

# District 6 News and Events

## Spring 2011 Newsletter

A note from April:

I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season and is enjoying the start of 2011. I've been busy getting district 6 plans for the year underway. As always if you're interested in hosting an event such as a summer picnic please contact your chapter president, pick a date and a location, the chapter will help cover the costs. It would be great to get some new people and fresh ideas for upcoming events. This newsletter is full of important information so please take a minute to look it over. The groundhog saw his shadow so it's predicted to be an early spring; I don't know about you but I know I'm ready for winter to be over for another year. I hope to see many of you in Moline!

Take care,  
--April ☺

### District 6 Director Elections at our Fall 2011 Regional

This year is an election year for the district 6 director. If you are interested in running for this position and have any questions please contact April. At this time April Brazier will not be seeking re-election.

### **According to the By-Laws these are the requirements for a District Director:**

To be eligible a candidate should have been an active voting member for two membership years. They shall have been an active member of the district in which they are running for office for one membership year. A district director's term is 3 years and they shall serve no more than 2 consecutive terms. Other tasks include:

- Shall have primary responsibility for the continuance of activities in the district and the solicitation of membership.
- Shall screen applicants for membership.
- Shall appoint all committee chairpersons in the district.
- Shall oversee local area chapters and their officers in respect to ongoing activities.
- Shall serve as a member of the Board of Directors.
- Shall work for the formation of local chapters.
- All District Directors are limited to activities within the boundaries of their respective districts with respect to membership and dues.
- Shall provide financial reports for the District and Chapters within the District as per the LPA Policy Manual.
- Shall train the district director-elect.

### Stay Current with D6 via our website

As always it is encouraged to check the D6 website frequently for District updates. During regional time any additional information, registration corrections or schedule changes will be posted there ASAP. Please add <http://d6.lpaonline.org> to your bookmarks. Also if you have a story, announcement or pictures that you'd like to share with the district send them to Dan. There's a form right on the website or you can email Dan directly at [dan@actionphotoqc.com](mailto:dan@actionphotoqc.com). Please give Dan a week to get any submissions posted.

## LPA & District 6

### Dates to Remember:

#### **March 12, 2011**

Windy City Bowling Party – Crest Hill, IL  
Crest Hill Lanes

#### **March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2011**

Milwaukee Admirals Hockey Game  
Milwaukee, WI  
Bradley Center

#### **April 1<sup>st</sup> – April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2011**

Joint D6/D9 Spring Regional – Moline, IL  
Stoney Creek Inn

#### **July 1st – July 7th, 2011**

LPA National Conference - Anaheim, CA  
Hyatt Regency Orange County

#### **August 13th – August 18th, 2011**

Painted Turtle Camp  
Lake Hughes, CA

#### **August 27<sup>th</sup>, 2011**

Annual Brewer/Cub Game – Milwaukee, WI  
Miller Park Stadium

#### **October 2011**

Fall Regional – Northern Wisconsin  
Hotel to be Determined

#### **November 12th, 2011**

MadRock – Adults Night Out

#### **November 13th, 2011**

MadRock – Holiday Bowling Party

### **Contact Information:**

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## **D6 News & Announcements**

Do you know someone in District 6 that has news to share? Do you have an announcement or accomplishment everyone would like to hear about? If so please submit it to April to be put in the next newsletter. Everyone likes to hear good news and great things happening for their fellow LPs. To contribute by email send it to: [brazierapril@yahoo.com](mailto:brazierapril@yahoo.com) or clip an article and mail it.

### **Lauren Lanum Takes 1st Place in the Mississippi Valley Fair Horsemanship Class Competition 4<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> Grade**

Contributed by Kimberly Lanum: Lauren and her horse Ernie participated in the Mississippi Valley Fair in August 2010. This is a very large event held annually and all the regional 4H clubs partake in various events. Lauren showed in many of programs but her most notably were the horse and equine events. She showed in several classes, but her two favorite are: Horsemanship and Trail Class. These two classes demonstrate your skills as a rider. We were so proud of her when she took Grand Champion of the 4th -6th grade Horsemanship Class as a 4th grader. There were 10 kids in this particular class and she was the champion. Good job Lauren!!



### **Ben Saylor, a soon-to-be college student**

Contributed by Heather Saylor: Ben is a senior this year and will graduate from Neuqua Valley High School in Naperville, IL on Sunday May 29. He hopes to go to Columbia College in Chicago starting this fall. He's been accepted at UW-Whitewater, DePaul University and Columbia College. Good luck to Ben as he prepares for this new challenge in his life!

### **Melissa Nicholson in her last year of college**

Contributed by Melissa Nicholson: I go to a local university in Illinois and study Social Work. I will graduate in May of 2012 with my Bachelors degree. I would like to either work with older adults or people with disabilities. I also do an internship for a nursing and rehab center that works with mostly older adults. I love working with people. Working and going to school is challenging but I just take it day by day.

