



LPA DISTRICT 2 2012 SPRING REGIONAL
March 23-25, 2012
Pittsburgh Airport Marriott, Coraopolis, Pennsylvania
Hosted by LPA District 2 Western Pennsylvania Chapter

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, March 23:

3:00 – 7:00 PM	Registration & basket raffle bidding
5:00 – 7:00	Tween/teen pool party
7:00 – 9:00	Pizza buffet & Caribbean beach party
All evening	Tween/teen room open
9:00 – 1:00	Cash bar
9:00 – 1:00	DJ/dance

Saturday, March 24:

8:00 AM – 1:30 PM	Individual appointments with Dr. William Mackenzie, A.I. DuPont Hospital for Children
8:00 – 9:00 AM	Officers Meeting
9:00 – 5:00	Registration Open – bid on auction items
8:30 – 12:30	Children's program (including Pittsburgh Zoomobile visit 10:30-11:15)
9:00 – 10:00	General Assembly
9:30 – 10:15	Pittsburgh Zoomobile visit for tweens
10:00 – 11:30	Tween/teen pool party
All day	Tween/teen room open
10:15 – 11:15	Workshop 1 – Parents meeting
11:30 – 12:30	Workshop 2 – Average-sized siblings
11:30 – 12:30	Workshop 3 – Medical workshop, Dr. William Mackenzie
12:30 – 4:30	Bus trip to Bettis Grille & Andy Warhol Museum
1:15 – 4:30	DAAA flag football
1:30 – 4:30	Boccia ball
6:20 PM	Group photo
6:30 – 9:00	Banquet / basket raffle drawings
6:30 – 1:00	Cash bar
9:00 – 1:00	DJ/dance

Sunday, March 25:

9:00 – 11:00	Brenda Bennett, Transportation Solutions (pedal extensions)
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Buffet breakfast is available for purchase in the restaurant. Stop in restaurant to say goodbye to friends.
Check-out time is Noon.

Questions? Contact Terri Kirby at (814) 421-2711 or kirbyfam3@msn.com.

Hotel registration information is enclosed. **Book your room now! Cut-off to get the group rate is March 1.**

- SCHEDULE SUBJECT TO CHANGE -

For updated information, see the D2 site's events page. www.lpadistrict2.org

***** You must be an LPA member in good standing to attend our regional & to receive the \$95 room rate. If you need to join or renew your membership, please contact our national office at (888) 572-2001 or www.lpaonline.org. Membership applications will also be available onsite. *****

DETAILS OF ACTIVITIES

Caribbean beach party – Pizza party with a Caribbean beach theme, including a steel drum band and beach games. Regular and virgin daiquiris will be available for purchase. So wear your wildest tropical shirt, shorts, sunglasses & lei, and get ready to have some fun! Then dance the night away to a wide variety of music with a local DJ.

Tween/teen activities – Ages 10-18. Pool parties Friday & Saturday. Hang-out room on Friday & Saturday.

Kids room – Ages 0-9. Under the supervision and direction of Maggi Mishkin, a special education teacher (Carlynton School District, Pittsburgh). The Children's Room will open at 8:30 a.m. so parents can attend the meetings and seminars on Saturday morning. The children (LP's and siblings, ages 0-9) will be entertained with crafts and games. The room will remain open until the close of morning seminars. A \$10.00 fee per child is requested to help cover costs of supplies, entertainment, and light refreshments. Please bring any necessary medical or hygiene supplies (diapers, wipes, bottles, special dietary needs). We will provide a small snack so it is important to know of any allergies.

Pittsburgh Zoomobile Visits – A Pittsburgh Zoo education specialist will be bringing an assortment of animals. A special time is scheduled for tweens and then for children in the kids' room.

Clinics & workshops – Dr. William Mackenzie, Pediatric Orthopedic Surgeon at A.I. DuPont Hospital for Children and dwarfism specialist, will meet with little people. Check on the registration form if you will be requesting an appointment. Sign-ups for appointment times will be at the registration table. **Appointments will be 1st come, 1st served, as time permits, based on the order in which your registration was received.**

Workshops:

- Parents meeting: A panel of teen LPs will be available as resources to answer any questions from tween LPs and/or their parents.
- Average-sized siblings: Average-sized siblings of LPs will be available to share thoughts and experiences.
- Medical workshop: Dr. Mackenzie from the Alfred I. DuPont Hospital for Children in Wilmington, Delaware, will be conducting medical workshops and answering questions from new or experienced parents. He is also a member of the Little People of America Medical Advisory Board.

