



District 26-M7 ... Newsletter



March 2014

## **FROM THE DESK OF THE DISTRICT GOVERNOR**

District convention time is nearly upon us. Please make plans now to attend the 2014 District 26-M7 Convention March 21-22, 2014. If you've been to many conventions in the past, you will find this convention to be something different and new. If you've never attended a district convention, why not give it a try? You can't say you won't enjoy it if you've never given it a chance.

Our guest speaker will be International Director John Pettis, Jr., from Massachusetts. ID John will bring a lot of excitement and enthusiasm to our district as he shares his experiences and views of being a Lion.

Our district convention kicks off with our Friday night hospitality event from 6:00 – 10:00 p.m. at the Wardsville Lions Club, just outside of Jefferson City. Join us for lots of food, fellowship and fun! We will have live music from the Lion Eyes Band, silent and live auction items and plenty of food. Feel free to bring a dish to share, your favorite beverage and something to donate to the auction.

After a short hospitality-recovery period, don't forget about the convention on Saturday, with registration and breakfast at 7:30 a.m. There will be several educational/informational sessions throughout the day, awards presentations, elections, luncheon with words from our visiting International Director, and a chance for one lucky winner to win a cash prize for his/her club and the Lion's charity of the winner's choice.

I know time is precious to everyone, but all of this means nothing if you aren't there to participate. A lot of thought and planning has gone into making this a meaningful and enjoyable convention. Please make time to join us. I guarantee you won't regret it!

# WELCOME LINCOLN UNIVERSITY LIONS CLUB!!!



Saturday, February 22, 2014, was a historic night for District 26-M7 as we welcomed the Lincoln University Lions Club and its charter members into Lionism. We had an excellent turnout to witness the induction of the charter members and installation of the club's officers.



Club President Misty Young and District Governor Jeff Hilke presenting the new charter.



Jefferson City Host Lions present the new banner to the club

Past International Director Dr. Dwayne Garrett addressed the charter members, giving them encouragement and guidance as they start their career of community service. Past Council Chair Don Noland of the Harvester Lions in District 26-M3 inducted the new members and Past Council Chair Jesse Hathcock of the Jefferson City Evening Lions installed the club's first officers.



Club President Misty Young



Lincoln University Lions Club Charter Officers being sworn in. From left to right: PCC Lion Jesse Hathcock, Membership Co-Chair Lion Allen House, Membership Co-Chair Lion Elizabeth Morrow, Treasurer Lion Cynthia Scroggins, Secretary Lion Kevin Pigford, President Lion Misty Young

The Lincoln University Lions Club has 45 charter members. Please welcome these new Lions and support them as they join in promoting our motto, "We Serve."



Membership Co-Chairs Elizabeth Morrow and Allen House with Guiding Lion Carlos Graham



2014 Dan Bernskoetter

Charter Members of the Lincoln University Lions Club

## **CONVENTION TIME IS ALMOST HERE ...**

Preparations are underway for the 2014 District Convention. This year's convention will be held on March 21-22, 2014, starting with our Friday night hospitality extravaganza, hosted by the Wardsville Lions Club at their facility, 3505 Route M, Wardsville. This informal setting is a great time to get to know Lions from around the district, have some fun, and relax. We will have great food, entertainment, and fellowship.

The fun doesn't stop there. On Saturday, March 22, we will gather at Solid Rock Family Church, 508 Hunters Run Road, Jefferson City, for an informational and educational day featuring International Director John Pettis, Jr., of Massachusetts. We are working to make this convention appealing to all Lions and hope to have something of interest for everyone. This will not be a boring day-long business meeting, so mark your calendar now. You won't want to miss out on the best convention ever!

### **2<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL JC BREAKFAST "MOUSE RACES"**

On March 15, 2014 the JC Breakfast Lions are having their 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Mouse Races at the Wardsville Lions Club, 3505 Route M, Wardsville. There is a fried chicken dinner starting at 5:30p and the races start at 7p. Tickets are \$15 for adults (\$10 for kids 12 and under) and includes dinner and races or \$10 at the door for races only. This is a great family friendly event and the JC Breakfast Lions look forward to seeing you there! Please contact [lionamybell@gmail.com](mailto:lionamybell@gmail.com) for tickets or more information.

