



BETWEEN THE LIONS

District 26-M7 ... Newsletter

November 1, 2011



Grape Stomp Making Money - Having Fun

Brazito Honey Creek Lions Host Cabinet Meeting, Sunday, November 6

You are invited to the November 6th cabinet meeting at the Brazito-Honey Creek Lions Club, 3826 Route E, Brazito.

Our hosts, the Brazito-Honey Creek Lions, are preparing a delicious fried chicken meal (\$8.00). The meal will be served at 1:30 pm.

Join us as we share in Lions fellowship and review our district's activities.

We look forward to seeing many Lions at the cabinet meeting.





From the Guv:



The variety of ways that Lions clubs serve their communities is amazing. Not only are clubs involved in vision programs (eyeglass collection, providing eye exams and glasses for those in need, etc.) and youth programs (college scholarships, peace poster contests, state band, state all-star football, sponsoring youth groups, etc.), they also provide unique services in their communities.

Want to learn more about these activities? Reading our newsletter is a great start. Now, take the initiative to visit nearby Lions clubs and attend zone and district meetings. This type of information is routinely shared among Lions as they make the effort to meet and work with other Lions.

Our annual District 26-M7 Convention is one place to learn more about what Lions clubs are doing and how other resources can come to your community so that you can provide a greater array of services. The convention is held the evening of March 2, 2012 and continues through the next day. Our District hospitality room is open Friday night and all Lions are invited. On Saturday, we will conduct a little business and learn more about Lionism. Come for the Fellowship – Stay to Learn.

Attention all Lions clubs hosting a Peace Poster Contests!

The deadlines for your 2011 entries are quickly approaching.

November 15 – Postmark deadline for a club to send one winning poster (per contest sponsored) to the district governor.

December 1 – Postmark deadline for a district governor to send one winning poster to the multiple district council chairperson.

Send your contest winning posters to: DG Jesse Hathcock, 608 Castle Dr, Jefferson City, MO 65109.

Remember – kit sales for the 2012 Peace Poster Contest go on sale in January 2012. Now is the time to get with your local art teachers, art clubs, youth groups, or other interested groups to gather support for the 2012 contest.

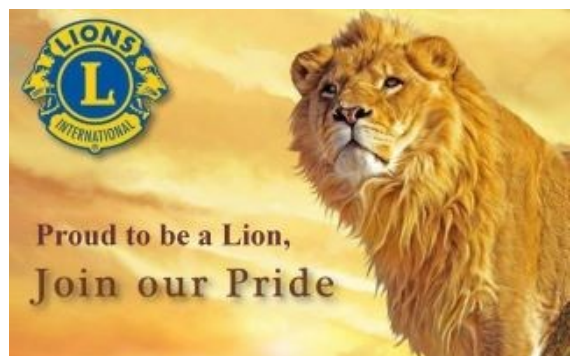
Are You a Quality Lion?

A Multiple District 26 (Missouri) award program recognizes as a Quality Lion those who meet the challenge of six requirements.

- 1) Attend a club board meeting.
- 2) Participate in a club project.
- 3) Bring a prospective member to a club meeting.
- 4) Visit another Lions club.
- 5) Attend a zone, region, or district meeting.
- 6) Registered or attended a district, state or international convention.

Do you dare to meet the challenge? If so, see your club secretary for the Quality Lion application.

DG Jesse



Global Service Action Campaign – Relieving the Hunger

The month of November brings us special holidays – times for reflection and rejoicing. Thanksgiving, especially, is a time when we enjoy family gatherings and great feasts. It is indeed a time to enjoy. The results of our Lions service gives us even more to celebrate.

Unfortunately, there are those whose holidays are not as joyful. In many of our communities, there are those who are hungry. As more and more in our communities are seeking assistance, food shelters are seeing their supplies reduced and in need of replenishing.

Many Lions clubs are already helping by providing backpacks of healthy food for schoolchildren, conducting food drives for their local food shelters, or providing “adopted” families and elderly citizens with food baskets.