DAAA flag football – Athlete must provide own transportation. Car pools will be organized on site. Since this is a DAAA event, **athletes must provide an email address** so that we can send you the necessary paperwork to be eligible to participate. Age categories are as follows: 7-11, 12-15, 16 & above. Teams may be composed of both female and male players within a single age division. Age classifications are determined by the athlete's age as of June 1 in the year of competition. Teams will be selected and rules will be reviewed on site.

Bus trip to Bettis Grille & Andy Warhol Museum – **We must have a minimum of 20 people signed up ahead of time for this trip in order to pay for the bus. Register now!** If we do not have enough, fees will be refunded. Fee includes transportation and admittance to museum; lunch expense is on your own.

- *Jerome Bettis' Grille 36* has been voted Pittsburgh's best sports restaurant every year since it opened. Award-winning menu with something for everyone; able to transport you to every major sporting event possible, as if you were there live and in person; and home for everything Steelers, everything Penguins, everything Pirates, everything Panthers, everything Pittsburgh!!!
- *Andy Warhol Museum* – One of the most unique art galleries in the nation. Andy Warhol is pop culture's best known artist. The collection covers the entire range of Warhol's work from all periods, including student work from the 1940s, 1950s drawings, commercial illustrations and sketchbooks; 1960s Pop paintings of consumer products (Campbell's Soup Cans), celebrities (Liz, Jackie, Marilyn, Elvis), Disasters and Electric Chairs; portrait paintings (Mao), Skull paintings and the abstract Oxidations from the 1970s; and works from the 1980s such as The Last Supper, Raphael I-6.99 and collaborative paintings made with younger artists such as Jean-Michel Basquiat and Francesco Clemente.

Attention LP's of driving age – Brenda Bennett from Transportation Solutions will bring a car adapted with pedal extensions so you can see it on Sunday and ask any questions.

Officers meeting – All chapter officers (presidents, vice presidents, parent coordinators, secretaries, treasurers, etc.) and

district officers are encouraged to attend the Saturday morning officers meeting.

General assembly meeting – The general assembly meeting on Saturday morning is open to everyone. The meeting provides district and national news and announces future conferences.

Group photo – The group photo will be available for purchase as a JPEG file for you to print or save on file. Valid and legible email address must be provided on registration form.

MENUS

Friday Night Pizza Buffet: Assorted Pizzas; Ice Cream Sundae Bar; Assorted Beverages

Banquet (Adults): Choice of: Chicken Francaise
Pork Tenderloin with Apple-Pear Demiglaze
Pasta Primavera (vegetarian's choice)

Chef's Choice of Starch, Vegetable, Salad & Dessert; Assorted Beverages

Banquet (Ages 12 & Under): Chicken Fingers & French Fries; Fruit Cup; Chef's Choice Dessert; Assorted Beverages

ACCOMMODATIONS

You won't believe the fabulous accommodations at the Pittsburgh Airport Marriott for our special group rate of \$95 (plus tax)! The location of the hotel is excellent -- directly off the Parkway West at the Montour Run Exit, only 7 miles from the Pittsburgh International Airport and 22 miles from downtown Pittsburgh.

Room rates are guaranteed for reservations received on or before March 1. Handicapped accessible rooms are available on a first-come, first-served basis. We have a limited number of rooms blocked for Thursday, March 22, if anyone would like to arrive earlier. Check-in time is 3:00 p.m. and check-out is 12:00 Noon.

So call or go on-line now to reserve a room. See hotel information for instructions.

TRANSPORTATION

If you are flying into the Pittsburgh International Airport, there is a free shuttle to/from the airport that operates from 4:00 a.m. to midnight. Go to the baggage claim area first to get your baggage, then use a courtesy phone and push the button to the Airport Marriott. It takes them 10-15 minutes to get there. They cannot sit there for too long or they will be fined, so you need to be waiting for them.

For those of you who will be driving to the regional, free off-street parking is available.

ALCOHOL USE (UNDER AGE 21)

Individuals under the age of 21 who are determined by hotel security, police, or an LPA official to be under the influence of alcohol at an LPA event may not be allowed to attend another LPA event until the age 21 and they may be removed from the current event site.

We hope to see YOU there!



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MARCH 23-25, 2012**

HOTEL INFORMATION

**Pittsburgh Airport Marriott
777 Aten Road, Montour Run Road Exit, Coraopolis, Pennsylvania
(877) 739-9461**

Room rate: *\$95/night plus tax

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Hotel has an indoor pool, whirlpool, fitness center, restaurant, and free off-street parking.

