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District Governor
Lion Sandee Marshall



1st Vice District Governor
Lion Devin Struttman



2nd Vice District Governor
Lion Jeff Rackovan



Cabinet Secretary
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District 26-M2 Governor Sandee's Message

Fellow Lions,

There is a meme circulating on social media that asks, "In 2015, when you were asked what you would be doing in 5 years, who guessed this?" I certainly didn't when I chose my theme for this year. "A 20/20 Vision of Service" takes on additional meaning when we cannot do our usual service projects and fundraisers. But there have been other catastrophes in our 103-year history and we have always continued to serve. There are now new challenges to meet.

We have all had to find our own ways of dealing with this horrible virus. We hesitate to think we are making progress lest we be hit with some new consequence. Yet I am greatly encouraged by the responses of our Lions Clubs. You realize the importance of continuing to connect with Club members. Many are using various methods to keep in contact including emails, snail mail, phone calls and Zoom.

What comes next? This is a time for planning. Often we feel that we don't have the time for exploring new avenues of service, learning what else LCI has to offer us and making changes. Prepare now for Lions' activities during and after the pandemic. Your District leadership is always available to help.

Above all, stay safe. Your Lions family needs you and we care about you!

Lion Sandee Marshall
District Governor

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District 26-M2 1st VDG Devin's Message

Dear Lions Friends,

Even in the middle of a pandemic, the months still seem to go by fast. Here we are in August and we're headed into the Fall season. Typically, this is the time our clubs are heading into a busy time of fundraisers and service projects. This year may look a bit different. I know in our club, all of the events we normally participate in have been postponed or cancelled. Not only has it created a financial loss, it has eliminated those fun times of being together socially. As most of us experience, we enjoy being Lions because of the relationships that develop and the positive feelings of serving together. In the days ahead, we must find new and creative ways to still serve and to have fun.

On the district level, we have found opportunities to be together in person and virtually. We completed a food drive service project held during the month of June. Thanks to the generosity of our Lions clubs and individuals, we were able to help food pantries throughout the district. We also held our annual eye wrap in July and fortunately had a significant amount of volunteers and glasses to process. We held our first cabinet meeting of the year this month and we're currently conducting officer training. As you can see, we're still here and active.

Governor Sandee is off to a wonderful start to her Lions year and she's working hard for all Lions of our district. I know she's ready to start visiting clubs and her cabinet can't wait to join her and visit with you in person.

Yours in service,

Lion Devin Stuttmann, 1st Vice District Governor

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District 26-M2 2nd VDG Jeff Message

Greetings Lions of 26M2!!

I am looking forward to serving as your 2nd Vice District Governor! I am truly happy to be a part of a team of forward thinking and hardworking Lions! As we move into the New Lions Year, albeit a bit different from our former "Normal", we will continue working with all Clubs in the new Social Distancing model, to build and maintain Club Leader relationships, Club Membership as well as Club / District service opportunities.

The leadership team has "re-tooled" our Leader Training and we are looking forward to presenting it to the club officers as well as ALL Lions seeking to gain Lion Leadership knowledge. Additional training offerings are available for everyone. "I'm a Lion Leader, Now what???"

Looking forward to serving the needs of our State, District and International teams. What can we do for you?!?

Lion Jeff Rackovan, 2nd Vice District Governor



Calendar of Events

August 2020

- 4th- Tuesday: Mehlville Lions Diaper Drive- collecting diapers, cream and wipes these items can be dropped off before club meeting. For Info contact Mehlvillelionsclub@gmail.com
- 5th- Wednesday: I am Lions Leader now what training (formerly known as College of Knowledge) for president, Secretaries and Admin @ Wildwood Community Park Pavilion, 2153 MO hwy, 109 63038 from 6:30-8:30. Mask required this event will be held outside with room for social distancing. If you have questions contact Lion Michelle Foster at mlfoster569@gmail.com
- 13th- Thursday: I am Lions Leader now what training (formerly known as College of Knowledge) for president, Secretaries and Admin @ Wildwood Community Park Pavilion, 2153 MO hwy, 109 63038 from 6:30-8:30. Mask required this event will be held outside with room for social distancing. If you have questions contact Lion Michelle Foster at mlfoster569@gmail.com
- 14/15th- Friday/Saturday: Webster Groves Lions BBQ from 11-7pm for info contact Lion Becky 314-724-3735.
- 16th- Sunday: I am Lions Leader now what training (formerly known as College of Knowledge) for president, Secretaries and Admin @ Wildwood Community Park Pavilion, 2153 MO hwy, 109 63038 from 6:30-8:30. Mask required this event will be held outside with room for social distancing. If you have questions contact Lion Michelle Foster at mlfoster569@gmail.com
- 29th – Saturday: Wildwood Area Lions Virtual Wine Tasting. Tickets are \$99.00 and include 6 bottles of wine and access to the zoom virtual tasting. For info contact Lion Devon Marshall 314-498-0657 or dmarshall316@hotmail.com

