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Missouri City Lions Club Charter Night: standing (from left to right) -- Ralph How, IPDG; Carl Nannen, VDG; E.B. Smith, PDG; Lion Galen Oray, Missouri City Mayor; Joe Wattenbarger, President; Dr. Tom Duke, D.G. 26-G; Carl Anderson; Jay Mitchum; George Donner; Jim Miles, Liberty LC Sec & Guiding Lion; Bill Jeffries, Liberty LC Pres. Seated (left to right) -- Lee Ellen How, Taittwister; Charlotte Smith, Director; Rose Glaze; Laura Miller, Treasurer; Lois Anderson, Secretary; Donna Donner. Not present when the picture was taken - Dennis Roberts, Vice President; Wayne Dugan; Dale How; Jennifer How; David How; Kenneth How; James Reppy; Cindy Roberts; Dennis Roberts; Mark Spence; Vonda Spence; Linda Wattenbarger.

MISSOURI CITY CELEBRATES CHARTER NIGHT

Enthusiastic Lions from throughout MD26 gathered on September 19, 1998 at the Liberty Hills Country club as PDG E. B. Smith presented the Lions Club International Charter to Missouri City's President, Joe Wattenbarger. Council Chairman Charles Harmann inducted the 24 Charter members and installed the officers for 1998-99. The Liberty Lions Club is sponsoring the new club.

Following the devastating flood of 1993, the Lions of 26-G contributed furniture, clothes and cleaning supplies to the families of Missouri City. When asked what more can the Lions do to help, City Clerk Linda Wattenbarger said they needed help in rebuilding their community center which was completely destroyed in the flood. A District fund raiser was held and a \$10,000.00 LCIF Grant from specified flood funds was obtained. Following the dedication of the new

community building in April, 1997. Vice District Governor Ralph How and Extension Chairman Bob Davis talked to community leaders about forming a Lions Club in Missouri City.

We now have a new club joining the family of Lions International, dedicated to helping the youth in their community live a drug and alcohol free life style and serving the needs of the community.

The Lions of Missouri congratulate District 26-G for their success in organizing this new club and WELCOME the MISSOURI CITY LIONS CLUB into the family of Missouri Lions! Drop in on one of their meetings and say hello. They meet the first Friday and the fourth Thursday of the month at 7:30 pm in the Missouri City Community Building.



MISSOURI DISTRICT GOVERNORS VISIT LEADER DOGS FOR THE BLIND

District Governors from Missouri joined District Governors from Indiana, New York, South Carolina, Texas, Wisconsin and Wyoming, August 22nd & 23rd, to tour the Leader Dog School in Rochester Michigan. Staff from the school met the governors and their spouses at the airport in Detroit and provided bus transportation to Rochester. Hot chili and large glazed donuts awaited our arrival. This was the start of our tour which included every facet of the school.

The tour included the offices, kennels, clinic, training areas, dormitory, day rooms, lunch rooms and more. A banquet and luncheon provided the opportunity for graduates of the program to tell how the program changed their lives and how important it is to them. It also gave the school leadership the opportunity to explain the program, it's financing, and operation to the governors. A blindfolded walk being guided by a Leader Dog gave all of us a chance to see just how it felt.

And puppies from the puppy program gave us many laughs.

We left with the knowledge that the Leader Dog School is indeed serving a very important need for the blind of the world. Their finances and program are solid and the monies we raise in our districts are well spent.

Missouri was represented by DG Marshall & Brenda Yost, 26-A1; DG Leo Bergeron, 26-A2; DG Doris & PDG Bud Myers, 26-C, DG Marshall & Linda James, 26-D; DG George & Pat McCormick and Japanese exchange students Asami Yamochi & Hiroko Ueki, 26-E; DG W.R. & Carole O'Riley, 26-F; DG Dr. Tom & Kathy Duke, 26-G; DG Joe & Sue Abrams, 26-H; DG Jerry & Diane Nibarger, 26-I; and DG Lisa & PDG Chris Clinton, 26-J. DG James' daughter and son-in-law joined the group on several occasions.

