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Lion Sharyn Scheidt

2nd Vice-District Governor
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Lion Kathy Pusateri

Cabinet Treasurer
Lion Michelle Foster

District 26-M2 Governor Gina's Message

Fellow Lions:

Spring is here, flowers are in bloom and soon we will be out cutting our yards and working in the gardens. We had a wonderful convention; I would like to commend the convention committee for doing a fabulous job. I would like to congratulate the 16 clubs for receiving the Victory award and two individual Lions for receiving the Lion Victory Award.

Our year is not over yet, we have a few months to turn our membership around. By the end of June, let's make it a positive number. Currently our membership is a -52. As we start up our barbeques, bowling events, trivia nights, and golf tournaments. We need to ask our friends, family members, community individuals, and co-workers to become a member.

It's not too late to register for the State Convention this year in Kansas City, Missouri. It will be held on April 26-28 at the Holiday Inn (across from the stadiums). This is a wonderful opportunity to meet Lions across the State of Missouri. If you would like more information on the State Convention please visit their website at www.molionsm5.org/stconv.htm.

Update on our District Wide Service Project – Clipping Coupons for Our Troops. As of this newsletter we have mailed over 47,000 coupons for a grand total of over \$68,000.00 of potential savings for our troops and their families. WOW, doesn't that make your heart skip a beat. That's one way we're "Lighting the Heart of Lionism in You". Keep up the good work and bring those manufacturer's coupons to the cabinet meeting or give them to your zone chair.

Let's put our heart into growing our District and showing the world that District 26-M2 is doing its part to support International President Madden's theme "In a World of Service".

Yours In Lionism

Lion Gina Boettcher

District Governor 26-M2

Calendar of Events

April

- 12th-13th, Friday-Saturday: Webster Groves Lions BBQ @ Sappington Farmer's Market on Watson Road.
- 15th – 20th, Monday – Saturday: Lions Sight Week (LSW), a week-long observance celebrating the Missouri Lions' support of the Foundation's six programs that preserve and restore sight. For more, please visit www.mlerf.org/lionsightweek
- 19, Friday: Washington Lions Mouse Races @ Washington VFW Hall 813 Jefferson, Washington, MO. \$10 each, tables of eight \$80. Call 314-249-5138 for details. Food and beverages available.
- 19th-20th, Friday-Saturday: West St. Louis County Lions 61st Annual BBQ @ Eureka Hwy 109 at Central Ave (4 blocks south of I-44). 10:30 AM till Sundown. Ribs, Pork Steaks, Chicken, Bratwurst, Sandwiches and Dinners. On Fridays you can call us at 636-388-5775 to order a lunch delivery
- 26th – 28th, Friday – Sunday: 91st Annual Missouri Lions State Convention, Holiday Inn SE, Kansas City, Missouri 64133. On line registration and even credit card payments: <http://events.constantcontact.com/register/event?llr=7hube4fab&oeidk=a07e6bvwhzo4d71859f>
- 26th-27th, Friday-Saturday: West St. Louis County Lions 61st Annual BBQ @ Eureka Hwy 109 at Central Ave (4 blocks south of I-44). 10:30 AM till Sundown. Ribs, Pork Steaks, Chicken, Bratwurst, Sandwiches and Dinners. On Fridays you can call us at 636-388-5775 to order a lunch delivery.

May

- 1st, Wednesday: West St. Louis County Lions 22nd Annual Bowling Tournament at West County Lanes in Ellisville. Raffles, 50/50 drawings (1 each game) and attendance prizes. Signup sheets at West County Lanes or call Lion Steve Downs at 636-391-9111 for more information.
- 3rd, Friday: Fenton Lions selling BBQ @ Memories Car Cruise at Faith Church on Rahning Rd just off of Hwy 30 near I-270.
- 6th, Monday: District Cabinet Meeting @ Holiday Inn Viking, 10709 Watson Rd., St. Louis, MO 63127. Meeting begins at 7 pm.
- 10th-11th, Friday, Saturday: Washington Lions Lakeside Music Festival, Washington Fair Grounds. Friday 5pm Whiskey Dixon, Chase Yaklin, John Michael Montgomery. Saturday 5 pm Dick and Jane, April Wine, Foghat. Tickets \$20 per night, both nights \$30. 314-2495138 for details.
- 10th-11th, Friday-Saturday: Webster Groves Lions BBQ @ 8400 Watson Road.
- 16th-17th, Thursday – Friday: Chesterfield Lions BBQ.
- 19th, Sunday: District 26-M2 College of Knowledge. Location: House Springs Lions Hall, 6482 Hwy MM, House Springs. Time: 1:30 pm. There will be only one College of Knowledge. Whether or not you are a club officer, all Lions are encouraged to attend!

