



January/February 2013

GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE

Fellow Lions and Leos:

Hope you all had a Happy and blessed Holiday. Only 16 Governor's visits left and I am still enjoying every minute of it. In December we bid a fond farewell to a dedicated member of our Lion office staff, Lion Irene. We thank her for all her service. Have fun on retirement.

To reduce the average age of our members, we must emphasize youth. Ask members to ask those men and women who are about the age or younger than you were when you were invited. Women now comprise more than half the world's population. Their talents and achievements have moved many to the highest levels in business, government and the professions. Put their talents to work for you and your Clubs achievement will grow too.

Remind all that they would not be lions now had no one asked them to join and that they have an obligation to share their good fortune with others. Keep in mind that men and women of all ages can enhance your Club's quality.

CONVENTION TIME:

We are looking forward to a great District Convention March 1, 2 and 3, 2013. It will be held at The Resort at Port Arrowhead on Business Hwy 54 in Lake Ozark Missouri. Now is the time to get your reservation in to 1St Vise District Governor Jeff Hilke. Our guest speaker for the convention will be International Director Harvey Whitley from Monroe, North Carolina. Let's have a big Missouri group to welcome him and his wife Lion Diane. Registration information enclosed.

Yours for the betterment of Lions Clubs,



District Governor Darlene Jost

District 26 M7

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1st Vice District Governor Jeff Hilke Lionjeffhilke@gmail.com Jefferson City Evening

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Zone 3 Chair Larry Duncan <u>mduncan@yahoo.com</u> *Owensville*

Zone 4 Chair Bob Linnebrink *Wardsville*

Zone 5 Chair Vacant

Zone 6 Chair Emory Smola esmola@ktis.net Fulton Host

DISTRICT 26m7 LIONS CONVENTION

Lake Ozark, Missouri March 2-3, 2013 **Resort at Port Arrowhead**

Club Presidents and all members:

Lions of District 26M7 and all Lions throughout the State are cordially invited to attend and participate in our annual, convention on March 1-2, 2013 at the Resort at Port Arrowhead in Lake Ozark, Missouri. A great time of learning and fellowship is planned and we want you all to join us!

March 1 – District Hospitality Social

FEATURE ATTRACTION - WHOLE ROAST PIG PREPARED BY THE FREEBURG LIONS

To help make this a special event, we ask that District 26M7 Lions and clubs help by contributing one or all three of the following:

- A "pot luck" dish to accompany our feature item. Remember it is Lent and some non-meat items should be available plus an assortment of beverages
- An item or items for the silent auction
- A "IN A WORLD OF SERVICE' theme gift basket or any theme gift basket you may desire for our . live auction

The funds from the auctions help offset the administrative expenses of the district.

If you have District 50/50 raffle tickets and money, please bring these to either event. We will have the drawing at the Banquet on Saturday evening.

March 2, District Convention

Registration	Begins at 8:00 am		
Convention	convenes 8:45 am		
Luncheon	12:00 Noon - 1:30 pm Choice of Fried Chicken or Meatloaf		
Governors Banquet	Social 5-6 – Dinner 6 pm Sirloin Bordelaise		
(Both meals include Salad, veggies, rolls, butter, coffee (reg. or decaf), ice tea and dessert)			

SPECIAL DIET MEALS AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST

Cost:	
Registration	

Registration and Lunch only	\$30.00
Registration and Banquet only	\$32.00
Registration and both meals	\$52.00

Send registration and money by February 10th, 2013 to:

First VDG Jeff Hilke 4911 Oakridge Rd Jefferson City, MO 65109

Missouri Lions Eye Research Foundation

We need to select a new Board Member for Missouri Lions Eye Research Foundation at The District Convention. Any Lion is welcome to submit their desire to run. Anyone interested let me know. District Governor Darlene Jost

Announcing the 2013-2014 Peace Poster Theme



It's a new year and time for a new Peace Poster Contest theme. The theme for the 2013-2014 contest is "Our World, Our Future." Work with your club to sponsor the contest in local schools or youth groups to help make this world a more peaceful place. Contest kits will go on sale on January 15 from Club Supplies. Learn more about the contest, including how to order a kit. Also, learn about the Lions International Essay Contest for students who are visually impaired.

Please start thinking about next year's contest. We would like to have more clubs involved. We only had 3 entries this year 2 from Hermann Lions Club and 1 from Linn-Creek Osage Beach Lions Club. Let's involve our youth. 26-M7's winner this year was Tess Schamuth from the Hermann Lions Club. Her poster was sent to State for their judging.



Enter the 2012-2013 Environmental Photo Contest



The <u>Environmental Photo Contest</u> (EPC) offers a chance for Lions across the globe to share their commitment to protecting, preserving and improving the environment by capturing the earth's natural beauty through photography. All multiple districts are encouraged to submit one photograph for the international contest, which will be held during the 2013 International Convention in Hamburg. January 15, 2013 is the suggested deadline for districts to submit one photo to the multiple district. Visit the <u>Environmental Photo Contest</u> web page to find out how to enter and to purchase a

2013 calendar.

Lions Clubs International Foundation

As Lions, we have once again demonstrated our quick response in the time of need, and we want to update you on relief efforts.

Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) awarded a US\$100,000 Major Catastrophe Grant with money from the disaster relief fund, allowing Lions in affected areas to immediately begin providing assistance. In addition to the Major Catastrophe Grant, LCIF has awarded US\$100,000 in emergency grants to Lions districts in North Carolina, Maryland, New Jersey, Connecticut and New York. LCIF was able to award these funds from the disaster relief fund, thanks to Lions who generously donated knowing that in times of disaster there is an urgent and great need.