## **Upcoming D6 Events**

Below you'll find details for upcoming events in District 6. We are always looking for volunteers to host events. Again if you are interested in hosting an event, find a location with an available schedule. We will help you with the planning and the chapter can help with the costs. Please contact your chapter president or April Brazier today to volunteer. Any help is always greatly appreciated, since LPA only runs when good people volunteer!

### **Windy City Bowling Party – Crest Hill Lanes**

Put this on your calendar Saturday March 12th, 2011 from 1pm to 5pm, the Windy City will host its annual event at Crest Hill Lanes • 905 Theodore Street • Crest Hill, IL. This is a very popular event held at the same bowling alley every year, previous years it was Comet Lanes but is newly renamed this year. The chapter will cover the pizza and soda, if you wish to bowl the cost is \$2.25 a game plus \$1.50 for shoe rental. We look forward to seeing everyone there!

### **Milwaukee Admirals Hockey Game at the Bradley Center**

The Badger chapter is trying something different this year, they will be hosting a night with the Milwaukee Admirals as a chapter fundraiser. Game night is Saturday March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2011, from 7pm to 10:00pm. Tickets are \$17 each, \$4 from every ticket sold goes to the Badger chapter. Everyone's invited: LP's, family members of LP's, and friends of LP's. The more tickets our chapter sells, the more our chapter raises. If you wish to attend, please send money to Jason, all checks payable to Little People of America, Chapter 32. With your money please include your name, address, phone number and email address as well as the number of tickets you want and where they should be sent. Send all requests and

checks to Jason Rasa • 457 Baird St. • Waukesha, WI 53189. All tickets are non-refundable and the cost of the tickets does not include cost of parking and/or food & beverage.

### **District 6 Annual Brewer/Cub Game at Miller Park**

We've done this event before and we're doing again this year; though bigger and better!! District 6 has purchased 300 tickets to the highly anticipated Brewer/Cub match up at Miller Park. The game is Saturday night August 27<sup>th</sup>, 2011; game time is 6:10pm. This is a marquee game that will sell out, the cost per ticket is \$26. This event is open to all LPs and their friends and families. The seats are the same seats we've had before, Terrace Box seating, TB 439 and 10 of those seats are ADA seats. If you wish to attend the game please send a check to April Brazier for the amount of tickets you wish to purchase. If you want ADA seats please specify that when requesting tickets; I will then mail your tickets back to you after your check clears. Make checks payable to LPA District 6. Do not request seats as I cannot accommodate them. All 300 tickets are together but if you wish to sit next to someone please purchase all those tickets at once. Approximately June 1<sup>st</sup> I will open up tickets sales to anyone who wishes to attend. This means I will sell tickets online, to co-workers, etc until they are gone. I will not be holding tickets for anyone without payment. Once tickets are gone and depending on how many D6 members are going we may organize a tailgate party. I have already contacted Miller Park to reserve space, we will provide our own food, more details will be available when it's closer. To get specific information about Miller Park, parking, maps, etc go to <http://milwaukee.brewers.mlb.com/>

### **Fall 2010 Regional in the Wisconsin Dells was fun for all!**

The Wilderness Waterpark and Resort was our host hotel for the 2010 D6 fall regional. We had approximately 110 people in attendance and several new faces! The bulk of the weekend's events revolved around the multiple water parks and activities available to the hotel guests. Our Friday night hospitality suite gave everyone a chance to catch up. Saturday was the general assembly meeting in the morning and the banquet and DJ dance that night. It was great to see everyone in the Dells, next time we just need to pick a smaller hotel! ☺

### **Fall 2011 Regional in Northern Wisconsin**

The regional dates and hotel have not been confirmed at this time for our fall 2011 regional in northern Wisconsin. I have had several hotels interested in hosting our group but I have not signed a contract yet. I'm hoping to have a signed hotel contract by the time we meet in Moline, IL. If anyone is interested in volunteering at the fall regional I am looking for help in all areas, please contact me and let me know your availability.

### **Spring 2012 Regional in the Chicago-land area**

District 6 will be taking their spring 2012 regional to the Chicago area next spring. The regional co-chairs are Heather Saylor and Pat Massett; neither the regional dates nor hotel location have been determined. As soon as we have a signed contract information will be located on the District 6 website.

### **Review of Registration Changes for D6 Regionals**

As a reminder it was decided we needed to adjust some of the registration process for D6. This would streamline some of the registration as well as make sure D6 has money to continue to try new things at our regionals.

Before district 6 had multiple registration types, now there's the three listed below:

- \$10 per Paid Adult Member (this is 18 and over)
- \$5 per Child (Member/Non-Member this is for 17 and under)
- \$15 per Non-Paid Adult Member (this is 18 and over)

### **Fund Raising at Regionals**

It was approved fund raising can take place at regionals and profits will be split 50/50 with the chapter that hosts and the district. All 50/50 raffle profits will continue to go to the district offset regional expenses.

