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1st Vice-District Governor Lion Joseph Foster



2nd Vice-District Governor Lion Jack Lenk



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#### District 26-M2 Governor Missy's Message

**Greetings Lions:** 

If you are looking for ways to meet new Lions and have a lot of fun, keep reading. Our district convention is now only a month away. If you have never been to our convention please come and check it out. Friday night promises to be a lot of fun. Come out early for the good food and drinks and then stay for our flag ceremony and finish the night dancing to music by Butchwax and the Hollywood's. Once the fun ends, we will even shuttle you to the Double Tree Hotel in Westport.

Saturday you will have an opportunity to learn all about what is going on in the district. Come listen as the committee chairs and club presidents' share with us what they have been doing this year. Saturday night is our banquet, and International Director Linda Tincher will be our speaker. It is also an opportunity to honor and thank clubs and individuals for their hard work. We will finish the convention on Sunday morning with breakfast and a service to remember those Lions that we have lost this past year. The convention committee is working so hard to make this a successful event. What we need now are LOTS of LIONS. Please book your hotel rooms (why not make a weekend of it) and buy your banquet tickets now.

Next up is the Missouri Lions State Convention. This is being held May 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> in Cape Girardeau. It will follow the same format. There will be hospitality on Friday night and a banquet on Saturday night. They are also having a derby party on Saturday afternoon during the Kentucky Derby, so ladies; get your derby hats now. If you would like more information they have a great website set up at <a href="https://www.molionsconvention2015.com">www.molionsconvention2015.com</a>.

The cabinet and I have now visited approximately 35 clubs. It has been so much fun visiting and hearing about all of the things that these clubs do for their communities. Keep up the good work. Please remember to share your hard work with Lions Club International by completing your service activity report online. Hope to see you at the convention,

Yours in Lionism,

D G Lion Missy Carr District Governor 26-M2

Sign Up TODAY! We Need YOU!!!
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#### Calendar of Events

#### **Fenruary**

- 14<sup>th</sup>, Saturday Maplewood Lions Popcorn sales at Schnucks at 5055 Arsenal.
- 17<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday, New Haven Lions Pancake Supper @ St. Peters United Church of Christ, 607 Maupin Ave., New Haven, MO. Serving starts at 4:30 PM. Pancakes, Sausage, Scrambled Eggs.
- 18th, Wednesday Maplewood Lions and American Legion Post 103 co-sponsoring a Fish Fry at the Legion Post at 3212 Sutton Ave. during the Lenten season. Noon until ?. Menu: Catfish, Cod, Tilapia and Shrimp with 2 sides (made to order) at a cost of \$8:00. For phone orders or more information, call 314-647-1272
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- 21<sup>st</sup>, Saturday Wildwood Area Lions Mouse Races (with co-sponsor West St. Louis County Rotary Club). Time: 6-10 pm. For further information contact President Larry Sontag <a href="mailto:lacsontag@gmail.com">lacsontag@gmail.com</a>
- 21st, Saturday Meramec Heights Lions Texas Hold 'em @ Meramec Heights Lions Clubhouse Starts at 7:00pm.
- 22nd, Sunday: Pacific Lions Club 63rd Annual Pancake Breakfast @ Pacific Senior Center, 800 West Union, Pacific, MO (\*\* NEW LOCATION \*\*). Serving 7:30 a.m. -- 12:00 p.m. Adults \$8.00.--Kids \$4.00
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- 5<sup>th</sup>, Thursday Southside Lions Club 68<sup>th</sup> Annual "Lions Roar Show" "The Phantom of the Convent." @ Meyer Youth Center/St Mary Magdalen gym, 4354 South Kingshighway, St. Louis, MO 63109. Show starts at 7:00 pm. Donation appreciated, Snacks & Soft Drinks included. For tickets call: Lion Rudy Johnson at 314-580-5664 or <a href="mailto:rudale@att.net">rudale@att.net</a> or <a href="http://south-sidelions.org">http://south-sidelions.org</a>
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- 7<sup>th</sup>, Saturday Hillsboro Lions Club Twenty Second Annual Trivia Night @ Hillsboro Community Civic Center. Doors open at 6:00 pm Questions promptly at 7:00 PM. You're welcome to bring snacks for your table. Cash bar available. Registration: \$100.00 (\$110.00 at the door) (per table of 8). Call Betsy Barnes-Wilson at 636/948-3336 for reservations
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- 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 http://www.lions26m2.org/convention.html