September 2020

- 5th-Saturday: Webster Groves Lions Cosmic Bowling 9pin no tap tournament, the event will be held at Sunset Lanes 7777 Watson Rd, St. Louis, MO 63119 from 6pm-9pm, cost is \$25.00 a person and includes 3 games and shoes, teams of 4 with social distancing. There will be raffles, 50/50s and attendance prizes. RSVP with Lion Becky Bspeer10@gmail.com or 314-724-3735
- 8th- Tuesday: Gerald Lions Governors Visit
- 11th/12th-Friday/Saturday: Webster Groves Lions BBQ 11am-7pm
- 12th- Saturday: Mehlville Lions Governors Visit
- 12th- Saturday: House Springs Lions will have a booth at the new “Rat Rod” Show in Cedar Hill Mo, 63016. The House Springs Lions will be serving/ selling can beer and roasted corn on the cob. Contact Lion Paul Carr for more info.
- 13th- Sunday: House Springs Lions Car and Bike Show @ House Springs Lions Hall 6482 Hwy MM, House Springs, MO, 63051. 9:00am – 4:00pm. Trophy classes, \$15 entrance fee, dash plaque for first 100, BBQ, beer, raffles and music. For information contact Debbie 636-274-5553 or email Debbie at deb.blumenberg@gmail.com or Gary 636-222-0949 or email at garymeineke@aol.com. Rain date is Sept 20th.

13th-Sunday: Beaufort Lions Chicken Dinner @ 2041 Lutheran Church Rd, Beaufort, MO 63013. 11am-4pm cost is \$9.00 for adults, \$5.00 for kids 6-12 and kids 5 and under free. For info contact Zack Boyer 573-484-3350 or 636-283-1322- CARRY OUT ONLY!!!

14th- Tuesday: Union Lions Governors Visit

26th- Saturday: Beaufort Lion Community Yard Sale @ 2041 Lutheran Church Rd, Beaufort, MO 63013 set up at 6:00am shopping from 7am- 12pm rain or shine. For info contact Tasha 314-750-6280 or Jessica 314-304-8357

26th-Saturday: Cuba Lions Car Show

October 2020

4th-Sunday: Beaufort Lions Meat shoot @ Beaufort Lions Hall starts @ 12pm rain or shine. For info contact Lion Terry 573-777-2270 or Lion Kevin 573-484-3350

9th/10th Friday/Saturday: Webster Lions BBQ from 11am-7pm

6th- Tuesday: New Haven Lions Governors Visit

12th- Monday: Brentwood Lions Governors Visit

18th- Sunday: Cuba Lions Chicken Dinner from 11am-1:30pm

19th- Monday: Potosi Lions Governors Visit

20th- Tuesday: Beaufort Lions Governors Visit

24th- Saturday: Beaufort Lions Craft Fair from 8-4, get a jump start on your holiday shopping, food and drink available for purchase. For questions contact Lion Ruth Boyer 636-283-1234

27th- Gray Summit Lion will be pulling the ticket for the gun raffle- tickets are \$5.00 each or 5 for \$20.00

31st- Saturday: Trunk or Treat @ 2041 Lutheran Church Rd, Beaufort, MO 63013 from 5pm- 8pm. Questions email Beaufortmolions@gmail.com



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.
(June 2020 - July 2020)

CHESTERFIELD LIONS CLUB

CHRIS CARTER

MEHLVILLE LIONS CLUB

DONALD J. PALUCZAK
LINDA RUDISILL

ST LOUIS SOUTH SIDE LIONS CLUB

CHRIS PETEREIN

BEAUFORT LIONS CLUB

WILLIAM BEN OWNBY

EUREKA LIONS CLUB

PATRICK WHEATLEY

OVERLAND LIONS CLUB

JOHN W DAINS
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MESSAGE FROM YOUR GLOBAL TEAM

New Voices Spotlights!

Hello District 26 M2! As we are figuring our way back to what is as close to “normal” as possible, I bring to you the July and August New Voices Spotlights. Both Lions have a true passion for service. If you know of a New Voice to be heard in a future spotlight, please feel free to send their names and contact information to halamas@sbcglobal.net.

Yours in Lionism, Lion Sandy Halama, New Voices Coordinator

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JULY NEW VOICES SPOTLIGHT

Welcome to the July 2020 New Voices Spotlight! This month, our Lion is passionate, humble, and very active. She has been a Lion for 14 years, and has held positions as Club Secretary, Club President, Zone Chairperson, Region Chairperson, District Cabinet Secretary, District Lions Eye Foundation Secretary, MindsEye Committee Chairperson, and World Services for the Blind Committee Chairperson. Her journey began in Chesterfield, MO. Here is Lion Kathy Pusateri’s story and what Lionism means to her.



Lion Kathy grew up in Chesterfield, Missouri where the highlight of summer was going to the Chesterfield Carnival every year. Although the Chesterfield LIONS club was involved, she focused on having fun with the rides and games, not understanding what LIONS were about. Her grandparents and parents knew other Lions, but young Kathy still didn’t really know much about LIONS. Not until later, in 2005, while working as a real estate salesperson, she met Karen. Karen invited Kathy to a Valley Park LIONS Club meeting and just like that, she felt a connection and her LION journey began. By now Lion Kathy had learned how LIONS help, not just their community, but worldwide. Within 6 months, she was Club Secretary. A few years later, PDG Debbie Blumenberg asked her to become a Zone Chairperson! She recalls how she felt at that time receiving such acknowledgement from the District Governor, “She inspired me to take my Lionism to a new, higher level.”

