

# The LI NS That **ROAR**

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**District Governor**  
Lion John Yount



**1st Vice-District Governor**  
Lion Gina Boettcher



**2nd Vice-District Governor**  
Lion Sharyn Scheidt



**Cabinet Treasurer**  
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**Cabinet Secretary**  
Lion Michelle Foster

## District 26-M2 Governor John Yount's Message

My fellow Lions

As I gaze across my calendar and wonder where the time has gone I look back on where my travels have taken me thus far. I have visited many club functions and have seen numerous clubs come together as one to better serve their communities. Working together allows clubs to see how each other works giving this a perfect opportunity to share ideas. I have also had a great time with Governors visits and quite a few various other meetings seeing our Lions work as a cohesive unit and overcoming whatever obstacles come before them in their goal to serve, very inspiring.

Our chance to serve is now, "every five seconds someone in the world goes blind-and a child goes blind every minute. Lions have an opportunity to show the strength of our worldwide network during a special service action campaign, Sharing the Vision. During October we invite your club to join Lions around the world as we lead the fight against blindness"

Another chance to Serve is with International President Tam's campaign to plant a million trees. You can execute a tree planting project, organize a community tree planting event, participate in a district project and or work with a local Leo club or other youth groups to plant trees. Remember to fill out your club activity reports on line, especially when planting trees, to be included in progress # of trees worldwide. Please check out the map thru ([lionsclubs.org](http://lionsclubs.org)), enter in search "Tree campaign". My Tree committee chair person 2ndVDG Lion Sharon Scheidt can be contacted @ [rsscheidt@att.net](mailto:rsscheidt@att.net) for any questions.

Remember we are in this together, don't hesitate to contact your Committee Chairs to come and speak or to just ask questions on what direction things are going. Communication is important, be proud of your club projects, put them in the District Newsletter and also on the District Calendar ([calendarofevents@lions26m2.org](mailto:calendarofevents@lions26m2.org)) By making these dates available to other Lions, they might be able to attend and or help in the event.

I am looking forward to meeting those of you I have yet to meet through my travels in the District this coming year. Can't wait to see your accomplishments as you continue your hard work in organizing projects that make a difference in the communities you serve. By working together and supporting each other there is no telling what we can do next .Don't forget to include the other clubs in your regions and zones as they might just be looking for that new idea to use in their own service projects and fund raisers

