

2014 Mid-South Lions Golf Tournament

Monday, June 16, 2014



**SOME PEOPLE
LIVE AN ENTIRE
LIFETIME
WONDERING IF
THEY'VE MADE A
DIFFERENCE
IN THE WORLD-
LIONS DON'T
HAVE THAT
PROBLEM.**



Proceeds benefit the sight and hearing impaired

For additional Information please contact Mid-South Lions Sight and Hearing Service at www.midsouthlions.org or e-mail midsouthlions@msn.com

HOUSE SPRINGS LIONS CHRISTMAS PARADE

FOR MORE INFO, CONTACT KAREN AT 636-671-8148

WHEN: 12-14-13
**REGISTRATION IS \$15 PER
GROUP**

**THE THEME IS: GIVING
EXAMPLES INCLUDE:**

**PILGRIMS SHARING & HELPING IN-
DIAN NEIGHBORS, SINGING IN NURS-
ING HOMES, HELPING TO FEED THE
NEEDY, HELPING YOUR NEIGHBOR
BRING IN CROPS, ETC.**

**THE 1ST SAFETY MEETING
WILL BE HELD ON 10-18-13
AT 7PM AT THE LIONS HALL.
BRING CANNED GOODS OR YOU CAN
DROP THEM OFF AT THE HALL.
WE DONATE THEM TO 3 PANTRIES IN
OUR AREA.**



Missouri Lions All - State Band
2415 B Hyde Park Road
Jefferson City, MO 65109
PHONE (573) 635-1773



"CANADA"

BOUND IN 2014

MISSOURI LIONS ALL - STATE BAND APPLICATION & CONTRACT 2014
IF INFORMATION IS NOT COMPLETE, APPLICATION WILL BE RETURNED!!!

(PLEASE PRINT!! WHEN COMPLETING BOTH SIDES)
(DETACH WHERE INDICATED)

*****STUDENTS WILL BE REQUIRED TO HAVE A CURRENT PASSPORT*****

DETACH HERE!!!

Please reserve a place for me in the 2014 Missouri Lions All-State Band! Enclosed is my \$100 non-refundable deposit, which will be deducted from the total cost of \$1100 (checks are made payable to Missouri Lions). The final payment is due on or before June 12, 2014. I agree to participate in these three activities:

BAND CAMP - For drummers and color guard—June 26, 2014, Full band June 27, 2014, Ft. Wood, MO.

TRIP - Toronto Canada — July 2 — July 9, 2014

ALL- STAR FOOTBALL GAME - Warrensburg, Mo. July 19, 2014

First Name _____ (MI) _____ Last Name _____ Grade: _____

Primary Instrument _____ Secondary Instrument _____

Chair placement - 1st part _____ 2nd part _____ 3rd part _____

****Baritone musicians please specify Treble or Bass Clef**** The Missouri Lions will only provide Tubas and Percussion

Have you previously participated in the Mo. Lions Band? Which year(s)? _____

Date of Birth ____/____/____ Drivers License _____ SSN _____

(THIS INFORMATION IS KEPT CONFIDENTIAL AND ONLY USED FOR THE PURPOSE OF LODGING INFO FOR MILITARY BASES)

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone (_____) _____ Cell Phone(_____) _____

(check one) Male _____ Female _____ e-mail address _____

Band Director _____ School _____

School Phone (_____) _____ ****Band Director Letter(s) of Recommendation must be enclosed with application.**

Parent or Guardian Signature X _____

Band Member Signature: X _____

My local Lions Club President acknowledges this sponsorship and agrees to see that all funds are collected and submitted to the Missouri Lions State Office. **PAYMENT SCHEDULE MUST BE COMPLETED WHEN APPLICATION IS SUBMITTED**

AMOUNT	TO BE PAID BY WHOM	DATE WHEN TO BE PAID
\$ _____	_____	_____
\$ _____	_____	_____
\$ _____	_____	_____
\$ _____	_____	_____
\$ _____	_____	_____

\$1100.00 TOTAL (ABOVE INFORMATION MUST BE COMPLETED WHEN SUBMITTED!!!)