Having role models and Lions who provide good leadership examples are key to good clubs and LIONS. Lion Kathy was inspired by another leader, Helen Keller. Reading Helen Keller’s biography as a child, and learning of Helen’s

determination to overcome all of the challenges of being deaf and blind empowered Lion Kathy in her own life. “After I became a Lion, and learned that she had challenged the LIONS to be “Knights for the Blind”, being a Lion came full circle and has inspired me.” Lion Kathy was fortunate to hear Helen’s great grand-niece speak at the Centennial LIONS International Convention, acknowledging Helen Keller’s legacy would continue. “Just as the initial spark of lighting a candle, the flame has grown even bigger and brighter for me!” What a great quote from a passionate Lion!

Inspiration and excitement come to each individual Lion in very personal ways. For Lion Kathy, the feeling of accomplishment, self-worth, and finding her identify is just part of her story. “I am truly grateful for my fellow Lions, who I consider as my family. Many of my fellow Lions are inspiring and have helped me to step outside of the box, and my comfort zone, and have helped me to develop leadership skills and improve my self-esteem.”

That accomplishment and excitement comes from LIONS activities and events. Lion Kathy has many, but shared a few key favorites.

Two events rekindled Lion Kathy’s gratitude for being part of an organization with the ability to help families and individuals in extraordinary ways.

When Lion Nikki Hull attended the LIONS Eye Foundation’s Annual Meeting, and thanked everyone for providing her with an Orcam device, Lion Kathy was in attendance and heard first hand Lion Nikki’s sincerity, spirit, and enthusiasm.

Participating in the Delta Gamma Center for Kids Run for Sight allowed Lion Kathy to see and meet the children and the families, who receive services from Delta Gamma.

Lion Kathy’s most uplifting story is told best in her words; “A few years ago when there was significant flooding in several of the District 26-M2 communities, the Lions were there and provided assistance. During the intake process at the Northwest S.D. Middle School I spoke with a young woman of which her and her family had lost everything. Even though they prepared, by stacking personal belongings up high in the house, it wasn’t enough and there was not enough time to remove everything. Since their house had never flooded before, they did not have flood insurance. Shortly after they evacuated, it rained again and the

woman's two year old son saw a rain puddle and asked his mom, "mommy, is it going to flood again?" It took everything for me to fight back the tears. When the family met me at Walmart to purchase much needed personal items and food using funds available via an LCIF grant, it gave me goose bumps and a great sense of pride in knowing that Lions of District 26-M2 and throughout the world were able to assist this family."

When thinking about advice to new or old Lions on how to stay inspired, get a voice or just be active in their club, Lion Kathy has these words of advice; "It is important to allow other Lions to voice their opinions regarding changes to fund raising events, activities and the appropriation of club money to assist children and adults in the community. However, the majority of the member's opinion is equally important. Acceptance to change and diversity is paramount to a successful Lion Club, District, etc. Quite often, I feel that I get just as much satisfaction if not more, than the time and hard work that I give. When decisions are made at the club, district or state level, sometimes, we have to agree to disagree. To quote PDG Eugene Taylor's motto; "Don't Quit"!"

In closing, I leave you with Lion Kathy's best reason to be a Lion. "As a believer in God and a follower of Jesus, I am doing his will."

James 2:14 - What good is it, my brothers, if a man claims to have faith but has no deeds? Can such faith save him? Suppose a brother or sister is without clothes and daily food. If one of you says to him, "Go, I wish you well; keep warm and well fed," but does nothing about his physical needs, what good is it? In the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead.

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AUGUST NEW VOICES LION SPOTLIGHT

Welcome to the August New Voices. This month, we are bringing the story of a Lion who has traveled the world, been part of many disaster relief activities, and now calls 26 M2 home.

Lion Edward "Pete" Amos' journey started in 1984 with the Creve Coeur LIONS Club, but his story of service, kindness, and compassion, started when he was in Junior High School in Cleveland, OH. Here is his story.



- 1984 – 1987 Creve Coeur, MO
- 1987 – 1989 Democratic Republic of Madagascar
- 2002 – 2013 Mishawka, IN
- 2013 - Present Creve Coeur, MO

Positions held:

- Member at Large 1987 – 89
- President Osceola, IN – 3 years
- Vice-President Creve Coeur 1 year
- President Creve Coeur 1 year
- Treasurer Creve Coeur 2 years
- District Zone Chairman 2 years

"I have had an interest in service to the blind since Junior High School in Cleveland, Ohio. After seeing a performance of "The Miracle Worker", I became a volunteer at an elementary school for the blind. My duties were to serve as a teacher's aide. I learned to read Braille, however lost the use of my fingers to read, due to learning to play the guitar. Calluses interfered with reading Braille.

I attended the Rochester Institute of Technology (RIT) in Rochester, New York. One of the schools was the newly created National Technical Institute for the Deaf (NTID). I became a note taker for a hearing-impaired student. At mealtimes hearing and hearing-impaired students would practice finger spelling and sign language. My sign language skills improved when I began to date a hearing-impaired student. Short two-year romance, but I retained the skills. I also created a student volunteer First Responders' Unit. Later became an American Red Cross First Aid Instructor and American Heart Association CPR Instructor. I interpreted my classes for the hearing-impaired students that participated. To better serve the hearing-impaired students I worked with NTID to create a multimedia film First Aid Class with captions.

In 1984 I was invited to join the Creve Coeur Club by Lion Dennis Gingel, co-owner of "Ginges", a grill tavern where the Club met in the evening, and where employees and volunteers of the American Red Cross, Midwestern Operations Headquarters had breakfast, lunch and gathered for drinks after work. I had just transferred to the Operations Headquarters as an Assistant Director of Disaster

Services in 1983, I had joined just in time to participate in the club's fund raiser, serving pork steak sandwiches, fries, soft drinks and beer at the Creve Coeur Boat Races.