June

- 1st, Saturday: St Clair lions Golf Tournament 1:00 pm Tee Time \$60.00 per player, 2 person scramble (includes green fees, cart, catered dinner & refreshments).
- 2nd, Sunday: House Springs Lions Ride for Sight. Contact Lion Gary Bougeno @ 314-766-3975 for more information.
- 3rd, Monday: District Cabinet Meeting @ Holiday Inn Viking, 10709 Watson Rd., St. Louis, MO 63127. Meeting begins at 7 pm.
- 13th-14th, Thursday – Friday: Chesterfield Lions BBQ.
- 14th-15th, Friday-Saturday: Webster Groves Lions BBQ @ 8400 Watson Road.
- 21st – 23rd, Friday – Sunday: 2013 BVM (Blind Vendors of Missouri) Annual Meeting @ Inn at Grand Glaize, Osage Beach, MO (Lake of the Ozarks). For any Lion, Club or Officer it is the perfect time to understand what "LBOMB" does and how our funds and support are being used. Contact Lion George Winkeler for further information: 314-393-7733 or geo_winkeler@sbcglobal.net

July

- 3rd-6th, Sunday-Wednesday: Webster Groves Lions Community Days Carnival.
- 5th, Friday: Fenton Lions selling BBQ @ Memories Car Cruise at Faith Church on Rahning Rd just off of Hwy 30 near I-270.

OTHER GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Beaufort Lions Club has BINGO every Friday night. Beaufort Lions Hall, 2041 Lutheran Church Rd., Beaufort, MO 63013. Early bird starts @ 6:30, regular games start @ 7:00 pm

St. Louis Harmony will be having Popcorn Sales @ Schnucks, 5055 Arsenal on most Saturdays from 8 am to 5 pm.

Message From 1st Vice-Governor Sharyn

Greetings Fellow Lions,

Well, the district convention is now a thing in the past. PDG Lion Roger and I thought it was a really good convention despite the snow on Sunday. ID Sheehan was one of the best speakers we have had.

I want to take this time to thank the Lions of District 26-M2, the Maplewood Lions Club, my family and last but not least my husband for their support in my endeavor to be a District Governor for District 26-M2. I will fulfill the position of District Governor to the best of my ability.

PDG Lion Roger and I also would like to Thank the Lions of District 26-M2, the Maplewood Lions Club and the Lions across the State of Missouri for their thoughts and prayers on the loss of our oldest granddaughter Heather (18) who passed away suddenly on February 28, 2013.

Yours in Lionism,

1st V-DG Sharyn Scheidt

New Officers and Directors for 2013-2014

The ballots have been counted and the results are in. Lion Sharyn Scheidt is District 26-M2 Governor Elect. 1st Vice-Governor Elect is Lion Missy Carr and 2nd Vice-Governor Elect is Lion Joe Foster.

Lion PCC Al Blumenberg will continue as District 26-M2 representative to Missouri Lions Eye Research Foundation. Lion Roger Scheidt will become a Director of the District Eye Foundation, replacing lion Stan Rehn.

All changes in the Constitution and Bylaws were approved by those voting at the District Convention.

THE WEST ST. LOUIS COUNTY/EUREKA LIONS ANNUAL BARBECUE



**EUREKA HWY 109 AT
CENTRAL AVE.
(ON THE SPUR 4
BLOCKS SOUTH OF
HWY. 44)**

The West St. Louis County/
Eureka Lions will start the
BBQ season on the follow-
ings dates. This is always a
good time to enjoy the spring
weather with great barbecue.

