

# The LI NS That **ROAR**

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**District Governor**

Lion Sharyn Scheidt



**1st Vice-District Governor**

Lion Missy Carr



**2nd Vice-District Governor**

Lion Joseph Foster



**Cabinet Secretary**

Lion Kathy Pusateri



**Cabinet Treasurer**

Lion Michelle Foster

## District 26-M2 Governor Sharyn's Message

Fellow Lions:

What an experience we had at the International Convention in Hamburg, Germany. At the airport we were met by local Lions from Hamburg. PDG Roger and I had our picture taken with the International President Barry Palmer and his wife. PDG Roger and Lion Bill (DG Ellie Upchurch's husband) were out and about scouring the area for restaurant's and (of course) Ice Cream while I was in the DGE class. There were Governor elect's from California, Canada/South Dakota, Michigan, Florida, Kentucky, Russian Federation, Republic of Croatia, Republic of India and Canada in my class at the Governor Elect schooling. International President Palmer spoke on his theme "Follow your Dream".

PDG Roger and I participated in the Parade of Nations. There were, of course, Lions from all over the world and many who were in their native dress. The last day of the convention International President Palmer was installed and then he had the honor of installing all the District Governor's. I was honored to be there with the Lions from Missouri, our own District and Lions from around the world.

We have had a Council of Governor's meeting, our first cabinet meeting and a few governors' visits. I am looking forward to this year and I know it will be a great year. We are a little behind in membership but I am sure with a little work from all the clubs we will close the 2013-2014 year with a plus in membership.

My theme this year is "It is the Soul that Sees". As International President Palmer stated in one of the District Governor elect session - it is your soul that helps you to "Follow your Dream".

I look forward to going to all the clubs this year and again meeting all the Lions that I have met over the past several years. Let's have a great year in serving your community, district, state, and country as Lions. It is what we do best.

Yours in Lionism,

*Lion Sharyn Scheidt*

District Governor 26-M2

## *Calendar of Events*

### **August**

- 17<sup>th</sup>, Saturday: Maplewood Lions will host a Casino Night with Texas Hold 'em, Hog Hollow Downs (mechanical pig races), 50/50, card wheel and more. Join us for a night of fun, drinks and snacks. @ American Legion Post 103, 3212 Sutton Ave., Maplewood, MO. Starts at 6pm.
- 21<sup>st</sup>, Wednesday: Region 1, Zone 1 Meeting hosted by Harmony Lions Club at Pietro's Restaurant, 3801 Watson Road. Social starts at 6:00 p.m., dinner to follow at 7:00 p.m. Each person will order and purchase a meal from the menu. RSVP to Lion Jack Lenk [junelenk@sbcglobal.net](mailto:junelenk@sbcglobal.net).
- 22<sup>nd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>, Thursday – Sunday: Overland Lions Club is hosting the 74<sup>th</sup> annual Community Fair @ Norman Myers Park, 8700 Midland Ave Overland MO 63114. There will be a variety of rides, lots of food vendors including Bar-B-Q. Musical entertainment planned for all four days. For more hours and information <http://overlandlions.com>
- 24<sup>th</sup>, Saturday: Meramec Heights Lions Breakfast @ Arnold Farmers' Market, 8:00 am - 12:00 noon, Arnold Park by Starling Airport Rd.
- 24<sup>th</sup>, Saturday: Webster Groves Lions are having a Wine Tasting @ Garland Wines in Old Orchard. Doors open at 6:30pm, starts at 7:00. \$20 before the day of event or \$25 at the door. There will be 20 wines to taste and take home that night.
- 25<sup>th</sup>, Sunday: Overland Lions 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Custom / Classic Car Show in conjunction with the Community Fair @ Norman Myers Park, 8700 Midland Ave Overland MO 63114.
- 27<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday: Region 3 Zone1 Meeting @ Richwoods Lions Hall, 10645 Hwy A, Richwoods MO, Social 6:30, Meeting 7:00. Contact Lion Toni Mahoney 314-805-7391 or [tkmahoney54@gmail.com](mailto:tkmahoney54@gmail.com)

