



December 2022

Meeting of the minds in service is a great place to start the mid-year message to the district. It is hard to believe that we have completed six months of the 2022-2023 Lions year. The leadership team would like to say thank you all for your support. It has been a challenging year, but each of you have stepped up to keep the district moving forward. For the clubs that have invited the district leadership team to visit with your club we appreciate it. During our visits you have shared what we can do better and how we can help make things better for the members. The one thing that can be pointed out is that the status of the district for this month is a positive growth in members and service. For that we all say thank you for your hard work. PCC Ray and PID Sam planned and chartered a new club to get us back on track with a plus 20 in members for an overall members count of plus 11. The membership chairs of the clubs are doing a great job as well as bringing in new members and inviting the District Governor team to help install them. It

has been a great pleasure installing and meeting new members. Thinking outside of the box is key to membership growth and each club is doing it their way. Please take a few minutes to visit the district webpage and to share your club main projects with us to place on the district website. We would love to help you communicate your club activities with all Lion members in the district.

Now we know you want to know how you can help us be the best district in Texas. We would like to seek your support in identifying the reasons that we are losing members and how can we keep them active. Please think about this and share your thoughts with us. Being a Lion and serving others is what we do. Here are a few suggestions that might help us all grow even more that get others involved in what we do. Over the past few months things like support of local organizations has presented themselves like with the VFW, Rotary, Scouts, joining other Lions Clubs

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across the district to increase Lions visibility and finally we can just be out in our Lions attire to share the word and work of our clubs.

The new year will bring more change for us in members and service, but when we plan in advance, we can make a difference by just communicating to all using the social media avenues available to all. Create events to be placed on a district calendar, start a special project, request a grant from Texas Lions Foundation, Lions Clubs International Foundation. Then reach out to local businesses to match the money that you raise. Now is the time to show off what we are doing and make a difference for someone.

Thank you for allowing our team to lead the district. We truly respect each of you!

We Serve!
Lion Darie
DG



Thankful

As we come to an end of the 2022 year, I am extremely grateful for Lions. It is so rewarding to see each one of our clubs make a difference in our communities. We as Lions this year so far have served our youths through vision screenings, our Veteran's through celebrations and donations, and our First Responders through donations and acknowledgements. I am so thankful to be a Lion in District 2-X3!

As 2023 starts soon, I look forward to even more service within our communities. Continue to think outside the box on ways for us to assist others. I challenge every club in the district to start off 2023 with a service project around hunger for January Hunger month. Many of our food banks are in need after the first of the year for replenishment of their supplies. So many help during the holiday months and after the first of the year these organizations continue to need to the support. I look forward to seeing all the terrific service projects for the new year!

“Let all your thinks be thanks.” - W. H. Auden

Believe,

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As we reach the holiday season, I reflect on why we are members of Lions Club International. We serve. Service does not stop for holidays, in fact, service intensifies during the holiday time. I have enjoyed the photos each club has shared on various platforms. I have seen bell ringers for Salvation Army, toy drives, food drives, groups caroling in nursing homes, and groups sponsoring families for Christmas. WOW! Thank you! I appreciate the invitations to visit your club and I look forward to the visits scheduled in the next couple of months. Please, let me know if there is a convenient time to visit and meet your members. It is always encouraging to see you face to face, in action and getting to know YOU! The truth is, I learn from you and I am able to share your success with others.

Lastly, please enter your service activities, meetings, fundraisers, and donations online. I see more activity on social media than I do on My Lion online. Please share your activities and share all the good things your club is doing!

I wish you the happiest of holidays!
Lion, Renee



Remember the goals you set ... S.M.A.R.T Goals!

S - Specific - clearly state your goal.

M - Measurable - ensure you can measure success.

A - Attainable - set goals you know you can achieve!

R - Relevant - set goals relevant to your club.

T - Time-based - set a deadline for completion.



Child Cancer



Diabetes



Environment



Hunger



Vision

Lions REALLY do serve!

As we reach the end of the year, I want to encourage you to keep moving forward in your service activities. Needs do not stop because the holiday is here - needs actually increase. Do not forget our service focus for January is hunger. What can you do? Have you donated to a local food pantry? A simple food drive at a monthly meeting can do so much for your local community. If you need ideas, reach out to Lion Jorge, I know he is ready to help!

September 2022 - Pediatric Cancer Awareness Month

District Pediatric Cancer Chairperson: DG Darie McCleaves, Killeen Evening Club
Darie.mccleaves@gmail.com; 254-423-3893

October 2022 - Vision Awareness Month

World Sight Day, October 13th

District Vision Co-Chairperson: Lion Lea Ann Batey, Temple-Belton Lady Lions Club
Leab1031@gmail.com; 254-598-0016

District Vision Co-Chairperson: PDG Lawrence Sanchez, Killeen Evening Lions Club
Lasertag9850@gmail.com; 254-466-5037

November 2022 - Diabetes Awareness Month

World Diabetes Day, November 14th

Diabetes Chairperson: Lion Richard Bergman, Clifton Lions Club
Rrberg07@gmail.com; 254-749-8794

January 2023 - Hunger Awareness Month

District Hunger Chairperson: Lion Jorge Trujillo, Robinson Area Lions Club
Jorgetru14@gmail.com; 254-339-5647

April 2023 - Environmental Awareness Month

District Environmental Chairperson: TBN

Lion Renee Kettler, 2VDG, GST

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Welcome to Our Newest Lions in 2-X3!



