

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

2005

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code
(except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

Open to Public Inspection

The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements.

A For the 2005 calendar year, or tax year beginning , 2005, and ending

B Check if applicable

Address change
 Name change
 Initial return
 Final return
 Amended return
 Application pending

Please use IRS label or print or type. See specific instructions.

Lyme Disease Association, Inc.
P.O. Box 1438
Jackson, NJ 08527

D Employer Identification Number
22-3123551

E Telephone number
888-366-6611

F Accounting method: Cash Accrual
 Other (specify) _____

Section 501(c)(3) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must attach a completed Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ).

H and I are not applicable to section 527 organizations

H (a) Is this a group return for affiliates? Yes No

H (b) If 'Yes,' enter number of affiliates _____

H (c) Are all affiliates included? Yes No
(If 'No,' attach a list. See instructions.)

H (d) Is this a separate return filed by an organization covered by a group ruling? Yes No

I Group Exemption Number _____

M Check if the organization is not required to attach Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF)

G Web site: LymeDiseaseAssociation.org

J Organization type (check only one) 501(c) 3 (insert no) 4947(a)(1) or 527

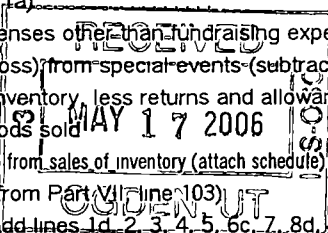
K Check here if the organization's gross receipts are normally not more than \$25,000. The organization need not file a return with the IRS; but if the organization chooses to file a return, be sure to file a complete return. **Some states require a complete return.**

L Gross receipts: Add lines 6b, 8b, 9b, and 10b to line 12 **550,212.**

Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances (See Instructions)

REVENUE	1 Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received:				
	a Direct public support	1a	446,417.		
	b Indirect public support	1b			
	c Government contributions (grants)	1c			
	d Total (add lines 1a through 1c) (cash \$ 446,417. noncash \$ _____)	1d	446,417.		
	2 Program service revenue including government fees and contracts (from Part VII, line 93)	2	51,853.		
	3 Membership dues and assessments	3			
	4 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments	4	10,792.		
	5 Dividends and interest from securities	5			
	6a Gross rents	6a			
	b Less: rental expenses	6b			
	c Net rental income or (loss) (subtract line 6b from line 6a)	6c			
7 Other investment income (describe _____)	7				
8a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(A) Securities	8a			
	(B) Other	8b			
		8c			
	d Net gain or (loss) (combine line 8c, columns (A) and (B))	8d			
9 Special events and activities (attach schedule). If any amount is from gaming, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	a Gross revenue (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1a)	9a	41,150.		
	b Less: direct expenses other than fundraising expenses	9b	12,192.		
	c Net income or (loss) from special events (subtract line 9b from line 9a)	9c	28,958.		
	10a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	10a			
b Less: cost of goods sold	10b				
c Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (attach schedule) (subtract line 10b from line 10a)	10c				
11 Other revenue (from Part VII, line 103)	11				
12 Total revenue (add lines 1d, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6c, 7, 8d, 9c, 10c, and 11)	12	538,020.			
EXPENSES	13 Program services (from line 44, column (B))	13	313,102.		
	14 Management and general (from line 44, column (C))	14	6,315.		
	15 Fundraising (from line 44, column (D))	15	1,603.		
	16 Payments to affiliates (attach schedule)	16			
	17 Total expenses (add lines 16 and 44, column (A))	17	321,020.		
18 Excess or (deficit) for the year (subtract line 17 from line 12)	18	217,000.			
19 Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 73, column (A))	19	203,821.			
20 Other changes in net assets or fund balances (attach explanation)	20				
21 Net assets or fund balances at end of year (combine lines 18, 19, and 20)	21	420,821.			

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Part II Statement of Functional Expenses All organizations must complete column (A) Columns (B), (C), and (D) are required for section 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts but optional for others.

Do not include amounts reported on line 6b, 8b, 9b, 10b, or 16 of Part I		(A) Total	(B) Program services	(C) Management and general	(D) Fundraising
22 Grants and allocations (att sch) (cash \$ <u>148,754.</u> non-cash \$ _____) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	22	148,754.	148,754.		
23 Specific assistance to individuals (att sch)	23				
24 Benefits paid to or for members (att sch)	24				
25 Compensation of officers, directors, etc	25	0.	0.	0.	0.
26 Other salaries and wages	26				
27 Pension plan contributions	27				
28 Other employee benefits	28				
29 Payroll taxes	29				
30 Professional fundraising fees	30				
31 Accounting fees	31				
32 Legal fees	32				
33 Supplies	33	37,091.	37,091.		
34 Telephone	34	8,055.	7,922.	133.	
35 Postage and shipping	35	5,777.	4,332.	335.	1,110.
36 Occupancy	36				
37 Equipment rental and maintenance	37				
38 Printing and publications	38	13,503.	13,102.		401.
39 Travel	39				
40 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	40				
41 Interest	41				
42 Depreciation, depletion, etc (attach schedule)	42	1,309.	1,179.	130.	
43 Other expenses not covered above (itemize)					
a See Statement 2	43a	106,531.	100,722.	5,717.	92.
b -----	43b				
c -----	43c				
d -----	43d				
e -----	43e				
f -----	43f				
g -----	43g				
44 Total functional expenses Add lines 22 through 43 (Organizations completing columns (B) - (D), carry these totals to lines 13 - 15)	44	321,020.	313,102.	6,315.	1,603.

Joint Costs. Check if you are following SOP 98-2.

Are any joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation reported in (B) Program services? Yes No
 If 'Yes,' enter (i) the aggregate amount of these joint costs \$ _____; (ii) the amount allocated to Program services \$ _____; (iii) the amount allocated to Management and general \$ _____; and (iv) the amount allocated to Fundraising \$ _____

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Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Form 990 is available for public inspection and, for some people, serves as the primary or sole source of information about a particular organization. How the public perceives an organization in such cases may be determined by the information presented on its return. Therefore, please make sure the return is complete and accurate and fully describes, in Part III, the organization's programs and accomplishments.

