



Missouri Lion

December– January, 2021

Multiple District 26



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Missouri Lions Calendar

~Important Upcoming Events~

<u>Date:</u>	<u>Event:</u>	<u>Location:</u>
March 4-6, 2022	M2 District Convention	St. Louis, MO
March 11-12, 2022	Mid-South Third Quarterly Meeting	Memphis, Tennessee
March 11-12, 2022	M7 District Convention	Holts Summit, MO
March 18-19, 2022	M4 District Convention	Chillicothe, MO
March 25-26 , 2022	M6 District Convention	Springfield, MO
April 8-9, 2022	M3 District Convention	Canton, MO
April 28, 2022	Council of Governors Meeting	Rolla, MO
April 28 – May 1, 2022	State Convention	Rolla, MO
May 7, 2022	M1 Cabinet Meeting	West Plains
May 20-22, 2022	Leader Dog Bus Trip	Rochester Hills, Michigan
June 3, 2022	Mid-South Golf Tournament	Olive Branch, Mississippi
June 4-5, 2022	Mid-South Fourth Quarterly Meeting	Memphis, Tennessee
July 1-5, 2022	International Convention	Montreal, Canada
July 23, 2022	Council of Governors Meeting	Wardsville, MO
July 28-30, 2022	GPLLI	Maryville, MO
August 5-6, 2022	Mid-South Quarterly Board Meeting	Memphis, TN
September 15-17, 2022	USA/Canada Forum	Calgary, Canada
November 4-5, 2022	Mid– South Quarterly Board Meeting	TBD
April/May, 2023	State Convention	Branson, MO
July 7-11, 2023	International Convention	Boston, Massachusetts
June 21-25, 2024	International Convention	Melbourne, Australia
July 4-8, 2025	International Convention	Mexico City, Mexico
July 3-7, 2026	International Convention	Atlanta, Georgia
July 2-6, 2027	International Convention	Washington, DC

Official Ballot

Part I: MD 26 Constitution and By-Laws

April 30, 2022

Updates (Annual Routine)

Date of document, C & BL Committee, Table of Contents to agree with approved final. *(Automatic, no vote required.)*

Updates (Per La-5 2021-2022)

By-Laws, Article III: Add new Section 9 (Leo-Leo Lion Council Liaison (Optional) and re-letter all following Sections. *(Automatic, no vote required.)*

Proposition 1 – Delete words printed in ~~RED-strikethru~~.

Constitution, Article VIII, Section 2 (State Committees):

(d) *State Marketing Communications Committee* --- It shall be the duty of this Committee to supervise all public relations for the Multiple District 26 and to supervise the publishing of the Multiple District 26 news bulletin. The Council with recommendations of the Committee shall appoint an Editor who shall administer the ~~actual printing and~~ distribution of the news bulletin.

Justification: Remove the cost of printing and postage.

Shall this Proposition be adopted? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Requires two-thirds (2/3) affirmative vote to pass.

Proposition 2 – Delete words printed in ~~RED-strikethru~~. Add words printed in BLUE underline.

Constitution, Article VIII, Section 2 (State Committees):

(e) *Missouri Lions All State Band Committee* --- It shall be the duty of this Committee to supervise the conduct and operation of the Missouri Lions All State Band. This Committee, with the approval of the Council, shall set policy for the Band, shall determine the functions at which the Band shall perform, shall administer the Missouri Lions All State Band Fund with the approval of the Council, ~~and shall elect a Chief Band Director who shall administer and conduct the Band. The Chief Band Director shall as part of his duties administer any funds allotted to him by the Council. He shall be bonded to cover the maximum cost of the funds entrusted to him. The cost of such bond shall be paid out of the Missouri Lions All State Band Fund. The Committee with the approval of the Council may appoint from time to time such Band Directors as the Committee deems appropriate to assist the Chief Director in the administration and conduction of the Band. The funds necessary to finance the expenses procurement of the band, such as uniforms, music, travel, board and lodging for rehearsals and engaging in approved performances, shall be obtained from the Missouri Lions All State Band Fund and through grants made by Lions Clubs and others sponsoring band members in accordance with the procedures established by the Council. It shall be the duty of the Chief Band Director, with the approval of the Council, to store, maintain and preserve any and all equipment, including uniforms, used by the Band from time to time.~~

Justification: Update operation of the Missouri Lions All-State Band.

Shall this Proposition be adopted? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Requires two-thirds (2/3) affirmative vote to pass

Proposition 3 – Delete words printed in ~~RED-strikethru~~. Add words printed in BLUE underline.

Constitution, Article VIII, Section 2 (State Committees):

(k) *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 to reimbursements for mileage expenses without prior approval by the Council. The State Athletic Committee shall be responsible for all athletic events of this Multiple District. ~~the annual All-State All-Star Football Game.~~ The committee shall prepare a budget for each event ~~the game~~ for council approval, and shall identify the designation for funds in the budget. The committee shall make regular reports, including financial reports, to the Council. A detailed financial report shall be given to the Council at its fall meeting. Net funds generated by this committee shall be donated to any approved projects, programs and supported organizations of Multiple District 26, per the Multiple District 26 Policy Manual.

Justification: Update operation of the State Athletic Committee.

Shall this Proposition be adopted? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Requires two-thirds (2/3) affirmative vote to pass.

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Throughout: Correct punctuation (semicolon vs. period, etc.) and spelling/spacing (e. g., another vs. an other, etc.)

Shall this Proposition be adopted? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Requires two-thirds (2/3) affirmative vote to pass.

Note: Failure of either Proposition #5 or Proposition #6 will result in failure of **both**.

Proposition 5 - Delete words printed in ~~RED strikethrough~~. Add words printed in BLUE underline.

Constitution, Article VIII, Section 2 (e):

(e) *Missouri Lions All State Band Committee* --- It shall be the duty of this Committee to supervise the conduct and operation of the Missouri Lions All State Band The funds necessary to finance the expenses of the band, shall be obtained from the Missouri Lions All State Band Fund or the Youth Leadership Activities Fund ~~and through grants made by Lions Clubs and others sponsoring band members~~ in accordance with the procedures established by the Council.

Shall this Proposition be adopted? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Requires two-thirds (2/3) affirmative vote to pass.

Proposition 6 - Four Areas as depicted:

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[1]- Multiple District By-Laws Article VIII, Section 2 (a) and (b)

(a) Ten dollars and fifty cents (\$10.50 [\$12.00 if the exception in Section 1 (a) has been invoked]) per member of the annual per capita tax shall be forwarded by the District Cabinet Secretary-Treasurer and shall be divided in the following proportions and placed in the following funds by the State Council Secretary-Treasurer: Seventy cents (\$0.70) per year in the International Convention Fund; Eight dollars and seventy cents (\$8.70) per year in the State Administrative Fund; Seventy cents (\$0.70) per year in the Youth Leadership Activities Fund ~~Missouri Lions All State Band Fund~~; and forty cents (\$0.40) per year in the International Candidates' Election Fund except when the condition in Section 1(a) is invoked the International Candidates' Election Fund will receive one dollar and ninety cents (\$1.90) per year.