November 2022



Grapeland Noon Lions Club

- *Lion Moises Santos (Sponsor: Lion Martha Childress)*

Groesbeck Lions Club

- *Lion Raul Luna (Sponsor: Lion John Billingsley)*

Hillsboro Lions Club

- *Lion Thomas Mills (Sponsor: Lion John Versluis)*

Kosse Lions Club

- *Lion Michael Blair (Sponsor: Lion John Rasco)*

Mexia Lions Club

- *Lion Richard Green (Sponsor: Lion Robin Green)*

Nolanville Lions Club

- *Lion Gregory Dunham (Sponsor: Lion Christopher Burrell)*
- *Lion Michael Hatton (Sponsor: Lion Christopher Burrell)*
- *Lion Matthew Shidler (Sponsor: Lion Crystal Briggs)*
- *Lion Kathy Dunham (Sponsor: Lion Gregory Dunham)*
- *Lion Jennifer Shidler (Sponsor: Lion Kara Escajeda)*

Setting a Calendar

July 1st to June 30th, that's the Lion year. This means December/January is the halfway point for us as Lions. So much has been accomplished, as we can see by following these newsletters and the Club and District Facebook page. With the holidays happening in full swing, so much is still happening. We are the one who are able to bring hope to our communities during this time. Helping families with dinners, toys for kids, glasses for students, pantries with extra hands, even some caroling at nursing homes.

But there's so much more that is happening for us. Mid-year also means starting to think about and plan for next year. December is when Resolutions are due into the Voting committee for District level positions. But also important, January is when most clubs start to think about their own leadership change over for next Lion year. Part of that is to help club members understand what officer, committee and chair positions entail.

To help with this below are a few upcoming learning and fellowship opportunities that need to go on the calendar!

District:

Saturday, Jan 7th at Mid-Winter. Connecting to online resources and Officer job description breakdowns.

Saturday, Jan 21st This is the reschedule of Dec 3rd that had low RSVP. Location TBD

Other:

Texas Lions Leadership Forum

Feb 25-26, Saturday – Sunday.

San Marcos, TX at the Embassy Suites at \$129/night per room

Registration \$85 for Lion Members not at a VDG leadership level or up.

Link here for [Registration and Info](#)

Emerging Lions Leadership Institute

March 24-27, application deadline January 31st

Kerville, TX at Texas Lions Camp

\$150.00 application, includes everything.

Link here [ELLI Registration](#)

We have so much to offer as Lions to community members, but we also each have a unique skill set that we can offer our fellow Lions. TO help support that, LCI and District have so many resources that are available to bolster our knowledge and offer pre-made templates for events, partnerships, fundraising and more. But those things only do us good if we know where and how to access them. These trainings are designed to help us gain that understanding, break it down, and help bring it more within reach for everyone.

If you would like a club level training on something more specific or have questions. Reach out! I am here to help unravel anything deemed mysterious or answer any questions.

lion angela

District Leadership Chair (GLT)

lion.angelascases@gmail.com

603.321.7365



Texas Lions Camp District Report

Submitted by Lions Camp Directors Dick Chapin and Natalie Austin

Well, we wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year of 2023!

Remind your campers to register for camp of 2023, right after the first of the year, so that they can get their first choice of dates.

Also, it will be time to register for Texas Lions Camp workday, so we can have the Camp ready for summer. Work days traditionally are the first Saturdays of March, April and May, and you will want to be a part of this preparation. It is important, as we are getting back to almost normal camp periods again this year, with the addition of Family Camp periods.

For other great news about Texas Lions Camp and ongoing construction, call, text, or email, Natalie or Dick. We are always anxious to visit and discuss our passion of serving the Camp.

Listed below, is your designated Camp representative.

See you soon ~ ~ ~ ~

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254.319.8034

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CLUB	MTG DAY	FREQ	MTG TIME	DIRECTOR
1 Belton	Thu	every	12 noon	Dick
2 Blooming Grove	Mon	2nd	7:00 PM	Natalie
3 Buffalo	Tue	1st/3rd	12 noon	Dick
4 China Springs-Bosqueville	Thu	2nd	12 noon	Natalie
5 Clifton	Tue	2nd/4th	11:45 AM	Natalie
6 Copperas Cove	Tue	2nd/4th	12 noon	Dick
7 Corsicana	Tue	every	12 noon	Natalie
8 Crockett	Tue	every	12 noon	Natalie
9 Dawson	Wed	4th	12 noon	Dick
10 Fairfield	Thu	2nd/4th	6:00 PM	Dick

