# 2008-09 ANNUAL REPORT FINANCIALS

## Little People of America

Little People of America is funded through memberships, private donations and conference revenue. We operate on an October 1-September 30 fiscal year. A large portion of LPA's financial assets are in restricted funds.

\$809,423

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### **STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**

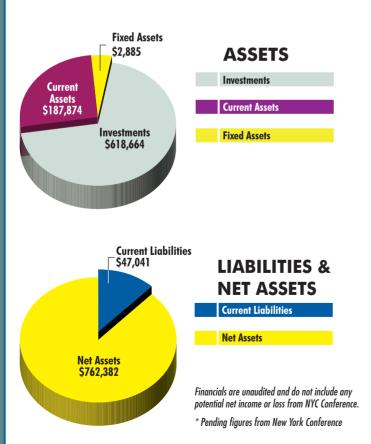
### As of September 30, 2009

### ASSETS

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Current Assets Investments (Fair Market Value) Fixed Assets (Net of Depreciation)	\$187,874 618,664 2,885
Total Assets	\$809,423
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	
Current Liabilities	\$47,041
Current Net Assets Restricted Funds Retained Earnings/Net Income	722,807 39,575

**Total Liabilities and Net Assets** 



### **STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**

REVENUE	
Contributions	\$139,940
Dues	58,620
Conference	0*
Other Income	3,375
Total Income	\$198,935
EXPENSE	
Scholarships	\$ 10,000
Program Services and LPA Today	24,316
Committees and Other	557
Total Program Services	\$ 34,873
Salaries/Payroll Taxes	62,525
Director's Expenses	1,864
Computer Support	8,813
Insurance	4,221
Marketing	2,150
Professional Fees/Consulting	17,795
Postage	8,313
Printing Depreciation	2,725 999
Publications	4,494
Bank Fees	8,100
Rent	12,139
Telephone	5,198
MRF Expense	1,097
Office Supplies	3,426
Travel	1,998
Other	4,740
Total Administrative Expense	\$150,597
Total Expense:	\$185,470
Net Ordinary Income:	\$ 13,465
Other Income	\$ 11,051
Net Income:	\$ 24,516
Change in Net Assets	\$58,562
Net Assets, October 1, 2008	\$703,820
Net Assets, September 30, 2009	\$762,382

# Little People of America

## **PROGRAMS AND BENEFITS**

LPA offers membership to any person who has dwarfism and their family members or friends. We also offer membership to medical professionals. Specific programs conducted during 2008-09 include:

**Adoption** – LPA seeks out children who are in need of adoption as well as helps families who want to adopt. We also have grant money available to help with adoption expenses.

**Archives** – The Archives program seeks to preserve and provide access to LPA's collective memory. Archives collected include official documents, pictures and media, annual reports, and other memorabilia.

**Bereavement Committee** – Volunteers reach out to LPA members in their time of loss, whether it be for a newborn or an adult.

**Community Outreach** – LPA members realize that educating others is important. LPA seeks to provide help and support for those willing to be leaders and educators in their communities.

**National Annual Conference** – The annual national conference brings together members and their families for a week of fellowship, peer support, fun and education. The Kitchens' Travel Fund helped twenty-five (25) families attend the 2009 national conference.

**Medical Resource Center** – The online MRC provides information and links to 160 of the known types of dwarfism. It is the preeminent collection of medically-related dwarfism information in existence.

**Educational Scholarships** – LPA provides financial assistance for college and vocational schools. In 2008-2009 LPA gave scholarships to 35 students totaling \$25,000.

**Dwarf Artists Coalition** – The DAC is a coalition of artists who exhibit each year at the national conference.

### **MEMBER BENEFITS INCLUDE:**

**Parents and Peers Support Groups** – Parent-to-parent and peer support is provided by members who understand the variety of medical, educational, social, and psychological concerns experienced by people with dwarfism and their families.

**Advocates** National advocates continually work on legislation regarding genetic discrimination, patient healthcare rights, public access and other issues.

# **PROGRAMS & BENEFITS**

**Medical Resources** LPA is committed to providing access to the most current medical information available. Dedicated and experienced physicians from LPA's Medical Advisory Board generously volunteer to assist members and their physicians with medical consultations, referrals and critical information. These physicians cover multi-specialized fields of practice.

**Financial Assistance** LPA offers educational scholarships, conference travel assistance, adoption assistance and medical assistance funds to qualifying individuals.

**Adaptive Equipment Referrals** We refer to a range of products, including infant supplies, step stools, chairs, and car pedal extensions.

**Networking** LPA provides many social and workshop opportunities by offering planned events throughout the year and across the nation.

**Friendships** Members participate in LPA events and meet lifelong friends who share the same concerns as they do.

**Workshops** Opportunities to participate in informational workshops on a wide variety of issues such as genetics, adaptations, public access, pregnancy and parenting are provided at regional and national events.

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**Our Magazine and Website** Members are infomed of the latest news and information via our quarterly newsletter, *LPA Today*, and our website, www.lpaonline.org These services offer the most current and comprehensive news, products, and services associated with dwarfism. Individual districts and chapters also publish their own newsletters; all newsletters are mailed to members' homes.

**Public Relations** LPA's PR team manages media issues and strives to raise public awareness on key issues associated with dwarfism.

**National Office** – Each month in 2008-2009, our national office fielded:

- More than 1,000 emails.
- More than 800 phone calls.
- Mailed 80 New Member Information Packets.
- Daily requests from Chapter Presidents and District Directors for mailing lists and updated rosters, and various queries.

# 2008-09 BOARD LISTING

Little People of America

### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

President Vice President Vice President of Finance Lois Gerage-Lamb Bill Bradford Jon North Vice President of Membership Ethan Crough Vice President of Programs Anthony Connor Vice President of Public Relations Gary Arnold

### **DISTRICT DIRECTORS**

Casey Hubelbank Joe Zrinski Keith Connolley Ken Miller David Doidge Lydia Graber

District 1 **April Brazier** District 2 Joy Wyler District 3 Leigh Ann Breen District 4 **Robyn Watson Farris** District 4 Louis Taylor District 5

District 6 Suzy Ingalls District 10 District 7 **Randy Bradford** District 8 Jody Shaffer District 8 Joe Foos District 9 Sheryl Hankins **Richelle Thornberg** District 14 (In District voting years 2 District Directors will be listed.)

### **STAFF**

Joanna Campbell Sandy Becker Vicky Schulte

**Executive Director** Office and Database Administrator Office and Database Administrator

### **COMMITTEE CHAIRS**

Adoption Coordinator	Colleen Gioffreda
Advocacy	
ANSI Delegate	
ANSI Delegate	
Bereavement Committee	
	Mark Trombino
Bylaw and Policy Manual	
Community Outreach	
Dwarf Artists Coalition	
Finance Chair	
Historian/Archivist	
International Liaison (English-speaking countries)	
International Liaison (Spanish-speaking countries)	
	Amanda Hernandez
LPAOnline, Web Editors	
LPA Today, Editor	Tina Seidenfeld
Medical Resource Director	
National Conference Chair (2009)	
National Conference Review Committee Chair	
Parent Coordinator	
Teen Coordinator	
	Julie Hildebrand
TSA (Transportation Security Administration)	solie i indebrand
Disability Commission Delegate	Bob Whittemore

## The Mission of LPA

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.

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