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Check Us Out on the Internet

Did you know? District 26-M7 is on the Web -- http://www.e-district.org/sites/26m7/ Did you know? District 26-M7 has its own Facebook page -- Heart of Missouri Lions 26M7 (www.facebook.com/MoLions26m7)

If you have any problems getting on the website or facebook please contact your Information Technology Chairperson Lion Amy Bell at ambell75@gmail.com

Is your club on the Internet?

If so please send the address information to jostdra@aol.com

District Governor Club Visits

DG Darlene is busy visiting every district lions club. She has already made great progress in visiting each of the 42 clubs. Below is the list of confirmed visits.

Aug 9- Lohman – completed Aug 28- Jefferson City Capital - completed Sept 5 - Warsaw – completed Sept 8 - Jefferson City Breakfast - completed Sept 18 - Rocky Mount - completed Sept 19 - Cedar City - completed Oct 8 – Chamois - completed Oct 11 - Freeburg - completed Nov 6 - Vienna - completed Nov 10 - Fulton Breakfast - completed Nov 15 – Russellville- completed Jan 10 - Auxvasse Aug 27 - Tipton - completed Sept 4 - Elden - completed Sept 6 - Jefferson City Evening - completed Sept 12 - Linn Creek / Osage Beach - completed Sept 19 - Jefferson City Host - completed Sept 20 - Gravois Arm - completed Oct 9 - Hurricane Deck - completed Oct 23 - Hermann – completed Nov 8 – Millersburg - completed Nov 12 – Iberia- completed Dec 6 - New Bloomfield - completed Jan 15 - Fulton Host

If your club is not listed above, please contact District Governor Darlene to set up a date. You may contact her at 573-723-0347 or jostdar@aol.com. Your cooperation will be appreciated. Thank you.

New Members

Let's give a mighty Lions ROAR to welcome our newest members, reported through August 31st. Our new Lions help our clubs grow and allow us to do so much more in our service to our communities.

	Bell Lions Club					
Gary L. Doerhoff Join Date: 9/17/2012 ANN GEHLERT	Gravois Arm Lions Club					
Joseph B. Malecky Join Date: 11/01/2012 JAMES W. NEWKIRK		Melana L. Malecky Join Date: 11/01/2012 BARBARA D. ABREY NEWKIRK				
	Lake Ozark Lion Club					
Gary Williams Join Date: 10/01/2012 DAVID L. COVINGTON						
Christopher Leuckel	Jefferson City Host Lions	Marilyn Schmutzler				
Join Date: 12/04/2012 JANET A. OUSLEY		Join Date: 12/04/2012 SAM BUSHMAN				
Cliff Senzee Join Date: 12/04/2012 JAMES SENZEE						
Melvin Atteberry Join Date: 11/14/2012 DEE PFEIFFER	Mokane Lions Club	Tracy Clingman Join Date: 11/14/2012 LANCE CLINGMAN				
Hilary L. DeMarco Join Date: 11/14/2012 LANCE CLINGMAN						
	When was the last time <i>you</i> aske	ed someone to be a Lion?				
Let's inc	crease our membership by asking at least	st one person a month to join the lions.				
	Deceased Me	mbers				
Chamois Lions Club Dorsia R. Gerloff		Chamois Lions Club Marill Townlay				
Date Deceased: 11/10/20	12	Merill Townley Date Deceased: 11/06/2012				
Club News						
Hermann	We look forward to the Valentine's Days Dinner on the 12 th of February followed by the Pancake Breakfast in early March.					
Holts Summit	Soup Kitchen, Tuesday and Thursday from 5:00 to 6:30 pm. Located at the Civic Building in Greenway Park on S. Greenway Drive. Lions Club 3 rd Annual Trivia Night on Friday February 22, 2013, \$100 per table or \$12.50 per person. Contact Don Soph at <u>donsoph@hotmail.com</u> or Lynne Bateman at 573-690-1898 to sign up of for more information.					

Hurricane Deck Annual Memorial Day Pancake Breakfast May 25, 2013 at Lions Building. 7:00 to 11:00 am.

Lake OzarkDid you know you can rent Lake Ozark Lions Club for your next Special Event. For pricing &
reservations please call: 573-746-0423 or 573-365-6286. Please reserve 30 days in advance.

Calendar

District 26-M7 Cabinet Meeting District Convention March 2, 2013 Lake Ozark, MO jostdar@aol.com

2013

- Jan25 26 Council of Governors Meeting, Holiday Inn CoCo Key, Kansas City
- Feb 6 Ham, Bean and Chili Dinner, Jefferson City Host
- Feb 8-9 Mid-Winter Forum, Grand Palace Hotel, Branson

Mar 1-3 District 26 M-7 Convention Resort at Port Arrowhead, Lake Ozark, MO

April 13 Pot-O-Gold Dinner, Jefferson City Host

April 26 - 28 Missouri Lions State Convention Holiday Inn CoCo Key, Kansas City

- April 28 Council of Governors Meeting, Holiday Inn CoCo Key, Kansas City
- May 14 Orientation Meeting, Jefferson City Host

July 5 - 9 International Convention, Hamburg, Germany

Sept 19 - 21 USA/Canada Leadership Forum, Overland Park, Kansas

What is your club up to?

Let us know so we can include your club's activities in our Newsletter.

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