When national disasters took me to other cities, I would look for a Club meeting to attend. Gave me a chance to hear what was being done and how we could coordinate Club actions with the American Red Cross.

As a Member at Large, I travelled to Switzerland, Kenya, the Comoros Islands, in addition to Madagascar. I was to discover the African and Indian Ocean Clubs were largely persons of color. I was told by a Thai visitor to Madagascar that the LIONS Clubs contained a great many persons of color. However, in our district, I am the only person of color, in addition to the wife of a former District Governor. My challenge in Missouri has been to recruit persons of color. While I belong to Creve Coeur, I am a resident of Florissant, which no longer has a Club."

In answer to International President Choi's vision of "United in Kindness and Diversity, Lion Pete has this to say. "In these times, we see Black Lives Matter, All Lives Matters, Police Lives Matter, and so on. Kindness Matters harkens thoughts back to the early '70s and The Beatles tune 'Give Peace A Chance'. Kindness evokes the need for all of us to treat one another as we wish for ourselves and our families to be treated. Race, creed, color, religious preference, and country of origin must become less of a concern. For the American population, apart from all the Native American Tribes, everyone's family immigrated to the USA from somewhere else. While COVID 19 requires social distancing and elbow bumps, when times are better, we all need to hug, and embrace one another as equals. Kindness then becomes a national trend."

Lion Pete has a couple of events that stand out to him. They not only make him proud to be a Lion, but also provide the camaraderie in working and meeting with members of Clubs and the District. Two of those events, White Cane Days and the Overland Lions Carnival. "White Cane Days gives us the opportunity to be visible in the community. As our club has aged, we've lost the ability to have more active fundraising events." Lion Pete was also "impressed by the Overland LIONS Carnival that I participated in as Zone Chairman."

When talking about his favorite part of being a Lion, and that which inspires him to continue, Lion Pete talks about his travel while a Member at Large. "When I

travel to foreign countries, I will visit a shop that displays the LIONS logo, talk with the owner, and look for a meeting to attend. I've done this in Australia, France, and Turkey. Being out there to show the public, I can give meaning to "We Serve".

"I am excited with the New Members Initiative. There is promise in recruiting members in St. Louis, North County." Lion Pete has this advice for young adults, or those of other diverse backgrounds, thinking about joining LIONS. "If one looks at LIONS International, we are a very diverse organization. My advice is to take a chance and be a part of the largest organization in the world!" And to those who need to find their voice, he says to develop a one-minute elevator speech: "How would you like to hear about the largest volunteer organization in the world? Can I invite you to a meeting? "



District Wide Hunger Service Project

1st VDG Lion Devin, Lion Kathy P, Lion Nikki and I have been busy planning, purchasing, and buying/collecting items for the District wide Hunger Service Project. We have collected \$2,500.00 from the district and clubs to use to purchase items.

1st Vice District Governor Lion Devin and his daughter, Abby, delivered 813 items to Agape House in Pacific.

Lions Kathy and Nikki purchased 611 items and delivered them to Peace Pantry in Cedar Hill.

Lion Teddi is working with the Affton Schools Back Pack program and will be finished shopping this week.

As a district, we had a total of 13 clubs participate in the Hunger Service Project with a total amount raised of \$8,000.00, serving 14 food pantries across our district with approximately 10,000. Items purchased.

Thank you to all that helped with this event!

Please send in your pictures if you have them and make sure to report it to LCI.

Lions 1VDG Lion Devin, Lion Kathy P, Lion Nikki and Lion Teddi.

DISTRICT WIDE SERVICE PROJECT

Pediatric Cancer Bags

We have a few changes this year due to a Covid 19. **The bags will be filled with the same items, but as a reminder, all items must be new with the tags on them and in original packaging.

Shampoo and lotions need to be in sealed ziplock bags.

Here is the list of items for the bags,

Blankets
Stuffed animals
Socks
Kleenex
Eye/sleep mask (for older kids)
Ear buds (for older kids)
Crayons
Coloring books
Pencils
Journals
Colored pencils
Books
Shampoo
Lotions
Hats
Activity books
Games/ playing cards
Cards of well wishes

New**Please do not seal the bags, you can label the outside of the bag with boy/girl and age group (older or younger).

If you have any question please let me know. I'm available to present at a meeting or Zoom.

I will be looking into setting a date for the annual stuffing event some point in October.

Clubs can also donate funds if they would prefer. Please make checks out to District 26-M2 with Pediatric Comfort Bags in the memo. If any clubs would like to work together on this please let me know.

GAT Service Coordinator

Lion Teddi Speeler

314-724-3721

Speeler36@hotmail.com



DISTRICT 26-M2 HOLDS EYE WRAP

District 26-M2 held their annual eye wrap on Saturday, July 27, at the House Springs Lions Club. There were 27 Lions helping to sort the glasses. These volunteers represented 15 different clubs.

The amount of glasses collected was approximately 32,000 pairs. These glasses were sorted into approximately 100 boxes. The glasses will be transported to the Lions recycling center in Jefferson City by Lions Elmer & Janet Weinrich.

We thank all the clubs within the district who help collect used eye glasses. We couldn't do this without you.