Yours in Lionism,

*DC John Yount*

# Calendar of Events

## October

- 14<sup>th</sup> -15<sup>th</sup>, Friday-Saturday: Webster Groves Lions BBQ @ Sappington Farmer's Market on Watson Road.
- 14<sup>th</sup> -15<sup>th</sup>, Friday-Saturday: Meramec Heights Lions BBQ @ Hwy 141 and Astra Way in Arnold.
- 15<sup>th</sup>, Saturday: Brentwood Lions 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Extravaganza Show @ Goff-Moll American Legion Post 101, 2721 Collier Ave, Brentwood, MO 63144. Doors open at 6:00 pm, Dinner starts at 6:30 pm. Dinner and Talent show ticket = \$25 per person. Music and dancing afterwards until midnight. For tickets or to sign up to be in the show, contact PDG Eugene Taylor @ 314-660-1337 or [LionPinkFloyd@sbcglobal.net](mailto:LionPinkFloyd@sbcglobal.net)
- 15<sup>th</sup>, Saturday: Lions Open House @ Missouri Lions Eye Research Foundation (MLERF) - St Louis Office, 10801 Pear Tree Lane, Ste. 170, St. Ann, MO 63074. 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Foundation is hosting special Open House tours at our branch offices across Missouri. As a Lion, you're invited to join us to learn about the latest developments at the Foundation and Heartland Lions Eye Banks, listen to a recipient share how the Lions helped save his or her sight, and enjoy refreshments while you mingle with your fellow Lions. For more information or to RSVP, please call 800-283-1982 or email [info@mlerf.org](mailto:info@mlerf.org)
- 17<sup>th</sup>, Monday: Governor Visit - Chesterfield Lions @ Chaucer's at Doubletree Hotel, 16625 Swingley Ridge Rd, Chesterfield, MO 63017. Social: 6:30 pm, Dinner: 7:00 pm.
- 18<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday: Governor Visit – Beaufort Lions @ Beaufort Lions Hall, 2041 Lutheran Church Rd., Beaufort, MO 63013. Social: 6:00 pm, Dinner 7:00 pm.
- 22<sup>nd</sup>, Saturday: Governor Visit – Gerald Lions @ Gerald Lions Hall, Hwy &, Gerald, MO 63037. Time: TBD.
- 22<sup>nd</sup>, Saturday: Webster Groves Lions Club Golf Tournament @ Forest Park. Call Lion Pat Rabbitt to sign up 314-805-9957.
- 24<sup>th</sup>, Monday: Region 1 Zone1 meeting hosted by Harmony Lions Club. Pietro's, 3801 Watson Rd. St. Louis, Mo. \$26 per person, cash bar, 6pm social, meeting 7pm. We will also be celebrating Harmony's 60th anniversary. Lion June, Harmony's pres. encourages (optional of course) to come in costume and celebrate 60 years of Lionism. RSVP to Lion June 314-351-2814 or by mail 6347 Mardel, St. Louis, MO 63019 by Oct. 20th with your choice of beef medallions, chicken Peitro or fish.
- 24<sup>th</sup>, Monday: Region 2 Meeting @ Valley Park Lions Auxiliary Hall, 1001 St. Louis Ave, Valley Park, MO 63088. All fellow Lions are invited. Guest speaker: Tim Mickelson/Director of Development with National Council on Alcoholism and Drug. Snacks will be available, as well as a cash bar. RSVP to Lion Kathy Pusateri (314) 249-7530 or Lion Lynda Heald (636) 343-3733 or Lion Al Conway (636) 253-2653.
- 25<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday: Governor Visit – Gray Summit Lions and Pacific Lions @ United Methodist Church, 204 Ford Street, Gray Summit, MO 63039. Dinner: 7:00 pm
- 27<sup>th</sup>, Thursday: Governor Visit – Concord Village Lions @ Holiday Inn South, 4234 Butler Hill Road, St. Louis, MO 63129. Dinner: 7:00 pm.
- 29<sup>th</sup>, Saturday: Fenton Lions Auxiliary Texas Hold 'Em @ Fenton Lions Hall, 1316 West Lark Industrial Drive, Fenton, MO 63026. Doors open at 6:00 pm. Tournament begins at 7:00 pm. \$30 entry fee. Meal and additional snacks come with the entry fee. Cash bar available. For more information, call 636-343-1201.
- 28<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup>, Friday – Saturday: MD26 Council Meeting @ Country Club Hotel & Spa, Lake of the Ozarks, MO.
- 31<sup>st</sup>, Monday: Beaufort Lions "Trunk or Treat", 5pm - 8pm. All are welcome. Beaufort Lions Hall, 2041 Lutheran Church Rd., Beaufort, MO 63013

## November

- 1<sup>st</sup>, Tuesday: Governor Visit – Mehlville Lions @ Frailey's Sports Bar, 4329 Butler Hill Road, St. Louis, MO 63128. Dinner: 6:00 pm.
- 2<sup>nd</sup>, Wednesday: Governor Visit – St. Louis Downtown Lions @ Lombardo's. Time: 12:15pm.
- 5<sup>th</sup>, Saturday: Governor Visit - Meramec Heights Lions @ Meramec Heights Lions Club House, 1070 W. Outer 21, Arnold, MO 63010. Social: 4:00 pm. Dinner: 5:00 pm.
- 5<sup>th</sup>, Saturday: Ellisville Lions Club 9th Annual Trivia Night and Silent Auction @ the Ballwin VFW Post 6274, 115 Mimosa Lane, Ballwin, MO. Doors open at 6:00 pm, questions begin at 7:00 pm. The teams of eight players and the cost is \$15.00 per person. Feel free to bring in your own food for snacking. Liquor may not be brought in, but there will be a cash bar. Attendance prizes, 50/50 drawings, and great silent auction items. Call Lion Bill Gamlin 636-227-7315 to reserve your table.
- \*5<sup>th</sup>, Saturday: Webster Groves Lions Club 1st Annual Wine. Time: 7-10. For tickets call 314-993-0068 or 314-965-7456
- 6<sup>th</sup>, Sunday: Beaufort Lions Meat Shoot, sign in at 11:45 am, shooting starts at 12 noon. Beaufort Lions Hall, 2041 Lutheran Church Road, Beaufort, MO 63013
- \*11<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>: Friday – Saturday: Mid South 2nd Quarterly Meeting, Hamilton Eye Institute, Memphis, TN.
- 12<sup>th</sup>, Saturday: MLERF Vision Screening @ St Louis Science Center Health Fair, 5050 Oakland Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63110 from 9:30 am to 4:30 pm. We would love to have volunteers to help – contact Angela Bell at 314-428-4373 x112.
- 21<sup>st</sup>, Monday: Governor Visit – Potosi Lions @ Potosi Lions Den, Highway 8 & 185, Potosi, MO 63664. Time: 7:00pm.
- 26<sup>th</sup>, Saturday: Fenton Lions Auxiliary Texas Hold 'Em @ Fenton Lions Hall, 1316 West Lark Industrial Drive, Fenton, MO 63026. Doors open at 6:00 pm. Tournament begins at 7:00 pm. \$30 entry fee. Meal and additional snacks come with the entry fee. Cash bar available. For more information, call 636-343-1201.
- 27<sup>th</sup>, Sunday: Beaufort Lions Pancake Breakfast with Santa, serving 7am - 1pm, Pictures with Santa available 9am - 1pm, Christmas "Gifts & Things" Crafts, Adults \$8.00, Children (6-11) \$4.00, Children 5 and under free, Beaufort Lions Hall, 2041 Lutheran Church Road, Beaufort, MO 63013. For information call Lion Jeanne @ 573-484-3613.