### **D6 is looking for a representative for the LPA National Advocacy Committee**

The goal is to appoint one committee member for every district. The idea is to expand the reach of the advocacy committee to address the diverse concerns and issues of our membership. Committee members will be responsible for

responding to concerns of members in their district and initiating campaigns to address issues that concern LPA. If you are interested in learning more, please contact Gary Arnold (312)640-2199 or [garnold@accessliving.org](mailto:garnold@accessliving.org)

### **Badger Chapter is still in need of a President**

The Badger chapter is still currently without a president. If you are interested in being chapter president please contact April Brazier or Jason Rasa and they will help you get started.

### **Don't forget to renew your LPA membership**

Be sure to keep your LPA membership current by either calling the national office at 888-LPA-2001 or visit [www.lpaonline.org](http://www.lpaonline.org). On LPA's website in the green menu bar at the top is Membership Benefits, click on that and it and choose Pay Dues Now. As a paid member you will also get the quarterly LPA magazine, LPA Today and discounts on your regional registration as well as National registration. LPA scholarships are awarded to paid members first and the Lee Kitchen's Travel fund are only available to members. Remember D6 also receives part of your membership fee to continue its programs locally. LPA and district 6 thanks you for your continued support.

## **D6 Financials**

As of 12/31/10 the District Accounts have the following:

- Checking: \$4,486.31 • Savings: \$7,437.20
- Money Market(Outreach & Events): \$2,654.99
- Money Market(Support): \$5,921.55
- Money Market(Scholarship): \$5,421.48

## **National LPA News**

### **Election Year for LPA Executive Board**

This year is elections for LPA's executive board. All positions on the Executive Committee are up for election. Positions include President, Senior Vice President, Vice President of Finance, Vice President of Programs, Vice President of Membership and Vice President of Public Relations. To be eligible to run for a position on the Executive Committee, an individual must meet certain requirements. For President and Senior Vice President, an individual must have been an active eligible voting member for four membership years and have served in an elected or appointed position at the national, district or chapter level for at least two membership years. For the other Vice President positions, an individual must have been an active voting member for three years. If you would like to run for a spot on the Executive Committee, you must announce your candidacy by March 6. To do so, send an email to Ron Piro at [RonPiro@aol.com](mailto:RonPiro@aol.com).

### **LPA National Scholarship Time**

If you're a college student it's time to apply for our national scholarships. Awards can range from \$250 to \$1000. Scholarship candidates are evaluated based on involvement in LPA, financial need, academic achievement and involvement and service in their communities. Scholarships are given in order of preference to:

1. members of LPA who have a medically diagnosed form of dwarfism
2. immediate family members who are also paid members of LPA
3. people with dwarfism who are not members of LPA

The deadline to apply for an LPA scholarship is April 22. Winners are announced near or at the time of the National Conference. Please go to the D6 website or the LPA national website to get all the scholarship information and application form. If you need a printed copy mailed to you please contact April Brazier or your chapter president and they will mail you a copy. Applicants must also get a letter of recommendation from either their district director or chapter president, or a national officer please contact them with enough time to write the letter and mail it back to you.

### **Kitchens Fund for First Time National Conference Attendees**

LPA also offers a grant from the Kitchens Fund to its members for first time National Conference attendance. Partial travel expenses or a complimentary hotel room or meal expenses are examples of a typical award.

National Conferences are an important event for the little people community. They provide an opportunity for little

people to see doctors who specialize in treating dwarfs, they provide opportunities for parents of little people to connect with other parents, and they provide a venue for kids and adults with dwarfism to connect with others like themselves. To qualify for a Kitchens Fund scholarship the applicant must meet the following criteria:

1. must be a first-time attendee of a National Conference
2. must be a paid member of LPA in good standing, and
3. any minor child must be accompanied by an adult/guardian

The deadline to [apply for a Kitchens Fund](#) grant is April 30. Applicants are notified by phone or e-mail by June 1. If you need a printed application please contact April and she will mail you one.

### **Conference Review Committee is now Conference Management Committee (CMC)**

In the board meetings at the Nashville LPA conference our Conference Review Committee brought forth a motion to form a new planning committee called Conference Management Committee or CMC to replace CRC and the current way we run our national conferences. Quite frankly the size of our national conferences has doubled in the last 10 years and that's making it impossible for LPA to continue doing our national conferences the way we currently are. Keep in mind, there are a specific number of hotels in the US that can accommodate a group of our size not only in numbers but both meeting space demands and duration. It's time for us to work smarter not harder as our organization grows.

Unfortunately each year as a district takes on the huge task of hosting they are sometimes reinventing the wheel for the conference. After CRC went to a meeting planners conference and did some analysis they found LPA conferences have our key events: medical appointments, workshops, fashion show, etc; its many of the same events each year just in a different location. It was then suggested to move the bulk of the planning for a national conference to a national level so that practices could be standardized, LPA would have more bargaining power with hotels and task of hosting a national wouldn't be so overwhelming to a single district.

