

LIONS CLUB DISTRICT 2-X3



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Belive in the I'Mpossible

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"Nothing is impossible, the word itself says 'I'm possible!'"-

Audrey Hepburn



Lion Randi Wilde

District Governor

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Inspiration

We have a terrific opportunity in our district to attend the Texas Leadership Forum that will be held in Temple, TX on March 2-3, 2024. This is a chance to interact with Lions across the state to learn about diversity, time management, personal mission statement, member motivation, goal setting, and local issues and opportunities. Each Lion will be assigned for a class section for the weekend, 20-25 students per section. A maximum of four sections will be supported with two to three facilitators for each section. Each class is an interactive session for the facilitator and the students. There will be a lecture followed by participate in the learning activities. You can register online <https://txllf.org/>.

We had a fantastic mid-winter cabinet meeting with PCC Tom Blase, Texas Lions Camp Chairperson. Registration for camp has begun as of January 3rd. There is Residential Youth Camp, Residential Day Camp, and Family Camp. This is an awesome experience for our youth to have at no cost to the families. If you would like more information please reach out to a Camp Director, Lion Dick Chapin or PDG Angela Cases.

We have our District Convention coming up in April. There will be a social on Friday night at the Texas Sports Hall of Fame. Saturday will be the convention, voting, and the Governor's Banquet. We are excited for our guest speaker PID Jenny Ware from Michigan. We look forward to seeing everyone from the district come visit Waco.

#ChangingTheWorld #BelieveInTheImpossible

Mark Your Calendars

"Eighty percent of success is showing up."
- Woody Allen



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- February 29, 2023 - Waco Founder Lions Pancake Supper
 - March 2, 2024 - Riesel Lions Club Bingo Begins
 - March 7, 2024 - Clifton Lions Club 95th Anniversary Banquet
 - March 11, 2024 - Palestine Lions Club Fish Fry

District Cabinet Meetings

- August 11-12, 2023: Hillsboro, TX
- October 28, 2023: Salado, TX
- January 27, 2024: McGregor, TX
- April 26-27, 2024: Waco, TX



Lion Renee Lamson
First Vice District Governor
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It is still the most wonderful time of the year! If you know anything about me and my children, we love baseball and softball. February brings the start of little league, high school baseball/softball, college baseball/softball and MLB spring training.

The month of February also brings a Council of Governors meeting in Kerrville. During the recent COG we celebrated the Texas Lions Camp 75th Anniversary. We visited the camp and heard from children who were changed because they were able to do the things many people told them they would not. Recently I was told a story of a small boy who could not see. His blindness prevented him from playing baseball like his older brother, for obvious reasons. But, he wanted to be like his big brother. His brother was a great hitter and often hit doubles when up to bat. Texas Lions Camp listened, and changed a young blind boy's life forever. With the use of a special baseball, a ball that made a distinct noise, the young boy played baseball at camp. Not only did he play, he hit the ball and hit the all so hard he could have had a triple. Imagine the excitement, the joy, the thrill everyone felt as this happened. Lions, you did that! You support a camp that encourages disabled children to live without limits. Thank you!

If you have not had the opportunity to visit the camp, I encourage you to do so. There are multiple work days planned this spring, March 2nd and May 4th. In addition, there are volunteer opportunities to serve the camp during active sessions. Please visit www.lionscamp.com to see how you can get connected.



Lion Stacey Phillips
Second Vice District Governor
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Here we are, a month into 2024 already! The Lions year is going by so fast!

This is a good time to reflect on your club's accomplishments and review where you stand.

Some of the things to consider are:

Did you complete a new community service project?

Are all of your members engaged and active in service?

Do you have informative and FUN meetings?

Are new ideas encouraged?

Have you reported your service?

Have you paid your dues?

How many new members have you recruited?

Do you have orientations for new members?

Are Lions in your club being trained to be leaders?

Is your community aware of who you are and how you serve?

What can you do to strengthen your club?

Maybe it's exactly what you are doing; perhaps you want to try something new. Now is a good time to update your goals and plan of action to achieve those goals for this Lions year. In any event, continue to share through friendship and service, to our communities and to each other, because we are stronger together!

WELCOME



NEW MEMBERS 2-X3

CORSICANA

- DAWN M RODDY - Sponsor: Tammie Perry

GRAPELAND NOON

- THERESA BORMAN - Sponsor: Martha Childress
- PAM BUENO - Sponsor: Krystal Frank

HAMILTON

- CHRIS A KACHILLA - Sponsor: Darrell Kachilla

KENNARD

- THOMAS LETBETTER - Sponsor: Donald Pilkington
- GORDON D ZWILLENBERG - Sponsor: Donald Pilkington

KOSSE

- JACLYN D DUNCAN - Sponsor: John Rasco
- STACY L LOCKHART - Sponsor: John Rasco
- MADELYN WILSON - Sponsor: Jaclyn Duncan

WELCOME



NEW MEMBERS 2-X3

PINEY WOODS

- SHANNON RODRIGUEZ - Sponsor: Ellen Brooks

TEMPLE-BELTON LADIES

- CARMEL RAY - Sponsor: Bridget Whitaker

WACO FOUNDER

- PATTI BEATY - Sponsor: Sue Lowry
- PARNELL MCNAMARA - Sponsor: Sue Lowry





District 2-X3 Social & Convention 2024

Friday April 26, 2024: Social
Saturday April 27, 2024: Convention
Believe in the IMpossible



Registration starts Saturday,
April 27th at 7:00 am

Convention Events

- District Social: Friday 5:30 pm – 8:30 pm Texas Sports Hall of Fame
- Sunrise Breakfast Buffet Necrology Service: Saturday 8:00 am – 9:15 am
- District 2-X3 Convention: Saturday 9:30 am – 12:00 pm
- Melvin Jones Luncheon & Awards: Saturday 12:00 pm – 1:15 pm
- Voting: Saturday Afternoon, time to be officially announced
- Saturday Night Social: 4:30 pm – 5:30 pm (Cash Bar)
- Governor’s Banquet with PID Jenny Ware: Saturday 5:30 pm – 8:00 pm

Host Hotel: Hilton Waco

113 S University Park Dr Waco, TX 76701

Call: 254.754.8484

link: <https://www.hilton.com/en/hotels/actwhhf-hilton-waco/> Code: LD2X3

Date: Friday April 26 – Sunday April 28

Date	Event	Early Bird March 22	Regular Until April 12	# Attendees (Mark in Number Form Below)	Total Amount Due
	Convention Registration	\$20	\$25		
Friday April 26th Social	Texas Sports Hall of Fame Mingle & Scavenger Hunt Sports Theme Food	Free	Free		
Saturday April 27th	Necrology Service Sunrise Breakfast Buffet	\$10	\$15		
Saturday April 27 th	Melvin Jones Luncheon Southwestern Buffet	\$25	\$30		
Saturday April 27 th	Governor’s Banquet Dress up in your Whites/black tie	\$35	\$40		
No Tickets Sold at The Door					\$

Please note below name your meal choice for dinner for by circling your choice of meal.

