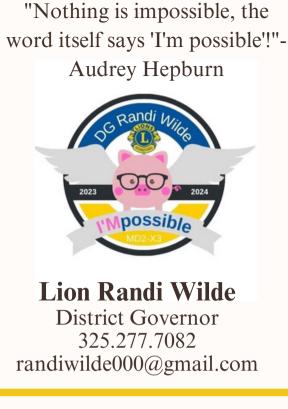
# LIONS CLUB DISTRICT 2-X3

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Congratulations PDG Lawrence Sanchez -2024 Texas Hall of Fame Award (Pictured with

Lion Sylvia Sanchez & DG Randi Wilde)



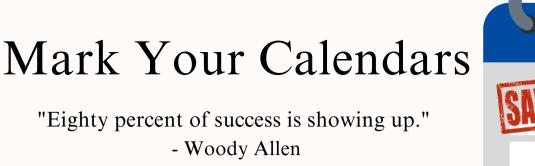
## Lion Pride

To say I am beyond proud of District 2-X3 this year is an understatement. We are currently number 2 in growth membership in Multiple District 2 with a +62 in membership. That is because of the work that each and every club has put in this year to asking our family, friends, and fellow neighbors to join the terrific organization called Lions Clubs International! We have completed so many vision screenings, food drives, and other services activities over the past year.

I have been honored to serve with each of you over the course of the last year. It has been a great pleasure to see what each club in our district is doing to serve their communities. Thank you to PDG Angela Cases for helping organize several events last month in Temple/Belton area to help those who were in need after the tornado earlier in the month of May. Thank you to the many Lions throughout the district that came out to support each of the events. Where there is a need there is a Lion and we definitely showed that when called upon.

I am excited for next year under the leadership of DGE Renee to continue the momentum we have started with the district. We are going to continue to lead the way for MD2 through growing our membership to better serve our communities throughout the years to come.

#ChangeThe World #BelieveInTheImpossible



- June 29, 2024 Riesel Lions Club Mini Sprint Car Dirt Track Race
- July 4, 2024 Mexia Lions Club Car Show
- August 2, 2024 Council of Governor's Meeting (Kerrville, TX)









Lion Renee Lamson District Governor Elect 254-386-7358 LionReneeKettler@gmail.com

As we approach the end of another successful Lion year, I would like to take a moment to extend my heartfelt congratulations to our current District Governor, Randi Wilde. Under her exemplary leadership, our district has witnessed remarkable growth and a renewed sense of community.

DG Randi's tenure has been marked by significant achievements, most notably in membership growth. We are proud to announce the addition of two new clubs to our district, with the exciting possibility of another pending. This expansion not only strengthens our network but also enhances our ability to serve more communities with dedication and compassion.

As I prepare to step into the role of District Governor on July 1st, I am filled with enthusiasm for the future. My goal is to continue building on the strong foundation laid by DG Randi, ensuring a seamless transition and maintaining the momentum of our current successes. Together, we will bring renewed energy, fun, and a deeper commitment to service in our communities.

To sustain and nurture our new clubs, the role of Guiding Lions is crucial. These dedicated individuals provide mentorship and support, helping new clubs thrive in their formative years. As we establish more clubs, the need for Guiding Lions grows. Testing to become a Guiding Lion is available online, and we encourage members with a passion for leadership and mentorship to consider this vital role.

For more information on how to become a Guiding Lion, please reach out to myself or District Governor Randi. Your involvement can make a significant difference in the growth and success of our clubs.

As we look forward to the 2024-2025 Lion year, let us continue to embody the spirit of Lionism—serving with kindness, dedication, and a commitment to making a positive impact. Together, we can ensure that our district not only grows but flourishes, bringing joy and support to those we serve.

Thank you for your continued dedication and service. Here's to a year filled with new opportunities, meaningful connections, and impactful service.



Lion Stacey Phillips Second Vice District Governor 253.468.5271 staceyphillips68@gmail.com



Wow, where did the year go? It's almost summer already.

Congratulations to DG Randi for all her success this year!

As this Lions year comes to a close, it's a great time to assess how your club did this year. Did you accomplish all your goals? Maybe you didn't do as many service projects as you had hoped. Maybe you didn't recruit as many new members as planned.

With the new Lions year about to begin, it's time to set some new goals. Every Lion has a role to play in accomplishing those goals, but here are a few opportunities for you to consider as a leader in your club or district:

- You have the opportunity to renew the vision of your club to successfully serve your communities.
- You have the opportunity to boost club morale which will help with member retention. A Lion who is engaged and feels appreciated is more likely to stay and stay involved.
- You have the opportunity to keep every club member informed.
- You have the opportunity to ensure all club members have access to training resources, thus allowing them to see their potential as future leaders.
- You have the opportunity to recognize members for all of their hard work and achievements. Every Lion is a very important piece of the whole picture.

I am excited as we move into the next Lions year. I see great things on the horizon!

Stay safe as the hot Texas summer begins, and don't forget to report your service and activities.