### **"SAVE THE BANDSTAND" FUNDRAISER**

On March 15, 2014 the Chamois Lions Club is holding the "Save the Bandstand" Dinner, Raffle, Silent Auction, and Entertainment at the Chamois Lions Community Building, Riverside Park from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. (meal served 5:00 - 8:00) - serving pasta, both meat and meatless, salads, garlic bread, desserts, and drinks - hot dogs for the kids. \$10 for adults, \$5 for children 6 - 12, five and under - free. This is a fund raiser to "Save the Bandstand", a historic structure at Riverside Park. Come dine with the Chamois Lions in our 50's style dining room and be entertained with "American Bandstand" fun: a media presentation of music and dance, Rate-A-Record, and Dance Contests. Prizes for participants!



**MISSOURI LIONS 92nd**



## **2014 STATE CONVENTION**

**SEDALIA, MISSOURI**

**APRIL 25 – 26, 2014**

Convention Center – MO State Fairgrounds

2503 W. 16th Street Sedalia, MO 65301

Mohler Assembly Hall



Schedule includes Council of Governors on Thursday afternoon.

Registration all day Friday with First Plenary Session beginning at 3:30 at the Mohler Building followed by the Governors Elect Hospitality Room in the Ballroom at the Best Western State Fair Inn at 6:45

There will be a full day at the Mohler Building on Saturday starting with

Necrology Service at 8:30 a.m.

The Second Plenary session will begin at 9:30

Seminars on "Lions Mission Opportunities" and "LCI Website" with an

All Lions LCIF Luncheon (ticketed event) and Third Plenary Session at 12:15.

Caucuses will form at 2:30 with voting to follow at 3:00

Last but not least is the Banquet (ticketed event) and Final Plenary Session at 7:00 p.m.

To Register and to see more information about the Convention go to:

<http://www.molionsm5.org/stconv14.htm>

Bus transportation provided from Best Western State Fair Inn to Mohler Assembly Hall on the State Fair Grounds on Friday afternoon and Saturday all day and evening at no cost.



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<p>Name _____</p> <p>Lion yes ( ) no ( ) District _____</p> <p>Lion Title _____</p> <p>Home Club _____</p> <p>Address _____</p> <p>City _____</p> <p>State _____ Zip _____</p> <p>Phone _____ 1<sup>st</sup> convention? Y__N__</p> <p>E-mail _____</p> <p>Guest Name _____</p> <p>Lion? Yes ( ) No ( ) District _____</p> <p>Lion Title _____</p> <p>Home Club _____</p> <p>Large Print Program? _____ Braille? _____</p> <p>Please note any dietary needs:</p>	<p><b>Advance registration deadline, April 15, 2014</b>  <b>Sorry no refunds after this date.</b></p> <p>Full Registration (lunch/banquet __@ \$65= _____)</p> <p>Registration &amp; Luncheon _____ @ \$35= _____</p> <p>Registration &amp; Banquet _____ @ \$45= _____</p> <p>Chicken _____ Pork _____</p> <p>Registration only _____ @ \$15= _____</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Total Due \$ _____</p> <p><b><u>Make check payable to:</u></b>  "Missouri Lions 2014 State Convention"</p> <p><b><u>Mail to:</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Lion Donna Jungerman  8627 Three T Rd.  Mayview, MO 64071  Phone 660-237-4239</p> <p>Email: <a href="mailto:jungerman@ctcis.net">jungerman@ctcis.net</a></p>
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**MAKE ROOM RESERVATION DIRECTLY WITH HOTEL**

Best Western State Fair Inn, 3120 S. Limit (S. 65 Hwy), Sedalia, MO Phone (660) 826-6100

[www.bestwestern.com](http://www.bestwestern.com)

Single/double \$87.80 - Suite \$107.80

**Rate includes breakfast, served in breakfast area 6:30-9:30 p.m.**

For camping information see Missouri Lions web site

## **MISSOURI LIONS MD-26 2014 PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS**

The following propositions have been reviewed and screened, and reflect amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws of the Missouri Lions MD-26. They will be submitted to the voting delegates at the Multiple District Convention on April 26, 2014.

There will be five issues on the ballot this year. These include approval of the 2016 State Convention location in Springfield, MO, expanding the scope of the Athletic Committee, updating references to the new Saving Sight organization, allowing for annual financial reviews instead of more expensive financial audits, as well as some housekeeping cleanup.

### **PROPOSITION NO. 1**

A RESOLUTION TO MODIFY THE SCOPE OF THE ATHLETIC COMMITTEE TO ALLOW FOR INCREASED INVOLVEMENT BY YOUTH IN LIONS-SPONSORED ATHLETIC PROGRAMS. IT ALSO WILL ALLOW FOR MALE AND FEMALE INVOLVEMENT BY ALLOWING FOR THE EXPANSION INTO OTHER SPORTS.

