



# ROARING LINES

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## Lions and Bullying Prevention

Bullying is a serious problem among youth, especially as the use of mobile devices and social media takes bullying outside of the classroom and into children's everyday lives. Learn how Lions engage youth through Leo clubs, Lions Quest, youth centers and more in order to help prevent bullying.

### Comments

*A wonderful portrayal of bullying, an issue which children can hardly share with any one and does hazardous effects on mental and emotional development. We come across such issues while implementing Lions Quest in schools and communities and happy that children open up and share and have stopped being rude with others. THANKS TO LIONS QUEST PROGRAM.*

**- Sunita Malpani** - Mumbai, Maharashtra

*The program of Lions Quest plays a big role in stopping bullying amongst youths. All schools facing such dilemma should impliment LIONS QUEST at school level.*

**- Rakesh Patel** - Ahmedabad, Gujarat

*Great Video, We are going to share it with our Leo club.*

**- Brent Johnson** - Lethbridge, AB

YouTube - Videos from this email



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fyMQNL-wMe8>

## Nov 9<sup>th</sup> Cabinet Meeting

Everyone is invited to the District Meeting Nov. 9 at 9am at the Lions building 19621 Hwy 22, Mexico. You will learn about what all our committees are doing and upcoming events. You will also hear what is happening in our clubs from our zone chairs.

At this meeting we are having a "pound sale." Haven't heard of this before? Bring one pound of anything you want, plain the way it comes, in a brown paper bag or wrapped up so no one has any idea of what it is. We are going to have a silent auction of all our items. The proceeds go to offset the cost of our district convention. I can't wait to see all our items. We will put all the items on the bar and read the lucky winners at the end of the meeting.

Our next meeting following this one is Feb. 1st same time and location. Hope to see you all there.

Thanks DG Sandy



## Do You Know What Lions Are All About?

Each month we will feature one of the major Lions service activities in the state of Missouri. Please contact your Club, District Chairman or the MO Lions State Office for more information: Missouri Lions State Office P.O. Box 104535 - 2415B Hyde Park Road Jefferson City MO 65110-4535 (573) 635-1773 Fax (573) 635-2383 missourilions@gmail.com

## Leo Clubs:

Leo's are young persons between the ages of 12 and 28 who want to become involved in their community by helping our neighbors and serving as a community Leo leader or member. A Leo club is sponsored by a local Lions Club. The State & District Leo Club Committee meets to promote Leo Clubs, share ideals on projects and activities and provide leadership and networking of Leo students throughout the state.



## Calendar of Events

November 9, 2013 District 26M-3 Cabinet Meeting Mexico Lions Den, Mexico, MO	February 8, 2014 All Lions Mid-Winter Forum TBD	April 24-26, 2014 Council of Governors Meeting Sedalia, MO
November 15, 2013 Peace Posters due to District Governor	February 29-March 1, 2014 District 26M-3 Convention Columbia Hilton Garden Center Columbia, MO	April 25-26, 2014 MD26 State Convention Sedalia, MO
January 25, 2014 Council of Governors Meeting Best Western, Sedalia, MO	April 5, 2014 Eye Glass Wrap Warrenton Lions Warrenton, MO	May 17, 2014 District 26M-3 Cabinet Meeting Mexico Lions Den, Mexico, MO
February 1, 2014 District 26M-3 Cabinet Meeting Mexico Lions Den, Mexico, MO	April 6, 2014 School of the Blind Appreciation Night St Louis., MO	July 4-8, 2014 International Convention Toronto, ON, Canada

## 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 (note: Lions club presidents received a copy of the strategic plan in mid-October to share with members). "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. In fact, the strategic plan requires staff to develop 1) new

