

# The Lions Den District 2-S3

"Kickoff A New Century"



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## Governor's Gab Elections



*"Kickoff  
A New  
Century"*

We are within three months of the new Lions year 2018-2019, and it is time that we elect our new club and district officers. I encourage each member of our clubs to accept positions of responsibility to lead your club into the New Year. Your ideas are needed and appreciated in guiding your club into another year of service and membership growth. We have a number of leadership opportunities in each club to help fulfill our identification of community needs and maintain member satisfaction, that is having fun doing what we do to help others in our community. As you elect your new officers, please report them immediately (no later than the 15th of April) on MyLCI so that your new officers can attend on-line webinar training produced by GLT PDG Mike Smith. Those valuable trainings will begin on April 16 with Presidents and Vice-Presidents. If you have not been contacted by email of the scheduling please contact PDG Mike.

The District Convention will be held on May 5, 2018 at St. Richard's Episcopal Church in Round Rock, Texas. I hope that you have this event on your schedule. The planning committee has spent many hours working on an event that you will find both entertaining and educational. The weekend will begin with the 4th Cabinet Meeting to convene Friday, May 4, 2018 at St. Richard's Episcopal Church in Round Rock. The Cabinet Meeting begins at 5:00 p.m. with a social hour to follow with light food and snacks. The convention will open the following morning at 7:30 a.m. with the planned opening of the ceremonies at 8:25 a.m. The morning hours will feature a Memorial Service, and invited speaker on the San Marcos School Fuel program. Our breakout seminars will feature an exciting program presented by Lion Wendy Drush on the "yellow dot" program; a program on the GAT team for the District and the Club presented by PDG Mike Smith; an amazing program on membership presented by the San Marcos membership chair and 2nd VDG Larkin Smith; and a diabetes awareness program presented by Dori Yeater, ADA. During the Governor's Luncheon we will be en-

tertained by the District Tail twister PDG Frank Kinald, followed by the District Governor remarks/recognition and award presentations. We are proud to have PID Cindy Gregg of Bells Vernon, Pennsylvania as our invited speaker for the Governor's Luncheon. The business meeting will follow the luncheon with the District Governor's annual report, followed by reports from the Vice-District Governor's, and the nominating, credentials, and election committees at which time the business meeting will adjourn for delegates to vote in the elections. The convention will then adjourn to the State and International Conventions, and the District Governor-Elect Banquet hosted by the Lake Travis Lions Club to be held in the evening (May 5th) at St. Richard's Episcopal Church, Round Rock where we will share a meal, announce the election results, and welcome the District Governor-Elect for 2018-2019.

I hope each club is working on having positive membership growth for the year. LCI has put together an exciting membership growth initiative to encourage member recruitment. Everyone should have received notice of this program through our newswire. If you sponsor a new member between April 1, 2018 and June 15, 2018 your name will be placed into a drawing with the winner receiving \$750.00. You will receive one entry for each

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## Governor's Gab

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new member sponsored. The winners of the drawing, two per constitutional area, will be notified by email.

In District 2-S3 we have very good participation in the reporting of club activities on the MyLCI platform. However, we do have eight clubs that have not reported any activity this year. I know those clubs have participated in Lions activities in their communities they just need to report. It is through the MyLCI platform that LCI is able to compile all the service activity worldwide, so please report. Sadly, many of the things that Lions do in their communities goes unreported. If you need help making these reports contact the District GST, IPDG John Lyon.

It is spring, and I wish us all the renewal and refreshing that comes with this magnificent time of year!

**"Kickoff**

**A New Century"**



**District Governor  
John Pruett and Lion Brenda  
2017 - 2018**

## 2018 District 2-S3 Convention May 4-5, 2018 Exhibit Space Reservation

Opportunities to promote your District Cabinet position or your Club's successful project.

Fellow Lions, You may reserve a table or tables at our 2-S3 District Convention.

- **WHEN:** May 4 for our Cabinet Meeting at 5:00 AND / OR
- May 5th - 7:30 – 3:00 during our District Convention.
- **WHERE:** St. Richards Episcopal Church, 1420 E. Palm Valley Blvd, Round Rock 78664
- **WHY:** Promote your cabinet position: Leader Dog, Eye Bank, Diabetes or Promote a successful Club project: School Fuel, Reading Program, etc.

Limited space for display tables with electric outlets. Specify number of tables or floor space. All events will be at the same site – exhibits may be left in place Friday evening for Saturday. Set up Saturday morning by 8:00 with take down after 2:00.

Send your requests to: PDG Shirley Dillman,  
[shirley.dillman@gmail.com](mailto:shirley.dillman@gmail.com)  
or call 512-809-4556.



**The Lions Den  
April, 2018**

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## District 2-S3 Convention & 4th Cabinet Meeting District Governor – Lion John Pruett



**When:** Friday & Saturday, May 4th & 5th, 2018

**Where:** Saint Richard's Episcopal Church  
1420 E. Palm Valley Blvd  
Round Rock, TX 78664

**Schedule:**

- Friday, Cabinet Meeting: 4:00 to 5:30 p.m.; Convention Social: 6:00 p.m.
- Saturday, Convention: 7:45 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. Registration & Breakfast; Lunch 12:00 p.m.; Adjournment Estimated 3:30 p.m.
- Saturday, Governor Elects Evening Banquet: 6:00 p.m.

**Registration deadline:**  
April 23, 2018

**Make Checks Payable to:**  
Lions District 2-S3

**Mail to:**  
Austin Founder Lions Club  
C/O Lion Leonor Marques  
8020 Via Verde Dr.,  
Austin TX 78739

	<b>Register by April 23</b>	<b>After April 23</b>	<b># People</b>	<b>Total Cost</b>	<b>Club Name</b>
<b>Registration Fee</b>	\$5.00	\$10.00			
<b>May 4 Cabinet Meeting Dinner</b>	free or charge but we still need a headcount				
<b>May 5 Cabinet Luncheon</b>	\$12.50	\$15.50			
<b>May 5 Evening Banquet</b>	\$17.00	\$21.50			<b>Grand Total</b>

<b>List attendees</b>	<b>First District Convention</b>	<b>May 4 Dinner</b>	<b>May 5 Lunch</b>	<b>May 5 Banquet</b>
1	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>		
2	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>		
3	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>		
4	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>		
5	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>		
6	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>		
7	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>		
8	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>		
9	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>		
10	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>		

Questions, Call - or e-mail Lion Leonor Marques (512) n739-6670 or [LeonorFaria@gmail.com](mailto:LeonorFaria@gmail.com)



# MD-2 STATE CONVENTION CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS MAY 25, 2018



## OFFICIAL STATE CONVENTION CALL

THE ANNUAL STATE CONVENTION OF MULTIPLE DISTRICT TWO (TEXAS) SHALL BE HELD ON THE 25th DAY OF MAY AT CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS. EACH CHARTERED CLUB IN THE STATE IN GOOD STANDING WITH LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL, STATE, AND DISTRICT DUES PAID TO DATE, ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT THEY ARE ENTITLED TO ONE (1) VOTING DELEGATE AND ONE (1) ALTERNATE FOR EACH TEN (10) MEMBERS OF SAID CLUB, OR MAJOR FRACTION THEREOF, AS SHOWN BY THE RECORDS OF LIONS INTERNATIONAL ON THE FIRST DAY OF THE MONTH LAST PRECEDING THAT MONTH DURING WHICH THE CONVENTION IS HELD. THE MAJOR FRACTION REFERRED TO SHALL BE FIVE (5) OR MORE MEMBERS. ONLY REGISTERED DELEGATES WITH CERTIFIED CREDENTIALS, PRESENT IN PERSON AT ANY MEETING OF THE CONVENTION, SHALL BE ENTITLED TO VOTE. ELIGIBLE DELEGATES ARE MEMBERS WHO HAVE BEEN ENROLLED FOR AT LEAST ONE (1) YEAR AND A DAY IN THE CLUB AS SHOWN BY THE RECORDS OF THE INTERNATIONAL OFFICE AS COUNTED FOR PURPOSES OF CALCULATING DELEGATE ENTITLEMENT. EACH SUCH DELEGATE MAY CAST ONLY ONE (1) VOTE ON EACH QUESTION.

THE PHRASE "MEMBERS" WHO HAVE BEEN ENROLLED FOR AT LEAST ONE (1) YEAR AND A DAY IN THE CLUB IS INTERPRETED TO MEAN THE FOLLOWING:

A TRANSFEREE SHALL BE COUNTED AS A MEMBER FOR THE PURPOSE OF CALCULATING THE DELEGATE ENTITLEMENT OF THE CLUB IF THE TRANSFEREE HAS BEEN A MEMBER OR RECEIVED TRANSFER FOR AT LEAST ONE (1) YEAR AND ONE (1) DAY.

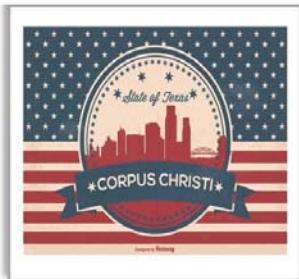
A REINSTATED MEMBER SHALL BE COUNTED AS A MEMBER FOR THE PURPOSE OF CALCULATING THE CLUBS DELEGATE ENTITLEMENT PROVIDED THAT THE REINSTATED MEMBER HAS BEEN A MEMBER FOR AN AGGREGATE PERIOD OF NOT LESS THAN ONE (1) YEAR AND ONE (1) DAY.

