

Back Mountain Champions Awarded Trophies



Officials seated at the speakers table at the Baseball for Boys banquet are pictured above from left to right, front row: Marie Jones, Mary Law, Bob Law, president, Charlotte Slocum, Ann Bell. Standing: Andrew Schlosser, vice commander American Legion Post 672, Joe Muldoon, John Bell, Joe "Red" Jones, Fred Hughes, Post commander.

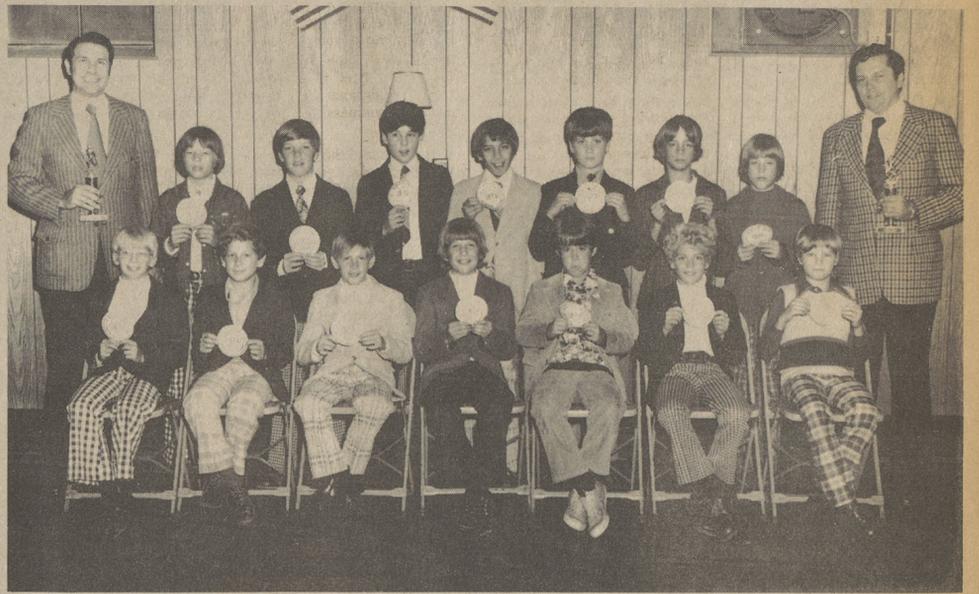
The league champions of the Back Mountain Baseball for Boys with their managers, coaches and league officials were honored at a banquet recently at the American Legion Home, Dallas.

Joe Muldoon, Baseball for Boys vice-president, presented trophies to the managers and coaches of each team. They then presented each boy on their team with an individual trophy. Trophies were also presented to the team sponsors including Teener League, Westmoreland, sponsored by the Shavertown Lumber Company; Major League (National) Lehman-Jackson Cardinals, sponsored by Owen Williams Carpet; Major League (American) Trucksville Tigers, sponsored by Duke Isaacs.

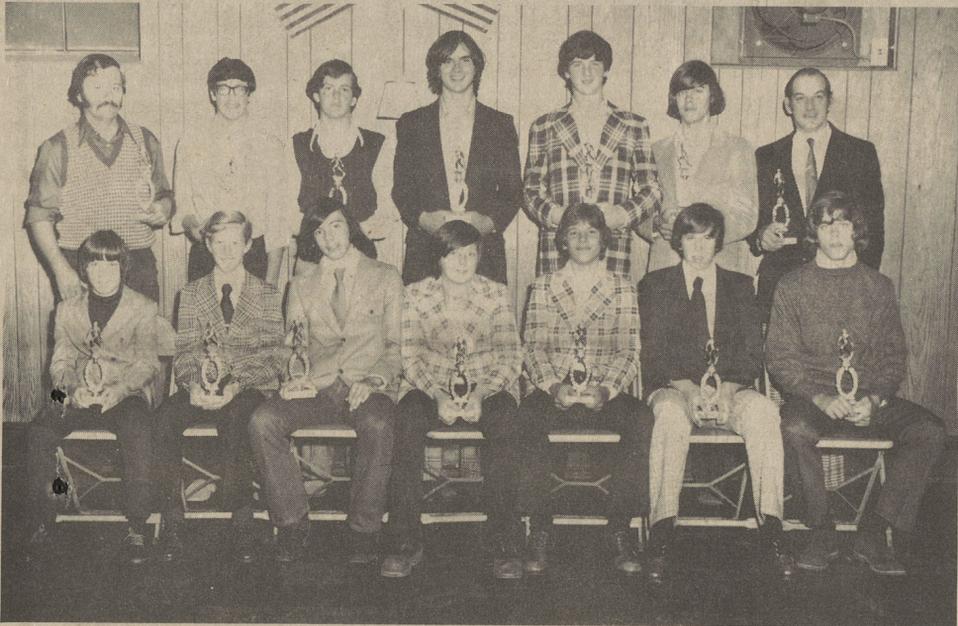
President Joe Law introduced guest speaker Joe "Red" Jones who talked with the boys on the meaning of an athlete. Fred Hughes, American Legion Commander, welcomed the group. The invocation was given by Richard Staub.

Special plaques were given to Leo Corbett and Tom Reese for the many years of outstanding service which they had given to the Little League. Mr. Corbett served as secretary and Mr. Reese was treasurer.

The banquet was prepared and served by the American Legion Post 672 and the auxiliary.