DISTRICT 26-M2 COVID-19 FOOD DRIVE SERVICE PROJECT

During the month of June, District 26-M2 held a food drive to collect items for those in need. We knew there was a real need both now and in the months to come. Some of our food pantries were struggling with empty shelves. We felt the need to serve them. We had clubs join our project and others that did their own projects.

Here are the combined stats:

Clubs Participating - 13

Amount Raised - approx. \$8,000

Food Pantries Served - 14

Number of Individual Items Donated - approx. 10,000



Mehlville Lions Club Diaper Drive



The Mehlville Lions Club started off the 2020-2021 year with a Diaper Drive as their service project. Our Lion Cub Kristen is also a Girl Scout, so we partnered up to help her earn her community service, “Change it up” patch. The Club plans to donate them to Women in Transition, a women’s shelter in our service area.

So far, twenty-one packages of diapers and twenty-five packages of wipes have been collected. Anyone looking to donate can contact the club at mehlvillelionsclub@gmail.com. Donations will be accepted until August 31, 2020. Thank you for your donations.



**LIONS EYE FOUNDATION
DISTRICT 26-M2
Annual Meeting Invitation**

Fellow Lions,

The Lions Eye Foundation of District 26-M2 will hold their Annual Meeting on Monday, August 31. The meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m., in the gymnasium, at Gethsemane Lutheran Church, 765 Lemay Ferry Road 63125. Due to COVID-19, everyone is requested to social distance and face masks are required. Alternatively, this meeting will be available via Zoom. The meeting ID and telephone number required to participate via Zoom will be emailed to club officers at a later date. If you will be participating via cell phone and you have been selected as your club's delegate, it will be necessary for you to cast your vote via email to Lion Kathy Pusateri.

The purpose of this meeting will be to review the affairs of the organization for the past year, vote on proposed changes to the Lions District 26-M2 Eye Foundation Articles of Incorporation and By Laws and to transact any other business as may come before this meeting. Each Lions Club will be entitled to **"ONE VOTE"** only and **the lower portion of this letter must be completed and submitted**. Plans for a guest speaker from St. Louis Society for the Blind are underway.

All Lions are encouraged to attend, especially club officers. Therefore, **please share this invitation with all of the Lions in your Club**. It is important for the Lions Clubs in our District to be knowledgeable regarding the purpose of the Lions Eye Foundation. Our intent is to provide assistance for individuals with visual impairments; for clubs who are not financially able to do so themselves and/or for individuals who reside in an area where there is not a Lions Club. The only exception is, **the Lions Eye Foundation does not provide assistance for eye surgeries**.

Yours in Lionism,
PCC Charlie Hartmann/President



Cornea Donation Report 2019-2020 Fiscal-Year-to-Date July 1, 2019 - May 31, 2020

Cornea for Transplant Distribution, FY 2019-2020

	Corneas for Transplant	Long-term Preserved Cornea Grafts	Sclera Grafts	Total
Illinois	68	0	0	68
Kansas	410	0	45	455
Missouri	543	0	12	555
Other USA	436	65	17	518
Total USA	1,457	65	74	1,596
International	1,442	0	20	1,462
Total Surgical Tissues Distributed	2,899	65	94	3,058

Cornea Transplant Data Trends from Previous Fiscal Years*

	11-12	12-13	13-14	14-15	15-16	16-17	17-18	18-19
Illinois	118	90	87	101	60	56	65	72
Kansas	339	369	343	308	449	536	393	407
Missouri	760	706	678	705	684	665	804	770
Other USA	532	692	648	657	724	742	457	306
Total USA	1,749	1,857	1,756	1,771	1,917	1,999	1,719	1,555
International	626	721	985	1,307	1,099	951	1,345	1,723
Total	2,375	2,578	2,741	3,078	3,016	2,950	3,064	3,278

*Entire year data reflected

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The Missouri Lions have given their volunteer and financial support to our programs since 1960. Because of your support, we are able to change more lives by saving sight each and every day! At the June board meeting, Saving Sight welcomed VCC Scott Sattler as a new board member and thanked outgoing board members Dr. Michael Korenfeld and PCC Walt Hamer.

Saving Sight Thanks Outgoing Board Members and Welcomes VCC Scott Sattler

Saving Sight is pleased to welcome VCC Scott Sattler to its Board of Directors for the 2020-2021 fiscal year (July 1 – June 30). CC George Winkeler will remain on the Board as he was elected to serve as Council Chair for the upcoming year.

Board members are key to the organization's success. They actively participate in long-range planning and monitor the organization's financial health and overall performance. As highly visible members of their communities, the board members also enhance Saving Sight's public standing by sharing the mission, accomplishments, and goals with Lions clubs, the general public, and other partner organizations. As Lion board members, these individuals also keep their districts informed about Saving Sight.

"We are able to change more lives by saving sight due to our board members engagement, leadership, support and oversight," said Tony Bavuso, chief executive officer.

In addition to welcoming new members to the board, Saving Sight also expressed gratitude to two individuals who retired from the board of directors in June 2020. "We were honored to have Dr. Michael Korenfeld and PCC Lion Walt Hamer serve on our board," Bavuso said. "On behalf of the staff and the recipients of our programs, I thank them for their valuable service and wish them all the best."