A NEWLY CHARTERED CLUB WILL BE ENTITLED TO ONE (1) DELEGATE AND ONE (1) ALTERNATE DELEGATE UNTIL IT HAS BEEN CHARTERED FOR ONE (1) YEAR AND ONE (1) DAY. THEREAFTER, THE DELEGATE QUOTA WILL BE BASED ON THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS ENROLLED IN THE CLUB FOR ONE (1) YEAR AND ONE (1) DAY.

CLUBS BEING RELEASED FROM STATUS QUO WILL HAVE THEIR DELEGATE QUOTA BASED ON THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS ENROLLED IN THE CLUB FOR ONE (1) YEAR AND ONE (1) DAY AT THE TIME OF BEING RELEASED FROM STATUS QUO. HOWEVER, A CLUB BEING RELEASED FROM STATUS QUO WILL BE ENTITLED TO A MINIMUM OF ONE (1) DELEGATE, AND ONE (1) ALTERNATE DELEGATE.

*Richard S. "Rick" Talbert*

MD2 COUNCIL CHAIRMAN



**MD-2 TEXAS LIONS  
STATE CONVENTION**  
May 24-26, 2018  
**OMNI HOTEL**  
900 NORTH SHORELINE BOULEVARD  
Corpus Christi, Texas 78401



FIRST TIME ATTENDEES CHECK HERE

Hotel Reservation Cutoff Date – May 2, 2018

**CONVENTION REGISTRATION FORM**

NAME AND TITLE	CLUB NAME	DISTRICT			
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ADDRESS	CITY	STATE	ZIPCODE	TELEPHONE	
E-MAIL ADDRESS	I require transportation from the airport: YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>				
Register by February 10, 2018 with early registration and save up to \$50.00. Registration fee of \$25.00 must be included with all orders.			FORM OF PAYMENT		
Date and Function	Early Registration Postmarked by February 10, 2018	Registration Postmarked by April 20, 2018	Late Registration Postmarked after April 20, 2018	Number of Tickets	Total Cost
<b>REGISTRATION FEE</b> All attendees, including Non-Lions, must be registered.	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00		
<b>FULL MEAL PACKAGE</b> Includes all meals and Thursday Evening event. Golf not included (separate registration required).	\$170.00	\$195.00	\$215.00		
Thursday 5:30 – 8:30 PM May 24, 2018 <b>"ROAR BY THE SHORE" WELCOME EVENT WITH LIVE MUSIC</b>	No Charge	No Charge	No Charge		Please indicate # attending
Friday 12:00 – 1:30 PM May 25, 2018 <b>TEXAS LIONS HALL OF FAME LUNCHEON</b>	\$31.00	\$36.00	\$40.00		
Friday 7:00 – 9:00 PM May 25, 2018 <b>TEXAS LIONS CHARITIES DINNER</b>	\$41.00	\$46.00	\$50.00		
Saturday 7:00 – 8:30 AM May 26, 2018 <b>PDG MEMORIAL SERVICE BREAKFAST</b>	\$25.00	\$30.00	\$35.00		
Friday 12:00 – 2:00 PM May 26, 2018 <b>OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUTH LUNCHEON</b>	\$31.00	\$36.00	\$40.00		
Saturday 7:00 – 9:30 PM May 26, 2018 <b>MD-2 GOVERNORS' BANQUET</b>	\$42.00	\$47.00	\$50.00		
Friday breakfast will be on your own.					Total Enclosed

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: LIONS CLUB DISTRICT 2A3

CANCELLATIONS HONORED UNTIL APRIL 30, 2018

**MAIL CHECKS AND  
REGISTRATION TO:**  
PDG Paul Parr  
4910 Deer Park  
Corpus Christi, TX 78413

**FOR INQUIRIES  
CALL OR E-MAIL:**  
PDG Paul Parr  
361-855-3664  
n.parr1@aol.com

**OMNI HOTEL**  
900 NORTH SHORELINE BLVD  
CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS 78401  
1-800-THEOMNI (1-800-843-6664)

Standard Room Rate  
\$144.00

\*Price available through holiday weekend with convention booking

Meeting Name: Lions of Texas  
Multiple District 2 State Convention

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**REGISTRATION** is required for everyone attending, **EXCEPT** for non-Lion family members of Hall of Fame Honorees or Opportunities for Youth Contestants attending just that specific event.

Payment postmarked by 2/10/18 will have a total cost of \$195.00; payment postmarked between 2/11/18 and 4/20/18 will have a total cost of \$220.00; and payment postmarked after 4/20/18 will have a total cost of \$240.00 for the full meal package and registration fee. All other choices will be subject to the listed price for each event.

<b>DRESS CODE</b>	
Thursday Evening (Welcome Social)	Beach Casual
Friday Evening (PDG Banquet)	Business Attire
Saturday Evening (MD-2 Governors' Banquet)	White Coat (preferred) or Business Attire

All convention attendees are encouraged to attend both evening banquets.

\_\_\_\_\_ Check here if you require special dietary needs and please list below:

\_\_\_\_\_ Check here if you are a non-Lion family member of a Hall of Fame honoree or Opportunity for Youth Contestant

**For More Information: [TexasLions.org](http://TexasLions.org)**

## Lions District 2-S3 KidSight Program \*Year-To-Date Screenings and Referrals

***Number of Children:***

***Kids Screened***

***15,957***

***Kids Referred***

***2350***



**\*Year-To-Date: Lions Year –July 1, 2017 through March 31, 2018**



**Schertz Cibolo Lions Club**  
*Presents the 9th Annual*  
**Fiesta de Noche en Schertz**  
**CASINO NIGHT**



**Friday, April 20, 2018**  
**Schertz Civic Center**  
**1400 Schertz Parkway**

**Tickets: \$40 in Advance, \$50 at the Door**

**Casino Games, Food, and Music**

**Silent and Live Auctions**

**Prizes Include: Trip to Vegas & Personal Casino Party**

**FOR MORE INFO OR TO PURCHASE TICKETS**

**CALL 210.710.6558 OR 210.332.2255**

**BUY TICKETS ONLINE AT [www.ticketriver.com](http://www.ticketriver.com)**



**: Schertz Cibolo Lions Club**

## Wimberley Lions Club Presents \$64K In Grants

Grant recipients from all over the Wimberley Valley smile big for the camera after receiving checks from the Wimberley Lions for the 2017-18 year.

This year's budget for grants to nonprofits and charitable organizations

was \$64,000, leaving a balance of \$84,000 for scholarships and youth exchange. This is a really special year because the Wimberley Lions will hit the \$4 million mark in money given back to the community since the early 1970's... woo hoo!



*IVP and Grant Committee Chair Lion Richard Newsum, Lion President Vic Forsyth, and Lion Frank 'Pancho' Walker smile from the back row amongst the happy grantees.*

## SM Bluebonnet LC - Early Childhood Party

*Early Childhood Intervention (ECI) Homespun - Photos right show two of the 40 smiles at their Holiday Party; Made possible in part by the Bluebonnet Lions grant.*



## "Membership Growth" New Members - March

Congratulations to the newest members of District 2-S3 and their sponsors. **District Governor John Pruett**

### Austin Founder Lions Club

Erica Garcia	sponsored by	Ann Ward
Tonya Rae	sponsored by	Ellen Grimmet
Kim Wright	sponsored by	Patricia Robinson

### Buda Lions Club

John Ellen	sponsored by	Scott Cary
Alice Garceau	sponsored by	Kerman Hammond Sr
Michael J Garceau	sponsored by	Kerman Hammond Sr

### Dripping Springs Lions Club

Sandra K Keell	sponsored by	Doug Marsh
Kathy Wolters	sponsored by	Susan Warwick

### Lago Vista Lions Club

Bob Crow	sponsored by	Ron Smith
Mary Mac A Crow	sponsored by	Ron Smith

### Manor Lions Club

Tabatha A Darilek	sponsored by	Francisco Nila
Anna M Horn	sponsored by	John Burrell
Robert E Horn Jr	sponsored by	John Burrell

### New Braunfels (Noon) Lions Club

Anna B Darr	sponsored by	Doreen Fisher
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### San Marcos Lions Club

Denisa G Burnham	sponsored by	Larkin Smith
Rose M Pearson	sponsored by	Larkin Smith
Julie A Petrus	sponsored by	Debbie Smith
Monica Ybarra	sponsored by	Larkin Smith

### Texas State University Campus Lions Club

Rose Kemp	Jesse Reyes	Megan Schnittger
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### Wimberley Lions Club

Aaron C Jones	sponsored by	David Osborn
Karis A McCutchen	sponsored by	Amy Cox



## A Memorial To Lost Lions

Chester Kolmeier ..... Bulverde Lions Club  
 David B Menig ..... Bulverde Lions Club  
 Roy H Crenwelge ... New Braunfels Evening Lions Club

## Membership Drive Contest

Dear Lions,

Wherever we serve, we inspire others to make an impact. And when our clubs grow, our impact grows. That's why I am asking every Lion to invite a friend or family member to serve with us. You can even earn a special prize of US\$750 when you sponsor new members in your club.

