themselves, and cut out including children in cocktail parties and adult entertainment.

And far from shrinking from the world which the adults are handing to them, students consider it a challenge and are eager to meet it. Who says it's chaos?

"Drinking, smoking, are symptoms. Kids smoke because it seems a symbol of maturity."

William Wright said: "Sure, we know where the bars are that are selling liquor to boys and girls. But somebody tips off the proprietors. When the raiders walk in, it's like a Sunday School."

The consensus was that parents stop griping about juvenile delinquency, and study their own standards.