

Zaleskas to be honored at 'roast'



ROAST COMMITTEE - Members of the executive committee in charge of plans for the retirement dinner for John M. Zaleskas, to be held at Irem Temple Country Club are, seated, Rita Bulford, secretary; standing, Robert Roberts, co-chairman; Karen Pilger, treasurer; and Joseph 'Red' Jones, general chairman.

By CHARLOT M. DENMON
Staff Writer

An executive committee has been organized to make plans for a dinner in honor of retiring Lake-Lehman High School Principal John M. Zaleskas.

General chairman of the committee is Joseph 'Red' Jones, assisted by co-chairpersons Elizabeth Sichler, Lake-Lehman board member and Robert Roberts, Lake-Lehman School Principal. Rita Bulford is secretary and Karen Pilger, treasurer.

The committee plans to have a dinner at Irem Temple Country Club in honor of Zaleskas' retirement in June. Zaleskas has been affiliated with the Lake and Lehman schools since he began his teaching career in 1953 at Lake-Noxen School.

He became assistant principal of the newly-formed jointure, Lake-Lehman High School in 1965 and was appointed high school principal in 1983, a position he has held since.

Chairpersons of various committees for the dinner and 'Roast' will be appointed at a date in the near future.

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so we are forced to go down town several times weekly.

"Where do you suppose it will be?" he asked. "I hope it is centrally located so the people don't have to travel too far. Maybe it would be somewhere on Route 309 toward Tunkhannock," he guessed.

John Wertman, who goes to the Odyssey regularly agreed. "We should have something like that back here. I have to get up at 6 a.m. or earlier to be at the Odyssey on time. I would go to it if they had the facility back here."

Bev Hall of Evans Falls also thinks it's great. "The Back Mountain needs it," she said. "There are so many people who would use something like that but there's nothing available back here. It will be great for the kids and adults. It's time we have something."

Like some of the others she was curious where the facility would be located.

"There's plenty of land going out toward Lake-Lehman along Route 118," she said. "There is also a lot of land going out toward Beaumont or in Dallas Township."

Fran Ochman of Shavertown offered that, "Maybe, they could buy land from the Dallas School District. I don't know how much land they have but it's possible."

Pauline Roth of Roth Jewlery said the Back Mountain has needed such a facility for years.

"Now there are so many people moving to the Back Mountain, it's something that is desperately needed. The highway is getting too congested to be driving back and forth into town all the time. We need something like that for our area."

"Do you have any idea where it's going to be?" she asked.

Roxanne Bailey of Dallas also said she thought it would be great for this area. "There are certainly enough people back here to make something like that feasible," she said. "There is a lot of open space going out toward Harveys Lake," she said.

Barbara Hagen, who lives in Lehman was enthusiastic. "I think it will be great to have a facility such as that. The Back Mountain needs something for the people."

Where do you suppose they will build it? Thirteen to 70 acres is a lot of ground. It could be up behind Misericordia, or there's a lot of farm area out toward Lehman, but out towards Tunkhannock seems to be the latest direction developers are interested in. It's interesting," she said. "There's lots of land in the vicinity of the Country Club up behind it and out along the highway, it could be there."

No one mentioned out toward Orange or East Dallas. Who knows? There is a lot of open land out in that direction especially beyond the Valley View Mobile Home Park or out the Upper Demands Road toward Centermoreland. Only time will tell. Until the announcement comes out, guessing the facility's location will be a favorite party game in the Back Mountain.

Golf tournament scheduled for Arthritis Foundation

The Luzerne County Unit of the Arthritis Foundation will hold its 5th annual Golf Tournament on Monday, June 25 at the Wyoming Valley Country Club. The format is Captain and Crew and the fee is \$80 per golfer. The fee includes green fees, cart, refreshments, on the course and a buffet dinner following the event. Prizes will be

awarded and a 1990 automobile will be given courtesy of Valley Chevrolet. Deborah Hannon is serving as chairperson of the event, and is taking reservations at 825-7067 or at the Foundation office in Kirby Health Center at 823-2888.

All proceeds will benefit the programs of the Foundations' local unit.

Letters

Thanks Post, host families for success of regional chorus

Editor:

It is with deep gratitude that I send this "thank you" to The Dallas Post for the wonderful service performed for PMEA Region IV Chorus, which was held one month ago at the Dallas Middle School.

The "Power of the Press" was no more evident than it was at this time. Two weeks preceding the event found us with a great housing dilemma only 43 of 163 students were housed.

Then you printed a variety of articles and the wonderfully warm families of the Back Mountain responded to the need. By Festival time, everyone was more than adequately housed with several families in reserve.

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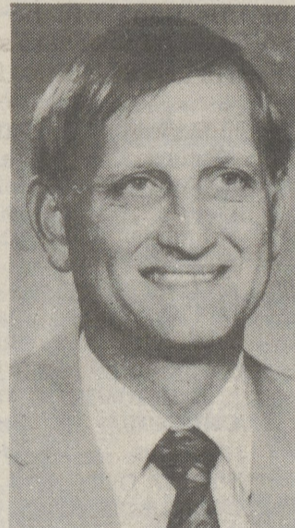
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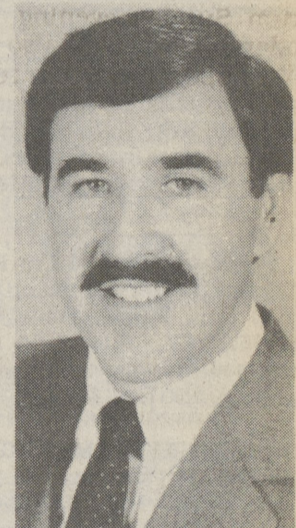
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FORMAT: Opening and closing statements by each candidate.

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Moderated by Will Conyngham, vice president of the Back Mountain Citizens' Council.

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Note: Questions will be read only by the moderator. All questions for consideration must be submitted on this form. Forms must be received at our office by 5:00 p.m. Friday, May 4. Forms may also be completed the evening of the forum.

Candidate of whom the question should be asked: _____
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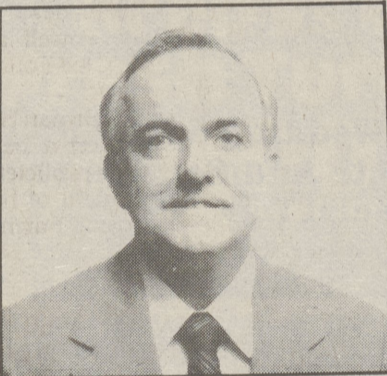
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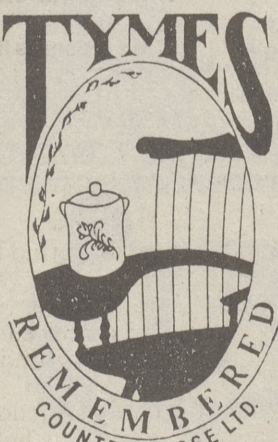
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