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## 2012 Missouri Lions All State band



The 2012 All State Band Tour was a great success. Starting with 4 days at Fort Leonard Wood, the students had plenty of time to practice marching and rehearse their music selections under the direction of Lion Steve Eubanks and his staff. There are several advantages of holding our band camp at Fort Leonard Wood, one is the cost of band camp with meals and lodging. Another is the discipline which is floating around in the air. Also, the band is critiqued by section leaders of the Army Band. These military section leaders provide positive suggestions which help the band students in their overall performance.

The 2012 Missouri Lions All State Band traveled within the United States, as the International Convention was held in Busan, Korea. While many participants would have thoroughly enjoyed an International trip, policy does not allow students to travel to a foreign country. The students from this year's Missouri Lions All State Band still had a great time on their travels.

Leaving from Fort Leonard Wood, the first stop the on the trip was in St. Joseph, Missouri where the group played a concert, visited three museums and went to the water park at the Ramada Inn. Next stop on the tour was Cameron, where the group gave a performance at the veteran's home. The energy the students displayed in their musical performance was reflected in the residents with cheers and unending applause. Following their performance the band members talked with the veterans and thanked them for the service they had given to their country.

Back on the bus again, this time the group went to Rapid City, SD. There they visited Mount Rushmore, played a concert at the Crazy Horse Memorial, as well as downtown Rapid City, and another Veteran's Home in Hot Springs, SD. The Missouri All State Band marched in a parade in Spearfish, SD, visited Keystone, and saw a reenactment of a gun fight at Deadwood. This tour was not all work for these young students, as they toured a live mammoth excavation site while they were in Hot Springs, SD.



Some changes in the group's original tour plans were necessary when fires in Colorado became a major issue. The next stop on the groups tour was Omaha, NE where the students went to the zoo and the Strategic Air Command Museum.

During the trip Lions Steve and Ron provided the young band students with information about our Lions Club International organization and how great it was to be part of such a Worldwide association. Students learned firsthand what it was like to be blind when the group participated in various role playing demonstrations which required the participant to be blind folded. Afterwards the group discussed their feelings and what emotions they had experienced during these activities. What a tremendous stage to learn about our Lionistic values and a n age where it can dramatically convince these young people to join our ranks, now or later in adulthood.

The Missouri Lions All State Band is trying to be bigger and better next year. One of the groups long range plans is to take the band to the 2015 International Lions Clubs Convention in Hawaii. The band Committee has worked hard to save funds and get the necessary items to make this happen. To make this happen for the Missouri Lions All State Band, Lions Clubs throughout Missouri need to be active participants in this statewide Lions program. Please plan to budget funds for this very valuable Lions youth program, no donation is too small as every dollar donated provides the opportunity for the student who participates to develop self confidence and desire to give back to others.

The Missouri Lions All State Band's last performance was at the Missouri Lions All Star Football Game held in Warrensburg on July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2012. Members of the band attended the special banquet activities held on Friday night at the university in Warrensburg where they told Lions in attendance about their wonderful experiences while on tour. These youth are truly the future of our Lions Clubs organization, give them your support.



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## **Notes from the editor**

Missouri Lions this Special Edition of *the Missouri Lion* covers two very important State sponsored Lions programs which serve our youth. The August 2012 Issue of this publication contained 24 pages and did not address either the Missouri Lions All State Band or the Missouri Lions All Star Football programs. It is through this Special Edition specifically dedicated to these two youth programs, I hope Lions across the state of Missouri can understand the value each of these special youth activities adds to our Lions Club organization. If you have never had the opportunity to sponsor either a band student or a local football player, contact your District Chairperson. Arrange to have the chairperson provide a program for your club to get a better understanding of the positive benefits of either of these programs. Students who have been sponsored by Lions Clubs for either of these programs are very willing to give a presentation to your club members. Please inform yourself about these two wonderful youth programs. Both would appreciate any and all monetary contributions from Lions Clubs or individuals wishing to help better either a band student or football player from our state.

### 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.

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**Deadline for article submission for the November 2012 Issue is October 10<sup>th</sup> , 2012**

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*the Missouri Lion editor*

# 36<sup>th</sup> Missouri Lions All Star Football Game

July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2012

Warrensburg, Missouri was once again the site of the 36<sup>th</sup> Missouri Lions All Star Football Game played on July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2012. Fifty nine football players from all over the state arrived at practice camp a week before the game. It was a week of hard work and lots of team building as the members of the “Blue” and “Gold” Teams practiced together.



