

The Lions Den District 2-S3

"Kickoff A New Century"



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Governor's Gab

Convention, Reporting, and Membership



*"Kickoff
A New
Century"*

Convention

I hope that everyone that attended the District Convention enjoyed the day, and found the Convention agenda educational and entertaining. I have many people to thank for the success of the event. The Round Rock Noon Lions for hosting the event, and St. Richard's Episcopal Church for use of their beautiful parish hall. The planning committee (PDG Shirley Dillman, Lions Leonor Marques, Shirley Jenson, Jerry Williams, Gayle Collins, Anne & Robert Weir, Brenda Pruett, Anh Nguyen, Liz Bumguardner, DGE Linda Davis, 1st VDGE Larkin Smith) led by Chair PDG J. P. Kirksey met in Manor on several occasions to plan each detail of the event. I offer a special thanks to PDG Gil Burrell, Anne and Robert Weir, and the Manor Lions for use of their hall for our planning purpose. I thank our Featured Speaker, Lion Jenny Mangrum, who provided us with a powerful message as she described the School

Fuel program in the San Marcos Schools. Lion Jenny guided us through a program that currently provides weekend food for 671 students. In the afternoon we were truly blessed to hear from Past International Director Cindy Gregg who provided us with a motivational and informative address that made me proud to serve as a Lion. During our breakout sessions PDG Michael Smith provided information about the Global Action Team; an inspiring presentation was offered by 1st VDGE Larkin Smith on the methods of the San Marcos membership committee; Sara Oussar of the American Diabetes Association provided us with an overview of diabetes; and Lion Wendy Drush introduced the District to an exciting new service activity opportunity entitled "Yellow Dot", a program to provide important medical information to first-responders in the event of an automobile incident where the occupant may be incapacitated. Finally a sincere debt of gratitude to the UT Lions Media Committee, Chaired by Lion Alex Nguyen, and videographer Lion Kaitlyn Trowbridge, and members of the UT Executive Committee for the video clips that introduced the District Awards for 2017-2018.

Reporting

The reporting duties by the club secretary and/or the club service chair (for service) are very important to Lions Clubs International (LCI) and the District Officers. All of the data collected by LCI is now done electronically through MyLCI that is why we offer extensive training, face-to-face, online webinars, and even individually upon request. In spite of these efforts we still have clubs that are not reporting. As of May 1, 2018 we have 11 clubs that have not reported their officers for 2018-2019 (21.6%); 9 clubs that have not reported a service activity (17.6%); and 21 clubs that have not reported at least 2 service activities associated with the Centennial Service Framework of hunger, youth, vision and environment (41.2%). I think these clubs all have information to report, and they are simply not reporting or under reporting. I kindly ask all club secretaries to update their club activities on MyLCI, let's have 100% reporting by year-end, June 30, 2018.

Membership

We need to continue to work on membership. To date we have 16 clubs (31.3%) that have not added a new member to their roster this year. I am asking each club to set a goal to add at least one new member this year. If you need financial help for a

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Governor's Gab

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membership event, the District has funds available to help support the event. Please contact me for additional information. We are in the final two months of 2017-2018 let's end the year strong with 100% reporting and an increase in membership. Thank you for your support.

"Kickoff

A New Century"



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

District 2-S3 Convention May 5, 2018

The District Convention and 4th Cabinet Meeting was held Friday and Saturday, May 4-5, 2018 at Saint Richard's Episcopal Church, Round Rock, Texas. The Hutto High School Air Force ROTC Color Guard presented the colors. Ms. Lauren Castor and Ms. Kathryn Castor sang the National Anthem, District Chaplin, Lion James Sulcer gave the invocation and we were welcomed by Round Rock Mayor Craig Morgan. PDG JP Kirksey led the group in song.

The New Braunfels Breakfast Lions

Club performed a Memorial Service to honor all fallen Lions during the past Lion year.

Lion Jenny Mangrum, San Marcos Lions Club, gave the Feature Presentation of their "School Fuel" program.

Four Break-out Session were presented: Global action Team, PDG Mike Smith; Diabetes Awareness, Sara Oussa; Membership Development, 1st VDGE Larkin Smith; and Texas Yellow Dot Program, Wendy Drush.