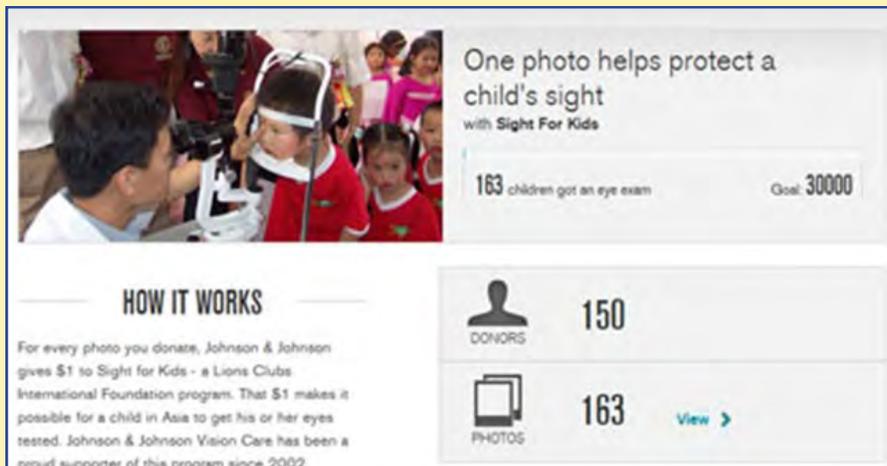


ways for Lions to volunteer and 2) a recognition program to highlight those Lions and Lions clubs that make a difference in their communities through the Foundation's programs.

The rebranding will involve some logistical changes. Office locations and phone numbers will remain the same, but the new website ([www.saving-sight.org](http://www.saving-sight.org)), social media (Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn and Vimeo) and email addresses (e.g., [JDoe@saving-sight.org](mailto:JDoe@saving-sight.org)) will go live on December 1, 2013. For everyone's convenience, though, the current websites ([www.mlerf.org](http://www.mlerf.org) and [www.hleb.org](http://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, please contact [pr@mlerf.org](mailto:pr@mlerf.org) or 800-283-1982. To view the Saving Sight video or access the strategic plan online, visit <http://www.mlerf.org/we-are-saving-sight>.

## #DonateAPhoto for LCIF Sight for Kids!



The screenshot shows the app's main screen. At the top, it says "One photo helps protect a child's sight with Sight For Kids". Below that, it displays "163 children got an eye exam" and "Goal: 30000". There is a "HOW IT WORKS" section with text explaining the program. On the right, there are statistics: "150 DONORS" and "163 PHOTOS" with a "View" link.



Helping protect a child's sight is as easy as snapping a photo. Starting today, October 1, for every photo you donate through Johnson & Johnson's [Donate a Photo](#) app\*, they will donate \$1 to the Lions Clubs International Foundation and Johnson & Johnson Vision Care [Sight for Kids](#) program (up to \$30,000).

Each and every photo you "donate" will help Lions and Johnson & Johnson Vision Care provide a vision screening and eye exam. The Sight for Kids program's mission is to remove barriers to eye care for children in underserved areas across Asia – including providing eye glasses and treatment.

All you have to do is download the free mobile app on your iPhone, iPad or Android device and start taking pictures!

### How to Get Started

1. You can download the FREE Donate a Photo app for your [Apple](#) or [Android](#) device.
2. Follow the in-app steps to set up your account and profile. Switch on your Facebook and Twitter accounts within the app to automatically share with all your friends and followers!
3. Choose your cause: **To help protect a child's sight with Sight for Kids.**
4. Then, take a picture, or choose a photo to share from your device's library or album.
5. If you share your photo, you help a child, and inspire others to help our Sight for Kids program!

### Photo Guidelines

- Users can donate up to one photo a day, every day, to the Sight for Kids cause through November 30.
- Any appropriate snap shot helps, but Lions are hoping to share photos of faces or eyes to raise awareness about the importance of accessible eye care and eye exams.
- Are you planning a project or event for [Sharing the Vision](#) month and [World Sight Day](#)? Feel free to share your photos of your Lions club project through the Donate a Photo app!
- Be sure to tag photos with the hashtag **#lionsclub#** on Facebook and Twitter. We will share select photos through the Lions Clubs International official Facebook and Twitter pages.

Since 2002, LCIF and JJVC have worked together to correct the vision of millions of children throughout Asia with the Sight for Kids program. During World Sight Day and the October Sharing the Vision service campaign, Lions and Johnson & Johnson are ensuring their social snapshots are serving, too!