**2012 Blue and Gold Missouri Lions All-Star Football Teams**

Coaches from across the state were selected to prepare the players on both teams for the final showdown on Saturday July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2012. The players and coaches spent many long hours practicing on the football field, early in the morning, middle of the day and later at night when the heat of the day had dropped several degrees. Players on each team focused on teamwork to unify the players, since the 59 players were from all over the state. Even the coaches focused on Teamwork, making sure they used the same language for the football strategies’ they would be using during the game.

While there was a lot of hard work going on during this week in Warrensburg, there was just as much fun and friendship happening off the football field. One afternoon was spent at the Warrensburg Veteran’s Home. It was difficult to see who was having the most fun, the Veteran’s staying in the home or the 59 members of the Missouri Lions All-Star Football Team. These Veteran’s look forward to the football team’s visit each year when these

young men come and spend the afternoon with them. This is definitely a win/win for everyone involved. What a tremendous way for these young players to give back to their community.

After a week of lots of hard work and grueling practice in this year's Mid-Western summer heat wave, it was time to relax on Friday night before the game. As always the tradition, a big banquet has held at the University in Warrensburg. Following a nice dinner, the Missouri Lions attending the banquet were introduced to this year's football players and coaches. The football players and members of this year's Missouri All State Band were seated throughout the dining room. This provided Lions in attendance an opportunity to meet the various members of these two Missouri Lions sponsored youth projects.

Following a wonderful meal, PDG Lion Eldon Shipps introduced the coaches of the "Blue" and "Gold" Teams, they in turn introduced their coaching staff. I was very impressed with the knowledge of our Lions organization these dedicated volunteers demonstrated during their presentation to the Lions and parents in attendance at the celebration banquet.

As previously stated, both the Missouri Lions All-State Band and the Missouri Lions All Star Football Game are two youth orientated Lions sponsored programs. They rely on funding from Lions Clubs across the state of Missouri. Young men participating in the football game sell advertising in their local areas to help offset the cost of football camp. The cost of participating in the Missouri All Star Football game is \$750/player. These costs are somewhat contained as they live on campus in the dorms but they still need to eat. If every Lions Club in Missouri would donate \$50/ for the year to each program , the All State Band and the All Star Football Game, just imagine how successful these two youth programs could be.

As we are all aware the youth of today are the future for our Lions Clubs across the world as many of our clubs, while still active in their local community, have the average age of their membership growing each year. Firsthand experience, is a valuable lesson to encourage these youth to join us in our giving back crusade to our community. Please consider both of these two Missouri Lions Clubs sponsored youth programs in your 2012-2013 club financial budgets. You will be helping so many people with this small investment in these youth.

## 2012 Football Players Roster - Gold



No	Name	Position	Height	Weight	HighSchool	College	Dist
1	Jack Young	DB	6'0"	176	Jefferson City H.S.	Northwest MO State	M7
2	Jayvon James	FS/SS	6'0"	175	Van Horn H.S.	Undecided	M5
5	Alex Prewitt	WR	5'10"	165	Kearney H.S.	Undecided	M4
10	Scott Kroeger	QB	5'11"	185	Clopton Elsberry H.S.	Undecided	M3
12	Brendan Gabbart	CB	5'10"	165	Cameron H.S.	Avila University	M4
15	James Holler	QB	6'4"	210	Waynesville H.S.	Northwest MO State	M1
16	Brock Bondurant	SS	6'1"	205	Scotland County H.S.	University of MO	M3
19	Austin Kempker	WR	5'11"	195	Blair Oaks H.S.	Undecided	M7
20	Stewart Parnell	DB	5'6"	165	Miller H.S.	Columbia College	M6
21	Jeremiah Jackson	RB	5'10"	180	Salisbury R-IV H.S.	Central Methodist University	M4
22	Nathan Skaggs	S	6'1"	175	Carl Junction H.S.	Undecided	M6
23	Valadore Crowder, Jr.	S/KR	6'0"	186	Ruskin H.S.	MO Valley	
27	Gabe Vandiver	RB/Ret	5'10"	190	Richmond H.S.	Undecided	M5
28	Tom Lathrop	RB	5'9"	165	Bowling Green H.S.	Undecided	M3
32	Trey Forward	WR/LB	5'11"	175	King City H.S.	MO Western	M4
40	Rory Driscoll	OLB/LB	6'1"	195	Staley H.S.	Undecided	M4
41	Ethan Epperson	LB	5'8"	185	Neosho H.S.	Central Methodist University	M6
44	Matt Pehle	DE	6'3"	225	Eldon H.S.	Central Methodist University	M7
52	Jacob Oberg	OG	6'1"	245	Higginsville H.S.	Undecided	M5
62	Brandon Palmer	OL	6'1"	260	Moberly H.S.	Westminister College	M3
63	Hayden Baxter	OL	6'3"	230	Bowling Green H.S.	Moberly Area Com. College	M3
65	Kody Taylor (injured)	OL	6'0"	300	Eldon H.S.	Central Methodist University	M7
68	Ethan Romi	LDE	6'2"	220	Archie R-5 H.S.	MO State	M5
71	Fred Sattler	OL	6'2"	260	Miller H.S.	Undecided	M6
72	Thomas Hermann	DL	6'3"	245	Valle Catholic H.S.	MO State	M1
73	Sam Rohr (Injured)	OG	6'2"	275	Lindbergh H.S.	Quincy University	M2
74	Garret Baker	DE	6'2"	260	Owensville H.S.	Southeast MO State	M7
75	Sean Morris	OL (Center)	6'0"	270	Bowling Green H.S.	University of MO-Columbia	M3
80	Jordan Moots	WR	5'11"	190	Miller H.S.	Undecided	M6
82	Hunter Melies	WR	5'9"	165	Pleasant Hill H.S.	University of Central MO	M5
87	Brandon Dennis	TE	6'2"	213	O'Hara H.S.	MO Western State University	M5
90	Tyler Whisenhunt	DT	6'1"	265	Knob Noster H.S.	Avila University	M5