## **NEW MEMBERS 2-X3**

## BUFFALO

ALLISON M LEE - Sponsor: Michael Anderson

## CLIFTON

LEAH MK BROWN - Sponsor: Jessica Bryant

## CROCKETT

- HEATHER BISHOP Sponsor: Jim Bishop
- JIM BISHOP Sponsor: Heath Murff
- WILLIAM HAYLES Sponsor: Clyde Black

## **GRAPELAND NOON**

- CLYDE JOHNSON- Sponsor: Martha Childress
- CRYSTAL L JOHNSON Sponsor: Martha Childress

## HILLSBORO

• JESSICA TREW- Sponsor: Kennie Nowlin



## **KILLEEN NOON**

- LARRY W GARNER Sponsor: Robert Bower
- JAMES D WILEY Sponsor: Mary Lindley Wiley

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- DANIEL J CALDWELL Sponsor: Brooks Valls
- JENNIFER E MACKEY Sponsor: Brooks Valls
- MARK MACKEY Sponsor: Brooks Valls
- TERRY L MCIVER Sponsor: John Rasco

## LOMETA

LAURA BETH HENNINGER - Sponsor: Holly Hines

## MCGREGOR

- JESSICA ALLEN Sponsor: Johnnie Farmer
- BONNIE MULLENS Sponsor: Samuel Morton



## **NEW MEMBERS 2-X3**

## **PINEY WOODS**

- CHRISTY HALL Sponsor: Ellen Brooks
- JEANETTE MASTERS Sponsor: Jenni Shartle
- DAVID OLSON Sponsor: Ellen Brooks
- NANCI OLSON Sponsor: Ellen Brooks
- SANDRA ROUSE Sponsor: Ellen Brooks

## **ROBINSON AREA**

• JAIME L WALTER - Sponsor: Josie Walter

## **TEMPLE FOUNDER**

• HUNTER WJ MILES - Sponsor: Gary Gosney

## WACO FOUNDER

- JACOB LENTZ Sponsor: Harvey Spross
- PATRICIA RAYNAUD Sponsor: Walter Raynaud



Saturday, July 20, 2024 St. Joseph Catholic Church 311 Oak Street Marlin, TX 76661

Hosted by Marlin Lions Club Registration opens at 8:30 (mimosas served during registration) Cabinet meeting begins at 9:30 am

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### Dreamcatchers can't be Daydreamers!

All year we have been discussing how we, the Lions of Texas, are the Dreamcatchers for our Texas Lions Camp Campers; and how as dreamcatchers we have two jobs: we have to find the kids, so they have the chance for the magic of TLC to happen; and secondly, we have to raise the money so they can continue to go at no cost to their families. Because if we don't do that, 95% of these kids could not afford to come.

However, in the spring when our conventions are over, many of us have the tendency to want to sit on the back porch and just watch Mother Nature do her thing: changing dull and brown to green and bright colors. It is a great feeling just sitting there and watching the clouds float by, while daydreaming about things to come. Maybe we even dream about how great a summer all of our campers are going to have.

**BUT Wait** We dreamcatchers don't have time to daydream – we still have another job to do. Sure, kids are already at camp riding horses, catching monster catfish, camping out, screaming down the zip line, splashing at the pool, and so much more. So, job #1 is done for 2024, but job #2 is always ongoing and we are right in the middle of one of our biggest fund raisers of the year, the Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament (8/1/24).

The Tonnessen Family, our Ambassador Family (<u>their touching story is attached</u>), is inviting **you** individually and **your clubs** to become hole sponsors for the 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Tournament (<u>form attached</u>). James Avery, our Title Sponsor, is matching your hole sponsorships, dollar for dollar up to the first \$50,000. One hole sponsorship is \$100, so buy several. We also offer Corporate sponsorships from \$500 & up. For more information about the benefits for the Corporate Sponsorship levels, as well as information on the other programs, go to <u>www.lionscamp.com</u>; then go to events and volunteers & then golf tournament. We are also looking for in-kind gifts to be used for our online auction.

We still have plenty of room for teams to enter the tournament (<u>form attached</u>). Lady Bird Johnson Municipal Golf Course is nestled in the hills around Fredericksburg and is fun to play. If you love golf come on out and join folks from all across Texas for a great morning of golf. Also, on Wednesday evening (7/31/24) before the tournament we are kicking off the inaugural "Ed Stebbins Memorial Golf Dinner" at the Hanger Hotel in Fredericksburg. Should be a fun night of fellowship for the Lions and golfers coming to town.

There are many ways for us Dreamcatchers to do job #2: from Jack Weich Fellowships and Century Club memberships to 100% Clubs and Endowment bricks to name a few, and we need to keep all of these programs going in our clubs throughout the year. But the Harry Wickersham golf tournament is the only one where your dollars are doubled. Please don't leave any of that free money on the table.

Let's go out and be the Dreamcatchers, so our campers can be the Daydreamers! PCC Tom Blase, TLC Chairman

P.S. Our campers love to thank the Lions for their week of fun, so get your club members, especially new ones and maybe some potential new members and come celebrate with our campers on one of our awards nights. This year they are June 7, 14, & 28, plus July 5 & 12.





Lady Bird Johnson Municipal Golf Course FREDERICKSBURG, TEXAS





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For more Information:

Texas Lions Camp, Inc. P.O. Box 290247 Kerrville, Texas 78029-0247

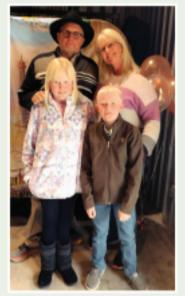
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#### The 2024 Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament Ambassador Family is the **Tonnessen Family**

(Father Scott, Mother Jeanne, & two children, Mariah and Jax) from Kerrville.