ALL PAYMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED ON OR BEFORE JUNE 12, 2014 WHICH IS TWO WEEKS PRIOR TO BAND CAMP!!!

Signature of Lions Club President X _____ Phone(_____) _____

Sponsoring Lions Club _____ Lions Club District _____

Sponsoring Lions Club or Club Officer's Address _____, _____, MO _____

IMPORTANT! Your application MUST be signed by your local Lions Club President. If you need assistance contacting a club or club president, please call the Missouri Lions State Office at (573) 635-1773.

Mail completed application with \$100 fee to: Missouri Lions All-State Band, 2415 B Hyde Park Road, Jefferson City, MO 65109

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Cost of the trip

The \$1100.00 per student figure covers the camp, all meals, lodging, transportation, and all the planned recreation and sightseeing. The students will be responsible for getting their **PASSPORTS**, and getting themselves to Ft. Wood for camp and for the return home from Ft. Wood following the trip. The Missouri Lions will provide 2 colorful tee shirts that may be kept as a souvenir.

June 12, 2014—Student's final payment is due on or before June 12, 2014.

June 26, 2014— Percussion and Color Guard Camp, Ft. Wood, MO.

June 27, 2014 Full Band Camp at Ft. Wood, MO.

July 1, 2014 - Farewell Concert for Lions, Parents, and Guests at Ft. Wood, MO.

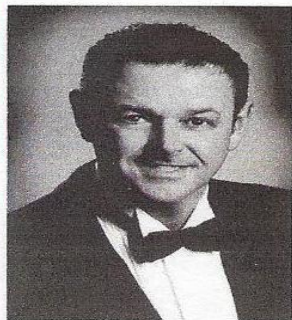
July 2—July 9, 2014 - Toronto, Canada

July 9, 2014 - Return to Ft. Wood, MO.

July 19, 2014 - Missouri Lions Blue and Gold All Star Football Game at Warrensburg, Mo.

For information please call 573 - 225 - 2651 or email: molionsallstateband@yahoo.com, or visit our website awww.missourilions.org.

The Staff



The Missouri Lions All - State Band Director is Mr. Steve Eubanks. Mr. Eubanks retired from Jefferson City High School following 25 years of service with that district. During his career at Jefferson City as assistant director and director of bands, the Marching Jay Band performed in the Pasadena Tournament of Roses Parade, the Alamo Bowl, the Fiesta Bowl, the Freedom Bowl, two appearances at the Citrus Bowl and Orange Bowl Parades, and most recently at the Gator Bowl Parade. A native of Aurora, Missouri, he received his Bachelors Degree from Missouri Southern and his Masters Degree from the University of Missouri. He plans to begin his doctoral work in instrumental conducting in the near future. You can find a bio on Mr. Eubanks and his staff on the web at www.missourilions.org

The Band

The band is a combination marching band and show band. Versatility is the key word, as the group will perform in parades and concerts. A variety of musical styles will be performed. The band will consist of a balanced horn line, a full drum line, and color guard.



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IMPORTANT! INDICATE UNIFORM SIZING INFORMATION AND SPECIAL NEEDS DIET

(CIRCLE YOUR SIZES): T-shirt Size: S M L XL XXL Sock Size (lady's S M L) (men's S M L)

For Marching Band uniform:

Jacket size _____, Hip Size _____, Waist size _____, Inseam _____,

Chest Size _____, Height _____, Weight _____ lbs.