A Name: _____ Title/Member/Guest: _____

Club: _____ Delegate: Yes or No Dietary Needs: _____

Dinner: (1) Maple-Bourbon Glazed Double Cut Pork Chop with Creamy Cheddar Grits and Garlic Broccoli or

(2) Seared Boneless Chicken Breast with Citrus-Garlic Jus, Baby Heirloom Carrots and Garlic & Rosemary Roasted Red Potatoes

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Please make checks payable to: Robinson Area Lions Club
Return form to Lion Mandy Moss 140 Durie Robinson, TX 76706
Questions: Contact Chairs Lion Mandy 325.212.8675 a.n.wildemoss@gmail.com
or Lion Patrick 254.495.4197 patrickuptmore@gmail.com

SAVE THE DATE

March 2 - 3 2024

Temple, Texas

2024



TEXAS LIONS LEADERSHIP FORUM

BRIDGING DIFFERENCES, BUILDING LEADERS:
EMBRACING UNITY IN DIVERSITY

REGISTER NOW!

Rooms available at Hilton Garden Inn Temple Medical Center

254-773-0200

Use Code "LIONS" - \$135/night

Early Registration: \$65 before 12/15/23

Registration: \$85 before 02/01/24

Late Registration: \$105 before 02/21/24

Saturday Banquet: \$25

Lunch included both Saturday & Sunday



MD 2-X3 District Convention

April 27, 2024

Waco, Texas

CREDENTIAL CERTIFICATION AND VOTING SEQUENCE

CLUB SELECTS DELEGATES TO DISTRICT CONVENTION

CLUB FILLS OUT TWO COPIES OF CREDENTIAL CERTIFICATES, SUBMITS ONE COPY TO THE CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE **NO LATER THEN 20 DAYS** PRIOR TO THE DISTRICT CONVENTION AND GIVES ONE COPY TO DELEGATES.

DELEGATES MUST BE REGISTERED FOR THE CONVENTION TO VOTE

AFTER REGISTRATION DELEGATE WILL BE CRETIFIED AT THE CREDENTIAL CERTIFICATION TABLE AND IDENTIFIED AS A CERTIFIED DELEGATE WITH SOME TYPE OF IDENTIFYING MARK. *FOR EXAMPLE: A STICKER ON HIS/HER REGISTRATION NAME TAG.*

PRIOR TO VOTING THE GOVERNOR WILL ANNOUNCE THE NUMBER OF CLUBS WITH DELEGATES, NUMBER OF CERTIDIED DELEGATES AND NUMBER OF CERTIDIED ALTERNATES. HE/SHE WILL ANNOUNCE THE LOCATION FOR VOTING, AND THE TIME VOTING STARTS AND STOPS.

VOTING WILL NOT START UNTIL THE TIME ANNOUNCED BY THE GOVERNOR.

ONLY CERTIFED DELEGATES WILL VOTE.

DELEGATES WILL PROVIDE IDENTIFYING MARK AND WILL SIGN FOR DISTRICT BALLOTS. THEY WILL PROVIDE NAME AND CLUB FOR STATE BALLOT *(IF USED)*

RESULTS OF THE DISTRICT BALLOTING WILL BE ANNOUNCED PRIOR TO THE CONCLUSION OF THE CONVENTION.

RESULTS OF THE STATE BALLOTING WILL BE ANNOUNCED AT THE UPCOMING STATE CONVENTION *(FOR INTERNATIONAL OFFICERS AND CONSTITUTION AMENDMENTS)*

CREDENTIAL CERTIFICATE-----DISTRICT 2-X3 CONVENTION---Waco, TEXAS

Club Name _____

Important: Delegates must register and pay convention registration fee before being certified. Registration hours are listed in the official program

Club Identification Number _____

THE CLUB PRESIDENT OR SECRETARY MUST SIGN THE CREDENTIALS. THIS CERTIFICATE MUST BE MAILED TO PDG LAWRENCE SANCHEZ 20 DAYS PRIOR TO THE DISTRICT CONVENTION.

NOTE: Each chartered club in good standing shall be entitled to one delegate and one alternate for every ten or major fraction thereof, of its members in good standing for one year and one day. Past District Governors have a vote and are not included in this total. New chartered club has one vote. Each delegate must have been in the club for one year and one day.

MAIL TO: 2-X3 Election Judge 2004 Kenyon Street
Killeen, Texas 76543-6702
Scan & email to: lasertag9850@gmail.com

DELEGATE

Print Name _____

Delegate's signature

The undersigned hereby certifies that the above named person is a duly selected Delegate of said Lions Club to the 2024 Convention of District 2-X3

Club President or Secretary Signature

District Governor (Only if no other club officer available)

CUT THESE APART AND MAKE COPIES AS NEEDED

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Alternate Delegate

Print Name _____

Delegate's signature

The undersigned hereby certifies that the above named person is a duly selected Delegate of said Lions Club to the 2024 Convention of District 2-X3

Club President or Secretary Signature

District Governor (Only if no other club officer available)

Constitutional Elections Delegates- VOTE

The place to exercise every District 2-X3 Lions Club right to vote is at the District Convention. This year the District Convention will be held on April 26-27, 2024, and the location will be the Hilton Hotel in Waco, Texas

All fifty Lions Clubs in our District will have at least one vote each, if the club is in good standing. In good standing means that the Lions Club has followed all the Purpose and Ethics in our constitution while conducting business throughout the year. It also means that each Lions Club must have completed their financial responsibility to The International Association of Lions Club, Multiple District 2, and District 2-X3.

This article only applies to the MD2 and 2-X3 Level

(Lions Club International is one delegate per every 25 members or major fraction thereof:)

Some of the District Lions Clubs will have more than one vote depending on the size of membership according to the **CLUB DELEGATE FORMULA** in our constitution.