The Tonnessen family found out about TLC when mother, Jeanne, was growing up in elementary school in the mid 1980s. Jeanne shared, "We lived in nearby Medina, so our family was very familiar with TLC. I was also a camper and counselor in the 80s."

They were fortunate to be able to attend *TLC*-4-Families in 2021 and 2022. Mother Jeanne commented that, "Attending this new program helped us take a break from all the outside distractions, and we really felt more attentive to each other." It was like a resort vacation for the whole family, and they felt like celebrities with their only responsibility and primary focus being to have fun! For their busy lives, it was a much-needed break.





In Summer 2023, daughter Mariah (12) and son Jax (10) participated in TLC residential camp, and this was the first time they were both away from home for a week. Mariah and Jax were both born with Albinism and

Nystagmus and both are legally blind. Seeing the details in life can be a struggle at times. Looking physically different than others brings some unwanted attention as well. The independence they experienced at camp was so valuable. They were able to "spread

their wings" knowing they would receive wonderful support. As Mother Jeanne said, "I had always told them how much TLC boosted my confidence in early life. Kids are able to feel so 'normal' at camp, and their peers really understand each other." Mariah loved fishing, riding horses, and the ropes course while Jax enjoyed swimming and playing in the gym the most.



Going to camp for the first time was different for the kids and the Tonnessen family as well, but seeing the pictures posted every night online and knowing their kids were receiving wonderful care was so reassuring. Scott and Jeanne Tonnessen have special memories of TLC, "our kids made some great friends and achieved a new level of independence."

The Tonnessen family express their sincere thanks and appreciation to the Lions of Texas, executive staff, counselors, nurses, volunteers, and kitchen staff for making them feel so welcome.

> It's great to have a place like TLC where no one is left out or feels invisible, Thank you TLC!

## 31st Annual Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament



JAMES **AVERY** Forging Hope



ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT TEXAS LIONS CAMP

TLC is tax exempt under 501(c)(3) of the I.R.S.-Donations are tax deductible-see your tax professional for details.

### August 1, 2024

8:00 am Shotgun Start

Lady Bird Johnson Golf Course Fredericksburg, TX

All GIFTS will be matched dollar for dollar up to \$50,000 in 2023-2024 by James Avery Artisan Jewelry® For more information: www.lionscamp.com.

#### Sponsor One or More Holes

For a one time donation of \$100 per hole, individuals, clubs associations & corporations may sponsor a hole(s). All sponsors of the tournament will be recognized on signage and publications on location and on the Texas Lions Camp website: <u>www.lionscamp.com</u>. Deadline to ensure recognition/publication is July 12, 2024.

#### Please make checks payable to Texas Lions Camp.

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Children Can... With TLC<sup>тм</sup>

Come Play and make a Kid's Day in 2024!

For more information or to download player registration forms go to www.lionscamp.com

> MAIL TO: TEXAS LIONS CAMP PO Box 290247 Kerrville, TX 78029

#### James Avery Artisan Jewelry provides \$50,000 Challenge to celebrate 75th Anniversary of Texas Lions Camp Named Title Sponsor for 31st Annual Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament

Kerrville, Texas - James Avery Artisan Jewelry has issued a \$50,000 challenge-matching grant to help commemorate the 75th Anniversary of Texas Lions Camp and support children with special medical conditions attending Summer Camp 2024. Every gift designated for the 31st Annual Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament will be matched dollar for dollar up to \$50,000. With this challenge, the company has also been named the Title Sponsor for the 2024 Golf tournament.

"Texas Lions Camp (TLC) is excited that James Avery Artisan Jewelry has agreed to help TLC celebrate our Diamond anniversary and participate with our organization again in 2023-2024 and invest in our mission by offering this exciting challenge opportunity," said President & CEO of TLC, Stephen S. Mabry.

James Avery's Chief Executive Officer John McCullough stated, "For 75 years, the Lions of Texas and TLC have introduced over 84,000 children to the 'CAN DO' philosophy and encouraged them to reach for new horizons and celebrate exciting, first-time experiences. Just as we forge silver and gold to craft jewelry, we are forging hope through our support of nonprofit organizations in the communities where we live and work. We are proud to encourage donors across Texas to partner with us in supporting the beauty that Texas Lions Camp offers to children and their families through this unique and educational summer camp experience."

#### About James Avery Artisan Jewelry®

About James Avery Artisan Jewelry® – James Avery is a vertically integrated, family-owned company located in the heart of the Texas Hill Country. We offer finely crafted jewelry designs for men and women in sterling silver, 14K and 18K gold, bronze and gemstones. James Avery jewelry is designed in the Texas Hill Country, with more than 90 percent of our pieces crafted in Kerrville, Comfort, Hondo and Corpus Christi, Texas using the finest materials sourced worldwide. We are a multi-channel retailer with over 120 James Avery stores in four states. Our jewelry is also available at JamesAvery.com, over 250 Dillard's locations and at Dillards.com and at 37 Von Maur locations and VonMaur.com. You can also find our designs at airport stores in Austin, Houston and Nashville, as well as select Army and Air Force Exchange Service (AAFES) locations.