11 Gatesville	Wed	every	12 noon	Dick
12 Grapeland Noon	Thu	1st/3rd	12 noon	Natalie
13 Greater Athens	Thu	2nd	5:30 PM	Dick
14 Groesbeck	Wed	every	12 noon	Dick
15 Hamilton	Wed	every	12 noon	Natalie
16 Harker Heights	Wed	2nd/4th	12 noon	Dick
17 Hewitt	Mon	2nd/4th	6:00 PM	Natalie
18 Hillsboro	Tue	every	12 noon	Natalie
19 Hubbard	Thu	2nd	12 noon	Natalie
20 Kennard	Thu	1st/3rd	6:00 PM	Natalie
21 Killeen Evening	Tue	1st/3rd	7:00 PM	Dick
22 Killeen Ladies	Mon	1st/3rd	6:30 PM	Dick
23 Killeen Noon	Tue	every	12 noon	Dick
24 Kosse	Tue	2nd	6:30 PM	Dick
25 Lampasas	Tue	2nd/4th	12 noon	Dick
26 Lometa	Tue	1st/3rd	6:30 PM	Dick
27 Marlin	Tue	2nd/4th	12 noon	Dick
28 Mart	Thu	4th	5:30 PM	Natalie
29 McGregor	Mon	2nd/4th	12 noon	Natalie
30 Meridian	Tue	1st/3rd	12 non	Natalie
31 Mexia	Tue	every	12 noon	Dick
32 Nolanville	Tue	2nd/4th	6:30 PM	Dick
33 Oglesby	Mon	1st/3rd	6:30 PM	Dick
34 Palestine	Thu	every	12 noon	Natalie
35 Palestine Evening	Mon	2nd/4th	6:45 PM	Natalie
36 Piney Woods	Mon	4th	6:00 PM	Dick
37 Riesel	Tue	1st/3rd	7:00 PM	Dick
38 Robinson	Mon	1st/3rd	7:00 PM	Natalie
39 Robinson Area	Mon	1st/3rd	5:30 PM	Natalie
40 Rosebud/Lott	Thu	1st/3rd	6:00 PM	Dick
41 Salado	Wed	2nd/4th	11:00 AM	Dick
42 Temple Breakfast	Thu	1st/3rd	7:30 AM	Dick
43 Temple Founder	Wed	every	12 noon	Dick
44 Temple/Belton Ladies	Tue	2nd/4th	6:30 PM	Natalie
45 Valleymills	Tue	2nd	7:00 PM	Natalie
46 Waco Founder	Wed	every	12:10 PM	Natalie
47 Waco HOT	Wed	2nd/4th	6:30 PM	Natalie
48 Waco Women	Mon	1st/3rd	12 noon	Natalie
49 Whitney	Thu	1st/3rd	12 noon	Natalie



Texas Lions Camp, Inc.

Children Can...With TLC™

P.O. Box 290247 • Kerrville, TX 78029 • Office: (830) 896-8500 • Fax (830) 896-3666
www.tlscamp.com • tmahoy@tlscamp.com

2023 Camp Schedule

Session 1	June 4-10, 2023	Children with Physical Disabilities
Session 2	June 11-17, 2023	Children with Physical Disabilities
Session 3	June 18-24, 2023	Children with Physical Disabilities
Session 4	June 25-July 1, 2023	Children with Down syndrome/ Camp David, Texas Burn Survivors Society
Session 5	July 2-8, 2023	Children with Type 1 Diabetes
Session 6	July 9-15, 2023	Children with Type 1 Diabetes
Session 7	July 18-19, 2023	Family Camp
Session 8	July 21-23, 2023	Family Camp
Session 9	July 25-26, 2023	Family Camp
Session 10	July 28-30, 2023	Family Camp



LCIF - NEWS

Melvin Jones Photo Challenge!

In honor of Melvin Jones' 144th birthday, be a part of the Lions Clubs International Foundation's Melvin Jones Photo Contest and show us your pride! Snap a picture of what it means to be a Lion or Leo.

To enter the contest, go to:

<https://lcifpride.org/photo-contest/#pcontest-register>

Rules, gotta have rules:

By entering this contest, entrants authorize the use of their photo and name by Lions Clubs International Foundation ("LCIF") in printed, digital, or other mediums for the purposes of promotion and publicity for LCIF. The photo and its content shall be the property of LCIF for any and all use.

No purchase or donation is required to enter.

Photo and answering of a question must be submitted via the official entry form online to be included in contest.

One photo and question answered per person, per entry.

Photo must only be of the individual who is submitting. Any photos uploaded with more than one person will not be accepted; whether it is a service project photo or a photo with a Melvin Jones Fellow (MJF) plaque or Melvin Jones Progressive Fellow (PMJF) pin, the photo must only include you in it. Photos cannot contain material that violates or infringes another's rights, including but not limited to material that violates privacy, publicity, or intellectual property rights, or that constitutes copyright infringement.

The winners will be announced the week of January 16, 2023. If the 105th convention does not take place, there is no cash substitution for the prize.

Odds of winning are dependent upon the number of valid entries received and public voting. All submissions must be received by December 31, 2022 at midnight Central Time Zone to be eligible for the contest.

LCIF reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to prohibit any entrant from participating in the contest and/or to disqualify any individual for any reason, or an individual whom LCIF finds, in its sole determination, to be acting in violation of the official rules, or to be acting in a disruptive manner, or with intent to annoy, abuse, threaten or harass any other person.

Also gotta have prizes:

Winners will receive one complimentary individual registration and luncheon tickets to the 105th Lions Clubs International Convention in Boston.

The contest is open between October 1, 2022 and December 31, 2022. Voting and deadline for submission is December 31, 2022, at midnight Central Time Zone. Winners will be announced the week of January 16, 2023.

MD2-X3 Mid-Winter Cabinet Meeting

One Lion, One Leo, One Mission!



Saturday – January 7, 2023
St Joseph's Catholic Church
311 Oak Street
Marlin, TX 76661

Registration opens at 8:30 a.m.
Cabinet Meeting begins at 9:10 a.m.
adjourns by 2:00 p.m.
"Together We Can, and Together We Will!"
Speaker: ID TJ Ernesto Tijerina

\$20.00 per attendee.