# Joplin Relief Calendar

The spouses of 2011/2012 Multiple District 26, District Governors are in the process of putting together a eighteen month calendar, July 2012-December 2013. We are asking that you submit pictures of your community projects, including fundraisers.

Some of the pictures will be used in the calendar. We would love every club to be represented.

Please send your pictures to: Lion Toni Mahoney P.O. Box 138 Richwoods, Mo. 63071 or [tmahoney@dishmail.net](mailto:tmahoney@dishmail.net). All pictures should be received no later than December 1, 2011. We plan to have the calendars for sale at the 2012 State Convention. All proceeds will be donated to "Joplin Relief Fund"

## Washington Lions Work Chili Cook-Off for United Way

The theme for Washington's Chili Cook-Off this year was "game shows". Washington Lions selected Hollywood Squares as their game and matched Lions pictures to the original Hollywood Square participants. Chili was served to all who purchased a souvenir mug with all proceeds going to the Franklin County Area United Way. This is the seventh year for the event and Washington Lions have participated every year. Even winning best non-profit chili one year.



## Welcome These New Members

Have you done your part? Bring in a new member, help us grow!  
Governor John Yount's Goal is 10% Increase

### Concord Village Lions Club

William Winfrey

### Cuba Lions Club

Samuel J. Black

### De Soto Lions Club

Billie Kerr

Carlton Kerr

Harold G Walker

### Gray Summit Lions Club

Christina Garretto

Stephanie M Meyer

Annie M Stallings

### Maplewood Lions Club

Leslie Ann Mcentire

Lynn Marie Sansone

### Mineral Point Lions Club

Jamie Nelson

Kathline Squires

### Potosi Lions Club

Sandra K Lawson

### Rock Township Lions Club

Keith W Schaefer

### St Clair Lions Club

Ron Deason

### Valley Park Lions Club

Kaye Denormandie

### Washington Lions Club

Karen E Brueggemann

Al N Harper

Brendan J Mahon

Jeffrey A Weber

Kyle D Wolfe

Casey B Zastrow

Bring In a New member and See  
Your Club Listed next Issue

# House Springs Lions Conduct 24th Big River Clean Stream

Saturday, August 27 House Springs Lions gathered once again to participate in the Missouri Operation Clean Stream project. This is the 24th year the Big River Clean Stream Team, headed by Julie Wacker has participated. The Lions team consisted of 22 members and friends who floated and cleaned the Big River between Byrnes Mill and



Rockford Beach or assisted with that activity. Lion Jim Hoene brought his tractor to the take out point to move the trash that was collected.

Next year a special Big River Team gathering is planned where all the participating groups can come together to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the team formation.

# Washington Lions First Mouse Race a Success



Most of Washington Lions' fundraisers revolve around bar-b-q and outdoor activities. Many times the weather adversely affects these events and Lions have been searching for an event where weather made no difference. Mouse races just may be that event. Saturday, October 8 the Washington Lions held their first annual mouse race and even though they only had about 75 people the event made money and everyone had a good time.