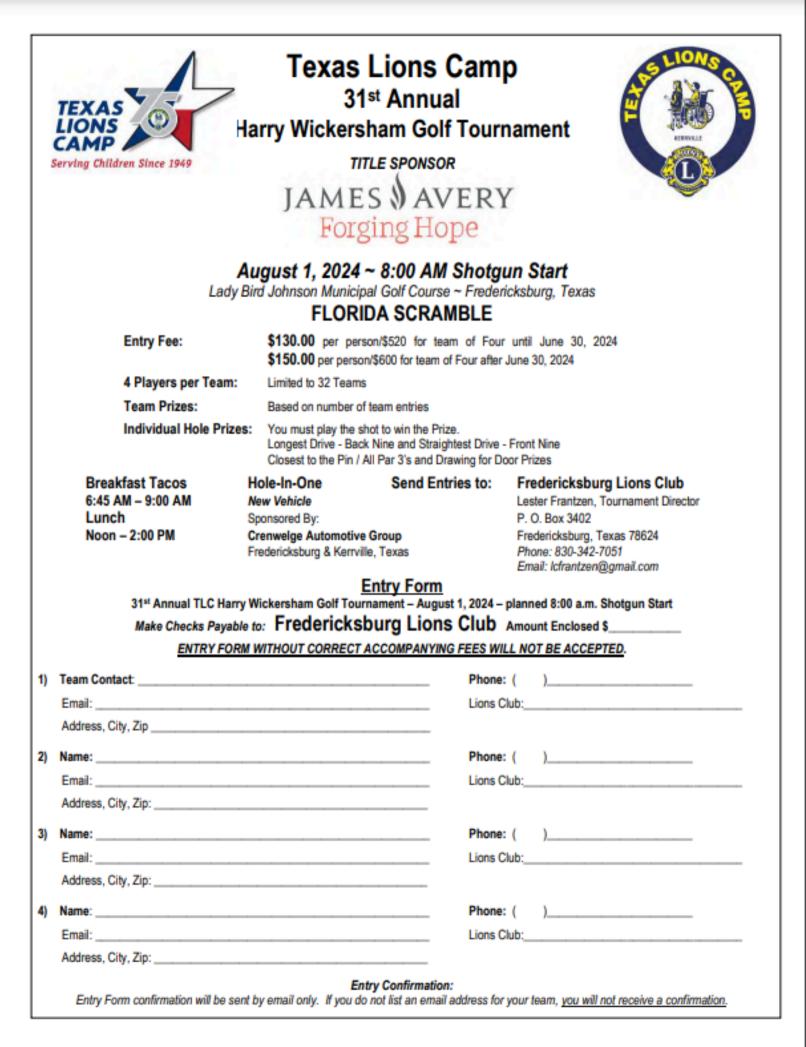
#### Harry Wickersham 31st Annual Golf Tournament

For 31 years, Texas Lions Camp (TLC) has sponsored an annual Golf tournament to help support camp operations. More about the history of this Golf Tournament and the Lions that helped make it become a reality may be found on our website (https://lionscamp.com/Wickersham.html). The event now raises \$150,000 annually and has cumulatively produced more than \$2 million over the past 30 years. Special thanks to all who have helped make this fund-raiser such a success. The 31st Annual Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament will be held on Thursday, August 1, 2024 and will be hosted once again by the Fredericksburg Lions Club at Lady Bird Johnson Golf Course in Fredericksburg, Texas.

#### Learn about Texas Lions Camp, Inc.

Those who are interested in learning more about and/or contributing to the work of Texas Lions Camp are invited to visit <u>www.lionscamp.com</u> or by emailing Milton L. Dare at <u>milton.dare@texaslions.camp</u>. If preferred, you may call 830-896-8500 for more information.





#### GOLF RULES 31st ANNUAL HARRY WICKERSHAM GOLF TOURNAMENT

- 1. Scramble Format.
- All men must play from the blue tees on the Par 3's. Men 65 & over may play from white tees on other holes. Men 80 & over and ladies may play from the red tees
- 3. There is a "two putt maximum" per hole from anywhere on the green. Pick Up The Ball If You Do Not Make The First Putt.
- 4. Hole in One Prize: A new car sponsored by Crenwelge Automotive Group, Fredericksburg & Kerrville.
- 5. Hole Prizes: (These are in addition to the Hole in One Prizes.) <u>YOU MUST PLAY THE SHOT TO WIN THE PRIZE!!!</u> The longest drive must be in the fairway to win. The straightest drive is the closest to the line, not the longest. If the distance from the line is the same for more than one drive, then the longest drive is the winner.
- 6. A Scorecard Playoff will determine the winner for all ties.

#### ENTRY FEE INCLUDES:

- MULLIGANS: Two Mulligans per team member.
- HOOLIGAN: One Hooligan per team. You may move your ball up to 20 feet from off the green onto the green, but no closer to the hole than one club length from the edge of the green.
- ON THE GREEN: Place your ball at the designated spot on the green. This is your tee shot. One stroke. Two putt maximum. Guaranteed Birdie! This will speed up play.
- MONSTER DRIVE: Place your drive at the designated spot on the par five fairway. Do not hit your drive. This is your tee shot. One stroke. This will speed up play.
- CANCELLATIONS: Green Fees for cancellations after Friday, July 19, 2024, and "no shows" without a substitute will be donated to the Texas Lions Camp.