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? ▶ <u>See Statement 3</u> All organizations must describe their exempt purpose achievements in a clear and concise manner. State the number of clients served, publications issued, etc. Discuss achievements that are not measurable. (Section 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must also enter the amount of grants and allocations to others.)	Program Service Expenses (Required for 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations and 4947(a)(1) trusts, but optional for others)
a <u>See attached narrative.</u> ----- ----- ----- ----- ----- (Grants and allocations \$ <u>148,754.</u>) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	313,102.
b ----- ----- ----- ----- ----- (Grants and allocations \$ _____) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	
c ----- ----- ----- ----- ----- (Grants and allocations \$ _____) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	
d ----- ----- ----- ----- ----- (Grants and allocations \$ _____) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	
e Other program services (Grants and allocations \$ _____) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	
f Total of Program Service Expenses (should equal line 44, column (B), Program services) ▶	313,102.

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Part IV Balance Sheets (See Instructions)

Note: Where required, attached schedules and amounts within the description column should be for end-of-year amounts only

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year	
ASSETS	45 Cash – non-interest-bearing	52,796.	45	21,349.	
	46 Savings and temporary cash investments	352,927.	46	448,562.	
	47 a Accounts receivable	47 a 42,701.			
	b Less: allowance for doubtful accounts	47 b	9,950.	47 c 42,701.	
	48 a Pledges receivable	48 a		48 c	
	b Less: allowance for doubtful accounts	48 b			
	49 Grants receivable		49		
	50 Receivables from officers, directors, trustees, and key employees (attach schedule)		50		
	51 a Other notes & loans receivable (attach sch)	51 a			
	b Less: allowance for doubtful accounts	51 b		51 c	
	52 Inventories for sale or use		52		
	53 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges		53		
	54 Investments – securities (attach schedule)	<input type="checkbox"/> Cost <input type="checkbox"/> FMV		54	
	55 a Investments – land, buildings, & equipment: basis	55 a			
	b Less: accumulated depreciation (attach schedule)	55 b		55 c	
	56 Investments – other (attach schedule)		56		
57 a Land, buildings, and equipment: basis	57 a 25,952.				
b Less: accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) Statement 4	57 b 23,518.	3,743.	57 c 2,434.		
58 Other assets (describe ▶ _____)		58			
59 Total assets (must equal line 74). Add lines 45 through 58		419,416.	59	515,046.	
LIABILITIES	60 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	1,400.	60	1,650.	
	61 Grants payable	214,195.	61	92,575.	
	62 Deferred revenue		62		
	63 Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and key employees (attach schedule)		63		
	64 a Tax-exempt bond liabilities (attach schedule)		64 a		
	b Mortgages and other notes payable (attach schedule)		64 b		
	65 Other liabilities (describe ▶ _____)		65		
	66 Total liabilities. Add lines 60 through 65		215,595.	66	94,225.
NET ASSETS OR FUND BALANCES	Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 67 through 69 and lines 73 and 74.				
	67 Unrestricted	-53,379.	67	107,574.	
	68 Temporarily restricted	257,200.	68	313,247.	
	69 Permanently restricted		69		
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 70 through 74.				
	70 Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds		70		
	71 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, and equipment fund		71		
	72 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		72		
	73 Total net assets or fund balances (add lines 67 through 69 or lines 70 through 72; column (A) must equal line 19; column (B) must equal line 21)		203,821.	73	420,821.
	74 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances. Add lines 66 and 73		419,416.	74	515,046.

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Part IV-A Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements with Revenue per Return (See instructions.)

a	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements		a	550,212.
b	Amounts included on line a but not on Part I, line 12:			
	1 Net unrealized gains on investments	b1		
	2 Donated services and use of facilities	b2		
	3 Recoveries of prior year grants	b3		
	4 Other (specify): _____	b4	12,192.	
	See Stmt 5			
	Add lines b1 through b4		b	12,192.
c	Subtract line b from line a		c	538,020.
d	Amounts included on Part I, line 12, but not on line a :			
	1 Investment expenses not included on Part I, line 6b	d1		
	2 Other (specify): _____	d2		
	Add lines d1 and d2		d	
e	Total revenue (Part I, line 12). Add lines c and d		e	538,020.

Part IV-B Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements with Expenses per Return

a	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements		a	333,212.
b	Amounts included on line a but not on Part I, line 17:			
	1 Donated services and use of facilities	b1		
	2 Prior year adjustments reported on Part I, line 20	b2		
	3 Losses reported on Part I, line 20	b3		
	4 Other (specify): _____	b4	12,192.	
	See Stmt 6			
	Add lines b1 through b4		b	12,192.
c	Subtract line b from line a		c	321,020.
d	Amounts included on Part I, line 17, but not on line a :			
	1 Investment expenses not included on Part I, line 6b	d1		
	2 Other (specify): _____	d2		
	Add lines d1 and d2		d	
e	Total expenses (Part I, line 17). Add lines c and d		e	321,020.

Part V-A Current Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees (List each person who was an officer, director, trustee, or key employee at any time during the year even if they were not compensated.) (See the instructions.)

(A) Name and address	(B) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(C) Compensation (if not paid, enter -0-)	(D) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation plans	(E) Expense account and other allowances
See Statement 7		0.	0.	0.

Part V-A Current Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees (continued)

Yes	No
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75a Enter the total number of officers, directors, and trustees permitted to vote on organization business as board meetings ▶ 10

b Are any officers, directors, trustees, or key employees listed in Form 990, Part V-A, or highest compensated employees listed in Schedule A, Part I, or highest compensated professional and other independent contractors listed in Schedule A, Part II-A or II-B, related to each other through family or business relationships? If 'Yes,' attach a statement that identifies the individuals and explains the relationship(s)

75b Yes No

c Do any officers, directors, trustees, or key employees listed in form 990, Part V-A, or highest compensated employees listed in Schedule A, Part I, or highest compensated professional and other independent contractors listed in Schedule A, Part II-A or II-B, receive compensation from any other organizations, whether tax exempt or taxable, that are related to this organization through common supervision or common control?

75c Yes No

Note. Related organizations include section 509(a)(3) supporting organizations.

If 'Yes,' attach a statement that identifies the individuals, explains the relationship between this organization and the other organization(s), and describes the compensation arrangements, including amounts paid to each individual by each related organization

d Does the organization have a written conflict of interest policy?

75d Yes No

Part V-B Former Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees That Received Compensation or Other Benefits (If any former officer, director, trustee, or key employee received compensation or other benefits (described below) during the year, list that person below and enter the amount of compensation or other benefits in the appropriate column. See the instructions.)