### **September**

- 7<sup>th</sup>, Saturday: West St. Louis County Lions 9th Annual Run for Sight. Includes 5K Run, 3K Walk and 1/2 Mile Kids Race. Race starts and finishes near corners of Central & Dreyer in the Heart of Old Town Eureka. Starts at 8am. For more information, call Kristin 636-938-6775.
- 8<sup>th</sup>, Sunday: Meramec Heights Lions and High Ridge VFW Post #6516 are hosting Community Day for Arnold & High Ridge. Includes Amblyopia & Glaucoma Screenings by MLERF 12:00-3:00pm, 4:00 pm Flag Retirement Ceremony by VFW members. Snow cones, Hot dogs and fun games for Kids all day. Location: 2220B Old Gravois, High Ridge, MO 63049
- 9th, Monday: District GLT/GMT (G-Force) Meeting @ Crestwood Bowl, 9822 Watson Rd, Crestwood, MO 63126. Dinner: 6:00 p.m., Meeting: 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
- 12th, Thursday: Region 4, Zones 1 & 2 Combined Zone Meeting, hosted by Union Lions Club, Hagie's @ 19th Hole, 618 N. Washington Ave., Union, MO 63084. Social 6:30 p.m., Meal 7:00 p.m., Meeting 7:30 p.m., for more information call Lion Devin at (314) 277-8292.
- 13th & 14<sup>th</sup>, Friday & Saturday: Meramec Heights Lions BBQ @ Astra Way & Hwy 141
- 14th: Saturday: Richwoods Community Fall Festival @ Lions Club Grounds, 10645 Hwy A Richwoods MO 63071. Fun filled day for young and old alike. No Alcohol. Contact Lion John Yount 314-550-3799 for more details.
- 14<sup>th</sup>, Saturday: Beaufort Lions Club Car, Truck and Tractor Show @ Beaufort Lions Hall, 2041 Lutheran Church Road, Beaufort, MO. \$10.00 registration fee. Classes: 1930 and older, all cars 1931-present, all trucks 1931-present, all tractors and all motorcycles. 1st and 2nd place trophies awarded for each class, 1 best of show overall trophy. 50/50 Raffle-attendance prizes and food and refreshments. 9:00-11:00 /registration, 11:00 Judging begins, 1pm awards presentation. For more information contact Lion Roy Brunkhorst at 573-459-2029 or [beaufortmolions@gmail.com](mailto:beaufortmolions@gmail.com).
- 15<sup>th</sup>, Sunday: Beaufort Lions Club Annual Chicken Dinner @ Beaufort Lions Hall, 2041 Lutheran Church Rd, Beaufort, MO. Serving for 11am to 4pm. Adults \$8.00, Children 6-12 age \$5.50, 5 and under FREE. All you can eat fried chicken-real mashed potatoes & gravy, corn, green beans, slaw, biscuits, dessert, coffee, tea, lemonade and milk.
- 19th – 21st, Thursday – Saturday: 37th USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum @ Overland Park, Kansas. [www.usacanadalionsforum.org](http://www.usacanadalionsforum.org)
- 21st: Saturday: Richwoods Lions Antique Tractor Pull @ Richwoods Lions Club grounds 10645 Hwy A Richwoods MO 63071, 1:00pm. Rain Date is Oct.5th. Concessions available. Please leave coolers and attitudes at home. For more info Lion John 314-550-3799 or Lion Jim 573-678-2526.
- 21<sup>st</sup>, Saturday: Meramec Heights & Webster Groves Lions Clubs Lions Golf Tournament @ Deer Creek Golf

# Message From 1st Vice-Governor Missy

Greetings Fellow Lions,

As I reflect back on my first month as first vice district governor, one word comes to mind – BUSY. We started with a trip to Warrensburg for the Council of Governors meeting and the Lions All Star Football game. What a great game. It is always fun to see these young men from all over the state gel together so quickly. This year the game ended in 26 – 26 tie. I was selfishly hoping for overtime, but I guess four quarters in 90 degree weather is enough. Thank you to all of the clubs that help support this opportunity for our youth.

Next, I traveled to Maryville, MO for the Great Plains Lions Leadership Institute.



This is a great chance for anyone in our district to learn more about Lions. It doesn't matter if you want to be a governor someday or just want to help your own club continue to grow. Anyone can attend. It will be in Missouri again next year, so please think about taking advantage of this opportunity. Besides the lessons you learn while in the classroom, the things you can learn from the other Lions that you meet are just as important.

Today, Lion Kevin and myself returned home from Rochester Hills, Michigan, where we were visiting Leader Dog for the Blind. Even though we knew about Leader Dog before we went, we were amazed at how much we learned. We got to tour the kennels, watch the trainers work with dogs, tour the residence hall and Lion Kevin even got to walk blindfolded with the help of the dogs. We heard from several individuals who shared with us how Leader Dog has changed their lives. Next year, Leader Dog will be celebrating their 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary and they have some exciting changes in their future.

So – sprinkle in a cabinet meeting and our first few governor visits and you can see what I mean. It is busy, but that's Lions, and I wouldn't want it any other way.

See you all soon.