Conference will not start being run under CMC until 2013. CMC plans to bring bids for 2013 – 2016 national conferences to Anaheim in July. They are currently assembling multi-year proposals for the board to review. If you wish to know more about CMC or have questions please contact April Brazier or a member of the executive committee.

### **2011 National Conference in Anaheim, California ~ July 1<sup>st</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup>, 2011**

If you haven't already heard as of 2/7/11 - the Hyatt Regency Orange County which is the conference site is sold out. It's important to remember these hotels are contracted out years in advance and at that time this hotel would accommodate our group however if the reservations are any indication this will be the largest LPA National Conference yet. The Residence Inn which is directly across the parking lot from the Hyatt has been designated as our overflow hotel. Rates are \$149 per night, all rooms are 1-bd. suites and include breakfast and evening social hour with a light dinner. Call 800.331.3131 or 714.591.4000 x 0, mention you are with LPA to get the LPA group rate otherwise, regular rates are \$189+. Conference books are scheduled to be mailed to membership households on April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011, early registration will be from April 1<sup>st</sup> – April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2011. Detailed information is on the LPA website site: <http://www.lpaonline.org>.

### **2012 National Conference in Dallas, TX**

Dallas, Texas will host the LPA National conference in 2012. The dates are June 30<sup>th</sup> – July 6<sup>th</sup>.

# Get Ready for Hoedown in Moline

## D6 & D9 Spring Regional 2011

Moline, IL • April 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2011

### **Hotel Contact Information:**

Stoney Creek Inn  
101 18<sup>th</sup> Street • Moline, IL 61265  
309-743-0101 or 1-800-659-2220  
<http://www.stoneycreekinn.com/>

**Reservations and Room Rates:** The LPA nightly group rate is \$89 plus 14% tax. Room reservations must be made by March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011 to lock in the LPA room rate. Reservations must be made by telephone.

**Fee Waiver:** For those attending their first regional or those that might find it difficult to afford the cost for this regional please contact April Brazier BEFORE sending in your registration for a registration fee waiver. The fee waiver must be approved by April and only applies to LPA registration costs; you must also be a paid member of LPA to be eligible. Hotel, meal and miscellaneous expenses are the responsibility of the attendee.

**Hotel Information:** The hotel is located on the Mississippi River in the Moline, IL, part of the Quad Cities. The hotel offers 140 guest rooms equipped with a coffee maker, hair dryer, high-speed internet, refrigerator, and microwave. The hotel has a workout facility, indoor/outdoor heated swim-through pool, laundry facilities, gift shop and business center. Guests can enjoy a drink at the Backwater Jack's Saloon and free hot breakfast is available daily! A complimentary shuttle is available for those wishing to explore Moline.

**Airport/Shuttle Service:** Complimentary shuttle service from the hotel. The nearest airport is the Quad City International Airport, code: MLI. It currently has 5 carriers, AirTran, Allegiant, American Airlines, Delta and United Express. Check out <http://qcairport.com> for more info.

**Parking:** Plenty of complimentary onsite parking is available.

**DAAA:** This regional will offer DAAA sporting events. Currently they are set up as clinics. However, if we get enough participants playing there maybe actual games held. Please contact Mike Cekanor, Board VP, DAAA at 262-524-9684 (home), 262-490-6050 (cell) or at [daaa.mike.cekanor@gmail.com](mailto:daaa.mike.cekanor@gmail.com), if you have any questions on the DAAA events or DAAA registration material. All DAAA materials are located in this registration packet. Please include all forms with your regional registration and payment. All events will be held at Eugene Field School, 2900 31<sup>st</sup> Ave., Rock Island, IL, approximately 5 miles from the hotel.

**Weekend Events:** Several onsite events for all ages are planned. These include: Saturday kids room and parent meeting. The teen hangout will be open both Friday and Saturday. The traditional Friday night hospitality suite and Saturday night banquet and DJ/dance are on the schedule. DAAA sporting events, basketball, bocce and soccer will be held on all day Saturday. Dr. Pauli will run his usual clinic all day Saturday.

**Outside the Hotel:** The Quad Cities has many things to offer for those interested in exploring outside the hotel. A few of the local attractions include: the Figge Art Museum, Putnam Museum and IMAX Theatre. You can also visit the Family Museum, the Rock Island Arsenal and Museum, the Niabi Zoo and the Quad City Botanical Center. Adults may want to try their luck at Jumer's Casino. Don't forget Moline is home to John Deere, the John Deere Pavilion along with the Mississippi River, local shops, bars, and restaurants are all within walking distance to the hotel!

**John Deere Factory Tour:** Unfortunately LPA will not be able to do the John Deere Factory tour as a group because they are only offered Monday – Friday at: 8:00am, 10:00am and 12:30pm. The minimum age is 13 years old due to how close you get to the machinery. There is not a height requirement, it's a trolley car tour not a walking tour. The tour lasts about an hour and 30 minutes and is handicapped accessible. If you wish to visit please schedule this on your own at least 24 hours in advance by calling 800-786-9588. Also visit [http://www.deere.com/en\\_US/attractions/](http://www.deere.com/en_US/attractions/) to plan your John Deere experience!

