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Lions Clubs International “Code of Ethics”: A Tribute to Melvin Jones



Melvin Jones was the son of Lydia M. Gibler and Captain Calvin Jones of the United States Army stationed at Fort Thomas, Arizona. During his early childhood Melvin Jones memories were filled with blue-clad troopers riding horses with bugles dangling from their sides and war cries, while wagon trains filled with settlers going west passed through the military facility he called home.

As a young man, Melvin Jones attended the Union Business School at Chaddock College in Quincy, Illinois. Torn between deciding if he should pursue a career as an attorney or as a tenor, he gave up both and took a position in an insurance agency. It was through this connection Melvin Jones developed a circle of business friends which later became the foundation for Lions Clubs International. The purpose of this group was business “pure and simple”.

In 1915 Melvin Jones became the secretary for his business circle. It soon became obvious to this young man a sense of positive values was missing from his business circle as everything was directed toward personal gains. After some searching Melvin Jones came up with what is listed below as the Lions Clubs International “**Code of Ethics**”. To the best of my knowledge this is the only document which contains only “**Positive**” statements and **no negatives** or **thou shall not’s**.

- **To Show** my faith in the worthiness of my vocation by industrious application to the end that I may merit a reputation for quality of service.

- **To Seek** success and to demand all fair remuneration or profit as my just due, but to accept no profit or success at the price of my own self-respect lost because of unfair advantage taken or because of questionable acts on my part.
- **To Remember** that in building up my business it is not necessary to tear down another's; to be loyal to my clients or customers and true to myself.
- **Whenever** a doubt arises as to the right or ethics of my position or action towards others, to resolve such doubt against myself.
- **To Hold** friendship as an end and not a means. To hold that true friendship exists not on account of the service performed by one to another, but that true friendship demands nothing but accepts service in the spirit in which it is given.
- **Always** to bear in mind my obligations as a citizen to my nation, my state, and my community, and to give them my unswerving loyalty in word, act, and deed. To give them freely of my time, labor and means.
- **To Aid** others by giving my sympathy to those in distress, my aid to the weak, and my substance to the needy.
- **To Be Careful** with my criticism and liberal with my praise; to build up and not destroy.



MD-26 District Convention Dates and Speakers for 2013

District	Date	International Speaker	Convention Location
26-M1	Feb. 22-24, 2013	ID John Harper	Ste. Genevieve, Missouri
26-M2	March 22-24, 2013	ID Brian Shehan	St. Louis Sunset Hills Holiday Inn
26-M3	March 1-3, 2013	ID Mark Hintzmann	Hilton, Garden Inn, Columbia, Missouri
26-M4	March 1-3, 2013	ID Brian Shehan	Comfort Inn & Suites, Chillicothe, MO
26-M5	March 8-10, 2013	ID Marvin Chambers	Sedalia, MO
26-M6	March 15-17, 2013	ID Stacey Jones	Howard Johnson Hotel, Springfield, Missouri
26-M7	March 1-3, 2013	ID Harvey Whitley	Lake of the Ozarks, Missouri

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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 page 20.

Deadline for article submission for the May 2013 Issue is April 15th, 2013

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

“It is hard to interest those who have everything in those who have nothing.” [**Helen Keller**](#)

A MESSAGE FROM INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR DONAL KNIPP

Congratulations to all Lions for your work and commitment to our organization. This has been a very successful year thus far. I hope everyone had a good holiday season and is continuing the good works.

Please plan to attend our state convention in Kansas City. Many informative sessions are being planned to improve our clubs and help us be better Lions. Our convention with International 2nd Vice President Joe Preston as our guest will be one of the best in years. A weekend of events is planned for your enjoyment.

Since the International Convention in Busan, Korea, Lion Betty and I have traveled around the country representing the Lions of Missouri and Lions Clubs International at district conventions.

Our first board meeting was in Indianapolis, Indiana in November. At this meeting we became acquainted with other board members from around the world and attended to the business of Lions Clubs International. This was a great experience.

There were many topics discussed and acted on by the committees. The board authorized the formation of an ad hoc committee on board representation for the 2012-2014 fiscal years. President Madden and the executive officers are to appoint a chairperson and up to 7 additional members of the committee with at least one member from each constitutional area. Their objective is to review the composition of the International Board of Directors. They are to recommend any changes they deem necessary. This will be done at least every 10 years. The Reading Action Program had been a huge success and it was also approved to continue this program for an additional 10 years.

