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# District 26-M2 Governor Missy's Message

**Greetings Lions:** 

It's the most wonderful time of the year. That is what the famous Andy Williams Christmas song tells us. For many people however, the holiday season is not so wonderful. Maybe it is because they can't afford to give their children the presents that they hope for, or perhaps they find themselves spending the holiday season all alone. Whatever the reason, we as Lions have an opportunity to make it better. As I travel around the district, it makes me proud to hear all the different ways we are doing just that. We have clubs that buy and deliver presents to people's houses, clubs that provide food baskets, gift cards, and visits with Santa. Thank you – you are bringing smiles to many people this Christmas.

January 10-16 is Lions Worldwide Week of Service. I thought maybe this was in honor of my birthday, but it is actually in honor of our founder, Melvin Jones, whose birthday is January 13<sup>th</sup>. Lions International is asking Lions clubs to plan a special project during that week that benefits youth, vision, feeding the hungry or helping the environment. Make sure you remember to report your service activities online to earn a special Centennial Banner Patch for your club.

Some of my favorite Lions events are just around the corner. The Missouri Lions Mid-Winter Forum is February 6-7 in Branson, MO. This year the forum will be held at the beautiful Chateau on the Lake. The rooms are \$79 a night and need to be booked by January 15<sup>th</sup>, so don't wait too long to get signed up. The following month is our district convention, March 27-29. We are already getting some clubs registrations for hospitality on Friday night but we need many more. We have a live band lined up and when the evening is over you can take our shuttle to the Double Tree Hotel. I hope many of you make it a weekend of Lions and stay for our Saturday evening banquet and Sunday morning breakfast. Both of these events are great ways to meet and spend time with other Lions – and did I mention they are FUN!!

Thank you again for all the good that you and your clubs are doing. I would like to wish you and your families a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Hope to see you soon.

Yours in Lionism.

**D** G Lion Missy Carr District Governor 26-M2

> Not Too Early — Sign Up TODAY! See Convention Information Page 6

#### Calendar of Events

#### **December**

- 9th, Tuesday: Richwoods Lions will host the Christmas Zone meeting @ 10645 Hwy. A, Richwoods, MO 63071. Starts at 6:00 pm, Pot Luck, BYOB soda & ice provided, White Elephant gift Exchange (\$10 value), collection of children toys unwrapped & nonperishable food item.
- 11th, Thursday: Governor Visit with the Wildwood Area Lions Club @ 111 Meadows of Wildwood Blvd (Club House) 63040, Social: 6:30pm, Dinner 7:30pm.
- 13th, Saturday: Valley Lions Club Music Jamboree @ Valley Lions Club, 14831 Highway C, Belgrade, MO. Starts at 7 PM, bring your instruments and join the fun. Food available. For more information, call Lion Alice 573-766-5647.

#### <u>2015</u> January

- 5<sup>th</sup>, Monday: GLT/GMT G-Force Meeting @ Mike Duffy's, 124 West Jefferson Avenue, Kirkwood, MO 63122. Dinner at 6:00 pm, meeting at 7:00 p.m.
- 8th, Thursday: Governor Visit with the Pevely Lions Club @ Town & Country Bank, 1645 Hwy Z, 63070, Dinner 6:00pm.
- 10<sup>th</sup>, Saturday: Wildwood Area Lions Club Mouse Races @ St. John Lutheran Church, 15800 Manchester Road, Ellisville, MO. Starts at p.m.
- 17<sup>th</sup>, Saturday: Kirkwood Lions 23rd Annual Trivia night @ Kirkwood Community Center, 111 South Geyer Road, Kirkwood MO. Doors open at 6:15, Trivia start at 7:00 p.m. Hosted by KTRS Radio personality Bill Clevlen. See <a href="https://www.kirkwoodlions.org">www.kirkwoodlions.org</a> for forms and more info.
- 24<sup>th</sup> 25<sup>th</sup>, Friday Saturday: MD26 State Council Meeting @ Cape Girardeau, MO

#### **February**

2<sup>nd</sup>, Monday: District Cabinet Meeting @ TBD.

7<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup>, Friday – Saturday: MD26 Mid-Winter Forum @ Branson, MO.