The formula reads like this: Each chartered club in good standing in Lions Clubs International and its district shall be entitled in each annual convention of its district to one (1) delegate and one (1) alternate for each ten (10) members, who have been enrolled for at least one year and a day in the club or major fraction thereof, of said club as shown by the records of the international office on the first day of the month last preceding that month during which the convention is held.

This year we have a new Club Constitution which states that the Discounted members in your club will not be counted in the formula for Delegates. This is described on page 51-52 paragraph H of the Club Constitution dated July 11, 2023.

Example: Killeen Evening Lions Club has thirty-six members on their current roster on April 14, 2022. Should they be entitled to four votes? The answer is no.

If the leadership looks the Killeen Evening Lions Club present roster:

Lion Martinez joined the club on June 1, 2021, which Lion member has not been enrolled one year and one day. This member does not qualify as part of the final count to the number of Delegates the club is authorized.

Lion Dextron joined the club on January 3, 2022, which Lion member has not been enrolled one year and one day. This member does not qualify as part of the final count to the number of Delegates the club is authorized.

Lion McIntosh joined the club on April 19, 2020, which this Lion member is a Discounted member as a family unit member. This member is not part of the delegate count.

This example the Killeen Evening Lions Club is only authorize three Delegates and is sending three alternates to the convention.

Major fraction: referred to in this section shall be five (5) or more members.

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The Killeen Evening Lions Club valid delegate count is thirty-five because they meet the major fraction rule.

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The credential will be sent out by the 2-X3 Newsletter for February and March 2024.

All of Lions Clubs may have joined our Association to be equal with all Lions Clubs and do service for our world. But we'll never actually be an equal Lions Clubs until we all vote. So don't wait.

Election Judge

PDG Lawrence Sanchez

254-466-5037

2-X3 Election Judge

2004 Kenyon Street

Killeen, Texas 76543-6702

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Resolution

District Governor of District 2-X3

WHEREAS, Lion Renee Lamson has been a Lion since 2015 when she joined the Clifton Lions Club, and

WHEREAS, Lion Renee Lamson has served as Clifton Lion Club Secretary from 2019-2023, and

WHEREAS, Lion Renee Lamson continues to serve as Clifton Lions Club Secretary in 2023-2024, and

WHEREAS, Lion Renee Lamson has served as Clifton Club President from 2016-2017, and

WHEREAS, Lion Renee Lamson has served as Clifton Lions Club LCIF Coordinator in 2018, and

WHEREAS, Lion Renee Lamson has served as Clifton Lions Club Membership Chairperson from 2016-2017, and

WHEREAS, Lion Renee Lamson has served as District 2-X3 World Service for the Blind Chairperson in 2022-2023, and

WHEREAS, Lion Renee Lamson has served as District 2-X3 GMT Coordinator from 2021-2022, and

WHEREAS, Lion Renee Lamson currently serves as District 2-X3 GMT Coordinator in 2023-2024, and

WHEREAS, Lion Renee Lamson has served as District 2-X3 GST Coordinator in 2022-2023, and

WHEREAS, Lion Renee Lamson has sponsored 17 Lions between 2015-2023, and

WHEREAS, Lion Renee Lamson was awarded the MD 2-X3 Tom P. Kirkham Leadership Award in 2022, and

WHEREAS, Lion Renee Lamson was awarded Lions International New Voices in Membership Award in 2021, and

WHEREAS, Lion Renee Lamson has been awarded multiple International President's Certificate of Appreciation, and

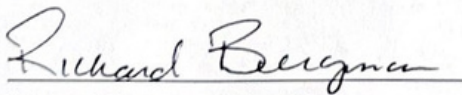
WHEREAS, Lion Renee Lamson was awarded the International President's Leadership Medal in 2022, and

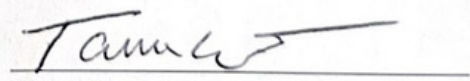
WHEREAS, Lion Renee Lamson has served as Second Vice District Governor of MD 2-X3 in 2022-2023, and

WHEREAS, Lion Renee Lamson currently serves as First Vice District Governor of MD 2-X3 in 2023-2024, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Clifton Lions Club hereby offers and endorses the candidacy of Lion Renee Lamson as District Governor of District 2-X3. Further, the Clifton Lions Club pledges its full support for her candidacy, with complete confidence and assurance that she will serve District 2-X3 in an outstanding manner and asks all Lions of District 2-X3 to vote for Lion Renee Lamson at the District Convention.

THIS RESOLUTION was adopted unanimously at a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Clifton Lions Club on Thursday, December 14, 2023.


Richard Bergman, President


Talon Clift, First Vice President



Resolution

1st Vice District Governor of District 2-X3

WHEREAS Lion Stacey Phillips is a member in good standing with the Harker Heights Lions Club within District 2-X3, and has been a Lion for 7 years, and

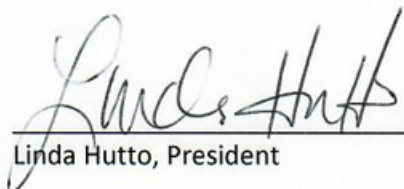
WHEREAS Lion Stacey Phillips has served at the Club and District level, as the Harker Heights Lions Club Membership Chair from 2019-2020, Harker Heights Lions Club President from 2021-2023, and the Zone Chairperson for District 2-X3 Zone C-1 from 2022-2023, and 2nd Vice District Governor from 2023-2024, and

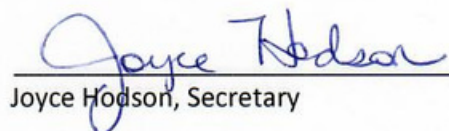
WHEREAS Lion Stacey Phillips is a Certified Guiding Lion, has sought out and attended various trainings, both online and in person, has attended District and State Conventions, Texas Lions Leadership Forums, the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum, and has earned a Bachelors' in Lionism from Lions University, and

WHEREAS Lion Stacey Phillips has the motivation, dedication, vision and the support of her club to serve as the First Vice District Governor of District 2X-3, and

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Harker Heights Lions Club pledges its full support for the candidacy of 2nd Vice District Governor Stacey Phillips, with full confidence and assurance she will successfully serve District 2-X3 in the position of 1st District Vice Governor.

THIS RESOLUTION was adopted at a special vote of the Board of Directors on Wednesday, November 29th.


Linda Hutto, President


Joyce Hodson, Secretary



Whereas, Lion Angela S Cases has been a member of Lions Club International for over 5 years, all at the Temple Belton Ladies Lions Club. Lion Angela is in good standing and has served with distinction, loyalty and dedication both at the club level and represented the District 2-X3 well.