Do you have any suggestions to make the tournament more enjoyable? To make the play faster? For Prizes?

#### THANK YOU FOR COMING!

The Fredericksburg Lions Club P. O. Box 587 Fredericksburg, Texas 78624-0587

Lester Frantzen, Tournament Director PO Box 3402 Fredericksburg, TX 78624

#### Texas Lions Camp District Report Submitted by Lions Camp Director Dick Chapin & Angela Cases

As many of you know by now, this will be my last report, as this. Completes my four (4) years as an elected Director for the Texas Lions Camp. PDG Angela is carrying on part of the duties, but she needs help. There are supposed to be two (2) Elected Directors in each District. It is an exciting job and you get to visit a number of clubs each year and see how they operate and the fund raisers they have. You really have to be motivated and encourage clubs to invite you to speak. It is a two (2) year position and then you can extend for two (2) more years. I really hate to leave, but it is in the Bylaws that four (4) years is the maximum, then you can set out a year and reapply. Be brave and let Lion Angela or the DG know you are interested and they will do the rest. I will even come and help you get started. So ~ ~~

#### 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 daycamp 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:

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

Camp is going on now and there are openings in most every camp date. Get involved.

If your club has not signed up to help with one of the graduation Fridays, it is an exciting way to get involved and get your members acquainted with TLC.

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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31<sup>st</sup> ANNUAL HARRY WICKERSHAM GOLF TOURNAMENT You are cordially invited to join *Texas Lions Camp* for an evening of great cuisine, fellowship,



for an evening of great cuisine, fellowship, fund raising and entertainment for the INAUGURAL **Ed Stebbins Memorial Golf Dinner** on Wednesday, July 31, 2024 from 6 - 9 PM at the Hangar Hotel & Conference Center Fredericksburg, Texas

Help honor the late *Lion Ed Stebbins* for his pivotal role in establishing the Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament as a fund-raising event for Texas Lions Camp.

Golfers and TLC friends can enjoy a fun evening prior to the golf tournament on Thursday, August 1, 2024.

Event Sponsors (\$1,500) Table Sponsors (\$400) Tickets (\$35 per person)

**Proceeds benefit Texas Lions Camp** 

#### History of the Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament

The history of this Golf Tournament began with four Texas Lions (Lions Mike Butler, Marshall Cooper, Bruce Rickert and Harry Wickersham) coming to the Annual Board meeting of Texas Lions Camp (TLC) in Kerrville to enjoy fellowship with each other. They loved to play golf – and, what began as a \$10 per person gentlemen's donation at the Flying L Ranch Golf Course in Bandera, Texas, has grown into a major FUNdraising event which generates more than \$100,000 annually for children with special medical conditions.

Other Lions heard about the golf outing and dozens joined in to play in subsequent years including **Lion Ed Stebbins** who was recruited to help organize the event into an annual fund-raising opportunity. He made the original presentation to the TLC Board of Directors to make the Golf Tournament an annual fund-raising event, and recommended that the event be named in honor of Lion Harry Wickersham (who was the real golfer in the original foursome). In addition, he recruited Lion Lester Frantzen and the Fredericksburg Lions Club to help organize and operate the tournament each year.

#### What Is Texas Lions Camp?

Texas Lions Camp, Inc., (TLC) provides, without charge, a camp for children who are physically disabled, have Down syndrome, cancer or Type 1 diabetes from the State of Texas, regardless of race, religion or national origin. The organization was chartered as a nonprofit corporation on April 4, 1949, by the Lions Clubs of Texas and is recognized as a non-profit corporation, under section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Service Code. The Camp is accredited by the American Camp Association and is licensed by the Texas Department of State Health Services. The Camp also has been recognized with a Four-Star rating from Charity Navigator and is an active participant with GuideStar.

For 75 years, the Lions of Texas and TLC have introduced children with special medical conditions to the "CAN DO" philosophy and encouraged them to reach for new horizons and celebrate exciting, first-time experiences. Corporate sponsorships from special friends allow TLC to help some of the most amazing children share in the best summers of their lives. Through this mission, TLC's goal is realized when children "step up and step into their calling," thus allowing them to achieve maximum personal growth and self-esteem.







### **31<sup>st</sup> ANNUAL** HARRY WICKERSHAM GOLF TOURNAMENT **Ed Stebbins Memorial Golf Dinner** July 31, 2024



#### Benefitting Texas Lions Camp CORPORATE SPONSORSHIPS & TICKETS

Yes, I (We) want to be included as a SPONSOR/SUPPORTER for the ED STEBBINS MEMORIAL GOLF DINNER benefiting TEXAS LIONS CAMP at the HANGAR HOTEL & CONFERENCE CENTER in Fredericksburg, Texas. Benefits correspond to sponsorship/gift level outlined on attached form.

#### Please indicate level of sponsorship or level of support:

Event Sponsor (\$1,500/Tables seat 8)	
Table Sponsor (\$400/Tables seat 8)	
Event Tickets ( Tickets @ \$35 each – Total	
Contributor	\$100

In-Kind Donor\*

\*Please specify dollar value of item donated

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Texas Lions Camp is a 501 (c) (3) organization, and a portion of your contribution may be tax deductible. For sponsorships, the charitable deduction is limited to the amount of the sponsorship in excess of the value of the goods and services provided.

