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JANUARY 2005

HERE'S WHAT'S ON TAP ...

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS
WITH THE FOLLOWING DATES!**

JANUARY 12, 2005
GENERAL MEETING AND
INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS
Stark County Amateur Sports
Hall of Fame - 7:00 PM

JANUARY 28, 2005
POLAR PARTY and SILENT AUCTION
Windsor Hall
Social Hour - 6:00 PM
Dinner - 7:00 PM

JULY 22-24, 2005
Class of 1975 Reunion

SEPTEMBER 16-18, 2005
Class of 1955 Reunion
Friday and Sunday
at Lake Cable Clubhouse
Saturday
at Kent Stark Conference Center

POLAR PARTY SET FOR JANUARY 28

It's that time of year again when those alumni who do not head to warmer climates come out for the Polar Party. Tickets are available from Jack Dillon at 330-499-7951 or any of the officers or trustees at a cost of \$15.00 each for a dinner to be catered by Mr. Mike. That means the food will be plentiful and good.

DJ Rob McGirr will keep things moving and items should be plentiful at the Silent Auction but we can never tell in advance what will be on the tables. Guests must come and find out for themselves.

Remember no matter what the weather the Polar Party will go forth because we're Polar Bears, so gather some friends and plan to have an enjoyable evening on Friday, January 28 at Windsor Hall.

If you would like to donate an item for the Silent Auction, call Joanne Moody at 330-875-8477.

TAYLOR TO LEAD ALUMNI ASSOCIATION IN 2005

Larry Taylor '51 was elected President of the Lehman High School Alumni Association following the count of ballots at the December 15, 2004 General Meeting. Assisting him in governing the Association will be the following elected officers: Claudia (Burgess) Selby '75, Vice President; Eleanor "Nickie" (Lang) Wingert '44, Corresponding Secretary; Polly (McAfee) Duplain '57, Recording Secretary; and Connie (Haynie) DeHaas '57, Treasurer. Nancy (Steiner) Hall '50 and Rose (Mailat) Maier '50 were elected Trustees for terms ending in 2007.

Kitty (Shourds) McClelland '71 has accepted the position of Trustee for the term ending in 2006, replacing Larry Taylor, and Jack Dillon '53 and Bill Rearick '55 have accepted the open positions of Trustees for terms ending in 2005. Beverly (Sue) Stevenson '50 continues as Financial Secretary, Tim Elder '57 as Trustee for the term ending in 2006 and Joanne (Reynolds) Moody '53 as Past President. The 2005 officers will be installed at a General Meeting to be held Wednesday, January 12, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. at the Stark County Amateur Sports Hall of Fame.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Greetings Fellow Alumni:

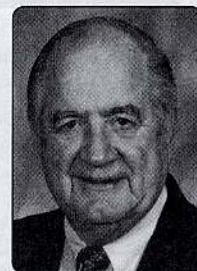
Since I am fairly new to the organization, let me give you a little background. I graduated from Lehman in the Class of 1951 and then from Kent State in 1955. I taught in Minerva for a year and then spent the next 20 years in the Air Force. I came back to Goodyear Aerospace to work and retired from there in 1989. I then consulted for a number of years. And here I am!

I am greatly honored to serve as your president but since I am a "newcomer," I will have to lean on all the "old heads." I expect to get lots of help from the past president, Claudia Selby, who will continue to serve on the board as Vice President and from Joanne Moody who has lots of experience as Past President. The Board is loaded with both talent and experience, so I am looking forward to an outstanding year.

It amazes me that a small number of people started this group about 10 years ago and it has developed into an outstanding organization with over 1300 names on our roster almost 800 active members. It has given almost \$87,000 in scholarships since it started. That is outstanding.

Speaking of scholarships, we will again try and provide 25 scholarships of \$500 in 2005. If you know someone who would like to be considered for a scholarship and is a Lehman High School Alumnus/a or a direct descendant, they should request an application by writing the Lehman Alumni Association - Scholarship Committee - P.O. Box 7498 - Canton OH 44705-7498, enclosing a stamped self-addressed envelope. There is also a requirement that the alumnus/a be a member for two consecutive years. The application must be totally completed by May 1, 2005, so send your request in early. If you have any questions, please give Tim Elder a call at 330-875-2323 or write to him c/o the above post office box.