Race sponsors covered the cost of the mouse race company so the only cost was the hall and advertising. Silent auction items, food, bar and other games of chance more than covered those expenses leaving a profit to be applied to Lions sight activities. This appears to be a winning fundraiser and Washington would recommend it to others.

## Please Remember These Lions

**Beaufort Lions Club**  
Alice Hagler

**Cuba Lions Club**  
John Schwartz

**Gray Summit Lions Club**  
Roland G Harfst

**Lemay Jefferson Barracks  
Lions Club**  
Philip E Klemp Sr

**Maplewood Lions Club**  
Terri D Williams

**St Clair Lions Club**  
Kenneth Meek

**Webster Groves Lions Club**  
Debbie L. Jackson

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

# DEALING WITH A BLIND PERSON FOR THE FIRST TIME

By Fred Oliver

The following are suggestions to keep in mind when dealing for the first time with a person who is blind. We are not super-human. We would like to be thought of as being just like you with the exception that we have a significant vision loss. We are not helpless, but we may not be able to do everything you do in the same way. Our limitations may be more evident, but we all have limitations, don't we?

1. I am not deaf. It is not necessary to raise your voice when speaking to me.
2. If we are in a restaurant together and the waiter or waitress asks you a question about me, or what I want, please tell them to speak to me. A response such as "I don't know, why not ask him?" would be in order.
3. Do not assume I can not do something simply because I am blind. If you want to know you can always ask.
4. Do not pay any attention to my dog guide. Do not talk to him/her. My dog may be lovely, wag its tail, look directly at you, however it is working. When it is in harness, it is working. If you feel you must pet my dog guide, please ask if it is okay first, and if I say no, please respect my wishes. If you talk to my dog, you are distracting it from its job.
5. Blindness does not automatically ensure that my other senses will be improved. Any sensory development on my part took lots of time and awareness to develop. It doesn't happen because I can't see, I have taught myself to rely on my other senses instead of my vision.
6. I probably will not want to touch your face to determine what you look like, but feel free to tell me if there's something on the floor that needs to be cleaned up, or my shirt's a mess and needs to be changed.
7. Do not avoid the words watch or see; I use them all the time.
8. Yes, I do watch TV and I do go to movies. If we go to a movie do not feel compelled to tell me what is going on. If I need to know, I will ask you.
9. Just because I may be blind doesn't mean I can't afford to buy my meal at the restaurant.
10. Do not feed my dog, it is fed daily and does not need table scraps.
11. If my dog is doing something it ought not to be doing, please let me know so I can discipline it myself.
12. If you see someone petting my dog, please let me know so I can inform them as to whether or not it is okay for them to do so.
13. There is no such thing as a dumb question except the one you don't ask.
14. I may be glad to give you some information about being blind, however if you take the time to get to know me, you will find that I have many interests, hobbies and other activities which I pursue.
15. Because I have not ever been able to see, I do not see pictures of anything at any time, not even when I dream. However if I had been able to see at one time, I would retain those visual memories, and although they might at some point become out-of-date, they would be invaluable to me because having been able to see, I would retain the ability to visualize.
16. Blindness is not contagious. In most cases it is not hereditary and is not passed down through the generations.
17. Every single person who is blind is different. Each blind person you will meet probably has a different type of vision loss and probably sees things differently. Some are more capable than others. Some will be able to travel independently and some will ask for assistance. We do not all learn to play musical instruments at an early age and some of us can only play the radio. Please treat us with the respect we deserve and be sure to treat us as the individuals we are.

If you're sharing your life with a person who is blind you're in for a world of discoveries and growth. You'll learn that "treat me like everyone else" means that "yes, I'll need some adaptations but don't do one more thing for me than what I absolutely need." You'll learn to be more descriptive in your language; you won't say "over there" you'll say "on the dresser" or "six inches to your left" and you'll learn to do it in a way that is casual and natural and no big deal. You should keep your expectations high; because people who are blind can cook and make your coffee and take good care of you, too. You'll learn to describe anything and everything you notice that is interesting or unusual or helpful. You'll find ways to show all the beauty that you encounter through touch or sound or smell. On the other hand you could well be treated to a unique perspective: the difference between a mother and baby robin's call, the first cricket of the season, or a dove just taking off. You'll learn to pay close attention to the wonders of all your senses. You'll learn that being fully human doesn't depend upon the possession of sight. Expect to enjoy the learning process because it can go on forever.