(b) Six dollars (\$6.00) per member of a Campus Club the annual per capita tax shall be forwarded to the State Council Secretary-Treasurer and shall be divided in the following proportions and placed in the following funds by the State Council Secretary- Treasurer: forty cents (\$0.40) per year in the International Convention Fund; five dollars (\$5.00) per year in the State Administrative Fund; forty cents (\$0.40) per year in the Youth Leadership Activities Fund ~~Missouri Lions All State Band Fund~~; and twenty (\$0.20) per year in the International Candidates' Election Fund.

[2]- Multiple District By-Laws Article VIII, Section 5. Missouri Lions All State Band Fund. This fund shall be used to pay the authorized and necessary expenses of the Missouri Lions All State Band as defined in Article VIII, Section 2 (e) hereof. until this fund is depleted; then, they may request funds from the Youth Leadership Activities Fund.

[3]- Multiple District By-Laws Article VIII, Section 6 (New). Youth Leadership Activities Fund. Expenses of the youth related committees, which consist of the band, athletic, and Lions Opportunities for Youth Committees may request operating funds from the Youth Leadership Activities Fund as specified in the Policy Manual.

[4]- Multiple District By-Law Article VIII, Renumber current Sections 6 - 8 to read 7 - 9.

Shall this Proposition be adopted? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Requires majority affirmative vote to pass.

(End of Ballot, Part I)

Official Ballot

Part II: MD 26 Convention Site

April 30, 2022

Proposition 1: That the 2023 MD26 (State) Convention, hosted by District M6, be held in Branson, Missouri.

Shall this Proposition be adopted? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Requires majority affirmative vote to pass.

Proposition 2: That the 2024 MD26 (State) Convention, hosted by District M7, be held at a location to be determined within the confines of District M7.

Shall this Proposition be adopted? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Requires majority affirmative vote to pass.

M1 District Letter

DG Jerry Reaves



WOW it seems like this year is going too fast to get everything done. I hope the goals that we have set for ourselves and our clubs are coming to

fruition. But sometimes we fall behind on getting things do get done as we had planned. So, take heart, you are not alone. The good news is that we still have the plan in place and there is still time to get it done.

My goals for this Lions year have been to build our membership numbers and remember the mission of Lions by reaching out to those who need help. Many clubs are reaching out to help others but our membership numbers are suffering for various reasons. So, I would ask each Lion and each club to make a concerted effort to add just one or two new members before the end of the Lion year.

As always, thank you for what you do for Lions and the help you provide to others.

P.S. Please make plans to be at the State Convention in Rolla, April 29-May 1.

DG Jerry Reaves

Greetings Lions,

Have you noticed that the days are getting longer? Spring must be coming. For those of us in District 26-M2, that can only mean that our District Convention is approaching. The committee is hard at work planning and organizing this event.

Our sincere hope is that you'll join us March 4-6.

The District Convention is a time to gather with your Lions friends and family. There's time to celebrate with food and drinks. There's time to hear from other clubs. There's time to learn what's new with our service organizations. There's time to hear from our International Director. There's time to reward Lions for their amazing contributions. There's time to remember those Lions who have left us during the past year. There's even time for a few surprises.

As you can see, during the convention we'll cover a lot of ground and experience many different emotions. We definitely don't want to do it without you. So, take a step today and make plans to join us there.

Looking ahead, there's still a lot of time left in this Lions year. We can still accomplish much. Keep recruiting members. Work on membership satisfaction and retention. Plan that service project or fundraiser that you've long wanted to organize. Whatever you do, embrace that passion or focus that resonates most inside you.

Take a Step,

Lion Devin Struttman, District Governor



M2 District Letter

DG Devin Struttman



LEADER DOGS FOR THE BLIND

LEADER DOG NEWS FOR LIONS

February 2021

From Suzy Farbman, Read the Spirit

Lions are "Message Carriers"

What Happens When an International Advocate for Women Needed a Miracle? A Divine Message Placed by a Lion Appeared



While Wendi was working to help women learn to read by the water wells in South Sudan, her eyesight started to diminish. She was going blind from Retinitis Pigmentosa.

Receiving such a tough diagnosis, she decided to go camping on her own for a week. "I didn't want to fall apart in front of my kids." From her home in Wisconsin, she went to Bridgeman, MI, camping on the sand dunes. She made a list of everything she'd miss, including the chance to someday see her grandkids' faces. The concession stand on the beach happened to have a Lions Club brochure featuring a "really cute" guide dog from Leader Dogs for the Blind. "I'd never have guessed that seven years later that organization would make a profound difference in my life."

She didn't fall apart. *Continued next column*

"I thanked God for saving me from a nervous breakdown.

I just decided not to give up. The inspiration I got from my refugee friends gave me the strength to go on.

I'm a storyteller and a fundraiser who's committed to positive change. I could still be that person. My life's work now has become decreasing the stigma of blindness and other disabilities caused by ableist attitudes."

Only 10% of legally blind people use a white cane or a sight dog to go places on their own. When you use these aids, she says, you gain independence, but you make your blindness known to others. "For me, coming out with my blindness gave me my life back." At first Wendi was "embarrassed" to be going blind. "Not anymore," she says. "My goal now is to help others with low or no vision remain independent." She's dedicated to combatting ableism and to improving the safety and accessibility of environments.

As baby boomers mature, Wendi says, age-related blindness is a growing concern. "I'm sounding the alarm. We're reaching a crisis point. We need many more resources to help people with sight loss stay independent."

Order free brochures for your club to post on our website (under Lions/Resources).

 **BE OF SERVICE**
LeaderDog.org/Lions

FOLLOW THE LEADER   

A CALL FOR THE FOURTEENTH ANNUAL DISTRICT 26-M2 CONVENTION

To Be Held March 4 – 6, 2022
DoubleTree Hotel St. Louis at Westport, 1973 Craigshire, St. Louis, MO
63146



Our international guest for the weekend will be International Director Lion Allen Snider. ID Allen, from Niagara-on-the-Lake, Canada, was elected to serve a two-year term as an international director of Lions Clubs International at the association's 103rd International Convention, June 25 through June 29, 2021.

ID Allen became a Lion in 1981 when he joined the St. Davids and District Lions Club where he has since served multiple terms as club treasurer and president.

ID Allen's wife, Susan, is also a Lion, as are his son, Richard, and daughter, Jessica. ID Allen is also proud to serve alongside the many other Lions in his extended family.