Yours in Lionism,

*1st V-DG Missy Carr*



## Lions International and GAVI Partner to Protect Children

The GAVI Alliance and Lions Clubs International announced a unique partnership designed to protect tens of millions of children in the world's poorest countries against measles, a highly infectious disease that kills an estimated 430 people every day, mostly in developing countries. Under the partnership, Lions Clubs – the world's largest service club organization – will deploy its network of 1.35 million volunteers to raise **US\$30 million** and to improve access to vaccines through the GAVI Alliance, a public-private partnership whose mission is to save children's lives and protect people's health by increasing access to immunization in the world's poorest countries. The funds raised by the Lions will be matched by the UK's Department for International Development (DFID) and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, bringing the **total to US\$60 million**. The announcement was made at the Lions Clubs' 96th annual convention in Hamburg, Germany.

### Please Remember These Lions

**Richwoods Lions Club**  
Bern S Rousan

**Washington Lions Club**  
Dutch Borcharding

**Please Continue to  
Keep These Lions and  
All Who Have Passed  
Before In Your Prayers**



## St. Louis Harmony installs 2013-14 Officers

The St. Louis Harmony Lions Club installed 2013-2014 officers Saturday evening, July 13. The installing officers, both members of St. Louis Harmony Lions Club, were District 26-M2 Region One Zone Chairman Lion Jack Lenk and District 26-M2 Representative to World Services for the Blind Lion June Lenk. Lion Michael Hamm was installed as the new President.

Lion John Maness, who was unable to attend, received a 40 year membership lapel pin and Lion Jack Lenk received a fifteen year membership lapel pin. Although St. Louis Harmony Lions Club only has 13 members, eleven of those members received perfect attendance lapel pins.

Honored guests who attended the installation were: Audrey and Julius Konapka and several members of the Maplewood Lions Club. These guests were Lion Barbara Kurkowski, Secretary for Maplewood Lions Club; Joe Kurkowski of the Maplewood Lions Club and member of the District Eye Care Committee; Sue Templeton, Zone Three Chairperson; PDG Lion Roger Scheidt and District 26-M2 Governor Lion Sharyn Scheidt.



The St. Louis Harmony Lions Club was chartered in 1951 and is celebrating 62 years of continuous service to the community, the district, the state and to Lions International.

The Club meets at 7:00 p.m. on the first and third Wednesday each month at the Missouri Council for the Blind Building, 5453 Chippewa, St. Louis, MO 63109.

Pictured from left to right are: PDG Lion Roger Scheidt of the Maplewood Lions Club and his spouse, 26-M2 District Governor Lion Sharyn Scheidt, St. Louis Harmony Lions Club President Lion Michael Hamm, Zone Three Chairperson Lion Sue Templeton, District 26-M2 Representative to World Service for the Blind Lion June Lenk and Region One Zone Chairman Lion Jack Lenk.

## Stan Rehn Retires From District Eye Foundation Board

Lion Stan Rehn retired from the District Eye Foundation Board and as treasurer July 1, 2013. Lion Stan has served on the board for many years and also has served on the MLERF Board.

Board President PCC Charlie Hartmann presented Lion Stan with the Haywood Snipes Award at the annual Eye Foundation meeting July 29.

Current board members and officers are: PCC Charlie Hartmann, President; Lion Joe Detter, Vic-President; Lion Leon Hove, Treasurer; Lion Philip Grindstaff, Secretary; PDG Roger Scheidt, Director.

The District Eye Foundation distributed \$33,007 to various charities in the Lionistic year 2012-2013. \$1,600 was given to area Clubs to help them meet their eye glass commitments. \$5,000 was given to the District Sight to help them meet their eye glass commitments. \$2,000 was given to Rodger Rojo's guardians to help purchase a handicapped van for transporting him. Other donations were to LCIF, District Eye Care, Mid-South, Leader Dog, Delta Gamma and World Services for the Blind. Approximately 1% of the total funds went for administration costs.



# Blind Sprinter Dreams Of Paralympic Gold

David Brown and his guide Rolland Slade competed in the Paralympic World Championships in France on July 18. He finished 4th out of 14 sprinters in the 100 meter dash at the World Championship in Lyon France.

David also earn a silver medal as a member of the 4x100 meter relay team.

The story starts many years ago.

Below 100,000 boisterous spectators, in the mouth of London's Olympic Stadium, Rolland Slade eases himself into a starting block, visualizing the future.

The future — a 200-meter dash — should last no more than 30 seconds, if done according to plan. Slade has reeled off these heats hundreds of times during practice at the Olympic Training Center in Chula Vista.

The slight variable, however, is Slade himself.

It's his debut as a Paralympic guide, at the 2012 London Paralympics, aiding his partner — David Brown — next to him.

Brown is blind. Yet he's able, having dusted dozens of challengers with Slade by his side to qualify for London.

His Paralympics performance — with a medal hanging in the balance — rests solely on Slade's ability to run and deliver commands, much like in the U.S. trials. It's assuredly overwhelming — frightening even.

Anxiety ambushing him, Slade exhales, attempting to numb his thoughts — and the immense pressure.