Another excellent item offered by the organization is the *Lehman Journal*. What an exceptional publication. Jack Dillon and Joanne Moody deserve lots of credit. Just think - you get four issues for only \$10 a year. What a buy! Cost for the *Journal* is primarily supported by our advertisers. Please patronize them. The *Journal* is one of our ways of providing communications with and about fellow alumni. It keeps the name of Canton Lehman High School alive. If you know of any alumni who are not



Larry Taylor '51

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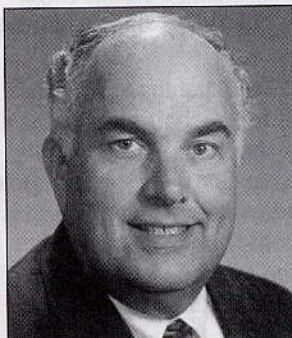
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Sandra Rowles Brock '58
Richard Schneider '45
Mark Hinton '72

Arlene Dickerhoof Holderread '42

The Association tries to send or take a single red rose tied with red and gray ribbons to the funeral home of Lehman alumni who die locally if we know about the passing. Often the school is not mentioned and we miss the opportunity to remember they were our classmates. Please notify an Alumni Board member when possible. For out of town alumni, we send a card to a family member when possible.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

Books are still available but we will soon have to return all unsold books. Instead of two scholarships being awarded this year from the proceeds of the Entertainment Books, only one will be presented due to lack of sales this year. Please keep us in mind for next year. Our out of town alumni can purchase a book for their area through our group and we get credit for the sale. Give Larry Taylor a call to see if one is available for your city. Snowbirds find them useful also when leaving the Stark County area.

HELPERS NEEDED

Keep in mind those alumni who started the association 11 years ago are now 11 years older and losing a little of their steam for keeping the name of Lehman High School alive. If you can find a little time to help with a committee or one of the several events we do throughout the year, give incoming President Larry Taylor a call and offer to lend a hand. If you're not a board members but have been helping on a committee for one of the events, give Larry a call and tell him you are still available.

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT ...

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members, let us know and we will be pleased to send them a copy.

I would personally invite any of you to attend our meetings. The officers and Board of Trustees presently meet on the first Monday of the month, although this may change in 2005. I hope to get a permanent meeting place so that you will know where we meet. Until then, if you are interested in coming to our meetings, please give me a call and I will let you know where and when. My phone number is 330-494-9519. Also should you have any suggestions, please call.

To help finance the scholarship fund, we have several fundraising activities throughout the year. We will let you know through the *Journal* when these activities are scheduled. One of the activities is to sell Canton Lehman Alumni merchandise. Claudia Selby and Nikki Wingert travel throughout the area to sell these products at reunions and other alumni meetings. Please let them know when you are planning your next reunion.

We have developed a database of alumni and teachers who have passed away. We have used the obituaries posted in our past *Journals*. In addition, we have been provided a list of names from several of the reunion groups. We have about 500 names on the list but would like to expand the list. Please send the list of names from your class or any others that you know have passed away. You can send these to our general Post Office box, which is PO Box 8175, Canton OH 44711. If you are not aware, the Canton Lehman Alumni provides a rose to all of the Canton Lehman Alumni in the local area that pass away. Nikki Wingert keeps tabs through the local papers and delivers the rose to the funeral home. So that we don't miss anyone, please let us know if there is a death.

Also, if you would like to find a school friend, send us their name and we will check our membership list or our list of deaths to try and help locate individuals.

Remember the Polar Party. It will be held at the Windsor Hall on the 28th of January. We will have the usual silent auction along with music and a great meal. Cost is only \$15.00 and there will be an open bar. Proceeds go to the scholarship fund. It's winter out there but what better way to enjoy a cold winter night than to be with OLD friends. Come out and join the fun. I would like to meet you.

Now a word on our membership. Last year we unfortunately had one of those disasters that strike all computer users. The disk that had our membership files was corrupted. We have had to use a disk from the previous years and bring it up to date. As a result many of our members may not have received our most

MESSAGE FROM THE PAST PRESIDENT

Greetings, Fellow Alumni —

This may be late but I hope you all had a wonderful holiday season. This is my last letter as your President of the Association and I would like to personally thank you and my fellow board members for a wonderful year. You helped me be a good leader and I truly appreciate it. As Larry Taylor takes over as the 2005 President, I wish him all the best.

As you read this issue, the Polar Party/Silent Auction will be just around the corner. This is one of our major fundraising events to benefit our scholarship funds, so I ask you to call your friends to come out for an evening of fun. Call any Board member for information and tickets. The date is January 28 at Windsor Hall with our favorite caterer, Mr. Mikes, providing the buffet style dinner.