Friday April 5 th and Saturday April 6 th	10:30 AM till Sundown
Friday April 12 th and Saturday April 13 th	10:30 AM till Sundown
Friday April 19 th and Saturday April 20 th	10:30 AM till Sundown
Friday April 26 th and Saturday April 27 th	10:30 AM till Sundown

As always we will be have Ribs, Pork Steaks, Chicken, Bratwurst, Sandwiches and Dinners. On Fridays you can call us at 636-388-5775 to order a lunch delivery.

Proceeds from this event go towards charitable needs in our area such as the Missouri School for the Blind, Lions Eye Research and Eye Clinic, JDRF, college scholarships to Eureka high school seniors, care packages to our troops overseas, and the Lions summer youth swimming program for children in our community.



22nd ANNUAL WEST ST. LOUIS COUNTY LIONS CLUB BENEFIT BOWLING TOURNAMENT

MAY 1, 2013
WEST COUNTY LANES

6:30 PM
ELLISVILLE, MO

TROPHIES & PRIZE MONEY FOR HIGH SCRATCH & HANDICAP SERIES

1ST-\$500 2ND-\$250 3RD-\$100 4TH-\$75 5TH-\$50 6TH-\$25
\$50 EACH GAME SCRATCH & HANDICAP

ENTRY FEE \$25.00

HANDICAP 100% FROM 230
USE 2010-2011 BOOK AVERAGE

AVERAGE MUST BE VERIFIED ALL OTHERS BOWL SCRATCH

YOU MAY LEAVE ENTRY AT THE DESK AT WEST COUNTY LANES
OR

MAIL ENTRY FORM TO

WEST COUNTY LIONS CLUB BENEFIT BOWLING TOURNAMENT
C/O SHELTER INSURANCE

142 ENCHANTED PKWY STE 101
MANCHESTER, MO 63021-5412

PLEASE MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO: *WEST ST LOUIS COUNTY LIONS CLUB*

MUST HAVE ENTRIES IN BY APRIL 26th, 2013

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE NUMBER: HOME: _____ WORK: _____

2010-2011 AVE: _____ CURRENT YEARS AVE: _____

PLEASE CHECK IN BY **5:30 PM** PRACTICE BEGINS AT 6:15 PM
BOWLING BEGINS PROMPTLY AT **6:30 PM**

PLEASE LIST ADDITIONAL BOWLERS YOU WISH TO BOWL WITH ON BACK

SPONSORED BY



DAN TWIST - OWNER

HANDICAP 100% FROM 230

USE 2011-2012 BOOK AVERAGE OF 21 GAMES OR MORE. MUST BE VERIFIED

District Convention in Pictures — A Great Time For All





District 26-M2 Lion of Year Is George Winkler, Jr



Three International President's Certificate of Appreciation



Kathy Pusateri Recognized With Melvin Jones Fellowship



New Members Inducted in St. Louis Downtown (Oldest Club in District)



All pictures are available by email from Lion Leon Hove. Email him with descriptive request at hove@yhti.net.

16 District Lions Clubs Receive Victory Award for + Members



Brentwood + 1



Chesterfield + 1



Fenton + 1



DeSoto + 1



Hillsboro + 6



Kirkwood + 1



Mineral Point +2



Overland + 8



Potosi + 2



Union + 1

There is still time for your club to achieve plus membership for the year and help Governor Gina reach her goal.

16 District Lions Clubs Receive Victory Award for + Members



Washington + 9



Wildwood Area + 3

Not Present
Were:

Creve Coeur
+ 2

St. Clair
+ 3

Valley
(Belgrade)
• 1



Webster Groves + 3

Individual Lions Victory Award



Linda East
Mineral Point + 5

Vernon Festch, Overland + 5



Lions Spread Word About Lionism to Student Leaders

Washington High School in Washington, Missouri was the host for the 65th annual Missouri Association of Student Councils State Convention March 14-16, 2013. Washington Lion and District 26-M2 Zone Chairman Dave Bossler saw the convention as an opportunity to reach out to the 1000 student leaders and adult advisors from 141 middle and senior high schools around the state of Missouri.

