

Annual Meeting
Minutes
17 June 2010

President Bob Chapman **called the meeting to order at 7:10pm** and asked Tim Griswold to lead members in the Pledge of Allegiance. John Stratton welcomed Bob back from his convalescence & continued the Annual Meeting.

John recognized guest Shannon Sousa who briefly addressed the Chamber. A motion to **approve the minutes of the 2009 Annual Meeting** was made by George Young, seconded by Peter Mountzoures, and unanimously approved. John indicated that the most recent **report of the Treasurer** had been sent electronically to members and was available at the Chamber website. John presented a report from the Scholarship Committee reminding members that funding comes directly from the Taste of the Lymes and the CMRK Clothing-Recycling Centers through the towns.

He announced recipients of the **N. Rutherford Sheffield Memorial Junior-Year Scholarship Award for Entrepreneurial Promise and Achievement:**

Jennifer Chapman Daughter of Valerie and Lawrence Chapman
Sarah Gaudio Daughter of Barbara and Steven Gaudio
Barbara Massa Daughter of Leslie and Mark Massa;

and the **Lyme Academy College of Fine Arts Scholarships 2010-2011 - The Senior-Year Scholarship Award for Promise and Achievement in the Visual Arts**

Richard Eugene Lacey, III son of Rick Lacey and brother of Hannah Lacey (LOLHS Class of 2007; previous recipient of a \$300 pre-college summer scholarship in 2006, a 2007 full-time student scholarship, a 2008 full-time student scholarship, and a 2009 full-time student scholarship)

Caitlyn Concascia daughter of Bob and Marianne Concascia (LOLHS Class of 2006 who transferred to the Academy in spring 2007; previous recipient of a 2007 full-time student scholarship and a 2008 full-time student scholarship, and a 2009 full-time student scholarship)

Van Franklin son of Michael Franklin and Henrietta Martin (LOLHS graduate of 2008; previous recipient of a Chamber Summer Scholarship in 2006, a 2008 full-time student scholarship, and a 2009 full-time student scholarship)

Unfinished Business

- Eastern Connecticut Chamber

John reported that the LOL relationship with the Chamber of Commerce of Eastern Connecticut was the primary subject of a long, recent board meeting during which many advantages of our involvements were clarified, and several areas of improvement described. John said the Board is moving forward on a redefined agreement which it hopes will please members and retain necessary services.

New Business

· Announcements

The OL Historical Society has a number of publications on local history available for sale at the OLPGN Library & through the OLHSI.

The OL Visiting Nurse Assoc. is moving the annual Health Fair on November 6 to a larger venue, Christ the King Church. This year they are opening table space for direct health services, and for all local businesses that support health and community wellness directly or indirectly. The OLVNA board of directors is excited about expanding their Health and Wellness Day and is looking forward to engaging the business community in their plans.

John recognized Tony Sheridan with congratulations from the LOL Chamber on being named the Statewide Chamber Executive of the Year.

John expressed thanks from the Chamber & presented certificates to Steve Ross for CMRK (absent), Deke Cooksley for Toys for Tots (absent), Pat McCarthy (for annual Boat Trip), Tim Griswold (Adopt a Highway), Pam Stevens (Reynolds anniversary Celebration).

Gifts were presented to Heather Giffen Leonard, who has worked closely with the LOL Chamber for the past two years, and to Pam Uthoff, who is retiring from the Board after many years of service.

Setting of Application Fees and Membership Dues

Dues will be determined by the LOL Chamber Board.

Election of Officers & Directors

- Co-Treasurers: Tim Griswold & Pam Stevens (2 yr term to June 2012)

Motion was made by George Young, seconded by Frank Oliveira

- Board of Directors: Sheila Wertheimer (3 years to June 2013); Peter Mountzoures (3 years to June 2013)

Motion made by Pam Uthoff, seconded by Tim Griswold

- Immediate Past President: 1 additional year to June 2011: Charlie Delinks

Motion made by George Young, seconded by Ruth Roach.

Motions passed unanimously.

Break for Dinner

Pat McCarthy announced that she has booked a fall Chamber boat trip for Sunday October 17.

Annual Meeting adjourned at 8:35pm.

Cathy Frank
6/18/2010