It is also time to begin thinking of applying for scholarships. So if you have a direct descendant who is either completing high school and planning higher education or is already attending a technical college, college or university, and you were an Association member in 2004 and have paid your 2005 dues, have your descendant send an application request to the Post Office box complete with a stamped self addressed envelope. Deadline for returning the application is May 1, 2005.

Again thank you all for a wonderful year. God bless you all.

— Claudia (Burgess) Selby '75

valuable asset — the *Journal*. Over the last couple of months we have taken our handwritten membership cards and entered them one by one in our computer file. In doing this we have tried to update addresses along with the recording of dues payments. It is now complete for the January *Journal* mailing. The files show that we have had 1346 alumni join at one time or another. We currently have nearly 800 members that are paying dues but because of the disk mishap our listing of dues for last year are not like we would have them. If you have not received a *Journal* sometime this last year and would like to get them, let us know and we will try and get them to you, as we have some extra copies. Also pass the word to all of your Alumni friends that we are up to date finally on the membership files. PLEASE SEND IN YOUR 2005 DUES AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. GREAT BARGAIN FOR \$10.00. A form is on the insert in this issue of the *Journal*.

I am looking forward to being your President in 2005, and to meeting all of my old friends and making many new ones.

— Larry Taylor '51

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Charlene (Foulks) Poulos '49	Dr. Irving Gordon '44
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Ellen (Both) McDonald '70	Barry Adelman '69
Tim Alexander '56	Tom Martin '70
Marjorie (Johnson) Caley '66	Tim Lehman '68
Raymond (Mike) Wesson '66	Dennis Rossetti '69
Richard Dreher '42	Marilyn (Niamty) Holbrook '70
Joe Vignos '42	James E. Cummins, Jr. '70
Gary Wayne Totten '65	Jud Prandel '74
Claudia (Trudeau) Burkhardt '71	David Nau '74
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CANTON LEHMAN NIGHT

Canton Lehman Night will be held in Naples, Florida on March 8, 2005. For further information call Susan Fleishour Leanes '65 at 239-591-3863 or write her at 3755 Fieldstone Blvd., Apt. 1206, Naples, FL 34109.



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NAMES IN THE NEWS

NAN (SHENGLE) REARICK '54 was featured in the *Repository* for making and donating 27 First Lady dolls that hang on the Christmas tree at the National First Ladies' Library Education and Research Center. She was pictured next to the tree and her Helen Taft and Lucy Hayes dolls. Also shown in the article were her Louisa Adams, Rosalyn Carter, Mary Todd Lincoln, Ida McKinley and Martha Washington dolls.

ROCCO MACRI '49 recently qualified for the National Senior Olympics for the fourth straight time as a member of the Dallas Rams. The Senior Olympics are held every two years and will be played at the University of Pittsburgh in June 2005. These games represent the highest level of play for seniors over the age of 50. Macri has been inducted in the Canton Amateur Sports Hall of Fame in basketball and softball.

JOHN R. WERREN '55 was in the *Repository* October 1 issue "Looking Back" column where he was mentioned as a 17 year old Lehman High School senior who was chosen as the *Repository's* Outstanding Honor Newspaperboy for 1954. His remark at the time was that his paper route helped him make friends.

JOANN WILSON '53 was in the *Repository* showing her as a Canton Public Library employee stacking volumes of literature that were to be traded for objectionable comic books during the Operation Book Swap in 1954.

FRED HAROLD - We always said the smartest thing well known Timken High School Basketball Coach Fred Harold did was marry Lehman graduate Joan Lahr '46. Fred has recently received all kinds of publicity for giving up his Canton City Board of Education post after 13 years. Undoubtedly Lehman basketball players came up against his coaching over the years as he coached for 25 of his 39 years at Timken High School. Harold, now 80, was just re-elected to serve four more years but decided it was time to step down as of January 1, 2005. Now Joan will have to find new chores to keep him busy. One thing he will probably do is bring her to the Polar Party. Fred and Joan attend many of the Lehman Alumni events.

JOHN SHAHEEN '71, owner of Rumours Cafe, made the *Repository* with his cooking abilities when the Rep's food writers went into his restaurant unannounced to sample the food. They did not say how many stars he got, but from the write up it sounds like he got a lot.