The current Saving Sight Board is as follows:

President: Lion Pat Martchink, MD-26 M2
Vice President: PCC Larry Boettcher, MD-26 M4
Treasurer: Lion Mike Oldelehr, MD-26 M7
Secretary: Lion Cassidy Obermark, OD, MD-26 M1
VCC Scott Sattler, MD-26
CC George Winkeler, MD-26
Lion Al Dohmen, MD-26 M6
PDG Pat Scott, MD-26 M5
PDG Roger Tiemann, MD-26 M3
Hon. Jeff Schaeperkoetter, Community Member

To give online, visit saving-sight.org/give. Donations can also be mailed by check to our Kansas City office at 10560 N. Ambassador Dr., Suite 210, Kansas City, MO 64153. Thank you for helping us change lives by saving sight!

Crafter & Tailgate Sale



Sponsored by
House Springs Lions
6482 State Hwy. MM
House Springs, MO



August 15, 2020

Set-up begins at 7 am
Sale is from 8 am to 2 pm

\$15 for a space

Contact Ken at 314-971-3949
to reserve a space or for additional information.



KIDSIGHT'S **SHOW-ME TALENT** COMPETITION



What?

KidSight's first ever, vote by donation, virtual talent show! Participants will showcase their talents via prerecorded videos that KidSight will post online. When the competition begins, you can support your favorite talent by voting on our website. One dollar equals one vote! All participants and talents are welcome.

Where?

This is a virtual talent competition that will be held on Facebook and our website. Register to compete on our website and check out our Facebook page for additional information.

When?

Registration is open NOW! You have until August 21st to submit your first talent video and registration form. The first round of voting opens August 24th!

Register TODAY

Record a 2-3 minute video of your talent and click the button to begin your registration! Registration is \$10. Talents should be family friendly and videos can be shot with your phone or camera. Email us at info@kid-sight.org if you have any questions.

[Register Now](#)

See what's happening on our Facebook page:

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HOUSE SPRINGS LIONS CAR AND BIKE SHOW

6482 Hwy. MM, House Springs, MO 63051

Trophy Classes

Cars Non-Stock/Non-OEM

A	1931 thru 1959
B	1960 thru 1969
C	1970 thru 1979
D	1980 thru 1999

Cars Stock-OEM

E	1931 thru 1959
F	1960 thru 1969
G	1970 thru 1979
H	1980 thru 1999

Trucks Non-Stock/Non-OEM

I	1931 thru 1959
J	1960 thru 1969
K	1970 thru 1979
L	1980 thru 1999

Trucks Stock-OEM

M	1931 thru 1959
N	1960 thru 1969
O	1970 thru 1979
P	1980 thru 1999

Special Classes

Q	Corvette up to 1980
R	Corvette from 1981
S	Mustang up to 1980
T	Mustang from 1981
U	Special Interest
V	Street rod
W	up to 1930 (any)
X	2000 - pres stock (cars/trucks)
Y	2000 - pres non-stock (cars/trucks)
Z	Rat Rod

Motorcycle Classes

1	Open Class
2	Harley Davidson up to 1998
3	Harley Davidson 1999 to present

Additional Trophies for

Ladies Choice (Car or Motorcycle)
Best of Show (Car)
Best Engine (Car)
Best Interior (Car)
Best Chrome (Motorcycle)
Best Paint (Motorcycle)
Best of Show (Motorcycle)

A special award will be given to the Club with the most entries.

\$15.00 Entrant Fee
Dash Plaque for 1st 100

BBQ • Beer • Raffles • Music

For information contact

Debbie 636-274-5553 or email at deb.blumenberg@gmail.com
OR

Gary 636-222-0949 or email at garymeineke@aol.com

SUNDAY
9/13/2020
9:00-4:00

Rain Date - 9/20/2020





Clarence B. Bonham Memorial Golf Tournament

Hosted by the Bonhomme Lions Club
In memory of Lion Mike Derryberry who
started this tournament

Friday, September 25, 2020
Birch Creek Golf Course
499 N Service Rd, Union, MO 63084
Time: Shotgun Start: 1:00 pm

Fee: \$100 per person (Includes Green Fees, Cart, Drinks & Dinner)

Contact

Tom Zurheide at (210)912-8868, tzur1@swbell.net

Events and Games
see reverse for
registration and hole
sponsorship

- Closest to the pin
- Longest drive
- Pink ball
- Team Prizes for Flight 1 & Flight 2
- Mulligans
- 50/50 Raffle



Player 1- Captain

Name _____
Address _____
City _____
State & Zip _____
Phone # _____
e-mail _____

Player 3

Name _____
Address _____
City _____
State & Zip _____
Phone # _____
e-mail _____

Player 2

Name _____
Address _____
City _____
State & Zip _____
Phone # _____
e-mail _____

Player 4

Name _____
Address _____
City _____
State & Zip _____
Phone # _____
e-mail _____

HOLE SPONSORS

\$75 Per Hole

Company Name and content needed by Aug 1st

Phone # _____

Email _____



BEAUFORT LIONS CLUB Annual



September 26, 2020

Set up Time: 6:00 AM

Shopping Begins: 7:00 AM- ENDS 12:00pm

Space is Limited
Cost \$20.00 =two table INSIDE,
\$10.00 No Table OUTSIDE.
Reserve your Spot Please
contact Tasha @ 314-750-
6280 or Jessica @ 314-304-
8357. You're responsible for
set up & tear down.
All Unsold Items must be
taken back with you.



Rain or Shine.

Hotdogs, Chips, Soda, Desserts, Beer & Mixed Drinks will be available for purchase.

