

LIONS CLUB DISTRICT 2-X3



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Belive in the I'Mpossible

2024 Peace Poster Winner
Fanjin Si - China

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

Audrey Hepburn



Lion Randi Wilde

District Governor

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Changes

We are having a fantastic Lion year! We can finish strong with continue service and growing our club and our district. Our district is currently 4th in constitutional area 1 for membership growth! That is awesome to for our district to be in the top 5! We have several clubs that are having wonderful membership growth this year. Temple Founders added 7 new members in February with their creative membership drive. It is thinking outside the box on how we can recruit new members to our clubs. Thank you to President Lion Jeff and his membership for creating a fun way to invite individuals to their club meetings and service projects. We are an organization that likes to have fun which attracts people to want to join us in serving our communities.

We need to not only focus on recruiting new members, but retaining our current members. If we have someone in our club that has not been to a meeting or service project in a while, let's reach out to our fellow Lion to check in with them to see if we can offer any assistance. Ask why they have not been able to attend recently. We need to ask these questions to ensure that we are meeting all the needs of our members.

We are going to finish this Lions year strong. We can take over the number 1 spot for membership with our continue efforts we have committed to this entire year!

#ChaningTheWorld #BelieveInTheImpossible

Mark Your Calendars

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



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- March 23, 2024 - Mart Area Lions Club Nerf Guns & Messy Buns
 - March 24, 2024 - Copperas Cove Lions Club Flag Retirement
 - March 30, 2024 - Hill County Evening Lions Club Blood Drive
 - April 20, 2024 - Temple Founder Lions Club Follies

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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I was honored to attend District Governor Elect School in Chicago last month. Lions Clubs International and Lions from around the world were very energizing and encouraging on what we are going to do in the next few years. Mission 1.5 is on the forefront and we are already growing our membership, especially right here in Texas. District Governor Randi has made an impact with over 200 new Lions in our district. I am excited to be a part of her team and I am looking forward to that continuation next year. While our work is not done this year, I must plan for next year so we can continue what we have begun. If you are interested in learning more about ways you can serve in the district team, please let me know. We have the energy to keep things going but we want you to help us!

Why do we want you? We want to bring new ideas to the district, we want to hear what grassroots Lions want and fulfill those needs, and we want to grow leaders from those who are interested. Not every role requires a large time commitment, while some do. Let's talk and get you engaged with the right role. We are Lions, We Serve!





Lion Stacey Phillips
Second Vice District Governor
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Where has the time gone? It is already MARCH!!

I read this poem again today, and though you may have seen it before, I wanted to share it with you.

Impact

You never really know
the true impact you have
on those around you.
You never know
how much someone needed
that smile you gave them.
You never know how much your kindness turned
someone's entire life around.
You never know how much someone needed
that long hug or deep talk. So don't wait to be kind.
Don't wait for someone else to be kind first.
Don't wait for better circumstances
or for someone to change.
Just be kind, because you never know
how much someone needs it.

– Nikki Banas

Maybe it's time to reach out to a member of your club you haven't heard from in a while and share some kindness.

As we continue to serve, let's draw inspiration from our achievements and renew our commitment to making a difference in our communities!

WELCOME



NEW MEMBERS 2-X3

BELTON

- LARRY T BERG
- JOSE RAFAEL SALAS GARZA - Sponsor: Jennah Gliha
- JOHN NICK VALENTINE III - Sponsor: Christian Cree Childs

CROCKETT

- CHAS BRANTNER
- JODY D JORDAN MR - Sponsor: Nathan Heersink
- REED MEEKS - Sponsor: Natalie Meeks

GATESVILLE

- SHAWN RUFF - Sponsor: Rhonda Mohler

HAMILTON

- CHRIS A KACHILLA - Sponsor: Darrell Kachilla

WELCOME



NEW MEMBERS 2-X3

HARKER HEIGHTS

- MICHAEL B AYCOCK - Sponsor: Stacey Phillips

KILLEEN NOON

- ROWENA K KILLOUGH - Sponsor: Maureen Montez

LOMETA

- JENNIFER WISIAN - Sponsor: Stephanie Boyer
- ROB G WISIAN - Sponsor: Stephanie Boyer

OGLESBY

- ISAI LICEA - Sponsor: Bruce Pomeranke

PINEY WOODS

- CHELSEA RITTER - Sponsor: Miguel Benabides
- SHANNON RODRIGUEZ - Sponsor: Ellen Brooks