Lion Bossler arranged for a Lions booth in the MASC exhibit hall and developed an exhibit highlighting Lions activities around the state, country and world. His emphasis was on vision, Leos and Campus clubs, suggesting to student leaders that they could help others simply by holding



an used eye glasses collection project at their school and giving the glasses collected to the local Lions club.

Lion Bossler was aided at the booth during the three hour exhibit period by PDG Marvin McAdams, District 26-M2 zone chairman John Tumbleson and Washington lion Leon Hove. Together they talked to over 600 students over the three hours educating them about Lions and the projects lions do around the world.

Unfortunately many of the students only knew of Lions as those men who BBQ at our local fair, or "a friend of my grandpa is a Lion, I think". When told

of how Lions take used eye glasses to third world countries and give them to inhabitants enabling them to see, sometimes for the first time in their life, they immediately became converts.

How many will hold a used eye glass collection program at their school? We don't know now, but will follow up with state Lions clubs. How many will seek out their local Lions to ask about opportunities in a Leo Club? Again, no one knows at this point, but the seed has been planted. Lions Tumbleson and Bossler plan to follow up with Lions clubs in some of the communities where students showed a potential interest.

A side benefit to appearing at the exhibit portion of the MASC was access to several colleges and community schools in attendance for recruiting purposes. Yes, talking to high school seniors about Leos and Campus clubs was one of the primary reasons to attend. But, talking to representatives from the 11 higher education schools represented at the convention was an added benefit. One representative said " a large percentage of our students have received a Lions scholarship. A campus club should be a no brainer at our school". She promised to pursue the idea of a campus club and District 26-M2 campus club coordinator will contact her offering assistance.

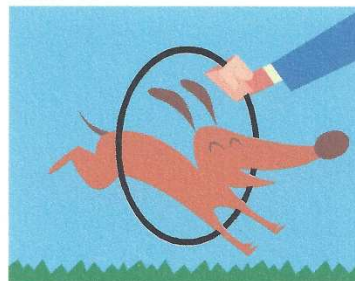


Many states hold Student Council conventions. This may be one way for Lions to "spread the word" about Lionism to our next leaders and get them interested in becoming a Lion when they enter the community as a worker and leader.

More Convention Pictures



SAVE THE DATE
DOGAPAWLUZA 2013!!!!
SATURDAY MAY 4TH
NEW AND EXCITING CATAGORIES!



Sponsored by Pacific Lions Club



Fenton Pub Crawl Great Success and Loads of Fun

On March 2nd, 2012 The Fenton's Lions Club hosted an inaugural Fenton Pub Crawl. We had fifty one Pub Crawlers along with six sponsoring bars; Joe Clark's, Poor Richard's, Fenton Bar & Grill, Trueman's Place That One Place and d.Dooley's 026 Grill.

We had a bus that brought us to each location and stayed for forty five minutes before traveling (crawling) to the next location.

It was a great success and a good time was had by all. We are planning on have a second annual pub crawl next year.

Final Governor's Visit of Year

Governor Gina will make her final governor's visit of her year at her home club Saturday, May 11.

Gerald Lions Hall with social hour at 6 pm and dinner at 7. \$15 per person, please RSVP lionbtkr@fidmail.com or kvfarm@fidnet.com.

Come out and applaud Governor Gina for a great year.



www.lakesidemusicfestival.com

Friday , May 10
 Whiskey Dixon
 Chase Yaklin
 John Michael Montgomery
 Saturday, May 11
 Dick & Jane
 April Wine
 Foghat
 \$20 each night
 \$30 both nights

TEXAS HOLD'EM' BOUNTY TOURNAMENT

EVERY FRIDAY

HOUSE SPRINGS LIONS CLUB

6482 STATE ROAD HWY MM

HOUSE SPRINGS, MO

DOORS OPEN 6PM

TOURNAMENT STARTS 7PM

BUY IN.....\$30.00

BOUNTY.....\$ 5.00

HIGH HAND (OPTIONAL).....\$ 5.00

ADD-ON(OPTIONAL ADDITIONAL \$2500.) \$10.00

(ADD-ONS WILL BE AT THE END OF THE FIRST HOUR)

LAST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH \$100. BUY IN

REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE



Lions Sight Week is April 15-20, 2013

Join clubs across the state in making Lions Sight Week 2013 a record-breaking success in community service. Last year's participating clubs helped screen over 2,000 children through the Children's Vision Screening program, and this year we plan to beat that but we need your help. You can participate by:

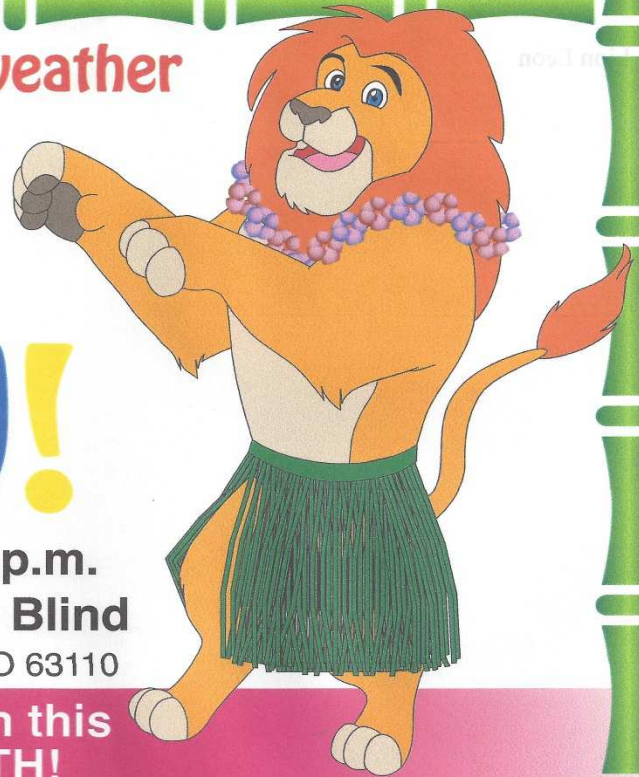
- 1) Organizing a Children's Vision Screening,
- 2) Hosting an eye, organ, and tissue donor registration drive, and/or
- 3) Making a financial contribution to support the Foundation's mission.

For more information, you can visit www.mlrf.org/lionsightweek, your club president received an informational packet in February, and you can call the Communications department at 800-283-1982.



Dream of warmer weather
and join us for a

LION LUAAU!



Sunday, April 14 • 4-8 p.m.
Missouri School for the Blind
3815 Magnolia Ave., St. Louis, MO 63110

**Don't miss the fun with this
year's PHOTO BOOTH!**

Please join us for our annual Lions Appreciation Night! The students and staff would like to thank you for all that you have done for the school with an evening of food, friends and fun! Students and teachers will be on hand for tours, demonstrations and a musical program planned especially for this event!

Tours will include the new, state-of-the-art science lab, as well as the newly renovated bowling lanes and much, much more! In addition, we will be raffling off many great items, including a Visa gift card as well as a lottery ticket tree! Spend a few dollars and have the chance to win thousands! Proceeds will directly benefit MSB students.*

Hawaiian Inspired Dinner* • Adults: \$8 • Children 10 & Under: \$4

Please spread the word and invite all the Lions you know!

We look forward to seeing you!

PLEASE RSVP by March 25. For more information or to RSVP, please e-mail Patti.Curran@msb.dese.mo.gov or call 314-776-4320, ext. 1135.

*We can only accept cash and checks at this event. Please, no credit cards.





All pictures are available by email from Lion Leon Hove. Email him with photo description/location at hove@yhti.net.

District Speakers Available

Lion Toni Mahoney is available to speak at your Lions Club on OPPORTUNITY FOR YOUTH call 314-805-7391 or tma-honey@dishmail.net. Call Lion Governor Gina or any cabinet member to arrange for a speaker on Leader Dog, Braille, Eye Care, Eye Foundation, Global Leadership, Hot Line, L.B.O.M. and more. Many topics on Lionism and our various committees are all available for a program at one of your meetings. Keep your members informed of our district and International activities. Call now to arrange a date for your club.

Deadline for the next issue of The Lions That Roar is May 11. Now is the time to for you to get an article in spotlighting your club or a special event. Pictures will be used whenever possible. Do you want to share why you became a Lion? Maybe you can inspire others.
Send to Lion Leon Hove, editor at hove@yhti.net.

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