## Lemay Jefferson Barracks Lions to Celebrate 80 Years

Lemay Jefferson Barracks Lions Club will be celebrating their 80th. Club Anniversary with a dinner Sunday, November 6, 2011 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.. at Genesis Banquet Center, 2651 Telegraph Road.

The guest speaker for the evening will be Past International Director Yancy Watkins. Please RSVP Lion Jackie Hartmann 317 Walworth Drive, St. Louis 63125, 314-544-1670 or Lion Toni Klingemann, 6776 Ferrier Lane, St. Louis, 63129, 314-846-2455. Only \$25 per person for the evening.

Everyone is welcome to attend and help Lemay Jefferson barracks celebrate this milestone in Lionism.

## Thousands of Glasses Give Sight to Patients in Mexico

For many around the world, clear vision through the convenience of pair of new eyeglasses is unaffordable and inaccessible. However, thanks to the dedication and hard work of mission groups going abroad to deliver recycled eyeglasses, thousands of individuals living in third world countries can know the joy of seeing clearly - some for the first time in their lives.

In the past year, the Missouri Lions Eye Research Foundation was able to provide nearly 14,500 recycled eyeglasses to Jefferson City's Concord Baptist Church for two mission trips to Mexico. The mission group - led by member, Larry Merry - visited San Juan del Rio and Matamoros in summer of 2010, and then the city of Aquascalientes in summer of 2011. These cities are home to thousands living in poverty. Many of these individuals have never had glasses - it is simply a luxury they cannot afford.

The mission was a success and the group was able to fit thousands of patients with eyeglasses.

"Thanks for all your help with providing glasses," said Merry. "Most of the people we go to in Mexico are literally dirt poor. They live in shacks like we use to raise chickens in with dirt floors. Most of these people cannot afford glasses so they just do without."

Each year, the Foundation collects between 60,000 and 80,000 eyeglasses from both Lions clubs and individuals in our community. We invite you to learn how easy it is to contribute through our Eyeglass Recycling Program at [www.mlerf.org](http://www.mlerf.org).

## Vote to Grow St. Louis!

The Missouri Lions Eye Research Foundation recently entered Monsanto's Grow St. Louis contest in an effort to receive funding to expand our Children's Vision Screening program in low income communities. Grow St. Louis projects that accumulate the top three number of votes will receive \$15,000, \$10,000 and \$5,000 grants from Monsanto - and you can help us be among the winners!

Just visit <http://www.monsanto.com/stlouis/Pages/grow-STL-contest-voting-form.aspx/?v=146> and cast your vote. You can vote up to 100 times per day, so please vote daily, vote often and tell your friends to do the same!

## Who Is This Charming Fellow?

No this isn't a mug shot, although it may resemble one. It was taken by a state agency though. If you think you recognize this person send an email to the editor with your guess and any comments.

Lion Leon Hove,  
hove@yhti.net.



Isn't he cute?

## Enter the Lions Clubs Contest

The Lions Clubs International Contest gives Lions the chance to showcase their hard work and creativity. Clubs, districts and multiple districts are encouraged to submit their entries for this year's Contest in four categories: Newsletter (Bulletin), Trading Pin, Friendship Banner and Web site. See International web site for contest entry forms.

## Is Your Club Represented Here?

All it takes is for someone to take a picture, write a short note and send an email and your club's activities can be included in the *Lions That Roar*.

Plan now to send in pictures of your latest project or fund raiser for the next issue. Deadline is December 10. Let others know what you are doing and help them with ideas for their club.