Tentative Schedule of Events - ***Subject to Change***

FRIDAY, MARCH 4TH

Registration..... 3 PM – 5 PM Hospitality 5 PM – 11 PM Parade of Banners
7:30 PM Live Music, Dancing & Party Time..... 8 PM – 11 PM

SATURDAY, MARCH 5TH

Registration 8 AM – 10 AM 1st Business Session..... 9:30 AM All Lions Lunch 12 Noon – 1:15 PM 2nd
Business Session..... 1:30 PM Voting..... *Immediately following session Dinner Banquet*..... 7 PM

SUNDAY, MARCH 6TH

Breakfast..... 8:15 AM Closing Business Session & Memorial Service 9:00 AM

The DoubleTree Hotel St. Louis at Westport, 1973 Craigshire, St. Louis, MO 63146 is holding a block of rooms and is taking reservations at a discounted price of \$93 + tax for a standard room.

Please contact them directly at (314) 434-0100 to make your room reservations at the **DoubleTree Hotel** and mention that you are with the District 26-M2 Lions Convention or book online at doubletree3.hilton.com group code **LIONS CLUB**. After **FEBRUARY 11, 2022** the room block will be released, and the discounted price will no longer be available.

2022 District 26-M2 Convention Registration Form March 4th – 6th, 2022

Name of Lion: _____ Club: Phone: _____ Email address: _____

Convention Package:

(Hospitality, Luncheon, Number attending _____ X \$95 = \$ _____ Dinner Banquet & Breakfast)
*** OR ***

Luncheon Only: Number attending _____ X \$30 = \$ _____ Dinner Banquet Only: Number attending _____ X \$55 = \$ _____
Breakfast Only: Number attending _____ X \$30 = \$ _____

After February 11, 2022 - ADD \$10 Number attending _____ X \$10 = \$ _____ **TOTAL:**
\$ _____

Please indicate how many of each meal choice for DINNER so we can make sure to give an accurate count to the hotel. Dinner Banquet - *Beef Dinner Banquet* – *Chicken Dinner Banquet* – *Salmon Special Dietary Needs:* _____

Make checks payable to: 26-M2 Convention Fund

Mail to: PCC Kimberly Taylor 15 Goode Drive, Fenton, MO 63026

No refunds after February 11, 2022.

No reservations guaranteed (may not be able to accept) after February 11, 2022. Reservations must include the names of those attending each event (tickets will be pre-assigned).

Revision 09/21/21

*** Please use spaces provided on the back or attach a list of all persons and their meals. ***



You are invited as we travel
to Rochester, Michigan
to experience the magic of
LeaderDogs for the Blind!



Make checks payable to: **DG Phyllis Krebs**. In the memo area, please
note **Missouri LeaderDog Trip**, then mail to: **DG Phyllis Krebs**,
3633 W. Morningside Pl, Springfield, MO 65807.
leaderpupsinmo@gmail.com, 417-988-5330

Hotel accommodations must be booked on your own.

Hotel information is on next page.

Deadline for reservations is April 29, 2022



Passenger pick-ups sites, please circle your choice:

	Washington Commuter Lot	Valley Park Lions Club
No glass or dairy products allowed on the bus!	108 E. 14th St. Washington, MO	1001 St. Louis Ave. Valley Park, MO

Name _____

Email address _____ Phone # _____

tickets requested _____ Amt included(check only)=\$100/pp _____

This IS NOT your ticket, it will only reserve your seat on the bus. Tickets will be issued when payment has been received, at that point the reservation will be complete. We **MUST** have **40** reservations to do this trip! Please book early!

Deadline (form with payment received) is November 14, 2021



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TROY, MI 48084
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Thank you for choosing **Drury Inn & Suites Detroit Troy** to be a part of your next great event! We are looking forward to seeing you soon and we are ready to uphold our reputation for great service & value. Rooms have been held for your group and to make reservations, please use the link below. You can also make reservations by calling **1-800-325-0720** and refer to your group number **2439758**.

Missouri Lions Club <https://www.druryhotels.com/bookandstay/newreservation/?groupno=2439758>

Group room rates include the following for overnight guests*:

Complimentary Hot Breakfast - Start every day with make-your-own Belgian waffles, scrambled eggs, sausage, fresh fruit, oatmeal, biscuits and gravy, KELSO+BROS® coffee and more. Complimentary hot breakfast is served daily from 6–9:30 a.m. on weekdays and 7–10 a.m. on weekends.

Complimentary Evening Drinks and Snacks** - Join us from 5:30–7 p.m. every evening to enjoy complimentary hot food and cold beverages at our 5:30 Kickback®. The hotel features a rotating menu of hot food, beer, wine, mixed drinks and soft drinks.

Free Wi-Fi Throughout the Hotel - Get the score, check your social networks or email family members from anywhere in the hotel!

On-Site Facilities - Take advantage of the business center, fitness center or pool while away from home. Print boarding passes, finish a presentation or check e-mail in the hotel's business centers.

All this for \$96-\$100 (plus tax) per night!

1 King Bed=\$96/night (limited availability) 2 Queen beds=\$100/night

Please make your reservations by **Friday, April 29, 2022** to receive your group rate. Reservations made after this date will be subject to prevailing rate and availability. Reservations may also be made by calling

1-800-325-0720 and refer to your group number **2439758**.

You must make your own reservations for Friday night May 20 and Saturday night May 21!

WHO WE ARE

At Leader Dogs for the Blind we believe that everyone deserves a life of independence and mobility. All of our services are provided free of charge to our clients, including travel in the U.S. and Canada, room and board, equipment and training. This means that no one is excluded from living their most fulfilling life due to lack of funds.

We are 100% philanthropically funded by individual donors, Lions clubs, corporate partners and foundations. Simply put, we could not provide over one million days of independence each year without the immense generosity of our supporters.

Our programs are designed to provide our clients with the tools and training to reintroduce them to a life of confidence, safety and independence. Through our full-range of services—Guide Dog Training, Orientation & Mobility Training and Summer Experience Camp—we meet the mobility needs of our clients at every stage of their lives



OUR MISSION

Our mission is empowering people who are blind or visually-impaired with lifelong skills for safe and independent daily travel.

M3 District Letter

DG Michael Sliger



I hope everyone has been enjoying winter! I'm ready for some springtime flowers. I don't know about all of you, but Spring can't get here fast enough for me. I know January and

February have been very busy time. Club visits, Council of Governors Meeting, extra. I hope everyone is making plans to join use at the State and District Conventions "Where is Canton, Missouri". We are planning a very exciting District Convention. We will have game to keep everyone excited and busy.

Come and join use!!! It is hard to explain how fast this year has flown by!

Club News: Wentzville Lions Club awarded 12 Melvin Jones award. PID Don Noland, PID Doc Garrett, CC Bob Noellsh along with myself were present. I would like to thank the Wentzville club for becoming a Model Club. Way to go Wentzville!