I am sure you will hear more about this trip and the Leader Dogs for the Blind School when your District Governor visits your Club this year.



Pictured are Hampton Lions Club Scholarship Recipients (from left to right) Phillip Shaver, Julie Brightman, Club President Bill Kleffner, and Anthony Peroutka. Scholarship Recipients not present at for the picture were Joseph Lige, Rebecca Pucci, and Heather Lawton.

1998-99 HAMPTON LIONS CLUB SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

The following six students were awarded scholarships by the Hampton Lions Club. Phillip Shaver, Heather Lawton, Joseph Lige, and Julie Brightman were awarded \$1000 scholarships, and Tony Peroutka and Rebecca Pucci were awarded \$500 scholarships. These awards were presented at a luncheon on Thursday, May 28, held at Baldo's Restaurant and are for the 1998-99 school year. The scholarships are awarded to students that demonstrate both need and academic excellence, and were presented by Club President, Bill Kleffner, and Scholarship Committee Chairman, Ray Geisman.

Phillip Shaver is from St. John the Baptist High School. He will attend Southeast Missouri State University and major in Business Management. Rebecca Pucci ranked 3rd in a class of 339 at Mehlville High School. She plans to attend the University of Missouri - Columbia and major in Arts and Sciences. Christian Brothers College High School graduate, Joseph Lige plans to major in computer science at either Southern Illinois University at Carbondale or at the University of Arkansas. Heather

Lawton plans to major in psychology at Southeast Missouri State University with an eye towards medical school. She attended Bishop Dubourg High School. Julie Brightman graduated from Lindbergh High School in December 1996 and has attended College at Meramec Community College, Elon College, and is currently attending the University of Missouri - Columbia.

The Hampton Lions Club is a service organization that was formed in 1949 and, in addition to providing scholarships, provides a number of other services to the community, including support of the Lions Eye Bank, assistance of various kinds to visually impaired individuals, the loan of wheelchairs and other aids to physically impaired individuals, and other types of support to individuals and charities on a case by case basis. The club raises funds through a variety of programs, including, a golf tournament each summer, and a biweekly bingo at the Orlando Gardens Banquet Center on Watson Road in Marlborough.

CIRCA 1947

A strong Lions Club is the community's greatest asset. As it is the community's greatest asset, so is it also our Association's. Because it is only through the strength of the individual clubs that the Association can be strong. In the final analysis, is it not the strength of our individual Lions Clubs that is the fundamental reason for our Association's unique position before the world today? Does not the immense prestige which Lionism enjoys today stem directly from the clubs themselves, because they are strong, because of the activities which they carry on and of the reputation for enterprise and unselfish service which they have established, each one in its own community? Of course it does.

The preceding paragraph is a portion of a report given by Melvin Jones in August 1947. The thought stressed in 1947 is still as valid today as it was then. Each of us who wears the Lions lapel pin must cooperate with our club officers and committee persons, and with each other if our club is to be strong. Our clubs must have a purpose, with activities, education, inspiration and opportunities for participation by all members. If we truly become our community's greatest asset then our combined strength in the sub district, multiple district, and international will let us continue to be the world's largest service organization as well as one of the world's greatest assets.

IPID Dr. Dwayne Garrett

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STATE CONVENTION 1999

"Everything's up-to-date in Kansas City!"...are the familiar words of a popular musical production. Contrariwise to the next phrase of the melody, we haven't "gone about as far" as we can go!

Going further...the Lions of Missouri's sub-district 26-G invite Missouri Lions to adopt that "Show Me!" attitude for the 1999 Lions State Convention in Kansas City April 29 - May 2...just six-months away from receipt of the Bulletin!