# Spring 2011 Moline, IL Regional Schedule

(Dates, Times and Events are subject to change without notice)

## **Friday**

### **D6 Officer Meeting**

**1:00 PM – 4:00 PM**

This quick meeting is only for D6 Chapter Presidents, the District Treasurer and the District Director:

### **Registration**

**4:00 PM – 9:00 PM**

Pick up pre-registration materials or register onsite during this time.

### **The Hangout**

**5:00 PM – 1:00 AM**

*The Hangout is District 6's answer for all things fun!!!!*

The Hangout is the place for teens and tweens to chat play video games, and just chill at D6 regionals. Typical things in the room include: a TV, DVD player, a Wii and PS2 . Snacks and soda will be provided, as many will stay gabbing late into the night. The Hangout is not fully supervised and we expect parents to make the decision at what age their children should participate in The Hangout. It is typically a tween and teen hangout and encouraged for ages 12-19. If you are willing to donate or let us borrow items, please let April know. We are always in need of video games, table activities and monetary donations to help re-stock The Hangout.

### **Hospitality Suite**

**5:00 PM – 8:00 PM**

We are pleased to offer a pizza and ice cream party during our hospitality suite Friday night featuring two local favorites: Happy Joe's Pizza and Whitey's Ice Cream. If you've never experience this two great place you won't want to miss out on the specialty pizzas and fantastic desserts. This is complimentary to all registered regional participants. To find out more about these two local favorites please visit <http://www.happyjoes.com> and <http://www.whiteysicecream.com>

### **Massage Therapist**

**4:00 PM – 8:00 PM**

A licensed Massage Therapist will be available on Friday evening from 4pm-8pm. Amber, a friend of Dan Verscha, will be offering \$1/minute massages (10 minute minimum). If you are interested, please email Dan ([dan@actionphotoqc.com](mailto:dan@actionphotoqc.com)) with your time preference and length of massage.

### **"LPA Rocks the LOOP"**

**9:00 PM – 1:30 AM**

Bar hop in the Quad Cities and enjoy a night out on the town with other LP's all aboard the LOOP, the Quad Cities newest transportation system. Participants will bar hop to Moline Centre, The District of Rock Island, Downtown Davenport, and the Village of East Davenport. Those attending will need to meet in the lobby by 8:00 PM and the LOOP will pick up in front of the hotel at 8:23. There is also a 9:23 PM pick up in front of the hotel. Attendees will move from bar to bar approximately every hour until returning back to the hotel at approx. 1:30 AM. If you wish to go return to the hotel sooner, a loop schedule will be included in the registration packet when you arrive in Moline. The Price for Bar hop is \$14 and includes an exclusive "LPA Rocks the Loop" t-shirt with logo, Mardi Gras beads, and an all-day pass to ride the loop. Must be 21 to participate with valid id. This will surely be a BLAST!!!! Feel free to visit the following site for additional information: <http://www.bistateonline.org/qctransit/index.shtml>, <http://www.molinecentre.org/>, <http://www.ridistrict.com/>, <http://www.downtowndavenport.com/>, <http://www.villageofeastdavenport.com/>.

### **Girls Night Sleepover**

**7:00 PM – Saturday Morning 7:00 AM**

A suite has been reserved for the girls ages 6-12 to have a slumber party. Please bring a sleeping bag and pillow to camp out with. Everyone is welcome to bring your favorites games, movies or other fun stuff along. Light snacks will be provided. More info including room information will be provided at registration. A charge of \$5 per girl to cover the cost for the suite rental.

## **Saturday**

### **Registration**

**8:00 AM – 10:30 AM**

### **Dr. Pauli Appointments**

**8:00 AM – 5:00 PM**

People wishing to see Dr. Pauli must sign up for an appointment in advance; please see the [Registration Form](#) on the bottom half of the sheet for sign up information. These appointments are on a first come first serve basis. On-site appointments are accepted ONLY IF time and space permits.

### **DAAA – Soccer**

**8:30 AM – 10:30 AM**

Please see DAAA forms for more info.

### **Children's Room**

**8:15 AM – 12:15 PM**

The children's room will be staffed by local volunteers. We encourage parents to drop their children off during both the parent meeting and general assembly. The children's room also gives kids of all sizes and ages a chance to interact with others their own age. A variety of activities will be planned, including a special presentation by the Niabi Zoo with live animals, you don't want to miss this! Please note the children's room is designed for kids aged 2 – 11. It is the responsibility of the parent to bring any special items their child may need; snacks will be provided.

### **D6 General Assembly & D9 General Assembly**

**9:30 AM – 10:30 AM**

Come find out what's happening in your district at the general assembly meeting. D6 & D9 will have separate rooms for their meetings. Room information will be given in the registration packet received on-site.

