

President's Newsletter Spring 2007

Greeting LVHIMA Members

Daylight Saving Time and the scent of newly mulched daffodil beds, bring to mind the Season of Spring. Signs of Spring have come to LVHIMA too!

A special Board meeting was held in early March, with a two-fold purpose

- Restore the Forward Focus of LVHIMA activity
- Restore respect and open communications among Officers and Membership

The resignations of President – Elect, Mary Lou Nevins and Past President Dana Sharkey has prompted special election to be held within the next weeks to re-elect a President – elect to finish the unexpired term.

A survey was prepared by Lynn wall and sent on-line and by mail to general membership. Purpose: assess and evaluate educational requests of membership fore more effective programs at LVHIMA meetings. Survey deadline was March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2007. The results are pending.

The April Spring Meeting at Gwynedd Mercy College on April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2007, promises to exemplify the new Forward Focus of the association Refer to on-line communication to procure your reservation form and submit the form to Mary Beth McFadden. There is limited seating. Lunch will be served and PRIOR payment for the meeting and luncheon is required.

Take your Spring break in May. In State College, PHIMA will host the Annual Convention at the Penn Stater Convention Centre; Mark your calendar, May 7 – 9<sup>th</sup>. Registration is available through PHIMA website. Agenda promises to offer many current and diverse topics of interest.

Annual ballot and election of Pres-elect, Secretary and Treasurer for the term 2007 – 2008 will be prepared and forwarded by the end of April or early May.

ANYONE and EVERYONE will be considered as a Candidate. The TIME is NOW to become MORE involved with LVHIMA> Your VOICE is important to the legacy and longevity of the organization. Forward you intent and CV to Christine Staropoli at [staroploi.c@gme.edu](mailto:staroploi.c@gme.edu)

Recently, I received a message from Eve-Ellen Mendler, Nomination chair person for PHIMA. Stating the voting TURNOUT for State officers and Delegates was very LIGHT> as a dues paying member of PHIMA, it is your privilege and RIGHT to VOTE. Deadline for voting is April 10<sup>th</sup>. The Ballot is assessable thru LVHIMA website. CLICK on PHIMA.org.

PHIMA has a new Executive director Lorri Luciano. We, as an organization, have sent her Congratulations on her acceptance to the Office and have invited her to attend one of our meetings. She has expressed the possibility of being available to attend our June meeting in Bethlehem.

Kathleen A. Lynch Student Scholarship was noted on our website by the receiving of 3 applications from GMC students. The Applications will be reviewed by the Education committee and the recipient will be notified and invited to the Annual meeting for presentation of the Award.

FUTURE MEETINGS AND EVENTS:

SPRING Apr. 11, 2007 @ Gwynedd Mercy College

PHIMA Convention: May 7 – 9, 2007

ANNUAL June 8, 2007 @ Hotel Bethlehem

AHIMA Convention – October 2007 (LVHIMA will be participating)

WE ACCOMPLISH THINGS BY DIRECTING OUR DESIRES, NOT IGNORING THEM

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LVHIMA PRESIDENT