WELCOME



NEW MEMBERS 2-X3

RIESEL

- DUSTY T DORTON - Sponsor: Jason Matus
- JACLYN R DORTON - Sponsor: Jason Matus

ROBINSON AREA

- JAYME PAULSEN - Sponsor: Mandy Moss
- SCOTT PAULSEN - Sponsor: Mandy Moss
- KENDRA THOMPSON - Sponsor: Linda Vaughn

TEMPLE FOUNDER

- JOHN ANDERSON - Sponsor: Alan Xenakis
- FRANKLIN GEORGE DISHON - Sponsor: Reuben Marek
- WILLIAM R HAIRE - Sponsor: Mike Hamby
- NATHAN HARRELL - Sponsor: Emily Weaver
- BILLY POPELKA - Sponsor: George White
- TODD RUSSELL - Sponsor: Jeffrey Thigpen
- AUDRA XENAKIS - Sponsor: Alan Xenakis



District 2-X3 Social & Convention 2024

Friday April 26, 2024: Social - Texas Sports Hall of Fame
Saturday April 27, 2024: Convention – Hilton Waco
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 Hilton Waco: Saturday 8:00 am – 9:15 am
- District 2-X3 Convention Hilton Waco: Saturday 9:30 am – 12:00 pm
- Melvin Jones Luncheon & Awards Hilton Waco: Saturday 12:00 pm – 1:15 pm
- Voting Hilton Waco: Saturday Afternoon, time to be officially announced
- Saturday Night Social Hilton Waco: 4:30 pm – 5:30 pm (Cash Bar)
- Governor’s Banquet with PID Jenny Ware Hilton Waco: 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 (Hilton Waco) 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

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 _____

DELEGATE

Print Name _____

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.

Delegate's signature

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.

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)

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

CUT THESE APART AND MAKE COPIES AS NEEDED

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 _____

Alternate Delegate

Print Name _____

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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.

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

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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

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2-X3 Election Judge

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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

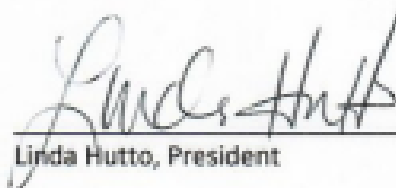
WHEREAS Lion Stacey Phillips has served at the Club and District level, as the Harker Heights Lions Club Membership Chair from 2019-2020, Harker Heights Lions Club President from 2021-2023, and the Zone Chairperson for District 2-X3 Zone C-1 from 2022-2023, and 2nd Vice District Governor from 2023-2024,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



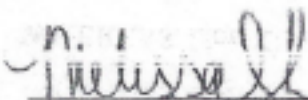
RESOLUTION

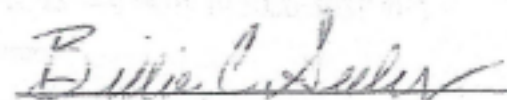
2nd Vice District Governor of 2-X3

WHEREAS, Lion Kim Giles has been a Lion since 2013, when she joined the Waco Women's Lions Club, and
WHEREAS, Lion Kim Giles has served as a WWLC Director from 2013-2015, and
WHEREAS, Lion Kim Giles received WWLC's first Lion of the Year award in 2014, and
WHEREAS, Lion Kim Giles has served as WWLC's Marketing/Social Media Chairperson since 2013, and
WHEREAS, Lion Kim Giles has served as WWLC's Second Vice-President in 2014, and
WHEREAS, Lion Kim Giles has served as WWLC's First Vice-President in 2015, and
WHEREAS, Lion Kim Giles has sponsored seven Lions since 2016, and
WHEREAS, Lion Kim Giles has served as WWLC's President in 2016-17 and again in 2020-2021, and
WHEREAS, Lion Kim Giles has served as a MD2-X3 Zone Chairperson in 2017, and
WHEREAS, Lion Kim Giles has served as WWLC's Vision Chairperson since 2017, and
WHEREAS, Lion Kim Giles has served as Guiding Lion for the Temple-Belton Ladies Lions Club in 2018-2019, and
WHEREAS, Lion Kim Giles has been awarded five International President Leadership medals and pins, and
WHEREAS, Lion Kim Giles has been awarded four International President's Certificates of Appreciation, and
WHEREAS, Lion Kim Giles received WWLC's Strength with Integrity award in 2020-2021, and
WHEREAS, Lion Kim Giles has served as MD-2 State Convention Chairperson for 2021 convention in Waco, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Waco Women's Lions Club hereby offers and endorses the candidacy of Lion Kim Giles as 2nd Vice District Governor of District 2-X3. Further, the Waco Women's Lions Club pledges its full support of 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 Kim Giles at the District Convention.

