

LEWISTON-PORTER ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MINUTES
Wednesday, March 30, 2011 at 6:00 P.M.
LPAA Offices-Community Resource/Administration Building

PRESENT: Vice President Doug Diez, Directors: Gary Raby, Bill Leardini, Ed Engel, Mary Grace Baker-Luff, Treasurer Norma Marshall, Dorothy Wedge, Josh Janese, Joe Lauzonis III, and Peggy Shear, via teleconference.

WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER: Vice President Doug Diez welcomed those present, and called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

MINUTES: The Highlights of the Lewiston-Porter Alumni Association Meeting Minutes were read by Vice President Doug Diez. The minutes were APPROVED as presented.

LEW-PORT SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS: With the absence of High School Principal Paul Casseri, Joe Lauzonis stated that the 3rd Annual Jason Raby Memorial 5k Run and Walk will be held on August 12, 2011. An Organizational Meeting for the event will be May 4, 2011 at 5:30 in the LPAA Community Resource/Administration Building.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Norma Marshall passed out copies of her report to the Board. Restricted Funds have a Balance as of March 23, 2011 of \$36,298.16, and Unrestricted Funds have a Balance of \$5,213.12. Total Checking and Savings Balance of \$43,511.28. Norma stated that the audit of the Association's book is finished and is awaiting a signature from the CPA, and then the report will be released. There was some discussion as to how much we are charged for the audit, it was mentioned that possibly the Association could form a committee and do our own audit. Further discussion to follow. The Treasurer's report was APPROVED as presented.

MEMBERSHIP/NEWSLETTER: Ann Johnston stated we have three (3) new members, and four (4) members have renewed their dues. Ann still would like some articles for upcoming issues of the Alumni Association's Newsletter. Some ideas Sr. Awards Night, Jason Raby Race, Distinguished Alumni, Hall of Fame Nominations, Distinguished Alumni, and any other newsworthy articles.

BY-LAWS AMENDMENT #3: It was moved, seconded and APPROVED, the following Amendment 3 Article VI-Officers Section 603 as follows: **"All of the officers, Except the President, shall be elected by the Board of Directors following the annual membership meeting in September. The Vice President shall, at the annual membership meeting next following his or her election to such office, automatically ascend to the office of the President."** Our sincere thanks and appreciation to Chairman Mike Roemer and his Committee for a job **well done**.

GALA: Dorothy Wedge, Chairperson for the Gala, stated that the date for the Lew-Port Gala will be October 6, 2012. Dorothy stated that she toured the Casino and found it just

right, and the people are very willing to work with us and make this a very special evening and a successful one. They really desire to have us and will do all that they can to help us. The tentative price is \$100.00/person, but is well worth it considering everything. Dorothy feels that this is a great deal. No buffet, sit down dinner, two (2) entrees. Open bar (not sure for how long). The room(s) will seat 500 comfortably. A \$1,000.00

Deposit is required. It was mentioned that quite possibly you may be able to write this off as a donation. Band to play at cocktail reception, during dinner at the basket auction and a special band at a dance after dinner. It was mentioned to possibly ask the Towns and Villages for donations. The Casino stated that for overnight guests the cost would be \$149.00 (a bargain)

It was moved, seconded and APPROVED, to designate Chairperson Dorothy Wedge to sign all contracts and paperwork related to this GALA at the Casino on behalf of the Lewiston-Porter Alumni Association.

It was moved, seconded, and APPROVED, to make a deposit to the Niagara Seneca Casino in the amount of \$1,000.00 for the Gala.

Thank you Dorothy for your report.

DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI 2011: Vice President Doug Diez stated that he talked to Ray Tracy (who could not be present this evening) and he stated to him that thus far the committee has three (3) candidates. If you would like to nominate a Distinguished Alumni, applications are available in Youngstown and Lewiston. It was suggested that in the 30 Week Report Cards, put a little announcement of the Distinguished Alumni program and looking for candidates. It was mentioned that perhaps the Alumni Association could sponsor a Lewiston/Youngstown Baseball team in their respective Baseball Recreation Programs. (next year 2012), that would say "Distinguished Alumni" Lewiston-Porter Alumni Association". (Hats and T-Shirts) Then maybe next year an ad about the GALA, possibly in the Budget Message to the School Taxpayers of Youngstown and Lewiston. (Vice President Doug to check on this)

WEBSITE: Joe Lauzonis stated everything is updated on the Alumni Association's Website. If you get any information about upcoming reunions for classes of 1961 and 1971, please forward to me. Dorothy Wedge stated that she will have some information about the Lew-Port Gala that can be put on the Website. Possibly place Scholarship Winners and Mini-Grant info on Website.

GARY RABY: he will be running 100 miles for the Three J's (Jason Raby, Jonathon Miller, and Jeremy Campbell, from May 23, 2011-May 27, 2011 from 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. at the Lew-Port Track. Gary has sponsor sheets that you can sponsor. See Gary for further information. Gary stated that an idea came to him as to a Racing Series; this would be a series of races in the area, such as the Jason Raby Memorial, Peach Festival Run, Nancy Price Memorial Run, and any other races in the area over a period of time. Runners/Participants would run these races and keep track of their times in each race, and the top finishers after tabulating all their times, would receive an award or prize.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS: Vice President Doug read off the list of Committees that are a part of the Alumni Association, and members of the Association who belong. If your name was left out, please let Vice President Doug know and an updated list will be published.

NEXT MEETING: May 4, 2011 6:00 P.M. Community Resources and Administration Building, LPAA Conference Offices.

REMINDER: May 4, 2011 5:30m P.M. at the Community Resource and Administration Building, LPAA Conference Offices-Organizational Meeting for the 3rd Annual Jason Raby Memorial 5k Run and Race Committee Meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: With no further business to be conducted by the Lewiston-Porter Alumni Association, the meeting was adjourned at 7:39 P.M. by Vice President Doug Diez.

Respectfully Submitted

JOHN H. MAC ARTHUR, SECRETARY
LEWISTON-PORTER ALUMNI ASSOCIATION