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

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

The 2015 Lions year is off to a great start. I have been going all around different places and learning about Lions. On my recent trip to Dallas I had a great time training with the Lions from Texas, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Louisiana and Missouri. To have the opportunity to join in fellowship with the other incoming governors was really fun. I got to learn about their plans and how they do things in their areas.

I would like to mention to the Lions of 26-M2 to watch the calendar of events as things change in the next few months because the DG Team is working hard to bring the Lions of this district a lot of training for officers serving in 2015.

The district convention is right around the corner and it is going to be a event you do not want to miss. The committee is working hard to insure you have a good time and there are things Governor Missy has planned for the 2015 convention that are worth checking out. This year's agenda will have something for everyone, so plan to attend and bring a friend.

Yours in Lionism,

#### 1st Vice Governor Lion Joe Foster

#### Stop and See Us

Please stop by Opportunity for Youths booth on Saturday at the District Convention to learn more about programs. Lion Toni Mahoney 314-805-7391 tkmahoney54@gmail.com

## 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

#### **Desoto Lions Club 11th Excellence Award**



The 24 members of the Desoto Lions Club with perfect attendance and the 4 new members celebrate their two awards from Lions International for 10 straight years of Club Excellence.

The club is working on their 11th Club Excellence Award and with over half of their membership in perfect attendance they are well on their way.

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

FERGUSON LIONS CLUB BEN SANDERS

RICHWOODS LIONS CLUB IRA L SMITH ST LOUIS SOUTH SIDE LIONS CLUB ROSS CRECELIUS

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

#### West County/Eureka Lions Take Gifts to School for the Blind



On December 1, 2014 the West St. Louis County/ Eureka Lions went to Wal-Mart and the Hibbett Sports stores in Eureka to do their Christmas shopping for the annual Missouri School for the Blind Christmas party. Gifts of clothing, games and toys totaling more \$2,000 were purchased.

December 18, 2014 marked the twelfth consecutive year that members of the West St. Louis County/Eureka Lions Club attended the Christmas Extravaganza" program and party at the Missouri School for the Blind. All the gifts given to the students at the party were purchased at the Wal-Mart or Hibbett Sports stores in Eureka. In addition to the individual gifts the six students opened, the Lions provided additional clothing items which will be distributed as needed throughout the school year.

A new venture the Missouri School for the Blind

began this year is to open several apartments on their campus so students can learn to live on their own within apartment

living. The West St. Louis County Lions club also donated an additional \$2,000 worth of furnishing for these apartments.

One of the major goals of the Lions is eye care and the prevention of blindness, as well as support for youth activities. As one of our Lion member said, "the best reward of being a part of this event was seeing the happy smiles and hearing expressions of thanks when the children opened their gifts--truly, a heartwarming experience."

The West St. Louis County/Eureka Lions wish to thank citizens of the Eureka community for supporting the Lions' fund raising projects throughout the year. It is your support that makes events like this happen.

The Missouri School for the Blind (MSB), established in 1851, is a public school for legally blind Missouri children ages 5-21 operated by the Mis-



souri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE). MSB, which is fully accredited by both state and national organizations, provides curriculum instruction that is fully aligned with state standards, as well as specialized classes in orientation and mobility, Braille, adaptive physical education, daily living skills, transition *and adaptive technology*. Students may attend MSB free of charge on a day or residential school basis or may attend KEYS - a short course program (3-18 weeks) for intensive instruction in a selected area. Students are encouraged to participate in cocurricular activities such as music, swimming, cheerleading, goalball, wrestling, track and field, and special interest clubs. Missouri School for the Blind also offers, on an as-needed basis, physical and occupational therapy, nursing care, counseling and access to physicians and dentists.