Continental breakfast and Lunch provided by Marlin Lions Club

All registrations must be confirmed and received by Friday, 12/22/2022

Club Name: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

Of attendees: _____ X \$20 Amount Due: \$ _____

Checks payable to Marlins Lions Club, and mail to Marlin Lions Club,
c/o Sonia Ponce, 915 Rock Dam Road, Marlin, TX 76661.

For additional attendees, please use additional form. Email questions to Sonia Ponce, at soniamtzp@gmail.com or Joe Ponce at jponce2404@yahoo.com. Alternate POC Sheila Lawson, 820 Val Verde Plc, Marlin, TX 76661. Sheila Lawson at s-lawson@att.net.

Hotels are available in the area and there will be no blocked rooms available. The recommended hotel is Executive Inn & Suites, 100 Fm 147, Marlin, TX 76661. Hotel Phone 254-883-6000.



As December begins, I want to first and foremost wish each of you a safe and joyful holiday season. As each of you are aware, November was Diabetes Awareness Month-one of our global causes. I appreciate everything each club has done and continues to do in their efforts to spread diabetes awareness to their families, communities and beyond. Keep in mind that even though November is behind us, we must still be diligent in bringing awareness to this disease. I urge you to contact me or other clubs to get ideas of projects or programs that will help us in this effort. Again, I wish each of you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Sincerely,

Richard Bergman

District Diabetes Chair-MD 2-X3





Here we are the end of the second quarter of the Lion's year 2022-2023 some projects are completed and more being planned to service your communities the second half of the year and you may need help. I would like to ask clubs as they are planning their budgets to please consider starting to give 100% or increase your club's giving to the Texas Lions Foundation to 200%, or maybe 300%. Donations can also be given by individuals various ways and I can show you the ways you can, please contact me or go to the Foundation website.

Texas Lions Foundation (TLF) is an organization committed to filling humanitarian needs throughout the world. As a public, non-profit, tax-exempt corporation, its purpose is to promote human welfare by careful application of contributed funds. ([TLF Donations & Awards Form](#)) TLF concentrates its efforts in two areas: humanitarian services and disaster relief. ([Grant guidelines](#)) The Foundation strives to support projects that, while falling into one of these two categories, also have long-term and far-reaching effects, and promote the objectives of the Texas Lions Foundation. Overall, the Foundation maintains a strong commitment to helping people achieve their own potential, and implementing projects that make permanent and positive changes. Projects are favored that provide benefits to as many people as possible. Here is the link to get further information [Click here](#).

I am available to come to your club or come online if you prefer and do a presentation on the Texas Lions Foundation. Please contact me by phone 254-289-9550 or by email Lmeeker53@gmail.com.

Yours in Lionism
PDG Lisle W. Meeker
TLF Trustee

MERRY CHRISTMAS

HAPPY NEW YEAR

PEACE

Hello Fellow Lions,

Peace Posters will be announced at the January District 2-X3 meeting in Marlin on January 7th. There were ten entries for our district. I hope all clubs who entered a poster will attend the meeting. There are five monetary prizes to be given out. The first-place winner will be sent to the State Contest. All posters (except 1st place) and mailing tubes will be available to be picked up at the meeting. If for some reason, you cannot be present, please have someone pick up your poster and tube that is near your club if possible.

If you have questions, contact me.

B.C. Seely
District 2-X3
Peace Poster Chair
254-855-4785





CHARTER NIGHT BANQUET

MCLENNAN COUNTY LAKE WACO LIONS CLUB

FRIDAY, JANUARY 6, 2023

@ THE TURN BAR & GRILL

5608 FLAT ROCK ROAD

WACO, TEXAS 76708

(at the Lake Waco Golf Course)

Social starts at 6:00pm

Full Cash Bar Available

Dinner at 7:00pm

Meal: Chicken or Salmon (your choice)

Roasted Vegetables

Salad & Dinner Roll

Dessert

GUEST SPEAKER – INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR T. J. TIJERINA

\$ 25.00 PER PERSON WITH CHECKS PAYABLE TO THE

MCLENNAN COUNTY LAKE WACO LIONS CLUB

MAIL TO: 5608 FLAT ROCK ROAD – WACO, TX 76708

RSVP BY DECEMBER 30, 2022

CONTACT Lion Michael Faulkner

254-640-7133

Email – theturnkitchen@gmail.com

Silent Auction & Shot Gun Raffle

(credit cards accepted for auction, raffle and cash bar)

NAME: _____ CLUB: _____
SELECT ONE – CHICKEN _____ SALMON _____

NAME: _____ CLUB: _____
SELECT ONE – CHICKEN _____ SALMON _____

NAME: _____ CLUB: _____
SELECT ONE – CHICKEN _____ SALMON _____

NAME: _____ CLUB: _____
SELECT ONE – CHICKEN _____ SALMON _____

Texas Lions Camp Knife Sheaths

Attached is an order blank for special lasered & hand-tooled knife sheaths. These fit the special Case knives with handles made from rock from Texas Lions Camp, which we have been selling the last 3 years. This knife is the one shown above the sheaths on the form. If you haven't seen them, the 2 bladed knife is beautifully lasered with the Lion's & TLC's logos, along with the words "Texas Lions Camp - children can with TLC". If you are interested in the knife, you can contact Lion Ken Jobe, whose info is on the form for the knife sheaths.