**Consider Donating a Photo for Sight for Kids to help Lions protect a child's sight today!**

*\*The Donate a Photo app is available in the USA only. No matter where you live, be sure to get the word out about Lions Sight for Kids program and the importance of eye exams for our children. Photos shared are not used for commercial purposes.*

**Disclosure:** You can donate a photo to one cause, once a day. For every photo donated to Sight for Kids, Johnson & Johnson Services, Inc. will donate \$1 to that cause. You can donate photos to Sight for Kids until November 30, 2013 or until it reaches its goal of \$30,000, whichever comes first. Sight for Kids will receive a minimum of \$15,000.

[Events and articles for Roaring Lions District Newsletter and District Website](#)

Please send Sharon Hammel [shammel1250@gmail.com](mailto:shammel1250@gmail.com) your information by the 25th of the month for the newsletter.

Send Sally Poole [sally@pooleadvertising.com](mailto:sally@pooleadvertising.com) pics and Information about your events for the district website.

Lion Sally has been working hard on creating us a new website. We will let you know once it is completed.

## “Relieving the Hunger” Global Service Action Campaign

Today, there are more than one billion people who do not have enough to eat. One person out of six lives in a state of chronic hunger. Lions have an opportunity to show the strength of our worldwide network during a special service action campaign, "Relieving the Hunger."



### Take Action

During December and January, we invite you and your club to join Lions around the world to help relieve hunger.

- Organize projects that mobilize your club members to make a difference in your community – by helping those who don't have enough to eat.
- Visit [The Global FoodBanking Network](http://www.foodbanking.org/site/PageServer?pagename=foodbanking_find) ([http://www.foodbanking.org/site/PageServer?pagename=foodbanking\\_find](http://www.foodbanking.org/site/PageServer?pagename=foodbanking_find)) or [Feeding America](http://feedingamerica.org/foodbank-results.aspx) (<http://feedingamerica.org/foodbank-results.aspx>) for volunteer opportunities near you. If your local food bank does not have volunteer opportunities available, you may wish to consider other service projects such as preparing and delivering food baskets to families in need or planting a community vegetable garden. Great opportunity to invite friends to join you and they may become future members.

### Campaign Resources

Use the following resources to plan and promote your "Relieving the Hunger" Global Service Action Campaign project.

- [Call to Action Flyer](#): Get an overview of the "Relieving the Hunger" Global Service Action Campaign – and ideas to jumpstart your project.
- [Planning Guide](http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/common/pdfs/iad461.pdf): (<http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/common/pdfs/iad461.pdf>) Use this step-by-step guide to organize your very own "Relieving the Hunger" project.
- [Project Ideas](#): Review ideas you and your club can use to participate in the campaign.
- [Food Drive Project Sheet](#): Use this project sheet to organize a food drive to alleviate hunger.
- [News Release](#): Send a news release to local media to help publicize your "Relieving the Hunger" project.

For more information, visit: [http://search.lionsclubs.org/search?site=new\\_en&output=xml\\_no\\_dtd&client=lcif\\_en&filter=0&proxystylesheet=lcif\\_en&q=relieving+the+hunger](http://search.lionsclubs.org/search?site=new_en&output=xml_no_dtd&client=lcif_en&filter=0&proxystylesheet=lcif_en&q=relieving+the+hunger)

## Add Eyeglass Collection Box Locations

Did you know you can add eyeglass collection locations to your club information? Our club had a doctor call and want to be added after seeing the list of locations we have around Columbia.

### Columbia Eyewear

1601 Chapel Hill Road  
Suite 72  
Columbia MO UNITED STATES

### Eyedentity

2200 Forum Boulevard  
Suite 102  
Columbia MO UNITED STATES

### Andrew Stone Optometry

2012 Cherry Hill  
Suite 201  
Columbia MO UNITED STATES

### Hallsville Area Family Clinic

501 N Route B  
Hallsville MO UNITED STATES

### MBS Textbook Exchange

2711 W Ash Street  
Columbia MO UNITED STATES

## Welcome New Lions

### District 26 M3

13 New Members reported 010/2/13 - 10/30/13

#### BOONVILLE (009976) - LIONS CLUB

KEVIN S WESSING (3832328)

