

Marie Eyet runs for Borough Council

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Mrs. Russell (Marie) Eyet of Village Green Drive, Dallas, has announced her candidacy for one of the four seats on the Dallas Borough Council.

A resident of Dallas since 1980, Mrs. Eyet is a 1973 graduate of John S. Fine Senior High School, and a graduate of Luzerne County Community College where she received an associates degree in banking. She also attended Wilkes College where she pursued a degree in accounting.

She is presently bookkeeper for Village Green Landscaping, which is owned by her husband Russell L. Eyet, Jr. In the past Eyet has been employed by Robins and Associates, a CPA firm as a junior accountant, Herbie's Auto Body Shop as bookkeeper and United Penn Bank where she progressed from teller to banking officer in branch administration. She is a member of Prince of Peace Episcopal Church where she is treasurer and member of the finance committee.

Eyet and her husband have three children, Kelly, Russell and Matthew.

"It's my goal to develop an open and honest approach to my campaign and, if elected, to my office as council member," Mrs. Eyet said. "I know taxation is an unpopular issue but it is an issue that needs to be addressed. Dallas Borough has no alternative for escalating costs. I will look for another way than increasing property millage and will look into such things as a small increase in the earned income tax so there will not be a burden on the senior citizens who are on fixed incomes.

"I believe that additional monies raised by this method should be used for the borough's deteriorating roads," she continued.



MRS. RUSSELL EYET

"I also believe that if our borough is to survive into the 21st century, we must strive to develop a new approach to solving its fiscal problems. I am of the opinion that this approach should be a gradual move toward a consolidation or a Council of Governments with our neighboring communities for the various services provided to taxpayers."

Eyet cited the relationship of area police and road departments as examples of cooperation.

"The police have been working cooperatively and it appears to be working fine. Some of the Back Mountain communities are pooling together to purchase road materials and supplies. Dallas Borough also shares in the use of road repair equipment with others

which gives a substantial savings over the normal bid process," Eyet explained. "This has already formed a base for a Back Mountain road department which would benefit all involved communities with significant savings created by sharing supplies, manpower, storage and not having to duplicate equipment.

"Consolidation of Back Mountain governing bodies is not a new idea," said Eyet. "It has been discussed at different times for years, and it is a means of alleviating the Borough's financial problems as well as a means of providing cost savings to Dallas and Kingston Township."

The candidate said she realizes that these ideas hinge on the willingness and cooperation of the neighboring communities. She also realizes that problems such as personnel placement, supervision, taxation and other items need to be resolved and decisions accepted by all those involved.

"I realize that this is an undertaking that will not be resolved overnight but I feel the time to start is now. I would be honored to be on a team that spearheads such an endeavor," she said.

"I would also support our recreation program as one of the services the borough should continue to provide to its residents and their children. As a council member, I would strive to renew the council's commitment to our children by finding the means to enhance its activities and its supervision budgets."

Eyet said she is concerned for the future of the borough and its lack of planning.

"I have watched with concern as Dallas Borough has operated on a year-to-year basis with little emphasis on long range plans in the future. It is this concern that has prompted me to seek a seat on the Council. I would appreciate the taxpayers votes in the May 21 Primary," Eyet concluded.



EARTH DAY - Dallas Elementary School members of Mrs. Roeder's second grade class, above, are making pine cone peanut butter and bird seed feeders that they will place along the stream behind the school as an Earth Day project. (Post Photo/Charlot M. Denmon)

Earth Day

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along the stream.

"They rolled the cones in peanut butter, then in pans of bird seed until they were heavily coated," Lloyd explained. "The third, fourth, and fifth grade students made bird feeders from half pint orange juice cartons they recycled from parties, putting a round hole in the front of the carton, filling it with bird seed and stringing the top so the carton could be hung from a tree," said Lloyd.

Sherwood

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Sherwood said on average she has had at least one student make States every year and one year she had four.

"We always have a Christmas Concert and up until two or three years ago, we had the Spring Concert the first Thursday and Friday in May. Now we have only one in May, the 'Broadway-Dallas Style,' this year which will be this Friday, May 3, at the senior high school.

