

From: **Larry Humes** lhumes240@gmail.com
Subject: **Fwd: Exciting news!**
Date: **May 8, 2017 at 10:21 AM**
To: **Frank Codella** FLCCALT1552@hotmail.com



Hi Frank:

Following our phone conversation of last week, I talked with Dennis Lord Hardy, who is a great nephew of Joseph Lord. As you will note from his response, neither he nor his brother, Joseph, will be in Florida on the 23rd. He did, however, provide a nice statement on behalf of the Lord family. Thought you could read this into the record at the ceremony, or I would be glad to share it with the board at the event if you would prefer. Anyway, use this as it best serves your purpose and please let me know if I can be of further assistance. Best regards. - Larry

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From: **Dennis Hardy** <dhardy222@gmail.com>
Date: Sun, May 7, 2017 at 9:53 PM
Subject: Re: Exciting news!
To: Larry Humes <lhumes240@gmail.com>
Cc: Melodie <mhardy222@gmail.com>

Hi Larry, Thank you for the note and the heads-up. Unfortunately neither brother Joseph nor I (or Melodie) will be able to be in Florida in the next few weeks. Of course we wish you and the City of Venice the very best in this preservation endeavor. As for a statement, please accept the following: "Dear Venice Friends and the Members of the Historic Preservation Board: Thank you for the honor of sharing our family name in the restored Lord-Higel House. It was probably a quirk of fate that sent the eldest son of southern Maine farmers Stillman & Emily Lord to prospect for land on the gulf coast of Florida, but fate has a way of helping those who try hard, and we are pleased that you have seen fit to recognize great uncle Joseph Lord's work in building and promoting your historic and very friendly community. Our sincere and best wishes". Dennis Lord Hardy, on behalf of Joseph's Maine Lord descendants. 6 May 2017, Wells, ME.

Sent from my iPhone

- > On May 5, 2017, at 11:52 AM, Larry Humes <lhumes240@gmail.com> wrote:
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- > Dear Dennis & Melodie:
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- > Hope this note finds you well. I'm assuming you have returned to Maine by now? Looks like you're getting some squalls up there at the moment, but I guess that's typical for this time of year.
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- > Next Tuesday (5/9), the City of Venice celebrates its 90th anniversary and, as part of the events planned for that day, we are opening up the Lord-Higel House for public tours for the first time. The house is really looking good of late. The doors have been installed and painted and the porch has been stained. Our volunteers have been cleaning and polishing inside and we plan to have lots of Lord-Higel memorabilia on display for the open house. I will try to send you some images of the event.
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- > Now, for the real news: the Historic Preservation Board, which is the advisory board to the City Council, has decided to present this year's Legacy Award to your great uncle Joe! This is an annual award that is presented to a person, past or present, who has made a lasting contribution to the City of Venice. The award will be announced at a special meeting of the board on Tuesday, May 23rd, in City Hall chambers.
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- > I wanted to check to see if you or any other member of the Lord clan might be in the area to accept the award. Keep in mind that it's just a certificate so not worth anyone going out of their way for this event. But it would be a great opportunity to involve a member of the Lord family if they were so inclined.
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- > Dennis, assuming that you or your brother won't be available, would one of you like to write a brief statement that we could share at the event? Just a thought.
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- > Wishing you a great summer season up there. - Larry
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