

New L-L superintendent installed with high hopes

By GRACE R. DOVE
Post Staff

Many Lake-Lehman residents, students, teachers and friends turned out December 19 for the installation of the district's new superintendent, Jackson Township resident Dr. William Price.

A Lake-Lehman graduate (Class of 1957), Price has taught social studies at Dallas and Wilkes-Barre, where he was also department supervisor, and history at King's College.

For the past 19 years he worked at Luzerne Intermediate Unit 18 and also taught graduate courses at College Misericordia.

Price was sworn in by the Honorable Hugh Mundy, judge of the Luzerne County Court of Common Pleas.

In remarks provided to *The Dallas Post*, Price said the American educational system must be revitalized.

"Educators must use all of the district's resources to the fullest extent, to bring new inspiration and meaning to a school's daily life," he said.

Without a vision of revitalization, Price said the schools will become satisfied with mediocrity and reinforce the status quo instead of changing to meet the community's needs.

"My personal vision of education involves what might be, what could be and what should be, not the projection of what will be," he said.

Learning must become life-long and adaptable to the practicalities of life, Price said. The school must become a community of learners, where teachers like what they are doing and students want to learn from them.

Price believes that education lacks humor, an essential element in learning, the development of intelligence and the quality of life.

"Humor can make learning fun rather than punitive," he said.

Teachers and administrators must develop personal visions of education in order to improve the



DR. WILLIAM PRICE

schools and themselves, rededicate themselves to the profession and recommit themselves to the teaching and learning process, he said.

"Without a vision the people will perish," he concluded.

School board president Jeffrey Fritzen's prepared remarks described Price's "strong background in curriculum," which Fritzen believes will provide important leadership to meet the needs of the 21st century.

"We look forward to the guidance which Dr. Price will bring to our district," Fritzen said. "We know that he is here for the long haul and will weigh all his decisions knowing that he will have to live with them for years to come."

Middle school principal Robert Roberts, Lake-Lehman Education Association president Barbara Wall, search committee member Alex Covaleski and student council president Allison Milunic were scheduled to offer remarks welcoming Price to his new position.

Music was provided by the high school brass ensemble and high school and fifth grade choruses.

After the ceremony a reception was held in the cafeteria.



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Santa Claus is coming

Santa made his regular visit to Franklin Township December 18, and was give a scenic tour of the township by firetruck.

Item	1994	1995	Chg.
Total budget	\$201,376	\$212,027	5.3%
Property tax income	\$28,200	\$32,400	14.9%
Number of taxables	989	1,002	13
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Average cost	\$29	\$32	\$3

Revenues show increase in Franklin Twp., not taxes

If the supervisors approve a \$212,027 budget, Franklin Township residents will receive good news with their tax bills - no increase in the eight-mill property tax.

According to the preliminary budget, income will increase by \$22,962 or 14.9 percent to \$176,597 from last year, mostly from real estate, real estate transfer and earned income taxes.

Real estate taxes are expected to increase \$4,200, also 14.9 percent, to \$32,400, while real estate transfer taxes are expected to increase by 25 percent or \$1,500 to \$7,500.

The earned income tax is expected to generate \$82,000, an

increase of \$2,000 or two percent over last year.

Increased development in the township will result in a 66 percent increase in solicitors' fees, from \$1,500 to \$2,500.

Equipment repairs and new equipment will cost the township \$5,000 more than last year, increasing projected expenditures to \$7,000.

Revising the zoning ordinance to be compatible with the new subdivision ordinance will cost the township \$5,000 for professional fees and \$1,000 for printing and binding.

The supervisors plan to pass the final budget at a special December 27 meeting.



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