



Seated at the head table at the 14th annual meeting of the Wyoming Valley United Fund were, first row, left to right: Ben Badman Jr., Edmund H. Poggi Jr., Gilbert D. Tough, Roy E. Morgan, Atty. Andrew Hourigan Jr., Msgr. Donald A. Deuel, Mrs. Frank Townend, and Richard M. Ross Jr. Standing: David Smith, Atty. Arthur Silverblatt, Henry DePolo, Mrs. John Drapiewski, the Rev. Edmund L. John, Terry Gatusky, Charles M. Epstein Jr., A. DeWitt Smith, and Atty. Joseph A. Quinn Jr.

three area men elected to United Fund offices

Three men from the Back Mountain area were elected to office at the 14th annual meeting of the Wyoming Valley United Fund in the Crystal Ballroom, Hotel Sterling, March 11. Ben Badman Jr. presided at the meeting.

A. DeWitt Smith, Dallas, vice president of Wilkes-Barre Publishing Co., took office as president of the United Fund for the 1970-71 term. Mr. Smith has been active in community and civic affairs for many years, and was a member of the executive committee of the United Fund and its campaign general chairman during the successful 1968-69 campaign.

Edward J. Boltz Jr., Dallas, was seated as first vice president and John N. Conynham, Trucksville, took office as second vice president.

Other officers elected were Noel B. Caverly, Shickshinny, Henry DePolo, Wilkes-Barre, Edward Hourigan, Wilkes-Barre, Mrs. Alois Knoll, Nanticoke; Robert Leonardi, Forty Fort, Elias L. Namey, Wilkes-Barre, Joseph A. Quinn Jr., Pittston, Roman Rubinstein, Wilkes-Barre, and Peter J. Rutz, Dupont, vice presidents; Walter Fox, Wilkes-Barre, treasurer; Thomas Peeler, Wyoming, assistant treasurer, and James Van Scoten, Forty Fort, secretary. Andrew Hourigan Jr., was chairman of the nominating committee.

The meeting was opened with Terry Gatusky, Miss United Fund, leading the assembly

singing the National Anthem. The Rev. Edmund L. John, pastor, Wyoming Avenue Christian Church, Kingston gave the invocation.

Member agencies were well-represented in the gathering. Mr. Badman reminded the group that the function of the United Fund is to raise operating funds for, and distribute these funds to the 40 member agencies.

Out-of-town guests who attended were Dick Bauchman, field service director, Community Services of Pennsylvania, Harrisburg; George Gruber, executive director, Lackawanna United Fund and Dave Donlin, executive director, Greater Hazleton United Fund.

Shirley Johns, Maureen Stevenson, and Louise Wiechert, members of Miss United Fund's court, were also present.

There were 33 directors elected for a three year term; two directors for two years and four directors for a one year term.

A panel discussed accomplishments and projections of the United Fund. Roy E. Morgan, executive vice president of WILK Radio, mentioned the need for setting up priorities that will chart the future course of the United Fund.

A. DeWitt Smith, newly elected president, made brief remarks and presented a plaque to Ben Badman Jr., retiring president for his outstanding leadership and extraordinary dedication during his term of office.

Mr. Smith introduced Edmund H. Poggi Jr., campaign general chairman 1970-71, who gave a brief report on the progress of the campaign cabinet to date, and the work that had been started within the divisions. He mentioned the fact that there would be coordination on slogan, theme, and campaign dates, with Scranton and Hazleton.

Mr. Smith also announced

that the employe awards meeting will be held in May. He expressed appreciation to Mrs. William H. Conynham, Mrs. John Drapiewski, Mrs. Oscar Parker Jr., Mrs. Sheldon Mermelstein, Mrs. Edward J. Boltz Jr., and the member agency representatives for floral decoration, which helped make the meeting a success.

The meeting was closed with the benediction pronounced by Msgr. Donald A. Deuel, pastor, St. Elizabeth Church, Bear Creek.

Lake Cub Scouts receive awards at Blue and Gold

Harveys Lake Cub Scout Pack 331 entertained their families with an evening of competition at a Pinewood Derby event during the cubs' recent Blue and Gold celebration at the Lake Elementary School. Hand carved cars were raced on regulation track which was loaned to them by the Lehman Cub Scouts. Winners were determined by a system of elimination by heats.

Many awards were presented to deserving scouts. The one year Service Star was awarded to David Brown, Ernest Daily, Raymond Gray Jr., McCaffrey, Fred Mer. John Rusonis, David Serhan, Dale Shaffer, Jack Swire, James Taylor, Ned Walsh, Randy Walsh, Daniel White and John Zaleskas; Bobcat pins were presented to David Hanson, Kenneth Kocher, William Martin, George Spencer and Bernard McCaffrey; Wolf badges and Gold Arrow Points to Bernard McCaffrey and Daniel White; Silver Arrow Point to Daniel White; Webelos Activity pins to athletes—John Risonis, Ned Walsh, James Taylor, Lewis Thomas, Robert Cummins, Raymond Gray Jr., David Serhan, Fred Merrill and Norman McCaffrey; citizenship—Norman McCaffrey and Fred Merrill; sportsman and outdoorsman—Norman McCaffrey.

John Kauffman named to cabinet of United Fund

John H. Kauffman, Shavertown, has been appointed a vice chairman of the Central Business Geographics division of the Wyoming Valley United Fund 1970-71 campaign cabinet, it was announced by Edmund H. Poggi Jr., campaign general chairman. Walter S. Mitchell, Glen Summit, was named chairman and Myron W. Yench, Wilkes-Barre, a vice chairman also.

During last year's United Fund campaign, this division raised more than \$20,000 and had approximately 75 volunteers assisting in the solicitation.