For Short sizes: (ALL STUDENTS)

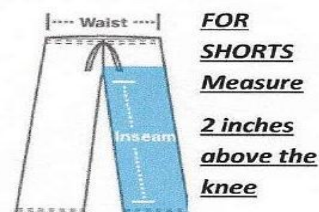
Waist size _____, Inseam _____ (MEASURED FROM TWO INCHES ABOVE THE KNEE)

FOR LADIES SIZES:

SIZE _____ (CIRCLE ONE) PETITE JUNIOR MISSES WOMEN

(MSHSAA Medical Release form will be sent upon acceptance)

Special needs diet Y or N _____



How to become a member 2014 Missouri Lions All - State Band

- * Membership will be determined by musical or performance ability, attitude, moral character, and availability of opening in the band.
- * To place your completed application for consideration, return the application on this flyer with a \$100 non refundable down payment to the Missouri Lions Band with the application.
- * Please ask your high school band director or other school official to send an evaluation of your character and playing ability.
- * Applications and evaluations of students will be reviewed as they are received. After the application is reviewed you will be notified of your acceptance by email.

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THE ADVENTURE AWAITS!!!

2014 Missouri Lions All-State Band

Help !!!!!
Band Students needed



Lions across Missouri, we need band students for the 2014 Missouri Lions All-State Band. Currently we only have **8** members, to be a serious competitor at the 2014 Lions Club International Convention in Toronto, Canada we need at least **100 band members**.

The cost of the trip is \$1100/student, if several Lions Clubs could go together and help sponsor a band student, we could easily have our 100 member Missouri Lions All-State Band. Please don't delay as the band members must have a passport to go to Canada, time is of the essence. **Deadline is December 2013 to get band students signed up. Need additional information please contact your District Band Chairperson.**



For members of the 2014 Missouri Lions All-State Band this is a great opportunity to learn about Lions Clubs International first hand and enjoy the beauty and history of Toronto, Canada.

Lions we need more Band Students for the 2014 Missouri Lions All-State Band!

2013-2014 Missouri Lions Calendar

December 7, 2013	MLERF Board Meeting	Columbia, MO
January 25, 2014	Council of Governors Meeting	Best Western, Sedalia, MO
February 7-9, 2014	Mid-Winter Forum	Chateau on the Lake Branson, MO
March 7-8, 2014	Mid-South Board Meeting	Memphis, TN
April 11, 2014	Mid-South VDG Visit	Memphis, TN
April 24, 2014	Council of Governors meeting	Sedalia, MO**
April 25-26, 2014	State Convention	Sedalia, MO
June 13-14, 2014	Mid-South Board Meeting	Memphis, TN
July 19, 2014	Council of Governors Meeting	Warrensburg, MO
July 19, 2014	Missouri lions All-Star Football Game	Warrensburg, MO
October 25, 2014	Council of Governors Meeting	Warrenton, MO
Sept. 18-19, 2014	USA/Canada Forum	San Juan, Puerto Rico
April 30 – May 3, 2015	State Convention	Cape Girardeau, MO
February 21-22, 2014	District Convention MD 26-M1	TBA
Feb. 28- March 1, 2014	District Convention MD 26-M3	Columbia, MO
March 7 -8, 2014	District Convention MD-26 M5	TBA
March 15-16, 2014	District Convention MD-26 M6	Joplin, MO
March 21-22, 2014	District Convention MD-26 M7	TBA
March 28-30, 2014	District Convention MD-26 M2	TBA
July 4-8, 2014	International Convention	Toronto, Canada
June 26-30, 2015	International Convention	Honolulu, Hawaii
June 24-28, 2016	International Convention	Fukuoka, Japan
June 30-July 4, 2017	International Convention	Chicago, Illinois*
June 29-July 3, 2018	International Convention	Las Vegas, Nevada

*** This will be the centennial celebration in the city where Lions Clubs started in 1917.**

**** Mohler Assembly Hall, State Fairgrounds/Best Western State Fair Inn**

TBA To Be Announced

MD-26 Headquarters Office

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2013-2014 Pin Trader Swaps				
Jan 17-18	Southwest	David Bailey	817-312-2490	davidmbailey@sbcglobal.net
Feb. 23-25	Southeast	Jerry Townsend	601-737-5170	jctown@comcast.net