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#### 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament **Ed Stebbins Memorial Golf Dinner**

#### Benefiting Texas Lions Camp Tax Exempt #74-1189679 Wednesday, July 31, 2024

#### EVENT SPONSORSHIP (\$1,500; Value Received \$350)

- Table with Eight Tickets for event with premium seating location at the Hangar Hotel & Conference Center
- Dinner for Eight with Buffet Dinner Service
- 16 Beverage tickets
- Company/Individual Name/Logo in tournament publicity
- Sign with Company/Individual Name/Logo displayed during event
- Company/Individual LOGO/LINK on Texas Lions Camp website
- Company/Individual Listing in Tournament Program-distribution of 1,000
- Company Logo/Name in 2024 TLC Newsletter
- Special recognition on TLC FACEBOOK page
- Option to place approved Company/Individual promo item(s) at event
- Company Name/Logo in Post-Tournament Recognition

#### TABLE SPONSORSHIP (\$400; Value Received \$256)

- Table with Eight Tickets for event with reserved seating at the Hangar Hotel & Conference Center
- Dinner for Eight with Buffet Dinner Service
- Company/Individual LOGO/LINK on Texas Lions Camp website
- Company/Individual Listing in Tournament Program-distribution of 1,000
- Company Logo/Name in 2024 TLC Newsletter
- Special recognition on TLC FACEBOOK page
- Option to place approved Company/Individual promo item(s) at event
- Company Name/Logo in Post-Tournament Recognition

#### EVENT TICKETHOLDER (\$35 each - Value Received \$32)

- One Event Ticket
- Dinner for One with Buffet Dinner Service
- Company/Individual Listing in Tournament Program-distribution of 1,000
- Company Logo/Name in 2024 TLC Newsletter
- Company/Individual Name/Logo in Post-Tournament Recognition

#### CONTRIBUTOR (\$100 or more)

- Company/Individual Listing in Tournament Program-distribution of 1,000
- Company Logo/Name in 2024 TLC Newsletter
- Company/Individual Name/Logo in Post-Tournament Recognition

#### Generally, Texas Lions Camp enjoys:

- ~ 50,000 hits per year on its website <u>www.lionscamp.com</u>
- Produces and circulates periodic newsletters to 26,000-30,000 readers per year
- An average of 16,000







# TEXAS LIONS FOUNDATION

PDG Lion Lisle Meeker, TLF District Chairman Temple Breakfast Club, Imeeker53@gmail.com

Our district got hit pretty hard by Mother Nature in May. Between floods, hail, and tornados the TLF was able to help 5 clubs with disaster grants to help those in need.

Here we are in the last month of the Lions year and clubs are doing elections and planning inductions. I'm looking forward to coming 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 4th quarter report shows that our district is looking good as 3/4ths of our clubs have sent in their 100% donations. Please send yours in if you have not, so we can finish strong this year.

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 <u>MD-2 Lions of Texas (texaslions.org)</u>. 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 <u>Lmeeker53@gmail.com</u>.



# PEACE POSTER

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

#### Hi All,

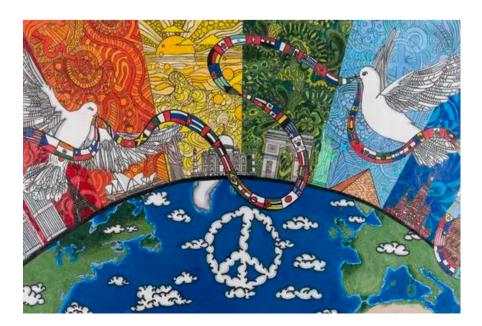
As you begin your new lion year, don't forget to order your Peace Poster kit."Peace Without Limits" is the theme for the 2024-2025 International Peace Poster Contest.

You can order from the LCI store: https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/start-our-approach/youth/peace-poster

To order a kit by phone, call Club Supplies Sales at (630) 571-5466

If you need assistance or have questions, please don't' hesitate to contact me.

Peace without Limits



### **CAPS FOR CANCER UPDATE**



We had trailer loaded and were loading our overnight bags when I got the call from our contact in Del Rio, Donnie Merkle! He had just tried to take a load of bottle caps across the border like he normally does but was stopped by Mexican Customs and informed that they will no longer let us bring them into Mexico. There is a lot of political unrest in Mexico right now and they said that it could change but just don't know. I spent all that afternoon researching other charities that might take them. I found a list online and called all 5 of them and they said that they do not take them. I called the city of Temple recycling center and they will take them so we are delivering them to that center.

Not a total waste because they are being recycled and that is a save the earth project so you can still count those in your service projects. Just not the cancer project anymore. Donnie assured me that he would continue to check and if anything changes he would let me know.

Please don't just put them in the trash. Take them to your town's recycling center. We have way too much plastic floating around.

Sad news but at this time we have no choice.

For those of you who donated money to me for gas, see me at the next cabinet meeting and we will discuss where we will donate that money to. I don't have who gave me what so it will just be a lump sum to a charity.