The following District Awards were presented by DG John Pruett:

International President's Awards: Ann Ward - Presidential Medal (2nd highest LCI award); Larkin Smith - Presidential Leadership Medal (3rd highest LCI award); Presidential Certificate of Appreciation (4th highest LCI award) - Maureen Kinald, Lee Ambrosino, Leonor Marques, Harold Tannahill, Jerry Williams, Jo Anne Smith, and Anne Weir.

Jack Weich Fellowship Progressive - Tony Doyle, donated by DG John and Lion Brenda as 2-S3.

District: C.W.A. McCormack - New Braunfels Noon; Service to New Height - Lago Vista, Buda, & Austin Founder; Harry Reasonover - Jim Newbold, Garden Ridge; Gold Spur - Anita Burke, Lago Vista; Silver Spur - Marc Matier, Canyon Lake Noon; District 2-S3 Hall of Honor - Nancy Handrick, Buda.

The meeting was concluded with attendees voting for District offices for the 2018-19 Lion Year.

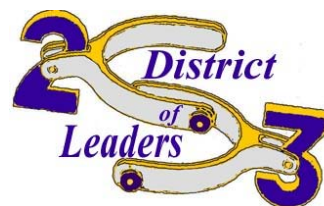
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Congratulations



*The Lions Den
May, 2018*

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We Serve

2-S3 Convention Pictures

*Harry Reasonover
Award*



*Jim Newbold
Garden Ridge Lions*

*2-S3 Service
Hall of Honor*



*Nancy Handrick
Buda Lions Club*

*Gold Spur
Award*



*Anita Burke
Lago Vista Lions Club*

*Silver Spur
Award*



*Marc Matier
Canyon Lake Noon LC
(Lion Paul Drush ac-
cepting Award)*

*C.W.A. MacCormack
Award*

Service To New Heights Awards



Lago Vista Lions Club



Austin Founder Lions Club



Buda Lions Club



New Braunfels LC

International President's Awards - Presented by PID Cindy Gregg

*Presidential Medal
2nd Highest LCI Award*



*Ann Ward
Austin Founder LC*

*Presidential Leadership
Medal
3rd Highest LCI Award*



*Larkin Smith
San Marcos LC*

*Presidential Certificate Of Appreciation
4th Highest LCI Award*



Presidential Certificate of Appreciation: (Top Row, L to R) Anne Weir, Manor LC; Maureen Kinald,

Georgetown LC (Bottom Row, L to R) Jo Anne Smith, Lago Vista LC; Lee Ambrosino, NB LC; and Jerry Williams, Capital City LC. Not Shown: Leonor Marques, Austin Founder LC; and Harold Tannahill, Wimberley LC.

2-S3 Convention Pictures

Jack Weich Fellowship Progressive



Tony Doyle, Spring Branch-Bulverde LC. (Donated by DG John and Lion Brenda)





**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	
NAME AND TITLE		CLUB NAME		DISTRICT	
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
REGISTRATION FEE All attendees, including Non-Lions, must be registered.	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00		
FULL MEAL PACKAGE 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 "ROAR BY THE SHORE" WELCOME EVENT WITH LIVE MUSIC	No Charge	No Charge	No Charge		Please indicate # attending
Friday 12:00 – 1:30 PM May 25, 2018 TEXAS LIONS HALL OF FAME LUNCHEON	\$31.00	\$36.00	\$40.00		
Friday 7:00 – 9:00 PM May 25, 2018 TEXAS LIONS CHARITIES DINNER	\$41.00	\$46.00	\$50.00		
Saturday 7:00 – 8:30 AM May 26, 2018 PDG MEMORIAL SERVICE BREAKFAST	\$25.00	\$30.00	\$35.00		
Friday 12:00 – 2:00 PM May 26, 2018 OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUTH LUNCHEON	\$31.00	\$36.00	\$40.00		
Saturday 7:00 – 9:30 PM May 26, 2018 MD-2 GOVERNORS' BANQUET	\$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.