Missouri Lions Pin Traders Club

Membership Application : **New** _____ **Renewal** _____

(Please Print)

Name : _____ **Title :** _____ **Partner in Service:** _____

Address: _____ **City:** _____

State: _____ **Zip:** _____ **Country:** _____

Home Phone: _____ **Fax:** _____

E-mail: _____

Club: _____ **District:** _____ **Multiple District:** _____

Will you trade by mail? Yes _____ **NO** _____ **Outside Country?** Yes _____ **NO** _____

Sponsoring Lion (new member only) _____

May we include your information in directory? Yes _____ **NO** _____

Please send check to : **Lion Nan Blakemore**
 800 Geneva Street
 Jefferson City, MO. 65109

(Dues are \$7.50 for July 1 – June 30)



Does this Lions Pin belong to You? If you lost this pin when you where visiting the Missouri Pin Traders at the State Convention, please contact the editor at 417-532-9176, so I can return it to you.

We are Lions. We are Saving Sight.



The Missouri Lions Eye Research Foundation will operate under the name Saving Sight as of December 1, 2013. The moniker change was approved by the board of directors at their meeting in September because it will unite several sight-saving programs, including Heartland Lions Eye Banks and Children's Vision Screening, under a single brand identity. "Saving Sight is going to sharpen the focus of our organization and make it easier to communicate all the great work our staff and volunteers are doing," said Chief Executive Officer Lion Tony Bavuso.

Refining the Foundation's identity is a key objective in our strategic plan, a five-part document created by board members and staff to guide development over the next three years (more on the next page). "We chose Saving Sight because it clearly and concisely describes what all of our programs do to help people," said Lion Tony. "With the strategic plan in place, now is the time to execute a name change that'll help us achieve our mission: we change lives by saving sight."

The name change also offers the Missouri Lions an opportunity to grow its membership. As President of the Board of Directors PCC Al Blumenberg put it, "The marketing possibilities of this new name are tremendous, in that it will be very easy for us to point to our State Sight Project and say, 'We are Lions. We are Saving Sight.' Who wouldn't want to be a part of a group of people committed to such a cause?" The Missouri Lions have been crucial to the development of the Foundation through governance, fundraising, and volunteerism, and they will continue to be so in this next chapter in the Foundation's development.

The rebranding will involve some logistical changes. Office locations and phone numbers will remain the same, but the new website (www.saving-sight.org), social media (Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn and Vimeo) and email addresses (e.g., TBavuso@saving-sight.org) will go live on December 1, 2013. For everyone's convenience, though, the current websites (www.mlerf.org and www.hleb.org) and email addresses will redirect automatically to the new site and addresses starting December 1.

To get more involved with Saving Sight or to ask questions about the strategic plan, please contact pr@mlerf.org or 800-283-1982.



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Organizational Strategic Plan Guides Work Toward Mission

Last February, leadership staff and board members of the Missouri Lions Eye Research Foundation met in St. Louis to develop the organization's first-ever strategic plan. It was the first time in 53 years that the organization has stepped back collectively to think about its current operating environment, its goals, and the strengths and obstacles that will affect the attainment of those goals. The result of these discussions was a strategic plan, which is like a roadmap that the Foundation will use to guide its growth and refinement over the next three years. The strategic plan includes a statement of the organization's mission, vision, values, and 5 primary objectives:

Mission

We change lives by saving sight.

Vision

To be the global partnership model for how eye banking and charitable vision services can most effectively serve people and communities.