The timing is critical, because (like everything else) the price of leather is going up dramatically, according to the leather tooler, and our costs will double after the 1st weekend in February. This will obviously do the same thing to our selling prices. So, if you want one or more, get your order in now. Orders dated by February 5th will be honored at the rates on the form. (The form says January 31st, but they have agreed to let the current price stand through our Feb. Council meeting in Kerrville.)

These knife sheaths have the Camp's special 75th Anniversary Logo. I know many Lions don't have the current knife and it may not be available much longer to buy. However, a new TLC 75th Anniversary edition Case knife will be coming out soon with a handle made out of wood from the camp. They will also be laser engraved on one of the blades. They will fit in these knife sheaths. So this will be a chance to get a knife sheath for either or both knives before the prices soar.

PCC Tom Blase
1st Vice-Chairman, Executive Committee
Texas Lions Camp



Serving Children Since 1949

For the benefit of

Texas Lions Camp
75th Anniversary
Case "Trapper" Style Knife Sheath

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Shipping Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Handmade and tooled by JDS Leather, Kerrville, Texas

***ATTENTION: Prices will be going up drastically for all orders after Jan., 31st, 2023. Leather prices have doubled, but JDS Leather will hold these prices until then.**

<u>Style</u>	<u>Price</u> (each)	<u># ordered</u>	<u>Extended</u> <u>Total</u>	<u>Side of Belt</u>	
				# Right	# Left
Laser Sheath	\$40*	_____	\$ _____	_____	_____
Laser & Tooled Sheath	\$50*	_____	\$ _____	_____	_____
Laser & Tooled Sheath w/colored logo	\$60*	_____	\$ _____	_____	_____
Subtotal of All Items			\$ _____		
Add \$4 per Sheath for shipping			\$ _____		
Total with shipping			\$ _____		

Make Checks Payable to: **District 2S1**

Mail Checks to: PDG Ken Jobe, 4749 County Road 2590, Chester, TX 75936

(Hand tooling takes time, please allow at least 10-12 weeks for shipping.)

SCRIP TALK

What is scrip talk?

There have been questions brought up to me that I would like to answer. First what it is not, a charity looking for donations or buy anything. It is not affiliated with any other organization. It is its own organization. Scrip talk is a machine that helps the visually impaired read medical prescriptions. It is part on En-Vision America, the machine is supplied on loan to patients at no cost. It is a FREE program. The display and handouts that you see at District Cabinet meetings are information for Lions to get the word out to their communities, the visually impaired, and the pharmacies.

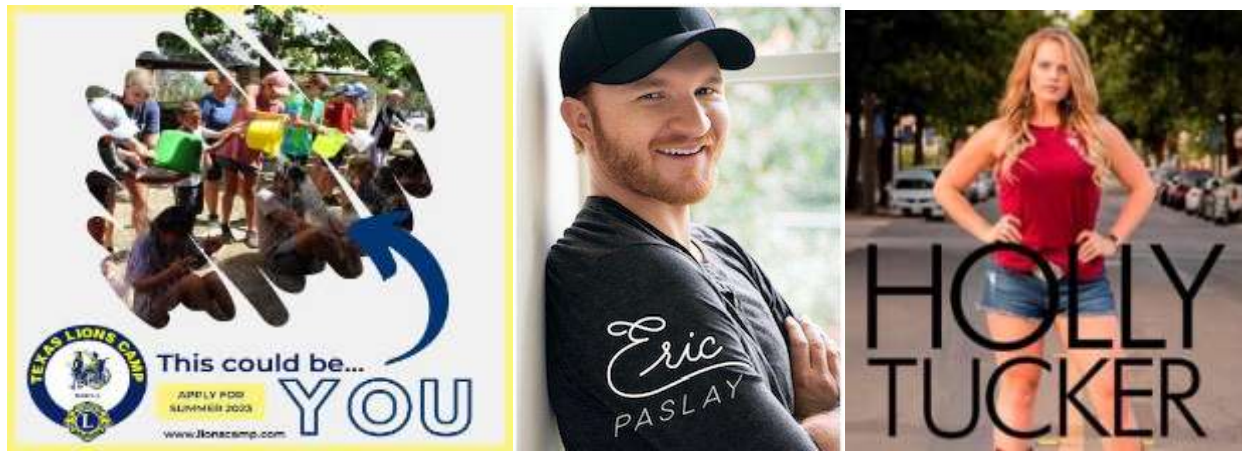
We are excited to announce the new ScripTalk mobile app is now available in the iOS and Android App Stores

ScripTalk Mobile IOS App now available. Download here <https://apps.apple.com/us/app/scriptalk-mobile/id1317698388>

ScripTalk mobile Android App now available. Download here <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.mistral.scriptalkmobilev2>

Please help spread the word, pick up the information cards at the next District Cabinet Meeting and share in your communities. If you have any questions, please contact me.