Here's how the new member sweepstakes works:

- ◆ Sponsor a new member between April 1 and June 15, 2018 to be eligible to win.
- ◆ You will receive one entry for each new member sponsored and be automatically entered into a drawing for your chance to win US\$750.
- ◆ Two winners per constitutional area will be selected at random and notified by email.\*

If we embrace this opportunity, we can make our clubs and communities stronger. Plus, we can make history together. Since 1982, we have been working to reach the ambitious goal of 1.5 million Lions. With your help, we can achieve this incredible milestone by our International Convention in Las Vegas in June.

So invite a new member between April 1 and June 15 for your chance to win US\$750. But more importantly, you'll make an important contribution to your club and the future of the greatest service organization in the world. Let's reach a new membership record so we can serve more people than ever before. Let's put the Power of We into action.

Sincerely,

**Dr. Naresh Aggarwal**

**Your International President**



## New Lions - District 2-S3

### Wimberley Lions Club

*Congratulations to Lion Aaron Jones*



The Wimberley Lions welcomed new member Aaron Jones at the general meeting on Tuesday, March 20. Lion Aaron, also an assistant Scoutmaster, has been helping Lions Dave Osborne and Eric Price along

### Club Elections Over! Now What?

**PDG Mike Smith - Global Action Team**

Yes the results of the club election of Officers for the 2018-2019 Lions Year are due to be reported by April 15, 2018. Since the election period is almost over, what is important to the incoming officers between now and July 1st when their term begins.

First, depending on the position you were elected to, you will need to sign up for training either at Lions Clubs International or better yet, at your district level. **Note:** There is significant changes in all the positions to warrant sign up this year even if you are continuing to serve in that position.

The district is charged with training all club officers on the changes to their positions. Club Officer Training will begin on April 16th with Presidents and 1st VP's.

See the full schedule below. You will be sent an email (**Note:** if you have no email address in the system the email listed either for the club president or Club secretary will be used to send you communication until such time as a personal email is listed) notification of the start time and link to join the online webinar for your elected position.

Participation In either LCI online webinar , District Webinar Or District Instructor Live Classes is strongly encouraged for it is how You as a club Officer make your club eligible for the Club Excellence award at the end of your term. The District Global Leadership coordinator will be tracking all training for the District Governor to verify your club's eligibility for that award.

### Lago Vista Lions Club

*Congratulations to Lions Bob and Mary Ann "Mac" Crow*

*Bob and Mary Ann "Mac" have been married for 42 years! Although Bob doesn't say where he was born, Mary Ann says she was born and raised in Illinois. They moved to Cedar Park in 2005, stayed for 10 years and then came to Lago Vista in 2017. As Bob puts it, Cedar Park was becoming too crowded. Mary Ann convinces us that*



*she came to Lago for the lake, wildlife and star watching. Those opinions sound solid. They are both retired. Bob was an RN at a hospital and Mary Ann was an AT&T Division Manager. Also, she's a semi-retired professional instructor. Obscure facts about each would be that, first and foremost, Mary Ann really doesn't care to be called by her name; she prefers her nick-name, MAC. Most people never notice, but she is blind in one eye. Bob is really devious as he loves to look at the stars while having a beer. Hobbies include golf and bingo for MAC; outdoor projects and environment for Bob. Both MAC and Bob noticed how active in the community their sponsor, Ron Smith, was and they became interested in what Lions accomplish. Welcome!*

I have also activated the links below for each class:

[Club President & 1st VP's](#)- April 16, 2018 6:00pm;  
[Club Secretary](#)- April 18, 2018 6:00pm;  
[Club Treasurer](#)-April 21, 2018 3:00pm;  
[Club Service Chair](#)- April 24, 2018 6:00pm;  
[Club Membership](#)-April 26, 2018 6:00pm;  
[Club Marketing Chair](#)-April 30, 2018-6:00pm.

These webinars will repeat in the month of May and if you wish to go (instead of online) to a live class those will be scheduled in the month of June based on Demand and location. You may register for live classes online at the district webpage under district training page. The district website is <http://www.lionsdistrict2s3.com>.

**See you in Training**

## SM Bluebonnet Lions Club - Peace Poster Winners



*San Marcos Bluebonnet Lion Beverly, Lion Martha, 1st place winner Seth Hogan, art teacher Belinda Bourne holding 2nd place winner Daniel Villalpando's poster, and 3rd place winner Isaiah Ridings.*

## Possible Retention Actions / Resources

Lions Clubs International is rich in valuable and easy to understand resources to assist your club's membership committee or Board of Directors for membership retention ideas.

Based on history, these resources help your club retain members:

- ◊ Help your club find a meeting format that meets members needs by utilizing **"Your Club, Your Way"**
- ◊ Make sure activities are relevant and meaningful by utilizing **"Making it Happen"**
- ◊ Study the **"Achieving Results"** module in the Lions Learning Center to improve meetings
- ◊ Utilize the **"Club Officer Orientation"** in the Training Material section of the Leadership Development Section to strengthen club leadership.

- ◊ Educate your members on how the club operates and the value of membership by hosting a member orientation using the **"Orientation Guide"**
- ◊ Strive to achieve the **"Club Excellence Award"**
- ◊ Utilize the **"Mentoring Program"** to build stronger relationships with members and encourage members to strive to achieve higher leadership levels with our District.
- ◊ Develop a membership campaign - **Club Membership Chairpersons Manual**, utilize targeted membership initiatives to reach **women, family members, students, young adults and others**.
- ◊ Encourage your club to participate in **Lions Worldwide In-**

duction Day.

- ◊ Publicize club activities - **Public Relation Resources**

This is the month for elections, so it is most important to utilize the **"Club Officer Orientation"** to have your officers trained, organized, and ready 'To Serve' July 1, 2018. Also, the membership committee should be writing and publishing their goals so members will know expectations to better support your club.

Remember: Elections are to be held by April 15. Our District will also provide Officer Training. Stay tuned for that information.



## Word-of-Mouth Is The Best Advertising

by LION ANN WARD, District Public Relations Committee Chair



From membership to fund-raising, Lions are always looking for new support and participation. While we usually think about traditional ways to communicate activities and events, sometimes we forget to use the best form of promotion: word-of-mouth.

I'm traveling in Asia as I write this. When talking with individual group members, I mentioned my volunteer work with Lions Clubs International. I was surprised when one woman from California said she had heard of Lions but didn't know anything about Lions and asked me what we do. What an opportunity! I gave her a five-minute overview of the founding of LCI, our areas of service and our world-wide humanitarian efforts through the LCI Foundation. She was amazed at our good work, and stated she would look at Lions when she retires in a few years.

My point is we each have countless opportunities to tell friends, family members and even casual acquaintances about Lions. Our enthusiasm for what we do as Lions is the foundation for member recruitment. Talking about our projects with people we encounter daily can garner financial support for fund-raising projects and service activities. While results may not be immediate as in the case with my conversation, a short chat may produce support for a fund-raiser or a donation. It could give you the opportunity to recruit a new member!

Your family and close friends probably know what you do, but have you invited them to join you? I encourage you to expand your conversations about Lions to a wider network of friends and acquaintances. People you do business with -- both professionally and individually-- may become donors, both in-kind and financial. And ultimately these business contacts may become new members.

All of us can be goodwill ambassadors for Lions and our clubs can benefit. So, spice up your one-on-one interactions with some great Lions news!



Lions  
**Ordinary People  
Amazing Things**



## *Wimberley Lions Club's Outstanding Lion Award*

The Wimberley Lions presented the Outstanding Lion Award to **Lion Frank "Pancho" Walker** at the March 20 meeting. Lion Pancho has been in the Wimberley Lions Club since 2011 and has been very active serving on various committees such as Lion Development and Grants, and also works very hard for our Market Days doing field clean-up, concession deliveries, and manages the parking lots to boot! **Congratulations Pancho!**



## Canyon Lake Noon Lions Club - CASA

*CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) Volunteer Recruitment coordinator, Laura Torres (second left) brought the CASA mission to Canyon Lake Noon Lions at their March 15 meeting. CASA volunteer Advocate Michael Gentz (third left) talked about his volunteer experience and the commitment in time. He emphasized that the CASA Case Workers did the bulk of the work but that Advocate volunteers play a very important role in a child's life. CASA Central Texas Executive Director Norma Blackwell (right), answered Lions' questions. Noon Lions President Tom Huff (left) presented Ms Torres a Certificate of Appreciation. CASA always needs volunteers to assist their mission of being an advocate for abused and neglected children. There is a greater need for male advocates to provide a male presence in the life of these children. There is always a need for volunteers—children in need far outnumber the volunteers.*



## Georgetown Noon Lions - A Night at the Races

Wednesday, 23rd May, 2018

Georgetown Noon LIONS CLUB

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23RD MAY

A NIGHT  
AT THE RACES!