I am proud to announce that through the One Shot, One Life: Lions Measles Initiative, we helped to vaccinate 157 million children in 2012. Lions have worked to protect children from Measles and its terrible side effects.

Please continue bringing new members into our clubs. They make our clubs stronger and are the lifeblood of Lions. Contrary to popular belief, more people are volunteering now than ever before. Challenges make life interesting. Overcoming them makes life meaningful. Be thankful for each new challenge your club faces, because it will build strength and character.

Remember, your activities each day makes you a part of **"A World of Service."**

Submitted by ID Donal Knipp

"No one has a right to consume happiness without producing it."

[Helen Keller](#)

Missouri Lions MD-26 2013 Proposed Changes to By-Laws

PROPOSITION NO. 1

A RESOLUTION TO INCREASE MULTIPLE DISTRICT DUES EFFECTIVE WITH FISCAL YEAR 2013-2014. A MODEST DUES INCREASE WILL ALLOW THE ASSOCIATION TO CONTINUE TO SERVE THE MEMBERSHIP BY MAINTAINING EXISTING PROGRAMS AND SERVICES.

SHALL THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BE ADOPTED?

BE IT RESOLVED, that effective July 1, 2013, Article III, Section 1(a) and Section 2(a) of the Multiple District 26 By-Laws be amended to read as follows:

Section 1. (a) To provide necessary revenues for the State Lions activities, there shall be levied upon each Lion in each District an annual per capita tax of ~~\$9.00~~ \$10.50; except in years during which Multiple District 26 has an endorsed candidate for International Director or International Vice President or has a sitting International Vice President, President, or Immediate Past President the annual per capita tax shall be ~~\$10.50~~ \$12.00 commencing with the first billing following said endorsement and continuing until said condition no longer exists.

Section 2. (a) ~~\$9.00~~ \$10.50 (~~\$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 in semi-annual installments 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: \$0.70 per year in the International Convention Fund; ~~\$7.40~~ \$8.70 per year in the State Administrative Fund; \$0.70 per year in the Missouri Lions All-State Band Fund; and ~~\$0.20~~ \$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 ~~\$1.70~~ \$1.90 per year.

2012-2013 MD-26 Missouri Lions Peace Poster Winner



“I want peace to be for everyone. Without love there is no peace”

The 2012-2013 MD 26 Lions International peace Poster Winner is Joanni Kim, a 12 year old girl. She is a 7th grader from Carl Junction R-1 School. The Carl Junction Lions Club sponsored the Peace Poster Contest at her school.

The theme for the 2013-2014 Lions International peace Poster is :Our World, Our Future”. It is for students ages 11, 12 or 13 by November 15th of the current year. Lions Clubs can purchase the kits from the Club Supplies Department at International Headquarters.

Now is the time to contact your local schools to make arrangements to sponsor this valuable youth program. Entries not meeting the following deadlines will be disqualified.

- All peace poster entries must be submitted to your District Governor by November 15th.
- The District Governor sends the winning poster to the Council Chair by December 1st.
- The winner of the MD competition is then sent to the Public Relations Department at International Headquarters for the next level of competition.
- The final winner of the International contest is announced on or before February 1st.

37th Annual Missouri Lions All Star Football Game

July 20th, 2013

The **37th Annual Missouri Lion All Star Football Game** will be held on **July 20th, 2013** at the University of Central Missouri located in Warrensburg, Missouri. The game will start at 7:30 PM following pre-game activities. The banquet will be held on Friday July 19th and begins at 6:30 PM. If attending the banquet you must have reservations prior to the event. ***There will be no tickets sold at the door.*** Attending the banquet is an ideal opportunity to meet the players and coaches.

This year the Missouri State Athletic Committee has once again voted to allow any ***“youth”*** football player ***free admission*** to the game with the attendance of a paid adult. ***They must also be wearing their jersey.***

Your **District Athletic Chairperson** will be contacting each Lions Club asking for your support of this state wide youth project either by purchasing ads or helping a player sell ads for the program. **To make the game a success we need full sponsorship for each player chosen to play in the game.** Just think how exciting it would be if every Lions Club would participate in this great project!

Remember that although this is a money making event, all proceeds go to “our” Missouri Lions Eye Research Foundation, it is also an opportunity to showcase some of the finest young athletes Missouri has to offer.

Mark your calendar today and plan to attend the weekend events of the 37th Annual Missouri Lions All Star Football Banquet and Game in Warrensburg.