JANET (JERLES) FOLSOM '53 is presenting a photo exhibition on Tiwanaku, the most important pre-Inca civilization in Peru and Bolivia, at the Denver Art Museum from October 16, 2004 through January 23, 2005. The exhibition is considered groundbreaking as it is the first such exhibition on Tiwanaku in a major museum.

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GLORIA QUINN '42 sent a special "thank you" as she was one of the \$500 winners from the reverse raffle. She also sent thanks for the Reverse Raffle Committee.

JANE (SUE) SETO of the Class of 1954 sent a special thanks to the Class of '54 Reunion Committee as follows: *My sincere heartfelt thanks to everyone on the committee. I know it took many hours of planning and work to make the weekend such a success and I appreciate it. You did a super job. I had a wonderful time as did everyone that I spoke to. The Friday get-together, Saturday bus tour, the Brookside dinner and the Sunday brunch finale. Thank you, thank you, thank you.*

Editor's note – how many of us ever remember to say thanks to the committee who puts a reunion together!!!

DR. BERNIE A. McCONNELL '46 sent the following with his ballot: *The submission of this ballot is my way of thanking and endorsing the excellent work that the current officers have done in the past. Thanks again to one and all, Bernie.*

(And thank you, Bernie, from all of the officers and trustees of the Alumni Association for these kind words.)

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REUNIONS

CLASS OF 1955 – The schedule for the Lehman Class of 1955 50th Reunion will be as follows:

- September 16, 2005 – Lake Cable Recreation Clubhouse
- September 17, 2005 – Kent State Stark Campus Conference Center
- September 18, 2005 – Lake Cable Recreation Clubhouse

Missing class members are as follows: Ken Amos, Betsy (Gray) Bolender, Richard Carpenter, Donna (Burwell) Cartiera, Irene Christensen, Larry Condon, Thomas Cover, David Crawford, Sally Jane Curtis, David DeVelder, David Geisler, Davis Heaston, Mary Lou Henderson, David Jones, Gary Johnson, Judy Kestel, Marcia Lambrou, Joyce (DeGeorge) Livery, Linda (Welch) Miller, Ilene Raffel, Kay Russell, Darrow Seevers, Gary Sherrard, William Shive, John Siffron, Dale Swan, Arthur Wilkof, Brinley Williams.

If you can provide any information regarding the present addresses of any of the above, please contact:

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CLASS OF 1975 – The Class of 1975 Reunion will be held the weekend of July 22-24, 2005. Further details will be published in the April *Journal* or may be obtained from Claudia (Burgess) Selby at 330-455-6655.

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DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI BANQUET



The following Distinguished Alumni recipients are pictured at the November 10 Dinner (starting from the left): Jack Lothamer, Larry Taylor, Claude "Skip" Shriver, Karl Shank and Richard Myser.

Photo by Ed Moody

A large number of alumni and guests attended the Fourth Annual Distinguished Alumni Banquet at the Christ United Methodist Church on November 10, 2004 to honor the following members of the 2004 class of distinguished alumni:

Civic/Community	Claude (Skip) Shriver '71
Education	William J. Scoggan '61
Athletics	Jack Lothamer '42
Business	Milan McMannis '56
Military	Larry Taylor '51
Teacher/Coach/Administrator	Richard Myser '41
Service to Alma Mater	Karl Shank '41

Biographies of the honorees are published at the end of this article.

William Scoggan's sister Nancy accepted his award and stated her brother was "flattered" to be remembered in the field of Education.

Jack Lothamer was surrounded at his table with friends who came to the banquet to see him receive his award.

Larry Taylor accepted his plaque in memory of WWII veterans and then added humorously how he set up a play that helped Bob Arnold make the longest touchdown run at Fawcett Stadium.

Dick Myser stated he received lots of telephone calls after his name was mentioned in the *Journal*. He recalled his coaching days and youngsters he met. When it was over, Jay Jones stepped up to tell how when there wasn't any money for a coach Dick continued to coach without pay simply for the love of the game.

Karl Shank was on hand with family and friends to receive his award. The quiet man has helped in so many ways that few know about. He even took some time and noted to the audience that all of the different recipients represented each decade of Lehman High School graduates.

Milan McMannis was already committed to an outing with his sons in another state on the date of our planned dinner. Milan is another alumni who helps in so many ways that are

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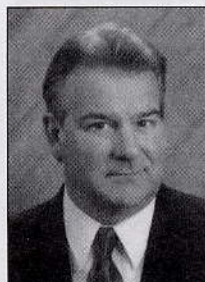
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DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI BANQUET – from page 6
never publicized. We are hoping that he will visit some day to be recognized at a future dinner so that we can give him our personal thanks. All past recipients in attendance are recognized at each Distinguished Alumni Banquet and even those not present are remembered.