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COCKTAIL SOCIAL 5:30pm  
6:00pm BUFFET OPENS  
RACES START 7:00pm

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## Community Garden Work Day at Canyon Lake CRRC

On March 17, Canyon Lake Community Resource and Recreation Center (CRRC) held a garden work day to prepare soil and plant this year's crop. In two to three months, the garden will begin yielding cucumbers, squash, peppers and tomatoes. Last year's garden yielded 800 pounds of produce for CRRC of Canyon Lake's Food Pantry. But how the garden grows the rest of the year — even with the continued help of dedicated volunteers — depends solely on the efforts of a retired New Braunfels landscaper Canyon Lake Noon Lion Joe Ed Lyles. And he needs help. Lion Joe Ed Lyles moved to Canyon Lake several years ago. He noticed the 1/4-acre garden at the CRRC's Recreation Center and quickly assumed responsibility for the untilled land in December 2016. In January 2017, plans for the garden crystallized into an action plan. "When I took over the garden in January, it was weedy as all get out," he told a local news source in an interview last summer. "I had to dig 51 holes and cement them in for posts that hold shade cloth up. That took a lot of time." Maureen Schein, CRRC's resource program director, says fresh fruits and vegetables are among the most expensive items on anyone's grocery list. The CRRC feeds 500 to 600 people a month. Although the garden's abundance made a dent in CRRC's budget, it didn't grow a second-in-command for Lyles, concerned about planting a future.

"I just want this thing to continue with or without me," he says. "I need a couple of people that I can depend on who will be there, and know what needs to be done." People who've worked with Lyles say it's a lot of fun, not physically demanding and just plain friendly. Lyles doesn't mind entertaining those who sit in the shade and visit. He makes sure nobody gets scorched in the hot Texas sun, either. "In the summertime, I get there early. Right around sun up or shortly after, and then I leave by 9:30. I don't stay in that sun, and I don't let people work after 10 a.m." There's plenty of land to expand the garden but not enough volunteers to help CRRC feed more hungry mouths. "The main thing is to bear in mind that we do this for the food pantry," Lyles says. "People need this food. That's why we do it." By the way, Lyles was a landscaper before he ever gardened. He's self-taught. All he needs now is to plant a seed in the mind of someone in the community he can teach to keep Canyon Lake's community garden bountiful for years to come.



*Canyon Lake  
Noon Lions  
Spotlight on  
Lion Joe Ed  
Lyles.*

## Lago Vista - March Centennial Challenge



### Diabetes (03/20/2018):

- Mike Brin, Executive Director, Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF) gave an educational and awareness program on Type 1 Juvenile Diabetes with a Q&A afterwards.



### Texas Lions Camp Workday Clean Up (03/03/2018):

- Ten Lions spent 33 hours and cleaned the Arts & Crafts and Music Building at the Texas Lions camp in Kerrville.

## Club Membership Chair

*By PDG Mike Smith*

This is the final position in the series that I started in January. This is a position that over the years has grown in importance to the very foundation of our club organization.

This officer position is more than a one man or person job. It is really a team effort (at least a 3 to 5 member committee) dedicated to recruitment and retention efforts of the club. The chair will report to the Board of Directors on the efforts to attract new members to the club and retain the older ones.

This officer position will be part of the Club Global Action Team that will formulate the club vision and goals short and long term going forward for the next five years. They will work with the Leadership(1st VP) and the Service Chair under the direction of the president of the club to first formulate the plans and then execute the plans going forward.

Continuing training will be given by the District starting with the individual club officer training sessions April through June 2018 and will at least be monthly starting in July.

**Who is your Ideal Member?**

## Garden Ridge Lions Club - TLC Workday 2018

Annually our Lions Camp at Kerrville holds a series of work days to clean-up the Camp from winter and prepare it for summer operation.

The Camp holds three work days in the Spring generally on the first Saturday of the month. Our members have participated the past 5 years and again this year, our members are contributing to the upkeep of the camp. As you can see in the pictures, everyone has a great time working TO help maintain the facility.

**TLC Work Day, March 3, 2018:** Ten Lions and Lion spouses participated March 3rd at this year's first Lions Camp Work Day. Our task was to paint the interior of the Recreation building. Through a mis-guided start (we started on the wrong building) and much hard work, fun, and team work, we completed painting the interior before lunch. We welcome volunteers for the upcoming April and May Work Days.



## Zone 2-B Meeting

On March 28, 2018, Zone 2-B Chair Carol Weed (pictured below standing) conducted the Zone 2-B meeting at the Jardin Corona Restaurant in Liberty Hill with Liberty Hill Lions (LH), Lago Vista Lions (LV) and Austin Lake Travis Lions (ALT).



*Clockwise from left: Lions 1VP Anita Burke (LV), President Jo Anne Smith (LV), 1DG Linda Davis, Mike Beal (LV), Elke Tessnow (LV), President David Mixon (ALT) PDG Angie & PDG Larry Nicholson (LH host club) and Zone 2-B Chair Carol Weed (ALT).*

*Photo by Lion Ron Smith*



## International Convention Parade Hats for Las Vegas

If you are attending the International Convention and you want to purchase a straw western hat for the Texas MD-2 Cadre marching in the International Parade in Las Vegas. Hats will be delivered in Las Vegas on June 29, 2018 at the MGM Grand Hotel. The cost is \$25 per hat; please fill out the form below, make checks payable to MD-2 Texas Lions, and send to DG (2-T1) Phyllis Elsey, 5008 Yale, Amarillo, TX 79109.



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	<b>"MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO MD 2 TEXAS LIONS"</b>				



## Lions District 2-S1 Texas Lions Camp Knife Order Form



Name \_\_\_\_\_ Club \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

**Number of Knives** \_\_\_\_\_ \$100.00 each (\$40 donated to Texas Lions Camp)  
**Total for Knives** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Shipping \$2.00 per Knife** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Total Amount** \_\_\_\_\_

Please make check or money order  
payable to:  
**District 2-S1**

Please mail order form **and** check or money order  
(no cash in mail) to:

**Ken Jobe**  
**4749 CR 2590**  
**Chester, TX 75936**



**Knives are ordered in Blocks of at least 50.  
Please allow time for enough orders to reach that number.**

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## Point Venture Lions Club - Road Clean-up

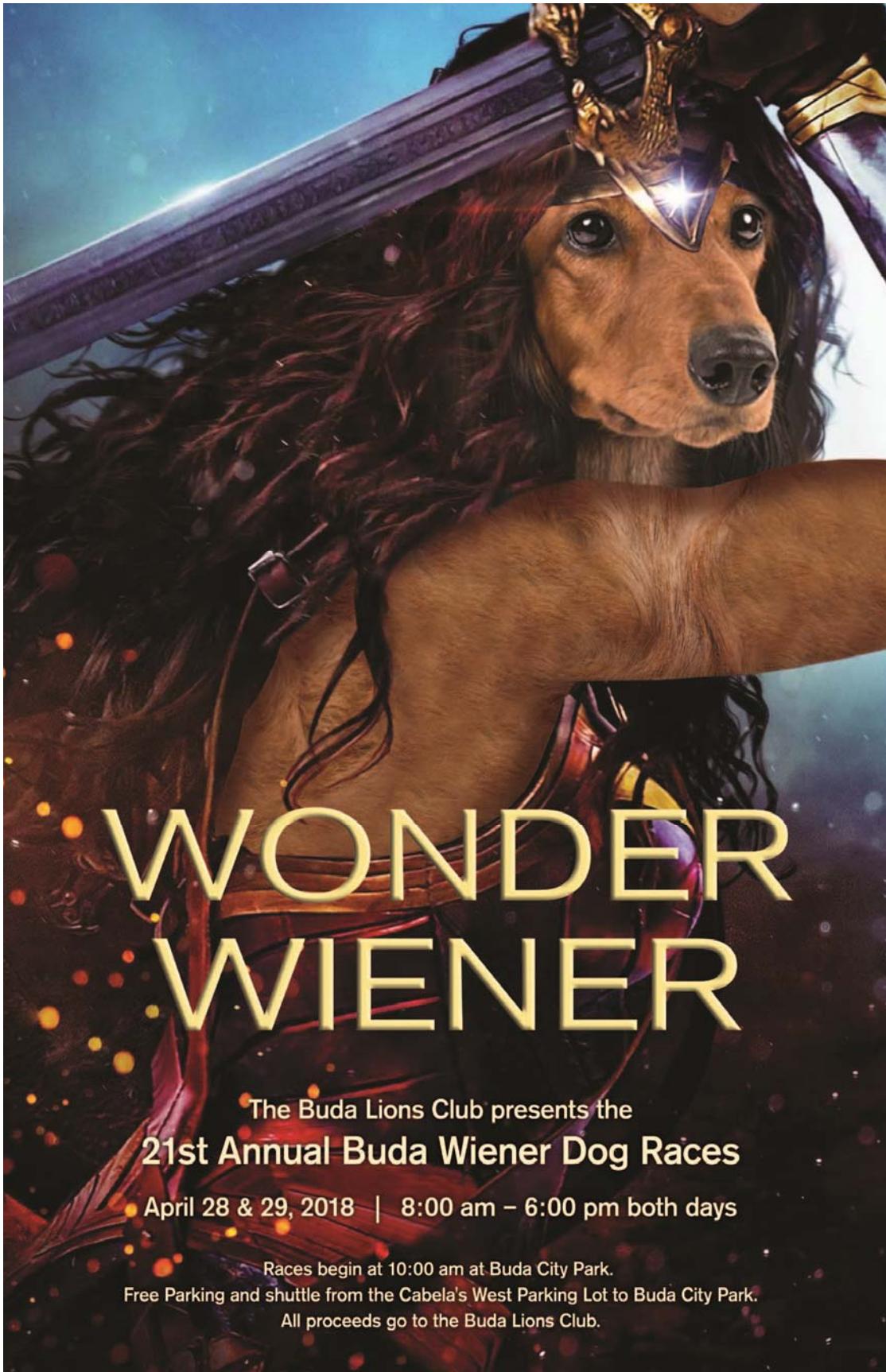
**First Quarter Road Clean-up:** Road clean-up on Lohman Ford Rd. was coordinated by Mike & Aylisa Bucko. Eighteen volunteers (14 Lions & 4 non-Lions) worked for 2.5 hours cleaning up this major road into Point Venture.