## 2012 Football Players Roster - Blue



No	Name	Position	Height	Weight	HighSchool	College	Dist
1	Andrew Baxley	LB	6'1"	180	Westran H.S.	Undecided	M3
2	DeShaun Thirkield	LB	5'11"	230	Higginsville H.S.	Central Methodist University	M5
3	Shane Williams	RB	6'0"	200	Monroe City R-1 H.S.	Undecided	M3
4	Tyler Miller	WR	6'3"	180	Dexter H.S.	Undecided	M1
5	Elbie Fonda, Jr.	RB	5'9"	185	Caruthersville H.S.	Undecided	M1
6	Brett Thomas	QB	5'11"	170	Putnam County H.S.	University of MO	M4
10	Hiram Robinson	WR	6'0"	194	Ruskin H.S.	Ottawa University	M5
11	Taylor Ayres	P	5'11"	185	Cass Midway H.S.	Pittsburgh State	M5
12	Benjamin Seitz	Rec	5'10"	150	South Callaway H.S.	Undecided	M7
14	Colby Dohrman	ROT	6'4"	320	Sweet Springs R-7 H.S.	Truman State	M5
15	Cody Stevens	QB	5'10"	185	Dexter H.S.	Undecided	M1
22	Dakota Schmitter	RB	5'11"	180	Schuyler Co. H.S.	Central Methodist University	M3
27	Tyler Willms	K	5'8"	135	Cass-Midway H.S.	Undecided	M5
36	Jorge Belcher	OLB	6'2"	214	O'Hara H.S.	Missouri Western	M5
42	Eric Simon	DE	6'0"	225	Oakville H.S.	MO Valley College	M2
44	Lorenzo Dailey	LB/FS	5'9"	170	Poplar Bluff H.S.	University of MO	M1
60	Chase Stumpf	RT/NG	6'0"	240	Staley H.S.	Undecided	M4
63	Lamar Gray	RE	6'1"	245	Caruthersville H.S.	Lincoln University	M1
67	Nathan Propst	LS	6'3"	205	Festus H.S.	Undecided	M2
72	Matt Forbes	OL	6'0"	265	Brookfield H.S.	United Methodist College	M4
74	Zach Lacy	OT	6'1"	245	Dexter H.S.	Avila University-K.C.	M1
75	Ryan McCann	C/LS	6'2"	230	Centralia H.S.	MACC	M3



76	Ryan Hermann	OT	6'4"	230	Valle Catholic H.S.	MSU, Springfield, MO	M1
77	Layne Fischer	OLT	6'4"	285	Warrensburg H.S.	University of Central MO	M5
80	Blaine Eggemeyer	WR	6'2"	170	Festus H.S.	Undecided	M2
82	Dalton Freeze	WR	6'4"	195	Stockton H.S.	Undecided	M6
84	Christopher Stumpf	TE	6'2"	210	Staley H.S.	Undecided	M4
87	Justin Lineback	WR	6'4"	170	St. James H.S.	Undecided	M1
89	Jamar Oliver	MLB	5'9"	195	Caruthersville H.S.	Arkansas State University	M1

## 2012 Missouri Lions All-Star Football Game Winning Coaches

Every football game has a team with the highest score , but in this instance, everyone wins. The winning team was ahead by “1 point” when the game was over, but if you asked all the players who participated in this event, they would say they all had won because of their wonderful experiences through the past week. Great job players, great job from the coaching staff and great job from all those Lions who supported this special event through their monetary and Lionistic support.



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