Whereas, Lion Angela has served TBLLC as a club member, on the Board of Directors and Secretary. Lion Angela has assisted TBLLC in multiple leadership roles including President, Community Service Activities chair for events, Community Environmental chair for events, and Facebook/PR chair.

Whereas Lion Angela has also served at the District level as Zone Chair, Secretary Assistant Webmaster, District Directory Chair, World Services for the Blind Chair and 2nd Vice District Governor, 1st Vice District Governor, NoAMI Champion, District Governor 2021 -2022 and PDG Association President. She currently serves as District Services Chair (GST) and Texas Lions Camp Director. On the State Level she serves as Leader Dog Representative and the New Voices Chair.

Whereas, Lion Angela, through her commitment to Lionism, has been the recipient of Lion of the Year and Progressive Melvin Jones. She was endorsed and has attended both Emerging Lions Leadership and Advanced Lions Leadership Institutes, as well as attended multiple past years of Regional Lions Leadership Institutes, USA/Canada Forums and one International Convention.

Whereas, Lion Angela is a Life Member of the Texas Lions Camp, Century Club Member of the Lions Camp has attended multiple Feed the Campers Friday Night Celebrations, helped her Temple Belton Ladies Lions sponsor many children to Camp, participated in annual Work Day raised money for cabin areas, and has been on the Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament Committee for 4 years, this year Chairing that Committee.

Whereas, Lion Angela's devotion and enthusiasm to her community has also shown in her participation in Leadership Temple, Leadership Central Texas, involvement in the Temple Chamber of Commerce, The Well, Central Texas Children's Center a daycare learning academy for children with disabilities and other service organizations such as Altrusa International where she has held leadership roles.

Therefore, be it resolved that the Temple Belton Ladies Lions Club endorses the candidacy of Lion Angela S Cases for Texas Lions Camp Secretary position.


Lea Ann Bostg
Temple Belton Ladies Lions, President

Via text as she is out of town. Updated will
be released next month

Temple Belton Ladies Lions, Secretary

An Invitation to Discover Texas Lions Camp

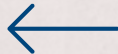


AN OPEN INVITATION FROM PID SAM LINDSEY

EXPLORE THE CAMP FACILITIES

We will have an opportunity to explore the camp facilities and see the campers in action. See the latest updated facilities including bunkhouse 1 & 2 and the Eagle Trail Development.

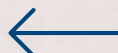
[READ MORE](#)



ATTEND AN AWARDS CEREMONY

On the evening of June 14 at 7:00pm, attend the awards ceremony for the weeks campers. For many, this is the moment when "Lions truly become Lions", as you witness the joy of each and every camper!

[READ MORE](#)



WANT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT TLC

Past International Director Sam Lindsey is loading up and heading out to the Texas Lions Camp in Kerrville, TX on Friday, June 14, 2024. He has an open invitation to all Lions to meet and experience all the Texas Lions Camp has to offer.

All interested are asked to meet at the Texas Lions Camp Administrative Building at 2:00 pm on Friday, June 14, 2024.

For more information

- 📞 254-723-5435
- ✉️ samlindseyjr@gmail.com





TLC Chairman's Chatter **Happy Birthday TLC**



The World is Changing

In case you hadn't noticed, this is no longer our grandparents' world. In fact, for many of us, it is not even our parents' world – the one we grew up in.... and it certainly is no longer Melvin Jones' Lions Club world. Every thing is changing, and our Lions Clubs have to change, too. The ones that haven't are gone away or soon will. At Texas Lions Camp, things are no different. Summer 2024 looks very little like summer camp 1968, when I worked there. Heck, it doesn't even look the same as just 5 years ago.

Many things have come into play to cause this, but the 2 most glaring are COVID and random acts of violence. For both reasons many parents are very reluctant to have their kids hundreds of miles away for a week. Many are reluctant until they can see the camp leadership and operations for themselves. They want to be assured that their kids will be safe, properly cared for, and will have proper medical facilities available.

However, Stephen Mabry, our President & CEO, has assembled a very creative & hard-working team of people, and together they have developed new ideas to help TLC keep up with this changing world. When COVID prevented bringing campers to camp, they created "TLC2U". Boxes of fun supplies and crafts were sent to the campers' homes, and TLC "zoomed" its way through the summer. When faced with a 2nd summer without normal camp, they started **Family Camp**, by setting up each bunkhouse wing to house one family – mom, dad, siblings, even grandparents got to come and experience the "all can do" attitude, that our campers experience at TLC. Each family participates as a family in the various camp activities. That program has been received so well, it has now become party of the regular summer program.

Some of you have been asking about the newest addition to our summer camping options: **Residential Day Camp**, which in 2024 will have a trial run. Families will come and stay on campus with their camper, and each day only the campers will participate in normal camp activities. The families will be able to relax in the cabins, tour around Kerrville, or play in the Guadalupe River. At the end of the day the campers will rejoin the family where they will stay in their own cabin. The campers get the special benefit of interacting with the other campers, while the parents' are able to relax or go exploring without sending their child hundreds of miles away from them.

Certainly the camp, like the Lion on our Lions International logo (which looks to both the past & the future) is looking to the past as we celebrate our 75th Anniversary; but as you can see TLC is also looking to the future and making the changes needed to meet the needs of our campers in 2024 the birth year of our 2nd 75 years & beyond.

We are now in January and camper sign up is already started for summer 2024. Let's all join the camp & be that "Lion looking forward" and fill up our camp this year. (I've attached the summer camping dates again) **Let's each sign up a camper & make some dreams come true!**

Go be a Dream Catcher!

PCC Tom Blase, TLC Chairman

Texas Lions Camp

Summer Camp Schedule – 2024

1. June 2-8, 2024 - HC 1 (Friday ✓ out) – 1st
2. June 9-15, 2024 - HC 2 (Friday ✓ out) – 2nd
3. June 16-18, 2024 - Residential Day Camp – 1st
4. June 20-22, 2024 - Residential Day Camp – 2nd
5. June 23-29, 2024 – Camp David and Down (Friday ✓ out)
6. June 30-July 6, 2024 – Diabetes Camp (Friday ✓ out) – 1st
7. July 7-13, 2024 - Diabetes Camp (Friday ✓ out) – 2nd
8. July 14-20, 2024 - Camp Discovery
9. July 21-23, 2024 - Family Camp – 1st
10. July 25-27, 2024 - Family Camp – 2nd
11. July 28-30, 2024 - Family Camp – 3rd
12. Aug 1-2, 2024 - Family Camp – 4th



Texas Lions Camp District Report

Submitted by Lions Camp Director Dick Chapin & Angela Cases

As you know, this is going to be an Eventful year for TLC. I am writing today to provide some "food for thought," and like any good meal, it is best when shared. The below listed items are offered to provide you information in hopes that you will turn them into an "ask" or invitation to financially support TLC during your speaking engagements and promotions of TLC.