For additional information, please contact your Athletic Committee Chairperson. Those serving on the committee by districts are:

District M1
District M2
District M3
District M4
District M5
District M6
District M7

1st VDG Larry Kimbrow
PDG Eugene Taylor
Lion Joel Booth
PCC John Anderson, PDG Eldon Shipp
Lion Bill Upchurch, 1st VDG Gary Curtis
PDG Sue Blakley
Lion Joe Dyke

2013 Missouri Lions All State Band “New Orleans” Bound

For more information contact the Missouri Lions at:
molionsallstateband@yahoo.com or 573-635-1773

This year the Missouri Lions All State Band is headed for New Orleans. The exact travel plans, while not yet finalized, promise to provide all the band members with an exciting time and a wonderful adventure as they travel across country. Again this year, the Missouri Lions All State Band will start with their practice session at Fort Leonard Wood before they depart on their adventure. As before, the Band will again play at several Veterans Homes and for various Lions Clubs along their journey. The final destination for the 2013 Missouri Lions All State Band is New Orleans, Louisiana.

"My share of the work may be limited, but the fact that it is work makes it precious."
Helen Keller

This is a tremendous opportunity for members of the band to experience our country first hand and learn about Lionism along the way.

New Orleans became a city in 1718, but did not get city streets until 3 years later. Our band members will soon learn as they read the street names in this wonderful city many are named for royal houses in France and Catholic Saints. They will also learn [Bourbon Street](#) is not named for the alcoholic beverage, but after the Royal House of Bourbon, the family which occupied the throne in France during this time period.

The Band members will see the architectural changes from the Spanish when they took over in 1763 from the French. The Spanish established new building codes for better roofs and buildings constructed with native brick walls. The French Quarter shows the architecture of the Spanish more than the French.

This year's Missouri Lions All State Band Trip promises to be even greater than the 2012 trip. Please consider supporting a student for this wonderful Missouri Lions Youth project.

Providing Easy Access to your Lions Club “e-Club House” Web Site

One of the easiest ways to provide information about your club is through the use of an internet web site. There is a very economical and simple way to do so. Lions Clubs International provides all clubs with the ability to obtain a free web site at <http://www.e-clubhouse.org/>. This is a great tool **AND** you can make it even easier for the public, and potential or current members to reach you. It works this way...

First:

If you have not created a club web site already, this is a great way for your club to have a presence on the internet. The Lions Clubs International sight, <http://www.e-clubhouse.org/>, will lead you through step by step instructions to create and have your sight up and going.

I recommend that a club member who is a bit (not necessary to be an expert) computer literate be the individual to create your club’s web site. Someone needs to keep it current or the value diminishes over time. Get it all set up and accessible to view with the e-club address. An example below is to my club’s “e-club house” sight:

<http://www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/bonhomme/index.php>

Second:

In order to make it easier to remember, print or display, the site name needed to be shorter, in my opinion. To make the internet address easier to remember, print or display, you first need to go to a service where you can register and purchase/rent an internet Domain Name. I chose to use Go Daddy.Com to obtain a new domain name. That was due to my having other sights through their service. I was familiar with them. You can search for Domain Name providers and select from a number of them. Once you have a name registered, it is yours, regardless of where you obtained it.

The first thing to do (after establishing an account) is to see if an acceptable domain name (one your club would like to use) is available. There are a number of domain types like .COM, .BIZ, .US, .ORG and others. I chose to search for BonhommeLions.org. The system told me it was available. In this case, the charge is \$13.00 a year. I made the purchase. I set it up so that if anyone clicked on **bonhommelions.org** they would be sent/pointed to

<http://www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/bonhomme/index.php>

Now our banners, signs and other communication only need to have the internet address **BonhommeLions.org**. I think it’s a bit easier to remember and use. The capital letters are used for affect. The use of upper or lower case letters is not an issue here.

Submitted by CB Bonham PR Chair Dist M-2.



MD26's 91st ANNUAL CONVENTION
 Holiday Inn - CoCo Key Waterpark, Kansas City, Missouri
 Friday, April 26, 2013 - Sunday, April 28, 2013

FRIDAY APRIL 26, 2013
HOLIDAY INN, COCO KEYS
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

The first evening of our convention will be an informal get together at the Holiday Inn, Coco Keys, I-70 in Kansas City, MO (we don't have to leave the convention site) Kansas City, MO. This event is a must attend "free ice-breaker" prelude to our convention. Casual dress, and of course Lions vests are always welcome!