SHALL THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BE ADOPTED?

BE IT RESOLVED, that Article VI, Section 6 (m) of the Multiple District 26 Constitution be amended to read as follows:

State Athletic Committee -- In addition to the members appointed by the District Governors the committee may itself appoint advisors to help carry out its charge. Advisors are not entitled to vote or reimbursements for mileage expenses without prior approval by the Council. The State Athletic Committee shall be responsible for the annual All-State All-Star Football Game providing and supporting athletic opportunities for Missouri youth. The committee shall prepare a budget for the game its activities and for the activities of its subcommittees for Council approval.

### **PROPOSITION NO. 2**

A RESOLUTION TO ALLOW FOR AN ANNUAL REVIEW OF THE BOOKS AND ACCOUNTS AT THE END OF THE FISCAL YEAR, INSTEAD OF AN ANNUAL AUDIT. THIS WAS RECOMMENDED TO THE COUNCIL BY THE CURRENT AUDITORS.

SHALL THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BE ADOPTED?

BE IT RESOLVED, that Article I, Section 2 of the Multiple District 26 By-Laws be amended to read as follows:

It shall demand and receive from the Council Secretary-Treasurer financial reports, semi-annually or more frequently if necessary, and shall make provisions for an audit or review at the end of the fiscal year of the books and accounts of the Council Secretary-Treasurer. As soon after the close of the fiscal year as reasonably possible an audit or review shall be conducted, and the ~~audit~~ report shall be submitted to the Council at its second regular meeting.

**PROPOSITION NO. 3**

A RESOLUTION TO INCLUDE THE PHRASE "DOING BUSINESS AS SAVING SIGHT" TO REFERENCES FOR THE MISSOURI LIONS EYE RESEARCH FOUNDATION. ON DECEMBER 1, 2013, THE MISSOURI LIONS EYE RESEARCH FOUNDATION BEGAN TO OPERATE AND DO BUSINESS UNDER THE NAME "SAVING SIGHT".

SHALL THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BE ADOPTED?

BE IT RESOLVED, that in Article VI, Section 6 (b) and 6 (m) and Article VII, Section 1 of the Multiple District 26 Constitution where the name MISSOURI LIONS EYE RESEARCH FOUNDATION is used, the phrase "doing business as SAVING SIGHT" be included.

**PROPOSITION NO. 4**

A RESOLUTION TO ALLOW FOR THE CLEANUP OF HOUSEKEEPING, GRAMMAR AND FORMATTING ISSUES WITHIN THE CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS.

SHALL THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BE ADOPTED?

BE IT RESOLVED, that where necessary throughout the Multiple District 26 Constitution and By-Laws, it shall be updated to correct minor housekeeping, grammar and formatting issues. None of these updates will change the intent of any of the Articles.

**PROPOSITION NO. 5**

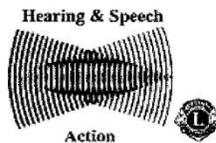
A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE SITE OF THE 2016 STATE CONVENTION.

SHALL THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BE APPROVED?

BE IT RESOLVED, that the proposed location for 2016 Multiple District Convention will be Springfield, Missouri.

## HEARING SWEEPSTAKES

The sale of tickets for the Hearing Sweepstakes is underway. It is the goal of District 26M7 to sell a minimum of one ticket per Lion in our district. 26M7 is dedicating all tickets sold in honor of the late Lion Tom Peoples. Lion Tom was a life-long supporter and volunteer for the Hearing Committee, dedicating a lot of his time and money screening many of the students in our district. Hearing Committee Chair Lion Linda Martin has offered up a challenge ... the Lions Club with the highest amount of sales per capita will receive a prize for their club. If you or your club has not received your tickets, please contact Hearing Committee Chair Lion Linda Martin (werlions@msn.com).



Lions of Missouri  
HEARING CONSERVATION  
COMMITTEE



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**TO: ALL MISSOURI LIONS**  
**FROM: HEARING CONSERVATION COMMITTEE**  
**SUBJECT: ANNUAL HEARING SWEEPSTAKES**

We are urging your full support for the *HEARING SWEEPSTAKES (THE ONLY FUNDRAISER FOR HEARING)*. *Nothing* comes from your dues for this program. It is entirely supported by your donations and the sale of Sweepstakes Tickets.