DISTRICT GOVERNOR JOHN YOUNT HAS ISSUED  
A CALL FOR THE  
**FOURTH ANNUAL DISTRICT 26-M2 CONVENTION**  
To Be Held March 23<sup>rd</sup> thru March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2012  
Holiday Inn - St. Louis Southwest/Viking Hotel & Conference Center  
INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR MARK HINTZMANN



Mark Hintzmann, from Watertown, Wisconsin, USA, was elected to serve a two-year term as a director of The International Association of Lions Clubs at the association's 94th International Convention, held in Seattle, Washington, USA July 4-8, 2011. Director Hintzmann owns and operates a special needs school bus company. A member of the Watertown Lions Club since 1992, he has held many offices within the association, including club president, zone chair, region chair, district membership chair, vice district governor, district governor and council chair. He also served as District Convention Chairperson, MD 27 Convention Chairperson, MD 27 Leadership Chairperson and Host Chairperson, 2010 USA/Canada Forum. In recognition of his service to the association, he has received numerous awards including Club Lion of the Year, three Governor Appreciation Awards, two International President's Certificates of Appreciation, the International Leadership Award and two International President's Awards. He is a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow. In addition to his Lions activities, Director Hintzmann is active in numerous professional and community organizations, including being a member of the Wisconsin School Bus Association. Director Hintzmann and his wife, Jayne, also a Lion and a Melvin Jones Fellow, have a son.

FRIDAY, MARCH 23 <sup>rd</sup>	SATURDAY, MARCH 24 <sup>th</sup>	SUNDAY, MARCH 25 <sup>th</sup>
Registration ..... 2 PM - 6 PM Hospitality Rooms ..... 5 PM to Midnight Parade of Banners ..... 8 PM Dancing & Party Time ..... 8:30 PM - 12:00 AM	Registration ..... 8 AM - 10 AM 1 <sup>st</sup> Business Session ..... 8 AM All Lions Lunch ..... 12 Noon - 1:15 PM 2 <sup>nd</sup> Business Session ..... 1:30 PM Voting ..... <i>Immediately following session</i> Banquet ..... 7 PM	Breakfast ..... 8:15 AM Closing Business Session & Memorial Service ..... 9:00 AM

The Holiday Inn - Southwest/Viking at 10709 Watson Rd., St. Louis, MO 63127 is holding a block of rooms and taking reservations at a discounted price of **\$77 + tax** for a standard room. Please contact them directly at **800-682-6338 (website [www.hiviking.com](http://www.hiviking.com) - group code LCC)** to make your room reservations and mention that you are with the **District 26-M2 Lions Convention**. After February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2012, the room block will be released and the discounted price will no longer be available.

**2012 District 26-M2 Convention Registration Form**  
March 23<sup>rd</sup> thru March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2012 at the Holiday Inn - Southwest/Viking

Name of Lion: \_\_\_\_\_ Club: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

All Lions Lunch:	Number attending _____	X \$22.00=	\$ _____
Banquet:	Number attending _____	X \$35.00=	\$ _____
Breakfast:	Number attending _____	X \$18.00=	\$ _____
<u>3 Meal Discount per Person</u>	Number attending _____	X \$ -5.00=	\$ _____
<u>After March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012 - ADD</u>	Number attending _____	X \$10.00=	\$ _____
<b>TOTAL FOR ALL EVENTS:</b>			<b>\$ _____</b>

**Make checks payable to: 26-M2 Convention Fund**  
**Mail to: IPDG Kimberly Taylor**  
**#15 Goode Drive, Fenton, MO 63026**

No refunds after March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2012  
No reservations guaranteed (may not be able to accept) after March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2012  
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.**

# Richwood lions Host Community Days Celebration



The Richwoods Lions hosted a Community Days Celebration on their grounds Saturday Oct. 8th. The weather was perfect for all those in attendance. The Lions along with the Richwoods School PTO ,Richwoods CERT,

Richwoods Fire Department and the Funeral Dinner Association had Games , Raffles and Demonstrations throughout the day . Live music was played beneath the main tent .Fellow Lions from the DeSoto club helped for a portion of the day by manning the grill.

## Message From 1st VDG Gina Boettcher

Greetings fellow Lions:

Wow, the last few months have been so busy and seem to have flown by. Before long we are going to have that white stuff on the ground. Since the last newsletter we have traveled to Mid South Lions Sight & Hearing Service for their quarterly meeting and auction, where I currently serve as 2nd Vice President. Mid South helps those less fortunate over the four state area with eye care and hearing service. The Cuba Lions Club sent a patient through the satellite clinic in Rolla, Missouri this past year.