PDG Lisle Meeker
254-289-9550
Lmeeker53@gmail.com



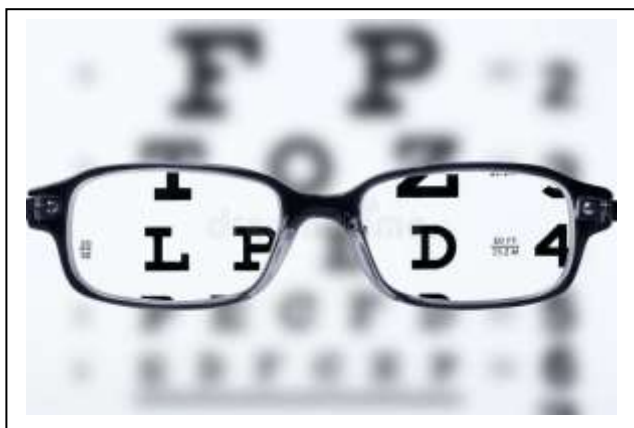
The **TEMPLE BREAKFAST LIONS CLUB MUSIC FESTIVAL** is Saturday April 1st 2023 benefiting The **TEXAS LION'S CAMP**.

Featuring **ERIC PASLAY**, a former camper of the Texas Lion's Camp programs. As a child Eric received life-changing benefits from the camp. Now all grown up, he will return to perform a **LIVE** concert in honor to the Texas Lion's camp in his own hometown of **TEMPLE, TEXAS**.

Co-star of the event is **Holly Tucker**, an American country music singer and multi-instrumentalist who starred on Season 4 of television series **The VOICE**. In addition, a wide variety of live artists are also performing. Genres include **BLUES, ZYDECO, CLASSIC ROCK, and RED DIRT COUNTRY**. Six bands will perform at the Newly Renovated MLK Jr. Festival Grounds Temple Texas.

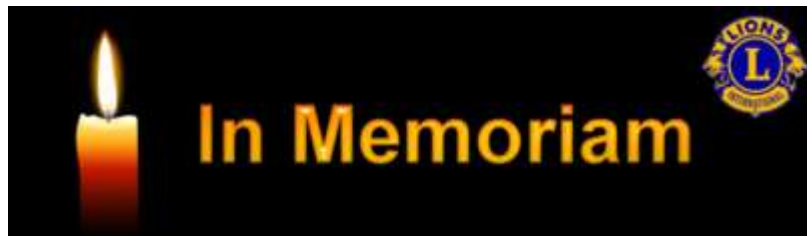
APRIL 1st from 3:30-11:30pm

We request your participation to make more life-changing differences to physically disabled and medically challenged children of Texas. The Texas LION's CAMP is a residential summer camp for children with physical disabilities and with medical conditions from across The State of TEXAS. Campers attend one of nine, 1-week sessions at **NO COST** to the children or parents. Your contribution is deeply valued. There are tiered levels of sponsorship. VIP seating and **INFORMATION** vendor stands are available. Our LIONS motto is **WE CARE**, and we hope you will too! For more information contact Event Director Lisle Meeker 254-289-9550



Special thanks to the
Rosebud-Lott Lions
Club for hosting our
most recent vision
screening training!!

Your hospitality was
much appreciated.



Salado Lions said goodbye to Sindy Greenwood. Sindy was a past vice president and a current director on our board. She was a wonderful person, Lions Club member, and board member.

Piney Woods Lions bade farewell to Lion Dillan Noble. Dillan was an outstanding young man who had his heart in the right place. He was kind, soft spoken, and someone who was easy to get along with. He had a heart of service, and had been a member of the Piney Woods Lions Club for nearly a year. Dillan helped with many service projects in his short time with us. He will be dearly missed.



District 2-X3 offers its condolences to all clubs and family members that have lost Lions.

CLUB NEWS

CLIFTON

Dr. Lance Robinson spoke to Clifton Lions Club about Diabetes during Diabetes awareness month. Lion Richard Bergman presented Dr. Robinson with a thank you mug for presenting.



Lion Mary Gean Cope performing vision screenings at Valley Mills ISD.



And then there was the semi-annual pancake dinner fundraiser. We bested our highest sale ever by serving 664 plates.





New Members

Clifton Cont'd



GRAPELAND:
MOISES SANTOS

GROESBECK:
RAUL LUNA

HILLSBORO:
THOMAS M MILLS

KOSSE:
MICHAEL S BLAIR

MEXIA:
RICHARD GREEN

NOLANVILLE:
GREGORY DUNHAM
KATHY DUNHAM
MICHAEL J HATTON
JENNIFER SHIDLER
MATTHEW R SHIDLER

PALESTINE:
KIRK PARSONS



We had supporters from other clubs in the District at our pancake dinner fundraiser including IPDG Angela and 1VG Randi.



Clifton welcomes new member Lion Don Moore



GATESVILLE

Right: The Gatesville Lions Club will be administering the Red Kettle campaign with the Salvation Army this year. 100% of the contributions stay in our local community to help those in need. We would love to have our community volunteer to help us ring the bell.



Gatesville Lions Club during November 2022 had a program related to the “Baby Moses/Safe Haven Law”, as presented by Marcia Streiber Dr. Jeff Bates from Coryell Health, and Dr. Barrett Pollard from GISD.

THE LAW

The Safe Haven Law, also known as the Baby Moses Law, gives parents who are unable to care for their child a safe and legal choice to leave their infant with an employee at a designated safe place – a hospital, freestanding emergency medical care facility, fire station, or EMS station. Your identity will remain confidential and your baby will receive medical care and be placed with an emergency provider.

Your baby must be 60 days old or younger and unharmed and safe.

You need to give your baby to an employee who works at one of these safe places and tell this person that you want to leave your baby at a Safe Haven.

You may be asked by an employee for family or medical history to make sure your baby receives the care they need, but this is not required.