### **Parents' Meeting**

**10:45 AM – Noon**

The parents' meeting will be a round table discussion that includes LP and average height parents. As always feel free to bring any questions or topic suggestions for the group.

### **DAAA – Basketball**

**11:00 AM – 1:00 PM**

Please see DAAA forms for more info.

### **John Deere Pavilion & Gift Shop**

**2:00 PM – 3:30 PM**

The John Deere Pavilion was created as a celebration of the past, present and future of agribusiness. It has attracted guests from all corners of the globe and is recognized as the world's most comprehensive agricultural exhibit. John Deere's dream of producing a superior self-scouring plow for the western farmer became a reality in 1848, with his first manufacturing plant located on the banks of the Mississippi River. This history-shaping development in agriculture is preserved and celebrated at the Pavilion. Interactive exhibits mingle with actual John Deere equipment, creating a unique, hands-on and climb-on experience for visitors. The pavilion tours are free. Our group will meet in the lobby at 2:00 PM and then head to the Pavilion. It is within walking/scooter distance for those interested otherwise you can drive.

### **DAAA – Boccia Tournament**

**2:00 PM – 5:00 PM**

Please see DAAA forms for more info.

### **Cocktail Hour**

**6:00 PM**

A cash bar will be available for those interested.

### **Banquet Dinner**

**6:30 PM – 8:00 PM**

Saturday night will be our banquet dinner catered by the Iowa Machine Shed; it will be a traditional sit down style banquet dinner. Each adult banquet meal option comes with a mixed greens salad, rolls and butter, coffee and iced tea. Dinner options are:

- Chicken and Sirloin Beef: Rosemary Breast of Chicken served with sliced beef topped with a rich demi glaze. This comes with grilled vegetables and mashed potatoes with gravy.
- Baked Halibut: Baked halibut topped with tropical salsa, comes with a side of wild rice and grilled vegetables.
- Pesto Lasagna Pie: Vegetarian lasagna with a pesto sauce.
- Children's Option: Chicken fingers, tater tots, applesauce and cookie (children 10 and under)

All prices include taxes and gratuity. No splitting of meals please, the two meat option has two smaller portions of meat and it is meant for one person. Children under 2 do not need to purchase a meal option. Anyone that wishes to attend the dinner part of the banquet must purchase a meal, attendees may not choose to sit with others eating and not purchase a dinner. Anyone who chooses not to partake in the banquet dinner is warmly invited to join us after the meal for the post dinner and dance festivities.

### **DJ Dance**

**8:00 PM to Midnight**

In the spirit of the Midwest and John Deere this year's theme is "Hoedown Throwdown". So wear your best western gear, overalls, cowboy boots and hats and be prepared to dance the night away with local DJ Kevin Keeling's (aka DJ Steve K) mix of new and old classics. You may even want to join in on a game of limbo, or brush up on your singing skills, as DJ Steve K will have his Karaoke setup, for those bold enough!

### **The Hangout**

**8:00 PM to 1:00 AM**

### **Sunday**

Good Bye's see everyone in the fall in Northern Wisconsin!

# Registration Form

Spring 2011 Regional • Moline, IL • April 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup>

Fill out this form **completely and mail with payment on or before March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2011. Registrations postmarked after March 19<sup>th</sup>, will be charged as onsite.** If you do not pre-register you will need to fill out an onsite registration form as some items may no longer be available when you onsite register. Do not bring this form to the regional when registering there. Note: All regional checks will be cashed after the regional.

Please put the main contact person in the first spot denoted with an \*; include a phone number and email address so you can be contacted if there's a problem with your registration.

<input type="checkbox"/> District 6	<input type="checkbox"/> District 9	<input type="checkbox"/> Other District	<input type="checkbox"/> FIRST TIME REGIONAL ATTENDEE	
<b>Adult Attendee Information</b> – All attendees over the age of 18, this includes relatives and guests.				
	<b>First Name</b>	<b>Last Name</b>	<b>Contact Info for Main Contact:</b>	
*1.			Home #:	
2.			Cell #:	
3.			Email:	
4.				
<b>Tween and Teen Information</b> – ages 11-17; checkmark if you plan on attending the hangout.				
	<b>First Name</b>	<b>Last Name</b>	<b>Age</b>	<b>The Hangout</b>
1.				<input type="checkbox"/>
2.				<input type="checkbox"/>
3.				<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Children's Room</b> - checkmark if your child will be in the children's room.				
	<b>First Name</b>	<b>Last Name</b>	<b>Age</b>	<b>Children's Room</b>
1.				<input type="checkbox"/>
2.				<input type="checkbox"/>
3.				<input type="checkbox"/>
4.				<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Dr. Pauli Appointment Registration</b>				
If more than one person in your family wishes to have an appt, separate appointments must be scheduled. Dr. Pauli has requested <u>each</u> person have a 30 minute slot. Please use the back for additional people.				
<b>Patient Name:</b>				
If the Patient is under 18 include Parent (s) name (s):				
<b>Diagnosis:</b>				
<b>Specific Concerns**:</b>				
**This is to give Dr. Pauli as much information as possible before the appointment. You are <b>NOT</b> required to fill this out to get an appointment. All information is confidential.				