Lions Clubs International is devoting its December and January Global Service Action Campaign to easing hunger around the world. All Lions clubs are encouraged to plan service activities during these months to help collect and distribute food in their communities.

Lions Clubs International Foundation Update

Let’s do the old “good news –bad news” routine here. First, the good news.

Many thanks to those Lions who made “Contributing Member” donations to the Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF)! Also, thanks to the Lions clubs who made donations to LCIF in 2010-2011!

Now the bad news – the final donation totals for 2010-2012 are in. They are not a pretty set of numbers for the Lions of District 26-M7. Our donation total of \$7,500 was roughly one-half of the funds donated the previous year. As bad as that news is, the worse news is that only 13 of our 42 Lions clubs made a donation to *our* Foundation.

Yes, many of our clubs and our own district donated funds directly to District 26-M6 and the Joplin Host Lions to assist with the clean up and recovery from the devastating tornado of May 2011. Those kind donations were combined with the \$60,000 provided through LCIF. Without a doubt, the generous donations, either directly to the Joplin Host Lions or through LCIF, certainly made a difference to those who suffered through the tornado.

Each Lions club is strongly encouraged to review its budget to identify funds that may be donated to our Lions charitable arm. LCIF relies solely on the donations of Lions, Lions clubs, and others to provide support in times of disaster and in support of Lions sight and youth programs. ***Let us establish a goal that all 42 of our Lions clubs support our LCIF this year!***

Donations to LCIF may be sent to: **Lions Clubs International Foundation**, Department 4547, Carol Stream, IL 60122-4547.

GLT Helps Us Grow!

What is GLT? How can GLT help me, as a Lion and as a person? How can GLT help my Lions club?

GLT -- Global Leadership Team -- is a new way of focusing on developing leaders within Lions clubs. All organizations rely on quality leaders to provide the vision, guidance, and motivation to set and accomplish goals. Lions clubs are no different -- our club officers set the tone for our community service and encourage Lions to succeed. The rewards for accomplishing our Lions goals are stronger communities and the satisfaction that comes from doing great deeds while serving others.

Our district GLT is charged with identifying Lions who are interested in or have the potential to serve as effective Lions leaders. The GLT is working with the District 26-M7 Governor Team, District 26-M7 Global Membership Team, Multiple District 26 GLT, Great Plains Lions Leadership Institute, and Lions Clubs International to provide active training and leadership development initiatives. These initiatives will provide leadership skill development opportunities as well as Lions-specific education.

Many of the leadership skills you use in your Lions club also apply in your everyday activities -- time management, public speaking, conflict resolution, and so on. The training available through Lions education readily translates into skills required in your professional life.

As we build strong Lions leaders, our Lions clubs will gain greater capabilities and attract more active members, which will allow our clubs to provide more service to our communities.

For more information, contact the District 26-M7 GLT Coordinator, PDG Pat Horner (pdglionpat@yahoo.com) or a member of the District Governor Team -- DG Jesse Hathcock (jess26m7@aol.com), 1st VDG Darlene Jost (jostdar@aol.com), and 2nd VDG Jeff Hilke (lionjeffhilke@gmail.com).

Mid-Winter Forum

Do you need a mid-winter break? Plan on attending the Mid-Winter Forum; it is always a lot of fun and educational. Currently the GLT (Global Leadership Team) coordinators team is deeply involved in getting the Lions Mid-Winter Forum details finalized. We will be at the Grand Plaza Hotel in Branson once again. We will be starting Friday evening February 3, 2012 with our traditional hospitality room. Saturday, February 4, 2012, will be a full day of training. Hopefully, we will be able to arrange a dinner theatre event Saturday evening; this is contingent on a theatre show being available.

The District M26 GLT Coordinator is currently looking into contracting with a bus company to schedule a bus trip to and from the forum.

