Special points of interest:

National Toll-free: 1-888-LPA-2001
www.lpaonline.org

District 6 Chapters Website http://d6.lpaonline.org/

For updates on District and Chapter news & events that come up in between newsletters. Join the following groups.

District 6 Yahoo Group http://groups.yahoo.com/group/lpadistrict6
District 6 Facebook Group http://www.facebook.com/groups/181730216929

LPA Conference 2014
July 4th—July 10
San Diego, CA

Windy City Chapter 54

Wrap-Up Of the Years Passed Events

December 2013 Holiday Party—Cisneros Family ‘s Home
Thank you Cisneros ‘s Family for having our Holiday Party! We had a wonderful turn out! We welcomed three new families to their first event and saw two members we have not see in years. Santa even paid us a visit. Santa passed out gifts to the children and posed with families for pictures! Thank You Santa ; )

Welcome 2014—Note From the Chapter President

We had a good year in 2013, with lots of events hosted by our members. Lets make 2014 another good year! We have a few activities already planned, but we need your help if you want more events. See Page 3 to learn more about what goes into hosting a chapter event. If you are interested in hosting a gathering for this year let me know what month you would like, so I can put it in the calendar for this year. You can either phone or e-mail me.

Mark your calendar

I know we all want this long winter to be over as we have had enough of the cold and snow!! I love spring and look forward to it with our first LPA chapter event:
Saturday, April 5th Fling into Spring hosted by the Ansay ‘s Family in Hoffman Estates.
Friday, May 16th District 6 Fundraiser
Sunday, June 22nd Welcoming Summertime party hosted by the Garcia ‘s Family in Lyons.

District 6 Fundraiser——Friday, May 16 from 4-8 p. m.

Krystle Ansay and Michelle Hermann are putting together a Spaghetti Dinner and Raffle Fundraiser. Most of the proceeds will offset costs for the Fall Regional (which Windy City chapter is hosting ). We are in need of volunteers to set up, clean up, cook, serve, etc. We also need people to donate raffle items and supplies for the dinner. Please contact Krystle Ansay at 847-529-8382 or at krystleansay@gmail.com if you are interested in being part of this. If you are unable to volunteer, come bring your friends, family and co-workers! It's sure to be a great time! Tickets may be bought from Krystle or Michelle. Flyer to pass out to friends and family is on page 5.
Chapter Members News

This is your corner to tell members what has been happening in your life events.

Anna Dereszkiewicz has recently had leg surgery. Keep her in your thoughts and prayers as she recovers. She would love for you to drop her a line.

February 18, 2014 Chicago Tribune had an article about one of our many winter storms. The article, entitled “Sound and the Flurry” was about getting around in the winter storms. In the article were photos of people doing various activities in the snow. In one of the photos was the son (Mike) & grandson (Vincent) of one of our very own members, Lu Massett. They were pictured walking through the snow storm on their way home from running an errand. It was a nice candid shot of a father and son shown coping with the weather, with no mention being made of their size. ;)

LPA Offers Different Types of Grants and Scholarships:

1. Travel expenses for individuals with Metatropic Dysplasia to see a doctor at A.I. duPont
2. College and post-graduate educational and vocational grants. Applications are accepted online from January 1 through April 22 for the following school year. For the 2014-2015 school year, applications are due April 22, 2014.
4. Adoption assistance grants. More information about adoption can be found on the Adoption web pages of this site.

http://www.lpaonline.org/scholarships-and-medical-grants

Keeping In Touch with LPA

By The Website

LPA National has updated their website, be sure to take a look http://www.lpaonline.org/
LPA District 6 has also updated their website http://d6.lpaonline.org

By Facebook

Little People of America https://www.facebook.com/pages/Little-People-of-America/170567479523
LPA-District 6 http://www.facebook.com/groups/181730216929
LPA Parents Page https://www.facebook.com/groups/734940636519034/

LPA District 6 Facebook page is very active and Windy City Chapter posts upcoming events on the page also. I would highly recommend join if you have not already.

The Painted Turtle for Skeletal Dysplasia and Mucopolysaccharidosis

Camp Sessions June 13-18, 2014 for Campers Age 7-16
Application Deadline April 1, 2014 http://www.thepaintedturtle.org/
Wanna Host A Party/Event????????????

With the increased interest in members wishing to host a party/event, questions are often asked what goes into hosting a LPA party/activity.

The following are general guidelines one should consider when hosting a Chapter event/party.

1. Party Hosts are the main contact for members to contact if they are planning to attend. Members are requested to contact the host up until 1-2 days before the event, giving the host a chance to gauge the number of attendees.
2. Generally the host provides 1-2 main entrees along with one or two “sides” and the non-alcoholic drinks.
3. Party goers are often asked to bring dishes/desserts to coincide with the party’s theme.
4. The Chapter generally reimburses the host in full for the main entrees, 1-2 sides & non-alcoholic drinks.
5. It is asked that host limit the amount of the food to size of the number of people expected, taking into consideration 10-20% increase for the unexpected party goers.
6. If the host wishes to purchase bulk party supplies (i.e. plates, napkins, etc.), a separate reimbursement from the Chapter can be made. Please notify the Chapter first to see if supplies are in needed.
7. Reimbursements can also be made for miscellaneous expenses which coincide with the party’s theme, i.e., crafts, prizes, etc.
8. It is requested that all expenses be kept within the range of $50.00 - $200.00.
9. Copies of receipts are needed for all Chapter reimbursements.

As you may be aware, local Chapters have their own finances which are used for the benefit of its members. Money is received twice a year from national in the form of rebates, providing of course the Chapter Treasurer being timely in the filing of its quarterly reports. Monies are generally used for Chapter events/activities, supplies, etc. While deviations can sometimes be made, it is asked that all members try to adhere to these guidelines due to Chapters limited financial recourses. Any questions please don’t hesitate to ask. Tom mrcubwon@yahoo.com
LPA Windy City Chapter

Fling into Spring Backyard Party!

Saturday, April 5
11 am to 4 pm

At the Ansay Backyard
675 Edgemont Ln
Hoffman Estates IL

Call 847-529-8382

Activities include games and for the kids, egg hunt and crafts.

Please RSVP by April 3rd.

We’ll barbeque hot dogs and burgers (We’ll have veggie burgers to). Bring a side or salad to share. The Ansay family will provide dessert.

The house is blue with a white garage door. Go around the left side to get to the back. From 90, take the Roselle exit then take a right on Hillcrest, a left on Kent, right on Frederic, left on Highland, right on Edgemont.
Support Little People of America District 6

Spaghetti Dinner and Raffle

Raffle will include sports memorabilia!

Friday, May 16, 2014
4:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Living Hope Church
777 Meachum Rd
Elk Grove Village IL

TICKETS:
$10 / adult
$5 / child 12 and under
Children under 4 Free

Donations Welcome!

Purchase tickets by May 9 and enter in a special drawing!
Three Winners!

All proceeds will benefit Little People of America District 6 Regional Convention and Scholarship Funds. LPA is dedicated to improving the quality of life for people with dwarfism throughout their lives while celebrating with great pride Little People's contribution to social diversity. LPA strives to bring solutions and global awareness to the prominent issues affecting individuals of short stature and their families. Further information about LPA can be found at www.lpaonline.org.

For advance tickets, questions or to donate contact Krystle at 347-628-8382 or email her at krystleansay@gmail.com