In response to your "Show Me!" challenge the Adams Mark Hotel, convention headquarters, is offering early registrants an opportunity to realize valuable benefits therefrom. Beat the December 1, 1998 deadline and you will be entered in a "drawing" for an Adams Mark Hotel room and dinner for two at Remington's. Non-winning entries will have a "second chance" as registrations received after December 1 and prior to January 1, 1999 are eligible for the "drawing" for an Adams Mark Hotel room for two persons. All registrations received prior to February 1, 1999 are to be entered in the "drawing" for dinner for two persons at Remington's. Winners will be announced during the convention proceedings and may be redeemed upon a subsequent visit to Kansas City.

Experience Kansas City! Great sights. . .and sounds. . .abound. . .making your visit a unique and unforgettable experience as you attend the 1999 Missouri Lions State Convention! Y'all come!

HAVE YOU ASKED?

THE MID-SOUTH AUCTION

The "GIVE THE GIFTS VII DINNER & AUCTION" will be held Saturday, June 12, 1999 at the Four Points Hotel, 224 Democrat Road, Memphis, Tennessee to benefit the Mid-South Lions Sight & Hearing Service.

In September, 1942, the sight committee of the Memphis Downtown Lions Club decided to form an organization that could provide sight care to needy people from the Memphis area. Today, over 55 years later, the Mid-South Lions Sight and Hearing Service provides primary visual and hearing care to indigent patients from all over Arkansas, Mississippi, Missouri and west Tennessee at NO CHARGE to the patient. Mid-South is supported by over 400 Lions clubs, with about 70 percent of it's total cash budget coming from Lions and Lioness Clubs. Other funding comes from special events like the "Give the Gifts VII Dinner & Auction".

Proceeds from the "Give the Gifts VII Dinner & Auction" will actually provide the gifts of sight or

hearing for needy individuals in the four state area.

Lion Bud Dean has been appointed as the Missouri Auction Chairman for the Auction next June 12, 1999. He needs a District Auction Chairman for each District in Missouri. As of this time Lion Vic Crabtree in District B and Lion Dean Westbay in District E have volunteered for their Districts.

Your duties as District Auction Chairman would be to promote the auction and solicit gifts for the silent and live auction as well as monetary gifts by attending club, zone, cabinet and other district meetings informing those present about the auction and the need for the gift of items to be auction off, and to promote Lions attendance at the auction.

Please contact PDG Charles "Bud" Dean, 16896 Highway 72, Rolla, MO, 65401-5915 if you would like to help by serving as a District Auction Chairman. His telephone number is 573-364-5866, and his email address is bdean@rollanet.org.



A SPORTING CHANCE

The Branson-Hollister Lions Club has supported the non-profit organization, A Sporting Chance, the past four years by donating \$7,000 to provide medals for Sporting Chance's state track meet participants. Not only do Lions purchase the medals, but, they also award them at the meet, which is held in Branson. Presenting medals at the 1998 A Sporting Chance state track meet were Lion Carolyn Waldo, Lion

Maggie Schlichting, Lion PDG Ernie Schlichting, and Lion Past President Pete Waldo. The Branson-Hollister Lions Club raises the funds to help A Sporting Chance through its Monday Night Bingo, Turkey Shoot, and Mulligan Stew Dinner. A Sporting Chance offers year-round recreational activities to mentally and physically disabled people of all

1998 MISSOURI LIONS ALL-STAR FOOTBALL GAME

The 1998 Missouri Lions All-Star Football Game was played Saturday, July 25, 1998 at Lincoln University Stadium in Jefferson City, MO. 81 players, 16 coaches, 12 cheerleaders, and 6 game officials from all parts of Missouri participated. The 1998 100+ member Missouri Lions All-State Band also put in an appearance by kicking off the game with our national anthem.

Kick-off was at 7:30 p.m. Players and fans endured the rain and were treated to a great game. The first half ended with the East in the lead 14-13. The East didn't give the West a chance to even the score in the second half.