The mission of Missouri School for the Blind is to provide individualized instruction, resources and educational services ensuring that students with visual impairments achieve the academic, social, employment, and life skills empowering them to enjoy full productive lives.

The Missouri School for the Blind is located at 3815 Magnolia Ave, St. Louis, MO 63110. For more information about the Missouri School for the Blind their phone # is 314-776-4320, and their website is <a href="http://msb.dese.mo.gov">http://msb.dese.mo.gov</a>.





# 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 - **before February 10, 2015** 

#### 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







# Pacific Lions Club 63rd Annual



February 22, 2015 7:30 a.m. -- 12:00 p.m.

Adults \$8.00'--Kids \$4.00

Pancakes, Sausage, Eggs, Juice, Milk & Coffee

\*\*New Location\*\*
Pacific Senior Center
800 West Union, Pacific, MO

## "RUN FOR THE CHEESE" CHARITY MOUSE RACES

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2015

\$15.00 per ticket
Doors open at 6:00<sub>p.m.</sub> Races Begin at 7:00<sub>p.m.</sub>

Call Kim @ 314-412-3843
FOR Ticket Information
FOR Advanced Table Reservations
Special Table Discounts for Charity Organizations!

St. John Lutheran Church 15800 Manchester Road Ellisville, MO 63011

For childcare information Wildwood Family YMCA 636-458-6636 Reservations required before February 14, 2015

Cash bar for beer, wine and mixed drinks Soda & Water Provided

For Sponsorships call Larry Sontag 636-405-0196 or Joe Bartmess 314-374-6321

HOSTED BY THE
WILDWOOD AREA LIONS CLUB
and the
WEST ST. LOUIS COUNTY
ROTARY CLUB

Must be 21 for admittance!



#### No Balls Needed, Maybe Guts and/or Skill

Yes, you can get a bowling ball at the alley and rent shoes as well. Maybe you will throw a gutter ball but others will too so why not try this out.

Betty Mae Mahoney Blind Bowlers Tournament. Is April 18th, Registration 11-11:45am and bowling begins at noon. Du Bowl Lanes. 2711 Le May Ferry Rd. St. Louis. Mo. 63125 is the site and you could probably practice there or elsewhere before the tournament.

The event is open to anyone. It is a handicap tournament but you don't need an established average to enter. Cost is \$12 per bowler.

Applications are available from Lion Tumbleson and should be in no later than April 6th. If you would like an application to bowl or just help out please call Lion John Tumbleson at 636-234-4741

#### Plan Now to Be a Host Family for Youth Exchange

The Youth Exchange Camp Directory at <a href="www.lionsclubs.org">www.lionsclubs.org</a> can be accessed by all Missouri youths wanting to participate this coming year in the 112 camps offered in 34 countries. I will sign off on completed applications that meet the camps requirements for youths wanting to attend this summer.

William C. Chandler Lions Youth Camp is the name of Missouri Lions camp participating in Lions International "Youth Exchange Camp" program. The dates are June 29<sup>th</sup> – July 27<sup>th</sup>, ages 17-21, transfer from 1<sup>st</sup> host family to 2<sup>nd</sup> host family Thursday July 9<sup>th</sup>. Camp starts Sunday July 19<sup>th</sup>- Sunday July 26<sup>th</sup> at Camp Brim Shire located in St. James, Mo., will return to 1<sup>st</sup> host family after camp until flight home, July 27th.

I have accepted a young lady from Spain, young lady from Germany & young man from Czech Republic. I look forward to accepting the remaining 13 youths.

PDG Lion Lisa Clinton from M1 puts together an outstanding group of tours for camp and we look forward to Lions Clubs of Mo. Support of this program through many means, host families, monetary, dinners and etc. Again this year House Spring Lions will sponsor our host family dinner with the youths, date has not been secured but will be within the first week of July. We will send an invite out to the district. Hope to see you there.