New!!!! New!!!! New!!!!
 Begin your convention by attending our Melvin Jones Breakfast; hear a brief on our association's foundation - LCIF. Get the latest news from our International Guest; followed by a Melvin Jones Fellowship presentation by your district governors.

Our convention's 2nd day will kick off at the Holiday Inn, Coco Keys. Registration at 7:30am, then, seminars & conferences followed by our luncheon. Our State voting & business meeting will complete our convention day. Our evening begins with an All Lions Reception followed by the banquet completing our first full day.



"Goin' to Kansas City, Kansas City here you come. You could take a plane; you might take a train; if you have to walk, goin' just the same"

----- Cut and Mail Today -----

MOLIONS STATE CONVENTION RESERVATION FORM

COST:
\$62.50 OR \$65.00 PER
LION TO ATTEND
ALL EVENTS!!!

LION NAME: _____
 GUEST NAME: _____ - DATE SUBMITTED: _____
 CLUB: _____ - FIRST TIME ATTENDEE: _____

LION GUEST

CONVENTION FEES	Cost per Person	Enter Cost	Enter Cost	DETAILS
Registration	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	Fee Assessed by MD constitution and bylaws applies to all convention attendees
Friday Evening "Ice Breaker" -- Hospitality Room	"Free"	"Free"	"Free"	Join Lions from throughout MD26 in this casual event. Sample free food & drink from the Lions throughout Missouri! ENTERTAINMENT!!!
Saturday "Melvin Jones Breakfast" <small> Begins at 7:00am with an LCIF Update from our International Guest - District Governors will award Melvin Jones Fellowships to MD26 Lions (Ticketed event)</small>	\$15.00			Fresh Assorted Muffins with Creamy Butter, Fresh Sliced Fruit with Strawberries, Crispy Breakfast Potatoes, Scrambled Eggs, Cured Bacon & Country Sausage Coffee (Reg/Decaf), Hot Teas, Orange, Cranberry, Apple Juices
Lunch Buffet (Ticketed event)	\$14.50			Kansas City BBQ Buffet - Barbecued Beef Brisket, Potato Salad, Maple Glazed Baked Beans, Pickles, Cornbread Muffins, Creamy Butter <small>All Lunches Served With House Specialty Blend Coffee, Decaf Coffee, Iced Tea</small>
New "All Lions" Reception	"Free"	"Free"	"Free"	All Missouri Lions Reception w/cash Bar
Dinner Banquet (choice of): (Ticketed event)	\$23.00			Chicken Picatta - Lightly breaded, Sautéed with a Refreshing Lemon, Capers & White Wine Sauce, Roasted Potatoes and Seasonal Vegetables, Rolls & Butter with Side Salad -- Coffee (Reg/Decaf) & Iced Tea
	\$25.50			Maple Glazed Carved Pork - Thyme & Garlic Marinated Pork Roast with Maple Glaze, Garlic Mashed Potatoes, Vegetables, Rolls & Butter with Side Salad -- Coffee (Reg/Decaf) & Iced Tea
	\$23.00			Special Dietary/Gluten Free Meals Available
TOTALS				

HOTEL RESERVATIONS: Thank you for choosing the Holiday Inn SE Kansas City Hotel!
 Hotel rooms are **\$89.00** per night for double occupancy

For easy reservations for the 2013 Annual Convention scheduled for April 26-28, 2013, use the URL link with the special **BOOKING CODE: LCD**, CALL 800-238-9938 with code: **LCD**
BOOK ONLINE: www.holidayinn.com/kansascitymo Enter arrival and departure dates with **group booking code: LCD**
 Information on local Kansas City events and area attractions can be found at www.visitkc.com

LIONS & GUESTS: MAIL RESERVATION FORM TO: Lion Donna Jungerman, 8627 Three T Rd, Mayview, MO 64071
no later than March 31, 2013. Make checks payable to: "2013 MOLIONS Convention"