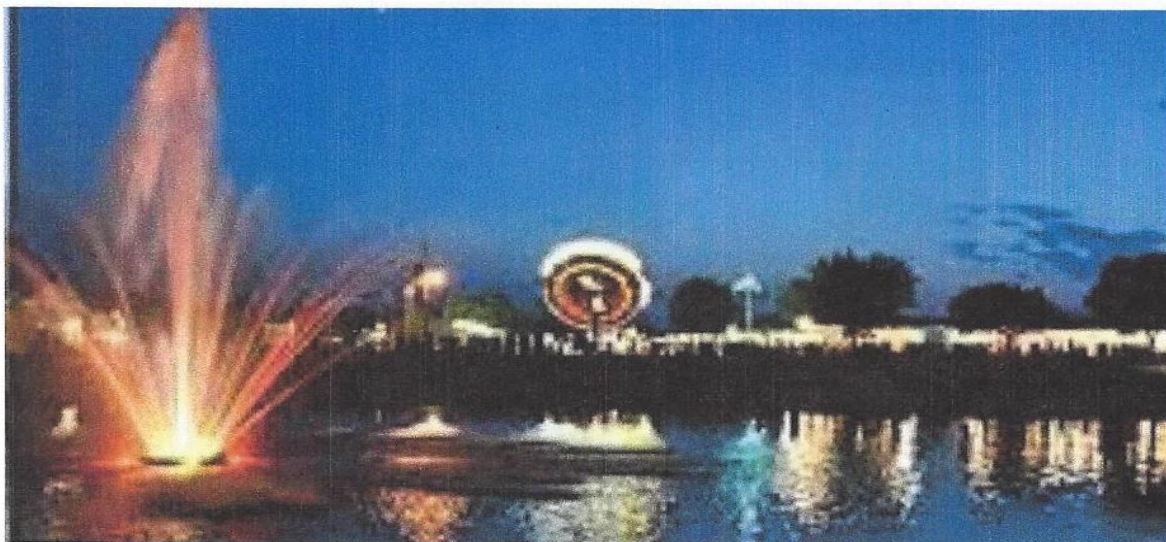
Membership: As of February 20, 2022, we have dropped 106 members, Added 82 new for a net growth of -24 members. Please help by bringing in new members and encouraging existing members to stay. If you need help with membership, please contact our GMT Lion Susan Paden. PDG. I'm sure she can help give ideas to gain new members. .

Upcoming Lions Events April 8th & 9th, 2022. District 26-M3 Convention. Come join us in WHERE? Canton Missouri. We will defiantly have a great time.

Council of Governors Meeting the next meeting will be April 28th, 2022, in Rolla Missouri with the State Convention taking place on April 29th through April 30th, 2022.

District 26-M3 Cabinet Meeting the next meeting will be May 5th, 2022, at Teal Lake Park in Mexico Please bring a covered dish or desert. Meat will be provided. If the weather gets bad, we will meet at Audrain County Court House Basement Mexico MO. Meeting will start at 9:30 AM.

Michael Sliger, District Governor



**2022 Missouri Lions State Convention
Registration**

**April 28th - May 1st, 2022
Rolla, Missouri 65401**

**Together
Everybody
Achieve
More**

Lionism is Team Work



2022 STATE CONVENTION

The Missouri Lions Convention, April 28 - May 1, 2022, at Rolla will be here before you know it! On Friday, April 29, 2022 the LCIFF Silent Auction will be held during Hospitality Night. We need donations!! If you and/or your club have any items for the auction, please bring them or send them with someone who will be attending. Items that have brought big bucks for LCIFF in the past are baskets filled with assorted items; wine; paintings; gently used items; wreaths; hand-made items. All proceeds goes to LCIFF. Come have fun and bid on some cool items!

Thanks so much for your help!

Lions Allen and Laurie Taylor

Cape Evening Lions Club



Winery and Brewery Tour



2022 Missouri Lions State Convention

Winery and Brewery Tours & Tasting

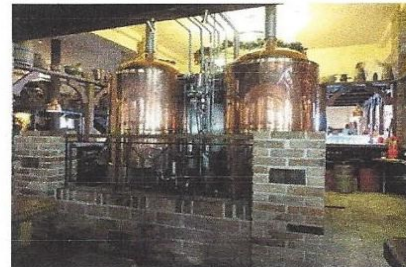
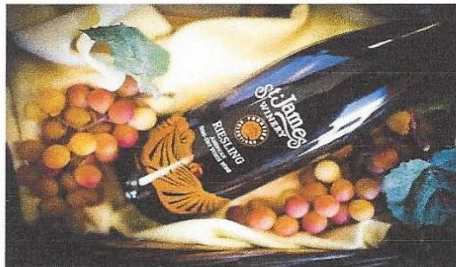
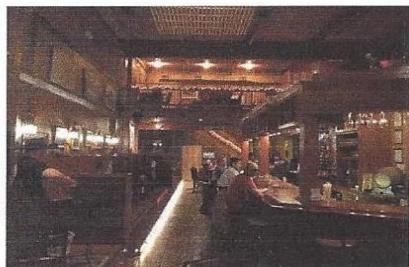
Thursday April 28, 2022

Leave Hotel at 6:00 P.M. Return about 9:30 P.M.

Registration for April 28, 2022

Public House Brewery & St. James Winery Tours and Tasting

Cost is \$40/person (includes Bus and Pizza/salad Buffet)



Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: () _____ Email: _____

District: _____ Club: _____ Title: _____

Registration:

Transportation by bus plus Pizza and Salad Buffet: \$40 X _____ = \$ _____

Please mail registration form and payment by 3/15/2022

No Refunds after 3/15/2022

Make Checks Payable to Missouri Lions 2022 State Convention

Cost does not include any additional beverage purchases.

Mail registration and payment to Lion Jennie Mosher

C/O MO Lions 2022 State Convention

1061 South Bishop Ave.

Rolla, Missouri

LIONS DISTRICT 26-M2

DISTRICT PICNIC



SUNDAY, JUNE 12, 2022

4:00 - 8:00 (DINNER AT 6:00)

BRING A DISH OR DESSERT TO SHARE

HOT DOGS, BRATS, & BURGERS PROVIDED

BRING YOUR OWN DRINKS

RSVP TO LION TONI MAHONEY BY JUNE 6

TKMAHONEY54@GMAIL.COM OR (314) 805-7391

**CHESTERFIELD CENTRAL PARK (EAST PAVILION)
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COME AND JOIN US



MID-SOUTH LIONS CELEBRATES 80 YEARS OF MIRACLES MARCH 11-12 HILTON MEMPHIS HOTEL



Details

In 2022 Mid-South Lions will be celebrating **80 YEARS OF MIRACLES!** While we will be conducting the business of Mid-South Lions during the day on Saturday, the celebration will culminate in our 80th anniversary dinner on Saturday, March 12 at 6:00 pm. Our celebration will feature **Past International President Jimmy and Lion Velda Ross** and the Hall of Honor induction of Brian Staron, Past International Director Howard Jenkins, and Brad and Mona Baker.