"Runners, on your marks," the announcer shouts.

Brown and Slade simultaneously dip their heads while elevating their hips and rear.

Bang! Smoke curls up from the pistol.

"Drive! Drive! Drive!" Slade yells, drowning out the crowd noise.

"Lift! Lift! Lift!"

Brown, nearly attached to Slade's hip, complies, executing each movement before contorting his body to accommodate the steep curve in the track, which Slade reveals.

On the straightway, the unimaginable happens.

"My voice just goes out," Slade recalled. "It was the loudest I had ever yelled because I was so nervous. And my voice begins crackling, sounding like I was back in the eighth grade going through puberty again."

Relying on muscle memory, Brown continues sprinting comfortably, waiting for his guide's voice to spike again.

It doesn't.

Brown is thus convinced the race is in the bag. But another duo zips past them, snapping the red-colored finish line to place first.

Their opportunity for Olympic gold slips from their grasp.

"We're one," Brown said of himself and Slade.

They're bound together by a shoestring laced around their middle and index fingers.

The string serves a purpose. Without it, and without Slade, Brown would not be able to navigate the track, which he did in Lyon, France, this July for the 2013 International Paralympic Committee Athletics World Championships.

"He doesn't have a visual reference, so I deliver verbal commands letting him know where he is," Slade said. "How to position his body, when to drive, when to lift his legs. I'm also telling him where the curve is so that he leans and transitions his body into a different type of running and doesn't wander."

Brown participates in the T11 classification. Jane Buckley of the Sporting Wheelies and Disabled Association — an organization for athletes with a physical disability — explains that an athlete in this class "will either have no light perception at all in either eye or may have some light perception but an inability to recognize the shape of a hand at any distance or in any direction."

Brown immersed himself in basketball as a kid growing up in Kansas City, participating in pickup and school games with friends.

His hoops career, however, was short-lived.

"The ball kept hitting me in the face," Brown said. "I couldn't see it really. That's when I knew something was wrong with my vision."

It began when he was only 15 months and developed Kawasaki disease. The autoimmune disorder — characterized by fever, rash, swelling of the hands and feet, irritation and redness of the eyes, swollen lymph nodes, and mouth inflammation — can result in long-term heart complications, according to heart.org.

The cause of Kawasaki disease remains unknown, but it occurs in 19 out of every 100,000 kids in the United States, almost exclusively to those under the age of 5, according to kidshealth.org.

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## RUN FOR SIGHT 2013

- Free Dry Fit Event T-Shirt (Limit 4 per Family)
- Check out pictures from last years event. (EurekaDays.com)
- Awards to top 3 in all divisions



Go to [www.active.com](http://www.active.com)  
enter Run For Sight  
in the search field to sign up online.

**Saturday,**  
**September 7, 2013**  
**8:00 a.m. Eureka, MO**

5K Run • 3K Walk  
1/2 Mile Kids Race  
**PROCEEDS HELP SUPPORT  
LIONS EYE CARE FUND!**

**Course Info:** Race starts and finishes near corners of Central & Dreyer in the Heart of Old Town Eureka. Loop course, accurately measured.

### Registration Fee:

	Before Aug. 31	After Aug. 31
Individual	\$25	\$30
Kids (10-under)	\$12	\$15
Family (4 or more)	\$60	\$65

**Race Day Registration**  
(7 am Parking Lot behind Shelter Insurance-12 Dreyer)

**Packet Pickup - Shelter Insurance**  
(207 South Central)

SEPT 5<sup>th</sup> 3 pm - 8 pm • SEPT 6<sup>th</sup> 9 am - 1 pm

## FREE Child Care at Registration Area Courtesy of Creative Expressions

### REGISTRATION FORM

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ AGE: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ GENDER: ☐ M ☐ F

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY/STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

**EVENT:** ☐ 5K RUN ☐ 3K WALK ☐ 1/2 MILE KIDS RACE **T-SHIRT:** ☐ CHILD ☐ AS ☐ AM ☐ AL ☐ XL ☐ XXL

TOTAL ENCLOSED = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ How did you hear about us? \_\_\_\_\_

In consideration of this entry, I assume all risk to me. My signature below indicates that I, my relatives and heirs hereby release and forever hold harmless, the sponsors and promoters of this event, including the City of Eureka, West St. Louis County Lions and all officers, employees, agents and volunteers of these organizations, as well as subcontractors associated with this event from any claims liability and causes of action resulting from any personal negligence or fault of any of the released parties. My signature on this form further gives permission to the Eureka Days event to take photographs/videos of me and my family, if applicable, at this event and to use these images for future promotions and/or in the organization's publications and web media. I understand that I will not be allowed to participate in this event unless a signed registration form is on file with the West St. Louis County Lions. Registration forms must be signed by a parent or guardian if participant is under age 18.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



**Checks payable to:**  
**West St Louis County Lions**

Questions? Call Kristin 636-938-6775

**Mail registration to:**  
**Lions Run**  
**PO Box 125**  
**Eureka, MO 63025**





# David Brown Wins Silver

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"It gave me glaucoma," Brown said.