Lions Mike and Aylisa Bucko



The Point Venture Lions Club Road Clean-up Crew



## Point Venture Lions Club - "Easter Best" Contest



The **Easter Best** contest was hosted by Cindy Clemons, Point Venture Lions Club Tail Twister. Nora Skaff won first place in the Easter Bonnet contest, Ann Kirk was second and Jan Gallagher was third.



## Wimberley Lions Club Student and Teacher of the Month

At the March 20th general meeting, the Lions Club recognized the Student and Teacher of the Month from Jacobs Well Elementary. JWE Principal Andrea Pope introduced them and told us what their peers had to say about them. Teacher of the Month April Grant is described as outstanding at both teaching and leadership. She spearheaded a garden project at the school, including fundraising and planning. This Garden Club now has 100's of students that April directs weekly. She is a dedicated teacher to her 4th graders and also instructs the gifted and talented children.

Student of the Month Chloe Swindle has a lot of fans too! Her fellow students say that she is creative, super smart, and a really cool kid. Her teachers say that Chloe always wants to do her best, that she is driven and very clever, and never has a bad word to say about anyone.



*Shown from left are JWE Principal Andrea Pope, Teacher of the Month April Grant, Student of the Month Chloe Swindle, and Lion President Vic Forsyth.*

## SM Bluebonnet LC

December - Lion of the Month



*Martha Moore has been a Lion since 2012. Always willing to step up where needed, she chaired the Thankful Turkey 5K in 2016 and has chaired the scholarship committee for several years. Most recently, she chaired the Peace Poster contest.*

January - Lion of the Month



*Judy Aswell is a charter member of BLC and has served in so many capacities that it would be hard to name them all. She is currently our club secretary and chair of the nominating committee and the SMGA Project.*

February - Lion of the Month



*Beverly Marek has chaired the Social Committee for two years, has helped with many of BLC projects, and serves as a Board Director with perfect attendance.*



### CANYON LAKE NOON LIONS

## FISH FRY & CRAFT SHOW

LIVE MUSIC BY BRENDA VARNE'

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**11:30 A.M. TO 3:00 P.M.**

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## Canyon Lake Noon Lions Annual Fish Fry

If you like perfectly breaded, seasoned, and fried catfish, join the Canyon Lake Noon Lions on Sunday, May 6th at the CRRC Rec Center, 125 Mabel Jones Dr (below Canyon Dam) for a mouth watering meal of catfish, cole slaw and beans. Lions buy fresh-caught gulf catfish (never frozen) and prepare them starting at dawn, in the Lions Cooking Pavilion at the CRRC Rec Center. Leo Club members help on the serving line serving iced tea and helping wherever needed. Home made desserts are only \$1.00!! Prior to the Fish Fry, Lions sell raffle tickets at several locations around the Lake for a great mega raffle. Raffle tickets will also be sold at the Fish Fry so you still have an opportunity to win one of four \$250.00 value prizes. As an added attraction, local artisans will feature juried hand-crafted items for your shopping pleasure. Tickets are only \$12.00 for a great meal, shopping, and an opportunity to visit with friends and neighbors.



## Garden Ridge Lions Club - 2018 Boys/Girls State

At the American Legion Boys and Girls State, participants learn the rights, privileges and responsibilities of franchised citizens. The training is objective and centers on the structure of city, county and state governments. Boys and Girl State is intended to educate our youth in the duties, privileges and responsibilities of American citizenship; give future citizens, in a realistic manner, an opportunity to learn the problems of government by performing the same duties as real office holders in the everyday world; inform them of the rights and privileges of American citizenship; and instill a deep sense of the personal responsibilities and obligations which this citizenship entails.

**Boys State:** We are supporting 4 High School Seniors to attend this year's Boys State at the University of Texas, in Austin. It takes \$295 to support each boy attending; our total donation is \$1,180. Boys State is intended to educate our youth in the duties, privileges and responsibilities of American citizenship; give future citizens, in a realistic manner, an opportunity to learn the problems of government by performing the same duties as real office holders in the everyday world; inform them of the rights and privileges of American citizenship; and instil a deep sense of the personal responsibilities and obligations which this citizenship entails.

**Girls State:** We are supporting 3 High School Seniors to attend this year's Girls State in Seguin. It takes \$375 to support each girl attending; our total donation is \$1,125. Girls State is intended to educate our youth in the duties, privileges and responsibilities of American citizenship; give future citizens, in a realistic manner, an opportunity to learn the problems of government by performing the same duties as real office holders in the everyday world; inform them of the rights and privileges of American citizenship; and instill a deep sense of the personal responsibilities and obligations which this citizenship entails.



<https://lionsdistrict2s3.com/kidsight-vision-screening>

## Point Venture Lions Club TLC Workday 2018



*Texas Lions Camp Workday was well attended by approximately 44 Point Venture Lions. We rebuilt benches, stained and refreshed many more.*



*Then at a Point Venture Lions Club meeting following the TLC Workday, Trish Wilson, Texas Lions Camp, spoke about the efforts, and received a \$5,000.00 donation for the Camp.*



## *Lago Vista Goes To Camp Texas Lions Camp Workday March 3*



On march 3, 2018, Lago Vista Lions cleaned the Arts & Craft Room and Music Room at the Texas Lions Camp. Ten Lions who cleaned were: President Jo Anne Smith, Imm. Past President Don Zschoche and TLC Coordinator Connie Zschoche, Pat and Ted Rosen, Jerry and Susan Nilsson-Weiskott, Frank Robbins, Elke Tessnow and Ron Smith.



**Charity Challenge**





## The Texas Lions Camp Still Needs Campers



By Ann Ward, District 2-S3 Elected Director – North



June is fast approaching and Texas Lions Camp sessions soon will begin. As always, slots for campers -- especially those for children with physical disabilities -- still remain open. Please look for potential campers in your community. Some disabilities -- such as asthma or hearing loss -- may not be as visible as children with physical conditions. Enlist the help of school nurses, medical professionals and social workers in helping get the word about TLC to these children and their families.

May 5 is the final Camp work day. While this conflicts with our District convention, there may be Lions in your club who prefer to help prepare the camp

instead of attending the convention. Register for Camp Workdays online at [www.lionscamp.com](http://www.lionscamp.com).



And, if you are attending the District convention, please stop by the TLC booth where my fellow District director Tony Doyle and I will be. We would love to talk with you about TLC and schedule a visit to your club.





# 25th Annual Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament sponsored by James Avery Artisan Jewelry

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Gabriel Farmer, Camper 2017  
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8:00 am Shotgun Start

**Lady Bird Johnson Golf Course**  
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**James Avery Challenge**

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**Mail to: Garion Brunson, 2-T3  
1541 JBS Parkway, Suite 7 Odessa, TX 79761**

## 2018 Texas Lions Camp Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament Hole Sponsorship Camper – Gabriel Farmer

Long time camper, Gabriel Farmer is the 2018 Texas Lions Camp Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament Camper Ambassador. Gabe, as he is known to his friends, calls San Antonio, Texas home and has attended TLC for the past 4 years. At 15 years old, he is looking towards another great summer in 2018 and is counting down the days until his return to one of his favorite places on earth. Though it will be his last, it will be his best summer yet.



Gabriel attends school at The Academy, at Morgan's Wonderland. He loves school and his friends, but TLC is AWESOME! At camp, he enjoys swimming, the pedal boats and especially music class. But among his absolute favorites are his counselors and the dance. Gabriel's mom, Diana, mentioned that when Gabe talked about his counselors he calls them his best friends.



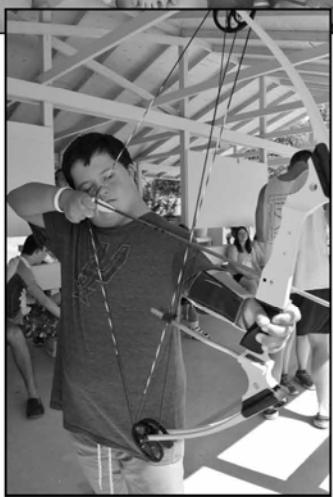
It wasn't easy allowing Gabriel to go to camp at TLC. Diana talked about her experience as a mother of a child with Down syndrome and the need to know Gabriel was safe. She said, "Gabriel has a heart that is pure and true."

She mentioned experiences with others not caring for him and his safety, which made her hesitant of other potentially bad experiences for him. But after deciding to send him to TLC for a week, specifically for children with Down syndrome, she drove onto Texas Lions Camp and immediately knew Gabe was safe.



"TLC was wonderful from the very first moment. The Camp itself was amazing and everyone was so excited to see him. I knew in my heart he would be safe and have a great time. I went back to my car, sat there and cried for a little while. I knew deep down, he would laugh, get dirty and have a marvelous time. Every year I bring him to camp, I sit there for a moment and cry, but the time that I do, gets shorter and shorter. It is such a good feeling to know it makes him happy."