Please contact me if interested in hosting a youth this summer. For more details please contact me, Lion Toni Mahoney, YEC 314-805-7391 tkmahoney54@gmail.com

#### Sponsor 2015 Peace Poster With "Share Peace" Theme

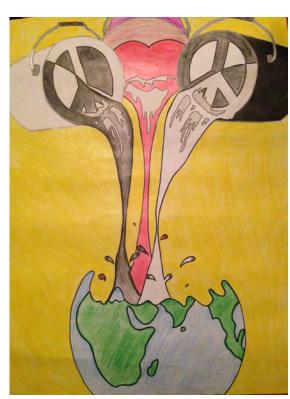
2014 Theme "Peace, Love and Understanding" winner of MD26- M2 was Abby Price, sponsored by Webster Groves Lions. Her poster was submitted to MD26 with the other 6 districts.

The winner of MD26 was Brianna Foreman, sponsored by MD26-M1 Northwest Texas County Lions. Her poster has gone on to Lions Intl. for judging. The winner will be announced this month plus 23 merit award winners.

2015 Peace Poster Theme "Share Peace" Contest kits are available for purchase from Lions Intl. low price \$11.95 plus shipping.

Consider sponsoring a group of youths 11-13 years old for this wonderful art contest.

Any questions contact Lion Becky Speeler 314-724-3735 <a href="mailto:speeler22@hotmail.com">speeler22@hotmail.com</a>
Lion Toni Mahoney 314-805-7391 <a href="mailto:tkmahoney54@gmail.com">tkmahoney54@gmail.com</a>



#### 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 Breakfast..... Registration (at hotel) ......2 PM - 5 PM Registration \_\_\_\_\_8 AM - 10 AM 1st Business Closing Business Session & Parade of Bannets \_\_\_\_\_8 PM Session ..... Memorial Service .......9:00 AM Dancing & Party Time.......8:30 PM - 11 PM Business Session ...... Voting ......Immediately following 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 **Doubletree Hotel** and mention that you are with the District 26-M2 Lions Convention or book online at <a href="https://www.doubletree3.hilton.com">www.doubletree3.hilton.com</a>, 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:	Number attending		X \$27.00=	\$	
Banquet:	Number attending		X \$37.00=	\$	
Breakfast:	Number attending		X \$23.00=	\$	
After March 1 <sup>e</sup> , 2015 - ADD	Number attending.		X \$10.00=	5	
TOTAL FOR ALL EV	ENTS:			\$	

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 17<sup>th</sup>, 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.

# Together, we change lives by saving sight.







Lions L.E.A.D. 2015 will take place on May 15-16 at the Capitol Plaza Hotel & Convention Center in Jefferson City. The incoming Missouri Lions District Governors, 1st and 2nd Vice District Governors, and Sight Committee members for fiscal year 2015-16 are strongly encouraged to attend, in addition to the board of directors and honorary board of directors of Saving Sight. All Missouri Lions are invited to participate as well. Clubs will receive invitation letters and information about the event in the coming weeks.

Lions L.E.A.D. is an annual weekend event focused on leadership, education, and development. Participants learn about Saving Sight in a conference-style format. After the weekend, Lions know more about Saving Sight's mission and programs (e.g., the eye bank and KidSight), the people we serve, and how they can change lives by saving sight in their communities and districts.



#### Thank You to Our Lion Volunteers

Thank you to the Lions, especially Lion Sue Templeton (Maplewood Lions) and Lion Marcie Strieder (High Ridge Lions), who volunteered at KidSight vision screenings in December. Lions volunteers worked with children to help make sure the KidSight screening events ran effectively and efficiently. To find out how you can get involved as a KidSight volunteer, please contact Lion Sheila Fields, Volunteer Coordinator, at 800-753-2265 ext. 8504 or volunteer@saving-sight.org.

Thank you to the following clubs for making a financial gift to Saving Sight between Dec. 1, 2014 & Jan. 31, 2015. Together, we are changing lives by saving sight:

Jennings Lions \$2641.23; Creve Couer Lions \$50.00

#### **KidSight in Your Community**

Our trained technicians and volunteers have screened more than 365,000 Missouri children since 1995. Using a photoscreening device, we quickly and noninvasively screen children ages 6 months to 6 years old for common causes of childhood vision loss free of charge, and we refer at-risk children to eye doctors for examination and treatment.