2013 Calendar Missouri Lions/International convention Schedule

Date	Event	Location
Feb. 8-9, 2013	Mid Winter Forum	Branson, Missouri
April 19-20, 2013	Mid-South VDG Visit	Memphis, Tennessee
April 25, 2013	Council of Governors Work Session	Holiday Inn SE, Kansas City, MO
April 26-28, 2013	Missouri Lions State Convention	Holiday Inn SE, Kansas City, MO
April 28, 2013	Council of Governors Meeting	Holiday Inn SE, Kansas City, MO
June 22 – July 5, 2013	All –State Band Camp/Trip	Fort Leonard Wood, Memphis & New Orleans
July 20, 2013	All-Star Football Game	Warrensburg, MO
July 20, 2013	Council of Governors Meeting	Warrensburg, MO
July 26-28, 2013	Great Plains Lions Leadership Institute	North Western Missouri State University, Maryville , Missouri
Sept 19-21, 2013	USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum	Overland Park, Kansas
October 26, 2013	Council of Governors Meeting	Jefferson City, MO
Feb. 22-24, 2013	26 M-1 District Convention	Saint Geneviève, Missouri
March 22-24, 2013	26 M-2 District Convention	St. Louis Sunset Hills Holiday Inn
March 1-2, 2013	26 M-3 District Convention	Columbia, Missouri
March 1-3, 2013	26 M-4 District Convention	Comfort Inn & Suites Chillicothe, Missouri
March 8 & 9, 2013	26 M-5 District Convention	Sedalia, Missouri
March 15 - 16, 2013	26 M-6 District Convention	Howard Johnson Hotel, Springfield, MO
March 1 – 3, 2013	26 M-7 District Convention	Lake of the Ozarks, Missouri
July 5-9, 2013	International Convention	Hamburg, Germany
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*

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

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2013 Great Plains Lions Leadership Institute



Missouri Lions who have never attended the Great Plains Lions Leadership Institute will have an opportunity to attend in our own state this year. The 2013 Great Plains Lions Leadership Institute will be held July 26th - 28th on the campus of Northwest Missouri State University in Maryville, Missouri. This leadership institute is specifically structured for Lions who want to advance their skills either personally or professionally. Lions who attend the GPLLI will have an opportunity to learn or improve their leadership skills. If you have served as a District Governor or will be serving as the Governor during July 2013, you are not eligible to attend.

The Great Plains Lions Leadership Institute is sponsored by Multiple Districts 5 (Saskatchewan, North Dakota, and South Dakota), 9 (Iowa), 17 (Kansas), 26 (Missouri) and 38 (Nebraska). The cost is \$150 per attendee if received by the Registrar on or before May 31, 2013. This includes double occupancy accommodations, seven meals, as well as all course materials and the registration fee. Beginning, June 1, 2013 the cost will increase to \$170 per attendee. A limited number of single rooms are available for an additional \$40 per attendee.

Make your plans now to attend this great leadership learning opportunity. Attendees who complete the Great Plains Lions Leadership Institute receive the GPLLI (black and gold) pin on the top left side of this page. Now is the time to enroll for the 2013 GPLLI while it is in north western Missouri.

Great Plains Lions Leadership Institute Contact Information:

PID Leland Kolkmeier President & Coordinator: lirkolkmeier@gmail.com
PID W.R. O'Riley Facilities Chairperson: pidwro@socket.net
GPLLI Promotions Coordinator: PDG Debbie Blumberg: alndebbie@sbcglobal.net



The 37th Annual USA/Canada Leadership Forum will be held September 19th – 21st, 2013 in Overland Park, Kansas. Make your plans to attend this Leadership Forum while it is so close to home. The 2014 Leadership Forum is scheduled for Puerto Rico and 2015 has been scheduled for Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Visit the website at: <http://usacanadalionsforum.org>



Every year the Pin Traders develop a design for Missouri's State Pin. It is usually designed in some way around the site of the International Convention. Our 2014 International Convention will be held in Toronto, Canada , and we need a pin design for that year.

The pin Traders welcome designs from anyone. These designs are presented to the incoming vice district governors at the state convention. They select the final design because the pin will be in effect during their year as District Governor. Once selected, the Pin Traders club undertakes the task of getting bids and orders the number of pins which was determined by the Council of Governors plus those wanted by the club.

If the design you submit is selected as our state pin, you will be awarded \$50 by the Pin Traders Club to help with design costs. Anyone with designs should submit them to Lion Ron Jordan, PDG at the following e-mail address: westsideins@embarqmail.com.

Upcoming Pin Traders Swap Dates with contact person:

Feb. 20-23—Nashville, Tenn.

Lion Jerry Townsend (601-737-5170)
jctown@comcast.net

March 20-22—York, Penn.

Lion Amos Shatzer 814-542-9654
aschatzer@verison.net

May3-4, 2013 – Paw Paw, Michigan

Lion Janalee McClure 231-689*1321
janalee@riverview.net

June 12-15, 2013—Alternate Site, 40th Annual Meet LITPC in Oconomowoc, Wisconsin. Near (Milwaukee) . Contact Lion Rich Koch 262-512-0149 for additional information. Registration forms for any of the events above may be obtained from the contact Lion above.