Values

- Stewardship of gifts – responsibly handling financial and tissue donations; recognizing and respecting selfless gifts of others by honoring their intended use
- Integrity – being trustworthy; acting in an ethical way; being authentically mission-driven
- Collaboration – working with others to achieve our goals, including Lions clubs; seeking long-term partnerships to support our mission
- Teamwork – working together for a common goal; committing to each other; understanding and respecting each other and other departments; creating synergy
- Leadership – influencing the industry; being knowledgeable and confident; being calculated risk takers; being recognized as having opinion leaders; being a think tank for the industry
- Accountability – exhibiting capable stewardship through transparency; taking responsibility for our decisions and action



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Objectives

1. Manage the risk created by health care reform.
2. Grow high-impact charitable programs.
3. Generate additional revenue.
4. Raise awareness of and appreciation for the Foundation's programs among key stakeholders.
5. Build a high-performance, high-satisfaction organization.

These principles of the organization will govern our work for the next three years, and part of that growth includes working with Lions leaders at the state level to get Lions more involved with our sight-saving programs. In fact, as one of our key stakeholders, Lions are integral to achievement of the fourth objective, which will involve finding new ways for Lions to volunteer with our programs and also developing a recognition program to successfully spotlight those Lions and Lions clubs that make a difference in their communities by way of our programs. As these opportunities develop, the Foundation will notify Lions through email, newsletters, and district leadership.

The Foundation is in an exciting time of growth, and the Missouri Lions will be crucial in driving that growth over the next three years. Accordingly, each Lions Club President has received a copy of the strategic plan to share with club members, and each district's board member and leadership has received information to share with Lions in their district.

To learn more about how to get involved, please contact us at pr@mlefrf.org or 800-283-1982 or get in touch with your district's board member and leadership team.

Recent Haywood Snipes Society Inductees

Congratulations to the following Lions who were inducted into the Haywood Snipes Society between July 15, 2013 and October 15, 2013:

Lion Stan Rehn – Lions Charitable Foundation of MD26 M-2

Lion Brian Dufaux – Woodson Terrace Lions

Lion William Federhofer, Sr. – Concord Village Lions

Lion Emily DeLuca – Concord Village Lions



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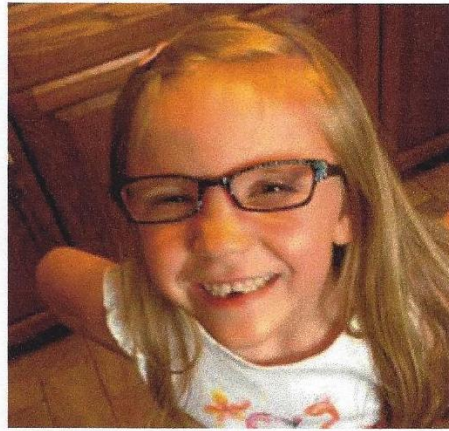
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Vision Screening Helps Preserve Sight for Kindergartener

Olivia was in kindergarten last April when the Children's Vision Screening program and volunteers from the Concordia Lions Club visited her school. She wasn't experiencing difficulty in the classroom or demonstrating vision problems at home, but the vision screening technician detected that Olivia was likely suffering from amblyopia and thus referred her parents to seek a full vision exam from an eye doctor. Amblyopia, commonly known as "lazy eye," can occur when there is a vast difference in acuity between the child's two eyes. Over time, the disparity usually results in the weaker eye losing sight altogether unless it is treated promptly, which is why early detection is so important. "We never had any indication that she couldn't see," said Scott, her father. "No teachers or grandparents or other doctors had noticed a problem. So without this vision screening, Olivia would have been 20/20 in one eye and 20/200 in her left eye."



Olivia's parents took her to an eye doctor who confirmed the screening results, diagnosing Olivia with refractive amblyopia and prescribing glasses that give Olivia's left eye an acuity of 20/60 to help stimulate the eye's growth. At her most recent follow-up visit, they discovered an improvement in her vision, and the doctor also prescribed one hour of patching a night for the next three months until the next appointment. Patching is a common treatment that involves covering the dominant eye (the right eye in Olivia's case) to require the child to use the weaker eye and strengthen it. Scott has reported that the treatment and glasses are going well so far.

