

MIS AMIGOS
A CULTURE CAMP SPONSORED BY THE
LATIN AMERICA PARENTS ASSOCIATION – NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION

Through music, art, sports, games, Hispanic culture, and camaraderie, Mis Amigos campers will grow in understanding and pride of their Latino heritage and their adoptive families.



Where: Colesville Presbyterian Church 12800 New Hampshire Ave, Silver Spring, MD
When: Sunday, July 30 (afternoon) – Saturday, August 5, 2006

NOTE: High School campers begin camp Saturday, July 29 for a team-building event

9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. *extended care available:* 3:30 – 5:30 p.m. Monday - Friday

- Camp will begin late afternoon Sunday, July 30 with an opening ceremony and potluck dinner. Campers will also receive their camp t-shirts and meet their counselors and classmates.
- The camp will conclude on Saturday, August 5, with a Fiesta.
- **Who:** Children of current LAPA-NCR members
 (if currently non-member, must join LAPA to attend camp)

What: **1st through 8th grades:** Sessions offer music, art, sports, games, and Hispanic culture, language, and games. Program incorporates music and themes from Latin America.

9th – 12th grade: High school participants will help with the younger children, participate in a service project in the community, and take part in activities especially designed for this older group of campers.

- Teen volunteers are eligible to receive school credit for community service hours.

Fees:

LAPA members	1 st through 8 th	\$175/child
LAPA members	9 th grade and up	\$ 100/child

Mis Amigos is a volunteer run camp. Every family is expected to volunteer some time for its success

- **Discounts available for children of parents active on planning committee or those who volunteer at the camp 4-5 days. Free childcare available to volunteers with pre-schoolers. See details on the payment calculation form.**
- Refund Policy: \$25 processing fee, & LAPA membership if applicable, are **not refundable**. If notified by **June 1, 2006**, all remaining fees will be refunded.

Enrollment is on a first-come, first-served basis

To enroll in Mis Amigos, mail this form ***postmarked no later than April 15th, 2006***
with ***the full fee payable to LAPA-NCR*** to:

Fred Kopatich © 1615 Tilton Drive © Silver Spring, MD 20902

Emergency and medical forms will be sent in early June.

© NO REFUNDS AFTER JUNE 1 ©

For more information about Mis Amigos Culture Camp, including details about camp activities, you may contact:

Sydney Jacobs: 301-431-1838; sydney.jacobs@verizon.net
(general questions and adult volunteering)

Lynne Herman: 301-236-9634; bobhn@aol.com
(general questions)

Adrienne Seaton: 301-283-6242; AdrienGS@aol.com
(questions about registration)

REGISTRATION FORM

Name of parent(s) or guardian(s) _____

Home phone _____ Work phone _____ Email _____

Home address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Did you register last year? Yes _____ No _____ Did any contact information change? Yes _____ No _____

<u>Child's Name</u>	<u>Birth Date</u>	<u>Grade Fall '06</u>	<u>Adopted (y/n)</u>	<u>Birth Country</u>	<u>T-shirt size</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

☞ My child has special needs (site is wheelchair accessible). Describe:

PAYMENT CALCULATION FORM

(PLEASE RETURN WITH CHECK MADE OUT TO LAPA- NCR)

<u>Category</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u># Kids</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1st through 8th graders	\$175/child	_____	_____
High School	\$100/child	_____	_____
Extended care #days _____ times \$10/child/day		_____	_____

Our family is a current LAPA member: Yes _____ No _____

☞ **If not current member, add LAPA membership fee** \$25.00 _____
 (\$25/family if not current 2005 members)

SUBTOTAL _____

LESS Parent Volunteer discount* (1st – 8th grade) \$30/child _____

*Applicable for those who volunteer for at least 4 days at camp or serve on planning committee
 Note: Preschool children of fulltime adult volunteers will have free childcare during camp

TOTAL _____

Note: A limited number of scholarships for Mis Amigos will be available. Please contact Adrien Seaton 301-283-6242; AdrienGS@aol.com

PARENT VOLUNTEER FORM

Mis Amigos Culture Camp requires a substantial amount of volunteer help from parents. Every family is expected to contribute some time to assure the success of the camp, even if it is just an hour or two. Please indicate in the space below which days you are willing to help out, and check at least 2 tasks you are willing to do.