#### March

- 2<sup>nd</sup>, Monday: GLT/GMT G-Force Meeting @ Mike Duffy's, 124 West Jefferson Avenue, Kirkwood, MO 63122. Dinner at 6:00 pm, meeting at 7:00 p.m.
- 7<sup>th</sup>, Saturday: Maplewood Lions Club Presents the First Annual V I P Got Talent (a talent contest for visually impaired & legally blind persons only) from 2:00 until 5:00 with short intermission @ Missouri School for the Blind Multi Purpose (annex) Building, 3867 Magnolia Avenue, St. Louis, MO 6310. All talent welcomed individuals, teams, groups, singers, musicians, dancers, comedians, jugglers (no chain saws please). Applications are available by contacting Lion Verneal Barlow, <u>vernealbarlow@sbcglobal.net</u> or 647-0347 before February 10, 2015. Applications must be returned before February 18, 2015.
- 27<sup>th</sup> 29<sup>th</sup>, Friday Sunday: District 26-M2 Annual Convention @ Doubletree Hotel St. Louis at Westport, 1973 Craigshire, St. Louis, MO 63146. For more information check out the website <a href="http://www.lions26m2.org/convention.html">http://www.lions26m2.org/convention.html</a>

#### April

- 6<sup>th</sup>, Monday: GLT/GMT G-Force Meeting @ Mike Duffy's, 124 West Jefferson Avenue, Kirkwood, MO 63122. Dinner at 6:00 pm, meeting at.7:00 pm.
- 12<sup>th</sup>, Sunday: Missouri School for the Blind Lions Appreciation Night. More information will follow so watch for it. 30<sup>th</sup>, Thursday Saturday: MD26 State Council Meeting @ Cape Girardeau, MO

#### May

- 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup>, Friday Saturday: MD26 State Convention, Cape Girardeau, MO. <a href="http://www.molionsconvention2015.com/">http://www.molionsconvention2015.com/</a> Home/
- 4th, Monday: District Cabinet Meeting @ TBD.

#### June

1<sup>st</sup>, Monday: District Cabinet Meeting @ TBD.

26th – 30<sup>th</sup>, Friday – Tuesday: Lions International Convention @ Honolulu, Hawaii. <a href="http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/news">http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/news</a> -and-events/international-convention/index.php

# **Message From 1st Vice Governor Joe**

Lions of District 26M2 Greetings from 1<sup>st</sup> Vice District Governor Joe.

Hope Everyone had a Happy Thanksgiving and is enjoying getting ready for the Christmas season. Christmas is a very important time of the year for Lions as this is a time that we are needed to serve our communities, and this is what Lions is all about!

As we move into the 2015 Lionism Year I am excited about the upcoming events, before we know it Mid-Winter Forum will be here, so we better take advantage of it now and register so we can all meet in February in Branson for a good time. All information is on the Website, if any further information is needed please contact me Lion Joe, District Governor Missy, or GLT Lion Kimberly Taylor. There will be transportation available limited seating available.

As for me I am currently getting ready for my District Governor training starting the first weekend in January in Dallas, TX to fellowship with incoming Governors and learn more about lions. The second Weekend I will be in Columbia to learn more about lions with the other incoming Governors of Missouri. The third weekend looks to be at home with the Family. The Fourth weekend we will be in Cape Girardeau for the Council of Governors Meeting, and the Fifth weekend we will be in Jefferson City for the Lions Summit. It is a great honor to travel around to these places and represent our fantastic District.

Happy Holidays!!

Yours in Lionism,

#### 1st Vice Governor Lion Joe Foster



#### 50/50 Convention Raffle Tickets Available

The Convention committee is selling 50/50 tickets \$1 each, the drawing will be held during the final business session on Sunday (need not be present to win).

Please see the Convention Committee members to purchase your chance PCC John Yount , PCC Gina Boettcher and IPDG Sharyn Scheidt.



# **Richwood Lions Receive Charter From Boy Scouts**

Richwoods Lions are providing the use of our building every Friday to the Boy Scouts at n/c and we also provide the 2nd Thursday of every month for the Girl Scouts. See page 10 for a copy of the charter.

The following is a list of goals that Richwoods Cub Scout Pack 437 are striving to achieve in the coming year.

- 1. Each member earn their Bobcat Badge
- 2. Participate in a couple of fundraisers
- 3. Order shirts for pack
- 4. Plan a couple of outings

- 5. Each den advance with earning badges
- 6. Character building
- 7. Citizenship training

We are very excited about this coming year and we appreciate that the Richwoods Lions Club has been supportive of our pack.

