

L-P School Foundation, Inc.

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- L-P Schools receive \$4,346 in donations
- 145 donors from 21 states plus Canada supported LPSF with almost \$22,000 in donations
- LPSF obtained 501 (c)(3) tax-exempt status

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Welcome to our first issue!

Welcome to the initial newsletter of the L-P School Foundation! We plan to publish and distribute this newsletter every fall to supporters of the L-P School Foundation. The goal is to keep you – our supporters – aware of the activities of the LPSF.

The Loudonville-Perryville School Foundation strives to bring together community members, businesses, civic organizations, and alumni, in order to support and enhance the educational opportunities of students living in or from the Loudonville-Perryville School District.

We were incorporated on January 7, 2008, and on March 26, 2008 we received notice from the Internal Revenue Service that LPSF is classified as a tax exempt 501(c)(3) organization. Because of this classification, donations made to LPSF are tax deductible.

As Trustees of this Foundation, we all look forward to continuing and expanding our support for the L-P Schools. Thank you most sincerely for your support of the Loudonville-Perryville School Foundation.

- Mike Bandy**, President
- Jerry Dudte**, Vice President
- Sue Burwell**, Secretary/Treasurer
- Tami Reynolds**, Trustee
- Zach Davis**, Trustee



Grant given to L-P Schools

In the photo above, Sue Burwell, Secretary/Treasurer of the L-P School Foundation, presents a check for \$1,000 to Superintendent John Miller.

Also observing the ceremony are (left to right) Trustees Mike Bandy, Jerry Dudte, and Tami Reynolds. (Trustee Zach Davis was unable to attend the presentation.)

In addition to this \$1,000 grant, the L-P School Endowment Fund, started in 1999 by several LPSF Trustees, granted an additional \$3,346 to the L-P Schools earlier this year, and has given over \$13,000 of grants since the year 2001.

Major milestones were achieved in 2008



A team races to grab dodge balls at the start of the game at last spring's Senior Class Project, a combination dodgeball and cornhole tournament.

The year 2008 was indeed a busy one for the Loudonville-Perryville School Foundation (LPSF for short). As mentioned elsewhere in this newsletter, two major administrative milestones were achieved this year – the incorporation of the Foundation, and our classification as a tax exempt 501(c)(3) organization by the Internal Revenue Service.

These administrative changes will allow us to continue our work of the past nine years, but now with a more formal and structured organization. The

LPSF will continue working with the graduating seniors each year, helping them with a “Senior Project” that gives something back to our community. And we will continue to raise funds for the benefit of the L-P Schools.

Now to some of the specifics of the past year . . .

The first major activity undertaken by the LPSF was the Class of 2008 Senior Project, which took place in April and consisted of tournaments in dodgeball and cornhole.

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2008 in review (cont'd from p. 1)



Members of the "El Diablo" team try to stay in play.

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Both activities were held on the tennis courts at the high school, and included 12 dodgeball teams and 28 cornhole teams. The weather was very cooperative, making the day even more enjoyable. In addition to the two tournaments, a concession stand was run by the seniors and some parents. Spectators were asked to bring donations of food or other nonperishable items for the Helping Hands food pantry, and over eight large bags were collected. The total amount raised that day, including tournament entry fees, donations, and concession stand revenue, was \$1,654.

The Class of 2008 also applied for (and received) grants from several other foundations, including the Hugo and Mabel Young Foundation, the Milton and Beulah Young Foundation, the Park Foundation, and the WalMart Foundation. In total, the Class of 2008 was directly responsible for raising \$7,154, which is the most raised by any graduating class since these efforts were started with the Class of 2000.



Teammates practice their moves.

The second major activity undertaken by the LPSF in 2008 was a campaign to contact L-P alumni and other school supporters. Over 2,100 letters were sent to alumni and supporters in 45 states, plus Canada. Donations were received from 145 supporters in 21 states, plus Canada. Almost \$15,000 was raised through these efforts, and the LPSF sends its thanks to all of those who supported this campaign.

Combining these two activities, nearly \$22,000 was raised in 2008. The Loudonville-Perryville School Foundation will manage these funds in a prudent and conservative manner. All funds are currently held in either certificates of deposits or in our checking account – and all funds are fully insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

Our intent is to provide one grant each year to the L-P Schools, and that grant will be approximately 5% of our fund balance. That will allow LPSF to grow our fund balance, and thus provide increasing support to



A senior girl plays cornhole.

our schools each year in the future.