Proceeds have provided funding and will continue to provide funding for the purchase of Lions "State of the Art" Portable Audiometers (3 per Missouri District); operation of 2 Hearing Screening Vans; purchase of hearing aids and/or medical assistance to needy persons with hearing problems, i.e. *Affordable Hearing Aid Project (AHAP)*. Several thousand Missourians are screened each year. A large percent of these are school age children. We need your help. Please be a part of this needy and worthwhile program.

We have some great prizes – one \$1250 cash prize, one \$500 cash prize, three \$250 cash prizes and seven \$25 cash prizes for a total of 12 prizes. A drawing will be held at each of the seven District Conventions for one of the \$25 prizes. All tickets will be put back in for the State drawing of the top prizes to be drawn at the State Convention in Kansas City April 26-28, 2013 – so please get your tickets with the money to your District Hearing Chairperson before your district convention. A \$5 donation is requested for each set of 6 tickets and \$1 donation for single tickets. If a person requests a ticket without a donation, *one* must be provided.

In addition to the club purchasing the tickets as many clubs do, have your club Hearing Chairperson take charge of them and encourage additional sales. If you don't have such a chairman, we suggest you appoint one. You'll be happy with the reception you'll get.

Each club may retain 10% of the money and the balance sent to your district hearing chairman with the ticket stubs and the form attached to this letter.

**NOTE: Make all checks payable to "MISSOURI LIONS".**

We sincerely thank you and will be looking forward to your support of this major Lion activity. It's an important program. Be a part of it.

Your State Hearing Committee

## **MISSOURI LIONS YOUTH CAMP**

Missouri Lions William C Chandler Youth Camp has started receiving applications and requests for youths from 13 different countries to attend.

The youth will start arriving July 1st in St. Louis for their stay with the first host families in the surrounding St. Louis area. Second host family stays start July 9th in other areas of Missouri. The week of July 19 - 26 youths will be attending Camp Brim Shire in St. James.

Lion Toni Mahoney and PDG Lion Lisa Clinton are always looking for other Lions to enjoy the fun and learning experience. The host family applications can be found on [www.missourilions.org](http://www.missourilions.org)

For more information contact 26-M7 Opportunity for Youth Chairperson Lion Pat Mills, [pmills@msma.org](mailto:pmills@msma.org), or PDG Lion Lisa Clinton [lisa.wclinton@embarqmail.com](mailto:lisa.wclinton@embarqmail.com)

## **MLERF NEWS**

### **MARCH IS NATIONAL EYE DONOR MONTH**

46,000 Americans will need corneal transplants this year to treat eye diseases and injuries. The gift of sight is a transformative experience for recipients, often relieving pain and reviving personal independence. Accordingly, National Eye Donor Month is a helpful reminder of how important it is to sign up for the eye, organ, and tissue donor registry and to speak with family about your decision to donate.

Your club can help share the news about National Eye Donor Month this March by ordering free publicity materials and placing them in your community. Saving Sight offers posters and table tents for public display (see what they look like here: [www.saving-sight.org/request-materials-national-eye-donor-month-march](http://www.saving-sight.org/request-materials-national-eye-donor-month-march)), and if you would like to host an eye, organ, and tissue donor registration drive in your community, we can send additional materials and instructions. Please contact the communications department at 800-283-1982 x115 or [pr@saving-sight.org](mailto:pr@saving-sight.org) to place your request.

Take the opportunity this National Eye Donor Month to join us in saving sight:

1. Learn more about eye donation at [www.saving-sight.org](http://www.saving-sight.org).
2. Pledge to be an eye, organ, and tissue donor on the donor registry at [www.missouriorgandonor.com](http://www.missouriorgandonor.com).
3. Speak with your family and friends about your choice to donate.
4. Share the message of donation with others in your community.



## You're Invited!

Please join us at the **Midwest Lions Breakfast**  
at the Lions Clubs International convention in Toronto, Canada



Hotel: The Fairmont Royal York Hotel  
Room: Canadian

Monday, July 7, 2014, at 7:00 a.m.

\$35.00 USD (\$37.00 Canadian)

Buffet breakfast includes: OJ, eggs, bacon, breakfast potatoes, coffee & tea.

**Please make reservations using the attached form.**

**Registrations must be received by May 13rd.**

**Make checks payable to Ohio Lions Inc.**

Return the registration form and check(s) to:

Ohio Lions, Inc.

4074 Hoover Rd.

Grove City, OH 43123

**Hosted by the Lions of Ohio and Arizona**

**We look forward to seeing you there!**



## Please include me in the Midwest Breakfast!

Monday, July 7, 2014 at 7:00 a.m.