Lion Lea Batey





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All proceeds benefit Mexia Lions Club projects: Free vision Screenings for local students, Optometrist visits & glasses for kids, Texas Lions Camp, & more!



2024 Beef Raffle Tickets \$25 each or 5 for \$100 Processing provided by Lions Club Club

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July 4th from 9-2 Downtown Mexia Come see classic and new cars, trucks and motorcycles! Lots of fun! Food provided by Mookie's burgers and BBQ

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**Total Clubs** 





- 1. Temple Founder: 119
- 2. Waco Founder: 65
- 3. Grapeland Noon: 64

Membership Leaderboard



- 1. Temple Founder: +22
- 2. Robinson Area: +10
- 3. Temple-Belton Ladies: +8

**Growth Leaderboard** 

# **CLUB NEWS**



## **COPPERAS COVE**

The Copperas Cove Lions were proud to award three \$1000.00 scholarships to graduating seniors of Copperas Cove High School. It was an extremely competitive award as seniors wrote an essay on their volunteer efforts and service performed within their communities. It was wonderful to give to these three students to allow them to continue their education as well as service efforts. The following students received the Copperas Cove Lions Club Scholarship. Pictured here left to right are Ella Crawley, Copperas Cove Lions Club 2nd Vice President Cliff Heath, Jose Lemus, and Micaela Dery. Congratulations!



Right: The Copperas Cove Lions and Leos spread lots of appreciation throughout the local area. Pictured are the Copperas Cove Fire and EMS personnel receiving a wonderful meal and goodies for Fire Fighters Appreciation Day.





The nurses at the Copperas Cove VA Clinic received a delicious pizza lunch and goodies to show our appreciation to them for Nurses Appreciation Week. Left are some of the nurses from the clinic along with Lions Club President Darie McCleaves and Treasurer Lion Jeanne McCleaves.

#### **COPPERAS COVE Continued**





Left: Last but not least, goodies were delivered to two schools for Teachers Appreciation Day. Pictured below President Darie McCleaves makes a delivery of goodies for the teachers at a local school.

### GATESVILLE



A warm welcome to one of our newest members, Peter Keough!



Another great day to present the GHS baseball team with a check for \$250 to help the hard-working kids and coaches with team needs.



In December 2023, Lion Shawnee Miller presented our top sellers for our annual pie sale fundraiser with a trophy for outstanding work. Oliver Puhr was top seller and Jeremy Stills, Richard Shook, Annette Cole, our runner ups and our official "cutie pies".

Left to right: Shawnee Miller, Oliver Puhr, Jeremy Stills, Richard Shook, Annette Cole.





Left: Lion Julie Hudson, director of the Gatesville Boys and Girls Club, accepting a \$1,000 check from Jeremy Stills, President Gatesville Lions Club to go towards the wonderful programs that help our children learn and grow.



Right: The club was very happy to present the Gatesville cub scouts Boy Scouts 272 with a check for \$750 by Jeremy Stills, Lions Club President (right).



Lion Jeremy Stills (left) presenting Lion Eric Moffett(right) with an appreciate award for outstanding service to the club.

Below: Lions were awarded for years of service. All are pictured with President Lion Jeremy Stills.



30 Years-Dora Dyson



20 Years-Grant Kinsey

#### **GATESVILLE** Continued





15 Years-Charles Talbott



10 Years-Vance Stephens



15 Years-Carroll Hamilton

## **GRAPELAND NOON**



Left: Texas Lions Camp workday again. Ten Grapeland Noon Lions club members stepped up again. Drove to Kerrville Friday and cooked breakfast and lunch for about 300 other lions Saturday also working to get the camp ready for the campers who will arrive in June. And awesome camp. Whirlwind trip but very rewarding.

Below: Lion Billie Kaminsky recently presented two Grapeland Noon Lions Club \$1000 scholarships to graduates Anna Cutshaw and Wendy Perez.









Left: It's Memorial Day weekend. A time to honor and remember the courageous men and women who paid with their lives to fight for our freedom. The Grapeland Noon Lions placed flags on their graves at all the area cemeteries. Pictured is Lions Linda Neel at Davis Cemetery.

### HILLSBORO



May 14th meeting of the Hillsboro Lions Club featured a delicious meal and guest speaker Andre Lujan of Texas Through Time Museum of Hillsboro.

Lujan's enthusiastic presentation allowed his passion for paleantology to shine as he spoke of his life-long dream of sharing historical and fascinating fossils and dinosaur relics with everyone. He shared that his fire for achieving his goals in the paleantological realm stems from a trip to Dinosaur Valley State Park as a 4-year old where he stood in a dinosaur footprint. Lujan's story and the museum are not to be overlooked. For more information, visit the museum website or, plan a tour for you and your family or friends...<u>www.texasthroughtime.org</u> or 110 N. Waco Street, Hillsboro, Texas 76645. Museum is open Tuesday-Saturday from 11 am to 4 pm.

# **CLUB NEWS**



## **KILLEEN EVENING**



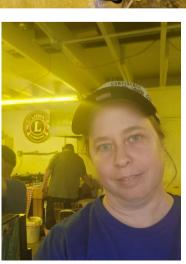
Bingo at the Rosewood on May 3trd

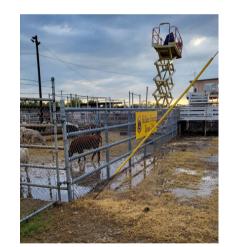


Our Passion for Service 2024 Scholarship Winners.