Residential Day Camp

One of the greatest privileges we have as Lions is to introduce others to Texas Lions Camp. The Summer of 2024 will be historic in so many ways – but not only that – TLC is on the move, with a brand-new offering that will be piloted this summer, known as *Residential Day Camp*. The way RDC works (think Youth Camp & Family Camp combined) is families will check-in and reside right here at TLC during their session. During the daylight hours, parents will check their qualifying child into day-camp and will then have the day to explore all that the Texas Hill Country has to offer. Parents will then return to check their child out of day camp for the evening meal, and both will then enjoy evening family events, activities, and entertainment before returning to their own, private sleeping quarters (Cabin or Wing of Bunkhouse).

The benefits of this new program are many, but consider this:

1. Many parents are reluctant to allow their child with special needs to be in the care of a stranger – excuse gone!
2. Once experiencing TLC firsthand, many parents warm to the idea of entrusting TLC with their children for other events – box checked!
3. Strong families make strong children. Families need the capacity to make memories together – box checked!
4. The likelihood that parents and children will later join their local lions club is exponentially higher – box checked!
5. The likelihood that parents will support your local events from the end of their session on is exponentially higher – box checked!

Don't miss this terrific opportunity. Reach out and introduce a family in your area to TLC. Send 'em to us and we will return them to you with excitement and appreciation for the experience. I have a terrific write-up for you to use and share at our website.

Stay & Play, April 4-8, 2024

Every Lion in good standing is invited to join TLC on campus for our first ever Lions *Stay & Play* event that will be a birthday bash like none other, when TLC turns 75 years old! This multi-day event will be held on the TLC Campus and for ticketed attendees, will include housing, all meals, tours, TLC historical events, fishing, swimming, arts & crafts, campouts, cookouts and an all-event pass to TLC's multi-day music festival (known as, *the Stars Have Aligned Over TLC*, being held across the highway at the Kerr County Expo Center.

Best of all, you will have a front-row seat to the greatest spectacle in Nature, when God treats us to a rare in life view of a full solar eclipse on Monday, April 8th following TLC's birthday – and its directly over TLC! With your all-event pass, you will receive a free pair of protective glasses that will allow safe viewing of the eclipse. Tickets are \$100/person with a two-night minimum stay and are now on sale. All proceeds pay for the event's expenses and as you can see with all that is included, is a great value. Enjoy a celestial weekend, all from the safety of a campus enveloped behind an 8' fence with a controlled gate. Those relying on restaurants for the weekend may find out what multi-day fasting feels like while attendees at TLC will be treated to home cooked meals and entertainment.

There are hundreds of Lions Camp pictures on Face Book so take a look at them and click on "follow" to stay abreast of Texas Lions Camp activities posted there.

And as usual, please consider participating in the Century Club program. And, if you are already a member, please renew each year and consider stepping up to the next higher level. All of these funds go directly toward operation of the Camp.

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254.319.8034

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=(603) 321-7365

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Century Club

Texas Lions Camp • PO Box 290247 • Kerrville, TX • 78029-0247
www.lionscamp.com • (830) 896-8500

The Century Club is an annual opportunity to personally participate in giving to Texas Lions Camp and the programs it has established to provide at no cost a quality summer camp experience for Texas children with physical disabilities, type-1 diabetes and cancer. An individual, couple, family or business can be a Century Club member by giving annually or monthly at whatever level you desire. Choose the level and how you'd like to make your payments whether lump sum or monthly through automatic draft. Automatic bank draft can be set up simply by filling out the information necessary on the form below and including a voided check. All Century Club members will receive an inscribed plaque, patch and a lapel pin. Each year a new medallion for your plaque will arrive once your annual membership renewal is paid. At the end of 10 years membership, a new plaque will arrive along with your eleventh year medallion. Fill out the form below with the level you'd like to start with and send it with your payment to Texas Lions Camp at the address given above. For any other questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

For: _____
(print name exactly as it should appear on plaque)

All monies from Century Club go to the TLC General Fund.

Donor: _____ **Ship Plaque to:** _____

Address: _____ **Address:** _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____ **City:** _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Email: _____ **Email:** _____

Club Name: _____ **Method of payment:** Check Credit Card

District: _____ **Phone:** _____ Automatic Draft

Support Levels

(please check appropriate choice)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Silver Level | _____ Single annual gift of \$250 | or | _____ \$21 monthly automatic draft |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Gold Level | _____ Single annual gift of \$500 | or | _____ \$42 monthly automatic draft |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Diamond Level | _____ Single annual gift of \$1,000 | or | _____ \$84 monthly automatic draft |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Ambassador Level | _____ Single annual gift of \$5,000 | or | _____ \$420 monthly automatic draft |

Bank Draft information

Instructions for monthly Automatic Draft: 1. Enter amount of monthly automatic draft below. 2. Sign and date all lines marked with an X. 3. Attach a voided check with this form

The Texas Lions Camp:

I have given order to (Financial Institution): _____ to honor for you as they become due, on my monthly drafts and charge same to my account with this financial institution. This authorization will remain in effect until revoked by me in writing.

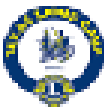
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Sign Up, Step Up, Catch Up



For Century Club - It's "Service from the Heart"

If you aren't a member of the TLC Century Club, please "**Sign Up**"; if you are a member, consider "**Stepping Up**" to the next level; and if you were a member but dropped out, consider "**Catching Up**" (i.e., come back in).

What is Texas Lions Camp Century Club? It's an individual annual giving program, and as such, it is giving from you own heart, independent of Club budgets or fund raisers. It is one of the life bloods of our operating budget, that in normal times sends 1500 children with special needs to Texas Lions Camp every year, and yet less than 5% of Texas Lions are members.

Who can be a Century Club Member? Anyone can be a member. You don't have to be a Lion. It can be family or friends. You can even be a non-Texan, but it is our Texas Lions who are the backbone of the Century Club.

