



DISTRICT 3 NEWSLETTER

WINTER 2007/2008

Hello to all our LP Family Members. We're starting a new year and I wish you all a happy and prosperous one. It's time for all of us to come together and help our District and Chapters step forward into the New Year.

I am sorry to start with bad news, but we need to remember some of our members who have passed away during the last year. Janet Brown, a member of LPA and Executive Director of DAAA passed on December 10, 2007. Also, Shirley Barty, beloved wife of LPA founder Billy Barty passed away on November 4, 2007. Shirley is survived by her two children, Lori Barty Neilson, son-in-law David Nielson, granddaughter Tina Neilson, and son Braden Barty, daughter-in-law Michelle Barty and new grandson, Jonah Barty.

Also, our own District member, Ann Hinkson, passed away on January 29, 2008. Ann was married to the late Robert B. Hinkson, one of the founding members of LPA. Ann and Bob both did much to increase the reputation and the good that was done for and by LPA over the years.

NATIONAL

LPA will be having election of National Officers this year. Ballots will be mailed out to all paid members.

We also have a new look on our National website. Please check it out when you have a chance: www.lpaonline.org The National LPA Conference will be in Detroit, Michigan from June 21 to June 27, 2008. You must make your conference registration through the National office on the website or by telephone (888-LPA-2001) and you will then be directed to the hotel website.

The LPA Mid-year board meeting was in California on Feb. 1 – 3, 2008. I will fill you in at our Spring Regional in April.

DISTRICT

Our Fall District 3 Regional was held Sept. 21-24, 2007 in Charlotte, NC. I would like to thank the Carolinian Chapter for the great job they did as Host for this Regional. I also

want to thank Beth Tatman for volunteering as Secretary to record the minutes of our business meeting.

Our 2007 District 3 membership is up 10% over 2006. I want to thank each chapter and their members for their help in turning our membership numbers around to the positive side.

The District 3 Spring Regional will be in Timonium, MD at the Crown Plaza Hotel (formerly Holiday Inn) on April 4-6, 2008. Registration information has been mailed. If you have any questions, or have not received your Registration packet, please contact the Delmarva Chapter website or the District website www.lpad3.org.

Since we now have 5 active chapters, the following rotation was set up at the Fall Regional for our upcoming Regional Schedule:

Spring 2008 – Delmarva Chapter
Fall 2008 - Colonial Chapter
Spring 2009 - Blue Ridge Chapter
Fall 2009 - Ches -Del Bays Chapter
Spring 2010 - Carolinian Chapter

With five chapters, at the last Regional I appointed Beth Tatman as Chairman of a Committee, with one member from each chapter, to review the boundaries of all of the chapters so that they are not overlapping one another. As District Director I cannot change any of the boundaries, only the chapters can, so we look forward to the results of this review. Of course any chapter boundary changes must be approved by the District and National office.

I noted in our last District newsletter that all chapters must have election of officers in 2008. Please let me know the results of your Chapter elections.

We will also be having election for District 3 officers this year. Anyone wanting to run for a District office should submit their qualifications to me by June 1. Elections will be held at the Fall Regional in Virginia Beach. I will be running for another term as District Director.

The District has had a problem with District Funds, a problem that I inherited when I stepped up from Assistant Director to Director. I have been working on this problem, trying to get it behind us and move forward. This problem was more complicated since my name was never put on the account. Our National President, Sr. Vice President and National Treasurer have helped verify that our accounts are now in order. I have opened a new account at Wachovia Bank, which has banks in all areas of our District. This will enable Chapters to deposit funds from a Regional directly into the District account. We have a regular checking account and a Savings account which represents the Samaritan Fund for our District. I will have more information about this fund at our Spring Regional. The Samaritan Fund recently had an addition of \$300.00 from Dylan Barber, a

member of the Delmarva Chapter who hosted a Lemonade Stand for LPA. Our thanks to Dylan for his contribution.

As I have previously noted to all Chapter Presidents, I have appointed Michael Patton, a member of the Ches-Del Bays Chapter, as District Treasurer. Michael joined LPA in the late 60's as a child. He is a past Assistant Director of District 3 and a Past President of the Delmarva Chapter. For the past four years he has been President of his neighborhood civic association. He has been employed by the Chase Bank as a business analyst for the past 24 years.

Hope to see you at the Regional in April.

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