Additional Pins can be ordered from the Missouri Lions Pin Traders. Also the club will have tables available for pin swapping at the Missouri Lions State Convention in Kansas City, Missouri

April 26-28, 2013

"One can never consent to creep when one feels an impulse to soar." [Helen Keller](#)

Council of Governor's Happening's : January 26th, 2013

1. Request for Missouri Lions to Update Their Personal e-mail Information:

PDG Lion Eugene Taylor reported the need for Missouri Lions to update their personal e-mail information when they make changes. This action should be taken by each Club's secretary for all their members. We are encouraging all Lions to help us by sharing their email information with their club secretary to support updating the system to help us better serve their needs.

2. Update on Trees for Irving Elementary School in Joplin, Missouri

PDG Debbie Whittlesey reported as of the Council of Governors meeting today she had received donations of about \$6,600 for this state wide Lions project. She informed Lions construction of a new elementary school had started in Joplin on the site of the old St. John's hospital grounds. Estimated completion was expected to be late fall of this year.

Some additional funds were raised during the council of governors meeting by the Tail Twister and designated to this project. \$266 was collected from the fines levied during the meeting and other cash donations given by generous Lions in attendance. For additional information please contact PDG Debbie Whittlesey or your local District Governor. Mail all donations to:

PDG Bill Botzow, M6 Treasurer
Lions/Irving Elementary Project
8986 Lawrence 2194
Monett, MO 65708



Calendars~ Calendars~ Mark your CALENDARS!

Purchase a calendar and help JOPLIN Rebuild!

**All Profit from the Joplin Relief Calendars will be donated to the
MO Lions Adopting Trees for Education**

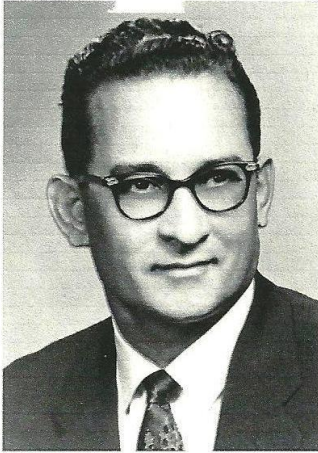
The 2011-2012 Governor Spouses put an 18 month calendar together to raise funds for Joplin, Missouri after their devastating May 2011 tornado. The calendar includes two pages for each District in Missouri and a page each for **LBOMB**, **LCIF**, **MLERF** (Amblyopia screening) and **Opportunities for Youth** (Leo clubs, Peace Poster, State Athletics, State Band and Youth Exchange). Each calendar purchased will help with this effort. **Thank You LIONS**

Please contact the following people for your calendar:

District 26-M1	Lion Lisa Clinton	573-364-5274	lisa.wclinton@embarqmail.com
District 26-M2	Lion Toni Mahoney	314-805-7391	tkmahoney54@gmail.com
District 26-M3	PCC Lion Pat Porterfield	636-916-4441	lynpat@charter.net
District 26-M4	Lion Cindy Tripp	816-669-3608	ctripp000@centurytel.net
District 26-M5	Lion Julie Goetz	816-716-9983	ggjulie@hotmail.com
District 26-M6	Debbie Whittlesey	417-664-2885	dwhittlesey@centralbank.net
District 26-M7	Lion Lou Ann Hathcock	573-761-4438	balloonsisters@aol.com

A calendar will be given for every \$10 donated to the MO Lions Adopting Trees for Education (MOLATE) state wide program.

The Haywood Snipes Society



The Haywood Snipes Society is the most prestigious honor the Missouri Lions Eye Research Foundation can bestow upon a Lion or Lions club. The Society was formed in honor of the late Past District Governor Haywood Snipes of Poplar Bluff, Missouri. PDG Snipes helped to create the Lions Eye Bank at the University of Missouri in 1960, and as chair of the Missouri Lions Sight Committee through the 1960s and early 1970s, he helped raise funds to expand the Missouri Lions Eye Bank and to build what is known today as the Missouri Lions Eye Research Foundation.