Reserve your room today! Cut-off date to get the group rate is March 1

For Reservations:

- Call (877) 739-9461. Ask for Reservations, and indicate that you are with Little People of America. Our group code is: LITLITA.
- Reserve your room online. www.pittsburghairportmarriott.com Enter the check in & out dates, and the group code "LITLITA".

If you have any troubles making your reservation, call Terri at 814-421-2711.

DIRECTIONS TO PITTSBURGH AIRPORT MARRIOTT

FROM THE NORTH:

Follow 79 S. To Exit 60B (Airport Exit). Follow Rt. 60 North for about 3 miles to the ramp on the right for Rt. 60 North "Airport". Continue for 1½ miles to the Montour Run Exit (Exit #2) on your right. Make a full 360 degree circle, going under the underpass, staying in the right lane. Turn Left at the traffic light and make an immediate right into our parking lot.

FROM THE SOUTH:

Follow I-79 North to Exit 59B (Airport). Follow the Airport signs about 5 miles (the highway name changes from Route 22/30 West to Route 60 North) to the Montour Run Exit on the right. Circle to the right under the highway (stay in the right lane), turn left at the traffic light, and then make an immediate right into the hotel parking lot.

FROM THE EAST:

Take the Pennsylvania Turnpike (I-376) West to Exit 57 "Monroeville/Pittsburgh." Follow I-376 West into Pittsburgh (15 miles) to I-279 South "Ft. Pitt Bridge/Airport". Follow the Airport signs about 12 miles (I-279) South Changes to Route 22/30 West and then to Route 60 North to the Montour Run Exit on right. Circle to the right under the highway (staying in the right lane), turn left at the traffic light, make an immediate right into the parking lot.

OR – Take I-80 West to I-79 South, then see "From the North" above.

FROM THE WEST:

Take the Ohio Turnpike to the Pennsylvania Turnpike (I-76) to Exit 1 "Pittsburgh International Airport". Follow Route 60 South about 32 miles (passing the airport) to the Montour Run Exit #2 on the right. Turn right at the traffic light, and then make an immediate right into the hotel parking lot.

OR – Take I-70 East to I-79 North, then see "From the South" above.

FROM THE PITTSBURGH INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT:

When exiting the airport, follow the signs to Pittsburgh. Follow 60 South for approximately 5 miles to the Montour Run Exit on the right. Make the first right off the exit and an immediate right into the parking lot of the Pittsburgh Airport Marriott.



LPA DISTRICT 2 2012 SPRING REGIONAL REGISTRATION FORM

For assistance completing these forms or for any additional questions, please contact Terri Kirby at (814) 421-2711 or kirbyfam3@msn.com.

March 23-25, 2012 – Pittsburgh, PA Today's Date _____

Family Last Name _____ Home # _____

Cell # _____ Work # _____

First Name _____ LP First Name _____ LP

Address _____ City _____

State _____ Zip _____ Email _____

Child's Name _____ LP Child's Age _____ Allergies (if attending Kids' Room) _____

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Chapter Name and District # _____ Is this your first regional? _____

Special Needs if any _____

All attendees must be listed above. Identification badges will be made and must be worn at all events.

Registration Fees: (Persons attending ANY function of this regional are required to pay the registration fee. All fees must be returned with registration form.)

Registration **ON or BEFORE** March 1, 2012:

- Single \$25.00 = \$ _____
- Family \$40.00 = \$ _____
- Extended Family \$15.00 x # of units _____ = \$ _____

(Examples of extended family: Grandma & Grandpa = 1 unit; Aunt, Uncle & Cousins = 1 unit)

Registration **ONSITE OR AFTER** March 1, 2012:

- Single \$35.00 = \$ _____
- Family \$50.00 = \$ _____
- Extended Family \$20.00 x # of units _____ = \$ _____

Registration Required for **Kids Room & Tween/Teen Activities**

- Kids Room (ages 0-9) \$10.00 x # of children _____ = \$ _____
- Tweens/Teens \$10.00 x # of tweens/teens _____ = \$ _____

Extended Family Names: (This information is required for mandatory name badges.)

Last Name _____ First Name _____

Last Name _____ First Name _____

Last Name _____ First Name _____

Many expenses are involved in hosting a conference. Your registration fee helps to cover costs such as speaker fees, DJ, meeting room rental, cash bar charge, raffle tickets, name badges, printing, and mailing of registration packets.

Total this page \$ _____

Volunteers are needed. If you are interested in volunteering, please let us know by filling out the information below.

Volunteer name _____ When are you available to volunteer? _____

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Friday night pizza buffet & Caribbean beach party

(Ages 13 and older) @ \$15.00 per person # attending _____ \$ _____
 (Ages 12 and under) @ \$7.00 per person # attending _____ \$ _____

Dr. Mackenzie from DuPont Hospital will be onsite for appointments on Saturday morning.