What does it cost to be a member? You can give your gift annually, or you can give monthly. A Bronze member is \$100 (\$10 if monthly); Silver is \$250; Gold \$500; Diamond is \$1,000; & Ambassador is \$5,000. Membership automatically renews each year, so members should join with the intention of making their same gift each year or even increasing their level.

How do I enroll or Step Up? Go to www.lionscamp.com, click on "Get Involved" and go to "Donate Now". There you will find "Ways to Give". Click that open and select "Century Club". If you scroll down, you will see the option to enroll online or to download and print out the form to send to the Camp directly.

Sign Up, Step Up, Catch Up is a 3-year drive to beef up our Century Club membership for the Texas Lions Camp, as a birthday present to Texas Lions Camp on it's 75th Anniversary in 2024. Today we have half the number of Texas Lions, supporting twice the number of campers at twice the cost, as we did some 30 years ago. If we reach our goal of **2 new Century Club members/dub/year** over the next 3 Lions years, we will generate an additional annual income of \$500,000, which would generate 15% of our operating budget, and help us keep serving our special children into the future.

Two per Club (6 over 3 years) is doable. "**Signing Up**" as a new Bronze member at \$10/mo. (\$120/yr.) counts as one; but a new Silver (\$250) counts as 2; Gold (\$500) is the same as 4 Bronze; etc. Likewise, "**Stepping Up**" from Bronze to Silver counts as a +1; Bronze to Gold adds the equivalent of 3 new Bronzes; going from Silver to Gold is the same as 2 new Bronzes, etc.

\$500,000/year – now that's some 75th Birthday present!

There's a saying at TLC that "ALL CAN DO". Yes, Texas Lions, 2/Club/Yr. WE CAN DO IT.

**LIONS DISTRICT 2-X3
PAST DISTRICT GOVERNORS ASSOCIATION
TOM P. KIRKHAM AWARD COMMITTEE
PDG JOE HOLMAN, CHAIRMAN**

January 5, 2024

Dear Lions Club President,

This letter announces the beginning of the selection process for the 2023-2024 Tom P. Kirkham Award.

The Tom P. Kirkham Award is District 2-X3's most prestigious award, and it is given yearly to one outstanding District Lion. Eligibility requirements for the award are as follows:

- A Lion who has, over time, consistently provided outstanding service to the community and club.
- A Lion who has displayed outstanding leadership qualities
- A Lion who is not the District Governor, a Vice District Governor, a Past District Governor or a previous Tom P. Kirkham awardee
- The nominee **MUST** attend the District Convention Governors Banquet unless excused by the Selection Committee

Your club's Board of Directors may identify one member Lion whom they consider to be most deserving of this award and submit a letter of nomination to the Tom P. Kirkham Award Committee. This letter should state the candidate's accomplishments, outline his/her leadership qualities and express the club's support of the candidate.

The letter of nomination may be mailed to:

PDG Joe L. Holman
271 Meadow Glen Drive
Killeen, TX 76543

The letter must be postmarked no later than February 23, 2024.

The letter may also be submitted electronically to me at rangerjoe74@gmail.com. Formats should be limited to .doc, .docx, .rtf or .pdf. Electronic submissions must be received by me no later than 12:59 pm February 23, 2024. Please request "read receipt" if you submit electronically.

The Tom Kirkham Award Committee, composed of active members of the Past District Governors Association, will review and vote on all submissions to select an Award recipient. The Tom Kirkham Award will be presented to the designated recipient at the District 2-X3 Convention Governors Banquet in Waco, April 27, 2024.

Please consider honoring your finest Lion with a nomination.

Sincerely,

PDG Joe Holman, Chairman



TEXAS LIONS MUSEUM

PDG Lion Lawrence Sanchez, Texas Lions Museum Trustee
Killeen Evening Lions Club, lasertag9850@gmail.com

As your (PDG Lawrence L. Sanchez) Texas Lions Museum and Office Foundation Trustee. I have visited our Museum on February 2-3, 2024, As a result for the report of the meeting, we have a new fellowship award on the way for you to make a contribution to your museum. The PID Mike & Lion Sheryl Butler Fellowship award was created for two of the most dedicated well known Lions in the state of Texas, they have dedicated so much service time to the Texas Lions Museum and the Texas Lions as leaders and partners in service.

If you would like to join this fellowship you will receive a plaque, fellowship vest patch, and a lapel pin for a donation of five hundred dollars. This donation will go to the operating fund of the Texas Lions Museum. A new application for the Ebb Grindstaff Fellowship and the PID Mike & Lion Sheryl Butler Fellowship has been sent for the placement in the 2-X3 Newsletter in February 2024.

Guess what? You can make a donation by an Automatic Bank Draft Authorization for these two awards.

Lion District 2-X3 has had Thirty-two of our Lions Clubs that have supported the Texas Lions Museum in the Governor's Humanitarian Charities so far. Two dollars a member of each club has made a difference in the success of our Grand opening of our Museum in Kerrville Texas on August 3, 2024.

Those Lions Clubs that still have not made the commitments to support your museum, please do so. It takes you to give a hand up to your history to be viewed by all Lions and non-Lions in our world. If you need a program for one of your meetings please contact me and will make arrangements.

I would like to invite the clubs that have supported the Museum to attend this upcoming Lions District 2-X3 District Convention on April 26-27, 2024 in Waco Texas. Registration will be on the District Website and District Newsletter in the future.

PDG Lawrence L. Sanchez
TLM&O Trustee



TEXAS LIONS MUSEUM AND OFFICE FOUNDATION, INC.

PO Box 294509, Kerrville, TX 78029 • (830) 257-6557



Fellowship Application

Fill out the form below and send it with your payment to Texas Lions Museum and Office Foundation, Inc.

Please check one:

- Ebb Grindstaff Fellowship (EGF)

 Progressive Ebb Grindstaff Fellowship (PEGF)
 PID Mike & Lion Sheryl Butler Fellowship

 Progressive PID Mike & Lion Sheryl Butler Fellowship

Donor Information:

Club Individual District Multiple District Other _____

Club Name: _____ Club Number: _____

Officer Title: _____

Mailing Address; _____ (Physical Address, No PO Boxes)

City: _____ State/Province: _____

Country: _____ Postal Code: _____

Member Phone #: _____ Member Email: _____

Recipient: Lion Non-Lion

Name: _____ ID Number: _____

Daytime Phone #: _____ Email: _____

Special Instructions: _____

Amount Due: \$500

Method of Payment: Check Credit Card (MC VISA DISC) CVC _____

Money Order CC# _____ Exp. _____

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Signature: _____

Date: _____

AUTOMATIC BANK DRAFT AUTHORIZATION

Name: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

ATTACH A VOIDED CHECK WITH THIS FORM.

