



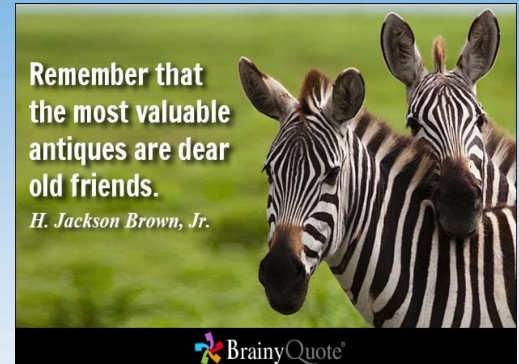
LHS RETIREE NEWSLETTER

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From your editor

Good to hear from so many of you. It sounds like you are traveling and just enjoying life at a comfortable pace, or have shifted into areas of a new passion. I think that is the ultimate goal after working so hard for many years. Our response to having a reunion was high, so we will look to make that happen. A directory has been put together and you should have received it. If you didn't please let us know. Any time you come across an idea you would like to share for future issues, or simply a cartoon or quote, please let me know so we can use it in the future.



Retiree Highlight Michael Galati

Our retiree highlight this issue is former English Department Chairman and teacher Dr. Michael Galati. Mike retired from LHS in 1993. In the early years after Mike retired from Lemont High School he went on to share his knowledge by teaching at local colleges and junior colleges for approximately 10 years. Mike taught English at Joliet Junior College and speech at College of DuPage. Additionally, he taught in the Graduate Department of Education at Northern Illinois University. Teaching at the University of St. Francis, his favorite class to teach was "Religion in America".



When asked how his experience as a teacher differed between high school and college, he said he felt he had encountered a higher quality of student at Lemont H.S. After his collegiate teaching run, he moved on to continue to teach adult classes in local churches, feeding his passion for religion.

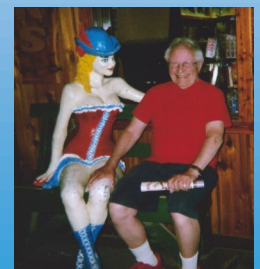
Mike's favorite pastimes are reading, writing, poetry and teaching, and he still gets out on the court to play a brisk game of handball. He enjoys hanging out with his family, grandchildren, and great grandchildren. Mike loves to discover new ideas and is passionate about helping those in need. Two things he feels strongly about are poverty and ignorance.

One item on Mike's bucket list is to visit the Grand Canyon. After losing his wife to illness early on in his retirement, Mike re-married Judy, a prize winning poet from Geneseo, IL, in 2008. When asked if there was anything else he would like to share, he said, "Always Look Up ." Remembering Mike's wit and humor, that is a perfect response. Mike sent a few pictures that demonstrated the person I remember very fondly. From overlooking the San Francisco Golden Gate Bridge to encountering a friendly bear in Great Falls, Montana to flirting in South Dakota, Mike is enjoying life's encounters.



Thanks, Mike, for sharing with all of us.

The Grand Canyon Awaits !!!



VOLUNTERISM

AMONG OUR RANKS



Nursing Homes



Family Care



Red Cross



Church Activities



Hospice Care



Hospital/Clinics



Service Clubs



Food Pantry

Arboretum/Local Forest Preserves

Grandparents Love



Youth Programs



Animal Shelters/Working with Animals

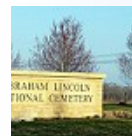
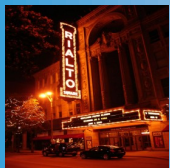


Zoo advocate

Continuous Promotion of Education



Informational Guides at local attractions



Political Support

Local Theatres and Production Assistance

Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery



Counseling

Preservation of our Rivers

Time and Talents Abundant



NEWS and NOTES



The Athletic Hall of Fame Induction for 2016



Catherine Chappell

Catherine Chappell

Recognizing her achievements in Girls Basketball and Track and Field both in high school and in college. Catherine attended the Milwaukee School of Engineering and served in our Armed Forces. She holds numerous college records in track and basketball and is a 2 time All-American in Track and Field.