DRESS CODE	
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

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

Number of Children:

Kids Screened

16,466

Kids Referred

2412



**Year-To-Date: Lions Year –July 1, 2017 through April 30, 2018*

<https://www.LionsDistrict2S3KidSight.org>

"Membership Growth" New Members - April

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

Austin Capital City Lions Club

Jerome D Carter sponsored by Richard Hopkins

Austin Founder Lions Club

Morgan Wilks sponsored by J P Kirksey

Austin South Austin Lions Club

Mary E Lefebvre sponsored by

Blanco Lions Club

Amanda J Wier sponsored by Kim Thompson

Garden Ridge Lions Club

George Chambers sponsored by Jim Morgan
Bob Horton sponsored by Mandy Hagy

Georgetown Lions Club

Douglas W Estes sponsored by David Voelter
Donald J Ladolcetta sponsored by Corey Bailey

Lago Vista Lions Club

Eileen S Linares sponsored by Jo Anne Smith

Schertz Cibolo Lions Club

Terry Drew Jr. sponsored by Cedric Edwards
David Scagliola sponsored by Sue Boissonneault

Taylor Lions Club

Delinda A Thomas sponsored by John Thomas

Texas State University Campus Lions Club

Christian Alonzo Rose Kemp Jessie Reyes
Megan Schnittger

New Braunfels LC Honors Fallen Lions

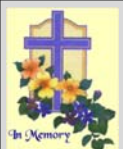
The Greatest Generation surrendered two more of her sons to the inevitable that awaits us all. This month marks the passing of New Braunfels Noon Lion stalwarts Bill Kolodzie and Jack Knight. Bill attended meetings regularly right up until the very last with the assistance of his able care-giver Judy Adams. Jack, on the other hand, was forced by infirmity to sit out for the last few years in Eden Hill. Both Jack and Bill were died-in-the-wool Teasippers who bled orange, as New Braunfels Lions Club tends ever more so to the maroon end of the spectrum.



Bill Kolodzie



Jack Knight



A Memorial To Lost Lions

Bill Berger Austin Founder Lions Club
Craig H Jennings Buda Lions Club
Chester Kolmeier Bulverde Lions Club
David B Menig Bulverde Lions Club
Jack D Knight New Braunfels (Noon) Lions Club
William J Kolodzie New Braunfels (Noon) Lions Club
Roy H Crenwelge New Braunfels Evening Lions Club
Tommy P Grimes Rockdale Noon Lions Club

New Lions - District 2-S3

New Braunfels (Noon) Lions Club

Congratulations to Lion Anna Beth Darr



President Jack Morgan performed the induction ceremony for our newest Noon Lion Anna Beth Darr. Anna Beth's sponsor is newish Lion herself Doreen Fisher. Well done, Doreen, and welcome aboard Anna Beth.

Garden Ridge Lions Club

Congratulations to Lion George Chambers



Lion Joe Britan (left) inducted new Lion George Chambers (Center) at our regular meeting at The Club At Garden Ridge Event Center. Pictured Right is George's sponsor, Lion Jim Morgan.

CLNLC Lions Road Trip

Fifteen Lions enjoyed our most recent outing on April 26th to the Rosebud Café in Blanco, TX and then onto RealAle Brewery, also in Blanco. Rosebud Café has the most extensive menu ever and everyone found something they liked! And it was all delicious! RealAle Brewery is a microbrewery that offers several unique blends for all palates. Seeing the facility itself is worth the trip--we toured the huge, spotless, gleaming stainless steel vats, with dizzying catwalks over the production floor.



Lions had a wonderful time socializing and sharing fellowship.

Congratulations to Lion Bob Horton

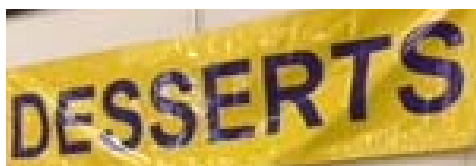


Congratulations to Robert Horton. Garden Ridge Lion's newest member. Mandy Hagy is the sponsor and Lion Hunter Bill Foote presided over the May 9, 2018 induction event.



Canyon Lake Noon LC Fish Fry

Members of the New Braunfels Noon and San Marcos Lions Clubs joined Canyon Lake Noon at their annual Fish Fry on May 6th at the CRRC Rec Center below Canyon Dam. Fried catfish nuggets, Cole slaw, beans, bread, and ice tea. Lions spouses and members both brought home-made desserts to sell for \$1.00 each. Needless to say, the dessert table was THE most popular place visited after the meal line. Lion volunteers were organized using Sign-Up Genius so nearly every member worked at least one shift during the 11:30 am - 3 pm event. The cooking team arrived at 7:30 am to fire up the burners and start cooking ahead of the crowd. The least popular task was the after-party clean-up (go figure) but many Lions stayed until 5 pm taking care to return the CRRC Recreation Center to its pre-event condition. Six artists were present to exhibit their handcrafted items in a mini-arts and crafts show. This exhibit allowed guests to shop for whatever the occasion unique gifts after their meal. After three weekends of selling raffle tickets at three Canyon Lake locations, the winners of the four \$250.00 grand prizes were drawn! One winner was present and was overwhelmed when they called her name! Lions served 430 plates in just three and a half hours! Yet another great example of teamwork and serving our community.