All events will be held at the Hilton Memphis at 939 Ridge Lake Blvd in Memphis where we have a block of rooms reserved. The room rates will be \$139 plus tax per night. Details for the meeting include a Friday night reception for PIP Jimmy and Lion Velda, a Saturday morning brunch, committee and board meeting followed by a full-blown celebration of our 80th Anniversary and Hall of Honor induction.

Get excited about coming to Memphis in March. Help Mid-South do some business, then celebrate our 80th anniversary and Hall of Honor inductions for some very special people.

Our event costs are directly tied to the number of sleeping rooms we reserve, so please make your reservations early.

Full registration for the event which includes the Friday reception, Saturday brunch and banquet is \$100 per person.

UPCOMING DATES

10-13 Mar 2022

LOCATION

Hilton Memphis Hotel
939 Ridge Lake Blvd
Memphis, TN 38120

[Show map](#)

[Get directions](#)

ATTENDEE TYPES

Full Registration

\$100

81 remaining

80th Anniversary Dinner ONLY

\$75

90 remaining

Lunch ONLY

\$35

100 remaining

Meeting and/or Zoom ONLY

Free

200 remaining

USA

Getting Clean and Giving Back



This Lion knows what it's like to be in a bad place

Lion Greg Parr sees the faces of the homeless on the streets of his town every day, but what separates him from the many who drive by, is that he stops.

The executive director of the nonprofit organization Neighbor2Neighbor (N2N) in Raytown, Mo., was homeless for 3.5 years. He lived in abandoned buildings, struggled with addiction, and never knew what the next day would bring until a church reached out to help him.

Now 63, sober for 26 years, and president of the Raytown Lions club on the south side of Kansas City, Mo., he sees addiction as the largest cause of homelessness. How do you get people off the streets?

"You help them into recovery," he says.

Weekly, Parr takes people to AA meetings, helps others get into treatment, and checks in on those in the recovery process. "He's a Godsend. He reached out and helped me get into detox three years ago," says recovering addict Latisha Robinson. "No one's done what he's done. He's been there with me every step of the way, and that random act of kindness completely changed my life around," she says. "He is somebody who does the right thing for the right reason."

At N2N, those in need can find clothes at their clothing pantry, hot meals, and sack lunches to take home. Most of all, they've found a friend in Parr.

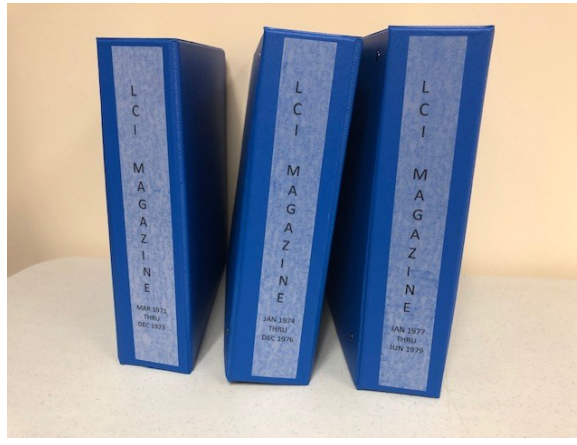
He credits the Lions clubs in the Kansas City area as well as the Philippine Nurses Association of Greater Kansas City for their help in collecting clothes for the pantry, peanut butter and jelly for sandwiches, and more. Knob Noster Lion Tim Storms became friends with Parr at district Lions meetings. When Storms' club east of Kansas City planned to help Parr's weekly feed for the less fortunate and homeless, it turned out that club members were all working or otherwise committed. Storms was available. By himself, he cooked and delivered 30 pounds of ribs, 40 pounds of mashed potatoes, plus corn and baked beans, and then helped serve about

125 people. "I'm not the hero here," he says. "These people are the true saints in the Neighbor2Neighbor program where Greg sets up and feeds the homeless. I'm not. I just volunteered to help because I was taught to help anyone when you can. The real heroes are the people like Greg who are here every week."

With the help of Kansas City World Outreach Lions and the nurses, N2N provides an annual Christmas Eve breakfast and health fair for the community. Along with a hot breakfast, they offer vision screening for kids, diabetes tests, chiropractor services, and drug treatment referrals onsite. Warm clothing, care kits, and sack lunches are there to take home, as well as toys for the children.

World Outreach Lion PDG Patricia Alcy Malkmus, widely known as Lion Alcy, is a big proponent of what Parr's doing. She felt it important that he get to know the service of Lions, and for the Lions to know him, so she asked him to speak at one of their club meetings, then recruited him to join. "Lion Alcy? Oh, she's good at recruiting," says Parr. "She got me."

Recovering alcoholic and addict Willie Vaughn credits Parr for helping him look at his life and change it, but also to look outside himself and help others. "I feel in my heart that he's preparing me to do things that need doing. I'm so grateful for him," says 58-year-old Vaughn, who rides with Parr to weekly AA meetings. "He is a blessing to whoever allows him into their life."



PDG Jerry Romig (M5) has long been collecting editions of the Lion Magazine that is published through LCI. He recently handed over his large collection to the State Office. PDG Jerry has meticulously catalogued, organized, and labeled 18 binders of magazines. Each Individual magazine is in a protective sleeve and the magazines arranged in chronological order, starting with March of 1971! However, he is missing several issues from his collection. He would like anyone out there that may have a copy of a missing issue to consider sending it to the State Office, in hopes of completing the collection. The collection will be on display on a bookshelf in the State Office if anyone would like to view this amazing Lions history. (It is fun to look at the changes in advertising, cars, hair styles, clothing styles, etc. over the years.)

Missing Issues:

April 1971	June 1978	October 1990
October 1971	May 1979	September 1992
October 1972	May 1980	October 2000
February 1975	June 1980	September 2009
March 1975	July 1990	May 2011
April 1975	September 1990	

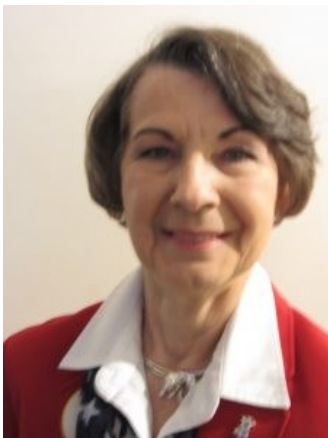
Collection of Lions Magazines

The District 26-M5 Convention was held February 11 and 12, 2022 at the Courtyard by Marriott in Blue Springs, Missouri. Our International Guest was International Director Ken Ibarra of San Bruno, California and his partner in service, Lion Amy Fink. ID Ken is a first year director on the International Board.

Friday night we enjoyed hospitality at the hotel with lots of good food and a cash bar. We had good conversations all around and ID Ken met and visited with everyone. We enjoyed a photo booth provided by Robin Falk. There were many pictures taken and lots of fun and silliness.