Gabriel was not expected to live past birth, and if he did, he would have difficulty and possibly not live to see his first birthday. But from the very start, he has shown that the impossible is possible for kids like him. His zest for life each and every day, whether reading history, singing and dancing to every song he hears, talking with friends and family, playing basketball or enjoying his days at TLC, Gabe is an example of living life to the full.



Diana has become an ambassador for Texas Lions Camp herself shares that Gabe is a typical kid at TLC, getting to do things just like everyone else and having fun. To families considering TLC for their child but aren't sure it would be good for them, she says:

"Just do it! Even if it means you have to do a lot to get them packed and ready, that you have to drive a long way, and you can't stop thinking about them the whole time they are gone, just do it, just go! It is so worth it. When you see their face and the excitement when they get there and everyone is loving on them and happy they are there, it is amazing! And when you see your child's face at the end of the week, and the light that shines in their eyes, you'll know—you did the right thing for them, and it was all worth it."

Gabriel and his family are excited about being a part of this year's 25th Anniversary Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament. For more information on how you and your team can play in the Tournament, visit: [www.lionscamp.com](http://www.lionscamp.com) and look for the Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament Tab.



Texas Lions Camp is proud to have great kids, like Gabriel, who attend our summer camping program and celebrate those who embody the TLC spirit of "Children Can...With TLC!"™



## LEADER DOGS FOR THE BLIND

LEADER DOG NEWS FOR LIONS - MAR 2018

### BILL GRAHAM AND LEADER DOG GIBSON

**W**hen Lion Bill Graham began losing his sight, he already knew of organizations to turn to for support. First, he got assistance from the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), then he came to Leader Dog for orientation & mobility (white cane) training.

Soon after, Bill and his wife moved from rural Georgia to Raleigh, North Carolina. "Unfortunately, between us and Raleigh is a five-lane road and thousands of cars speeding along each day," says Bill.

Bill decided that the time had come to get a guide dog. He was soon training with Leader Dog Gibson, a friendly golden retriever. "Gibson is doing absolutely everything I need him to do," boasts Bill. "I can cross the busy road safely. Gibson has helped me cross a barrier I just couldn't navigate alone."

"Lions and Leader Dog are two great organizations. I'm honored to be a part of both," says Lion Bill, Leader Dog chair for district 31-S.



Bill Graham and Leader Dog Gibson train in Florida under the supervision of Guide Dog Mobility Instructor Sarah Duyck.



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### CLUB HIGHLIGHT

Burley Lions Club—Spudman Triathlon

"Spudman is an important event in our community, and many people volunteer to make it happen every year" posted Stephanie Wright Curtis on the Burley (ID, district 39-W) Lions Club's Facebook page. Every year on the last Saturday in July, triathletes complete a grueling 1.5K swim down the Snake River, then bike a 40K and run a 10k across the picturesque backdrop of Idaho. By donating a portion of the proceeds from this event to Leader Dog every year, the Burley Lions Club has consistently ranked as a Top Dog Club (an annual gift of \$5,000 or more).

Great job Burley Lions!

### LIONS IMPACT ON LEADER DOG

*"Thirty seconds of a Lion's time can change a person's life. Anyone can do that by telling someone about Leader Dog."*

-PDG Tom Simmons, a Leader Dog client (AZ, district 21-C)

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FOLLOW THE LEADER

## Point Venture Lions Easter Egg Hunt

Point Venture Lions in conjunction with the PV POA hosted the annual Easter Egg Hunt March 31, 2018: 1503 Eggs were hidden by PV Lions, then hunted by neighborhood kids.



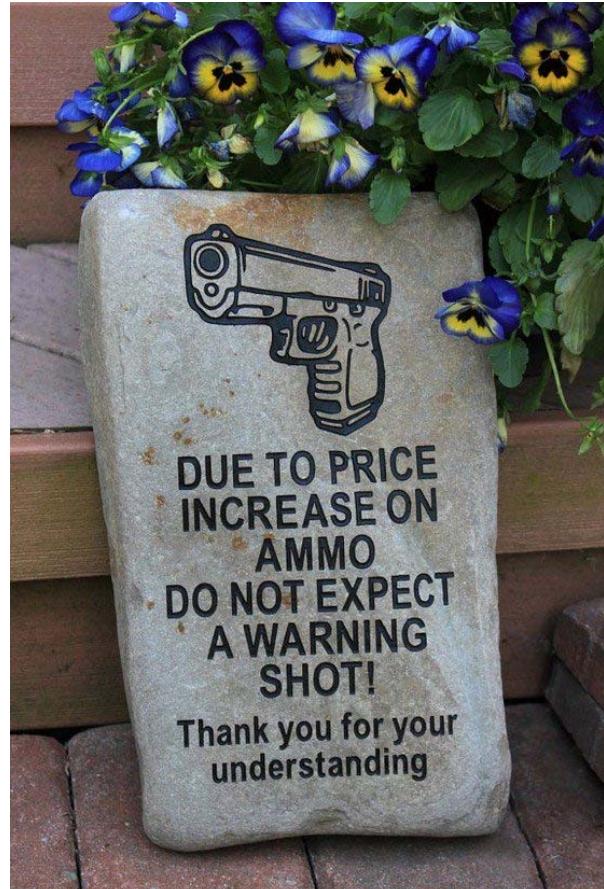
## Lago Vista "Trash Off" April Is "Protecting Our Environment" Month

### 6th Annual City of Lago Vista Clean-Up

Saturday, April 7th is the 6th annual City Clean Up & Tex-as Trash Off. City of Lago Vista volunteers will be at 19900 Ming Trail from 8:00 am - 5:00 pm to help unload your residential waste. **"Keep Lago Vista Beautiful"** will be hosting a modest breakfast for the Adopt a Street litter clean up volunteers.



## Only In Texas!



## USA/Canada Leadership Forum 2018 - Columbus, Ohio



## Lago Vista - Matt Frost Memorial Golf Tournament

*By Golf Tournament Chairman, Lion Gary Ladner*

Successful March 17th Lions Matt Frost Memorial Golf Tournament Summary



*Golf Chairman Lion Gary Ladner and Dodi Frost Jones, widow of Matt Frost.*

On Saturday March 17th, 19 teams of six players each showed up to play golf at the Lago Vista Golf Course. The weather was great and all looked forward to a great day of golf. Golf team coordinator, **Lion Jim Rogers**, used his magic to shuffle players at the last minute to be sure all teams were full with six players. **Lion John Spoerlein** and his BBQ team were smoking up the air. Since the Golf Course grill was closed, the BBQ team provided a hamburger lunch option for the golfers and workers. The main entrée for the dinner was smoked brisket this year and was a huge success.

**Anita Burke** coordinated efforts in the club house, including handing out door prizes to all the golfers. **Lions Joe and Glynda Wolverton** sold **\$816** in mulligans to all the golfers who wanted that extra shot or two. **Lions Jim Orr and Jim Dougherty**

and others at previous locations sold **\$1,886** worth of raffle tickets to potential winners.

**Lion Susan Nilsson-Weiskott** and crew set up the silent auction at the Golf Tournament and collected **\$2,830** from the highest bidders. **Lions Dale Mitchell and Scott Cameron** helped oversee workers on the course. **Lion Carl Spoto** collected **\$300** on the buy-a-eagle hole. **Lion Ken Johnston** collected **\$480** on hole number 12 from those golfers wanting to earn a hole-in-one if they hit the green. **Lion Duane Lueders** collected **\$300** on hole number 15, the long par five known as the tiger drive hole. **Lions Stephanie Smith and Christy Staller** went from hole to hole with the beverage cart and collected tip money. They donated all tips back to the Lions. **Lions Jo Anne and Ron Smith** took some great photos of all the activities, including each team as they approached hole number two. **Lion Scott Cameron** coordinated the setup and take down of extra tables used for the silent auction. **Many hands make light work!**

Many of these same Lions and others spent countless hours contacting potential sponsors and donors for hole sponsorships, raffle prizes, door prizes, silent auction items, and items for the goodie bags. The success of the tournament depended on the efforts of all these Lions and I thank each and every one of you. **Lion Connie Zschoche** did a great job of keeping track of all sponsorships and donations and which Lion made the sponsor or donor contact. We thank all of our sponsors and donors. It goes without saying that any successful event depends on good advertising prior to the event. Thanks to **Lion Jo Anne Smith** and her sister, **Lion Patti McClure** for finalizing our flyers, sponsorship form and team entry

form.

Jo Anne did a great job getting the word out through local businesses. **Lion Duane Lueders** kept everyone tuned in via our Lions web site, Facebook, and other means on an as needed and timely basis. **Lion Patti McClure** included golf tournament updates in our monthly newsletter.

**Lion Mike Beal** made arrangements for all necessary copies of the flyers, sponsorship forms, team entry forms, BBQ meal tickets, mulligan tickets, Re-Bath beverage tickets and other misc. copies. **Lion Mike Zaydel** acted as our committee treasurer and did a great job of keeping track of income and expense items. As of this writing, Mike reports an estimate of **\$32,500** in income and approximately **\$7,500** in expenses. This means that our net income to the Lions Charity Fund will be near the **\$25,000** level. Excellent job by all involved. Great team effort by 82 plus per cent of the membership.