If you would like to volunteer with KidSight or learn more about this program, please contact Lion Sheila Fields, Volunteer Coordinator, at 800-753-2265 ext. 8504 or volunteer@saving-sight.org.



Want to receive Saving Sight news, KidSight & cornea transplant stories, and volunteer opportunities? Then subscribe to Sightlines, our monthly e-newsletter that arrives in inboxes on the first Friday of each month. To receive Sightlines, subscribe online at www.saving-sight.org/sightlines





# EYE WRAP

Hosted by Maplewood Lions Club

Saturday, May 9, 2015

American Legion Post #103 3212 Sutton Blvd. Maplewood, MO

10:00 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Pizza and Salad Will Be Served

If you need glasses picked up - Call or Email:

PDG Lion Jim Bernhardt at 636-343-5268 or bernjl@sbcglobal.net

PDG Lion Elmer Weinrich at 636-458-0113 or eljanwein@aol.com

Lion Devin Struttmann at 314-277-8292 or devin@admr.com

#### PLEASE BRING USED EYEGLASSES AND HEARING AIDS



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\$25 IN ADYANCE | \$30 DAY OF

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314-808-1155

PROCEEDS WILL FUND THE BACK PACK PROGRAM

AMERICAN LEGION



CLUB LIONS

The Maplewood Lions Club and The American Legion are hosting their annual Fish Fry.

Where: The American Legion Hall located at 3212 Sutton

When: Wednesday, February 18th from Noon until?

And every Friday during Lent from Noon until?

Pricing: \$8.00 per dinner

Each dinner includes hush puppies and two sides, and your choice of either 6 shrimp, tilapia, cod, or catfish,

Fish is cooked to order.

Sides

Green Beans Cole Slaw

Macaroni and Cheese

Spaghetti

Phone orders are available, 314-647-1272



PROUDLY PARTNERING TOGETHER TO SERVE

THE MAPLEWOOD AND RICHMOND HEIGHTS
COMMUNITIES



#### Plan Now for School for Blind Appreciation Night

How would you and your family like to enjoy a Sunday evening of good food, entertainment and fellowship??? April 12, 2015 is the date. The place: Missouri School for the Blind at 3815 Magnolia Ave. St. Louis, Mo. – 1 block west of Grand. The Lions Appreciation program has been going on for over 50 years. It is great way to visit the school – take a tour starting at 4:00p m to 5:30pm. The tours are very interesting. An enjoyable dinner will be served from 5:00pm to 6:00pm. Prices are: Adults \$8.00 and Children 10 & under \$4.00. Following dinner is the program which is put on by the students and is always entertaining. I am sure your children and/or grandchildren would enjoy this evening. The program will be approximately from 6:00 to 8:00. This year's theme is: KNIGHTS IN SHINING ARMOR.

We have a lot of new members in our District this year and this would be a great opportunity for them to visit MSB. This could be a zone project.

There was a time when we would fill the auditorium – wouldn't it be great to do this again.

PDG Lion Roger Scheidt, Chairperson

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- 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.
- 10<sup>th</sup> 11<sup>th</sup>, Fri. & Sat. Meramec Heights Lions BBQ @ gas station at Hwy 141 & Astra Way in Arnold, 11:00 am 6:00 pm.
- 10<sup>th</sup> 11<sup>th</sup>, Friday & Saturday: West St. Louis County Lions Club BBQ @ Eureka Hwy 109 at Central Ave. (on the Spur 4 blocks south of Hwy. 44). 10:30 AM till Sundown. We will have Ribs, Pork Steaks, Chicken, Bratwurst, Sandwiches and Dinners. On Fridays, you can call us at 636-388-5775 to order a lunch delivery.

#### **Richwoods Needs Auction Items**

Richwoods Lions Annual Auction Sunday May 3rd, start shopping at 11:00am, auction starts at 1pm 10645 Hwy. A, Richwoods, Mo. 63071

Great place to shop for that special item you forgot existed and some great new items.