THIS RESOLUTION was adopted unanimously at a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Waco Women's Lions Club on Friday, February 23, 2021.


Lion Melissa Sieh, President


Lion B.A. Seery, 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.


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





“O What A Night!”

Many of us mature (OK – old) Lions might remember that song, first recorded by the Dells (under the original title, “O What A Nite”) and covered by many other bands over the years. Most of us likely remember the 1963 version by Frankie Valli & the Four Seasons (1963) better.....

.....but that’s the song that came to my mind in Kerrville on February 3rd when we kicked off the 75th Anniversary celebrations with a birthday party hosted for TLC by the Past District Governors of Texas Association. Thank you PDGs of Texas. Past International President Douglas Alexander made a great keynote speech celebrating our legacy, not the least of which is the 82,000+ children we have served, since the 1st campers arrived just about the same time the Dells recorded that song.

President & CEO Stephen Mabry presented a film featuring Lion Jack Weich, the first President of the Camp & the driving force behind the camp’s founding in 1949. Lion Stephen offered a moving toast and Past International Director Ray Hughston, who is the only living 49er (i.e. a Texas Lion, who was a Lion in 1949 when the camp was founded) was made Honorary Chairman of the Board from April 5th- 8th during the “Stay & Play” & eclipse celebration at the Camp. Many years ago, PID Ray served all the way up to the 1st Vice-Chairman position of the camp, but had to drop out due to the illness of his wife.

With all the great presentations, it was Camper Faith Fortenberry, our 2023 Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament Poster Girl, and her mom, Leigh Ann, who totally stole the show with moving comments on what Texas Lions Camp means to the campers and to their parents. When the evening was over everyone took home a special 75th memorial champagne glass.

We know everyone could not be in attendance, but rest assured that the contributions of all Texas Lions, past or present, in attendance or not, were recognized & celebrated for your contributions to our 75 year history.

“O What A Night” could also apply to the thoughts of thousands of our campers, who spent a night camping under the stars at Inspiration Point, Suddenly or Frontier Village; or who dressed up and attended their first dance, locked arms and sang Green Trees & Taps around a blazing camp fire, or received an award to the applause of hundreds at Awards Night. With all the other special experiences which the campers experience during their days at camp for most of them the song should be “O What A Week”.....

.....but it’s up to you & me to make sure that special week or night continues to happen for the next 82,000 campers.

We are now in March and camper sign up is still in progress. Let’s all join the camp & be that “Lion on our logo 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

P.S. Get on the Camp website and check out the Camp Stay & Play (April 5-8) and see how you can be part of our continuing 75th celebration, musical festival and heavenly spectacle (total eclipse centered right over TLC).

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 FOUNDATION

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

Here we are in the last quarter of the Lions year and clubs are doing elections and planning inductions. I'm look forward to come to your club and talk about Texas Lions Foundation. As you are planning your inductions look at what the foundation has to recognize and thank your outgoing president, lion of the year, your guest speaker, or someone in the community with one of our awards. The midterm report shows that the district is looking good over half of our clubs have sent in their 100% 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 online if you are meeting online and do a presentation on the Texas Lions Foundation. Please contact me by phone 254-289-9550 or by email [Lmeeker53@gmail.com](mailto:lmeeker53@gmail.com).

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.

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TEXAS LIONS MUSEUM

PDG Lion Lawrence Sanchez, Texas Lions Museum Trustee
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Lion District 2-X3 has had Thirty-four 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 meeting please contact me and I 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.

The moment of greatness is about to be revealed in Kerrville Texas. The Lions of the world can see our history in person. We are the only Multiple District that has a Texas Lions Museum in the Constitutional Area 1. You can see how proud you should be of the Lions of Texas on August 2-3, 2024. Please plan to be there for the grand opening of your Texas Lions Museum.

