



**LIVONIA**  
Paraprofessionals'  
Association

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# Newsletter

**February 2020**  
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LPA... Providing support in education

Spring is just around the corner according to Punxsutawney Phil. I have seen a few signs here and there. We can make it through the dull drums of winter and its lack of sunshine by changing a few things in our daily routines. Change your hairstyle or color, paint your toes even if it is only you who sees them, put some fresh flowers by your bed, send a note of appreciation to yourself or someone else. Whatever it takes to put a smile on your face do it. Have fun and let me know what works for you. We are in this together.

Sue Gonyou  
President  
Livonia Paraprofessionals' Assoc.



- Friday, February 28, 2020
  - LAST day to nominate for Board Elections
- Thursday, March 12, 2020
  - Building Rep Meeting
    - @MEA Office
- Wednesday, March 18, 2020
  - General Membership Meeting
    - 5:15pm @Holmes
    - Online Elections kick off tonight! Voting will be available during the meeting!

Now is the time to make a difference and nominate yourself or someone you know to the LPA Executive Board!

Not only do you get your dues reimbursed-BUT- you also get to make a difference in supporting our LPA Paras!

Positions open are:  
Vice President  
Secretary  
Treasurer

Nomination ends: Friday, February 28, 2020

These are 2 year terms beginning 7/1/2020 ending 6/30/22



The full descriptions of duties can be found on pages 4-6 of the LPA By-Laws which you can find on our website: [iammea.org/lpa](http://iammea.org/lpa)

Contact one of your nomination committee members listed below if you have any questions regarding duties involved or you would like to nominate yourself or even nominate someone else! For this you do have to be a member in good standing to make a nomination, vote or hold office in the LPA.

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# Duty SPOT LIGHT

## Curious what our Secretary is

**up to?** The Secretary shall keep accurate minutes and attendance of all meetings of the Association and the Executive Board; make minutes available for inspection; maintain official files; and assist with Association correspondence, including notifying MEA of election results.

### Welcome New Parapros

Elizabeth Stubbe - Holmes

Jennifer Spei -Transportation

Stephanie Fulgham - Transportation

Kelli Gout - Frost

Alana Robinson - Franklin

All new employees receive a LPS email account. If you have not received your account information yet, please contact your administrator. The district and the LPA use district email to keep you updated on all pertinent matters so be sure to check it regularly.

Do you know? Newly hired members receive \$15,000 in term life insurance free of charge from the NEA in their first year of employment! Contact Cyndi Kaptanowsky to find out how to enroll...  
[ckaptanowsky@gmail.com](mailto:ckaptanowsky@gmail.com)

### You Can Join Us!

New Members: <https://mea.org/join/>

Current members: (734)737-0995

Pat Gearn: [pgearns@mea.org](mailto:pgearns@mea.org)

Mention your with the Livonia

Paraprofessionals' Association

## Your Executive Board

### President

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### Vice President

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### Secretary

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### Treasurer

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Franklin, Frost, Grant, GSRP,  
Hayes, Jackson, Johnson,  
Kennedy, Randolph,  
Transportation