#### **Please Remember These Lions**

CONCORD VILLAGE LIONS CLUB
DAVID A BADE

FENTON LIONS CLUB LARRY D LIGGETT

PACIFIC LIONS CLUB
CAROLYN BRINLEY

ST LOUIS SOUTH SIDE LIONS CLUB ARTHUR J WIDMER

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







# MAPLEWOOD LIONS CLUB PRESENTS THEIR FIRST ANNUAL VIPGOT TALENT

(a talent contest for visually impaired & legally blind persons only)

Saturday afternoon March 7<sup>th</sup>, from 2:00 until 5:00 – with short intermission

At Missouri School for the Blind Multi Purpose (annex) Building 3867 Magnolia Avenue, St. Louis, MO 6310

All talent welcomed - individuals - teams - groups Singers - musicians - dancers - comedians - jugglers (no chain saws please)

1 <sup>st</sup> place prize	\$150
2 <sup>nd</sup> place prize	\$100
3 <sup>rd</sup> place prize	\$50

Applications available by contacting Lion Verneal Barlow, <u>vernealbarlow@sbcglobal.net</u> or 647-0347 - <u>before February 10, 2015</u>

#### **Applications must be returned before February 18, 2015**

(\*\*\*if more applications are returned than time period allows - applicants will be accepted by drawing of the contest committee and those not accepted in drawing will be asked if they are willing to come and fill in, if time allows or another performer is unable to attend)

# AUDIENCE ADMISSION \$5.00 - INCLUDES CHANCE FOR DOOR PRIZE SNACKS AND DRINKS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE SILENT AUCTION AND RAFFLE ITEMS AVAILABLE







#### DISTRICT GOVERNOR MISSY CARR HAS ISSUED A CALL FOR THE

#### SEVENTH ANNUAL DISTRICT 26-M2 CONVENTION



To Be Held March 27th thru March 29th, 2015 Doubletree Hotel St. Louis at Westport, 1973 Craigshire, St. Louis, MO 63146

The Convention will be held at the Doubletree Hotel St, Louis at Westport Plaza. This is where all the Saturday business meetings, luncheon, voting, banquet and Sunday memorial service will be held.

The Hospitality night will be on Friday night at the Moolah Shrine Center at 12545 Fee Fee Road. This is a fabulous facility that will be able to hold lots of Clubs' hospitality booths, and includes a large dance floor with lots of room for socializing with Lions and friends.

The Doubletree Hotel and the Moolah Shrine Center are looking forward to hosting the Lions in 2015.

#### Tentative Schedule of Events - Subject to Change FRIDAY, MARCH 27th SATURDAY, MARCH 28th SUNDAY, MARCH 29th Registration (at hotel) ......2 PM - 5 PM Breakfast\_\_\_\_\_ ......8:15 AM Closing Business Session & Hospitality (at Moolah)......5 PM to 11 PM 1<sup>st</sup> Business Session ..... Memorial Service ..... Dancing & Party Time.......8:30 PM - 11 PM Al Lions Lunch ...... 12 Noon - 1:15 PM Business Session ..... Banquet......7 PM

The Doubletree Hotel St. Louis at Westport, 1973 Craigshire, St. Louis, MO 63146 is holding a block of rooms and taking reservations at a discounted price of \$85 + tax for a standard room.

Please contact them directly at (314) 548-9013 to make your room reservations at the <u>Doubletree Hotel</u> and mention that you are with the District 26-M2 Lions Convention or book online at <u>www.doubletree3.hilton.com</u>, group code CLB.

After March 6, 2015, the room block will be released and the discounted price will no longer be available.

# 2015 District 26-M2 Convention Registration Form March 27th thru March 29th, 2015 at the Doubletree Hotel St. Louis

Name of Lion:		Club:			Phone:	
Address:		City:		_State:	Zip:	
All Lions Lunch: Banquet:	Number attending Number attending		X \$27.00= X \$37.00=	\$		
Breakfast:	Number attending		X \$23.00=	\$ \$		
After March 1°, 2015 - ADD TOTAL FOR ALL EV	Number attending _ ENTS:	_	X \$10.00=	5 5		

Make checks payable to: 26-M2 Convention Fund Mail to: IPDG Sharyn Scheidt 1436 Bali Court, Crestwood, MO 63126

No refunds after March 17th, 2015

No reservations guaranteed (may not be able to accept) after March 17th, 2015

Reservations must include the names of those attending each event (tickets will be pre-assigned).

Please use spaces provided on the back, or attach a list of all persons and their meals.