PDG LION Eugene C. Taylor

MD26 GLT Coordinator

The Branson Grand Plaza Hotel offers 200 beautiful rooms and suites, overlooking the magnificent Ozark Mountains. Located just off Hwy 76 across from the Grand Palace Theater and right next to the Tanger Outlet Mall, the Grand Plaza Hotel is in the heart of all that Branson has to offer. The hotel has an Indoor Pool, adjoining rooms, cable, conference center, indoor corridors, and a fitness room for you to use and enjoy.



Club News

Hermann Lion Club: Donated \$150.00 to Hermann Food Bank, \$66.00 to World Service Day, provided a needy person glasses and collected \$100.00 worth of used eye glasses. Pancake breakfast Sunday, November 6.

Gravois Arms Lion Club: Won First place in the Olde Tyme Apple Festival Parade. A picture of their apple press was in the WestSide Star as one of the 5 highlights of the Apple Festival. In Saturday, November 19th they will be hosting a fish fry dinner. Cost \$7.00 per adult, children under 8 years \$3.50—or all you can eat for \$10.00. Saturday, December 3, they host their Annual Christmas Party including dinner and a silent auction. Mark your calendar and plan to attend. Saturday, December 10 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. Pancake Breakfast and pictures with Santa Claus. Cost \$5.00 adults all you can eat and \$2.50 for kids. Pictures with Santa will be from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and will cost \$3.00 per picture.

Mokane Lions hosted a Halloween party for the children of Mokane, we painted candy sacks and pumpkins, we Bar-B-Qued hot dogs and hamburgers and finished the day off by giving the children a sack of candy and a hay ride. About 60 local children attended.

Hurricane Deck Lions Club: Their fashion show made around \$1,100.00. Thanks go out to Lions Stella and Myrna for a great job they did. They inducted two new members, Lions Randy and Janet Johnson.

Jefferson City Host Lions will be hosting a Ham & Bean Dinner on Feb. 1, 2012, a Pot-O-Gold Dinner on April 14, 2012, and will be the hosts for the state Convention at Capital Plaza April 19-22, 2012.

Jefferson City Capital Lions will be selling bags of nuts for \$9.00 a one pound bag. They will have pecan halves, pecan pieces, and mixed nuts.

Camdenton Lions Club are building three bunk beds for Helping Hands, our three county area homeless shelter. They will be hosting a family for Christmas is Sharing.

Chamois Lions Club to promote Lions and to educate the public and potential new members as to Lions projects, the Chamois Lions Club recently purchased banners to use at Lions Club events to advertise the club and to highlight Lions Club service projects. In addition, the Chamois Lions Club has a Facebook page to promote the club. The club help purchase new playground equipment for the city park. The club will adopt a family for Christmas.

The Russellville Lions are hosting their first Fall Festival on Nov 5th at the Russellville Lions Ball Park.

The Jefferson City Breakfast Lions are selling poinsettias for the Holiday Season. The plants will be ready for pick up shortly after Thanksgiving. Call Lion Lou Ann Hathcock, 573-761-4438, to place your order.

Pin Traders Announce Swaps

Nov. 10-11—Virginia Swap, Winchester

Bill Smith 540-349-2748

Feb. 23-25—Southeast Swap, Nashville

Jerry Townsend 601-737-5170

March 21-23—Pennsylvania, York

Amos Schatzer 814-542-9654

aschatzer@verizon.net

April 11-14—Midwest Pin Swap, Moline

We Are Hosting!

Lion Nan Blakemore

May 4-5—Michigan Swap

Jim Wall 231-796-2861

June 6-9—Alternate Site, Tampa, Fla.

Dennis Walton 813-495-8134

lionjohnboy@hotmail.com

June 22-26—International Convention, Busan, Korea

Larry Shaull 717-845-1933

Aug. 10-12—Branson (Mo)

Nan Blakemore 573-893-3730

Sept. 13-15—USA/Canada Forum, Tampa Bay

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