#### GLASGOW (009996) - LIONS CLUB

BEN MCANELLY (3832927)

JIM REEVES (3832941)

DANIEL STALLMAN (3832928)

JAMES TINDALL (3832924)

JEFF WEYDERT (3832943)

#### LOUISIANA (010009) - LIONS CLUB

ALAN DALE JORDAN JR (3836843)

#### NEW LONDON (010022) - LIONS CLUB

JERRY COLLINS (3829105)

BOB DILLON (3829106)

#### TROY (048713) - LIONS CLUB

JEAN M. HUTTON (3826972)

LYSANDER L. LOSH (3826977)

PAULA D. LOSH (3826974)

#### WENTZVILLE (009912) - LIONS CLUB

JUSTIN SCHWAD (3827039)

### HEARING COM. NEWS

All tickets for our state Hearing Sweepstakes have been distributed. This is the only fundraiser we have for helping those in need. Our next cabinet meeting will be on Nov. 9.

I would like to can disburse the tickets to a rep from every club at the meeting and give details on the sweepstakes. This will save the committee money on the postage that we could use else where.

If any club would like to use the hearing van or the portable audiometers, contact Lion Denny, M3 Hearing Chair. His cell # is [636-262-4425](tel:636-262-4425). He is also collecting hearing aids that are not being used by anyone to send to the School for the Deaf.

### Making a Difference in Your Community?

**Tell us how** your club is making a difference in your community and we will put it in our newsletters. You can include pictures with your information.

Send your information to Sharon Hammel at [shammel1250@gmail.com](mailto:shammel1250@gmail.com)

### November 15: America Recycles Day

Consider hosting a one-day eyeglass collection event for [America Recycles Day](#). Connect with [America Recycles Day](#) to partner or set up your own event.

### What is your club going to do to promote these events?

- Nov 14 World Diabetes Day
- Dec 2-8 Lion Eye Bank Week
- Dec 5 International Leo Day
- January Is Glaucoma Awareness Month

### IN REMEMBRANCE OF HIS SERVICE

Lion Robert (Bob) Wagner, a member of St. Charles Lions Club since 2008. He was also a member of the St. Ann Lions Club for several years, where he had served twice as President.



### Nov and Dec Membership Focus on Family

Promote family membership and the \$20.00 savings a member would have.

Invite your family to participate in your club's next community event, because as a family unit, you can receive a dues discount when volunteering together.

As a Lions family unit you can:

- Increase quality family time
- Be a role model
- Help your community

The Family Membership Program applies to family members who are

- (1) eligible for Lions membership,
- (2) currently in or joining the same club, and
- (3) living in the same household and related by birth, marriage or other legal relationship. Common household family members include parents, children, spouses, aunts and uncles, cousins, grandparents, in-laws and legal dependents.

To be part of the Family Membership Program, your club secretary must complete the [Family Unit Certification Form](#) or [file online](#).

LCI awards clubs adding 10 or more new family members at the time of charter with the Family Membership Banner Patch.

## Eyeglass Mission Trip

**Papantla, Mexico, August 8, 2013** Seven Missouri Lions went on an eyeglass mission trip to Papantla, Veracruz, Mexico. Four of those Lions were from our district: IPDG Lion Lisa Alexander, PDG Lion Chuck Elledge, Lion Ronnie Drake, and PDG Lion Lyn Porterfield. The mission trip was put together by a California Lions group called "Lions in Sight" (LIS). LIS conducts twelve eyeglass mission trips each year. Missouri Lions have volunteered for two of those trips each year for several years.

The trip this time was on August 8-11. Papantla is a city located east of Mexico City, close to the eastern coast and the Gulf of Mexico, in the state of Veracruz.

Due to our group's miscalculation of distances, we flew on Thursday into the City of Veracruz, which turned out to be a 4-hour bus ride away from Papantla. Because we arrived at about 10:00 p.m., we spent the night in a hotel in Veracruz, and left early on Friday morning. We followed the coast, passing through small villages much of the way to Papantla.