Only three past recipients were on hand this year to be recognized. Hopefully next year we can set the date far enough ahead to list it in the "What's On Tap" calendar in an early edition so that more past recipients will be able to attend.

A nomination form for Distinguished Alumni to be honored at the Fifth Annual Distinguished Alumni Banquet in November 2005 is included on the insert in this edition of the *Journal*.

CLAUDE W. (SKIP) SHRIVER '71 – Civic/Community – Skip was born in Canton, attended Summit Grade School and graduated from Lehman High School in 1971. He attended Kent State University and then graduated from the Pittsburgh Institute of Mortuary Science. He began his career in funeral service while in his senior year in high school in 1970 and became the owner and operator of Spiker-Foster-Shriver Funeral Home in 1980. He has been married to Linda R. (Walker) Shriver for 25 years and they have three children, Jonathan, Jason and Jennifer. His civic and community activities are numerous and varied. He served as a Plain Township Trustee for five years and is serving his second term as Plain Township Clerk/Treasurer overseeing a budget of over 10 million dollars. He is a member and past president of District 16 Ohio Funeral Directors Association and a member of the Ohio Embalmers' Association. He is a member and past president of the Canton Cemetery Association. He is a member of Trinity Lutheran Church, where he served as president of church council. He is a former member and treasurer of the Canton Association of Churches. His other memberships are: William McKinley Lodge #431 Free and Accepted Masons, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite Valley of Canton, Nazir Grotto, Tadmor Shrine, Canton Elks Lodge #68, and the Canton Lehman High School Alumni Association.

WILLIAM J. SCOGGAN '61 – Education – Bill graduated from Lehman High School in 1961. After high school, he attended Newberry College in South Carolina, graduating in 1965 with a major in English and a minor in German. He received his Master of Arts degree in 1974 from the University of Akron with a major in Educational Administration and a minor in Urban Studies. He has completed additional coursework at the University of South Carolina, Malone College, Mount Union College, Kent State University and the University of Oklahoma. He has completed Doctoral Course Work at the University of Akron. Bill is presently the Superintendent of the Chickasha Public Schools in Chickasha, Oklahoma, where he has served since 2001. He previously served as Director of Schools of Choice/"Goals 2000" Comprehensive Planning for the Oklahoma City Public Schools from 1998 to 2001. He has served in teaching, coaching, principal and superintendent positions in South Carolina, Ohio (including Lehman from 1973 through 1974) and Oklahoma. His professional and community service achievements and memberships are many and varied, but of note is that he served as the Charter President of Ohio's Council for Academic Excellence and was the first and only two-time president of the Greater Cleveland Educational Development Center. He is considered an expert in Effective Schools Research (educational delivery) and the Malcolm Baldrige Educational Criteria and has given many presentations on these topics to college classes, local and statewide administrative workshops and to the National School Boards Association national convention in San Diego in 2001.

JOHN LOTHAMER '42 – Athletics – Jack was born in Canton, attended Worley Grade School and graduated from Lehman in 1942 where he was a three year letterman in basketball and a member of the teams that went to the "Sweet 16" in 1940 and to the "Final 4" in 1942. He was also a four-year letterman in football and captain of the 1942 undefeated team. He went on to DePauw University under the naval V-12 program and graduated in 1947. He served as a naval officer in the Pacific aboard an LST and a fleet oiler during WWII. He received his Master's degree from Kent State University in 1954. He was a teacher and coach at Worley for four years and Lehman for nine years, then served as high school principal in Plain Local Schools for 23 years, retiring in 1986. He was an avid tennis player and golfer until the last few years. He married Mary Guild in 1946 and they have three daughters.

MILAN McMANNIS '56 – Business – After his graduation from Lehman, Milan attended Florida Southern University in Lakeland, Florida, and then served in the U.S. Army. Following his discharge, he joined the Berger Division of Republic Steel in their Sales Division and was eventually transferred to Boston. He then returned to Canton, and in 1972 relocated to Phoenix, Arizona. In Phoenix he founded Alliance Wholesale Lumber and in time he expanded the company to three contractor yards with over 300 employees and sales of \$200 million per year. He sold the company in 1997, but remained with it until 2000. He was an active member of the community and served for 12 years on the Board of Directors of the 1st National Bank of Arizona and various committees for the its parent company, Bank of Hawaii. He continues to maintain a home in Scottsdale, but spends the majority of his time at his ranch in Durango, Colorado. In 2004, he decided he was not ready to retire and founded Classique Custom Homes in Durango, a builder of custom homes. Milan is married, with three children and 11 grandchildren. He continues to enjoy playing golf and riding his Harley.

