

**LUZERNE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
BI-MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, MAY 8, 2007**

President Russell Keeler called the meeting to order at 5:41 p.m. In attendance were Melissa Taney, JoAnn Chukinas, Carol Dean, Russell Keeler, Elaine Flanagan, Jennifer Pawlowski, Lisa Owens, and Ed Hennigan.

Secretary's Report: (Melissa Taney, Secretary)

Since there was not an "official" meeting in March, there was no secretary's report to be read. Bonnie brought up the idea of putting the secretary's minutes on the alumni web page. She spoke to the group about the idea and the general consensus was that this is a good idea. Bonnie and Melissa Taney will work on this. Bonnie would also like the group to check our names and pictures on the website to make sure spellings, etc... are correct. If they are not, please let Bonnie know so that she can make the changes.

Treasurer's Report: (Elaine Flanagan, Treasurer)

Bonnie reported that PNC charged us \$256.00 for depositing too many checks into our account. Elaine and Bonnie will check into this and shop around at other banks.

Phonathon: (Lisa Owens, Chairperson)

Lisa reported that we had a lot of volunteers this year with a total of 51 people helping us out. One of the instructors, Gina Tagnani Schwartz '93, offered extra credit points and that helped to bring the students in. Our top caller was Shane Nilon from the Science Club, who brought in \$2,285.00. Our next two top callers brought in \$1,600.00 and \$1,065.00. Our total pledges were \$16,913.50, which is the highest amount since 2001. It was noted that everyone liked the room in the ECC where the phonathon was held.

Flea Market: (Ed Hennigan, Chairperson)

Bonnie and Ed reported that we had 70 vendors participate this year. Most of the vendors were happy and we had great weather. The parking, set-up and teardown went very smoothly

this year. Ed and Bonnie thanked everyone who volunteered their time. The “Dr.Lori” event was not as big of a success as in years past. Instead of normally selling out, we had approximately 50 people attend and we did not make a profit on it this year. Because Dr. Lori’s price went up, we charged \$15.00 an item this year instead of the \$10.00 we charged in past years. The flea market committee will discuss the future of this event in the coming year.

Director’s Report: (Bonnie Lauer, Director, Alumni Relations)

Bonnie noted that she has changed the format of the meeting to try and make it more interactive. She hopes that everyone will like this new format.

Bonnie reported that she has received the first round of updates from Harris, who is publishing the Alumni book.

The Antique Auto Club of America will hold their car show and flea market at the College on June 3, 2007.

Bonnie also reported that the capital campaign is looking to start an “Alumni breakfast or lunch series,” which would be similar to the legislative breakfast series that the College holds now. She asked that if anyone knew of possible members to please let her know.

The Alumni Outstanding Graduate Award and Part-Time Alumni Award will be given at Commencement on May 24, 2007.

Dental Health Alumni Day will be held on May 18, 2007 and a total of 175 people have registered for this amount, which Bonnie noted is a high number.

Bonnie also reported that the light on the flagpole that Dave & Joy Kozemchak donated has finally been installed. They also donated two flags, an American flag and a POW flag.

New Business:

The annual Alumni Graduate Reception will be held on Tuesday, May 22, 2007 from 7 – 9:00 p.m. Please R.S.V.P. to Bonnie and “dress to impress.”

We will again have the flower sale at graduation. We will use the same company as last year. They guarantee \$425.00 or 20% of our total income, whichever is greater.

Bonnie needs volunteers for the alumni scholarship committee; let Bonnie know if you are interested.

The annual alumni picnic will be held at Frank and Lisa Owens on Saturday, July 21, 2007. Everyone is asked to bring a “culinary delight.”

The annual craft festival will be held on Saturday, October 20, 2007. Russ Keeler and Gloria Migatulski will again co-chair the event. Bonnie did a draft of the letter we send to the vendors and we decided to make some changes. We need the vendors to include two pictures of themselves working on their craft. We also want to add some kind of line or a disclaimer that states “Despite our best efforts, we cannot make it to every table. If you see something that looks suspicious, please let a member of the committee know.” The exact wording will be determined. We also want to ban wax-dipped items. The jury meeting will be held in July; Bonnie will let us know a date and time.

Our next meeting will be held Tuesday, September 11, 2007 at 5:30 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by.....Melissa Taney