Below: Killeen Rodeo May 16-18











#### **KILLEEN EVENING Continued**



Thank you to 1st VDG(E) Stacey Phillips for coming out to talk to us about World Service to the Blind on May 21st.

Right: Congratulations to our very own PDG Lawrence Sanchez for being inducted into the Texas Lions Hall of Fame at the Texas Lions State Convention in Amarillo, Texas on May 17th!



## **KILLEEN NOON**

The Killeen Noon Lions Club is heartbroken to announce the passing of Lion Darrel Heginbotham. Lion Darrel passed on May 31st. He will be remembered for his 45 years of dedication to the Killeen Noon Lions, and for his always smiling expression, and the sage advice he gave when asked. He will be missed, but will remain in our hearts and memories.

The Noon Club continued to support the Rosewood Nursing Home, conducting bingo sessions for residents twice this month. The Club also continued to assist the Killeen Food Care Center on Thursdays, helping it hit over 100,000 clients supported this year! Club members participated in the Walk For A Cure supporting Cystic Fibrosis research and treatment.



Boss Lion mows at the Killeen Food Care Center Right: KNLC supporting Walk for a Cure



#### **KILLEEN NOON Continued**





Lion Will surveys his domain at the Killeen Food Care Center



Lion Jack at the Killeen Food Care Center

## **PINEY WOODS**



We're very proud of our Leos. Their hearts of service are an inspiration to us as Lions as we serve our community together! We presented scholarships to 4 of our graduating seniors from the <u>Piney Woods Leo Club</u>. We also presented service awards to 3 additional graduating seniors from the Leo Club. All combined these 7 Leos volunteered 1,453 hours with the <u>Piney Woods Leo Club</u>!

# **CLUB NEWS**



## **ROBINSON AREA**

Robinson Area Lions celebrated their 10th anniversary in May. Esteemed guests included PID Lion Sam Lindsey, PDG Lion Lawrence Sanchez and his wife Lion Sylvia, and Lion Robert Tidwell from Hewitt who was our guiding Lion.













RALC recognized its scholarship recipients at their second meeting in May. Pictured left is Cortney Cader and her family, and pictured right is Lillian Dean with her family including grandfather Lion Dave Hill.



#### **ROBINSON AREA Continued**



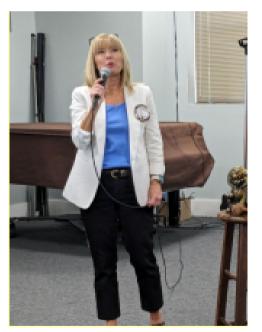


RALC officially inducted 5 new members at their meeting on May 20th.

## SALADO



Our first speaker of the month was our new Salado Police Chief, Allen Fields.



Our second speaker of the month was Lion Kim Bird and she spoke about the great work that the Salado Senior Center is doing.

#### **SALADO** Continued



<-- It was our honor and pleasure to serve again at the Heart and Hands Distribution Day! Thanks so much to Lion's Kim Bird, David Matthews, Ray Don McIntosh, Richard Sapp, Merle Stalcup, and a Salado Lion who likes to remain anonymous. -->



## **TEMPLE-BELTON LADIES**

Lions, Lorna, Jan and Lea from the Temple-Belton Ladies Club took the trailer of District plastic caps to the City of Temple Recycling Center . They had to open every box and bag and dump them out into a big pile. This took 2 hours. Other than it being pretty warm in the facility, it was very therapeutic and fun. District 2-X3 Lions had collected right at 1 Ton of plastic. Great way to help our planet.



# **CLUB NEWS**



## **TEMPLE BREAKFAST**

Some of Temple Breakfast Club Members President Lion Larry Wilkey, Secretary Lion Andi Wilkey, Lion Doree Collins distributed gift cards to those affected by the tornados that hit Temple. The Thank you note was from one of the people receiving a gift card.

<u>Temple Breakfast Lions Club</u> in conjunction with the Texas Lions Foundation identified families in need after the Temple area tornados that struck on Wednesday. We were able to issue \$3,000.00 worth of \$50 HEB and Walmart gift cards to those in need. Thank you members for referrals and thank you Lion Doree of <u>Cultivate Events and Enrichment</u> for assisting and giving us a central meeting location today.







Thank you for being a blessing to us! I pray that you receive it 10 fold

## **WACO WOMENS**



Left: May was full of outside activities, meetings, and being a part of the State Convention in Amarillo to close out the 2023-2024 Lion Year. Lions Jeanne Rieger and B. C. Seely were able to share the joy of Lion Renee Lamson becoming District 2-X3 Governor and our very own Lion Kim Giles becoming 2nd Vice District Governor.

# LEO SPOTLIGHT

## **COPPERAS COVE**



President Darie McCleaves, Treasurer Jeanne McCleaves and the Leos group volunteered with the VFW at a benefit BBQ for a person battling cancer. The community donated many of the items for the meal and the Lions and Leos helped cook and serve the delicious BBQ. This was a highly successful event.



Right: The Leos collected donations for food for families that needed some help this month.



## **PINEY WOODS**



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