If cleaning out your closets and/or garages and have items to donate Please think of Richwoods Lions. I will pick them up at your door. Contact Lion Toni Mahoney 314-805-7391 <a href="mailto:tkmahoney54@gmail.com">tkmahoney54@gmail.com</a>



For the first time, The Mehlville Lions Club used their fire truck to smoke and donate 24 turkeys (with side dishes) for Thanksgiving. From recommendation of local churches, we served needy families and also Lydia's House (for abused woman and their children). We also provided many meals to the Ferguson Fire Dept. that fed the Police Department and even the US National Guard that were stationed there for the events in that area. This project was a huge success and we plan to make it an annual holiday tra-



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50/50 RAFFLES GIFT BASKET RAFFLES SATURDAY, MARCH 14<sup>TH</sup>
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#### Wildwood Area Lions and the Care Mobile

Lions! We have a new eye care program in our district. The Ronald McDonald Care Mobile (RMCM) provides on-the-spot eye exams AND glasses to children.

This program is a partnership between the Ronald McDonald House Charities of St. Louis and the Eye Care Charity of Mid-America (ECCOMA). The Eye Care Charity operates this mobile optometric office and schedules its visits to schools within the 14-county metro area. Since its arrival in March 2013, the program has served more than 3,000 children at over 100 schools. These children from low income families receive eye exams and glasses at no charge to the schools or children or Lions clubs. **Lion Mike Klein (Wildwood Area)** is an ECCOMA Board



Director who enthusiastically expounds the work of this charity and how it changes the lives of school children. Lion Mike and his wife Nancy served as the RMCM's first student escort volunteers. While in the Union schools, Union Lions Glen and Jean Marquatt served as student escorts. As the need for more volunteers increased, Lion Mike recruited Wildwood Area Lions Jim Kranz and Becky Kranz to help ECCOMA with recruiting and training more Lions to serve when the Ronald McDonald Care Mobile comes to their schools. They recruited Wildwood Area Lion John McCulloch, Meramec Heights Lions Vicki Blowers and Diane Brewer and Fenton Lions Jim Bernhardt and Rhonda Dufrenne to serve last November at these school districts: Rockwood, Parkway and Fox.

In addition, Jim and Becky Kranz organized fellow Lions Club members Sandee Marshall, Sharon Yoder Gloria Ventura Randy Ladd, Kay Ladd and Ellisville Lions John McCullouch and Paul McCool to spend two afternoons helping out in the ECCOMA office in Chesterfield Valley. ECCOMA had received large cardboard boxes filled with all types of frames: plastic, metal, prescription lenses, sunglasses, rimless and boxes of new, but out-of-style frames. Just like any good Easter egg hunt, these Lions had to look in every single box to find the good stuff -- frames that work for kids.)

"Because of the caring support and giving of the Lions, our program is flourishing and growing in its capacity to change the lives of children," Bill Jehling, ECCOMA Founder and Board Chairman, expressed his appreciation to the Wildwood Area, Chesterfield and West County Lions Clubs for their generous donations of time, supplies (eyeglass cases) and financial support. "We are looking forward to meeting other Lions Club members throughout the M26 District as we serve their schools and communities."

If you would like to volunteer, please visit the Eye Care Charity website at <a href="www.eccoma.org">www.eccoma.org</a> under Get Involved follow the directions to apply as a volunteer. The RMCM calendar for viewing is also available at this web site. Or call ECCOMA offices at 636-778-1022.

#### **Great Development and Growth Opportunity Coming Up!**

With the holidays just behind us, and cold weather of the season all around us, it is hard to think about how quickly summer will be here again. Nevertheless, before you know it we'll be planning for the 4th of July, and that means that the 2015 Great Plans Lions Leadership Institute (GPLLI) is just a few days after that.

Now is the time to start thinking about the great learning opportunity that the GPLLI offers. The return in your investment of time and money is unsurpassed! This year's event will take place on *July 24-26*, *2015* at *Jamestown University*, *Jamestown, North Dakota*.