Equal amounts drafted monthly over 10 months (\$50/mo.) 20 months (\$25/mo.) (please check one)

To The Texas Lions Museum and Office Foundation:

I have given order to _____ (Financial Institution) to honor for you as they become due, on my monthly drafts and charge same to my account with this financial institution. This authorization will remain in effect until revoked by me in writing.

Amount of monthly automatic draft: \$ _____. Please sign and date below. Use signature(s) required on your bank account.

X _____ Date: _____

X _____ Date: _____



TEXAS LIONS FOUNDATION

PDG Lion Lisle Meeker, TLF District Chairman
Temple Breakfast Club, lmeeker53@gmail.com

We have started our second half of our Lions calendar year. I'm looking forward to come to your club and talk about Texas Lions Foundation. If your club is not donating 100% to the (TLF) foundation, I ask that you please consider starting. If your club is donating 100% I thank you very much, I ask you to consider becoming a 200% club, which is only \$4.00 per member once a year. Just received the midterm report and the district is looking good over half of our clubs have sent in their donations. Please send yours in if you have not, so we can finish strong this year.

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 [MD-2 Lions of Texas \(texaslions.org\)](http://MD-2 Lions of Texas (texaslions.org)). Just click on resources and you will find the Foundations link.

I am available to come to your club or come on line if you are meeting on line and do a presentation on the Texas Lions Foundation. Please contact me by phone 254-289-9550 or by email lmeeker53@gmail.com.



PEACE POSTER

Lion B.C. Seely, District Peace Poster Chair
Waco Womens Lions Club, bc1seely@gmail.com

Congratulations to the eleven clubs who participated in the Peace Poster Contest, “Dare to Dream” for the 2023-2024 lion year. The Peace Poster awards were presented at the District 2-X3 meeting in January. Kits are on sale now at the Lions Club International site.

I purposefully did not designate the placement of the posters below. I thought it would be fun for you to pick your own placement. Art is in the “eye of the beholder” as they say!

1st Place-Waco Women's Lions Club-Fernanda Aguilera-\$200

2nd Place Temple Founders Lions Club-Alivia Stiles-\$175

3rd Place-Harker Heights Lions Club-Sirinity Bounds- \$150

4th-Killeen Noon Lions Club-Nathan Hoffert-\$125

5th Place-Killeen Evening Lions Club-Jessica Gallegos-\$100

Please consider submitting a poster for the next contest. I'll be glad to share what I have learned about how to get children ages 11-13 involved in the contest.

See entries next page





PANCAKE SUPPER

5:30pm -7:30pm

\$10



RAFFLE, SILENT AUCTION AND PANCAKES

**PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT
WACO FOUNDER LIONS DEN PROJECTS**

WACO LION'S DEN- 1716 N 42ND ST, WACO, TX 76710

2-X3 News



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Total Membership



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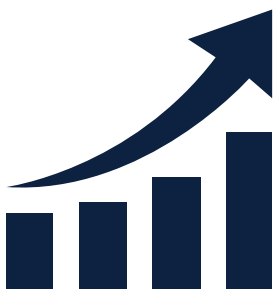


Total Clubs



1. Temple Founder: 105
2. Grapeland Noon: 65
3. Waco Founder: 65

Membership Leaderboard



1. Grapeland Noon: +8
2. Temple Founder: +8
3. Temple-Belton Ladies: +7

Growth Leaderboard

CLUB NEWS



GRAPELAND NOON

 **Grapeland Noon Lions Club**
January 18 at 7:40 PM · 🌐

A few photos photos from the January 4th Grapeland Noon Lions Christmas dinner.
Photos taken by John T Thompson President of Culuior Inc.





HEWITT

The Hewitt Lions Club received the Food for Families, Adult-Civic Award for collecting the most pounds of food in the 16-50 member category (awarded by KWTX-TV and Caritas, sponsors of the Food for Families Event) at a January 2024 dinner reception. Food for Families is the largest food drive in Central Texas and all donations stay with food banks in Central Texas. In 2023 over two million pounds of food was collected.



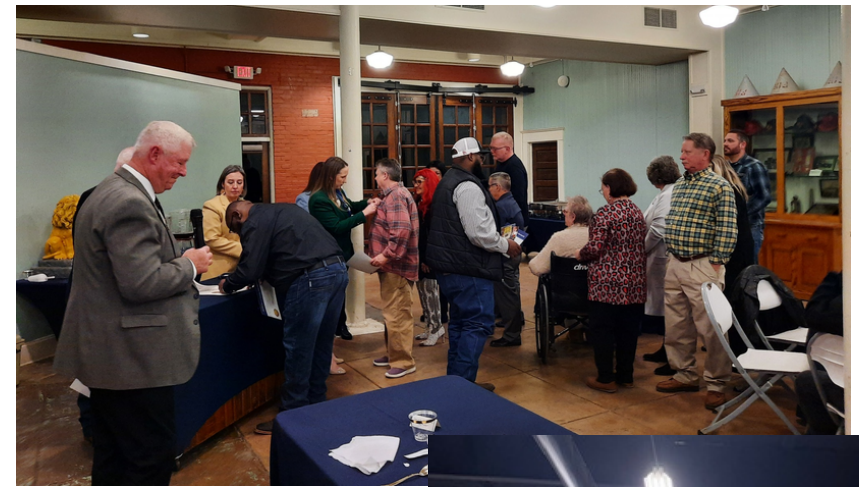
Receiving the award for the Hewitt Lions is member Walt Becker. The award was presented to the Hewitt Lions by Helen Lewis of the Carver Baptist Church Food Bank.

CLUB NEWS

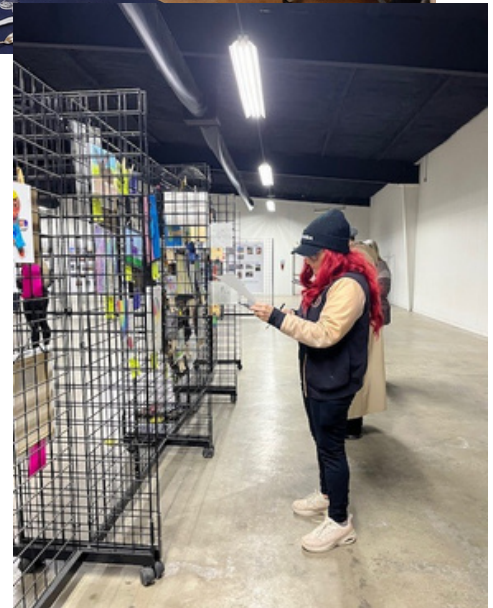


HILL COUNTY EVENING

The Hill County Evening Lions Club held its charter night celebration on January 20th.