We are happy to honor his memory through this distinguished award. The legacy of PDG Snipes to the Missouri Lions is continued through the Haywood Snipes Society, which recognizes clubs that make exceptional

financial contributions to the Foundation, the Lions' State Sight Project. Each time a Lions club accumulates \$10,000 in financial contributions – since the program's inception on July 1, 1987 – the club receives the honor of electing a person to this society. A plaque inscribed with the name of the honoree is then presented to the club.

To see who from your club has been inducted into the Haywood Snipes Society, visit www.mlerf.org/haywood-snipes-society, where you can find the list of honorees organized by district and club.

Recent Haywood Snipes Society Inductees

Congratulations to the following individuals who were inducted into the Haywood Snipes Society between October 1, 2012 and December 31, 2012:

Lion Kenneth Burnett of the Lee's Summit Lions
Lion Robert Norton of the Sedalia State Fair Lions
Lion Jerry Schwartz of the Jonesburg Lions
Lion Don Trout of the St. Joseph Host Lions
Lion James R. Williamson of the Stockton Lions



ENHANCED QUALITY OF LIFE THROUGH QUALITY VISION



CHILDREN'S
VISION
SCREENING



HEALTHY
VISION
SCREENING



THE GIFT
OF SIGHT



EYE CARE
ASSISTANCE



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"So long as the memory of certain beloved friends lives in my heart, I shall say that life is good."
Helen Keller

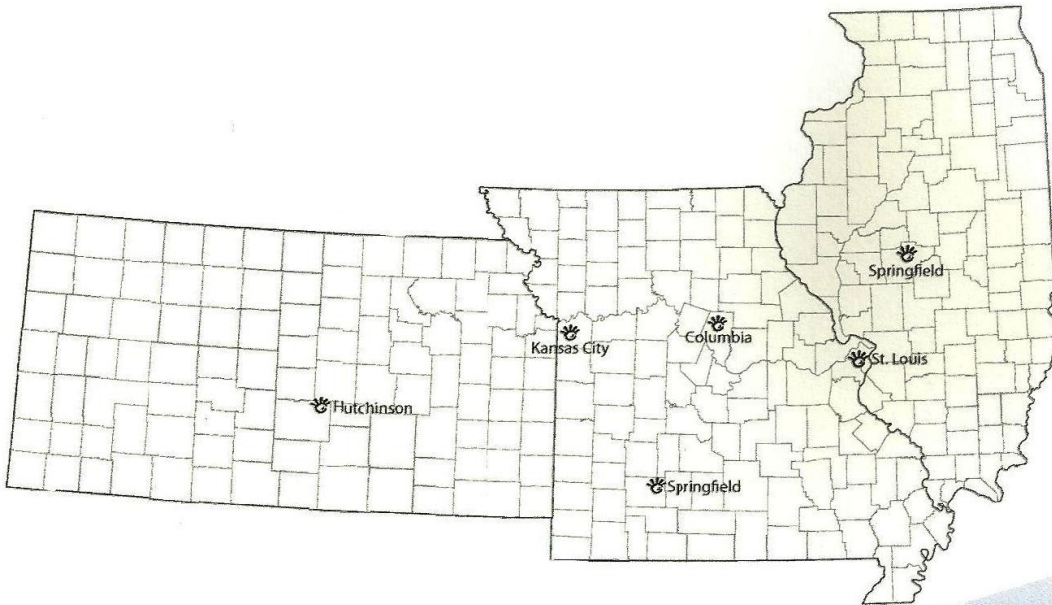
HLEB is Open in Hutchinson, Kansas

The new Heartland Lions Eye Banks (HLEB) office in Hutchinson is now open. In October 2012, we consolidated our Hays and Wichita operations in the relocation effort, which enables us to best meet the needs of our organizational partners and most effectively implement our resources. This centralized location will allow us to serve the area more efficiently and improve our proximity to our larger partner hospitals.

Contact information for the Hutchinson office:

2 East 12th Ave.
Hutchinson, KS 67501
Partner Relations: 620-259-7388
Office: 620-259-7300
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Heather Britain, Technical Coordinator, is eagerly leading the development of this new branch. She and the rest of the Heartland Lions Eye Banks staff look forward to restoring sight in 2013.



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2012: A Statistical Perspective

2012 was a good year both for the Foundation and our Heartland Lions Eye Banks. Here's who we served:

- 2,464 people received donated corneal tissue through Heartland Lions Eye Banks.
- 42,398 children were screened by our Children's Vision Screening program, with 3,723 referred to eye doctors for follow-up examinations.
- 4,091 adults were screened for glaucoma and age-related macular degeneration by our Healthy Vision Screening program.
- 130 Missourians received Eye Care Assistance, totaling \$41,468 in eye care support.
- More than 10,000 recycled eyeglasses were distributed to people in developing countries.
- Ocular researchers at more than 20 nationally acclaimed institutions – including University of Missouri - Columbia, UMKC School of Medicine, and Washington University School of Medicine – were supported with tissue from Heartland Lions Eye Banks.