*Do you have books, lamps,
clothes, toys, dvds, holiday
decorations, jewelry or any other
items collecting dust? Reserve a
table today!*

*Just want to shop?! That's fine
too!!*

No one refused!!!



Fall

RAFFLE



BY THE MEHLVILLE LIONS CLUB

**JOIN US FOR FUNDRAISING RAFFLE.
TICKETS ARE \$5 EACH OR 6 FOR \$20**

GRAND PRIZE

**A WEBER GRILL PLUS
ACCESSORIES VALUED
OVER \$300**

**SECOND PRIZE IS A \$100 GIFT
CARD TO CAFE TELEGRAPH**

**THIRD PRIZE IS A \$50 GIFT CARD
TO OAKVILLE BUTCHER BLOCK**

**CONTACT US TODAY FOR TICKETS AT
MEHLVILLELIONSCLUB@GMAIL.COM**

**OR AT OUR FACEBOOK MEHLVILLE
LIONS CLUB**



Lions District 26-M2

Lions Assistance and Service (LAS)

Lion Kelly Rackovan

Correct Operating Procedures for this year for processing requests. The Correct Operating Procedure is noted as follows:

1. The call comes in to the Hot Line and the requestor is directed to the 26M2 Lions website <https://lions26m2.org/resources.html> for eye care and hearing resources.
2. The requestor completes the required form and sends it to the address noted on the form.
3. Request is received at the LAS Post Office Box.
4. The request is reviewed for completeness.
5. The reviewed request is logged and forwarded to the LAS to be assigned to a local club.
6. The LAS chair forwards the request to the club or club closest to the geographical location.
7. The assigned club reviews and accepts the request to be processed (or denies due to budgetary issues)
 - a. If denied by the Local Club the LAS will direct to the closest club in that geographical area.
8. The assigned club reports back to the LAS regarding the status of the request.
 - a. Assigned
 - b. In progress
 - c. Forwarded
 - d. Closed (Complete)
9. If ANY Lions club receives an independent request OUTSIDE of the LAS line, please contact the LAS chair with the following information.
 - a. Date received
 - b. Requestors Name
 - c. ZIP CODE
 - d. Club Name assisting
 - e. Date of completion

We would like to hear from everyone and to recognize the great work that you are doing in your community.

Lion Kelly Rackovan

Chair – Lions Assistance and Services (LAS)

Las@lions26M2.org



**Louisville
Kentucky**

September 17-19, 2020



Forum Planning Committee



Kentucky Host Committee

**We can't wait to see you,
in Louisville, Kentucky,
for the 44th
USA / Canada Lions Leadership Forum!
*September 17-19, 2020***

**Fun, Fellowship and
Fantastic Leadership Seminars!**

Louisville has so much to offer you...



Quality Restaurants - Museums - Distilleries



- Take a ride on The Belle of Louisville
- Visit Churchill Downs
- Take a walking tour of Historical Victorian Mansions
- Visit Fourth Street Live
- Shop in the numerous downtown shops
- Taste some of Kentucky's finest bourbon
- Take a stroll in the wonderful city parks (most within walking distance of the convention center)
- And so much more awaiting your arrival!

Don't Delay...Register Today!

Our USA /Canada Lions Leadership Forum Planning Committee, along with the Kentucky Lions Host Committee, are working very hard to provide you with three (3) days of a great leadership experience!

We welcome all Lions, Leos & Guests to our Forum!

Here are just a few events planned for the Forum:

- **Walk 1/2 mile, one mile, or 1 1/2 miles in our Strides Walk for Diabetes Awareness**
- **Receive certification from Lions University**
- **State-of-the-Art motivational speakers**
- **Quality entertainment**
- **Informative sessions to enhance your leadership role in Lionism**
- **Attend a first-timers class; and be recognized**
- **Purchase the latest gifts and Lions merchandise from the store**
- **Numerous exhibitors (including a display of this year's peace poster winners)**
- **Design a derby hat (or bring your own); enter it in a contest to win FREE registration to the 2021 Forum in Des Moines, Iowa.**
- **Actively participate in the service project**
- **Most of all...come have FUN, FELLOWSHIP, and LEARN to be the best leader in Lionism you can be!**

Be involved in our Forum!



We are looking for numerous volunteers, whether it be for one (1) hour or all day to help make this Leadership Forum run smooth and be successful.

Volunteers will be needed in the following areas (to name a few):

- **Forum Store**
- **Registration**
- **Strides Walk**
- **Supply truck Unloading/Loading**
- **Compile Registration Packets**

If you would like to help with one of these areas, please contact Host Co-Chair Lion Bob Swett at 207-239-4766 or bobswett51@gmail.com.

Register NOW!!!

(Prices will increase in the spring)

To register, visit <https://lionsforum.org/>



See y'all in Louisville!



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“And We’re Off...To Winning Leadership”



Join Us in Louisville, Kentucky for the 44th Annual Forum. From Louisville Slugger to Churchill Downs, to wonderful restaurants and bars, there is so much to experience in Louisville. Plus, you'll capture the crown in winning leadership knowhow.