SAVE THE DATE

2024

LIONS



FOLLIES SHOW

APR 19TH

FRIDAY NIGHT SHOW

SATURDAY MATINEE SHOW

APR 20TH

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SATURDAY NIGHT SHOW

Event Location Cultural Activity Center

Watch for Details to purchase tickets online & In person

2-X3 News



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Total Membership



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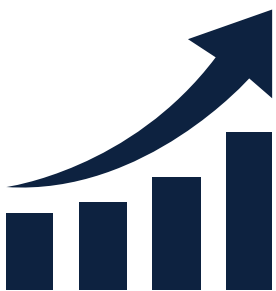


Total Clubs



1. Temple Founder: 114
2. Waco Founder: 65
3. Grapeland Noon: 62

Membership Leaderboard



1. Temple Founder: +17
2. Temple-Belton Ladies: +7
3. Belton, Copperas Cove,
Grapeland Noon, Groesbeck,
& Robinson Area: +5

Growth Leaderboard

CLUB NEWS



COPPERAS COVE

Partnering with the Killeen Evening Lions Club, the CC Lions and Leos stocked shelves at the Killeen Food Care Center on Saturday, January 20th. It was quite a crowd which made the shelves easy to fill and everyone had a fun time! It was a fantastic way to kick off the service year!



Super Bowl Fun for a few great causes! Throughout January until the Super Bowl, we sold football squares to raise funds for our scholarship fund. With our Thanksgiving Football Game squares and this event, we raised a total of \$2500 for scholarships!

The CC Lions also participated in a different kind of Souper Bowl. Partnering with DSA Inc (a few Lions work for this company), a Souper Bowl/Tackle Hunger lunch was held. The cost of the lunch was monetary donations or non-perishable food items. CC Lions and DSA employees collected additional food items. A total of \$210 and 136 pounds of food were donated to the Killeen Food Care Center. Both fun events raised money for worthy causes!

The CC Lions and Leos lent a hand to a Keep Copperas Cove Beautiful project for Martin Luther King Day of Service on January 13th. The group helped with cleanup of the roadside areas and painting of a mural in downtown Copperas Cove area.



Copperas Cove Continued



A call for help came from Habitat for Humanity. They needed volunteers to help hand out information at the Home and Garden show. CC Lions and Leos answered the call and showed up for the event at different shifts to ease the burden on Habitat for Humanity volunteers. The volunteers had a terrific time and Habitat for Humanity was very grateful for their help!



CC Lions Darie and Lion Mary helped with the Schnitzel Fundraiser at the VFW Post 3892. These funds help veterans with rides to the hospital, bill payment, and other ways. The dinner was delicious, and their help was appreciated.



GATESVILLE

Right: Gatesville Lions Club members try to help at the Gatesville Care Center the 1st Wednesday of every month. Lion Joyce Talbott has been a very dedicated helper and we call other lions to assist if their schedule allows it.





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CLUB NEWS



GRAPELAND NOON



Grapeland Noon Lions Club
February 16 at 11:08 AM · 🌐

On February 15, 2024 the Grapeland Noon Lions Club held their stated meeting at the Chuck Wagon Grill on Bypass 287. Sheriff Randy Hargrove was our guest speak... See more



Grapeland Noon Lions Club
February 22 at 2:21 PM · 🌐

Beautiful weather brought the Grapeland Noon Lions club worker guys out doing what they all do best....filling a need. This time it was building a ramp for a young 82 year old lady. It will make her life a little easier and we are happy to serve once again in our community. That's what lions do. Don't you want to join us. Visit us at the Chuck Wagon Grill (formerly Grapeland Cafe) on the Bypass across from Darsey Furniture. We meet on the first and third Thursday of each month. We welcome everyone. Hope to see you at noon on March 7th at our next meeting!



Randy Hargrove

February 19 at 8:41 PM · 🌐

Last Thursday I had the honor of meeting with the Grapeland Noon Lions Club at the Chuck Wagon Grill in Grapeland. I shared with them my training, experience and 26+ years of service to the citizens of Houston County. I spoke about what we've been busy doing since I took office in 2021. I also spoke about the problems we're facing with the Texas-Mexico border crisis. In a meeting with Texas border sheriffs last year, we heard from one sheriff who said that he and his deputie... See more



Grapeland Noon Lions Club

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CLUB NEWS



HEWITT

At a February 2024 meeting the Hewitt Lions hosted Mr. Lenn Williams representing the Texas Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center (TLERC). During his presentation Mr. Williams discussed the importance of Lions Clubs collecting used eye glasses and how the TLERC recycles eyeglasses for use around the world. In addition to recycling eyeglasses the TLERC provides adult and children vision screening, has an optical laboratory providing new eyeglasses for children and provides missions/training programs.