There were two doctors and three ophthalmology students already examining patients when we arrived around 10:00 a.m. at the Mormon Church where the clinic was being conducted. There were 4 or 5 young Mormon missionaries who happened to be at the church, who learned that the doctors needed help with interpreting and with filling in until our group of volunteers arrived. They immediately jumped in to help. When we arrived, we took over much of the "matching" work, but the missionaries continued to do part of it, as well as the interpretation. They stayed and helped for the rest of the day and all of Saturday as well.

The doctors and students examined the patients, gave them a prescription for eyeglasses, and sent them to the Lion volunteers, who then searched through boxes of glasses to find a pair to match the prescription and fit the glasses to the patients. The boxes had been arranged according to groups of prescriptions.

Each Lion volunteer was only responsible for his/her own airline ticket. The Veracruz Lions picked us up at the airport and took us to the hotel. The Papantla Lions provided the hotel rooms in Veracruz and Papantla, provided the rest of the transportation, and provided wonderful food! On Thursday night we were treated to a party on the lawn at the home of the president of the Papantla Lions Club. We met many of the members of the club, as well as lots of their friends and relatives. It was a very pleasant experience.

We finished the clinic on Saturday, and took the 4-hour bus ride back to Veracruz, and left early Sunday morning to come back to the United States.



We made new friends, saw great scenery, had a wonderful time, and provided hundreds of people with the ability to see more clearly. It was an opportunity to directly serve others.

There will be more of these mission trips in the future. If you have the opportunity to go on one of these trips, jump at it. It will be an experience you will never forget.



Front Row (left to right): The 3 ophthalmology students from California, Lions Judy Young, Chuck Elledge, Lisa Alexander, and Jerry Young.

Back Row (left to right): Lions Leon Hove, Ronnie Drake, Lyn Porterfield, and the two doctors from Lions In Sight.



**QR Code to Lions Facebook**

Scan with a smartphone to go to our district Facebook page.

## Dictionaries to Third Graders

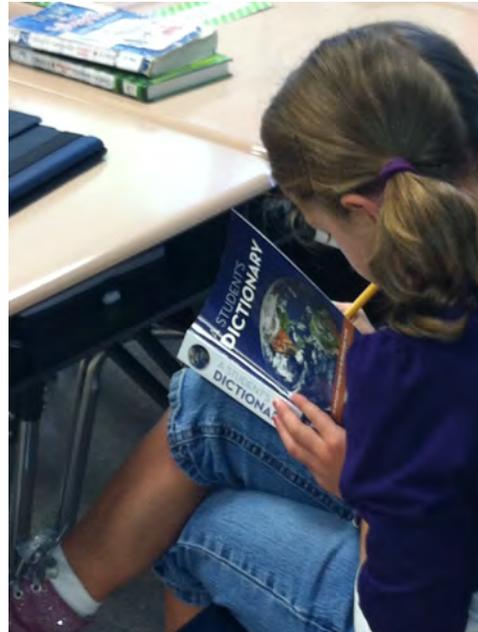
Members of the St. Charles Lions Club recently delivered dictionaries to 697 third grade students and teachers in 33 classrooms. They were handed out to the students in the St. Charles School District, the Orchard Farm School District, and the parochial schools in the area.

The president of the St. Charles Lions Club, Lion Lyn Porterfield, said, "Our distribution of the dictionaries is one of the many ways we serve our community, and it fits well with the Reading Action Program recently established by Lions Clubs International to promote literacy throughout the world."

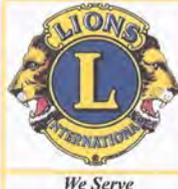
This is the third year that the club has handed out the special paperback dictionaries to third grade students. Not only do the dictionaries have a great number of words, but they also have information about the Presidents of the United States, each individual state, and many other useful items. Portions significant to Lions are the Braille alphabet, and the sign language alphabet. The most intriguing portion for the students is the longest word in the English language, which contains 1,909 letters and covers a full page.

Teachers praise the dictionaries. The teachers at Null Elementary School said, "We like to teach students new words to enrich their vocabulary, and this will be the perfect tool!"