LARRY L. TAYLOR '51 – Military – Following his graduation from Lehman, Larry attended Kent State University, from which he obtained his Bachelor of Science degree in Education in August 1955. He was also commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force Reserves through the ROTC program. After teaching a year at Minerva Elementary School, he entered active duty in the Air Force in 1956. He spent the 10 years as a Weapons Control Officer for Air Defense Command and Air Force Tactical Command in various responsibilities such as crew weapons director, senior director, site training officer and operations officer at numerous sites. He then spent the next two years as Operations Officer for Spacetrack Site at Moorestown, New Jersey, then two years as Tactical Evaluation Officer at the Missile Warning Wing at McGuire AFB, New Jersey. He was then assigned to the Pentagon for six and a half years, four of which he was responsible for managing all Missile Warning and Spacetrack programs (value approximately \$400 million). He had to defend funds for existing programs and obtain funding for new programs through all levels of the Air Staff and Congress. During this period, he appeared many times before Congressional Committees. The last two years, he was responsible for NORAD and Air Defense Command and Control assets (\$200 million each year), primarily to reduce the levels of Air Defense. He retired from the Air Force in May 1976 as a Lt. Colonel. Larry then worked a year as a real estate appraiser in the Washington, D.C. area before returning to the Canton area where he joined Goodyear Aerospace. There he had a computer department responsibility that built and sold computers to the Defense Department. He retired from Goodyear/Loral in March 1989, following which he worked as a consultant for five years.

RICHARD MYSER '41 – Teacher/Coach/Administrator – After graduation from Lehman, Dick graduated from Mount Union College in 1948. In the interim, he served his country in WWII. He received his Master's degree from Kent State University and completed additional courses at the University of Akron. He started his teaching and coaching career at Danville High School in Knox County. He assisted Ron Kaylor in football and served as reserve basketball coach and varsity baseball coach. In 1952, he came to Canton to teach and coach at Summit School. While there, the basketball team won three city championships and was runner-up twice. He coached Lehman Junior High football, which included students from Summit, Woodland and Lehman. Two of these teams were undefeated. He went to Lehman in 1967 to teach and coach. He assisted good friend Chet Fair in football and served as the reserve basketball coach. He also was head tennis coach and had some great teams, with a total record of 416 wins and 127 losses. His teams won several District and Regional championships and went to the state championship rounds almost every year, finishing as high as third in the state in both boys and girls tennis. He also served as head tennis coach at McKinley for both boys and girls and assisted his good friend Dave Cady in coaching basketball.

KARL SHANK '41 – Service to Alma Mater – Born in Frostburg, Maryland, Karl moved to Canton at an early age. He attended Woodland, Worley and Summit schools and then Lehman High School, graduating in 1941. He was drafted into the Army in 1943 and served 35 months in the infantry. He was captured by the Germans and spent 127 days as a prisoner of war. During that time, he was in five prisoner of war camps, the last being Mooseburg, Germany, from which he was liberated on Easter Sunday, April 29, 1945. He was discharged from the service that same year. In 1995, Karl and his wife Helen, together with many other former prisoners of war and spouses, retraced their steps through German, arriving in Mooseburg for the 50th anniversary celebration on April 29. The people of Mooseburg served over 300 people a thank you dinner for what had taken place in 1945. Karl met his wife Helen when visiting relatives in Maryland, and they were married in 1946. They have two sons, Philip and Donald, who are both also graduates of Lehman and members of the Alumni Association. They are also blessed with seven grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. He is a member of Grace United Church of Christ, which he has attended for over 80 years. He belongs to the Letter Carriers Union, Retired Federal Employees, AARP, Nimishillen Grange, VFW, DAV and Ex-Prisoners of War. He is retired from the U.S. Postal Service and the Akron-Canton Stagehands Local. Karl has been an extremely active member of the Alumni Association, always willing to pitch in wherever and whenever needed. He built the benches which the Association used during the parades and always provided his truck for use in parades and at the Fair. Elected as a Trustee on the Board of Directors in 2000 he served a full three-year term as well as serving as acting Treasurer for a period in 2003.

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