To that end, the final major event of 2008 was LPSF's grant of \$1,000 to the L-P Schools. These funds helped the school purchase two sets of Active Expressions student response systems – hand-held units that work in conjunction with the school's electronic whiteboards. The junior high and the high school will each receive one of these sets. Helping the L-P Schools stay on the cutting edge of technology is always important, and the LPSF is proud and pleased to assist with this technology purchase.



Two rival teams get ready to compete in dodgeball.

The 2008 Senior Class Fundraiser, a dodge ball & cornhole tournament, raised \$1,654 and collected eight large bags of food for Helping Hands.

Our plans for 2009

While graduation may appear as a distant event for the Class of 2009, the Loudonville-Perrysville School Foundation is already starting to make plans for the Class of 2009 Senior Project.

We never know what kind of project the seniors will come up with – but they invariably

project as they see fit.

Planning for the Senior Project typically starts with the class officers, and the LPSF Trustees plan to meet with the class officers later this fall.

This year's officers include Megan Ashby (President), Jebediah Stokes (Vice President),

Jessica Sprang (Secretary), Samantha Leininger (Treasurer), Kaylin Cassity (Historian), along with Student Council members Cody Berger, Christina Kranz, Kara Pearce, and

Nicholas Snyder.

After our initial meeting and discussion with the officers, we will meet with the entire class, but have the officers present the concept of the Senior Project. The good news is that after nine consecutive years, the idea of a Senior Project is a familiar one to most of the students.

Once the Class of 2009 decides on a project, we will have a number of planning meetings (typically about six) to make sure the project will run smoothly. The Senior Project is usually held in April, squeezed in among the other activities like Prom, Café Redbird, track meets, baseball and softball games, and of course, plans for graduation. While it is a busy time, we have held nine successful Senior Projects, and plan on great success again this year with the Class of 2009.

Another item on the table for 2009 is the continuing outreach to alumni and other L-P School supporters. We have expanded our mailing list and hope for even greater participation this year.

We plan to send this mailing in the spring of 2009 so that results can be announced at the 2009 Commencement. If you have access to a mailing list for your graduating class, please let us know, as we are always trying to keep our address list current.

Class of 2009 Class Officers:

President Megan Ashby

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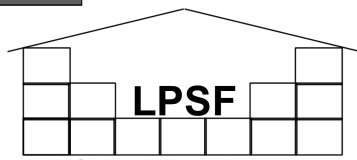
Historian Kaylin Cassity

turn out to be fun. Since the year 2000 we have held a variety of events, like walkathons, dances, fashion shows, and dodgeball tournaments. Giving back to the community is always a requirement of the Senior Project, and as long as the community benefits, the adult advisors give the seniors free rein to organize and run the

Please complete our brief survey...

We have enclosed a short survey, and hope you will take the time to share your thoughts with us. As the LPSF grows in its ability to support our schools, we want your input on a variety of topics. Thanks again for your support and your interest in the Loudonville-Perrysville School Foundation!





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The Loudonville-Perrysville School Foundation, Inc. (LPSF) is governed by a five-member Board of Trustees. The current Trustees are: Mike Bandy (President), Jerry Dudte (Vice President), Sue Burwell (Secretary/Treasurer), Tami Reynolds, and Zach Davis. The Foundation meets once a quarter, in January, April, July, and October. If you have any questions about LPSF, or if you would like to attend one of our meetings, please contact any of the Trustees listed below.

Mike Bandy (President)

Mike earned a BS in Business from Purdue University, and is a Trust Officer at Farmers and Savings Bank in Loudonville. Mike and wife Guinn have two children, Nelson and Ruthanne.

Jerry Dudte (Vice President)

Jerry is a Supervisor at Mansfield Plumbing Products, a retired Captain of the Loudonville Fire Department, and a member of the Loudonville Tree Commission. Jerry and wife Judy have two grown children, Jerrilyn and Kari.

Sue Burwell (Secretary/Treasurer)

Sue earned a BS in Accounting and Business Administration from Findlay College, and is Fiscal Officer of the Loudonville Public Library. Sue and husband Byron have two

grown children, Ashley and Sheena.

Tami Reynolds (Trustee)

Tami earned a BA in Business Administration from Capital University, and is a Certified Public Accountant and a partner at Whitcomb and Hess in Ashland. Tami and husband Russ have two grown children, Lee and Erin.

Zach Davis (Trustee)

Zach earned a BS in Education from Ashland University, and works at the Haudenschild Insurance Agency in Loudonville. He is also in the Air National Guard, and is President of the Loudonville Rotary. Zach's wife, Lindsay, is a 3rd grade teacher in the Ashland City Schools.

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