HILLSBORO



Left: On Tuesday December 20,2024 Mrs. Lori Lugo an agent with Farmer's insurance presented the program at the noon meeting on the importance of having life insurance.

Right: Lynn Gray recently spoke about his involvement with the Kairos Prison Ministry at the February 13,2024 noon meeting. Pictured is president Chuck Smith and Lion Lynn Gray.





Left: Hillsboro Lions Club presented service awards during the noon meeting on February 13,2024. Pictured left to right are Susan Swilling for twenty years, Tony Marley for 40 years, Lynn Gray for 55 years, Cheryl Schultz for 25 years and Dr. Bill Auvenshine 65 years. Not pictured is Jennifer Nowlin for 25 years

Right: The Hillsboro Lions Club met on Tuesday February 27, 2024 for their noon meeting. Pictured is Hunter Barnes candidate for Hill County Sherriff pictured with Lion Cami Steele.



KILLEEN EVENING



Tuesdi Dyer, Baylor Scott & White Charitable Foundation February 6th, 2024



Killeen Food Care Center February 17th, 2024



Charter Night KELC 59 Year Celebration
February 17th, 2024

KILLEEN LADIES



The Killeen Ladies Lions Club helped the Killeen Elementary School with their Military Ball.

KILLEEN NOON



Megan Bretz, Nathan Hoffert, Lion Leslie Holman, Samantha

Left: The Killeen Noon Lions Club welcomed Rowena Killough as its newest member in February. Even though Lion Rowena officially became a member February 27th, she has been participating in the club's signature projects, supporting the Killeen Food Care Center and helping with bingo at the Rosewood Retirement Center all month. Her sponsor is Lion Maureen Montez. Lion Leslie and PDG Joe Holman visited Liberty Hill Middle School to present Nathan Hoffert with his certificate and checks recognizing his entry into this year's Peace Poster contest.

CLUB NEWS




MART AREA

The Mart Area Lions Club hosted their first annual Daddy/Daughter Dance on February 3rd at the Mart Community Center. Fathers and their beautiful dates danced to music and enjoyed food and punch. Throughout the evening, there were drawings for Valentine Baskets for the young ladies. A good time was had by all. We are LIONS. WE SERVE.





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"We Serve"

NERF GUNS & Messy Buns





Prepare for Battle!

Nerf Obstacle Course, Nerf Games, Souvenir,
Hot Dogs, Chips, Dessert & Drink

Saturday, March 23, 2024
1:00pm to 4:00pm
Mart Community Center
In the grass area next to the parking lot
804 E. Bowie St. Mart, Tx.

TICKETS:
\$10 Mom (stepmom, grandma, aunt, sister)
\$5 Son \$3 each additional son

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT:
Mart City Hall, Mart Elem. & High School
OR call 254-651-7410, 254-749-2163



CLUB NEWS



PINEY WOODS

Food Distribution- Feb 19

ETFB sent us a wide variety of food this month. There should have been around 13 pallets of produce 2 pallets of milk; 2 pallets of cold brew coffee; 2 pallets of frozen meat; and 4 pallets of frozen unsorted breads & desserts.



Feb 10 Highway Trash Pickup

We had a good turnout with 8 Lions and 8 Leos. There was a lot of trash! We picked up 15 bags total



ROBINSON AREA

Robinson Area Lions Club sponsored their annual blood drive on February 25th at the Robinson Volunteer Fire Station.





Waiting line



Our fearless project leader Linda Sanders, waiting to get things started.



One in the chair and one in recovery

SALADO

Right: Salado Lions said good-bye to one of their own, Lion Charmaine Padgett. Charmaine served the club as their eyeglass recycling person and served on the fundraising committee. She also served as an active volunteer at the Salado Senior Center and lived over 20 years as a heart transplant recipient.



Since our first meeting of the month was on Valentine's Day, Mary McIntosh came and sang some beautiful songs for us!

Right: Our second guest of the month was Jay Schier and he shared some very interesting statistics and stories with us from his years of working with the Coca Cola company.