Flip over to complete activity sign up and registration

## Weekend Activities and Registration Fees

<b>Registration</b>			
Total Number of adults:		x \$10.00 per adult:	
adults are 18 and over			
Total Number of kids:		x \$5 per child:	
children are 17 and under			<b>SUBTOTAL:</b>
*If these fees are different than usual this has been the fees agreed upon as a joint regional for D6 & D9.			
<b>On Site Events - Included: I need numbers for these events for planning</b>			
Friday Night Hospitality Suite:	Adults #:	Kids #:	INCLUDED
Saturday District 6 General Assembly – Number of people:			INCLUDED
Saturday District 9 General Assembly – Number of people:			INCLUDED
Parent’s Meeting – Number of People:			INCLUDED
<b>On Site Events – NOT Included:</b>			
The Hangout	\$5 (per person)	# of people:	X \$5: =
Girl’s Sleep Over	\$5 (per person)	# of people:	X \$5: =
			<b>SUBTOTAL:</b>
<b>Off Site Event – Free of Charge: This is just to get numbers of how many plan to attend.</b>			
John Deere Pavilion Trip	# of Adults:	# of Kids:	FREE
<b>Off Site Event – NOT Included:</b>			
The Loop Bar Hop	\$14 per person	# of people:	X \$14 =
The Loop Bus Pass Only	\$3 per day	# of passes:	X \$3 =
			<b>SUBTOTAL:</b>
<b>Banquet</b>			
• Chicken & Sirloin		# of meals:	X \$30 =
• Bake Halibut		# of meals:	X \$27 =
• Pesto Lasagna Pie		# of meals:	X \$27 =
• Kids		# of meals:	X \$14 =
			<b>SUBTOTAL:</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL:</b>			<b>=</b>

**All registrations must be postmarked by March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2011 otherwise they will be processed as onsite registrations and additional charges will be applied.**

All checks should be made out to LPA District 6 and mailed to: April Brazier  
 5425 Patriot Drive  
 Madison, WI 53718

Any contributions made to LPA to help offset the expenses of this regional would be greatly appreciated.

The Dwarf Athletic Association of America (DAAA) appreciates your interest in participating in the District 6 and District 9 Joint Regional DAAA events. We are excited to meet new DAAA participants as well as renew acquaintances with returning DAAA athletes. We are planning clinics for the sports of soccer, basketball and bocchia. Depending on the number of participants that register and their corresponding age brackets, we may have the opportunity to field teams and play a game at the soccer and basketball clinics. The configuration of the bocchia event (clinic vs. tournament) will also depend on the number of participants that sign-up. All events will be held at Eugene Field School, 2900 31st Ave., Rock Island, IL, approximately 5 miles from the hotel.

To ensure an accurate count of participants prior to the regional, **it is important that all interested participants return their registration materials (registration form and medical form) by March 19, 2011.** Please be sure to complete all information on the entry form, including the review and sign-off on the waiver form below. In addition, all athletes who have not submitted a completed medical form to DAAA within the past two years will need to have a physician complete the attached medical release form. A medical release form is not required if you are participating in bocchia only. All forms should be mailed to April Brazier at the address contained at the bottom of this form. Please contact Mike Cekanor, Board VP, DAAA at 262-524-9684 (home), 262-490-6050 (cell) or at [daaa.mike.cekanor@gmail.com](mailto:daaa.mike.cekanor@gmail.com) if you have any questions on the DAAA events or DAAA registration material.

### DAAA Registration Form

#### Personal Information

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Gender  Female  Male Birth date: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(Apt #) (Street)  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Telephone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Type of Dwarfism \_\_\_\_\_ Height \_\_\_\_\_ Weight \_\_\_\_\_

#### Eligibility

You are eligible for competition if you are a disproportionate dwarf (diagnosed with achondroplasia) that is less than or equal to five feet in height, or a proportionate dwarf less than or equal to 4 foot 10 inches in height. (All athletes require mandatory classification at time of DAAA registration)

#### Division

- **Future:** Age 4 to under 6 years
- **Junior:** 7-9 years old, 10-12 years old, 13-15 years old
- **Open:** 16 - 39 years old
- **Masters:** 40 years and above on date of competition (Masters Athletes may compete in Open events but athletes cannot compete in more than 1 division per event)

Note: The above divisions are used at DAAA's National Games. Depending on the number of athletes that attend the regional clinics, these divisions may or may not be used.

*All forms should be mailed to April Brazier 5425 Patriot Drive Madison, WI 53718*

#### Schedule of Events

Please check the events you wish to enter

All events will be held at Eugene Field School, 2900 31st Ave., Rock Island, IL.

