

LEWISTON-PORTER ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MEETING
Wednesday, May 4, 2011 at 6:00 P.M.,
LPAA Offices Community Resource/Administration Building

PRESENT: Vice President Doug Diez, Gary Raby, Ann Johnston, Bill Leardini, Norma Marshall, Peggy Shear, Nancy Orsi, High School Principal Paul Casseri, Ed Engel, Josh Janese, Ken Kenney, and President Jack James via telephone conference.

WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER: Vice President Doug Diez called the Meeting to order at 6:18 P.M.

MINUTES: Minutes of the March 30, 2011 meeting were approved as presented.

LEW-PORT SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS: Principal Paul Casseri reported on the following: Students from France (22 of them) left last Friday to return to their country. As part of the International Student Exchange, Lew-Port will be sending students to France next year. Lew-Port students will be going to Italy in July of this year, and students from Italy will be coming to Lew-Port in September. On May 18, there will be an assembly by the Lew-Port Business Academy to tell students about the International Business Academy. Board Members of this committee will be going to Orchard Park to discuss this program with their school. In a couple of weeks the senior class will be going to New York City. June 2, 2011 is Senior Recognition Night at Lew-Port, with scholarships to be given out. Class is scheduled for June 8, 2011 and on June 9, 2011 is Prom Night. The High School Report Card Evaluations will be presented to the Board of Education at their next meeting by High School Principal Paul Casseri. It was noted by the High School Principal that the school budget for next year shows a ZERO percent tax increase, but not this year. In coming years it could really be tough with possible cuts and layoffs. congratulations to Heather Matthews in winning a Tom Hewitt Scholarship Award.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Norma Marshall stated that she has received from the accountant the Lew-Port Association Draft Audit dated August 31, 2010; to be reviewed by the Board. The Financial Report of the Lew-Port Alumni Association as of May 4, 2011 shows the following balances: Restricted Funds \$38,618.16 and Unrestricted Funds of \$4,213.12. TOTAL of \$42,831.28.

MEMBERSHIP/NEWSLETTER: Ann Johnston reported that we have three (3) new members. The next issue of the Newsletter will be going out in July. Ann stated that she is still looking for articles; get them to her if you have any. In September dues renewals will be mailed out. It was suggested to possibly place a self-addressed envelope with their dues notice. Maybe do the same in the Newsletter.

LEW-PORT GALA: Chairperson Dorothy Wedge was absent. It was suggested that at another meeting we will discuss what is going on, and to see what some needs she might have. For a reminder of the Lew-Port Gala it was mentioned that a refrigerator magnet,

saying "SAVE THE DATE" be made and passed out at our Alumni Association booth at the Peach Festival.

DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI: Vice President Doug Diez stated that he talked to Chairman Ray Tracy who reported that the 4 nominees for Distinguished Alumni this year will be: Gary Baker (1970), William Wendel (1961), Ann Johnston (1958) and Todd Freischlag (1984). The nominees will be notified of their selection by letter. Induction is scheduled for October 6, 2011. A letter will also be included informing them what will be going on that date.

GARY RABY RUN: Sponsor letters are going out. Gary stated that he will try to get more participants for the race. It was mentioned to have more awards this year, possibly three (3) awards for each age group; male and female. Posters are to be made and distributed in June. It was stated that the other Cross Country and Track Coaches from other schools in the area could be notified about our race, and send some to participate. Applications are being printed state Principal Paul Casseri in-kind donations to be worked on, possibly the same as last year; Tops, Sams, etc.

REUNION SUPPORT: Nancy Orsi representing the Alumni Association will be attending the 1961 Class Reunion; Gary Raby representing the Alumni Association will be attending the 1971 Class Reunion; and John Mac Arthur will be representing the Alumni Association by attending the Summer69 Reunion.

SCHOLARSHIPS: Two (2) \$1,000 scholarships will be given out by the Alumni Association. Need assistance for the June 2, 2011 Senior Recognition Night to give out the scholarships. This year the Alumni Association will be handing out \$9,500.00 in scholarships to graduating seniors.

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS: Please check with Vice President Doug to see what committees you are on, and ways you can be of assistance.

NEXT MEETING: June 1, 2011 6:00 P.M. GALA meeting to follow the regular Alumni Association meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: With no further business to come before the Alumni Association it was moved, and seconded, to close the meeting. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:10 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted

JOHN H. MAC ARTHUR
ALUMNI ASSOCIATION SECRETARY