As a result, the pressure in his eyes increased and his left eyeball slowly began to shrink into its socket. Three years and multiple procedures later, at age 6, his vision began deteriorating, stripping him of his sight.

It was a devastating blow to a boy who yearned to be as active as the next child and play the sport he loved. But Brown refused to be a permanently dormant victim.

"I had to find another way to blend in with my peers," he said.

He found salvation in running, a sport he could pour his boundless energy into without the slightest fear.

"I couldn't participate in anything else, so I started running against (my peers)," Brown said.

With his mother, Francine, and his sister, Breana, Brown relocated to St. Louis and enrolled in the Missouri School for the Blind in 2004.

There, Brown further developed his running ability upon being introduced to track and field. He set school records in the 60 meters and long jump while also wrestling and playing a sport called goalball.

Slade's interest led to an exhaustive interview with Joachim Cruz, the coach of the Paralympics track and field program at the Olympic Training Center.

"It's thorough," Slade said. "They have to ensure you're capable, willing and would be dedicated."

In Paralympics sprinting, guides must be much faster than their partners, as they're required to verbalize commands while racing. Not a problem, considering Slade's personal records are quite a bit better than Brown's.

"It was a no-brainer for me," Slade said. "I love track and I have dreams and goals for myself, but it's not every day that you get the chance to help someone, in this sport, realize and achieve their dream." "You're stuck with him. You have no other option," Brown recalled being told, laughing with Slade at the OTC.

"Luckily for me, he's great."

David Brown and his guide Rolland Slade competed

competed in the Paralympic World Championships in France on July 18. Initially, the partnership experienced some friction, like any new relationship involving two complete strangers.

"I've had a number of guides in the past that weren't successful partnerships," Brown said. "Sometimes they would forget to yell 'curve' or 'straight,'" so I may get on the curve and I'm still running straight or I'm still curving out of the break, and they would push me off of them. How am I supposed to know if you didn't say anything?"

Running next to someone while being attached by a string requires timing, cadence, comfort and trust. It presented numerous challenges that the duo sifted through and corrected over time, which allowed the partnership to eventually blossom.

Almost a year after he started training with Slade, Brown won the 100 and 200 meters at the 2012 U.S. Paralympic Track and Field Trials.

# Missouri State Band Returns

From the barracks of Fort Leonard Wood to Bourbon Street in new Orleans, Louisiana the members of the Missouri State Band had a great time and played for many veterans along the way.

Joplin, Little Rock, Memphis and Cape Girardeau were all on the itinerary as they traversed the Midwest and south over the Fourth of July weekend.



Students from District 26-M2 of the Missouri State Band.  
2014 Applications now available from PDG Ron Kopplemann, Jr.



Region 4,  
Zone 1 & 2  
Zone Meeting

Hosted by: Union Lions Club  
Thursday, September 12, 2013  
6:30 p.m. Social (Cash Bar)  
7:00 p.m. Dinner (\$10 per person)  
7:30 p.m. Meeting

Hagie's 19<sup>th</sup> Hole (back room)  
618 N. Washington Ave.  
Union, MO 63084

The evening will include Club Reports  
Presentation on Youth Opportunities  
Summary of future events (year-at-a-glance)

Please **RSVP** by Tuesday, September 10 to:

Lion Devin at 314-277-8292 (call, text)  
or email [devin@admr](mailto:devin@admr)  
Lion John at 573-484-4290 or email [jwt61@att.net](mailto:jwt61@att.net)



## 2013 Great Plains Graduates

PCC Lion Kimberly Taylor was an instructor again this year.

Graduates were Lion June Lenk (Harmony), Lion Sandee Marshall (Wildwood Area), 1VDG Lion Missy Carr (Washington), Lion Jack Lenk (Harmony).

The Lion attendees from District M2 appreciate their tour director, 2VDG Lion Joe Foster, for arranging transportation to and from the Institute.

### PLEASE

Check  
Web site  
and emails  
For  
Next

### CABINET MEETING

### LOCATION

October  
Cabinet Meeting  
Will **NOT**  
Be At

Holiday Inn  
Viking

Youth Exchange attended Cardinal game and were recognized on score board.





**Wildwood Area Lions Club  
RAFFLE \* RAFFLE \* RAFFLE**

**Take a Chance to WIN!**

**Donation: \$3 or 2 for \$5**

**Drawing at the  
St. Louis Home Fires/City of Wildwood  
BBQ Bash**

**September 29, 2013, 3 p.m.**

**Delivery Included**

**LARGE**

The large EGG is the most popular size and a favorite to handle the cooking needs of most families and gatherings of friends.