(A) Name and address	(B) Loans and Advances	(C) Compensation	(D) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation plans	(E) Expense account and other allowances
none	0.	0.	0.	0.

Part VI Other Information (See the instructions)

Yes	No
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76 Did the organization engage in any activity not previously reported to the IRS? If 'Yes,' attach a detailed description of each activity

76 Yes No

77 Were any changes made in the organizing or governing documents but not reported to the IRS? If 'Yes,' attach a conformed copy of the changes.

77 Yes No

78a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year covered by this return?

78a Yes No

b If 'Yes,' has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?

78b N/A

79 Was there a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or substantial contraction during the year? If 'Yes,' attach a statement .

79 Yes No

80a Is the organization related (other than by association with a statewide or nationwide organization) through common membership, governing bodies, trustees, officers, etc., to any other exempt or nonexempt organization?

80a Yes No

b If 'Yes,' enter the name of the organization ▶ N/A and check whether it is exempt or nonexempt.

81a Enter direct and indirect political expenditures. (See line 81 instructions.)

81a 0.

b Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?

81b Yes No

Part VI Other Information (continued)		Yes	No
82 a Did the organization receive donated services or the use of materials, equipment, or facilities at no charge or at substantially less than fair rental value?	82 a		X
b If 'Yes,' you may indicate the value of these items here. Do not include this amount as revenue in Part I or as an expense in Part II. (See instructions in Part III.)	82 b	N/A	
83 a Did the organization comply with the public inspection requirements for returns and exemption applications?	83 a	X	
b Did the organization comply with the disclosure requirements relating to quid pro quo contributions?	83 b	X	
84 a Did the organization solicit any contributions or gifts that were not tax deductible?	84 a		X
b If 'Yes,' did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?	84 b	N/A	
85 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) organizations a Were substantially all dues nondeductible by members?	85 a	N/A	
b Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less?	85 b	N/A	
If 'Yes' was answered to either 85a or 85b, do not complete 85c through 85h below unless the organization received a waiver for proxy tax owed for the prior year.			
c Dues, assessments, and similar amounts from members	85 c	N/A	
d Section 162(e) lobbying and political expenditures	85 d	N/A	
e Aggregate nondeductible amount of section 6033(e)(1)(A) dues notices	85 e	N/A	
f Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (line 85d less 85e)	85 f	N/A	
g Does the organization elect to pay the section 6033(e) tax on the amount on line 85f?	85 g	N/A	
h If section 6033(e)(1)(A) dues notices were sent, does the organization agree to add the amount on line 85f to its reasonable estimate of dues allocable to nondeductible lobbying and political expenditures for the following tax year?	85 h	N/A	
86 501(c)(7) organizations Enter: a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 12	86 a	N/A	
b Gross receipts, included on line 12, for public use of club facilities	86 b	N/A	
87 501(c)(12) organizations Enter: a Gross income from members or shareholders	87 a	N/A	
b Gross income from other sources. (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.)	87 b	N/A	
88 At any time during the year, did the organization own a 50% or greater interest in a taxable corporation or partnership, or an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? If 'Yes,' complete Part IX	88		X
89 a 501(c)(3) organizations. Enter: Amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under: section 4911 ▶ 0. ; section 4912 ▶ 0. ; section 4955 ▶ 0.			
b 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year or did it become aware of an excess benefit transaction from a prior year? If 'Yes,' attach a statement explaining each transaction	89 b		X
c Enter: Amount of tax imposed on the organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958		▶	0.
d Enter: Amount of tax on line 89c, above, reimbursed by the organization		▶	0.
90 a List the states with which a copy of this return is filed ▶ <u>see attached list</u>			
b Number of employees employed in the pay period that includes March 12, 2005 (See instructions.)	90 b		0
91 a The books are in care of ▶ <u>Pam Lampe</u> Telephone number ▶ <u>732-701-0147</u> Located at ▶ <u>Pt. Pleasant, NJ,</u> ZIP + 4 ▶ <u>08742</u>			
b At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)? If 'Yes,' enter the name of the foreign country ▶ _____ See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Statements	91 b	Yes	No
c At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside of the United States? If 'Yes,' enter the name of the foreign country ▶ _____	91 c		X
92 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041 - Check here. N/A ▶ <input type="checkbox"/> and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year ▶ 92 N/A			N/A

Part VII Analysis of Income-Producing Activities (See the instructions)

Note: Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated

	Unrelated business income		Excluded by section 512, 513, or 514		(E) Related or exempt function income
	(A) Business code	(B) Amount	(C) Exclusion code	(D) Amount	
93 Program service revenue:					
a Educational conferen					51,853.
b _____					
c _____					
d _____					
e _____					
f Medicare/Medicaid payments					
g Fees & contracts from government agencies					
94 Membership dues and assessments					
95 Interest on savings & temporary cash invmnts			14	10,792.	
96 Dividends & interest from securities					
97 Net rental income or (loss) from real estate:					
a debt-financed property					
b not debt-financed property					
98 Net rental income or (loss) from pers prop					
99 Other investment income					
100 Gain or (loss) from sales of assets other than inventory					
101 Net income or (loss) from special events			1	28,958.	
102 Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory					
103 Other revenue: a _____					
b _____					
c _____					
d _____					
e _____					
104 Subtotal (add columns (B), (D), and (E))				39,750.	51,853.
105 Total (add line 104, columns (B), (D), and (E))					91,603.

Note: Line 105 plus line 1d, Part I, should equal the amount on line 12, Part I

Part VIII Relationship of Activities to the Accomplishment of Exempt Purposes (See the instructions)

Line No.	Explain how each activity for which income is reported in column (E) of Part VII contributed importantly to the accomplishment of the organization's exempt purposes (other than by providing funds for such purposes).
93	The medical conference provides an opportunity to share up to date information regarding current research and strategies for the treatment of Lyme Disease to health care providers.