*Special family signs amongst the many of the sponsoring signs throughout the course*



# CLUB NEWS.....

## BLANCO LIONS CLUB

We will meet at the Old 300 Bar-B-Que (4th and Pecan St.) on Thursday April 5th. Dinner can be ordered at the counter and paid as you order. Dinner will start at 6:00pm and the meeting will follow at 6:30. This should allow interested individuals to attend at no cost. You are reminded to please bring a non-perishable food item to the meeting to support the local food bank.

**Membership:** Still looking for new members. So far this year we're doing terrible. A personal invitation to attend a meeting could be an effective tool to recruit new members. Lions have a contest with cash prizes for members who recruit new members. Lion Matt will have details at meeting.

**2018 -2019 Officers:** The officers for 2018 - 2019 are President - Matt Herden; 1st Vice President - Kim Thompson; 2nd Vice President - Elissa Barker; Secretary - Carol Davidson; Treasurer - John Jones; Directors - June Newhouse, Ben Copeland. There's also a number of positions we'll fill by volunteers at a later meeting.

**Scholarships:** Scholarship applications are due 4/27. The review committee will meet when they are received with the awards being made 5/17.

**LEOs:** The LEOs will participate in the "Keep Blanco Beautiful" trash pick up and the Blanco Volunteer Fire Department's Fish Fry on April 7.

*Submitted by Lion Kim.*

## GARDEN RIDGE LIONS CLUB

**TLC Work Day, March 3, 2018:** Ten Lions and Lion spouses participated March 3rd at this year's first Lions Camp Work Day. Our task was to paint the interior of the Recreation building. Through a mis-guided start (we started on the wrong building) and much hard work, fun, and team work, we completed painting the interior before lunch. We welcome volunteers for the upcoming April and May Work Days.

**2018-2019 Club Elections:** On March, 14, 2018, the general membership elected a new slate of officers for Lion Year 2018-2019: President, Mark DuBois; 1st Vice President, Bill Swint; 2nd Vice President, Ray Pitzen; 3rd Vice President, Bill Foote; Treasurer, Mark Meyers; Secretary, Jim Newbold; Lion Hunter, Dave Heier; Service Chair, Mandy Hagy; Marketing & Communications, Cheryl Banda; Tailtwister, Noelle Czerniak; Lion Tamer, Vic Rodriguez; 2 year Directors, Jim Morgan and Larry Smedley; 1 year Directors, Larry Thompson and Dick Vogt; Program Director, Mark Frye; and Immediate Past President, John Mitzel.

**Guest Speakers:** On March 14, 2018, John Manguso graduated from the University of Florida with a Master of Arts degree in U.S. history. He retired from the U.S. Army after 28 years of active and reserve service, including a tour of duty in

Vietnam. After 33 years as director of the Fort Sam Houston Museum, he retired in 2011. On March 28, 2018, Robert Naething, Deputy to the CG, U.S. ARNORTH, was our guest speaker.

**Eye Exam:** We provided an eye exam for a needy individual at a cost of \$117.00.

**Resources for Women:** We donated \$500.00 to Resources for Women in Garden Ridge.

## LAGO VISTA LIONS CLUB



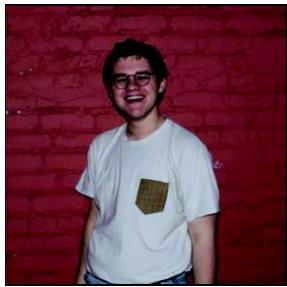
*Lions Mike and Aylisa Bucko*

**First Quarter Road Clean-up:** Road clean-up on Lohman Ford Rd. was coordinated by Mike & Aylisa Bucko. Eighteen volunteers (14 Lions & 4 non-Lions) worked for 2.5 hours cleaning up this major road into Point Venture.

**Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation Awareness:** On March 20, 2018, Mike Brin, Executive Director, Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF) gave an educational and awareness program on Type 1 Juvenile Diabetes with a Q&A afterwards.



**Youth Pediatric Cancer Fund Raiser:** Former Lago Vista Leo Andrew Callan is shaving to cure childhood cancers! Apr 7, 2018 • 10:00 am - 2:00 pm; Event: Brave the Shave - S. M. I. L. E.; At, Brave the Shave - S. M. I. L. E.; University of Texas, Main Mall, Austin, TX.



Many of you might remember this GREAT Leo that graduated a couple years ago from Lago Vista High School. Pediatric Cancer will be another of our new Lions Challenges next term.

#### NEW BRAUNFELS (NOON) LIONS CLUB



**The Black Bean Episode (Reprise):** Our ever-resourceful Tail Twister, Ranger Ray Martinez, provided the group at our March 1st business meeting with a subdued re-enactment of a grim day in Texas history. As the story unfolded, Lion Ray had each of us draw a bean from brown bags

containing an array of tan beans interspersed with several black beans. Those pulling a black bean were assembled in a row. Known as The Black Bean Episode, an aftermath of the Mier Expedition resulted from an attempted escape of the captured Texans as they were being marched from Mier to Mexico City. After an escape at Salado, Tamaulipas, on February 11, 1843, some 176 of the men were recaptured within about a week. A modified decree ordered that every tenth man would be executed. The victims were chosen by lottery, each man drawing a bean from an earthen jar containing 176 beans, seventeen black beans being the tokens signifying death. The doomed men were unshackled from their companions, placed in a separate courtyard, and shot at dusk on March 25, 1843. In all, 18 men were executed. Fortunately for our 'doomed' fellow Lions, they were each given a Hersey Kiss for their last meal and permitted to resume to their seats unscathed!

*By Lee Ambrosino, Zone 5A Chair*

#### Business Meeting - 1 March



*Third VP Dolly Williams and CASA presenter Laura Torres. (Photo by Tom Call).*

**CASA:** Making a Difference in an Abused Child's Life -- Our program for the first meeting in March touched upon a rather sobering issue, but one that is being addressed by an ever-expanding group of dedicated individuals. The topic was CASA, the acronym for Court Appointed Special Advocates. The presenter, Laura Torres (Volunteer Recruitment Coordinator), provided an overview of this movement which originated more than 30 years ago, focusing upon the organization's local operation. With office locations in both New Braunfels and San Marcos, the organization covers Comal, Hays, Caldwell and Guadalupe Counties. Trained CASA volunteers are appointed by judges to help ensure that every child in foster care is moved to a safe, permanent home as quickly as possible. The volunteers serve on one case at a time, ensuring a focused commitment when addressing the needs of the child or sibling group. To learn more about CASA or become a CASA Volunteer, visit [www.casacentex.org](http://www.casacentex.org).

*By Lee Ambrosino, Zone 5A Chair*

#### Business Meeting - 15 March

- New Braunfels History:** We started the meeting with a local history quiz from Tail Twister Ray Martinez. Did you know that the city bought 128 acres of Landa Park in 1936 (a fairly recent purchase), that the fountain in the traffic circle precedes the court house by a year (1836), or that Ferdinand Lindheimer was the first editor of the Die Neu-Braunfelser Zeitung in 1852? Well, now you do.
- Sick & Ailing Report:** Chaplain Deacon Ben Wehman led us in the blessing after recognizing the return of two ailing stalwarts, Ronnnie Thompson and Dan Krueger, and in soliciting prayers for long-time Lion, teapisper and all-around good guy Bill Kolodzie.
- 2018-2019 Slate of Officers:** IPP Lee Ambrosino read the slate of candidates for fiscal year 2018-2019 after confirming that no nominations had been made from the floor at the previous reading. Elections will be held at our April 5th business meeting and a quorum is required. Please make arrangements to attend that meeting.
- White Cane Day:** New membership directories were distributed (thanks, Lee Ambrosino and Tom Call) White Cane Day is scheduled for Saturday, 12 May, and your Noon Lions are responsible for Granzin's Meat Market, the Farmer's Market and Arlan's Food Market this year. Volunteer your time, please; don't make the day captains track you down and twist your arm. Zone 5A meeting soon, ask Lee for details. VerNell's history program delayed until 19 April.
- Next Month's Program:** The April 5th program will feature Byron Bradfute, Cameron's dad, who was a Dallas Cowboy in 1960 and '61, their first seasons in the NFL.

**Relay for Life:** The annual Relay for Life will commence at 1800 hours on Friday, 27 April, and participants will maintain forward velocities, either in teams or individually, until midnight. The walk raises funds for cancer research and awareness of the scourge itself.



*Juanita Wells*

As usual, our own Juanita Wells, a cancer survivor in her own right, will lead the charge for your New Braunfels Noon Lions. Call her for details.

## NEW BRAUNFELS BREAKFAST LIONS CLUB

**NB Breakfast LC Celebrate Charter Night:** The Lion members and their spouses meet on Tuesday March 27th at 6:30pm at the Dos Rios Mexican Grill to celebrate the clubs 42nd charter night celebration. The members were joined by the widow of William Bill Moreno Past President of our club and his Son and daughter in law as our special guests. In addition to good food, several presentations were made this evening.

The First presentation was to thank Bill Moreno's son for his help in wrapping the club flag trailer with a patriotic theme. As a Token of the Club's appreciation, a framed collage of pictures of the trailer was presented to the widow of Bill Moreno as a token of our thanks for a job well done.