So that we may contact you in the event of changes, please provide the following information (one form for each person, please):

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State/Province \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code or equivalent \_\_\_\_\_

Country \_\_\_\_\_ Best Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Checks (\$35 per person) should be payable to Ohio Lions. Please keep copies for your records since we will not send receipts. Forms and checks should be sent to:

MD-13 Ohio Lions, Inc.  
4074 Hoover Rd.  
Grove City, OH 43123 USA

### March 2014 Great Plains Lions Leadership Institute Promotion



Building Effective Teams  
 Communication Skills  
 Conflict Management  
 Delegation  
 Diversity

Leading Effective Meetings  
 Managing Change  
 Motivation  
 Project Management  
 Public Speaking

### Your wish could come true this summer! How?

You participate in the Great Plains Lions Leadership Institute. It's your opportunity to learn constructive leadership skills, meet Lions from six U.S. states and one Canadian province and have fun.

- When:** July 25-27, 2014
- Where:** Northwest Missouri State University, Maryville, Missouri, U.S.
- Who:** Any Lion, Lioness, or Leo who has attained majority, who has not yet served as District Governor as of the dates of the institute, is eligible. No previous attendee is eligible without prior approval of the Institute Coordinator, PID Leland Kolkmeier.
- Registration Fee:** \$150 U.S. funds  
 Fee includes seven meals, all institute costs and double occupancy dorm room

The weekend experience is organized to teach leadership skills which apply not only to Lions volunteer service but to one's career, church, community and home lives.

Also included are two luncheon sessions, one specifically geared towards Lions International; and one to demonstrate the numerous tools and resources available to all Lions on our website, [www.lionsclubs.org](http://www.lionsclubs.org).

Check out the Institute application form attached for registration, dorm and special needs information.

**DON'T WAIT. MAKE YOUR RESERVATION TODAY!**



## **GREAT PLAINS LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE**

- WHAT** GPLLI is an intensive, professional and valuable leadership skills program for Lions who have not yet served as District Governor. You will learn skills for club, job, community and church, as well as personal development.
- WHEN** July 25-27, 2014. Registration is from 9:00 a.m. to noon, Friday, July 25. Adjournment and checkout is by 3:00 p.m. Sunday, July 27, 2014. Lunch on Friday, July 25 is at 12:00 noon.
- WHERE** Northwest Missouri State University, Maryville, Missouri
- COST** US\$150 per attendee if received by the Registrar on or before May 31, 2014. Cost increases to US\$170 beginning June 1, 2014. Registration covers double occupancy room, seven meals, and all course materials. Single occupancy rooms, if available, require an additional US\$40. Any remaining costs will be covered by funding from Lions Clubs International and contributions from participating multiple districts.
- WHO** Any Lion, Lioness or Leo who has attained majority and who has not yet served as District Governor as of the dates of the institute is eligible. No previous attendee is eligible without prior approval of the Institute Coordinator, PID Marvin Chambers.

This institute is being sponsored by Multiple Districts 5 (Saskatchewan, North Dakota and South Dakota), 9 (Iowa), 17 (Kansas), 26 (Missouri) and 38 (Nebraska).

Dynamic presenters from across the Great Plains will provide emerging Lion leaders with modules on communication skills, team building, delegation, management of change, conflict management, project management, diversity, motivation, public speaking and leading effective meetings.

For additional information please contact Secretary/Registrar PID Bruce Schwartz at [mbBruce@bis.midco.net](mailto:mbBruce@bis.midco.net).

**PLAN NOW TO ATTEND  
THE 2014 INSTITUTE**





## **26M7 ON THE WEB**

### **Here are some of our Lions clubs on the with an Internet site:**

Auxvasse Lions -- <http://www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/auxvasse/>

Brazito-Honey Creek Lions -- <http://www.brazitolions.com/>

Eldon Lions – <http://www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/Eldon>

Hermann Lions -- <http://e-clubhouse.org/sites/hermann/>

Jefferson City Host Lions -- <http://www.jeffcitylions.com/>

Mokane Lions -- <http://mokanelions.com/>

Wardsville Lions – <http://www.wardsvillelions.com>

Westphalia Lions -- <http://www.westphalialions.com/>

### **Here are some of our Lions clubs with a Facebook page:**

Heart of Missouri Lions 26M7 – <https://www.facebook.com/MoLions26m7>

Chamois Lions - <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Chamois-Lions/205081276180705>