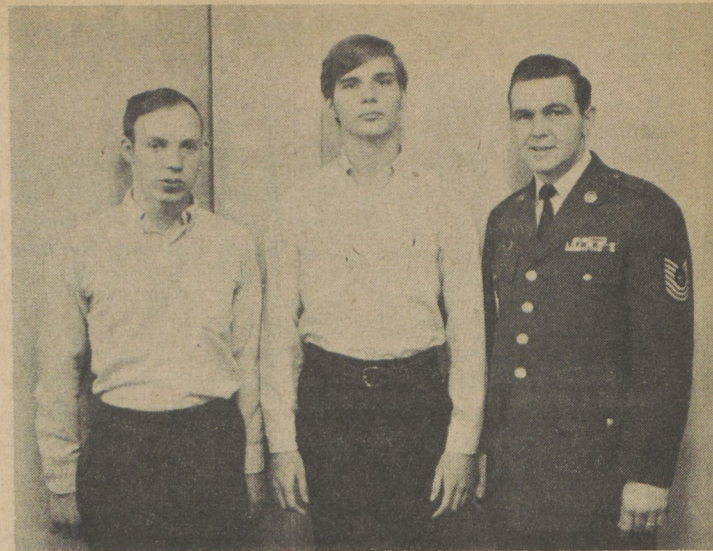
Mr. Kauffman is the executive director of the Wyoming Valley Council of Boy Scouts and is a graduate of New Jersey State Teachers College, Jersey City. He is vice president of the Inter-Agency Conference, and a member of the Wilkes-Barre Kiwanis Club.

He is married to the former Dorothy Pickarts of Wisconsin. They are the parents of two daughters, Kristi, a student nurse at Muhlenberg Hospital, Plainfield, N.J., and Karen, a ninth grade student at Dallas Junior High School. They reside at 129 Woodbine Road, Shavertown.

Carlene McCaffrey and Marilyn Neifert are leaders of the Bear, Wolf and Bear Dens. Jack White is leader of the Webelos. Judges were Warren Johnson, Robert Johnson and Zack Reihl. Ernest Daily and Ned Walsh served as starters.

James Harris on dean's list

James B. Harris, the son of Dr. and Mrs. Harold Harris, 133 Warden Ave., Trucksville, was named to the Wilkes College dean's list for the first academic semester of 1969-70. James is a sophomore at Wilkes pursuing a degree in business administration. With a semester average of 3.67, he is one of 254 students who qualified for the recognition. James is a graduate of Dallas Senior High School.



Palmer D. Updyke, left, and Robert W. Bowen, center, are shown with M. Sgt. Robert Lehman, after being sworn into the Air Force last week.

Back Mountain men enlist in Air Force

Two young men from the Back Mountain area were sworn into the Air Force last week at the recruiting station in the Veterans Administration Building. Both Palmer David Updyke and Robert William Bowen III, were sent to Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas, for six weeks of basic training prior to assignment for technical training.

Mr. Updyke is the son of Mr.

and Mrs. Herbert H. Updyke, 105 Davis St., Trucksville. He is a graduate of Dallas Senior High School in June 1969 and was a member of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington D.C. prior to enlisting. He has two older brothers, Robert and John, who are members of the Marine Corps, presently stationed in Vietnam.

Mr. Bowen, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Bowen II, Hilco Drive, Dallas, is also a graduate of Dallas Senior High School, class of 1969. Prior to enlisting in the Air Force, he was employed by King's Market, Dallas.

M. Sgt. Robert Lehman, local Air Force recruiter, reported the Air Force has immediate openings in more than 40 career occupations for young men and women. Those individuals interested in the Air Force are requested to contact the Recruiting Office, Veterans Administration Building, Wilkes-Barre.

SHAVERTOWN

By Mrs. Joseph Allen
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Mr. and Mrs. Denton Updyke, 33 Roushey St., Shavertown celebrated their 23rd wedding anniversary March 15. A family dinner in honor of the occasion was enjoyed at home.

The Rev. William Bispels of St. Paul's Lutheran Church announced that special music will be presented in the Church Palm Sunday morning.

Holy Thursday, March 26, the Sacrament of Holy Communion will be observed at 7:30 p.m. at St. Paul's Church. The sermon is entitled "You and Peace."

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kloeber of Ferguson Avenue, Shavertown, have returned from a winter vacation in Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

Palm Sunday, March 22, an Ecumenical Festival of Music will be held at the Shavertown United Methodist Church at 7:30 p.m. This concert of sacred music will be presented by combined choirs of the Back Mountain Churches under the direction of Gordon Evans.

The Keller Group of the Shavertown United Methodist Church will meet March 20 at 1 p.m. in the Social Rooms. Devotions will be presented by Laura Dymond. Program is the "History of Old Hymns" by Emma Hart. Hostess consists of: Florence Underwood, Ethel Tippett, Ruth Houser, and Laura Dymond.

Holy Thursday, March 26, the WSCS of the Shavertown United Methodist Church will hold a quiet hour in the chapel room at 11 a.m.

At 7:30 p.m. the Sacrament of Holy Communion will be observed in the sanctuary.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Van Blarcom, North Lehigh Street, Shavertown, have been vacationing in Florida.

Congratulations are in order for Daniel Shaver, Shaver Avenue, Shavertown. He has become a new grandfather. The proud parents are Mr. and Mrs. Henry Tuck, Oak Hill, Dallas.

Mrs. Walter Shaver and Mrs. Stephen Johnson of Shavertown have been vacationing in Florida. In their travels they visited Dr. and Mrs. George Savage of Shaver Avenue at their winter home in Florida and also Helen Bowser, a former Shavertown resident.

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