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You're Going to Love Louisville

Overall

- "Top 10 U.S. Destinations for 2018" (Bourbon Country) – Lonely Planet
- "The 10 Coolest U.S. Cities to Visit in 2018" – Forbes
- "11 Cities on the Rise You Can't Pass Up" Smart Meetings
- "3 Hottest US Cities for Events" – Experient
- "29 Best Small Cities in the US" – National Geographic
- "30 Best US Summer Travel Destinations" Travel Pulse
- "America's Best Cities for a Long Weekend" Pure Wow

Eat & Drink

- "The Best Drinking Neighborhoods in the Country (Downtown/Nulu) – Thrillist
- "The World's Top 10 Beer Destinations for 2018" Vinepair
- "Most Romantic Restaurant in Kentucky" (English Grill) – Food & Wine
- "Cities with an Unexpectedly International Food Scene" – Fodor's Travel
- "12 Foodie Cities to Discover Before Everyone Else" Where Traveler
- "The 10 Fastest-growing Beer Destinations in America" – AirBnB



Bourbon City – Louisville's first distillery since Prohibition opened in the heart of downtown in 2013 signaling a new era in Bourbon in its native home.



The Evan Williams Bourbon Experience became the first distillery the public could tour in Louisville as other brands have joined the Urban Bourbon renaissance. The picturesque Bulleit Frontier Whiskey Experience, rock 'n' roll brandy distillery Copper & Kings, and father-son craft distillery Kentucky Peerless Distilling Co., were soon to follow. The Jim Beam Urban Stillhouse opened a micro distillery and visitor experience at Fourth Street Live!

The Frazier History Museum on Museum Row is the official starting point for the Kentucky Bourbon Trail® with a Welcome Center & Exhibit.

As Louisville's reputation as a food destination has come to garner worldwide recognition, local chefs and entrepreneurs have taken culinary experiences beyond the dining room. Bourbon-themed tour company Mint Julep Tours offers customizable Culinary Artisan Tours to either sample Kentucky's staple dishes or to experience tasting dinners, chef's table experiences or mixology classes.



The accolades continue to grow - from the World Food Travel Association's grand prize award for "Best Destination Experience" to Zagat naming Louisville "one of the top eight 'awesome foodie getaways in the world'" – the only US destination.



You'll love Louisville... There are endless things to do and see.



The Big Four Pedestrian Bridge opened in 2014, connecting Louisville's award-winning Waterfront Park to the town of Jeffersonville in Southern Indiana. Jeffersonville is dotted with restaurants and breweries and has become a hotspot for locals flocking to places

like Portage House for oysters, Parlour for pizza and Flat 12 Bierwerks for local brews. A walk or bike ride across the bridge offers magnificent views of the Louisville skyline, the Falls of the Ohio and the Indiana waterfront. Bike, surrey and Segway rentals are at the base of the bridge, as well as Stand Up Paddle Boarding with Endless Summer Paddle Company.

In September, free music concerts are held at the base of the bridge attracting regional and national musicians, vendors and crowds.

Footsteps of Greatness – Muhammad Ali's legacy carries on in the Champ's Hometown: Louisville, Kentucky. Follow Ali's footsteps of greatness on a self-guided tour around Louisville. The Muhammad Ali Center was created in the vision of the Ali family to celebrate the legacy of Ali as a world-class boxer and global humanitarian.

Learn more about Louisville...www.gotolouisville.com

The Mission of the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum...

To develop leaders, motivate and educate attendees, provide an open exchange of ideas, and support programs and goals of Lions Clubs International.



The 44th Annual USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum in Louisville will offer a unique style as we move forward in our endeavor to create better leaders and educate you on building leadership within your multiple, district and club membership.

We will feature over 70 seminars in 2 and 1/2 days that will give you insight and guidelines to develop your growth as a leader.

Winning Ways... You will be educated with leadership tips that will personally make you a great leader. And you will be given insight on how to create new members for your clubs in the art of speaking the right language to any age group.

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Special Louisville Forum Events

- Forum Strides Walk
- Louisville Hands-On Project
- Lions University Graduation
- Leo Day
- & More!

Opening Day... Thursday Evening

It's a fun time welcome to Louisville featuring "Hat Night" and a Live Rock Band for dancing including a dance floor!

It's high energy and classic entertainment for great leaders like you!



Friday Lunch... Katherine Greenland



Katherine Greenland is a cultural innovator and inclusion strategist with over 20 years of experience as a public speaker, team builder and advisor.

She speaks to businesses, non profits and universities on

millennial mindset, diversity and inclusion, women's empowerment and transformation leadership.

Her expertise will help you engage your community, build team work and maximize impact with synergistic solutions.

Saturday Evening... Striker Corbin

As a motivational speaker, certified hypnotist*, and success coach, Striker Corbin focuses on personal development.

Optimistic, passionate, motivated individuals enjoy each day and contribute to the direction, success, and ultimately the prosperity of their family and/or business. Mr. Corbin stimulates self-improvements through the use of humor, presentations, life coaching, and hypnosis.



Striker has appeared on NEWS12 Long Island and the WBLI Morning Show. As the chosen EXPERT for LongIsland.com and the author of **THE CODE: 49 Rules for Living A Happy Life**, Striker conveys the strategies for success and the methodology to turn success into a habit.



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Please Remember These Lions

(June 2020 - July 2020)

WEBSTER GROVES LIONS CLUB

HARRIS GERHARD

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

Deadline for the next scheduled issue of The Lions That Roar is **October 12, 2020**. Now is the time for you to get an article in spotlighting your club or a special event. Do you have a "Did You Know" article? Pictures will be used whenever possible. Do you want to share why you became a Lion? Maybe you can inspire others.

**Send to Lion Dave Kinkade, editor, at
editor@lions26m2.org**