Holts Summit Lions - <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Holts-Summit-Lions-Club/171581639545805>

Iberia Lions - <https://www.facebook.com/iberialionsclud>

JC Breakfast Lions - <https://www.facebook.com/JeffersonCityBreakfastLions>

If your club has a website or Facebook page, please submit that information to District Governor Lion Jeff Hilke at [lionjeffhilke@gmail.com](mailto:lionjeffhilke@gmail.com) for inclusion on the website and future District Newsletters.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES**

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:** [HTTP://WWW.E-DISTRICT.ORG/SITES/26M7](http://www.e-district.org/sites/26m7)

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| March 15      | JC Breakfast Club Mouse Race<br>7:00 pm – 10:00pm - Wardsville Lions Club   |
|               | “Save the Bandstand” Dinner, Raffle, Silent Auction and Entertainment<br>5:00 pm – 9:00 pm<br>Chamois Lions Community Building, Riverside Park, Chamois |
| March 21      | 26M7 District Convention Hospitality<br>6:00 pm - Wardsville Lions Club   |
| March 22      | 26M7 District Convention<br>Solid Rock Family Church, Jefferson City, MO  |
| April 24      | Council of Governors Meeting<br>6 pm - Best Western State Fair Inn, Sedalia, MO   |
| April 25 & 26 | MD26 State Convention<br>Best Western State Fair Inn, Sedalia, MO   |
| July 4 – 8    | Lions International Convention<br>Toronto, ON, Canada   |
| July 25 – 27  | Great Plains Lions Leadership Institute (GPLLI)<br>Northwest Missouri State University, Maryville, MO   |



# Calling all Lions and Guests!!!

## It's time to celebrate *Lionism*



District Governor Jeff Hilke has issued a call for the  
**2014 District 26-M7 Convention**

March 21<sup>st</sup> – District 26-M7 Social  
Wardsville Lions Club, 3505 Route M, Wardsville

March 22<sup>nd</sup> – District 26-M7 Convention  
Solid Rock Family Church, 508 Hunters Run, Jefferson City

Be on hand to extend a warm welcome to our distinguished guests –  
International Director John Pettis Jr. and his wife, Lion Liz, of Merrimac, Massachusetts

### **Come for fellowship and fun!!!**

**The District Social is open to all Lions**, and the cost is just right – **FREE**. The Social is Friday night (March 21<sup>st</sup>) from 6:00 pm until 10:00 pm.

#### **FELLOWSHIP**

*Lions from around the district will be there. Meet old friends and make new!*

#### **ENTERTAINMENT**

*The JC Evening Lions' renowned "Lion Eyes" band will perform!*

#### **GREAT FOOD**

*Plenty of good food and beverages will be on hand!*

#### **SILENT AUCTION**

*Featuring an eclectic array of interesting items, including those that are sometimes odd and sometimes exotic!*

#### **LIVE AUCTION**

*Gift baskets go to the highest bidders! Is your club the most creative in designing a gift basket? Use your imagination and the International President's theme, "Follow Your Dream" to build a basket or use whatever ideas come to mind.*

### **Stay to learn and share Lions experiences!!!**

**Every club president, secretary, and delegate** should attend the District 26-M7 Convention. Remember, all club members, even if not serving as delegates, are encouraged to attend.

Registration on Saturday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, begins at 7:30 am. Breakfast will begin at 7:30am. The first session will begin at 8:00am.

**One lucky attendee will be awarded a  
\$\$\$ CASH PRIZE \$\$\$  
for their club and Lions charity of their choosing.**

**Lions District 26-M7 Convention  
Jefferson City, Missouri  
March 21 - 22, 2014**

**Club Presidents and All Lions:**

Lions of District 26-M7 and all Lions throughout the State are cordially invited to attend and participate in our annual convention on March 22, 2014 at the Solid Rock Family Church, Jefferson City, Missouri. A great time of learning and fellowship is planned and we want you all to join us!

**March 21 – District Hospitality Social**

To help make this a special event, we ask that District 26-M7 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 “Follow Your Dream” 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 still have District 50/50 raffle tickets and money, please bring these to either event. We will have the drawing at the closing session on Saturday afternoon.

**March 22 - District Convention**

The District is providing one lucky attendee with a chance to win a donation to their club and the Lions charity of their choice by attending the District Convention.

**Cost:**

Registration, Breakfast and Lunch \$30.00

**Send registration and money by March 10, 2014 to:**

First VDG Lion Emery Smola  
6100 County Road 113  
Fulton, MO 65251