If you give your baby to someone at a fire or EMS station they will be taken to a hospital to receive any medical attention they need. Remember, if you give your unharmed infant to someone at a Safe Haven, you will not be prosecuted for abandonment or neglect. You surrender your parental rights if you surrender your baby to a Safe Haven.

Below: Thank you to the volleyball seniors (pictured) and Coach Webber for coming to a meeting.



GREATER ATHENS



DG McLeaves and Peace
Poster contest winner



Val Franklin receives
award



New members

HILLSBORO



Left: Hillsboro Lions Club welcomed the Farmers Assisting Returning Military (F.A.R.M.) to their weekly meeting. Also in attendance were military veterans from the area. FARM is an organization that assists returning veterans with opportunities to 'get their hands dirty' by providing training in agriculture and is a therapeutic approach to healing. The organization is currently moving to their new location in Crowley.

Pictured is Lion (and veteran) Chuck Schneider and FARM Executive Director Hyiat El-Jundi

Right: Hillsboro Lions Club welcomed Texas Lions Camp Director for District 2x3 Natalie Austin to share an update on Texas Lions Camp. Texas Lions Camp in Kerrville is for children with physical disabilities, type 1 diabetes, or cancer and is free for the families. With the pandemic, a family camp has now been adapted where families can come with their campers. Hillsboro Lions Club has sponsored area children to attend.




Hillsboro Lions Club

Centennial Playground Project
 1922 - 2022
Gold Sponsors
 \$20,000 or above
 George G. and Alva Hudson Smith Foundation
 Hillsboro Lions Club
Silver Sponsor
 \$10,000-\$19,999
 Blue Cross Blue Shield of Texas
 Texas Lions Foundation
Bronze Sponsors
 \$5,000-\$9,999
 Hal and Jana Whitaker in memory of PDG Pat Whitaker
 Barbara Aydlett in memory of Ron Soulierre
 Mildred Brooks in memory of Dana Brooks
 Jennifer and Kennie Nowlin
 Dorothy Gaines Foundation
 HILCO Electric Trust
 Atmos Energy
 TXU Energy
 Oncor
 Project Coordinator-Arthur Mann



Hillsboro Lions Club Centennial Playground Project Ribbon Cutting
 Project Coordinator and Hillsboro Lion, Arthur Mann, invited the donors, their families and the Hillsboro Lions to the adaptive playground ribbon cutting ceremony at the Hillsboro City Park.



The Hillsboro Lions celebrated the installation of new members Lynette Finley (with sponsor Kennie Nowlin) and Hilary Reinhard (pictured with Lion John Versluis) with District Governor Darie McCleaves.



DG McCleaves also presented Hillsboro Lions Club President Cami Steele with the TEAM Texas and his DG pin.



KILLEEN LADIES

The KLLC have started the holiday season with a bang. Collecting 365 pairs of glasses that we sent off. We had our Fill the Truck Food Drive on Nov 5th, where we collected non-perishable food items for both the FH Food Pantry and the Killeen Food Pantry, and was also able to give the monetary donations collected to HARP (Homeless Awareness Response Program). We assisted other volunteers in fluffing the wreaths for the Veterans Cemetery on Nov 19. On Nov 22 we donated out 15 Thanksgiving meals. In December we have our large Gift Wrapping event for donations from Dec 17-23 from 1-7pm and then on the 24th from 10am-2pm in front of Ulta in Harker Heights. So drop by, bring your gifts, and let us do the Wrapping for you.



KILLEEN NOON

The Killeen Noon Lions Club participated in the Food For Families drive, manning the assigned intersection of 38th St and East Rancier in Killeen. Members collected over 330 pounds of canned goods along with \$2517.86 in cash donations from passing motorists and Killeen High School students. We continued our support at the Killeen Food Care Center, impacting over 500 families this month. We also continued our bi-weekly bingo sessions at the Rosewood Retirement Center, and materiel support of the Texas Humane Heroes animal shelter, Ronald McDonald House, and the Moss Rose homeless shelter.



PALESTINE NOON

Left: On Nov. 3, we had the pleasure of hearing from the head of our local American Legion, Bryan. If you aren't involved with your local Legion, it's a great organization for all of our military Veterans, regardless of how long they were enlisted or where they were stationed. It was interesting hearing about the multiple ways they help their local communities, including scholarships for the local schools.



Above: We had a GREAT TIME hosting the annual District Cabinet Meeting in October at the First Methodist Church in Palestine! Everyone was able to get their coffee and donut fix first thing in the morning, and stuff their face with fish, hushpuppies, and fries for lunch. Our amazing District Governor said it was a great success. It was good food and amazing people!



Left: We are so proud to welcome our new member, Ly Sath. Ly owns Jocelyn's Donuts in Palestine (such scrumptious donuts and amazing coffee!). She is going to be a wonderful addition to the Palestine Noon Lions Club!

Right: In October, Palestine had their annual "Paint Palestine Pink" fundraising event, and the Noon Lions Club showed up! We had our fish fry using our pretty cool fryer made special for us by one of our local schools, and we were able to donate \$150 to the event to help those in our community receive mammograms to assist in early breast cancer detection.



PINEY WOODS

Piney Woods Lions volunteered at Christmas in Crockett early in the morning on Saturday, Nov 19. The Lions helped man the barricades from 5:30am until 9:30am to give the vendors access to and from the area to setup their stands. The Lions also provided parking for this event.