# Carondelet Lions Raffling Marco island Condo

The St. Louis-Carondelet Lions Club has presently a raffle for the use of a Condo, 2 weeks in a row use of a 1 bedroom (King Bed), 2 bathroom, Queen sofa sleeper, etc., a pool and more, on the Marco River, Marco Island, Florida. Use June 6 - June 20, 2015. Chances are \$5 each or \$10 for 3. Call Lion Greg Reininger at 636-405-7171 for tickets. Drawing will be at the District 26-M2 Cabinet meeting on Feb. 2, 2015.

# Washington Recognizes Two for Fifty Years of Service



Washington Lions added two more members to their roster of Lions with fifty years of service. Lions Lester Unnerstall and John Politte were recognized at Washington's annual Thanksgiving luncheon and Monarch Awards meeting Tuesday, November 11. They join James Feltmann, Sr. and Dr. William Huber (57 years); Dr. Marvin Lakebrink (53 years); Dr. Ken Buchmann (51 years) and Steve Holzem (50 years) making Washington's exclusive 50 year and over club total seven Lions.

Lion Boyd Eversole was recognized with 45 years of service and Lions Terry Unnerstall and Dave Bossler were recognized with 40 years of service.

Twenty-two other Washington Lions were presented Monarch Awards commemorating their reaching 10, 15,20,25,30 or 35 years of service to Lionism.

# **Opportunities for Youth: Our Future Lions**

We have four Missouri State Lions Youth projects. I encourage your clubs to add these to your club budget. These are all outstanding programs.

William C. Chandler Exchange Youth Camp. July 2015 we again will be accepting 16 youths from various countries. Always looking for families to host these youths for 10 days, share our culture, Lions activities and sights of Missouri. Remember that as a club we can also sponsor a youth to attend a camp in another country.

Peace Poster Contest

State Athletics

State Band

For more information or to here more about these programs at one of your meetings contact Lion Toni Mahoney 314-805-7391 or tkmahoney54@gmail.com

# **Richwood Lions Spring Auction Wants Donations**

Remember the Richwoods Lions Spring Auction when you do your winter and spring cleaning. The Lions of Richwoods will gladly accept your donation and can arrange pickup of items. contact Lion Toni Mahoney or PCC Lion John Yount.



# 2015 MD26 All Lions Mid-Winter Forum

#### When

Friday February 6, 2015 at 8:00 AM CST -to-Saturday February 7, 2015 at 10:00 PM CST Add to Calendar

#### Where

Chateau on the Lake 415 N State Hwy 265 Branson, MO 65616



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#### **Dear Missouri Lion:**

We hope you will join us for the MD26 All Lions Mid-Winter Forum being held in Branson, Missouri on 6-7 February 2015. This year's forum will be lead by a professional guest speaker and forum seminar leader.

This promises to be a premier event that will offer you an opportunity to come away with new found skills you can use both as a Lion and in your personal life.

So won't you click on the "Register Now" button and come spend two exciting days with us at the MD26 All Lions Mid-Winter Forum!

# **Register Now!**

#### I can't make it

If you encounter any issues with your registration please contact me at the number listed below.

We look forward to seeing you at this year's exciting forum!

#### Sincerely,

Lion Tom Rayfield, PDG MD26 Global Leadership Team chief92@sbcglobal.net 816-331-7531

# Together, we change lives by saving sight.





## **Lions Mission Clinics – Informational Meeting on Jan. 15, 2015**

Are you interested in traveling abroad with your fellow Lions to distribute recycled eyeglasses to people in need? In 2015, Saving Sight will provide leadership and organization to two clinics that will recycle used eyeglasses. If you are interested in volunteering at one of these clinics, you should attend an informational teleconference on January 15th. To RSVP, contact Lion Sheila Fields, Volunteer Coordinator, at 800-753-2265 ext. 8504 or sfields@saving-sight.org to receive contact information for the WebEx webinar and toll-free conference call.

### **New Lions Volunteer Opportunity: Healthy Vision Screenings**

Starting in January 2015, Saving Sight will offer a new volunteer opportunity to Lions. Interested clubs will be able to check out one of Saving Sight's tonometers and host free healthy vision screenings in their communities. As a result, Lions will screen people for glaucoma, the second-leading cause of blindness in the U.S., and provide a valuable preventive health service in their communities.

If you would like to learn more about how your club can check out a tonometer and host a screening, please contact Lion Sheila Fields, Volunteer Coordinator, at 800-753-2265 ext. 8504 or sfields@saving-sight.org.

