

Lewiston Bicentennial Commemorative Edition



"Come on people now/Smile on your brother/Everybody get together/Try and love one another right now."

The Youngbloods

The new Alphonso I. DiMino Memorial Band Shell at Academy Park was the perfect location for thousands of concertgoers to spread out and enjoy the "Summer of '69." We extend a heartfelt thank you to all the musicians, sponsors, media friends, photographers, volunteers and the bicentennial committee who helped to make the weekend such a resounding success!

We thank Emery Simon for hosting the "Summer of '69" preparty fundraiser at the Stone House, and for inviting the Lew-Port Class of 1972 reunion. We're grateful for each and every donation from audience members who came out

Thanks for a great 'Summer of '69'!

to support LCA.

The crowds danced and the bands played! Thank you! Thank you! Thank you to our fearless leaders, Tom Pieroni and Chuck Scufari, for the time, energy, passion and diplomacy it takes to organize a huge event like this.

A heartload of gratitude to all the talented musicians, stagehands and crew who traveled from near and far to present this memorable event: Vanik Aloian, Ryan Ankenbauer, Gary Baker, Bill Bates, Gouv Cadwalader, Rick Catanesi, Frank Fracassi, Frank Geracitano, Robert Johnson, John Lynch, Paul Mitro and Ryan, David Mokhiber, Ray O'Keefe, Pamela Johnson Perrin, Tom Pieroni, Jacob and Michael Plache, Patrick Sciarrino, Chuck Scufari, Brandy Scufari, Victoria Spanbauer, Jenna

Stinnis, Kevin Toohey, Nik Walton, Tim Walton and Rip Westmoreland. Without you, there wouldn't be a "Summer of '69'!

The "Summer of '69" would not be possible without the support of our generous sponsors: Severson Environmental and Modern Disposal Services. We also applaud our elected officials at the Village and Town of Lewiston and Niagara County Legislature, who recognize the enormous impact of the arts in our community, and support our efforts to make Lewiston the grooviest place on earth!

Peace, love and rock 'n' roll!

From all of us at Lewiston Council on the Arts



Big thanks for bicentennial events, committee

Submitted by Joan Maulis

I want to give a big shout-out to the Lewiston Bicentennial committee who planned and organized all the events and activities last weekend. Everything was beyond expectation.

I am sure this took many hours and hundreds of volunteers to make this celebration so enjoyable and meaningful for Lewistonians and visitors alike. The fireworks were a fitting grand finale to our 200th birthday, and a tribute to your efforts.

As they say, "It takes a village." And Lewiston has proven to be the best! Thank you all for your hard work and dedication.



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A WEEKEND FOR THE HISTORY BOOKS

Lewiston's bicentennial celebration kicked off Friday with the ringing of bells at the Red Brick Municipal Building and village churches. Community members joined local elected leaders and event organizers, clapping and cheering outside the former schoolhouse. Trustee Nick Conde tolled the bell for two minutes (with a little assistance from Joshua Maloni), signifying the municipality's first 200 years.

Then, "The Summer of '69" christened the new Alphonso I. DiMino Memorial Band Shell at Academy Park. Crowds lined the field for the popular Lewiston Council on the Arts concert. Artistic Director Eva Nicklas welcomed the audience.

Along the periphery, vendors including the Yummm Truck and Brickyard Brewing Company offered refreshments and merchandise.

Lewiston's bicentennial celebration continued Saturday with a parade down Center Street. Participants included marching bands, dance studios, first responders, local businesses and elected leaders.

In the afternoon, the Alphonso I. DiMino Memorial Band Shell was dedicated at Academy Park. Following some remarks from Tops owner Anthony DiMino and Mayor Anne Welch, the Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra performed in front of a vast crowd.

Festivities kicked into high gear Saturday night, as preeminent 1980s (and some '90s) cover band Nerds Gone Wild performed two sets from the Alphonso I. DiMino Memorial Band Shell at Academy Park. The concert featured hit songs from some of the biggest artists of the past 40-plus years – plenty of singing and dancing from the crowd – and "Happy birthday Lewiston" shouts from the stage.

Events continued Sunday with an outdoor community service and old-fashioned picnic at First Presbyterian Church.

That segued into a dedication ceremony for the potter's field memorial site that village Historian Russ Piper has been working on for several months. A ceremony was held in the Marble Orchard, with remarks from Piper and members of the Lewiston Council on the Arts.

Following this event, St. Paul's Episcopal Church held an ice cream social on its front lawn.

Lewiston's celebration of its first 200 years ended in spectacular fashion Monday night, with a team of skydivers and 30-minute-plus fireworks show over the plateau.

Sanborn Area Historical Society

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