Dallas Reds, Minor League champions, are shown above with their manager and coach. Front row, left to right: Tad Radzinski, Jackie Bittner, Daren Barbacci, Gary Daley, Kurt Garner, Scott Jobson, Ricki Rogers. Back row: Bob Masoner, coach; David Rose, Gary Rost, Craig Meister, Jim Hagen, Mike Kern, Jeff Brady, Jeff Bolinski, Paul Jobson, manager.



Pictured above are members of the Teeners League champions, front row, left to right: Donnie Ruddick, John Konopki, Gary Farber, Bob Bullock, Charlie Falcone, Rich Dixon, Mark Shaver. Second row: Dave Zimmerman, manager; Bill Kleiner, Steve Skammer, Jeff Supulski, Jim Thomas, Matt Shaver and Mike Ruddick, coach.



Major League National Champions of the Back Mountain Baseball for Boys are from left to right, front row: Donnie Sutton, Billy Downs, Ronnie Ritts, Bernie Hrabowski, Tracy Slocum, Donnie Benza, Tony Zielen. Back row: Bill Michaels, manager; Albert Ashton, Dave Pendrot, Jimmy Ashton, John Gaisel, Jimmy Michaels, Ed Loza, Wayne DeCesaris, Bud Slocum, coach.

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American Major League champions, Trucksville Tigers, of the Baseball for Boys are pictured above left to right, front row: Chris Evans, Phil Reinert, Joe Saraka, Butch Stout, Michael Sutton, Brian Swan, Chris Hons. Back row: Dave Morris, manager; Dave Kovalski, Mike Harleman, John Topolewski, Jim Majewski, Dave Ostrofski, Ken Sitkowski, Sherm Sutton, coach.

Lake Board Happy

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harassment by other players because each member of the Lake-Lehman squad wore a different kind of sneakers. "Why can't the school board purchase sneakers for the team?" asked Mr. Allardyce. Suggesting that "what's good for the goose is also good for the gander," Director Garinger pointed out that such action would set a precedent which might prove prohibitively expensive. "If we buy the sneakers for the boys' basketball team, then what about the girls' hockey? Or the band? Or field hockey?" Mr. Garinger wondered.

High School Principal Anthony Marchakitus explained that present policy dictates that items of a personal nature and footwear which can be used for another activity—including sneakers—be purchased by the students.

The board agreed to consider Mr. Allardyce's request at its next athletic committee meeting.

A change order involving the installation of two 2-inch water valves in the renovation project at the Lehman-Jackson building raised the hackles and nay votes of Directors Garinger, Ellis Hoover and Ken Williams. Said Mr. Garinger of the proposed \$230 charge: "It seems inconceivable to me that valves costing \$20 apiece should cost \$100 to install." The change order passed on a six-three vote.

Requests from teachers to attend eight different profes-

sional conferences were approved by the board, and President Slimak and Director Peg Anderson were designated as voting delegates at the Pennsylvania School Boards Convention scheduled later this month in Philadelphia.

Charles D. Lemmond Jr., school board solicitor, informed the board that "a new man at the Human Relations Commission" believes the board may have to pay interest on sick leave pay accrued by high school English teacher Florence Finn during a maternity leave last year. According to Atty. Lemmond, the interest would be owed from the date of a letter attesting to Ms. Finn's confinement written by her obstetrician, Dr. Jane Hazlett, to the date of the board's action affirming payment of the sick leave pay—a period of only two weeks.

Mr. Marchakitus announced that the district has scheduled two football games with Troy High School, one this year and one next. These contests, Mr. Marchakitus said, would give the Knights an opportunity to play a team from a school with a population the size of Lake-Lehman's.

Following a year of meetings to study the length of Lake-Lehman's school day, the board agreed to a shortened schedule recommended by the committee of teachers, administrators and directors appointed to consider this question. The elementary school day was shortened by 15 minutes and the high school by five. The change was to become effective Oct. 14.

Swoyersville to Share

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course Nov. 22 and will be available for investigative work on a full-time basis at that time.

Mayor McCulloch has high hopes for the program.

"Before we acquired the investigator," he said, "we had to take a man off patrol to look into serious crimes. That left us short. Forty Fort and Swoyersville have traditionally helped each other out if one or the other had their men tied up but this gives us a man to handle all the investigating. It will be a big help."

The idea of cooperation between borough police departments and the establishment of joint services raises the question of control of local police. Luzerne Borough, approached on a joint juvenile officer plan by Swoyersville Borough rejected the idea as an ominous trend toward consolidation and loss of local control.

There is no doubt that the detective plan is a step in that direction. But it is not a great step and neither community sees it as an ominous one.

Mr. Winters' immediate supervisor will still be the Forty Fort Chief of Police. But he will be controlled by both borough councils and must submit a progress report on all cases he has worked on to the councils each month. If either council feels he is somehow acting improperly they could pull out of the program the following year.

The idea of consolidation of services including police is being heavily endorsed by

federal agencies and the state Department of Community Affairs, headed by William Wilcox.

According to Joe Zinkavich, who heads the code enforcement program under the West Side Council of Governments, the state has designed their aid programs "to generate interest in regional rather than local programs."

The two boroughs have now started paperwork to acquire the services of a juvenile officer under the same state and federal programs. No cost figures are available at this time but initial outlays should be significantly less than that of the investigator.

It remains to be seen whether the two boroughs can muster the required cooperation to make the program a success. Optimism is high in both communities and the project could provide needed information to other communities considering similar programs.

Red Cross to Offer

Home Nursing Course

Classes in home nursing are now being formed by the Wyoming Valley Chapter of Red Cross. This 12 hour course, offered free of charge, is a certified Red Cross course.

Those persons interested in learning basic skills in home care of the ill and elderly are asked to call the Chapter House (823-7161) between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. for additional information.