Highlights of the game include Larico Coleman's (Charleston) 16 rushes for 108 yards and a touchdown. His 26 yard touchdown tied the record for the longest run in the game's history. Kirk Farmer, (Jefferson City) quarterback, completed 9 of 16 passes for 126 yards including a 25 yard scoring strike to Kevin Nickerson (Kansas City Center). The East put the game away in the second half on Coleman's run and an 11 yard pass from Neil Nowack (Owensville) to Lamont White (Monroe City). Kevin Robinson and Wendell Bryant (both of Ritenour) helped shut off the West from their goal post ending the game with a win for

the East, 27-13. The East leads the series with 14 wins, 7 losses and 1 tie.

Head Coaches Ron Cole (West) of Jefferson City High School and Paul Day (East) formerly of Owensville High School and their assistants worked with the players for one week prior to the game. During the week, coaches and players toured MLERF, went to the movies, visited Central Dairy for ice cream and were presented to a sell-out crowd at the Missouri Lions All-Star Football Banquet where Gary Lane, NFL Game Official, was the featured speaker. In addition, the players endured a week of practice under the hot summer sun.

The Athletic Committee would like to thank all the clubs and Districts for their support of the 1998 Missouri Lions All-Star Football Game. A donation of the net proceeds from the game will be made following their next committee meeting. Please call your District Athletic Chairman for a program at your next club meeting to learn more about how your community can sponsor a player, coach and/or cheerleader and be a part of this summer tradition.

Lion Jack Richardson
Chairman 1997-98 Athletic Committee

MEMBERSHIP STANDINGS 1997-98

These figures are provided by Lions International as of June 30, 1998, to show each district's final status for 1997-'98.

A1	45 clubs	0 Club	1,703 Lions	+ 1
A2	39	- 1	1,141	- 2
B	40	0	1,850	+ 6
C	47	0	1,454	- 20
D	36	+2	1,296	+ 67
E	41	0	1,166	+ 10
F	50	- 1	1,390	- 47
G	32	- 2	834	- 57
H	37	+1	1,242	+ 11
I	42	0	1,415	+ 34
J	35	0	1,123	+ 10

KIRKWOOD LIONS 28TH ANNUAL FISHING DERBY FOR KIDS



James Hahn accepts the first prize trophy from Lion Mike Schmidt. James caught the largest fish at this year's fishing derby. Other winners were Justin Hines, Sean Grady, Jeff Broeder, Kyle Crandel, John Lefort, Madelin Bauer, and Tyler Schejvoz. The Kirkwood Lions Club, Kirkwood Lioness Club and Dennis Sporting Goods of Fenton sponsored the event at the Kirkwood Park.

REGISTRATION FORM MISSOURI LIONS MID-WINTER LEADERSHIP FORUM

SATURDAY - February 20, 1999 RESERVE YOUR PLACE TODAY
HOLIDAY INN - LAKE OZARK
LAKE OZARK, MISSOURI 8:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.

NAME _____ PHONE _____
ADDRESS _____ CITY _____
LIONS CLUB _____ DISTRICT _____

REGISTRATION FEE - \$20.00
AT THE DOOR - \$25.00
FIRST TIME ATTENDEES \$10.00
(AND A MEMBER 5 YEARS OR LESS)

DEADLINE FEBRUARY 10, 1999

ANY QUESTIONS THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO HAVE
ANSWERED? PLEASE WRITE THEM BELOW.

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Holiday Inn Lake Ozark 1-800-532-3575
Room Rate Is \$48.00 plus Tax (As Available)
Many Other Motels Are Nearby

OBITUARIES

Lion June Morgan, PDG - Chillicothe Lions Club

Lion Morgan, a "retired state supreme court judge" from Chillicothe died in an automobile accident west of Jefferson City at the end of September. Lion Morgan was a District Governor from District 26-C in 1953-54 when there were only six districts in Missouri. He accepted a Judgeship for the State of Missouri a few years later.