Part IX Information Regarding Taxable Subsidiaries and Disregarded Entities (See the instructions)

(A) Name, address, and EIN of corporation, partnership, or disregarded entity	(B) Percentage of ownership interest	(C) Nature of activities	(D) Total income	(E) End-of-year assets
N/A	%			
	%			
	%			
	%			

Part X Information Regarding Transfers Associated with Personal Benefit Contracts (See the instructions)

- a Did the organization, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract? Yes No
 - b Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract? Yes No
- Note: If 'Yes' to (b), file Form 8870 and Form 4720 (see instructions)

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Please Sign Here:
 Signature of officer: Mary Ann Richmond Date: 5/12/06
 Type or print name and title: MARY ANN RICHMOND, TREASURER

Paid Preparer's Use Only:
 Preparer's signature: Donna Foxman Date: 5-8-06 Check if self-employed: Preparer's SSN or PTIN (See General Instruction W): N/A
 Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4: Donna Foxman, CPA
105 Foxwood Terrace
Toms River, NJ 08755 EIN: N/A Phone no: (732) 349-7638

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Organization Exempt Under
Section 501(c)(3)

(Except Private Foundation) and Section 501(e), 501(f), 501(k),
501(n), or 4947(a)(1) Nonexempt Charitable Trust

Supplementary Information — (See separate instructions.)

▶ **MUST be completed by the above organizations and attached to their Form 990 or 990-EZ.**

OMB No 1545-0047

2005

Name of the organization: **Lyme Disease Association, Inc.** Employer identification number: **22-3123551**

Part I Compensation of the Five Highest Paid Employees Other Than Officers, Directors, and Trustees
(See instructions. List each one. If there are none, enter 'None.')

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$50,000	(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account and other allowances
None		0.	0.	0.
Total number of other employees paid over \$50,000 ▶	0			

Part II -- A Compensation of the Five Highest Paid Independent Contractors for Professional Services
(See instructions. List each one (whether individuals or firms) If there are none, enter 'None.')

(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$50,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
None		0.
Total number of others receiving over \$50,000 for professional services ▶	0	

Part II -- B Compensation of the Five Highest Paid Independent Contractors for Other Services
(List each contractor who performed services other than professional services, whether individuals or firms. If there are none, enter 'None.' See instructions.)

(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$50,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
None		
Total number of other contractors receiving over \$50,000 for other services ▶	0	

Part III Statements About Activities (See instructions.)

	Yes	No
1 During the year, has the organization attempted to influence national, state, or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum? If 'Yes,' enter the total expenses paid or incurred in connection with the lobbying activities . . . ▶ \$ <u>4,625.</u> (Must equal amounts on line 38, Part VI-A, or line i of Part VI-B.) Organizations that made an election under section 501(h) by filing Form 5768 must complete Part VI-A. Other organizations checking 'Yes' must complete Part VI-B AND attach a statement giving a detailed description of the lobbying activities.	1	X
2 During the year, has the organization, either directly or indirectly, engaged in any of the following acts with any substantial contributors, trustees, directors, officers, creators, key employees, or members of their families, or with any taxable organization with which any such person is affiliated as an officer, director, trustee, majority owner, or principal beneficiary? (If the answer to any question is 'Yes,' attach a detailed statement explaining the transactions)		
See Statement 8		
a Sale, exchange, or leasing of property?	2a	X
b Lending of money or other extension of credit?	2b	X
c Furnishing of goods, services, or facilities?	2c	X
d Payment of compensation (or payment or reimbursement of expenses if more than \$1,000)?	2d	X
e Transfer of any part of its income or assets?	2e	X
3a Do you make grants for scholarships, fellowships, student loans, etc? (If 'Yes,' attach an explanation of how you determine that recipients qualify to receive payments.)	3a	X
b Do you have a section 403(b) annuity plan for your employees?	3b	X
c During the year, did the organization receive a contribution of qualified real property interest under section 170(h)?	3c	X
4a Did you maintain any separate account for participating donors where donors have the right to provide advice on the use or distribution of funds?	4a	X
b Do you provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services?	4b	X

Part IV Reason for Non-Private Foundation Status (See instructions.)

The organization is not a private foundation because it is. (Please check only **ONE** applicable box.)

- 5 A church, convention of churches, or association of churches. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(i).
- 6 A school. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii). (Also complete Part V.)
- 7 A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).
- 8 A Federal, state, or local government or governmental unit. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(v).
- 9 A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii). Enter the hospital's name, city, and state ▶ _____
- 10 An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv). (Also complete the **Support Schedule** in Part IV-A.)
- 11a An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public Section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi). (Also complete the **Support Schedule** in Part IV-A.)
- 11b A community trust. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi). (Also complete the **Support Schedule** in Part IV-A.)
- 12 An organization that normally receives (1) more than 33-1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its charitable, etc, functions - subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33-1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975 See section 509(a)(2). (Also complete the **Support Schedule** in Part IV-A.)
- 13 An organization that is not controlled by any disqualified persons (other than foundation managers) and supports organizations described in: (1) lines 5 through 12 above; or (2) section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6), if they meet the test of section 509(a)(2). Check the box that describes the type of supporting organization: Type 1 Type 2 Type 3

Provide the following information about the supported organizations. (See instructions.)

(a) Name(s) of supported organization(s)	(b) Line number from above

- 14 An organization organized and operated to test for public safety. Section 509(a)(4) (See instructions.)

Part IV-A Support Schedule (Complete only if you checked a box on line 10, 11, or 12.) *Use cash method of accounting.*

Note: You may use the worksheet in the instructions for converting from the accrual to the cash method of accounting