Our Strides in 2012

Heartland Lions Eye Banks provided tissue for 4% more corneal transplants.

The Children's Vision Screening program screened 6% more children.

Eye Care Assistance provided 23% more financial assistance to Missourians in need.

Lions, thank you for contributing your time and resources to help make these programs a success across the state of Missouri!



"The highest result of education is tolerance."

Helen Keller

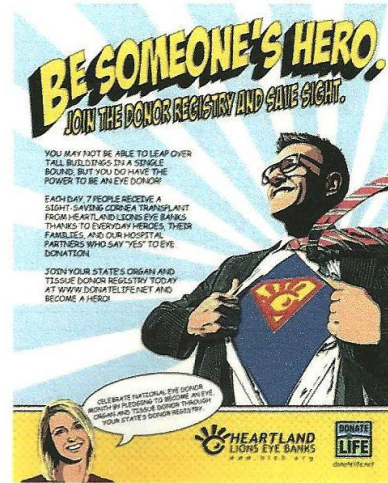
Be a Hero during National Eye Donor Month – March 2013

Eye donation really can save a life. This March, during National Eye Donor Month, you can be a hero by supporting eye donation in your community. In 2012, Heartland Lions Eye Banks (HLEB), its hospital partners, and generous donors and donor families saved 2,464 people from a lifetime of blindness. As a Lion, your continued support of eye donation throughout the year helps corneal surgeons and HLEB honor eye donors and rescue the sight of people in your community suffering from eye diseases, disorders, and injuries.

Your Superpowers

National Eye Donor Month is a great time to renew your commitment to eye donation. You have the power to:

1. **Speak** with your family and friends about your decision to donate.
2. **Learn** more about eye donation at www.hleb.org.
3. **Pledge** to be an eye, organ and tissue donor through your state's donor registry at www.donatelife.net.
4. **Share** the message of donation with others in your hospital and community.



The communications department at the Foundation is creating promotional materials to help spread the word this March. If you'd like to help promote NEDM in your community, you can order posters (see image below) by contacting Clayton Clark at 1-800-283-1982 x115 or cclark@mleerf.org by 03/01/2012 with the quantity of posters you'd like and an address for shipment.

On behalf of the 2,464 people who received a cornea transplant through HLEB last year, we thank you for your superhuman support.



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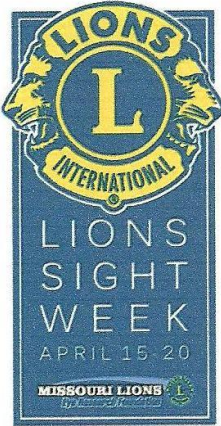
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"Strike against war, for without you no battles can be fought!" [Helen Keller](#)

Save the Date for Lions Sight Week – April 15-20, 2013



Lions Sight Week (LSW), to be held April 15-20, 2013, is a week-long observance celebrating the Missouri Lions' support of the Foundation's six sight preservation and restoration programs.

You can help us save sight this April by volunteering at a Children's Vision Screening event, hosting an organ and eye donor registration drive, or making a financial donation to our mission. With your support, we hope to break records in community service by screening more than 2,000 children for the leading causes of blindness during LSW!

If you would like to volunteer with the Foundation at a vision screening before LSW, please visit our screening calendar at www.mlrf.org/calendar to find events in your area. Additional information about LSW will be shared with you and your club this spring and at your district convention so stay tuned.



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We are aware that many families receive multiple copies of *the Missouri Lion* bulletin. While many Lions have sent in the waiver form to help us reduce the cost associated with publishing and distribution of our state newsletter we are still facing escalating costs. Please help us reduce the cost of delivering information about state wide Lion Club activities and events. If you have Internet access and your newsletter can be sent by e-mail, we can save money on postage as well as publishing costs. I understand many do not have the luxury of Internet service and it is our goal to be able to continue providing current Lion information to these members. Through your efforts we can continue to meet the needs of the Missouri Lions and keep our costs down. Thank you for your assistance. Send completed waiver forms to the Missouri Lion editor Lion Jennie Mosher.

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