Students love them too. A child who received her dictionary two years ago took it home with her and slept with it. Another student showed a great sense of humor in his "Thank You" note: "Thank you for the dictionary again. Sorry I have to write another letter. It's because I am in school, and my teacher told me I had to." Another student simply said, "It is so cool to have my own dictionary!"



Dictionaries



**LIIONS**  
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*We Serve*

**2013**

Dictionaries

**"The Lions Club ROCKS!!"**

**ST. CHARLES LIONS CLUB**

**"Thank you for the dictionary. Without it, in writing I would have so much trouble with my big words. And thank you for pointing out the AWESOME stuff!"**  
...Evelyn

**"My favorite is the multiplication table, and I am not very good at multiplication."** - Emily

**"f.y.i. : I am still trying to pronounce the biggest word in the American language."** - Adriana

**"It is so, so cool! People even read it at reading time."** - Dena

**"My favorite part of the book is the Constitution! I read the whole thing yesterday, and I think its fair too. I wish I could put my signature on it right now, like all the others did back then!"**...Madigan

**"Thank you for the dictionary again. Sorry I have to write another letter. It's because I am in school, and my teacher told me I had to."**...Miah

**"It was great to see the excitement on the faces of our students when they were presented their dictionaries. . . I appreciate the work of the Lions Club and their support of children and their families."**-Dr. Jerry Oetting, Principal, Orchard Farm R-V School District

**"We are really studying sign language a lot. I've been reading the presidents section. I've learned so much my head hurts."** - Myla

**"This (drawing) is my swinget. p.s. Thanks for the dictionaries."**

**"I can spell my name in sign language, and I can spell supercollfragilisticexpialidocious. I like learning about the planets, states, and countries."** - Amelia

**"Because of you, I got a higher grade. I went up from 1 to 2. Thank you."** - Elizabeth

**"You guys are the best ever."** - Olivia

**"I really liked having you here, and I hope you come back."** - Bailey

**"I might learn a new word or two."** - Zander

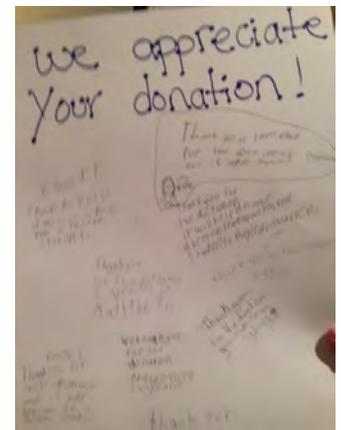
**"When I spell a word wrong, she (my teacher) Tells me to get my dictionary out."** - Jacklyn

**"My granddaughter received her dictionary two years ago, and she slept with it at night."**

**"I love the longest word."** - Cheyenne

**"You are some cool people . . . It was fun to meet you."** - Isaac

**"It makes me smart at spelling."** - Marco



### December/January – [Relieving the Hunger](#)

Organize food drives and projects to feed the hungry. With the downturn in the global economy, many hunger relief organizations are finding it difficult to keep up with demand. Help alleviate hunger by planning events around the end and beginning of the calendar year to collect and distribute food.

## Involve a U.S. Veteran Program

On behalf of International President Barry Palmer, I am pleased to share with you that Lions Clubs International's Board of Directors has approved a special pilot program to waive the charter or entrance fee for U.S. Veterans of all ages.

The **Involve a U.S. Veteran** program is being offered only in the United States. The program waives the charter or entrance fee for any qualifying veteran who joins a new or existing Lions club between July 1, 2013 and June 30, 2015.

Eligible veterans include retired U.S. military personnel or honorably-discharged members of the Air Force, Army, Coast Guard Services, Marines, National Guard, Navy or Reserves. Those currently serving in the National Guard or Reserves are also eligible. Lions Clubs International will provide an entrance fee waiver of \$25 (\$30 for charter members) to the first 5,000 qualified U.S. veterans that join a local Lions club.

Veterans have made so many great contributions and sacrificed so much to serve our country. As service members are honorably discharged from the military, let's offer them an opportunity to get involved in their communities.