In addition to this special presentation there was three Melvin Jones Fellowship presentations and one Jack Wiech Fellowship. The recipients of the Melvin Jones Fellowships were Don Schock,(progressive), Jean Pfluger (progressive) and Mike Stallings was announced will be presented at the next meeting since he could not attend this evening. The Jack Wiech Fellowship was presented to Lion Boss Forrest by PDG Mike Smith.



*Lion Boss Forest is receiving Jack Wiech Fellow, presented by PDG Mike Smith.*

Lion Jim Bradewater is our only active charter member and was asked to tell a little history of the club for those present. Lion Jim spoke about the beginning of the club; there was one annual fundraiser of selling brooms and how they awarded a special prize for the member that sold the most brooms. The award was a broken broom handle and a broom head mounted on a block of finished wood painted gold.

I do believe all enjoyed the festivities this evening and are looking forward to celebrating our charter on a regular basis from now on.

## SAN MARCOS BLUEBONNET LIONS CLUB

**President's Corner:** Spring has arrived and so have the bluebonnets (the flowers and the Bluebonnet Lions)! As Bluebonnet Lions, we are blossoming and spreading the seeds of Lionism to our community and the world.

I am proud to serve alongside each of you and of the work our Club continues to do. We've helped pack food for School Fuel. We're sending several campers to Texas Lions Camp this summer and helping children read through Reach Out and Read. We celebrated Central Texas Life Care with a baby shower and served dinner at Southside Community Center; and the best is still to come. Be on the lookout for upcoming volunteer & fundraising opportunities such as our Bake Sale, Texas Lions Camp Workday, Wimberley Market Days Parking, and Recycling the Joy Sale in April.

Each Lion is unique and has great ideas to offer. If you think of something, let a committee chair or Board Member know.

Thank you!!!

**Trish Wilder, President**

### COMMUNITY SERVICE—Cherry Walts, chair:

- April is "Protecting Our Environment" LCI Centennial Service Month. Contact Cherry w/questions.
- **Adopt-a-Park—Linda Alexander, chair** - Children's Playscape on CM Allen Pkwy is now being rebuilt with help from community volunteers through April 15. Bluebonnet Lions who would like to help paint decorative cutouts for the playground is encouraged to email or call Linda Alexander for suggested parking areas. Linda has helped paint at a waist-high table in a cool breezy spot several times a week in the mornings as part of our Adopt-a-Park service project. Come out and join her to demonstrate our continued support of Adopt-a-Park while enhancing our Club's visibility in the community.
- **Texas Lions Camp—Carol Peters, liaison** - Lions Trish, Carol, Beverly, and Cherry will travel to Kerrville accompanied by Mikayla Marek and Charles Walts for Lions Camp Workday on Saturday, April 7. If you are interested in joining them, please contact Carol. Lions Trish, Debby, Beth, and Carol are also sponsoring a total of five campers this summer. When we find out their assigned weeks, we will try to organize a Friday evening trip to see them graduate.
- **School Fuel Project—Debby Lawrence, chair** - On Thursday, April 12, we will again Prep and Pack sacks for School Fuel. We need about 5 people to Prep from 5-6pm. We need 10+ people for packing from 6:30-7:15pm. Family members are welcome to help. We had a great time helping on February 22 with this quick, easy, and very rewarding project knowing that the sacks will feed hungry children in our community.

**Lions District 2-S3 Convention—DG John Pruitt:** When: May 5 from 8am—2pm; 9am Exhibitors, Training sessions, Feature Presentation; 12pm Governor's Luncheon, Business meeting & Election; 6pm Governor-Elect Banquet &

Entertainment; Where: St. Richards Episcopal Church, 1420 E. Pam Valley Blvd, Round Rock.

Bluebonnet Lions are needed to represent our Club as voting delegates at District Convention. If you can attend, please let Trish Wilder know. Registration and Saturday breakfast & lunch will be paid by Bluebonnet Lions Club.

### FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE—Trish Wilder & Debby Lawrence, co-chairs:

- **Lions Mexican Dinner Bake Sale—Debby Lawrence, chair** - The San Marcos Lions Club Mexican dinner will be held on Friday, April 6 at the San Marcos Activity Center. Our Bake sale fundraiser will be held as part of the dinner.

Sign up to bake a homemade dessert! Some popular ones last year were cakes (German chocolate, lemon Bundt, chocolate, Strawberry), brownies, pies, cookies, and Rita's Pecan Pie bars! Serving hours are 11am—7pm. We'll need a few people to work the event. Shifts are 10-1, 1-4, and 4-7:30. If you are not a baker, you can donate cash to purchase supplies & Debby will have tickets at the April 3 meeting for \$8 each.

- **Wimberley Parking—Linda Alexander, chair** - On Saturday, April 7, our Club will host a parking lot for the Wimberley Market Days. This fundraiser opportunity is generously donated by former Bluebonnet Lion Liz Gajdow-Potolicchio. Please contact Linda if you are able to help that day.
- **Bluebonnet Lions Spring "Recycle the Joy" Sale—Pat Hiam & Carol Peters, co-chairs** - Saturday, April 28, at Price Center from 9am to 1pm; Volunteer shifts: 7-10am, 9-12am, 11am-2pm; Shoppers needed: 9am—1pm (please try to stop by!).

We are in need of a volunteer to provide some storage before the event and someone with a truck or van to transport donated items to the Price Center on Saturday morning from 7-9am.

We also need several more volunteers on sale day for all three shifts. Sign-up sheets will be at the April meetings. If you will donate a larger item for the sale, please send a photo to capeters12@austin.rr.com for a press release by April 10. If you can mark prices on your items, use \$1, \$2, \$3, \$5, & \$10 tags.

Call Carol for delivery locations or pickup or to volunteer to help on April 28.

- **Saver's Fund Drive—Trish Wilder, chair** - Saver's in South Austin will pay BLC directly per pound for all items of soft clothing, linens, towels, shoes, etc, collected from April 28 to May 11 at 20 cents per pound. Drop-off location will be Trish's office near Seton Hospital in Kyle. Weigh date will be May 12. So start collecting today!

**Nominating Committee—Judy Aswell, chair:** The election will be held at April 3 meeting or send your vote to Judy by April 2. The following is the 2018-19 slate officers:

- President—Trish Wilder
- 1st VP—Judy Aswell

- 2nd VP—Cherry Walts
- 3rd VP—Ramika Adams
- Treasurer—Linda Alexander
- Secretary—Sandra Ellison
- Director—Beverly Marek
- Director—Debby Lawrence
- Membership Director—Maggie Moreno

**Social Committee—Beverly Marek, chair:** Our Family Club Picnic will be held on Tuesday, April 17, at Dunbar Rec Center on MLK Street in San Marcos. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share. Tea and mystery meats will be provided. The Picnic is open to ALL of your family members as well as your guests. Happy Birthday to our April birthday Lion Jill Stolar; Our appreciation to March 20 Baby Shower hostesses: Lions Bonnie Flammang, Sandy Gray, & Gloria Sandoval

**Membership Committee—Ramika Adams, chair:** Ramika will have Bluebonnet Lions membership brochures available at our April 28 Recycle the Joy sale. Please ask a potential new member to join you to help with the sale or just to shop at our booth at Price Center 4th Flea. Our goal is three new members before June 30! "ASK 1" and become a Centennial Sponsor.

**Awards Committee—Debby Lawrence, chair:** The Awards Committee is always open to suggestions for Lion of the Month. Awards Committee members are Chairman Debby Lawrence, Rose Brooks, Irene Luna and Carol Peters.

#### WIMBERLEY LIONS CLUB

**President's Letter for March 2018:** It is hard to believe, but my year as President of the Wimberley Lions Club is quickly winding down. We have picked our slate of officers for next year and will be holding elections on April 3rd. It is nice to see new blood on the board and I know they will lead us in a direction that will benefit our community.

The Wimberley Lions have selected eight youths to represent us in our student exchange program. These kids will be traveling to Lions sponsored camps in Europe and Italy. Travel plans are in progress for their trips this summer.

The Lions awarded our grants at our March 6th general meeting. We have donated close to \$150,000.00 this year to Wimberley, which brings our total donations as a club to \$4,000,000.00. We have begun laying out a local celebration in Wimberley to celebrate this \$4,000,000 milestone.

Our next Market Days will be April 7th and feel free to come out and enjoy the 450 vendor booth and 10 Lion food concessions. There is always live music and loads of fun for the whole family. Our hours are 7:00am to 4:00pm. We are easy to find, as you drive through Wimberley, just look for our blue and gold banners.

**Vic Forsyth, President, Wimberley Lions**

**Lions Centennial Park Project:** Wimberley Lions are currently working on the Lions Centennial Park Project to celebrate 100 years of Lionism. Lion John Estepp heads up our Centennial Project Committee and is happy to finally begin work. Our community project is to rebuild the seating area

and pergola next to Cypress Creek that got washed away in the 2015 October flood.

**Market Days - Eagle Scout Project:** Work has begun on the new Lions pavilion stage and wall for Market Days. This is an Eagle Scout project for Henry Price, who is also an active Leo at Wimberley High School. The first workday was March 17th. The project should be mostly completed, except for some detail work, by May Market Days. Volunteers included many scouts from our local BSA Troop 127, and Lions Dave Osborn, Aaron Jones, and Eric Price.