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2004	(b) 2003	(c) 2002	(d) 2001	(e) Total
15 Gifts, grants, and contributions received. (Do not include unusual grants. See line 28.)	345,597.	333,771.	226,044.	285,620.	1,191,032.
16 Membership fees received			943.	1,997.	2,940.
17 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or furnishing of facilities in any activity that is related to the organization's charitable, etc. purpose	96,116.	26,971.	59,677.	30,776.	213,540.
18 Gross income from interest, dividends, amounts received from payments on securities loans (section 512(a)(5)), rents, royalties, and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975	3,948.	2,253.	4,410.	13,238.	23,849.
19 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 18					0.
20 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to it or expended on its behalf					0.
21 The value of services or facilities furnished to the organization by a governmental unit without charge. Do not include the value of services or facilities generally furnished to the public without charge					0.
22 Other income. Attach a schedule. Do not include gain or (loss) from sale of capital assets					0.
23 Total of lines 15 through 22	445,661.	362,995.	291,074.	331,631.	1,431,361.
24 Line 23 minus line 17	349,545.	336,024.	231,397.	300,855.	1,217,821.
25 Enter 1% of line 23	4,457.	3,630.	2,911.	3,316.	
26 Organizations described on lines 10 or 11:	<p>a Enter 2% of amount in column (e), line 24</p> <p>b Prepare a list for your records to show the name of and amount contributed by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) whose total gifts for 2001 through 2004 exceeded the amount shown in line 26a. Do not file this list with your return. Enter the total of all these excess amounts</p> <p>c Total support for section 509(a)(1) test: Enter line 24, column (e)</p> <p>d Add: Amounts from column (e) for lines: 18 <u>23,849.</u> 19 <u> </u> 22 <u> </u> 26b <u>145,644.</u></p> <p>e Public support (line 26c minus line 26d total)</p> <p>f Public support percentage (line 26e (numerator) divided by line 26c (denominator))</p>				<p>26a 24,356.</p> <p>26b 145,644.</p> <p>26c 1,217,821.</p> <p>26d 169,493.</p> <p>26e 1,048,328.</p> <p>26f 86.08 %</p>
27 Organizations described on line 12: N/A	<p>a For amounts included in lines 15, 16, and 17 that were received from a 'disqualified person,' prepare a list for your records to show the name of, and total amounts received in each year from, each 'disqualified person.' Do not file this list with your return. Enter the sum of such amounts for each year: (2004) _____ (2003) _____ (2002) _____ (2001) _____</p> <p>b For any amount included in line 17 that was received from each person (other than 'disqualified persons'), prepare a list for your records to show the name of, and amount received for each year, that was more than the larger of (1) the amount on line 25 for the year or (2) \$5,000. (Include in the list organizations described in lines 5 through 11b, as well as individuals.) Do not file this list with your return. After computing the difference between the amount received and the larger amount described in (1) or (2), enter the sum of these differences (the excess amounts) for each year: (2004) _____ (2003) _____ (2002) _____ (2001) _____</p> <p>c Add: Amounts from column (e) for lines: 15 _____ 16 _____ 17 _____ 20 _____ 21 _____</p> <p>d Add: Line 27a total _____ and line 27b total _____</p> <p>e Public support (line 27c total minus line 27d total)</p> <p>f Total support for section 509(a)(2) test: Enter amount from line 23, column (e) 27f _____</p> <p>g Public support percentage (line 27e (numerator) divided by line 27f (denominator))</p> <p>h Investment income percentage (line 18, column (e) (numerator) divided by line 27f (denominator))</p>				<p>27c _____</p> <p>27d _____</p> <p>27e _____</p> <p>27g _____ %</p> <p>27h _____ %</p>
28 Unusual Grants: For an organization described in line 10, 11, or 12 that received any unusual grants during 2001 through 2004, prepare a list for your records to show, for each year, the name of the contributor, the date and amount of the grant, and a brief description of the nature of the grant. Do not file this list with your return. Do not include these grants in line 15.					

Part V Private School Questionnaire (See instructions.)
 (To be completed ONLY by schools that checked the box on line 6 in Part IV)

N/A

	Yes	No
29 Does the organization have a racially nondiscriminatory policy toward students by statement in its charter, bylaws, other governing instrument, or in a resolution of its governing body?		
30 Does the organization include a statement of its racially nondiscriminatory policy toward students in all its brochures, catalogues, and other written communications with the public dealing with student admissions, programs, and scholarships?		
31 Has the organization publicized its racially nondiscriminatory policy through newspaper or broadcast media during the period of solicitation for students, or during the registration period if it has no solicitation program, in a way that makes the policy known to all parts of the general community it serves? If 'Yes,' please describe; if 'No,' please explain. (If you need more space, attach a separate statement.) ----- ----- -----		
32 Does the organization maintain the following:		
a Records indicating the racial composition of the student body, faculty, and administrative staff?		
b Records documenting that scholarships and other financial assistance are awarded on a racially nondiscriminatory basis?		
c Copies of all catalogues, brochures, announcements, and other written communications to the public dealing with student admissions, programs, and scholarships?		
d Copies of all material used by the organization or on its behalf to solicit contributions? If you answered 'No' to any of the above, please explain. (If you need more space, attach a separate statement.) ----- -----		
33 Does the organization discriminate by race in any way with respect to:		
a Students' rights or privileges?		
b Admissions policies?		
c Employment of faculty or administrative staff?		
d Scholarships or other financial assistance?		
e Educational policies?		
f Use of facilities?		
g Athletic programs?		
h Other extracurricular activities? If you answered 'Yes' to any of the above, please explain. (If you need more space, attach a separate statement.) ----- -----		
34 a Does the organization receive any financial aid or assistance from a governmental agency?		
b Has the organization's right to such aid ever been revoked or suspended? If you answered 'Yes' to either 34a or b, please explain using an attached statement.		
35 Does the organization certify that it has complied with the applicable requirements of sections 4.01 through 4.05 of Rev Proc 75-50, 1975-2 C.B. 587, covering racial nondiscrimination? If 'No,' attach an explanation.		

Part VI-A Lobbying Expenditures by Electing Public Charities (See instructions.)
(To be completed **ONLY** by an eligible organization that filed Form 5768)

Check **a** if the organization belongs to an affiliated group. Check **b** if you checked 'a' and 'limited control' provisions apply

Limits on Lobbying Expenditures		(a) Affiliated group totals	(b) To be completed for ALL electing organizations
(The term 'expenditures' means amounts paid or incurred.)			
36	Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grassroots lobbying)		
37	Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)		
38	Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 36 and 37)	0.	0.
39	Other exempt purpose expenditures		
40	Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 38 and 39)	0.	0.
41	Lobbying nontaxable amount. Enter the amount from the following table –		
	If the amount on line 40 is –		
	Not over \$500,000		
	Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000		
	Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000		
	Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000		
	Over \$17,000,000		
	The lobbying nontaxable amount is –		
	20% of the amount on line 40		
	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000		
	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000		
	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000		
	\$1,000,000		
42	Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 41)	0.	0.
43	Subtract line 42 from line 36. Enter -0- if line 42 is more than line 36	0.	0.
44	Subtract line 41 from line 38. Enter -0- if line 41 is more than line 38	0.	0.