"The first half of the concert is more formal and educational with music from the early classics but the second half include the songs the students like such as songs from Broadway plays, pop songs, folk songs, spirituals and a variety of numbers," Sherwood explained.

The choristers do so many performances that Sherwood was unable to say how many they averaged yearly.

"It's a lot of work but we have fun as well," she said. "Performing for the public also gives the students self-esteem, confidence and poise. One of the things the students like most is the feeling they

get from performing at the nursing homes, the response they get from the patients and residents."

For the Christmas concerts, the senior high chorus members wear formal black, but in the spring they usually wear white. But for Friday night's concert, they are wearing multi-colored pants and shirts with their names on the shirts.

A graduate of Kingston High School, Sherwood received her degree in music from College Misericordia, her associate degree from London College in England and her Master's degree from Scranton University.

She and her husband, Robert, have resided in Chase since they were married in 1950. Their daughter, Denise, is a librarian in the Northwest School District and their son, Scott, is self-employed in electrical business.

In earlier years, Florence was director of the choir at the Shavertown United Methodist Church. She also used to entertain on the marimba in school and on other occasions and taught private marimba and piano lessons. This year she

plays the keyboards for the district's Jazz Band.

Other projects are blue bird observation, bird feeder cleanup, tree identification, weather observation, and many more.

"The projects were selected so they would be easy for the children as well as informative about the environment. Most of the students seemed to enjoy the program," Lloyd explained.

Damien's' offers a star-studded menu



DAMIEN - Damien Kaye stands by the dining room fireplace while he discusses his new plans for the restaurant. (Post Photo/Charlot M. Denmon)

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Damien Kaye has returned to Harveys Lake as co-owner of the same restaurant at Sunset he operated in the early 1980's as Damien's On the Lake.

This time the well-known restaurateur and his partner Ruth Eaton have purchased the former Pier III and renamed it Damien's. The theme of Damien's will be "Casual Elegance," with a dinner menu and all its items named after people diners will recognize as having an air of elegance.

Damien's has been remodeled to include various dining areas such as the Beaches, the bar dining area with fine dining in a casual atmosphere; Hustlers, a billiard room to take advantage of the increased resurgence of billiards; Casablanca, where there is fine dining in a relaxed atmosphere; the Sunset Room, for dancing, entertainment and banquets; the Veranda for dining overlooking the lake and outdoor cocktails, and the Grille for outdoor bar-b-ques.

Damien, who grew up in the restaurant business, was in the Parkway on Sans Souci Parkway when he was 11 years of age. At the age of 17 he ran the Blue Grotto in Nanticoke. He also worked as the chef at the Left Bank Restaurant at the Woodlands, and for Nick Pantages in Hazleton where he worked out of Shennanigans, one of Pantages five restaurants.

Damien left the business for several years but he liked the lake so much he came back when he learned Pier III was for sale. Damien prepares all of the food and he wants his diners to know that each entree selection is accompanied by a relish tray, bread and whipped butter, soup du jour, dinner salad, choice of potato and vegetable and coffee as always is on Damien. Most of his entrees are available in half portions and all entrees can be prepared sodium and cholesterol free. Damien does not cook with salt or MSG.

Damien's includes five kinds of fresh fish daily plus other creative

entrees. Chocolate cappucino ice cream shipped from Los Angeles will be served, making Damien's the only place east of Chicago who carries it, according to the owner.

Damien and his partner Ruth Eaton are lovers of old movies, and fit some of their favorites into their theme of casual elegance. Ruth manages the dining room and is the charming hostess who greets diners. The menu is unique in that all items are named after famous stars such as James Mason's mushroom caps; Niven's Clams Royal Casino; Joe DiMaggio's Hearts of Romaine; Scampi a la Cary Grant; veal a la Bogart; veal a la Grace Kelly and more.

Diners familiar with Pier III will find it a different place from when they last were there, but they will find it well worth the time they spend now that it is Damien's. Entrees range from \$8.95 to \$17.95.

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