Lion Harry Colombo, PDG - Carondelet Lions Club

Lion Colombo, a former Produce Row dealer and Lions Club leader, died Monday (Sept. 14, 1998) at Barnes-Jewish Hospital after battling prostate cancer. He was 71 and lived in Oakville.

Mr. Colombo operated the old Marske Produce Co., which supplied local hotels, restaurants and hospitals, from 1970 to 1986. He was on the board of directors of the St. Louis Produce Market Association.

He was active in the Lions Club for nearly 50 years. He was president of the Carondelet Lions in 1959 and governor of Lions District 26-A1 in 1978-79. In 1996 he received a citizens service award from the St. Louis County Police Board for a neighborhood watch program he initiated.

Lion Charles Jennings, IPDG - Cape Fair Lions Club

Lion Jennings, a former mechanic for McDonald Douglas Aircraft, died July 13 at his home in Cape Fair. Jennings had been a resident of the Stone County area for the past 7 years coming from Jonesburg. He was a member of the Cape Fair Lions Club. Lion Charles was District Governor of District 26-H during the year 1997-98. Lion Jennings was survived by his wife of ten years, Imogene (Klump), son Charles Eugene of Wright City, and daughter Carol Ann Jones of Warrenton, a step-son, 4 step-daughters, and others.

Lion Melvin Babb, PDG - Trenton Lions Club -- District Governor of District 26-F, 1976-77.

Lion Carl Schmidt, PDG - Springfield Host Lions Club -- District Governor of District 26-H, 1990-91.

Lion Elton Overly, PDG - Hickman Mills Lions Club -- District Governor of District 26-G, 1965-66.

Lion Lewis Rodgers, PDG - Dexter Lions Club -- District Governor of District 26-D, 1975-76.

Lion Ed Schug - Peculiar Lions Club -- Lion E.P. (Ed) Schug, 88, of Raymore passed away on April 2, 1998. Mr. Schug was a charter member (March 1958) and past president of the Peculiar Lions.

Lion/Lioness Maris C. White - Red Bridge Lions and Lioness Clubs -- Maris White was a charter member (July 1984) of the Red Bridge Lioness Club and joined the Red Bridge Lions Club in September 1992. She held both memberships until her death, July 1, 1998.

Hearing Van Schedule

The 1998-99 Hearing Van Schedule for testing unit #3 is as follows.

October 1-15	26-C	October 16-31	26-B
November 1-15	26-I	November 16-30	26-F
December 1-31	-----	Open for special requests	-----
January 1-15	26-G	January 16-31	26-E
February 1-14	26-H	February 15-28	26-J
March 1-15	26-D	March 16-31	26-A1
April 1-15	26-A2	April 16-30	26-I
May 1-15	26-B	May 16-31	26-I
June 1-15	26-F	June 16-30	26-G
July 1-15	26-G	July 16-31	26-E
August 1-31	---	State Fair & Open for requests	---
September 1-15	26-H	September 16-30	26-J
October 1-15	26-D	October 16-31	26-A1

Scheduling of test unit #3 by individual clubs is accomplished by calling the District Hearing Chairman for the club's district except for the Open Periods of December and August. Scheduling for those periods is through the State Office.

Testing unit #2 is available for Special Request scheduling throughout the year by calling the State Office. The sooner you schedule the more likely the van will be available for your favorite project.