In the next couple of months, you will receive a call to discuss the details of your volunteer commitment. If you have any questions about any of the jobs below, please call or e-mail Sydney Jacobs at 301-431-1838 or sydney.jacobs@verizon.net

Volunteer job	Time commitment	Check here if interested and days available
<p>CLASSROOM COUNSELOR (Each class has 2) Description: Parent counselors are in charge of a group (12-15 kids) each day of camp. This responsibility includes making sure the group gets to classes and events on time, preparing age appropriate activities for times when the group is in homeroom or has short periods of downtime, handling minor discipline problems, and assuring the safety of each child.</p>	<p>Every day, all day, plus some preparation time before camp begins</p> <p>MUST MAKE COMMITMENT FOR FULL WEEK</p>	
<p>PRE-SCHOOL COUNSELOR (2 adults) Description: This counselor takes care of the younger children of full-time volunteers. Includes assuring the safety of each child, supervising free-play both inside and out, and planning age-appropriate daily activities.</p>	<p>Every day, all day plus some preparation time before camp begins</p> <p>MUST MAKE COMMITMENT FOR FULL WEEK</p>	
<p>ADULT VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR (1) Description: Assists the camp director with assigning camp jobs with volunteers each day. Requires considerable pre-camp commitment</p>	<p>Every day</p>	
<p>TEEN VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR (2) Description: Supervises the high school teens. Requires some pre-camp work that includes an 1-2 hour orientation before camp begins at the camp site.</p>	<p>Every day, all day plus some pre-camp planning</p> <p>MUST MAKE COMMITMENT FOR FULL WEEK</p>	
<p>FIESTA (several people plan and shop, and set-up for party) Description: Plan the food for the party, shop for menu items, prepare food and set-up at the Fiesta</p>	<p>Saturday afternoon/evening and/or some time during week to shop for food/supplies</p>	
<p>PUBLICITY AND CAMP REPORTER Description: write and produce a one-page summary of the day's activities. Requires a laptop and printer</p>	<p>1-5 days during camp, or at least 1 person each day. Times are flexible</p>	
<p>VIDEOGRAPHER Description: Shoot video for later production into a camp video</p>	<p>1-5 days during camp Times are flexible</p>	
<p>FIRST AID VOLUNTEER (1) Description: Responsible for administering first-aid if/when needed; makes sure first-aid supplies are on hand daily; keeps file of medical forms on all campers for the week.</p>	<p>MUST MAKE COMMITMENT FOR FULL WEEK</p>	
<p>GAMES/SPORTS COORDINATOR (1 lead; 3-5 assistants) Description: Supervises outdoor sports and games for all groups. Plan activities and round up needed equipment for the week.</p>	<p>Every day, all day OR split to give equal coverage for week</p> <p>MUST MAKE COMMITMENT FOR AT LEAST TWO DAYS</p>	

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<p>PHOTOGRAPHER Description: Take photos of camp activities for posting on website and for camper families</p>	<p>1-5 days during camp Times are flexible</p>	
<p>OPENING CEREMONIES DESCRIPTION:HELP PLAN AND ORGANIZE SUNDAY EVENING EVENT TO INCLUDE A PARADE OF FLAGS AND SOCIAL AFTERWARDS</p>	<p>Some pre-camp planning time necessary</p>	
<p>KITCHEN CZAR: Camp snacks and treats (1 lead; 2-3 assistants) Description: Organizes all camp snack food on first morning of camp. Plans which snacks will be used each day and supervises their distribution to campers.</p>	<p>Every day, afternoons</p>	
<p>CLEAN-UP: DAILY Description: Assures that church is cleaned up each day at the end of camp. Note extra help needed on Friday after camp</p>	<p>About 1/2 hour at the end of each camp day. 1 group for 2 hours at 3:30 on Friday/Saturday</p>	
<p>CLEAN-UP: FIESTA Description: post-Fiesta clean-up crew stays after the party to clean up kitchen, main hall and helps return supplies to storage space near Church.</p>	<p>1 group for 2 hours in p.m. on Saturday</p>	
<p>SWIM DAY CHAPERONES Description: Drive kids to pool on Thursday afternoon; help watch out for campers while at pool.</p>	<p>Thursday afternoon</p>	
<p>FIRST DAY OF CAMP SET-UP AND CHECK-IN Description: Be at opening ceremonies to help set up for week, check in campers and pass out t-shirts</p>	<p>Sunday evening/Monday morning</p>	
<p>COUNSELOR LUNCH RELIEF Description: Relieve parent counselors by taking charge of class at lunch time.</p>	<p>Every day at lunch time</p>	
<p>PLANNING COMMITTEE: (Please specify your particular interest. Attendance at organizing meetings strongly recommended.) Description: Advance work to make Mis Amigos actually happens. Find, interview and hire professional staff; plan field trips and other outings; find and hire entertainers; seek out potential funding sources and write grants; register participants and collect fees; call parents to set up their volunteer assignments; arrange for t-shirt order; purchase supplies; work on class rosters; work with professional staff to plan curricula; seek out and secure insurance coverage for camp; research and set-up post-camp family camping trip</p>	<p>All work done before camp begins. Meetings, e-mail and phone contacts</p>	