Piney Woods Lions Club received about 24 pallets of food from the East Texas Food Bank the Monday before Thanksgiving for the monthly free Produce Distribution. The food included farmer boxes, sweet potatoes, Yukon potatoes, onions, carrots, watermelon, a wide variety of frozen meats and bakery items, and large 18-count egg containers. It was cold and wet, but the food was much appreciated.



ROBINSON AREA



Robinson Area Lions were able to purchase and deliver meals to two needy families for Thanksgiving. Pictured is President Lion Mandy Moss making one of the deliveries.

Giving doesn't have to end in December. The Robinson Area Lions Club will be hosting a blood drive on Sunday afternoon January 8th from 1:00 until 4:00 pm at New Road Church of Christ. Contact Robinson Area Lions Club to sign up for a time slot to donate.



SALADO



Left: Retired U.S. Army Major and fellow Salado Lions Club member, Charmaine Padgett was our guest speaker for our special Veteran's Day Luncheon this month.



Right 2: We so appreciate all the Lions who helped out with the set-up and take-down and the Lions who helped run the Lions Hot Dog Stand at the Scottish Games this month!

Below: We had a great Lion Crew at the Community Thanksgiving Meal put on by the Salado Heart and Hands organization! We served over 475 meals!



Merry Christmas!

TEMPLE-BELTON LADIES

(Nov.18) 9The day was frigid, which did not prevent the 33rd annual Food for Families food drive in Temple. Angela, Lea and Jennifer impacted the Temple community with their volunteer services. We sorted through the generous supply of non-perishable food items that donors dropped off. Most memorable donors were a couple of Boy Scout troupes with their 2 cattle trailers full, and Volkswagen with a couple carloads full of food. The 4 area food pantries are blessed with an abundance this year.



Right: We heard from guest speaker Deshon Williams at our November meeting. Deshon works for the Belton Fire Department, and she leads Disaster Training classes and preparedness training in communities. Her extensive knowledge and experience in C.E.R.T., emergency prepping and safety really impacted us. So now we Lions are thinking about what important items we'll put in our family's emergency response box. It was a lot of great information in a short period of time.

'Tis the season now for Club fundraising! We all successfully sold out of the first order of pecans we had, so a second large order of Goldthwaite Pecans was needed to meet the demand. They are \$16/ 1 pound bag for either plain shelled or chocolate covered.

TEMPLE BREAKFAST



Left: 2 of our members Lion Larry Wilkey and Marilyn Wilson help sort food during the food drive

Right: Temple Breakfast Lions Club brings a boat full of food and money to food for families. Left PDG Lisle Meeker KWTX reporter Chantel Ropp and Lion Marilyn Wilson Back row left Lion Andi Wilkey and Lion Larry Wilkey.



WACO WOMENS

WWLC continues to be busy with various events. As of November 30th, we screened 2,264 students with 483 needing a referral. WWLC also manned a booth at St. Jerome's Business Expo to get out the word not only about WWLC lions but all the things that Lions do to serve our community. Past District Governor Ray Harper also spoke at our November meeting on membership and setting goals. Once again, WWLC is blessed with members that want to serve and find time to serve.

Thank You Note from Mountainview Elementary

*Kim @ WWLC -
WOW! Thank you so much
for your commitment to
kids being successful through
their vision! It was a pleasure
to work with you and it was
so efficient. Appreciate all
you do for students & their
eyes! Thank you
Mountainview*



St. Jerome's Business Expo-Pictured left to right: Kim Giles, B.C. Seely, Rose Moyer, Melissa Sieh and LeeAnne Ostrander having a little fun at our booth

WHITNEY



Left: Whitney Lions collected food during the November membership meeting for donation to the local food bank.

In attendance were members Lion Debbie Gregory and Lion Cliff Allen. Also attending were PDG and zone chair John Noles and 2VDG Renee Kettler.

Right: DGs with PID Sam in New Braunfels where MD2 voted to endorse PID Mark Lyon as candidate for 3rd VP of Lions International





PINEY WOODS

Piney Woods Leo Club welcomed 4 new members at the October monthly Leo Club meeting. Nick Mustachio is the Chief Engineer - JSC Aviation Safety Office and also a Flight Science Officer. He presented to the Leo's his experience and knowledge while working for NASA. Mr. Mustachio's experience and expertise opened a wide range of questions from the Leo's who enjoyed the presentation and learned a great deal about aerospace engineering. Mr. Mustachio instilled the belief that dreams do come true, as his started in the fourth grade.



Right: Leo Club President Ariana Gonzalez formally inducted 3 new Leos at the November monthly club meeting. The club meeting was held on her birthday, so the Leos celebrated with cake following the meeting!

Piney Woods Leos made homemade Christmas cards on Nov 6th. These cards will be handed out in December at 2 different events.



Piney Woods Leo Club visited the Assisted Living home Enchanted Pines, on the day before Thanksgiving. The Leos delivered flowers to each resident. Many of the residents expressed their gratitude for the youth stopping by to see them.



The Crockett Chamber of Commerce asked the Piney Woods Leo Club to decorate a tree at the Crockett Civic Center. Their Leo Christmas Tree is unique with pictures of the Leos and the Leo Club logo.



Piney Woods Leo Club purchased 2 pencils for each elementary student at each school district where a member of the club attends. Each pencil is customized with the Piney Woods Leo Club name and logo on them. The Leos delivered a total of 2,928 pencils to Crockett, Latexo, Grapeland, Lovelady, and Kennard Elementary Schools.