GPLLI is an intensive, professional and valuable leadership skills program for Lions who have not served as District Governor. You will learn skills for club, job, community and church, as well as personal development. Any Lion, Lioness or Leo who has attained majority and who has not yet served as District Governor is eligible to attend.

The registration cost is \$150 per attendee and covers double occupancy room, seven meals, and all course materials. The best part is that our District has "scholarships" available to successful graduates of the 2015 Institute.

Dynamic presenters from across the Great Plains will provide emerging Lion leaders with modules on communication skills, team building, delegation, time management, conflict management, project management, diversity, motivation, goal setting/action planning/personal mission statement and leading effective meetings.

For an application or more information, check out the website www.gplli.com.

If you have any other questions or would like to find out more about the 'scholarship', please contact District 26-M2 GLT Coordinator, PCC Lion Kimberly Taylor LionKimberly@sbcglobal.net.



March 5 THURSDAY 7:00PM

Donation Appreciated Snacks & Soft Drinks included March 6 FRIDAY 8:00PM

\$25.00 Night Club Night Snacks & Beer Provided March 7 SATURDAY 8:00PM

\$25.00 Lions District 26M2 Governor's Night Snacks & Beer included

4354 South Kingshighway, St. Louis, MO 63109 Meyer Youth Center/St Mary Magdalen gym

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2015 LIONS ROAR! 68th Edition of this fun musical series

#### **Potosi Lions Honor Lions With Anniversaries**



DISTRICT GOVERNOR Missy Carr Washington Lions, recognized Lions with Anniversaries of Membership on Monday, Jan. 19th at the Potosi Lions regular monthly meeting. From left, Doctor Paul Villmer 30 year Potosi Member; Randy Fryman 35 year Potosi Member; John Higginbotham 50 year Potosi Member; Valley Lions President Steve Camden; District Governor Missy Carr; Potosi Lions President Eddie Lewis; Tom Worthen 20 year Potosi Member and Ed Barger 25 year Valley Member.

#### Forty-one M2 Lions Enjoy Chateau on the Lake

The weather was perfect, the company was exceptional and the activities were both planned and unplanned. The Mid-Winter Forum in Branson the weekend of February 6<sup>th</sup> thru 8<sup>th</sup> was enjoyed by 41 Lions from our district. Some drove to the Ozarks or carpooled with Lion friends while others relaxed on the bus driven by 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Joe Foster. Whether they





took advantage of shopping and other local amenities or attended the leadership training presented by professional motivational speaker Mark McAuliffe, our Lions came away with new ideas

and renewed enthusiasm. As always, the hospitality room was a most popular attraction. Look for the announcement of next year's Forum to experience the fun for yourself!

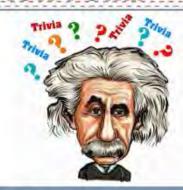


#### REGISTRATION & DONATION FORM

## MIDWESTERN BRAILLE VOLUNTEERS

5th Annual

## Trivia Night



WHEN: Sat. April 18, 2015

TIME: Doors open at 6:15 pm

Trivia starts at 7 pm

WHERE: St. Justin Martyr Parish Center

11910 Eddie and Park Road

Sunset Hills, MO 63126

COST: \$20.00 per person / \$160.00 per table of 8

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#### **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.

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> CUBA LIONS CLUB STEPHEN J. WOOD SR.

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LARRY BRIDGES JUNIOR
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#### Get Your Info Filed With international for District Directories

Fellow Lions, soon your club will be electing Officers, like personal tax reporting, Lions International needs that information by April 15th!

It's very important that Lions International has all the updated information on your club and members.

#### WHY?

All information regarding Lions in the District Directory is obtained from Lions International. If all clubs file club Officers on time and information is correct the District Directories can be printed and distributed at the College of Knowledge.

All incoming Officers will have a copy and be ready to start their term July 1st, 2015.

Any questions contact Lion Toni Mahoney 314-805-7391 tkmahoney54@gmail.com

#### **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 May 9, 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.

Send to Lion Leon Hove, editor at hove@yhti.net.