Caution: If there is an amount on either line 43 or line 44, you must file Form 4720

4 -Year Averaging Period Under Section 501(h)

(Some organizations that made a section 501(h) election do not have to complete all of the five columns below. See the instructions for lines 45 through 50)

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	Lobbying Expenditures During 4 -Year Averaging Period				
	(a) 2005	(b) 2004	(c) 2003	(d) 2002	(e) Total
45 Lobbying nontaxable amount			30,448.		30,448.
46 Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 45(e))					45,672.
47 Total lobbying expenditures			348.	28,228.	28,576.
48 Grassroots non-taxable amount			7,612.	22,634.	30,246.
49 Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 48(e))					45,369.
50 Grassroots lobbying expenditures					0.

Part VI-B Lobbying Activity by Nonelecting Public Charities (For reporting only by organizations that did not complete Part VI-A) (See instructions.)

During the year, did the organization attempt to influence national, state or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum, through the use of:

- a** Volunteers
- b** Paid staff or management (Include compensation in expenses reported on lines c through h.)
- c** Media advertisements
- d** Mailings to members, legislators, or the public
- e** Publications, or published or broadcast statements
- f** Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes
- g** Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body
- h** Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any other means
- i** Total lobbying expenditures (add lines c through h.)

Yes	No	Amount
X		
	X	
	X	
X		4,563.
	X	
	X	
X		62.
	X	
		4,625.

If 'Yes' to any of the above, also attach a statement giving a detailed description of the lobbying activities.

Part VII Information Regarding Transfers To and Transactions and Relationships With Noncharitable Exempt Organizations (See instructions)

51 Did the reporting organization directly or indirectly engage in any of the following with any other organization described in section 501(c) of the Code (other than section 501(c)(3) organizations) or in section 527, relating to political organizations?

a Transfers from the reporting organization to a noncharitable exempt organization of:

(i) Cash

(ii) Other assets

b Other transactions:

(i) Sales or exchanges of assets with a noncharitable exempt organization

(ii) Purchases of assets from a noncharitable exempt organization

(iii) Rental of facilities, equipment, or other assets

(iv) Reimbursement arrangements

(v) Loans or loan guarantees

(vi) Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations

c Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, other assets, or paid employees.

d If the answer to any of the above is 'Yes,' complete the following schedule. Column (b) should always show the fair market value of the goods, other assets, or services given by the reporting organization. If the organization received less than fair market value in any transaction or sharing arrangement, show in column (d) the value of the goods, other assets, or services received

	Yes	No
51 a (i)		X
a (ii)		X
b (i)		X
b (ii)		X
b (iii)		X
b (iv)		X
b (v)		X
b (vi)		X
c		X

(a) Line no.	(b) Amount involved	(c) Name of noncharitable exempt organization	(d) Description of transfers, transactions, and sharing arrangements
N/A			

52 a Is the organization directly or indirectly affiliated with, or related to, one or more tax-exempt organizations described in section 501(c) of the Code (other than section 501(c)(3)) or in section 527? ▶ Yes No

b If 'Yes,' complete the following schedule:

(a) Name of organization	(b) Type of organization	(c) Description of relationship
N/A		

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Statement 1
Form 990, Part I, Line 9
Net Income (Loss) from Special Events

Special Events	Gross Receipts	Less Contributions	Gross Revenue	Less Direct Expenses	Net Income (Loss)
various	41,150.	0.	41,150.	12,192.	28,958.
Total	<u>\$ 41,150.</u>	<u>\$ 0.</u>	<u>\$ 41,150.</u>	<u>\$ 12,192.</u>	<u>\$ 28,958.</u>

Statement 2
Form 990, Part II, Line 43
Other Expenses

	(A) Total	(B) Program Services	(C) Management & General	(D) Fundraising
Educational conferences	59,182.	59,182.		
Insurance	1,663.	1,164.	499.	
Licenses and fees	4,026.	1,501.	2,433.	92.
Meetings, seminars & travel	7,212.	7,159.	53.	
Office expenses	1,436.	1,292.	144.	
Outside services	29,262.	27,799.	1,463.	
Professional fees	3,750.	2,625.	1,125.	
Total	<u>\$ 106,531.</u>	<u>\$ 100,722.</u>	<u>\$ 5,717.</u>	<u>\$ 92.</u>

Statement 3
Form 990, Part III
Organization's Primary Exempt Purpose

The corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, educational and scientific purposes and is dedicated to promoting awareness of and control of the spread of Lyme disease and other tick-borne diseases (TBD) and their complications through education and other means and to raise and distribute funds for Lyme and TBD research, education, and other related Lyme and TBD issues, and to assist underprivileged patients in connection with Lyme and other tick-borne diseases.

Statement 4
Form 990, Part IV, Line 57
Land, Buildings, and Equipment

Category	Basis	Accum. Deprec.	Book Value
Machinery and Equipment	\$ 25,952.	\$ 23,518.	\$ 2,434.
Total	<u>\$ 25,952.</u>	<u>\$ 23,518.</u>	<u>\$ 2,434.</u>

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Statement 5
Form 990, Part IV-A, Line b(4)
Other Amounts

Fundraising events reported at gross Total \$ 12,192.
\$ 12,192.

Statement 6
Form 990, Part IV-B, Line b(4)
Other Amounts

Fundraising events reported at gross Total \$ 12,192.
\$ 12,192.

Statement 7
Form 990, Part V-A
List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees

Name and Address	Title and Average Hours Per Week Devoted	Compen- sation	Contri- bution to EBP & DC	Expense Account/ Other
Patricia Smith 5019 Megill Road Farmingdale, NJ 07727	President 40	\$ 0.	\$ 0.	\$ 0.
Corey Lakin 717 Union Lane Brielle, NJ 08730	VP Tech Support 6	0.	0.	0.
Pam Lampe 576 Smith Drive Pt. Pleasant, NJ 08742	Vice President 25	0.	0.	0.
Ruth Waddington 1841 Baltimore Avenue Whiting, NJ 08759	Corres. Sec. 3	0.	0.	0.
Mary Ann Richmond 33 North Pier Drive Brick, NJ 08723	Treasurer 10	0.	0.	0.
Kim Uffleman 806 Rivervale Road River Vale, NJ 07675	Director 16	0.	0.	0.
Barbara Muniz 19 Yorkshire Drive Toms River, NJ 08753	Grants admin. 2	0.	0.	0.
Emilia Eiras 4 Belaire Rd. Jackson, NJ 08527	Director 2	0.	0.	0.