Right: Members assisted with judging at the Hill County Fair. Photo: Lion Juanita James.

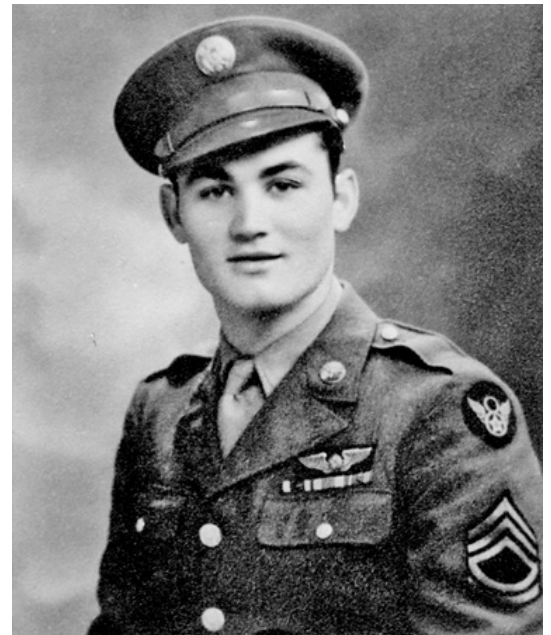
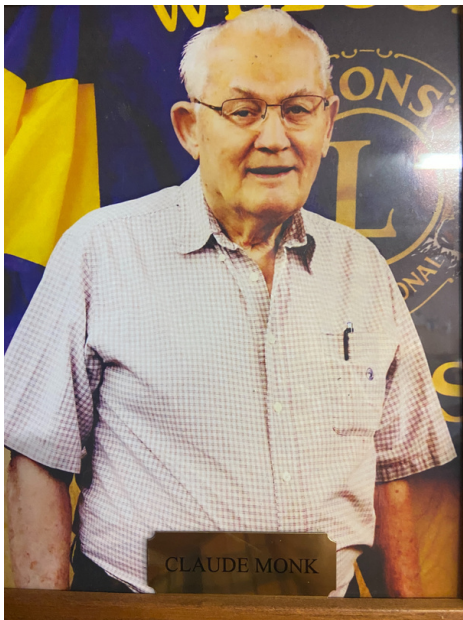


CLUB NEWS



MEXIA

Mexia Lions said goodbye to long-time member Claude Monk. Claude was a 66-year Lion, who had an interesting life. He was raised in an orphanage, and was a World War II vet, where he served under Jimmy Stewart. He served in various capacities in our Lions Club, including club president. He was one of those Lions who could be counted on to help with any project. We awarded him a Melvin Jones Fellowship in 2014.





OGLESBY



Oglesby Lions bade farewell to Lion Johnny Barnes. Lion Barnes served the Oglesby club for 9 years.

PINEY WOODS

Monthly Food Distribution. We had Idaho potatoes & sweet potatoes, Asian cabbage, watermelons, assorted frozen goods, and eggs.



CLUB NEWS



ROBINSON AREA

Robinson Area Lions have been keeping busy at the District level. We attended the charter night for the new Hill County Evening Lions Club and helped them celebrate. Then we journeyed to McGregor for the District Cabinet meeting with family in tow, where we brought home 3 awards.



The District Governors at the Hill County Evening Lions club charter night.



DG Randi helping to cut the cake at the charter night.



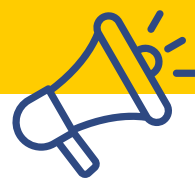
Lizzie showed us how to win at Tops and Tails



DG Randi rallying the troops at the District Cabinet Meeting



Mandy's daughter, Kennedy, and Renee's daughter, Alexis, sold leis at the District Cabinet Meeting and helped us raise over \$1000 for TX Lions Camp



We will be having our annual blood drive on Sunday February 25th at the Robinson Volunteer Fire Station, 204 S. Strauss, Robinson, TX 76706. Blood collection will be taken from 1:00 until 4:00. For more info contact Linda Sanders at: mslinda61248@yahoo.com



CLUB NEWS



SALADO



We had some fantastic guest speakers this month! Jay Crowley shared some very exciting stories from his years of working in and with several government and law enforcement agencies.



And, it is always a treat to have local Constable, Rolly Correa with us. He shared some very entertaining stories of his years as a game warden.

Our Salado Lions Roar 5K will be on Saturday, February the 10th. We have already broken the record for number of participants and we have 12 days left until the event!!!

TEMPLE BREAKFAST

Temple Breakfast Lions said goodbye to long-time Lion Ernest Klechka former PDG of Alaska.



LEO SPOTLIGHT



COPPERAS COVE



Did you know Copperas Cove had a Leo Club? They do! Check them out in action...

PINEY WOODS



Welcome to Leo Miriam Moran (Crockett ISD) - she was formally inducted into the club by Leo President Mayra Martinez at the January monthly club meeting on Jan 7.

We volunteered at the SkyFarm at the Post Bldg in downtown Houston on Jan 13th. It was a large group with 20 Leos and 4 Lions plus Bill Jones. Aaron (SkyFarm Staff) joined us not too long after we arrived. He gave us the history of the building, and then had us divide up into 4 groups. The tasks assigned to the groups included: taking 800lbs of sand (in 50lb bags) and making 10lb sandbags; watering the crops still growing; harvestin broccoli, leeks, fennel, sage, comfrey, and aloe vera. Once we finished bagging the sandbags, a group that harvested the aloe vera moved to the shed to cut and scrape out the liquid. The rest of the groups then covered all the crops they wanted to keep alive with the upcoming cold front. Once we finished we had lunch and visited the Houston Museum of Natural Science. PHOTOS NEXT PAGE

PINEY WOODS *Continued*



PINEY WOODS *Continued*



The January Produce Distribution was moved to the 3rd Thursday due to the winter storm that arrived on the 3rd Monday. The Leos helped distribute Idaho potatoes & sweet potatoes, Asian cabbage, watermelons, assorted frozen goods, and eggs to about 850 families.

