



LPA WINDY CITY CHAPTER 54



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CONFERENCE WRAP-UP

The Big Apple proved to be big indeed. The unofficial results for the N.Y. Convention had over 3200 individuals from 26 different countries in attendance. People from 49 of the 50 states filled up 3 hotels in Brooklyn & Manhattan area. From first hand knowledge, I can attest that this convention was of the more diversified from all the others. Meeting & talking to LP's from other parts of the world was an enriching experience. That failed in comparison to all the multi-diversified characters that I encountered while on Time Square, but that's another story...

SUMMER EXTRAVAGANZA WRAP-UP

Although Mother Nature failed us, the hospitality of the Wiseman's did not. In contrast to the weather outside, a beautiful party was held on the inside. Over 60 people were in attendance, which included 4 potential new families. All shared in the LP camaraderie. Yours truly was surprised by a cake in honor of my ?? Birthday. The evening was capped with the toasting of "s'mores" over an outdoor fire. It was truly a nice event and our thanks go out to the entire Wiseman family for making it all possible.



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Nashville Conference :
 July 2-9, 2010

UPCOMING CHAPTER EVENT

Chapter Picnic – Sunday, August 16th from 12:00—5:00 P.M. in Lemont. It's picnic time again. Time to get out those lawn darts, water balloons & lawn chair and head over to Lemont. We will be at the same picnic shelter as before, enjoying children's playground, basketball court and more. This year will try to have a few adult games in the hopes of raising a few dollars for our chapter. See page 4 for all the details.



FUTURE EVENTS

This cool summer reminds me that it is never too early to begin planning for the holidays. If any one wants to open up their home, or knows of good venue for our holiday party just let me know. Also any fall activities or ideas are being solicited too.

DISABILITY PRIDE PARADE

We more than doubled our marcher's from last year. With our brand new banner in hand we marched proudly behind the 2016 Chicago Olympic Float. Thank you to my fellow marcher's & here's hoping for more marcher's next year.



FALL REGIONAL

The fall regional will be a joint regional with D9. It will take place October 9th – 11th in Dubuque, Iowa. It will take place at the Grand Harbor Resort, 350 Bell Street in Dubuque Iowa. Phone: 1-866-690-4006
Website: <http://www.grandharborresort.com/>

The LPA nightly group rate is \$99 plus 12% tax. Room reservations must be made by September 1st, 2009 to lock in the LPA room rate. Please remember the room rate includes 4 wristbands to the waterpark; on Saturday alone single wristband is \$20 per child. Be sure to mention LPA when making your reservation.

The Grand Harbor Resort and Waterpark is conveniently located in the Port of Dubuque. The hotel features the Riverwalk Restaurant and Lounge for a variety of all day dining options. The highlight of the hotel is the 25,000 sq foot waterpark. Plenty of complimentary onsite parking is available.

The full details regarding this regional will be in the district newsletter due out at the end of August.

LPA MIDWEST MEDICAL CONFERENCE

Is scheduled for the weekend of September 25-27, 2009 at the Riley Hospital for Children in Indianapolis, Indiana. This conference is hosted by the Little Hoosiers Chapter of Indiana (Debbie Christensen; President) and Dr. David Weaver, Genetics Department-- IUPUI! Five active medical doctors/members of the LPA Medical Advisory Board will be attending this great conference to offer their services, and many other doctors in the immediate Midwest area that WORK DIRECTLY WITH DWARFISM are attending this conference and donating their time and medical expertise to LPA! There will be over 15 medical professionals assisting with the LPA medical conference.

The hotel accommodation close to Riley Hospital is the Hampton Inn-Downtown. Further information regarding the hotel is in the information packet online.

This special medical conference is an excellent opportunity for someone seeking advise relating to a LPA condition and is open to BOTH LPA and NON-LPA members. Hurry, as the deadline to register for this medical conference is August 15, 2009.

Registration forms are available on the District 5 website: <http://www.lpadistrict5.synthasite.com> or you can contact me for further information.

All questions, comments, concerns are welcome. My contact information is posted on page one. See Everyone at the Picnic.....Tom

Photo Gallery of Jimmy Buffett Summer Extravaganza Party





Windy City Summer Picnic
Sunday, August 16, 2009
12:00pm to 5:00pm
Northview Park
1115 McCarthy Rd.
Lemont, IL

We will be in the cover of a picnic shelter. The park has a nice playground area, paved paths, horseshoe pit, basketball court, volleyball area & softball diamonds. And the best part of it all, we will have it all ourselves. And of course there promises to be plenty of good summertime food for all to enjoy.

The chapter will be providing the main entrée. All are encouraged to bring a side dish or drinks for all to share. Items in need are salads, chips, munchies, soda, water bottles, ice & desserts. There will be a large grill for all to use. Also, please remember that due to the nature of the permit, alcohol will not be permitted at the picnic.

We also encourage members to bring outdoor games (i.e. bean bag game, horseshoes, filled water balloons, etc.). A small chapter meeting will be held to discuss plans for 2010. To help raise money for our chapter, there will also be some adult games of chance , so bring an extra dollar bill or so....

So plan on coming out this year close out the summer in style. Please RSVP me by e-mail or phone by Thursday, August 13, 2009. It is imperative that you contact me to let me know as to the number of people attending, so proper amount of food can be purchased. Also, we will need to know what people maybe bringing so we can keep the menu balanced.

Park Website. <http://www.lemontparkdistrict.org/map.htm> **(Once your there, select Northview park then scroll down the info to bottom for mapquest direction.)**

From the North: Take 294 south to I-55 south. Then go to Route 83 (Kingery Road) south to Route 171 Archer Avenue south. Go just passed Cog Hill Country Club golf course to McCarthy Road and make a right on McCarthy Road. Northview Park will be between 5th and 4th street.

From the East: W. 123rd St. is McCarthy Road. On W. 123rd St. go passed LaGrange Rd (96th Avenue) and proceed over S. Archer Avenue (Route 171). 123rd turns in to McCathy road Northview Park will be between 5th and 4th street.

From the West: Take 355 south to I-55 North (Chicago). First exit is South Lemont Road off of I-55. Take Lemont Road south where it will become Stephen Street and then become State Street. Turn Left onto East Illinois Street then Right onto Stephen Street. Turn Left onto McCarthy Road. Northview Park will be between 4th and 5th street on the left side.