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Statement 7 (continued)
Form 990, Part V-A
List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees

<u>Name and Address</u>	<u>Title and Average Hours Per Week Devoted</u>	<u>Compen- sation</u>	<u>Contri- bution to EBP & DC</u>	<u>Expense Account/ Other</u>
Amy Gerber 4 Windsor Court Jackson, NJ 08527	Director 2	\$ 0.	\$ 0.	\$ 0.
Inga Querfeldt 65 Williamson Avenue Bloomfield, NJ 07003	Director 4	0.	0.	0.
	Total	<u>\$ 0.</u>	<u>\$ 0.</u>	<u>\$ 0.</u>

Statement 8
Schedule A, Part III, Line 2
Transactions with Trustees, Directors, Etc.

At times, officers of the organization pay for supplies and materials personally, and are reimbursed for those expenses. All reimbursements are supported by paid receipts.

The Lyme Disease Association in 2005

For a preview of new technological advances in prevention, in 2005 LDA again visited US Army CHPPM (Centers for Health Promotion & Preventive Medicine) at Aberdeen Proving Grounds in Maryland for an update on CHPPM's tick testing program (from military bases) for Lyme and other tick-borne diseases such as RMSF, Ehrlichiosis, Anaplasmosis, Babesiosis, and STARI (Southern Tick-Associated Rash Illness, AKA Master's Disease). CHPPM has completed development of a laptop sized PCR testing device which can be used in the field for testing of ticks, so that soldiers bitten can immediately know if the ticks carry Lyme disease and can receive treatment if necessary. US Army CHPPM has patented the device and is in discussions with a private company to produce it. LDA shared the research on Lyme disease it is supporting and invited CHPPM to exhibit at its conference on tick-borne diseases, which they did.

LDA's 6th annual conference—*Lyme & Other Tick-Borne Diseases: Emerging Tick-borne Diseases* was held in Philadelphia. Jointly sponsored by LDA and Columbia University, with a target audience of physicians and health care providers, the conference provided 8.75 CME (Continuing Medical Education) credits for physician attendees. Almost 9 hours of material on Lyme and other tick-borne diseases was presented by physicians and researchers to an audience close to 300, more than half of whom were health care providers. One speaker gave the results of a long term treatment study funded through LDA and two of the speakers were international.

LDA and Time For Lyme, its Connecticut affiliate, continue to partner with Columbia University to open an endowed research center for the study of chronic Lyme disease. The Lyme Disease Research Center will use the vast resources of Columbia University in New York to address fundamental clinical and basic science questions that plague adults and children affected by LD. While much is known about early Lyme, very little is known about chronic Lyme disease, despite its rising prevalence and disabling effects. These effects may include arthritis, cognitive loss, peripheral neuropathies, and debilitating fatigue. LD may also cause strokes, blindness, severe psychiatric disorders, and multiple-sclerosis-like illnesses. Children may be home sick for months or years, missing the key academic and social influences so critical to healthy development. \$200,000 remains to be raised to open the center.

LDA has had a significant amount of its work published in peer review including in February 2005, *Journal of Clinical Microbiology*, Elizabeth S. Raveche: **Evidence of *Borrelia* Autoimmunity-Induced Component of Lyme Carditis and Arthritis**. LDA continues to work with researchers at UMDNJ—its latest project will have them looking for viruses in ticks which could be a compounding factor along with the *borrelia* and other co-infections in causing symptoms. LDA also has current studies funded in Pennsylvania on infection of small mammals.

The LDA awarded a grant to principal investigator, Joshua Zimmerberg, MD, National Institutes of Health (NIH) for a joint NIH/NASA (National Aeronautics & Space Administration) project. The project has been examining *Borrelia* bacteria cultured in a microgravity chamber simulating conditions in space (which are similar to the environment the bacteria has in the human body). This portion will be devoted to *Isolation of pathogens of a lone star tick borne Lyme-like illness by human tissue culture and study of the molecular mechanisms of these pathogens*. STARI (Southern Tick-Associated Rash Illness) is an illness like Lyme disease carried by a different tick and present primarily in the south, but now spreading as far north as Massachusetts.

LDA continues to work with its chapters, affiliates, and supporters around the country. Time for Lyme has worked cooperatively with the Red Cross and with LDA input to produce a national tick removal kit which is available at cost for sale by the Red Cross and the LDA.

In 2005, LDA awarded a grant to its affiliate, California Lyme Disease Association, Inc. (CALDA) for the revamping of the most widely distributed lay journal for Lyme disease, *Lyme Times*, and supported the publishing of the special issue, *Lyme Times: Children's Issue* (summer 2005) by CALDA. This issue contained material for parents and educators on problems of children with Lyme disease. 10,000 were printed and distributed. A volunteer staffed a table at the California Nurse Practitioner (CANP) Convention with LDA children's material and also material from its CA affiliate, CALDA. LDA awarded a grant to CALDA for 500 original reprints of a medical journal article *Treatment of Lyme Disease: a medicolegal assessment* so that CALDA and ILADS, the International Lyme & Associated Diseases Society, could distribute copies to patients (to help them receive diagnosis, treatment, and reimbursement), and to doctors, respectively. Additionally, LDA & CALDA collaborated on the development of Lyme disease Prevention posters **It's Lyme Time Be Tick Aware**: one contains a graphic of a person and a dog with information referring to the graphic on all the methods of avoiding getting bitten, e.g., tucking pants into socks and reminding people that pets have problems from tick-borne diseases too. Another poster was developed depicting a person and children Tick removal methods and website of LDA and CALDA are also included for further information—both available for downloading and printing off the LDA site.

At the Oregon *Children's Kick off for Lyme*, affiliate OLDN (Oregon Lyme Disease Network) & LDA announced a kick off to raise awareness concerning the incidence of children with Lyme disease in Oregon. LDA provided material. Discussed was how to include Lyme Disease Awareness curriculum in school districts where Lyme disease has been noted at higher rates, and where higher rates of neurological problems with cognition, disposition and depression in students has been noted. School districts were to review materials provided by LDA at the conference for use in the districts.