Note: I have printed this schedule as received from the committee chairman. There appears to be an error starting with July 1-15. Editor

THE COMPLETE CALENDAR

EVENT	DATE	LOCATION	2003	2004	2005	2003	2004	2005
Dist. 26-A1 Candy Days	Oct. 2-3					June 30 - July 4		Denver, CO
Harmony Lions Bar-B-Q	Oct. 2-3					July 5 - 10		Detroit, MI/Windsor, Ont., Canada
Convention Committee 12 noon	Oct. 3	State Office - Jeff City				June 27 - July 1		Hong Kong, China
Band Committee 2:00 pm	Oct. 4	State Office - Jeff City	USA/CANADA LIONS LEADERSHIP FORUMS					
Dist. 26-A1 Cabinet Meeting	Oct. 5	Lions Den	YEAR	DATE	LOCATION			
Athletic Committee 10:00 am	Oct. 10	Am Legion Hall - Jeff City	1999	Sep. 16-19	Birmingham AL			
Long Range Planning Committee 10:00	Oct. 10	State Office - Jeff City	2000	Sep. 21-24	Tucson AZ			
Public Relations Committee 1:00 pm	Oct. 10	State Office - Jeff City	2001	Sep. 19-23	Halifax NS			
Leadership Committee	Oct. 17	Holiday Inn - Lake Ozark	2002	Sep. 25-29	Fort Worth TX			
Mexico Lions Club 60th Anniversary	Oct. 17	K.C. Hall - Mexico	STATE CONVENTIONS					
Hearing Committee 1:00 pm	Oct. 18	Mo School for the Deaf	YEAR	DATE	LOCATION	SPEAKER		
Council of Governors Meeting	Oct. 24	Holiday Inn - Lake Ozark	1999	Apr. 29 - May 2	Adams Mark - Kansas City	1st VP Jim Ervin		
			2000	May 5 - 7	Holiday Inn - Joplin			
Dist. 26-I Cabinet Meeting	Nov. 1	Bunceton Lions Club	DISTRICT CONVENTIONS					
Dist. 26-J Cabinet Meeting	Nov. 1	Valley Lions Den	DIST	DATE	LOCATION	SPEAKER		
Dist. 26-A1 Cabinet Meeting	Nov. 2	Holiday Inn Viking	26-A1	Mar. 12-14	Holiday Inn Viking	ID Lloyd Hanson		
Lions Prid Auction	Nov. 6	Brentwood	26-A2	Mar. 5-8		PIP James Coffey		
Dist. 26-D Cabinet Meeting	Nov. 7	Wappapello	26-B	Mar. 5-7	Ramada Inn - Jefferson City	PID Pat Quigley		
Mid-South S&H Quarterly Meeting	Nov. 14-15	Memphis TN	26-C	Mar. 26-28				
Gerald Lions Club 45th Anniversary	Nov. 21		26-D	Mar. 5-7	- Ste Genevieve			
			26-E	Mar. 19-20	Holiday Inn - Joplin	ID Carl Battestone		
MLERF Board Meeting	Dec. 12	MLERF - Columbia	26-F	Mar. 13-14		ID Gene Vogel		
			26-G	Mar. 5-7		PIP Bill Biggs		
			26-H	Mar. 12-13				
			26-I	Mar. 27-29		ID Chuck Kastro		
			26-J	Mar. 20	- Van Buren	ID John J. Daum		
1999			CLUB & DISTRICT ACTIVITIES					
Council of Governors Meeting	Jan. 16	Adams Mark - Kansas City	EVENT	DATE	LOCATION	CLUB		
Dist. 26-D Cabinet Meeting	Jan. 30	Poplar Bluff	Lions Golf Tour.	Oct. 2	Bent Creek Golf Course	Jackson Lions Club		
			Candy Days	Oct. 2-3		Dist 26-A1		