Check if you will be requesting an appointment with Dr. Mackenzie.

Age _____ Have you seen Dr. Mackenzie before? _____

Sign up for times will be at registration desk, but appointments will be scheduled on a **first-come, first-served basis**, as time permits, **based on when your registration packet was received**.

Bus trip to Bettis Grille & Andy Warhol Museum @ \$20.00 # attending _____ \$ _____

Are you in a wheelchair or scooter? _____ Can you transfer out of the wheelchair/scooter? _____

Please check any sport you would like to play. Both will be held on Saturday.

DAAA flag football (# participating _____) Boccia ball (# participating _____)

EMAIL ADDRESS MUST BE PROVIDED for anyone playing flag football: _____

Group photo in JPEG format (@ \$2.00 each) \$ _____

(High Resolution image file will be emailed to individual) Email Address: _____

Saturday night banquet

Chicken Francaise @ \$30.00 each # attending _____ \$ _____

Pork Tenderloin @ \$30.00 each # attending _____ \$ _____

Pasta Primavera @ \$30.00 each # attending _____ \$ _____

Children's Chicken Fingers @ \$15.00 each # attending _____ \$ _____

Ages 12 and under – Child must be accompanied by a parent who is attending the banquet.

Each family must also sign the attached LPA "Member Code of Conduct" form. Please send it with your registration packet. (Only one form per family is required.)

TOTAL THIS PAGE \$ _____

TOTAL FROM FRONT PAGE \$ _____

GRAND TOTAL (BOTH PAGES) \$ _____

Make check payable to: *Little People of America*

To register: Complete the registration form (pages 5 & 6), a signed copy of the Code of Conduct Form (page 7), and mail with your payment to Terri Kirby, P.O. Box 274, Summerhill, Pa. 15958

Any questions, contact Terri Kirby at (814) 421-2711 or via email: kirbyfam3@msn.com

**** NO PERSONAL CHECKS WILL BE ACCEPTED AT THE REGIONAL ****

** All fees above are non-refundable after 3 days prior to the event.

** Availability of space/tickets for Friday night pizza party and Saturday night banquet are not guaranteed if you do not pre-register. We have a set amount of room space, and the hotel needs to know how much food to buy and prepare. Thank you for your understanding and consideration in this matter.

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Member Code of Conduct

Little People of America is committed to providing a safe, caring, healthy, and respectful environment for all members and guests. To promote these values, we ask individuals to act appropriately at all times when attending our events.

Our Member Code of Conduct dictates positive interactions with others, language free of anger or vulgarities, and actions at or above a generally accepted standard of conduct. The following conduct can lead to immediate suspension or termination of membership:

- Violation of membership rules and policies in the LPA Bylaws and Policy Manual
- Physical contact with another person in an angry or threatening manner
- Angry or vulgar language including swearing, name calling, or shouting
- Harassment or intimidation by words, gestures, body language, or any other menacing behavior
- Theft or behavior that results in the destruction of property belonging to LPA, its members or guests, or homes or facilities where events are taking place.
- Unlawful carrying of concealed weapons or devices/objects that may be used as weapons
- Unlawful use or possession of illegal chemicals, tobacco, or alcohol during LPA events.
- Any other conduct of an inappropriate, threatening or offensive nature

The protection of our members and guests participating in our programs and events is a paramount interest of Little People of America. The LPA reserves the right to deny access, suspend, or revoke membership to any person who violates the membership code of conduct. This code of conduct is applicable at all LPA functions including national, district, and chapter sponsored events. The board of directors of the governing body of the event have the responsibility and right to enforce the code of conduct and to determine consequences for violations.

This Code of Conduct does not otherwise affect the legal rights and responsibilities of LPA or its members. LPA reserves the right to call law enforcement when necessary. Any action by LPA does not preclude legal recourse by the hotel, event venue, individual member or non-member, or outside entity.

Membership Code of Conduct Acknowledgment

I hereby acknowledge that I have received a copy of the Little People of America Membership Code of Conduct. I also agree that as a member of LPA I will adhere to all rules and policies set forth in this Code. If I am signing as the Head of Household, I agree to inform all members listed on my Membership and/or Registration Form of the rules and policies set forth in this Code. I understand that any violation of the rules and policies listed in this Code could result in penalties up to loss of membership privileges of Little People of America, nationally, regionally, and locally.

Code of Conduct needs only be signed one time per member/member family.

Print Name: _____

Member Signature: _____ Date: _____

Staff Use Only:
Staff Initials: _____ Date: _____