Saturday began with a memorial service to the 25 Lions who have passed since our last convention, followed by our third cabinet meeting of the year. There were many informative reports provided. After a delicious buffet lunch and entertainment by the Four Gems and presentations to our Peace Poster Contest winners, we heard nominations for the upcoming year as well as the voting. 1st VDG Pat Scott was elected to go forward as District Governor for 2022-23, 2nd VDG Ron Ballard was elected to go forward as 1st Vice District Governor and Lion Mickey Beach of the Kansas City Red Bridge Lions Club was elected to be 2nd Vice District Governor. The delegates also approved the Blue Springs/Independence area for the 2023 District Convention. The afternoon wrapped up with breakout sessions focusing on Membership, Service Projects, and a question and answer session with ID Ken Ibarra. The evening ended with our annual banquet and a challenging message from ID Ken about membership and ways we can improve our message to potential Lions. ID Ken also assisted by awarding Certificates of Appreciation to Lion Tim Storms and Lion Karen Calvert for their continued service to the Lions of District 26-M5.

DG Jene Crook



M5 District Letter

DG Jene Crook



M5 District Officers



Certificate to Karen Calvert



**Peace Poster
Winner #1
Aspen Odell**



**Peace Poster
Winner #2
Naomi Bush**



**International Director
Ken Jbarra and Lion
Amy Fink**

M5 Convention Fun!



Greetings from our incoming International President Douglas X. Alexander.

Douglas X. Alexander, from Brooklyn, New York, USA, was appointed to the office of first vice president by the Lions Clubs International Board of Directors on January 9, 2020. Vice President Alexander is a retired vice president for J.P. Morgan Chase Bank. A member of the Brooklyn Bedford Stuyvesant Lions Club since 1984, he has held many offices within the association, including club president, zone chair, region chair, vice

district governor, district governor, cabinet secretary, cabinet treasurer, DGE group leader and international director. He also served as a Lions Eye Bank transporter, a member of the District and Multiple District PDG Association, a trustee of the New York State and Bermuda Lions Foundation and was appointed as the Lions representative to

UNICEF-New York from 2012-2014. He has served on the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum Planning and Host Committees and has been a presenter at several USA/Canada Forums. In recognition of his service to the association, he has received numerous awards including the club Lion of the Year, Club President's Award, the Robert J. Uplinger Service Award, several District Governor Appreciation Awards, and the Multiple District

Membership Growth Award. He is also the recipient of numerous International President's Certificates of Appreciation, seven International President's Awards and the Ambassador of Good Will Award, the highest honor the association bestows upon its members. He is a Dr. Franklin G. Mason Fellow, a W. P. Woods Fellow and a progressive Melvin Jones Fellow. In addition to his Lions activities, Vice President Alexander is active in numerous professional and community organizations. He has served as chairperson of the advisory board for the New York Urban League and as a board member of the St. Francis DeSales School for the Deaf. He is also a recipient of the Congressional Record Award. Vice President Alexander has two daughters, and his partner in service, Shabiki Cazabon, is a Lion and a Progressive Melvin Jones

Fellow.



Become a Host Family: Is Hosting Right for Me?



Are you interested in learning about other cultures and ways of life while sharing your own customs and experiences? Are open-mindedness, tolerance and cultural competence of high importance to you? Do you have a desire to contribute towards peace, international understanding, and the creation of young global citizens? If you answered yes to any of these questions, you may enjoy being a host family for the Youth Camp and Exchange Program (YCE)!

⇒ Benefits of Hosting

Hosting a young person from another country is a fulfilling experience and has many benefits:

- You experience the joy of sharing your culture and daily customs
- You learn about your visitor's customs and culture
- You open a new world of possibilities and thinking to a young person
- You make a new friend - maybe a friend for life

⇒ What to Expect

Youth participants are usually between the ages of 15 and 22, and come from any of the more than 200 countries and geographic locations where there are Lions clubs. He/she will have completed an admissions process before being accepted to participate in the program. He/she may or may not know the language of your country but will have a desire to learn. Host families should include the participant in their daily routine, including family meals, as YCE is intended to be an immersive learning experience. Local excursions are not required of host families, but the host Lions club often arranges for participants to visit local points of interest and engage in social activities, like picnics and get-togethers.

⇒ Host Family Eligibility

The host Lions club must approve all host families. To be eligible to become a host family you must:

- Have regular contact with youth of the approximate age of the participant
- Be familiar with Lions clubs and the goals of YCE
- Be able to provide a bed and meals for your guest
- Follow all local laws related to youth protection

⇒ How to Apply

Apply to become a host family today by contacting your [local Lions club](#). Or submit a [host family application](#) to your local Lions club for review.

Once an exchange is confirmed, you and your guest will correspond via e-mail, mail or telephone. You should also attend an orientation provided by the host Lions club. This orientation will help prepare you for one of the most exciting experiences of your life, and answer any questions you may have about the exchange program.

Topics may include:

- Cultural tolerance
- Cultural adaptation (including host family relations)
- Host family role
- Rules and logistics, along with other pertinent information about Lions clubs
- Role of sponsor Lions club and host Lions club and districts
- Travel
- Visas and passports
- Immunizations
- Insurance

Local currency and suggested out-of-pocket expenses

Please contact Lion Toni Mahoney for more information:

Tkmahoney54@gmail.com (314) 805-7391



C. Wayne Henderson Youth Service Award Application Form

Donor Information

Club ☐ Individual ☐ Other: _____

Donor Name: _____

Multiple District No. _____ District No. _____ Club Name: _____

Recipient Information

Name: _____ Lion? Yes ☐ No ☐

If the recipient is to be named at a later date, please check the box ☐

Please indicate how much you are giving; this award can be accumulated over a five-year period.

Total Contribution: \$500.00 Paid in Full ☐ Over 5 years or less ☐

Amount Enclosed: _____ Balance Due: _____ Previous Payment: _____

Remarks: _____

Please inform the Lions Office where PLAQUE is to be sent and to whom, or if the award is going to be given at the State Convention. State Convention: Yes ☐ No ☐

Send Plaque to:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Make check out to: Missouri Lions Opportunity for Youth and indicate funds are for
"C. Wayne Henderson Award"

Send to: Missouri Lions (MD 26) State Office
2415 B Hyde Park Road
Jefferson City, Missouri 65109



Improving your Leo Club

Checklist for Leos

You are part of an international community of young men and women dedicated to making a positive impact in your community. As a member of the Lions International family, Leos have a wide range of resources and advocates in Lions to enhance their service for the better.

Use this checklist to become an even more engaged Leo and improve your relationship with your Lions family.