District 26-J Cabinet Meeting	Feb. 7	Ft. Leonard Wood	Bar-B-Q	Oct. 2-3		Harmony Lions Club		
Mid-Winter Leadership Forum	Feb. 20	Holiday Inn - Lake Ozark	Houn Dawg Days	Oct. 2-3		Aurora Lions Club		
26-D Auction for Mid-South	Feb. 27	Poplar Bluff	Lions Golf Tour.	Oct. 3		Dixon/Iberia Lions Clubs		
			Apple Butter Making	Oct. 9-10		Mt. Vernon Lions Club		
District 26-A2 Convention	Mar. 5-8		Pancake Day	Oct. 10	Park Hills Senior Center	Park Hills Lions Club		
District 26-B Convention	Mar. 5-7	Ramada Inn - Jefferson City	White Bass Tourn.	Oct. 17	Gravois Boat Landing	Gravois Arm Lions Club		
District 26-D Convention	Mar. 5-7	Ste. Genevieve	Pancakes	Oct. 17	City Hall	Lake Winnebago LC		
District 26-G Convention	Mar. 5-7	Elms Resort - Excelsior Springs	Chili & Soup	Oct. 31	Memorial Bldg	Pleasant Hill Lions		
District 26-A1 Convention	Mar. 12-14	Holiday Inn Viking	Annual Gun Show	Oct 31-Nov 1		Anderson Lions Club		
District 26-H Conventin	Mar. 12-13		Pancake Day	Nov. 19	Westport Presbyterian Ch.	K.C. Alpha Lions Club		
MLERF Board Meeting	Mar. 13	MLERF - Columbia	Miss Merry Christmas	Nov. 21		Waynesville/St. Robert		
District 26-F Convention	Mar. 13-14	Memphis TN	Christmas Parade	Dec. 6		Waynesville/St. Robert		
Mid-South S&H Quarterly Meeting	Mar. 13-14	Holiday Inn - Joplin	Christmas Parade	Dec. 12		Dixon Lions Club		
District 26-E Convention	Mar. 19-20	- Van Buren	CLUB ANNIVERSARIES					
District 26-J Convention	Mar. 20		CLUB	YR	DATE	LOCATION	SPEAKER	
District 26-C Convention	Mar. 26-28		Chillicothe Lions Club	60	Oct. 10	Grand River Inn	IPID Dwayne Garrett	
District 26-I Convention	Mar. 27-29		Springfield Queen City	50	Oct. 10	Asbury United Methodist	PID George Hazelbaker	
			Mexico Lions Club	60	Oct. 17	K.C. Hall - Mexico	IPID Dwayne Garrett	
VDG's Orientation at Mid-South	Apr. 23-25	Four Points - Memphis TN	Cedar City Lions Club	35	Oct. 17	Lions Den N. Jeff City		
Council of Governors Meeting	Apr. 29	Adams Mark - Kansas City	Gerald Lions Club	45	Nov. 21			
Missouri Lions State Convention	Apr. 30-May 2	Adams Mark - Kansas City						
Mid-South Auction & Annual Meeting	Jun. 11-13	Memphis TN						
MLERF Annual Meeting	Jun. 12	- Columbia						
Governors-Elect Forum at MLERF	Jun. 12-13	- Columbia						
Mid-South Presidents Weekend	Jul. 16-18	Four Points - Memphis TN						
Council of Governors Meeting	Jan. 22 '00	Holiday Inn - Joplin						
INTERNATIONAL CONVENTIONS								
YEAR	DATE	LOCATION						
1999	June 28 - July 2	San Diego, CA						
2000	June 20 - 23	Honolulu, HI						
2001	July 2 - 6	Indianapolis, IN						
2002	July 8 - 12	Osaka, Japan						