Thank you to the following clubs for making a financial gift to Saving Sight between October 1 and November 30, 2014. Together, we are changing lives by saving sight:

Concord Village Lions - \$15,000 Webster Grove Lions - \$2,000 St. Louis Downtown Lions - \$500 Meramec Heights Lions - \$300

#### AmazonSmile: Help Us Grow Our Programs this Holiday Season

Saving Sight now participates in AmazonSmile. AmazonSmile is a fundraising program that enables you to direct a portion of your online purchases to Saving Sight, at no added cost. This holiday season and beyond, shop at AmazonSmile and 0.5% of your total will be donated to KidSight and other vision programs. Signing up is easy:

- 1.) Go to Saving Sight's AmazonSmile website at http://smile.amazon.com/ch/43-1036995.
- 2.) Login with your Amazon credentials, or create a new account.
- 3.) Select Saving Sight as your charity of choice.

You only have to choose Saving Sight once. Afterward, purchases made on smile amazon.com with your account will help us grow our programs. If you have any questions about setting up Saving Sight as your AmazonSmile recipient, please contact us at 800-283 -1982 x115. Thank you for your support this holiday season!





# Richwood Lion's Club

Upon Application Through Authorized Representatives to Carry on the Scouting Program for CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT, CITIZENSHIP TRAINING, MENTAL and PHYSICAL FITNESS

Subject to the Provisions of the Charter and Bylaws and Rules and Regulations of the Boy Scouts of America for the Period Ending

Pack 3437 Richwood, MO

In testimony whereof the Boy Scouts of America has caused this Charter to be issued and its corporate seal to be affixed.

Serving Youth for Years

Chief Scout Executive



**BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA** 

Incorporated February 8, 1910 Chartered by Congress June 15, 1916

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## Washington Lions Take First in Downtown Washington Contest

Washington Lions took first place in the Downtown Washington Christmas window decorating contest. Lions Garry Sullentrup, Jerry Brunner, Karen Skornia and Lion spouse Diana Loepker decorated the windows of the old Washington Bakery with a theme of "Four Decades of Christmas". Somehow they found old bubble lights that resembled candles and even strung popcorn for the old tree. One Lion had an old aluminum tree in his attic he let them use.



# **Washington Lions 75th Anniversary Celebration**

Washington Lions celebrated 75 years of service to the community Saturday evening, October 18 with a dinner and dance at the Washington Elks Hall. Family members of three charter member Lions were present at the event and pictured below. From left to right: Charter member John Feltmann's son James Feltmann, Sr., past president and great grandson Brian Feltmann, 3rd vice-

president. Charter member James Miller's son William Miller. Washington Lions President John Griesheimer. Charter member Guy Fischer's nephew John Fischer.

The Feltmann family has served with distinction. John Feltmann was president in 1952. James Feltmann, Sr. was president in 1963. James Feltmann, Jr. was president in 1983. Joseph Feltmann was president in 1992 and Brian Feltmann will be president in 2015-2016. That is four generations of the Feltmann family that have served as president of the Washington Lions Club.

Lions Vince Borgerding and Garry Sullentrup were recognized with International Lions Club President's Appreciation Awards. Past International Director Donal presented them the awards.



#### **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.

#### SAINT LOUIS UNIVERSITY LIONS CLUB

CONCORD VILLAGE LIONS CLUB
THOMAS J VOEGTLI

DE SOTO LIONS CLUB DAN REPPLE

FENTON LIONS CLUB VITO VRICELLA

GRAY SUMMIT IONS CLUB
JOSEPH A RALLO

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MERAMEC HEIGHTS LIONS CLUB DIANE M BREWER

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RICHWOODS LIONS CLUB KEITH A RICHARDS SHANNA N RICHARDSON

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# UNION LIONS CLUB ROMA STRUTTMANN

#### WASHINGTON LIONS CLUB

MARY C CARROLL BRYON D GRAY CHERYL A GRAY KAREN F PARHAM

WEST ST LOUIS COUNTY LIONS CLUB ROBERT TEEL STEVENS

# Merry Christmas to all Lions and a Happy New Year

# **District Speakers Available**

Lion Toni Mahoney is available to speak at your Lions Club on OPPORTUNITY FOR YOUTH call 314-805-7391 or email tkmahoney54@gmail.com. Call Lion Governor Sharyn 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 February 7, 2015. 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.

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