Accommodates all EGGcessories for baking, roasting or smoking — and it's versatile enough for weekend cookouts or pizza parties. Large enough for eight steaks at once and efficient enough for an impromptu meatloaf for two.

**SPECIFICATIONS:**

- Grid Diameter: 18.5 in / 46 cm
- Cooking Area: 262 sq. in / 1688 sq. cm
- Weight: 155 lbs. / 70 kgs

**The Large EGG Can Cook:**

- 20 pound turkey
- 12 burgers
- 6 chickens vertically
- 8 steaks
- 7 racks of ribs vertically



## Welcome These New Members

Have you done your part? Bring in a new member, help us grow!  
Thanks to all Lions who have brought in new members this past year.  
Continue to work towards increasing our membership.

### Beaufort Lions Club

Kathy M Noud  
Randy E Noud

### Overland Lions Club

Stacey L Meinen  
James Mark Nicholson

### St Clair Lions Club

Bruce A. Carver  
Richard B. Rubbright

### St Louis Southside Lions Club

Anthony J Bommarito

### Saint Louis University

Lauren Thiesfeld

### Union Lions Club

Sheila Aten

### Valley Lions Club

Curt Friese

### Washington Lions Club

Mark D. Hidritch

## Calendar of Events

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### September

21<sup>st</sup>, Saturday: Union Lions Club 3rd Annual 5K Run or Fun Walk, Union City Park main pavilion, 9:00 a.m. (registration starts at 7:30 a.m.), entry includes t-shirt, for more information contact Lion Christy at (636) 584-3602.

### October

6<sup>th</sup>, Sunday: Beaufort Lions Club Shooting Match @ Beaufort Lions Club, 2041 Lutheran Church Road, Beaufort, MO. Sign up and 11:45am, shooting begins at 12:00pm. If you need more information, contact Lion Kevin Boyer at 636-649-9081 or 573-484-3350.

7<sup>th</sup>, Monday: District Cabinet Meeting @ TBD. Meeting begins at 7 pm.

11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>, Friday & Saturday: Meramec Heights Lions BBQ @ Astra Way & Hwy 141

### November

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8<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup>, Friday – Saturday: Mid South Sight and Hearing Second Quarterly Meeting, Branson Grand Plaza, 245 Wildwood Drive, Branson, MO, 800-850-6646

27, Wednesday: Union Lions Club Thanksgiving Eve Poker Tournament @ Union American Legion Hall (downstairs), 205 N. Washington Ave., Union, MO 63084. Registration 6:00 p.m., Tournament 7:00 p.m., \$30 at door (one rebuy), for questions call Lion Joe at (314) 952-3905.

### December

2nd, Monday: District Cabinet Meeting @ TBD. Meeting begins at 7 pm.

### 2014

### January

6<sup>th</sup>, Monday: District GLT/GMT (G-Force) Meeting @ O'Leary's Grill, 3828 S. Lindbergh Blvd, Sappington, MO



# Twelve Visit William C. Chandler Youth Exchange Camp



Left to right front row: Fariz, Indonesia; Stephanie, Belgium; Tytti, Finland; Seza, Turkey; Judit, Hungary; Back row: Raymond, Netherlands/Belgium; Giullio, Italy; Jacob, Denmark; Giullia, Italy; Marjolein, Netherlands; Ida, Norway; Noora, Finland.

Fellow Lions of District 26-M2

I want to Thank each one of you that contributed to this great program. Every bit of help, from being a Lion, hosting a youth, providing a dinner, attending an event with them or contribution of funds, represents betterment to our fellow man around the world.

These 12 youngsters changed my life and you have changed theirs. I believe with all my heart for the Great Lions Organization to succeed we need to educate and believe in our youth, that starts with great programs like International Youth Exchange.

As Opportunity for Youth Chair I would love to share with you and hope you will share with me more great programs.

Lions come together for our betterment, Communication is the key and always portraying Positive vibes.

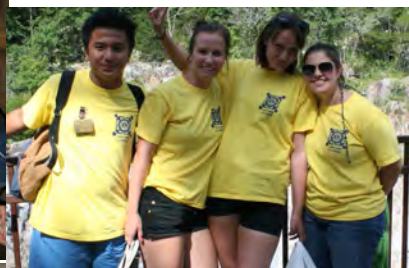
Lion Toni Mahoney

26-M2 Opportunity For Youth/YE Camp

House Springs provided dinner of hamburgers, hot dogs, corn on cob. St. James offered party with members of 80's

rock band at Camp Bim Shire.

Beaufort, Gerald and Maplewood provided a dinner. Met Erin, a member of Missouri All State Bands at Richwoods. Joined International soldiers at Ft. Leonard Wood.