My mother-in-law, Lion Mary Kane and I traveled to Leader Dog in Rochester, Michigan for Vice District Governor Weekend. What a great organization. We toured the kennels where the dogs are housed. We got to walk blind-folded with a dog and a guide. We went to downtown Rochester and watched the new class of students walk with their dogs, where they encountered various obstacles, such as cars pulling out in front of them, busy traffic on the streets, and pedestrians walking. The dogs had to make sure that their partner was not in danger. Sometimes to us with vision it was a little scary, but to those without vision it was a new door opening. The smiles on their faces as they passed by will always be planted in my memory of going to Leader Dog. We had the chance to hear from some of the students that evening before dinner, to thank us for what we do as Lions and to encourage us to never give up providing dogs to those who have lost some or all of their vision. It was an awesome weekend and when we were returning home we had that warm fuzzy feeling all over for what we do for the visually impaired.

What an experience attending the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum in Anchorage, Alaska. I have come back rejuvenated and motivated as a Lion. We had outstanding speakers during the lunch and dinner sessions. International President, Lion Wing-Kun Tam expanded on his theme, "I Believe". I also attended a variety of seminars to fill up my days with learning from other Lions. The interaction and suggestions from other Lions is what makes the seminars. Anchorage is a beautiful city surrounded by snowy mountains and clear blue water. The Lions of Alaska should be proud of how the forum turned out. Next year the forum will be in Tampa Bay, Florida on September 13-15, 2012.

Do you believe in what we do for those less fortunate? I believe we can change the world by providing love and care to those individuals.

PCC Terry and I would like to wish you and your family a Happy Thanksgiving.

Yours in Lionism,

*1st VDG Lion Gina Boettcher*

# Fourth Annual Brentwood Lions Talent Extravaganza

The Brentwood Lions will be holding their fourth annual "Spaghetti, Music and Talent Extravaganza" on Saturday October 15<sup>th</sup> at the Goff-Moll American Legion Post. The event features an All-You-Can-Eat spaghetti dinner starting at 6:30 pm, and a talent/entertainment show, as well as music during dinner and for dancing afterwards. The audience will get to vote for the winners and awards will be given out for first, second and third place. The cost will be \$25 per person (adults only).

Of course, what would a talent show be without talent? The Brentwood Lions Club is also looking for any sort of entertainment act to participate in the Extravaganza – singing, dancing, comedians, etc. There is a \$10 registration fee and all acts must be registered in advance, registration will close as soon as all positions on the playbill are filled. All registrations will end by October 5th, but it would be a good idea to sign up as soon as possible to assure your opportunity to participate. To reserve a place in the show, please contact PDG Lion Eugene Taylor at (314) 660-1337 or [LionPink-Floyd@sbcglobal.net](mailto:LionPink-Floyd@sbcglobal.net).

This has been a really fun event in past years and you should mark your calendars to attend this year. Please contact any Brentwood Lion for tickets or more information. You can also visit their website at [www.brentwoodlions.org](http://www.brentwoodlions.org).

## Million Tree Campaign

International President Tam's extension of service this year is the Million Tree Campaign. District Governor Lion John's pledge is that our district would participate to the tune of 1500 trees.

Why trees? It is no secret that trees help the environment, but you may be surprised by all the benefits that planting a tree can provide. Trees are like the lungs of the planet. They breathe in carbo monoxide and breathe out oxygen. They also reduce erosion and save soil, help preserve local water sources, and provide habitat for wildlife living under more and more stress.

Any one of us can plant a tree, it is a very visible and hands-on way for each and every Lion to make a difference. Make tree planting a part of your club and community activity. What a better way to be reminded of our gift of service than to watch the trees you, your Lions Club and community have planted grow year-by-year.

Your Lions Club can partner with a youth organization as a joint service program.

To find more information on planting trees, cost of trees, etc. go to the Missouri Conservation Department web site: <http://mdc.mo.gov/landwater-care/landowners-and-farmers/seedling-orders>.

Let's make this a 100% district project.

2nd VDG Lion Sharyn Scheidt, Chairman  
Lion Georgia McGuire, Vice-Chairman

## Any Idea Who This Might Be?

This young fellow's picture appeared in an over a decade old newsletter with the heading:

### A Blast.....From the Past

Perhaps you remember who this is or maybe even the owner of the phone number to call if you know who this is. The number was a 458 exchange.



Let editor Lion Hove know and the answer will be published next issue in December.

This makes two people, (I believe both Lions) that you can identify. No great prize is currently offered but you never know what might happen.

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