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# Windy City Chapter 54

## Wrap-Up Of Passed Events & Upcoming Event

### Annual Picnic –August

It was a hot, dry summer, except of course for our annual Windy City picnic. 2-3 inches of pouring rain did not dampen the spirits of the 30 or so hearty, faithful members who came out in pursuit of summer time fun. Thanks to the Rodriguez/ Wolf family whose quick thinking helped secure a dry grill to cook from. All managed to have a nice time, soggy hotdogs notwithstanding.

### Johansen Farm Fall-takular —October

A nice time was had by all at our “fall-takular ” event. Our own private bon-fire gave everyone a chance to cook by a campfire. Sausage, apples, & of course smores were all on the menu. The children ( and adults ) enjoyed the petting zoo. The evening was capped off by our own private group hay ride that was enjoyed by all.

### Holliday Party — Saturday, December 8, 2012—12pm to 5pm

This year ’ s party will be at the home of the Ansay family in Hoffman Estates. Krystle ( our assistant district director ), Mark, & Serenity invite everyone to their home for what promises to be one memorable holiday event. Besides our chapter election ( more on that later ), a special guest has been confirmed to be in attendance. Confirmation has been received from the North Pole that Mr. Claus will be making a brief appearance. All families of young children are encouraged to bring a small wrapped gift for their children for Mr. Claus to pass out. Pictures will be highly recommended. For the adults there will be our usual \$10.00 gift card grab-bag. All families are encouraged to bring a wrapped \$10.00 gift card of their choosing if they wish to participate. All guests are to bring a side dish or dessert. See page 4 for all the details.

## **Chapter Members News**

On a personal note Laureen & I wish to thank everyone for their out pouring of support. As many of you may have known, Laureen 's mom ( Susan Zeno ) passed away in August. Laureen 's parents have been a mainstay of support for the LP community for the last 33 years. Sue enjoyed going to as many LP events a she could, maintaining a vast of friendships in the LP community. The generosity & support that the LP community has shown during this difficult period is one that will never be forgotten.

## **Chapter Elections**

Now that one election season has concluded, it 's time for another one to begin. Our chapter elections will be at held at the holiday party. We will hold elections for Chapter President, Vice President, Secretary & Treasurer. The LPA bylaws prohibit me from running again. A simple majority vote of the membership present at the holiday party shall determine the elections. In the case of two or more candidate for a position, all interested candidates will be required to provide a short summation at the party stating willingness to run. Officers are needed to keep our chapter active, so now is the time to step up & think about increasing your involvement in LPA. Basic qualification are 1 year membership & a willingness to give a little bit of your time toward helping out to keep our chapter thriving. Interested parties please contact me for further information.

## **The M-Word**

While great strides are being made to bring awareness to this derogatory and offensive word, much work still needs to be done. Change make take time and it may not be as difficult to do as one may think. When chapter member Renee Andreolas discovered that one of her LP daughters soccer leagues still used the " M " word to describe a soccer division classification, she went straight to the keyboard. One polite email to the Park Ridge school district explaining the derogatory meaning of the word was all it took for them to correct a wrong. Way to go Renee!

## **It 's Time For Me To Go**

I have thoroughly enjoyed my time as your chapter president. Our chapter has grown through the years and has remained one of the more viable Chapter 's in all of LPA. While other Chapters may have struggled to remain formidable, ours has remained strong as ever. For that I have you to thank. See you at the holiday party... Tom

\*\*\*\*\* **HAPPY HOLIDAYS** \*\*\*\*\*

Picture Page -

August  
Annual Picnic



October

Johansen Farm Fall-takular



**WINDY City Holiday Party**  
**Saturday, December 8, 2012**

1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

The Ansay Family

675 Edgemont Lane

Hoffman Estates IL 60169

847-529-8382



**The Ansay family, Krystle, Mark, & Serenity will be opening up their home for our annual holiday party.**

**This year's party takes on a little more prominence with the election of new officers & of course a visit from ole St. Nick. All parents of small children are encouraged to bring a small wrapped gift for their children for Mr. Claus to pass out. Pictures will be highly recommended. For the adults there will be our usual \$10.00 gift card grab-bag. Each family that would like to participate should bring in a wrapped \$10.00 gift card. Everyone is encouraged to bring a dish (appetizer, side dish, or desert) for all to share. Please RSVP by Thursday, December 6, 2012 so that the Ansay's know how much food to prepare. When you do RSVP, let them know as to how many people will be attending & the type of dish you may be bringing. RSVP's can be made to Krystle (847) 529-8382 or to myself at: [mrcubwon@yahoo.com](mailto:mrcubwon@yahoo.com) or 773-586-4758.**

**Direction:**

**From the Chicago and Southward: Take 90W. Get off on the Roselle Rd exit. Stay left on the ramp and take a left on Roselle. (You'll see Medieval Times) Shortly after take a right on Hillcrest Blvd. When you see a park with a football end goal, turn left on Kent. You'll see a playground, take a right on Frederick. Then you'll see a big mansion house, take a left on Highland. Take a right on Edgemont. You'll go up a slight hill. Their house is blue with a white garage door.**

**From Hwy 53: Merge on to W Euclid Ave. Take a left on Roselle Rd. Take a right on Hillcrest Blvd. When you see a park with a football end goal, turn left on Kent. You'll see a playground, take a right on Frederick. Then you'll see a big mansion house, take a left on Highland. Take a right on Edgemont. You'll go up a slight hill. Their house is blue with a white garage door.**

**From Hwy 72: Follow 72(Higgins Rd) until Salem Rd (Which turns into Jones Rd, you'll see a big Nissan dealership). Take a left. Turn right on Edgemont. Their house is blue with a white garage door.**

**From Golf Rd: Turn on Highland Blvd. (You'll see a Car X) Then turn left on Edgemont. Their house is blue with a white garage door.**