- ☐ Develop goals with your Leo club officers to ensure impactful service
- ☐ Create a yearly calendar of events with your Leo club advisor and sponsoring Lions club
- ☐ Connect with other Leo clubs in your district to establish a joint schedule of service projects and conventions
- ☐ Check the Lions Clubs International website and the Leo Facebook page for Leo grants and award program deadlines
- ☐ Make it count! Confirm you are in MyLCI and report your service projects in MyLion
- ☐ Learn more! Attend a Leo/Lion convention in your area or take a class in the Lions Learning Center
- ☐ Invite your district Leo Chairperson or district governor to attend your officer or member induction
- ☐ Organize a district-wide Leo and Lion joint service project utilizing an LCIF Leo Service Grant
- ☐ Run for a Leo office and apply for the International Leo Club Advisory Panel
- ☐ Celebrate your service by applying for Leo awards and recognition
- ☐ Share success stories about Leos with Lions
- ☐ Encourage fellow Leos to transition to a Lions club through Leo-Lion membership



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Engaging Leo Clubs

Checklist for Lions

Organizing Leo Clubs offers Lions a chance to engage with young people in their community. Leos share your passion and are invested in Lions clubs' work. Recognizing Leos as prospective members is an effective way to ensure the future of Lions in your community.

Use this list to help your Lions club engage with young people and promote the growth and development of Leo clubs in your community.

- ☐ Start a new Leo Club and encourage other Lions clubs to do the same
- ☐ Share success stories about Leos with fellow Lions
- ☐ Check the Lions Clubs International website and our Leo Facebook page for Leo grants and award program deadlines
- ☐ Send a celebratory message to Leos on International Leo Day, December 5
- ☐ Meet with Leo officers to establish joint calendars for service and conventions
- ☐ Help us connect with future Lions! Promote the reporting of Leos in MyLCI
- ☐ Extend an invitation to all Leos to attend a Lions Club meeting to receive updates on their events
- ☐ Appoint Leos to serve with Lions on club, district or multiple district committees or boards
- ☐ Encourage active Leos to run for office and apply for the International Leo Club Advisory Panel
- ☐ Invite Leos to transition to a Lions club through Leo-Lion membership!
- ☐ Celebrate Leos for their service through awards and recognition



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Join us to play a great golf course with friends and/or clients while helping the Lions provide sight and hearing to those in need.

Check www.midsouthlions.org to see some of our "Miracles" and to donate.

WE WILL TAKE A MOMENT TO REMEMBER OUR GOOD FRIEND SAM WARE BEFORE TEEING OFF.

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Olive Branch, MS
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2022 MID-SOUTH LIONS GOLF TOURNAMENT

Proceeds benefit the sight and hearing impaired



Hamilton Eye Institute Surgery Center
 Center for Advanced Eye Care

FRIDAY, JUNE 3, 2021
REGISTRATION & LUNCH 11 AM
TEE TIME 1 PM

FOUR PERSON SCRAMBLE



Our four-person charity golf tournament will be played in scramble format.

Men's; Ladies; and Senior (over age 65)
 Tees will be played.

Prizes will be awarded for top three (3) teams in each flight. Number of flights will be determined by number of entries.

Entry fee includes golf, cart, lunch, goody bags, tournament gifts, hole prizes, hole-in-one prizes, mulligans, snacks and on-course beverages.



SPONSOR AND TEAM OPPORTUNITIES

MAJOR SPONSOR—\$2,500

TWO (2) Teams entries plus company name/logo in all media advertising plus Banner signage. Featured logo on www.midsouthlions.org website and all amenities listed below

EVENT SPONSOR OPPORTUNITIES—\$1,000

HOLE-IN-ONE PRIZES HOLE PRIZES TOURNAMENT SHIRTS EVENT PRIZES PUTTING CONTEST LUNCH

Team entry plus full page ad in event program and day-of-event recognition, signage (3), goody bag opportunities, recognition plaque

FACILITIES SPONSOR—\$500

DRIVING RANGE PRACTICE PUTTING GREEN BEVERAGE CART SNACKS

One-half page ad in event program and day-of-event recognition, signage (2), goody bag opportunities, recognition certificate,

TEE AND/OR GREEN SPONSOR—\$150

Listing in event program, signage (1) on tee or green, goody bag opportunity

TEAM SPONSOR—\$700

Includes team entry and tee/green sponsor

TEAM ENTRY FEE—\$600

TEAM NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY, ST ZIP _____

PHONE _____

EMAIL _____

TEAM MEMBERS _____

EMAIL ADDRESSES _____

SPONSOR INFORMATION

SPONSOR LEVEL _____

NAME ON SIGN _____

CREDIT CARD NUMBER or CHECK ENCLOSED _____

EXP DATE _____ AMOUNT _____

SEND COMPLETED FORM WITH PAYMENT TO:
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 MEMPHIS, TN 38103

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 E-mail: midsouthlions@msn.com

M6 won the Global Membership Award for having the Highest Percentage of membership growth for the quarter that ended in January!



GREAT JOB M6!





M6 District Letter

DG Phyllis Krebs

Goal setting is important. Goals allow us to dream about the future and how we might want things to be and possibly make it happen. The New Year frequently encourages us to think about what has happened in the past...are we

happy with the outcomes? What changes can we make to improve/change the outcomes? Do we need a totally new plan and just start over? As we start the second half of this Lions year, this is also a good time for us to review our club and personal Lion goals for this year. Are we achieving what we wanted to achieve by this time; is there something more we can do to make our goals reachable, or do we need to make some adjustments? I want to share my evaluation of the goals I had set at the beginning of this year. I don't want to lower my expectations as I still feel this District has the potential to grow new clubs, gain members and improve service to our communities. I am hopeful that revised strategies, recommitment to responsibilities we accepted, and some additional effort can make huge strides towards achievement.

New clubs and members--

One of my initial goals for District 26M6 was to charter a Campus club at MSU. That hasn't happened yet, but we continue to identify more contacts on the MSU campus to help with this effort. I continue to believe this

The bad news here is that we have lost 2 clubs; the Joplin Host club, which was expected and the Buffalo club, which was a total surprise. We are working on plans to bring both of those clubs back, plus Lion Frank Lambrecht and the El Dorado Springs Lions are working to charter a new LEO club in El Dorado Springs! Another of my District goals was to increase District membership. We started our year with 835 members and currently have 854; that's a

27-member gain for the year! The 7 Governors of the Missouri Districts instituted a contest this year; the District with the greatest increase in membership each quarter takes possession of a trophy, a beautiful crystalline statue. 26M6 has had possession of this trophy since October and we hope to retain possession. A huge Thank You to all the clubs who have successfully recruited new members, this is YOUR trophy and you should be very proud.

But, let's not stop now. Ask someone everyday to become a Lion! I believe that this whole Covid-19 experience has made us more acutely aware of the needs in our communities. Many people are looking for ways to provide service. Ask people to help with your service projects. Be open to new ideas and opportunities to provide service. You might give someone the very opportunity they didn't know they needed.