Click below to learn more about this special program. You'll find a program fact sheet, promotional flyer, certification form and a sample press release you can use to promote this program in your community's news outlets.



[http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/member-center/membership-and-new-clubs/invite-members/us-veteran-program.php?utm\\_source=RealMagnet&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=5804%20Veteran%20Program%20EN](http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/member-center/membership-and-new-clubs/invite-members/us-veteran-program.php?utm_source=RealMagnet&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=5804%20Veteran%20Program%20EN)

Veterans Day is November 11. Make plans now to reach out to veterans in your community and offer them the opportunity to make a difference and change lives as Lions.

Sincerely,

Peter Lynch  
Senior Executive Administrator





## Involve a U.S. Veteran Program



- Family Membership
- Student Member Program
- Leo to Lion Program
- Young Adults
- Baby Boomers
- Lioness Bridge Program
- Involve a U.S. Veteran Program**

U.S. veterans have made so many great contributions and sacrificed so much to serve our country. With many service members being honorably discharged from the military, this is a good time to provide them with an opportunity to get involved in their communities. The Involve a U.S. Veteran Program provides qualifying veterans the opportunity to continue serving in a different way as Lions.

### Benefits of Involving Veterans

Many veterans want to find a way to give back, and they have a lot to offer your Lions club, including:

- The ability to turn plans into action and get the job done
- Practical skills and leadership skills
- Innovative ideas
- Dedication, loyalty and commitment
- Understanding the importance of teamwork

### Involve a U.S. Veteran Program Qualifications

Ask now! The program is available to the first 5,000 certified U.S. veterans and runs from July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2015.

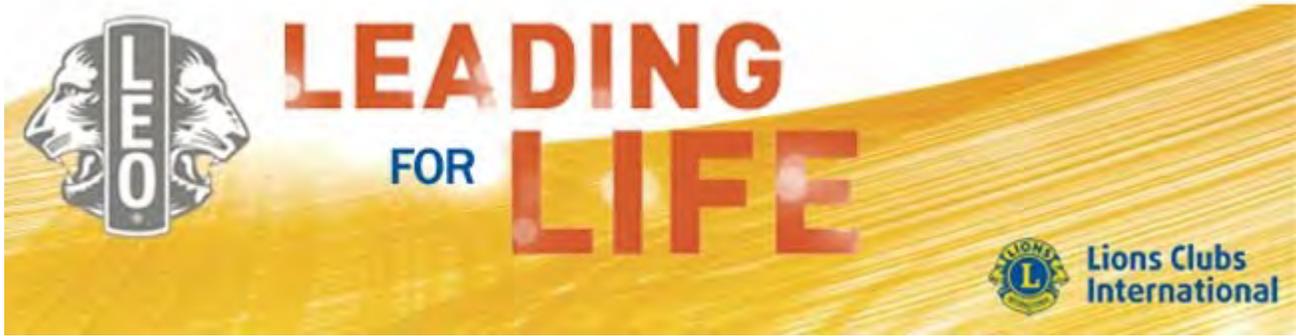
Qualifying veterans receive an entrance or charter fee waiver when joining a Lions club. Qualifying veterans include retired U.S. military personnel (i.e. Air Force, Army, Coast Guard Services, Marines, National Guard, Navy or Reserves) or those honorably discharged from these services. Veterans can be certified by completion of the *Involve a U.S. Veteran Program Certification Form*.

### Resources

- [Involve a U.S. Veteran Program Fact Sheet](#)
- [Involve a U.S. Veteran Flyer for Clubs](#)
- [Involve a U.S. Veteran Brochure for Veterans](#)
- [Involve a U.S. Veteran Program Certification Form](#)
- [Involve a U.S. Veteran Program Club Press Release Template](#)

For additional information, contact the Membership and New Club Programs Department.





In the September Leo eNews, you'll learn about Leo October Membership Growth Month, the Leo to Lion Program, the Sharing the Vision campaign, MyLCI and more. Continue reading for the latest Leo Club Program information from the Youth Programs Department at Lions Clubs International.

