

LHS RETIREE NEWSLETTER



From your editor

Hi everyone! **2020** YIKES! As I contemplate what my usual editor muses are I realize I feel like I am on a Ferris wheel going around and around. While the excitement of going high is exhilarating the drop down is a bit frightening. Feeling a bit in the middle at this point in the junction. I have found more of an appreciation for my home. In my backyard I have enough trees/vegetation to get a feel for the forest, enough birds to sing to me, and of course the squirrel population for amusing entertainment for the dogs and I all year long under a variety of scenery. The garden is coming to a close but has been plentiful this year. I have golfed every Friday since May this summer so that was a pleasant form of physical entertainment and easy enough to do socially distance while still enjoying my foursomes company. It was important to find a way to step out of my personal bubble as was the occasional grocery run. I did find my bike still works, and of course walking is essential when you have canine pets.

Anyone out there wishing they were still teaching ! 🔍 I admire our colleagues who still are during this difficult time. On that note lets be Grateful for each day, I know I am. Pam



If or When Stress appears give this a try...

As the saying goes "It's not forever and we all are in this together. Take Care, Stay Safe, and feel free to send me any thoughts you would like to share with our newsletter colleagues! If you have backyard pleasures or even have taken a road trip or better lets share the lighter moments together. Thanks, Pam

Congratulations to Our New Retirees ! Uniquely in 2020



Monica Johnson

Many of Monica's former colleagues celebrated with her this spring with a car drive-by celebration and wishing her well. Monica came over from Minooka H.S. in 2000 to teach science at LHS. She taught meteorology, astronomy, environmental science, and geology. She was instrumental in developing the curriculum for the freshman integrated science course that was developed several years ago. Her environmental science classes worked closely with Citgo in doing quarry clean ups and had a good relationship with the Will County Forest Preserve District.

Monica coached Softball for a few years for the LHS Softball program, and participated and supported many activities/programs throughout her career. Monica suffered a career ending illness but has beaten the odds. We wish her good thoughts and good health in the future.

Congratulations Monica!















Nancy Theile

Nancy has been at Lemont H.S. for Twenty-Seven Years, 1993-2020. She has taught Business classes over her tenure at LHS. Nancy began at LHS teaching Keyboarding and supervising the Work Program which took students out of the building to work and learn in a supervised manner. Nancy created the Professional Internship Program, and two levels of Personal Finance for students which moved the initial programs from the basics of business to a more forward thinking program. Nancy was one of the creators of 8 Enterprise which ran the school store in the 1990's and early 2000's. She also worked informally with a group of students interested in Investments. Although it wasn't a sanctioned program it served as a learning experience for those interested.

Nancy is very proud of her children. Her son Scott works on the production crew of many TV series filmed in Chicago, two common ones being Shamless, and the Chicago Med/ Fire/PD shows. Nancy's daughter Sherry is a resident at Misericordia in Chicago. Nancy will continue to work and support the various programs connected to Misericordia. The upcoming fundraiser on Sept. 29 is "The Artist in All". Anyone interested in checking out the artistry and the artwork of the residents to be auctioned off should check them out on <u>https://artistinall.org/2020/index.html</u>





A Drive-By Celebration with friends, family, and co-workers. Good Luck Nancy in your future endeavors!

Back in 2021 via ZOOM???

Interested in a One Time let's get together and say "Hi" Session of Zoom in real time instead of the January Newsletter. <u>If you are interested in participating send</u> <u>me a "Yes" after you receive this invite.</u> I will connect with you in early December with the information you will need if we have a good response, and when you can confirm your participation and expect your official invite. Meanwhile Stay Safe !



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That's All We Have Folks !

We welcome any form of interest, achievement, travel, experiences... Send it our way! Thanks to those of you who have shared!!!

Wishing you a Wonderful Fall and hopefully the end of Covid Soon!