# It's Carnival Time for Overland Lions

<sup>5</sup>  
This will be the 74<sup>th</sup> consecutive year the Overland Lions – A Fun Time Shows Event will be hosting The Community Fair at Norman Myers Park which is located at 8700 Midland Ave Overland MO 63114. August 22<sup>nd</sup> - August 25<sup>th</sup> 2013 will be a fun and exciting event for everyone.

One of the major improvements of this year's fair is our new carnival company, Fun Time Shows. They offer a variety of rides for all ages, better customer service, and most of all cheaper prices. Armbands will be available for purchase Thursday, Saturday, and Sunday this year. The 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Overland Lions Custom / Classic Car Show will be returning to the fair on Sunday August 25<sup>th</sup>. There will be a variety of food vendors including Bar-B-Q by Presentation Holy Name. This year our raffle prize will be a 49CC Scooter \$1.00 per ticket drawing will be August 25<sup>th</sup> at the fair. The musical entertainment planned for the fair will be Thursday and Sunday - A Touch of Class DJ, Friday – Hush, Saturday – Crossfire.

Thursday, August 22 5 pm-9 pm

Friday, August 23 5 pm—close

Saturday, August 24 1 pm — close

Sunday, August 25 1 pm — 9 pm

If there are any questions regarding the fair, vendors, or sponsorships, please call Andrew Julian 314-749-1885 or email [www.overlandlions.com](http://www.overlandlions.com) [overlandlions@outlook.com](mailto:overlandlions@outlook.com)

## Pacific Lions Begin New memorial Day Tradition

On memorial Day, May 27, 2013, the Pacific lions Club began the newest part of their decades-old Flag Project. In addition to flags in front of participating businesses, they hung 45 new flags along Osage Street from the high school to 7th Street. These flags were displayed on the new light standards the city had installed as part of the improvements on the south side of east-bound Osage Street. The Lions were assisted on this endeavor by members of the Pacific High School ROTC.

The flag project is the outgrowth of the patriotism and community spirit witnesses during the Homecoming of two returning servicemen in December, 2011 and April, 2012.

Participating with the Lions on Flag Day, June 14 were Ron Sullivan and Dave Holdinghausen of the Kiwanis Club and Tim Baker, President of the Tourism Board. The Lions consider their flag project a community effort and welcome the participation of other organizations in the community.



For more information contact any Pacific Lions Club member.

## Lions International Expands Partnership with Special Olympics

Lions Clubs International Foundation is pledging \$7.8 million to Special Olympics, expanding worldwide efforts to support the inclusion and well-being of people with intellectual disabilities. Building on the organizations' 14-year history of collaboration, this pledge is part of a new multi-year partnership plan that will strengthen ties between Special Olympics and Lions Clubs International at the country and the community level. The partnership is providing health services, engaging youth and encouraging family support to benefit the global population of individuals with intellectual disabilities.

## Hot Line / District Sight

We all joined this great organization for one reason and that is to help those who are less fortunate than we are.

District Sight is the committee that helps people with eye examinations and eye glasses. The requests for these services are getting greater all the time. If we are to continue to do what we do I am going to need your help. Any financial assistance would be greatly appreciated.

PDG Lion Roger Scheidt, District Sight/Hot Line Chairman

# Webster Groves Community Carnival Huge Success

The Webster Groves Lions Club had its annual community Days Carnival and BBQ as a rule it's from July 1-4. It is a time when the kid comes out of all of us. This year however the Carnival was held from July 3-6<sup>th</sup> because of the way the days fell.

We had great weather for our 4 day event with 17 rides for everyone to choose from. We had two wrist band nights this year and it seemed to work well. We moved the Mid-Way out to Amrose Way and added a Nachos, French Fries, and Corn Dog stand.

We had two nights of fireworks the first on the 4<sup>th</sup> which was about 17 minutes long and the second night of fireworks we also had a band (The Rhythm Rockers) playing on the Dr. Pepper Stage on the Hixson Field. It was really neat to see people dancing and having a good time listening to a wonderful band.

Of course there was Lions mouthwatering BBQ from Hotdogs to Sirloin Steaks, Cole Slaw to baked potatoes, even Corn on the Cob. The food Tent was very busy selling great food. The food line never seemed to slow down. In fact by the fourth day we were running out of food we were so busy. We set a record for the amount of food we sold.

Over 6,898 servings of sides were sold including potatoes, corn on the cob, pork and beans and cold slaw. 6,003 pounds of meat were sold including sirloin steaks, bratwurst, hot dogs, hamburgers, pork steaks, ribs, chicken and cheese slices.

Every area of the carnival worked well together and it went off without a hitch. Thank you to those who came out to support us.

Also would like to Thank those who worked so hard to make it a success.