### **October is Leo Membership Growth Month**

The year has just begun and it's the perfect time to invite community members to join your Leo club because more members mean more service. During the month of October, Leo clubs around the world will focus on building strong, healthy clubs by increasing membership. If you are looking for guidance on how to recruit future Leos, read the [Just Ask!](#) guide or browse our [30 marketing ideas](#) to ensure that your community knows what Leo clubs are all about. Leos who recruit three or more new members in October will be eligible for the Leo October Membership Growth Award. To obtain the award, Leo club advisors must submit a completed [nomination form](#) to the Youth Programs Department by November 15.

### **Leo to Lion Program**

Leos are part of the Lions family. Our young leaders bring fresh ideas, encourage new service projects, and possess an eagerness to serve. In an effort to nurture Leos and encourage a spirit of life-long service, the Leo to Lion Program offers several benefits to former Leos who become Lions and complete the [Leo to Lion Certification and Years of Service Transfer Form](#). Watch the [Become Involved, Become a Lion](#) video to see what young adults have to say about the benefits of membership.

### **Global Service Action Campaign – Sharing the Vision**

Did you know that 80% of global blindness is preventable? This adds up to approximately 31 million people around the world who are blind due to a treatable illness. To stop this trend, you are encouraged to participate in the Sharing the Vision campaign during the month of October. The campaign coincides with the annual celebration of World Sight Day and raises awareness about blindness and vision impairment as major public health issues. There are many ways you can serve your blind and low-vision community members. Read the [step-by-step planning guide](#) and start organizing a Sharing the Vision service activity today.

### **MyLCI**

For the first time, incoming Leo club officers, Leo club advisors and sponsoring Lions club officers have access to MyLCI – an online reporting tool designed to simplify and streamline club administrative operations. Through MyLCI, Leo clubs now have the ability to update member information, report officers, and share their service activities with other Leos and Lions. Currently, Leo club officers, Leo club advisors and sponsoring Lions club officers in most multiple districts have access to MyLCI. To access MyLCI for the first time, your Leo club advisor or sponsoring Lions club secretary should send the 2013-14 [Leo Club Officers and Membership Report](#) to the Youth Programs Department. If your club submitted this year's report, but has not received MyLCI login instructions, please [contact us](#).

**CHILI / BROCCOLI CHEESE SOUP**  
**LUNCHEON**

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2013

at the

AUDRAIN COUNTY COURT HOUSE  
COMMUNITY ROOM

Serving from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.



Cost is \$6.00 per person

Menu will include:

CHILI or BROCCOLI CHEESE SOUP

SANDWICHES

RELISHES & CRACKERS

DESSERTS & DRINKS



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Proceeds will fund local &  
statewide events.

# Facebook Challenge #2

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Like · Comment · Share · 6 hours ago



**Kent Eitemiller** We have Served for 100 Years, Now we need you to join and help us help others

Like · Reply · 1 · 5 hours ago



**Donna Muller** Loving Individuals Offering Needed Service for over 100 years..

Like · Reply · 36 minutes ago



**Nicholas Pappas-Skellas** A dream come True !

Like · Reply · 36 minutes ago



**Steve Prince** A Century of Selfless Service

Like · Reply · 58 minutes ago



**Suchismita Sarkar Bose** we r the pride of lions,proud to be lions.

Like · Reply · 2 hours ago



**Ranzit Blink** 100 years..The older we grow the younger we feel in the world of service.

Like · Reply · 2 hours ago



**Bing Garcia** lci 100 years in global service to community & humanity

Like · Reply · 2 hours ago



**Lion Lr Jkb** still WE SERVE...

Like · Reply · 2 hours ago



**Mb Neupane** Lions, in the way of service-full miles.

Like · Reply · 3 hours ago



**Mamane Sani Chedi** We Serve Forever around the world

Like · Reply · 3 hours ago



# House Springs Lions Christmas Parade

Saturday

December 14, 2013

Registration is

\$15 per group



## The Theme is GIVING

What will you come as?

(Examples: pilgrims sharing and helping Indian neighbors, carolers at nursing homes, helping out at soup kitchens, barn-raising, quilting bees, helping harvest crops, etc.)