Leadership training essential to the development of our District. In the last few years, training has not happened, Covid-19, of course, played a huge role in that, but without leaders we cannot grow. Training did not happen this year in the manner I had hoped, but we were able to connect with 6 of our 7 Zones. Attendance was light, but we did see some new faces, which was exciting! Packets were provided to those club officers who did not make it to the 'live sessions'.

While I'm on this topic, I want to reiterate the importance of allowing club members to seek higher club offices if they wish to advance in leadership. Each club has a nomination and election process to provide club leadership. One person holding onto the position of President for several years is detrimental to the development of new leaders from that club and negatively impacts the potential leadership pool for the District. The role of Past President is very

Important to the leadership development plan for a club as well as for the District. The Past President should be there for support and to help with those tough issues.

Unless a Lion has served 1 year as club President, they cannot serve the District as Zone Chair. Unless a Lion has served 1 year as Zone Chair, they are not eligible to seek nomination as Second Vice District Governor. We currently have 1 Zone without a Zone Chair. We have 2 Zones with a PDG serving as Zone Chair. This next year, PDG's will no longer be allowed to serve as Zone chair so VDG Bart will be looking for past club presidents willing to step up to serve as Zone Chairs. Please help him with this challenge.

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Please try to attend our upcoming events, to support our District and to foster Lionism around the world. Our next Cabinet meeting is scheduled for February 5th at the Library Center on S. Campbell here in Springfield. Our District 26M6 Convention will be held March 26 at the Venues Church on E. Battlefield. Hospitality will be held March 25 at the Vision Rehabilitation Center of the Ozarks, also here in Springfield. Hotel rooms are available at the Holiday Inn Express and Suites for a special rate. The convention Banquet will be held at the nearby Twin Oaks Country Club. Our very special International Guest will be ID Dr. Dianne Pitts from North Carolina, I would love to see many M6 Lions present to show her how important Lionism is in our part of the world. More information on all these events is available throughout this newsletter.

In closing, I wish everyone a very safe, healthy and happy New Year! I remain hopeful for the recession of the Covid-19 virus and a return to a more normal world, whatever that may look like.

Service from the Heart!

DG Phyllis Krebs





Lions Clubs International of Missouri District 26-M6 Convention

March 25 - 26, 2022 – The Venues
(2616 E Battlefield Rd, Springfield, MO)



Convention Registration Form

~ Registration Deadline: Postmarked by Monday, March 7, 2022 (Banquet deadline March 12, 2022)

~ Complete form, print and mail with payment.

~ More information on www.molionsm6.org (under the "Convention" tab).

Name of 1st Lion/Guest Registration

____ Lion ____ Leo ____ Guest Name (as wanted on badge): _____

District: ____ Home Club: _____ Current Lion Title: _____

Street Address: _____ Phone: (____) _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____ Is this your 1st District Convention as a Lion? Yes ____ No ____

Please note any special food allergies, needs, notes or comments:

Name of 2nd Lion/Guest Registration

____ Lion ____ Leo ____ Guest Name (as wanted on badge): _____

District: ____ Home Club: _____ Current Lion Title: _____

Street Address: _____ Phone: (____) _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____ Is this your 1st District Convention as a Lion? Yes ____ No ____

Please note any special food allergies, needs, notes or comments:

Registration & Meal Plans

Plan	Description	# of Persons	Cost	Total
A	Full Registration		@ \$75.00 ea.	\$
B	Registration – Lunch ONLY		@ \$50.00 ea.	\$
C	Registration – Banquet ONLY		@ \$65.00 ea.	\$
D	LEO Registration		@ \$10.00 ea.	\$
E	Registration ONLY		@ \$45.00 ea.	\$
F	Non-Lion Lunch		@ \$20.00 ea.	\$
G	Non-Lion Banquet		@ \$50.00 ea.	\$
	Late Fee PER Person (If postmarked after 3/7/2022)		@ \$15.00 ea.	\$
TOTAL AMOUNT DUE				= \$

Make Checks Payable to: District 26-M6 Convention Your Check Number: _____

Print & Mail too: PDG Toni Morris – 23443 Highway H, Lebanon MO 65536

Make hotel reservations with Holiday Inn Express and Suites Springfield Medical District

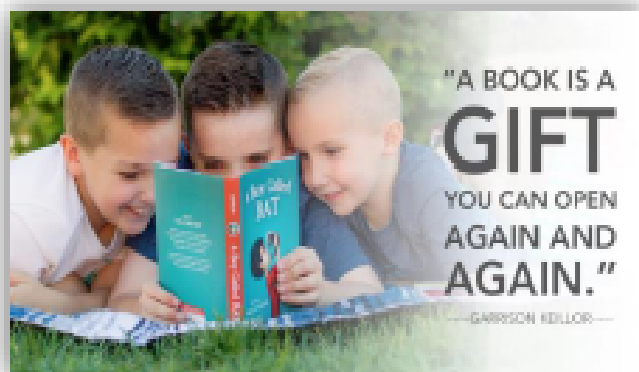
310 East Monastery, Springfield, MO ~ 417-887-8500 (Code is SLC).

Conference rate of \$125.00 (+Tax) Breakfast included – Register before March 7, 2022

Link to hotel is on our website at www.molionsm6.org (under the Convention tab)

Forgotten Initiative & Lions Book Drive

The Forgotten Initiative is a faith-based support system for those connected to foster care. This can include social workers, foster families, young adults, children, and infants.



Lions of M6-26 are collecting new and lightly used children's books that can be shared with a child going into foster care. Many children enter foster care with little or nothing else than what they are wearing. The collected books will be included with backpacks and age-appropriate clothing that go to children in an emergency foster placement. The Marshfield Activities Center serves as the area collection point where needed items are made available for distribution.

Lions are encouraged to bring the children's books to the February 5th district meeting or the District convention held March 25 & 26. Help us serve and provide some comfort for children who are facing difficult circumstances. Additional information on the Forgotten Initiative can be found at ForgottenInitiative.org.

A list of book examples would be but not limited too.....	
Newborns & Toddlers: Board books, touch & feel, ABC's, How I feel, shapes & patterns, 10 Little Toes, Clifford the Big Red Dog, Baby Animals,	Preschoolers 3-5 years: The Little Red Hen, Pete the Cat, Biscuits, There was an old Lady who swallowed..., No David, Chicka Chicka Boom Boom,
5 – 8 years old: Amelia Bedelia, Magic School Bus, Flat Stanley, Narwhal	6 – 9 years old: (Beginning chapter books) Baby-Sitters Club, Magic Tree House, Judy Blume, Ramona
8 – 12 years old: The girl who loved wild horses, The Snowy Day, The Chronicles of Narnia, The Old Truck	12 – 14 years old: (Young adult novel books) Anne Frank – The Diary of a Young Girl by Anne Frank, Lord of the Flies, The Secret Garden, Twenty Thousand Leagues Under the Sea, Alice's Adventures in Wonderland, Harry Potter, The Little House series.

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