## MAPLEWOOD Lion's BBQ

**September 28th**  
**2:00 pm—Sold out**

**\$ 9<sup>00</sup>**

**Pork Steak Dinner**

*Includes 2 Sides & Garlic Bread*

\*DESSERT AVAILABLE FOR \$1.00 (Corn Cob, Pork & Beans, Slaw, Potato Salad)

**Bratwurst Dinner**

**\$ 5<sup>00</sup>**

*Includes 2 Sides*

(Corn Cob, Pork & Beans, Slaw, Potato Salad) \*DESSERT AVAILABLE FOR \$1.00

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## Update on Little Rodger Rojo

As you may remember from the last issue of the Lions that Roar, the picture of Little Rodger and the information about his grandparents having full custody of him and trading in their vehicle to purchase a van that is modified with ramps and space for his larger wheelchair.

Rodger is now 5 years old with cerebral palsy and a brain condition that left him blind. He requires constant care, such as diaper change and pureed food.

We asked for clubs or individuals if possible To donate \$50, \$100.00, \$200.00 or more to bring down the loan at 18% mandated by government requirements because of their credit score due to large medical bills.

We want to thank the clubs that have contributed thus far. Chesterfield, Bonhomme, LeMay, Wildwood, Maplewood, Mehlville, Southside and District 36-M2.

If you can help, please send checks made to Lions Eye Foundation District 26 M2 and add on the memo line "Little Rodger" or Rodger's Van.



**The Gray Summit Lions Club**  
**Picnic & Auction**  
**Saturday**  
**August 24th, 2013**  
**at**  
**Miles Park in Gray Summit**  
**Fun for the Whole Family!!**

Safe Kids  
Car Seat Safety Checks

Jump Into Health

Head Safe  
Mercy Trauma Services  
Free Bicycle Helmet  
with Fitting

Rides  
Games  
Bake Sale  
Food  
Auction

Sponsoring multiple  
community  
organizations



BBQ Dinners  
starting at  
noon.

Auction starts  
at  
6:00 p.m.  
Come see Roy  
and make a free kite

**We Serve**



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**Boles Fire  
District**

**MISSOURI LIONS**  
Eye Research Foundation

**NCADA**  
the place to turn  
National Council on Alcoholism & Drug Abuse - St. Louis Area



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**The Action  
Riders**

Send checks to:  
LION  
CHARLIE HARTMANN,  
317 WALWORTH DRIVE  
ST. LOUIS,  
MISSOURI 63125.  
More updates later.

*Miles Park is located off old Hwy 100 in Gray Summit. Right next to the old Boles Firehouse and across the street from the Baptist Church.*



# MLERF Fiscal Year Wrap-Up

The staff of the Missouri Lions Eye Research Foundation thanks the Missouri Lions for their support in the 2012/2013 fiscal year. Lions clubs raised \$188,483.01 in support of the Foundation's programs. To give you an idea of the impact of these donations, those funds translate into the equivalent of 20,943 children being screened for amblyopia and other causes of childhood vision loss. Thank you for helping to save sight in Missouri!

Speaking of saving sight, these are our program results in FY12/13:

We screened 42,329 children in Missouri for vision problems and referred 3,806 of them for follow-up examination and treatment to prevent vision loss. Some of the success stories of this program are captured on [www.mlerf.org](http://www.mlerf.org). We are also happy to report that our CVS staff achieved their goal of screening children in every community where there's a Missouri Lions club.

649 Missourians received sight-saving cornea transplants via Heartland Lions Eye Banks, as of May 31<sup>st</sup>. To read about recent corneal transplant recipients, you can visit [www.hleb.org](http://www.hleb.org).

Our Healthy Vision Screening program screened 3,419 Missouri adults for glaucoma and age-related macular degeneration, the leading causes of blindness in the U.S. 15 people in Missouri received financial assistance from our Eye Care Assistance program.

The Lions Giving goal for FY13/14 is \$210,000. Please speak with your club about budgeting your financial contribution to the foundation this year so we can meet the ever-growing need for our programs. Last year we served every Lions community in Missouri, and with your support, we can continue to save sight throughout the state this year.

It's back-to-school time again, which means preschools, daycares, Head Starts, and Parents as Teachers organizations throughout the state are scheduling Children's Vision Screenings. By identifying children with vision problems early in the school year, we can help them get the eye care they need to learn and succeed in the classroom all year long. We need Lions volunteers to help make these screenings a success. If you're interested, there are a few ways you can get involved:



Racers line up for 2012 West St. Louis County Lions Run for Sight. Proceeds were used to help support Lions Eye Care Fund. The 2013 Run for Sight is Saturday, September 7.

## 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](mailto: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 October 12. 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](mailto:hove@yhti.net).**

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**7 PM**  
**To Be Determined**