



Northern Michigan University Retirees Association

Minutes of the April 11, 2013 Social Event

The Social Event of April was brought to order at 10:10 AM by president Dr. John Kiltinen.

Forty-five members and partners of the retired NMU community were present in the Cadillac/Brule rooms of the Don H. Bottum Center on campus.

President John Kiltinen introduced NMU President David Haynes who commented on the following topics:

- communicating regularly with former NMU presidents;
- new things on campus such as today's Students Research Awards program;
- a 2% goal for growth of new students, to be found among veterans, high school graduates, and international students, especially those from China, India, Canada, Viet Nam, and the United Arab Emirates;
- sports: the new Athletic Director, the new football coach, and the women's volleyball winning season; and
- campus events occurring soon, such as the musical "Legally Blonde" and the Choral Society concerts.

For today's program Professor Shelley Russell brought five students with her to perform three pieces from the production of "Legally Blonde". We were greatly entertained by "Elle", her sometime boyfriend "Warner", her lawyer-mentor and friend "Emmett", and the accompanist-director and the stage manager. Professor Russell closed the program with thanks for support of Forest Roberts as a "regional theater" with a fervent request for continued support.

The 50/50 tickets, handled by Grant Soltwisch, brought a lucky winner \$21.50 and jars of peach and strawberry jam, made and donated by the Soltwisches. The retired Math Department made a clean sweep of the winnings!

The annual Dome Clean-Up prior to graduation was announced, and volunteers were solicited. The Clean-Up will be at 10 AM on Thursday, May 2, with a similar time the following day as a rain date. Gather at the flags between the Dome and the PEIF.

The next meeting will be on Thursday, August 15, at 10 AM.

The meeting adjourned at 10:55 AM, and many remained to visit and partake of more refreshments.

Respectfully submitted,

Pauline Kiltinen
Secretary Pro-Tem