<b>Saturday, April 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	8:30 am – 10:30 am	Soccer	[ ]
<b>Saturday, April 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	11:00 am – 1:00 pm	Basketball	[ ]
<b>Saturday, April 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	2:00 pm – 5:00 pm	Boccia	[ ]

Rules for All sports may be found on our website at [www.daaa.org](http://www.daaa.org)

**Waiver**

In consideration of being allowed participating in any way in **National** athletics/sports programs and related events and activities, I the undersigned: Acknowledge and fully understand that each participant will be engaging in activities that involve risk of serious injury, including permanent disability and death, and severe social and economic losses which might result not only from their own actions, inaction's or negligence but the actions, inaction's or negligence of others, the rules of play, or the condition of the premises or of any equipment used. Further, I have fully considered and understand the risks that I could be physically injured as I prepare for, participate in and travel to and from the programs and events of the Regional Games. I assume these risks. Further, I know of no reason why my participation in this program or its events should be exceptionally or unusually hazardous to my health. I assume ALL of the foregoing risks and accept personal responsibility for the damages following such injury, permanent disability or death. I agree to release, waive, discharge and indemnify the **DWARF ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA or THE LITTLE PEOPLE OF AMERICA, INC.**, any affiliates, their respective administrators, directors, agents, coaches and other employees, participants, sponsors and volunteers from any and all liability to themselves, their heirs, and administrators for any injuries, including death, damages, losses or expenses. Further, I hereby give my permission to the **DWARF ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA** and designated agents to take and use my photograph, a video-tape of me or my voice for publication or reproduction in any advertisement, public relations or fund raising efforts of the association, its programs or agents.

**THE UNDERSIGNED HAVE READ THE ABOVE WAIVER AND RELEASE AND UNDERSTAND THAT THEY HAVE GIVEN UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING IT AND SIGN IT VOLUNTARILY.**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (or guardian if under 18 years)

**Athletes must have a current medical evaluation on file in order to participate.  
 Medical Evaluations are current for 2 years. Boccia-only participants do not need a medical evaluation.**

**2009 DAAA Medical Evaluation Form**

To be filled out by Competitor:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent or Guardian (if under 18) \_\_\_\_\_

Height \_\_\_\_\_ Weight \_\_\_\_\_ Do you wear contacts? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Diagnosis (circle) Achondroplasia Spondyloepiphyseal Dysplasia (SED)

Pseudoachondroplasia Diastrophic Dysplasia Other \_\_\_\_\_

Hospitalizations: \_\_\_\_\_

Last medical examination: 2007 \_\_\_\_\_ 2008 \_\_\_\_\_ Please check

Have you had:

Allergies	Yes	No	Respiratory Problems	Yes	No
High Blood Pressure	Yes	No	Kidney problems	Yes	No
Fainting Spells	Yes	No	Neck Pain	Yes	No
Seizures	Yes	No	Weakness, arms, legs	Yes	No
Heart Disease	Yes	No	Drug/Alcohol abuse	Yes	No

If you checked "yes" to any of the above, please describe below.

\*\* Current Medications \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\* Note: Boccia only participants do not need a doctor's examination.**

**Medical Evaluation Form: To be completed by Physician**

Doctors Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Specialty: \_\_\_\_\_

**Physical Examination:**

P _____	BP _____	R _____
HGB	Normal _____	Abnormal _____
U/A	Normal _____	Abnormal _____
Head	Normal _____	Abnormal _____
Neck	Normal _____	Abnormal _____
Heart	Normal _____	Abnormal _____
Lungs	Normal _____	Abnormal _____
Abdomen	Normal _____	Abnormal _____
Hernias	Normal _____	Abnormal _____
Back	Normal _____	Abnormal _____
Extremities	Normal _____	Abnormal _____
Neurologic	Normal _____	Abnormal _____
Central	Normal _____	Abnormal _____
Peripheral	Normal _____	Abnormal _____

**Special Studies:** \_\_\_\_\_

**For non-achondroplastic dwarfs: results of lateral flexion-extension cervical spine x-ray; with evaluation. (Very important to send x-ray (see below))**

The non-achondroplastic dwarf athlete may have a predisposition to neck injuries, including paralysis. Pseudoachondroplasia, spondyloepiphyseal Dysplasia, Diastrophic, Conradi's, Cartilage- hair hypoplasia, and Morquio's syndrome may have instability and not be aware of the problem until an accident occurs. For your safety, we require that all non-achondroplastic athletes obtain x-rays of the neck prior to competition in any running, jumping or diving event, including basketball, swimming, and volleyball. The x-rays should include a lateral-flexion and a lateral-extension view of the cervical spine. Unless there are clinical symptoms to suggest a problem, these x-rays need only be obtained once for the adult athlete. However, in the juvenile and adolescent athlete, we prefer that the x-rays of the neck be taken every **three** years while they are competing since instability may develop with growth.

For competitors age 40 or older

Results of EKG \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments related to athletes participation in competitive sports:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Physician: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_