When 80 percent of learning occurs through the eyes, healthy vision is crucial to Olivia's success in the classroom. Furthermore, the American Association for Pediatric Ophthalmology and Strabismus reports that, "better treatment success is achieved when treatment starts early." This is why the Children's Vision Screening program focuses on screening children ages 6 months to 6 years old. By identifying vision problems early, the program can give parents the information they need to seek treatment for their children and prepare them for school. Olivia's treatment and improving vision is a testament to the power of early treatment and what can be accomplished when vision screening programs, schools, parents, and eye doctors work together. "We learned that it can greatly affect academics," Scott said. "So we're quite grateful that we were able to avoid discovering Olivia's condition in that fashion."

The American Optometric Association recommends that children receive comprehensive eye exams at 6 months and 3 years old, before starting school, and every two years thereafter.



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Improving the Sight & Quality of Life for a Mother of Three

Cathy from Bethalto, Illinois didn't know she was suffering from a serious eye disease until she



sought a consultation for Lasik surgery. The surgeon explained that the reason her contacts no longer fit and why she wasn't a candidate for Lasik was because the shape of her cornea was slowly changing due to keratoconus. According to the National Keratoconus Foundation, the disease "is a non-inflammatory eye condition in which the normally round dome-shaped cornea progressively thins, causing a cone-like bulge to develop." Keratoconus significantly impairs vision for about 1 in every 2,000 people, but its cause remains unknown. Cathy began using rigid, gas-permeable contact lenses that helped give her eyes a smooth, rounded shape, resulting in better vision. But as the

keratoconus progressed, her doctor eventually recommended corneal transplantation.

"I was almost blind in my right eye," Cathy said. "I could see but not focus, so I couldn't make out faces until they were within a foot or two of me." She received a transplant on her right eye in St. Louis and experienced no complications with the surgery. "I still wear gas-permeated contacts because my eye's still slightly misshapen, but my vision is clear and close to 20/20 in the right eye." Cathy is currently waiting to pursue treatment on her left eye.

For now, though, Cathy is able to see very well with her contacts and new cornea. "I consider myself lucky because my cornea transplant was a very easy process," Cathy said. "It was nerve-racking, but the recovery time was easy and I had no pain." As a working mother of three daughters, she became acutely aware of just how important her sight was to her family life. "You take sight for granted," she added. "My kids would bring me papers for school, but I couldn't help them without contacts in. It made me very confused. You're aware of things around you, but everything's such a blur."

"I feel very blessed," said Cathy. "It's ironic because I'm registered as an organ donor, but you don't think about eyes or corneas. A small part of someone's body has made a big impact on me." Thanks to her donor and donor family, Cathy is more able to engage with her life and her children. "My oldest daughter is a senior this year," she said, "so I'm now getting to experience her life alongside her while she experiences it."

To join the millions of Americans like Cathy who have registered for the eye, organ, and tissue donor registry, visit the Donate Life America website (www.donatelife.net) or your local Department of Motor Vehicles office.



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Bulletin of Missouri District 26. Send all communications and articles for publication:

to *the Missouri Lion*

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Lebanon, MO. 65536-4470

newsletter@missourilions.org

Information for Publication in **the Missouri Lion**

Anyone wishing to submit an article for publication in the Missouri Lion but needs some assistance in writing the article can submit the basics of the article such as:

Who, What, When, Where, Why, Specific Details to be included in the article and your contact information. After a draft has been written, you will receive a copy for review. Please review or edit the draft, when it meets your approval it will be added to the Missouri Lion bulletin.

Send basic information by e-mail to newsletter@missourilions.org

Paper copies of the above information can be sent to the editor see above

Deadline for article submission for the February 2014 Issue is January 31st, 2014. The deadline for submission of materials for publication has been standardized to the last day of the month preceding the month an issue is to be distributed.

Submission of an article or subject material before the printed submission date does not guarantee the topic will be published in any edition *the Missouri Lion* editor

The Missouri Lion is undergoing a few minor changes, should you not receive your electronic copy, please contact the editor.

Happy Holidays to You!