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KIRKWOOD LIONS CLUB "LION OF THE YEAR"

Louis Humes, a Lion since 1967 and Past President of the club, has been named "Lion of the Year" by the Kirkwood Lions Club. He was chosen for his outstanding administration of the Lions Eye Care Program for people who need help in obtaining glasses. Nurses in the R-7 School District recommend recipients. Lou is one of the owners of Bopp Chapel and has his son, Chris, working with him as a fourth generation family member in the business. He has been married to his wife, Judy, for 35 years and has two other sons, Tim and Scott.



Louis Humes

A DAY IN THE LIFE OF A LION.....

JOPLIN HOST LIONS CLUB
Mid-South Patient: Clotilde Santiago

8/28/98

Janice, of the Joplin Regional Eye Center called me at about 10:00 AM on 8/28/98 about a person at the center that needed immediate surgery. He had no insurance or other coverage. The center had tried to get help from Medicaid and the welfare office with no luck. Janice asked me if we had any way of helping. The surgery would cost \$1,800.00 and needed to be done in a matter of hours not days. He had a badly detached and torn retina and was in danger of going blind in that eye. I went to his home and visited with him. The man needed help and he did not have the resources to pay for the operation.

I called Missouri Lions Eye Research Foundation at Columbia, Missouri and they said that they do not provide surgical services under their program. I called Mid-South Lions Sight and Hearing Service at Memphis and was told by Joann Rowe to get an application filled out and fax it to her. We discussed about going to Rogers, Arkansas instead of Memphis for the treatment.

I returned to the home and an application was filled out and it was faxed at about 12:45 from Lion Woody Jensen's business. By the time I got home, a matter of about 10 minutes, Mid-South was on the phone asking me to call. When I called Joann at Mid-South she told me to make an appointment at the Boozman-Hof Clinic in Rogers, Arkansas but to wait an hour or two to allow the paper work to get through. Because of it being Friday and Mr. Santiago could not wait until next week, I called, at about 1:30 and begin to discuss an appointment time. The clinic immediately started setting up a date. I was first told that the following Thursday was available. This was not acceptable and after some more discussion and referring them to Dr. Yuhas at the eye center they said that they would call me back. After about 15 minutes they called and asked me how quickly we could get there, I told them in a little over an hour.

We headed for Rogers about 2:30 and got there about 4:00. Upon arriving, Mr Santiago was immediately taken into surgery. The surgery was performed and Mr. Santiago and I started back to Joplin at about 5:30 PM.

What really surprises me is how quickly everything went, particularly at Mid-South. Their slogan "A Miracle A Day" sure was true on August 28 for Clotilde Santiago.

Lion Leroy Potter

Editor's Note: Changes beginning with this issue of the *Missouri Lion*

You have possibly already noticed the address label on this issue of the *Missouri Lion*. For the past several years the *Missouri Lion* has used the able services of Past District Governor Bob Zilliox to supply the labels for our quarterly mailings. Lion Bob has done an excellent job and Lion Ed Bober, Editor Emeritus, and I would like to thank him for the many thankless hours he has spent entering, correcting, and printing approximately 14,000 addresses every three months for the past several years. Thank You Lion Bob. We are now using the services of Lions Clubs International for our address labels. Secretaries -- please make sure Lions International has a correct address for each of your members.

When you open this issue you will find a second change. The **Missouri Lions Eye Research Foundation** is now responsible for providing camera ready copy for two pages of this bulletin. Pages 4 & 5 of this issue are dedicated to the Foundation and were prepared and submitted by the Foundation. This is a new feature we will be trying for the next several issues. If it works well and is well accepted, it or a modified version will become a regular feature of the *Missouri Lion*.

As usual please continue sending material you wish published in this bulletin to me no later than the 10th of the month prior to publication dates. Publication dates are nominally the first of January, April, July, and October. Pictures should be sent by mail and should be good quality color or black and white photographs. We have also had some success with printed and emailed pictures, but, no guarantees. Articles can be mailed, faxed, emailed, voice mailed or whatever other method you can dream up. Email is the preferred method for articles.

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A MESSAGE FROM THE MID-SOUTH EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear Lions:

Due to a conflict with our doctors schedule, Mid-South has been forced to change the date of our Vice District Governor's Orientation. The announced date was April 16-18, HOWEVER THE DATE HAS BEEN CHANGED TO APRIL 23-25. Also Presidents Weekend (for 1999-2000 Presidents) has been set for July 16-18, 1999 at the Four Points Hotel in Memphis.

Thanks for your cooperation and support.

BRAD BAKER
Exec Dir

P. S. The golf tournament (9/11/98) went great. The weather was perfect, and I believe we will clear about \$10,000.

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