Our club continues to grow! Please welcome new Salado Lion Keith Cryar. His sponsor is Lion Hulda Horton.



It was our pleasure to again help set up for the P.A.L.S Taste of Salado event! Thank you to Lions Jasen Graham, David Matthews, Ray Don McIntosh, and Hulda Horton for telling them where to put everything!



Left: Our numbers were a little smaller than usual, but we still got our stretch of highway cleaned up. Thank you to Lions Donald Hogue, Ray Don McIntosh, Brenda Merz, and Joe Keyes for organizing the effort.

We had our largest ever Salado Lions Roar 5K this month doubling our previous record with nearly 230 registered and around 200 competing despite the cold and rainy weather!

A HUGE thank you to all the Lions who helped out before and during the event and to our Salado ISD Leo club for their help the day of as well!

See pictures on next page...



We were pleased to have the officers from our newly-created Salado ISD Leo Club with us this month! Lion Brian Glenn has been the liaison between the two clubs.



TEMPLE FOUNDER

On Feb. 6, over 30 Lions gathered at the Cadence Bank Center to serve over 400 hamburgers to Bell County Youth Fair exhibitors and their families.





WACO FOUNDER

Right: This is our 2023-2024 Lion of the Year, Gloria Arnold. Gloria has been and continues to be instrumental in helping with all our vision screening events. She is always willing to help on any project. Gloria is a retired pharmacist.



WACO WOMENS

February is the month of love and WWLC members showed love through donations, listened to a heartfelt speech on Texas Lions Camp, presented the District 2-X3 Peace Poster winner her check and certificate and participated in the MD-2 Round Table discussion by Zoom. WWLC presented the Texas Pediatric Hospital and CF Love (cystic fibrosis) boxes and boxes of Valentine cards (1000) for the children to enjoy giving to each other. Lion members LeeAnne Ostrander, Cindy Praesel, Sharon Harper and B.C. Seely attended the Greater Lake Waco Lions Club February meeting to hear a parent, Detective Aaron Whelchel with Waco Police Department, discuss he and his son's wonderful experience at Texas Lions Camp, Family Camp the last two years. If you need a speaker reach out to GLWLC. You won't be disappointed. Lions Vanessa Le and B.C. Seely presented the District 2-X3 Peace Poster Winner, Fernanda of Lake Air Montessori School, a check of \$200.00 and a certificate. Lion Janna Marusak sat in on the MD-2 Global Membership Approach Round Table zoom meeting with PIP Joseph (Joe) Preston as special guest to learn more about retaining and gaining members. WWLC loves what we do!



LEO SPOTLIGHT



COPPERAS COVE

CC Leos started their Change the World campaign for Pediatric Cancer. We are collecting change to make a difference. All proceeds will go to LCIF Pediatric Cancer.



COPPERAS COVE LEOS
"Change the World"

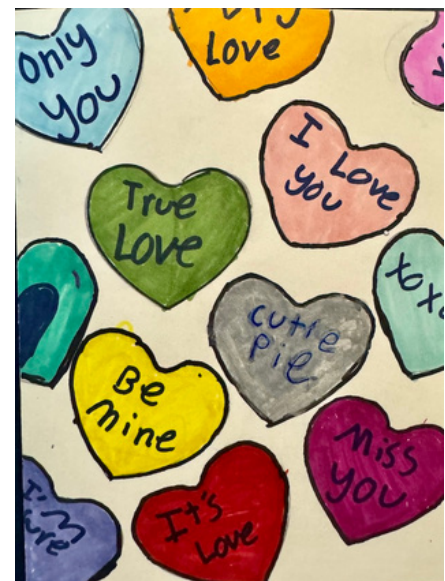


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PINEY WOODS

Piney Woods Leos met prior to the February monthly meeting to make homemade Valentine's Day cards for a local assisted living home.





There were 34 Leos at the February monthly meeting. Lion President Mayra Martinez formally inducted 5 new Leos today as they have volunteered for at least one event and attended 2 club meetings.



Piney Woods Leo President Mayra Martinez did a great job organizing this event! The residents were very happy to see all of the Leos. It was evident from the smiles on their faces that their visit brought them joy!



SALADO



Left: The officers of the newly created Salado Leo Club made a visit along with their liaison to the Salado Lions Club meeting.