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UPCOMING EVENTS:

March 7, 2009 Hosted by Pat and Bonnie Burke

April 4, 2009 Hosted by Keith and Laurie Klusmeyer

May 16, 2009 Annual Picnic (date subject to change)

August 15, 2009 Hosted by Jack and Cindi Dohr

October 10, 2009 Dan and Jennifer Uhle

December 5, 2009 Hosted by the Hagen's



2009 National Conference New York City

It is with great pleasure that we are able to announce that the greatest city in the world, New York City, will be hosting the 2009 Little People of America National Conference. Now, over 50 years later all Little People of America will be able to enjoy the excitement, culture and history the the Big Apple has to offer. Located in the heart of the City, the Brooklyn Marriot at the foot of the Brooklyn Bridge provides a perfect venue for all the conference events and access to all of NYC



Conference dates are July 4 - 10, including these highlights:
Saturday, July 4 - BBQ and Fireworks
Sunday, July 5 - Welcome Reception
Monday, July 6 - Talent and Fashion Shows
Wednesday, July 8 - Banquet Night
Thursday, July 9 and Friday, July 10 - New York sightseeing

Information will be updated on this web site, as well as the separate conference web site at:
www.lpanyc2009.org

The Brooklyn Marriott web site:

www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/hycbk-new-york-marriott-at-the-brooklyn-bridge/



Gateway Chapter BBQ

We had a great time at our chapter BBQ at the Uhle's house on August 16, 2008. We all brought a dish to share and the chapter provided the meat.

The kids had a great time playing ball. We also had a piñata which was a big "hit"! The adults enjoyed sitting around and catching up on current events in each others lives.



Regional Convention



We had a great time at the regional convention on September 19-21 in Kansas City, Kansas. Districts 7 & 9 combined to hold this Fall regional. There were over 200 people present.

The weekend started off with an informal meet and greet Friday night. Saturday included district meetings, kids' activities, officer meetings, parent forums, a financial seminar focusing on little people, and a community outreach meeting.

Saturday night was a banquet and a dance. We all danced and sang to old and new music. It was a good time!





Bowling

We went bowling with the local group. We all gathered at the Brunswick lanes in Fenton. Everyone had a wonderful time socializing and bowling.



Pumpkin Patch

We went to Rombach Pumpkin Patch in October. It was a really hot day and didn't feel much like fall. We had a good time anyway picking pumpkins, riding ponies, and walking around looking at scary decorations.





Christmas Party

Our Christmas party was held Dec. 6, 2008. We had a good turnout. We had Bandana's BBQ and everyone brought a side dish.

Will Burke played some Christmas tunes on the Piano for us. The kids ran around and played games.

We all had a fun time!



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Please send us your email address so we can expand our email distribution list.

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