The LDA educated in Delaware at events sponsored by its Delaware Chapter, awarded a grant to its affiliate, the Lyme Association of Greater Kansas City Kansas (LAGKC), to continue to prepare educational packets, including **Handbook for Prevention of Lyme & Other Tick-Borne Diseases** which includes LDA materials, and tick removal kits, for school nurses in the Greater Kansas City area (Missouri and Kansas).

Through the LDA Rhode Island Chapter, on Prudence Island, an area heavy with Lyme and other vector-borne diseases, the Educational Coordinator for the Narragansett Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve (NBNERR) invited the LDA to present a talk to residents given as part of a Special Educational Presentation provided by NBNERR called *Ticks and Tick-Borne Diseases Presentations by Local Experts Part One: An Introduction to Lyme disease and its Management*.

LDA spent time in Maryland doing an interview on National Public Radio, on TV, and presenting at a public forum on the eastern shore and visiting with health officials.

In Massachusetts, an LDA volunteer RN presented Lyme and other tick-borne diseases (TBD) program to nurses from the northeast who staff medical facilities, homecare assignments and wellness clinics. LDA was invited by the Massachusetts Joint House-Senate Health Committee to be on a hearing panel in Ayer and later to present expert testimony at another hearing before the Massachusetts Joint Health Committee in the state capital, Boston.

The LDA president was invited to speak by the New Hampshire governor at a press

conference in Concord, the state capitol, announcing the first Lyme Disease Awareness Month in New Hampshire. After the talk, LDA met with patients to advise them on the preliminary steps in establishing a Lyme disease group, which they have since done.

In 2005, LDA President, a former board of education president, was interviewed by Federal News Services, Inc. who produces handbooks of health issues for schools. **Best Practices in School Health** covers health issues that are making headlines across the country and provide the latest innovations that help schools initiate effective programs. Her interview and the LDA's *ABC's of Lyme Disease* were used to produce the **Excerpts from Best Practices in School Health** manual, the section on Lyme disease, module 4. *Make Time to Look at Lyme* and *In-service Ideas for Lyme Disease* are two of the sections which have been reprinted with permission on the LDA's website.

The LDA arranged and presented an in-service for nurses from the New Jersey Division of Youth & Family Services (DYFS), discussing an overview of the disease and an in-depth presentation of how the disease affects children, especially neurologically. LDA president presented to Rutgers Cooperative Extension Administrators who are in charge of employees who perform outdoor activities and are considered very high risk for Lyme disease because of their close proximity to heavy tick populations. LDA also presented to nurses at the Middlesex Regional Educational Services Commission. Strategies for dealing with children with Lyme disease in the classroom were included as were diagnosing and treating difficulties, ticks that carry and transmit tick-borne diseases, and prevention.

In May, the LDA held a two day event in Manhattan. *Literati with Lyme* featured several prominent authors who discussed with the media and onstage at NYU their Lyme disease and how it affects their writing. LDA traveled to Corning, Inc. in Corning NY to present on Lyme disease as part of a wellness series. A Rockland County BOCES (Board of Cooperative Education Services) Special Education Division in-service, invited LDA to present *The ABCs of Lyme Disease: Its Impact on Children and Families*, a 3 hour in-service (in-house program for educators) to about 350 educators from a consortium of Rockland County School districts special education division. Teachers, administrators, nurses, psychologists, therapists, and teaching assistants were the target audience. LDA also took part in a Q&A at a seminar, *Conversations on Conservation White-tails in Westchester* at Pace University.

The LDA was invited to a Pennsylvania House Majority Policy Committee Lyme Disease Summit in York, to sit on a panel to address Lyme disease problems in Southeastern Pennsylvania and to hear from the public regarding Lyme disease, and to try to develop an action plan to deal with the rising numbers of cases. Issues discussed included misdiagnosis, differential diagnosis, lack of treating physicians, lack of insurance company reimbursements.

In Vermont, LDA spoke to 160 people about Lyme disease in Vermont, the symptoms, how it is acquired, and preventive practices. The Manchester VT Rotary held its second annual Bike Climb for Lyme fundraiser at Mt. Equinox where the LDA president also spoke.

The LDA president was invited to participate in a 3+ hour teleconference in Tallahassee Florida, which included the Florida Department of Health, House & Senate Health Committees, House Insurance Committees, an insurance consumer advocate, several physicians, and officials from other states.

The DEET (tick repellent) Education Program partnered with the LDA and included them in their annual video public service news story. The LDA discussed prevention issues including proper tick checks and removal and making informed choices about the possible use of repellents on skin or clothing or acaracides (sprays which kill ticks on clothing). LDA does not endorse products.

LDA Lobbying Expenses

Transportation expenses for an LDA rep attending a meeting in DC with several congressmen to talk about the problems associated with patients not being able to receive treatments and how that was related to government policies were included. LDA asked for a future meeting to be set up with Health & Human Services to discuss the issues. Also the LDA sent out letters to 15,000 people nationwide to ask them to support the companion Lyme bills for research, prevention, and education in the house and senate. In New York, LDA paid for a postcard mailing to physicians asking for support of legislation that would help in due process reform of the Office of Professional Medical Conduct. There have been Lyme disease issues surrounding that office.

Lyme Disease Association

During 2005 the Association awarded the following grants to be used for education and research for a cure for chronic Lyme Disease:

Foundation for Advanced Education in the Sciences	\$14,000
ILADS 2005 conference	1,000
Florida Lyme Advocacy	500
Lyme Disease Network	4,000
California Lyme Disease Association	2,810
Midshore Lyme Disease Association, Maryland	1,800
New York Lyme OPMC mailing	644
Lyme Association of Greater Kansas City	1,000
Columbia University Endowment	100,000
LymeAid 4 Kids	<u>29,000</u>
Total 2005 grants awarded	154,754
Less 2004 grant not used	<u>(6,000)</u>
Net 2005 grants awarded	<u><u>\$148,754</u></u>

Lyme Disease Association

The Lyme Disease Association is registered in the following states:

Alabama	New Jersey
Alaska	New York
Arizona	North Carolina
Arkansas	Ohio
California	Oklahoma
Colorado	Oregon
Connecticut	Pennsylvania
Florida	Rhode Island
Georgia	South Carolina
Kansas	Tennessee
Kentucky	Utah
Louisiana	Virginia
Maine	Washington
Massachusetts	West Virginia
Minnesota	Washington
Missouri	West Virginia
New Hampshire	Wisconsin