Eric Michaelsen

Recognizing 12 years as Head Football Coach and the first Boys Coach to reach the IHSA state finals in boys athletics, finishing 2nd place in both 2007 and 2008. Eric produced a 106-33 record in 12 seasons and an IHSA Play-off record of 22-9. He was also recognized as the Daily Southtown All - Area Coach of the Year in 2011.



Eric Michaelsen



1973-74 Boys Basketball Team

1973-74 & 1974-75 Boys Basketball Teams

Recognizing the 1973-74 and 1974-75 Boys Basketball Teams for their accomplishments during the transition of IHSA athletic competition among all athletes. Northeast Conference Champions in 1974 (22-5) and 1975 (26-4). The 1975 team earned a berth to State with a victory over the #1 ranked team in the state Chicago Christian. The 1975 team was recognized as the All-Area Team of the Year from the Joliet Area and WLS Chicago Area.



1974-75 Boys Basketball Team

The Induction will be held on Sunday, Sept. 18 at 1:30 p.m. at Cog Hill. Anyone interested in attending should contact the LHS Athletic department at 630-243-3210 for details. The dinner is at 12:30 if interested in attending the whole program.

LHSEF Foundation Fall Event Sat. Sept. 10

LHSEF's "Food for Thought: Taste of Lemont"

From 5-11 p.m. on Saturday, September 10, the LHSEF will host "Food for Thought: Taste of Lemont" near the Metra Lot in downtown Lemont. This is a fun, family-friendly event that will feature some of the best food and beverages that the Lemont community can offer.

Tickets are \$10, and must be purchased for all attendees six years old and older. Tickets may be redeemed at the gate for an admission bracelet and \$5 for food and beverage tickets to be used at the event.

Participants will have the opportunity to win a variety of prizes through a series of raffles. There will be music. Purchasing tickets in advance is strongly encouraged, as the ticket price will increase to \$15 at the door that evening. "Food for Thought: Taste of Lemont" will be a rain or shine event.

The Foundation has awarded more than \$350,000 in grants to aid Lemont High School's students, faculty and staff since 2007. A primary reason it has been able to provide that level of support is the success of the "Food for Thought" series. "Food for Thought" traditionally is the LHSEF's most important annual fundraiser".

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR L.H.S.



IHSA 3A State Baseball Champions

2nd State Championship in 3 seasons

2014 and 2016

Out and About



L to R / Back Row: Jim Driscoll, Ron Cygan, Bill Bozue, Matt Connors, Sandy Doebert, Bobbie Fash
Front Row: Al Albrecht, Pam Murray, Sharon Jacobs, Judy Grossman, John Jones

REUNION NEWS

Overwhelmingly the fall time of the year was preferred for our first reunion. We are looking at the Fall of 2017.

We will need some willing individuals to help put this together. Please contact Carol Nenne at cnenne@comcast.net if you can be a part of this team.

Let's Party !



Travel Pictures Needed ! In our next issue, we would like to feature favorite places you have visited over the years or recently. Dig out that favorite picture or 2 and send them my way !!! If possible, send by email to mert242@comcast.net or by mail to Pam Murray at 10S250 Havens Dr. Downers Grove, IL. 60516 .

Send them now while you are thinking about it!!!

THANKS !

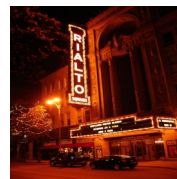
Interested in Who's Who on page 2? Here are a few - more to come!



Cindy Kennedy



Matt Connor



MaryAnn Haase



Jamie Lomax



Joan Sheesley

Anyone interested in a
Book Club ???

Would meet every 3 months

No long term commitment

Contact Sharon Jacobs at

Slj31@aol.com if interested