Think Publicity

by LION ANN WARD
District Public Relations Committee Chair



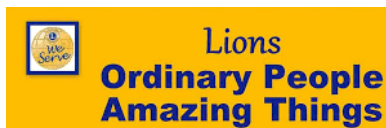
As I attended the District's fourth cabinet meeting on May 4 and the District Convention on May 5, I heard about many activities of which I was unaware. I also identified many opportunities to get publicity, such as District award winners. I'm guessing the same thing may happen in your club meeting.

While it takes time to follow-up on these ideas – writing and distribute press releases, the payoff can be enhanced visibility for your club and for Lions in general.

When awards are involved, it is helpful to have a copy of the entry/nomination form, and perhaps the presenter's remarks. Be sure to take and submit photos of award winners, too.

If every club member thinks about opportunities to garner publicity, the visibility of the organization will be enhanced. Broad involvement helps minimize the work-load for one or two people. While everyone may not have writing expertise, all of us can help identify potential events/activities worthy of publicity and gather information that the writer can use.

LCI is an incredible organization, and each club is involved in serving its community. Spreading the word about who we are and what we do will raise the visibility of Lions, which in turn will attract like-minded people to our organization. Lions need to "toot their horns" more frequently and effectively. Let's all "think publicity" and shine the light on our community service!



New Braunfels Evening Lions Swap Meet Fundraiser

After a one-year absence, our club was back in action at the New Braunfels Swap Meet that was held on the Comal County Fairgrounds April 20-22. Hundreds of vendors from all over the world were in attendance to sell and search for hard to find car parts and everything else from antiques to rare toys. The NBE Lions booth was put up by club members Thursday night and taken down Sunday at the end of the Antique Car Show awards ceremony. The booth sported a simple menu of Sausage wraps, breakfast burritos, and Oreos, along with several beverages that included coffee, iced tea, and lemonade. After the conclusion of the event, our club cleared over \$1,000 in profits for the three-day event.



Canyon Lake Noon Lions Aluminum Can Collection

Canyon Lake Noon Lions installed aluminum can collection cages several years ago at Lowe's Markets in Sattler and Startzville. This initiative has proven to be a profit center to supplement our annual fundraisers. The two cages averaged about 1,300 pounds of aluminum cans approximately every six weeks, and provided \$800 - \$1,000 for each trailer load, depending on the market rate for recycled aluminum. Two years ago, the Brookshire Brothers store opened and agreed to sponsor a third collection cage, which increased our revenue significantly. With the recent heavy spring rains, runoff from the landscaping threatened to drown the Brookshire cans in mud!



Lions Jim Gregston and Bob Brooks recently installed a floor of donated wooden pallets to raise the cans off the ground and out of harm's way. Teamwork!

Georgetown Noon Lions - A Night at the Races Wednesday, 23rd May, 2018

Georgetown Noon LIONS CLUB

A NIGHT AT THE RACES!

**WIN - PLACE - SHOW
8 RACES**

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

GEORGETOWN
COMMUNITY CENTER
445 E. MORROW STREET

**WEDNESDAY
23RD MAY**

**SPONSORSHIP
IS AVAILABLE**
See your local Lion for details

**\$40
TICKET**

- OUR RESPONSE IS SIMPLE: WE SERVE -

When it comes to meeting challenges, our response is simple: We Serve. In 205 countries, in hospitals and senior centers, in regions battered by natural disasters, in schools and in eyeglass recycling centers. Lions are at work; helping, leading, planning and supporting. Because we are local, we can serve the unique needs of the communities where we live. And because we're global, we can address challenges that go beyond borders.

Diabetes

Environment

Hunger

Vision

Pediatric Cancer

LIONS District 2-S3

Charitable/Disaster Relief Fund Matching Funds Request Form

The CDRF provides funds for local disaster relief and to aid LIONS Clubs in charitable efforts that are beyond the resources of the individual club. The CDRF will match funds up to \$1,000.00 raised by a club to aid in their project

Once the CDRF Request has been approved, the 2-S3 Charities Treasurer will issue a check payable to the service provider.

LIONS CLUB: _____

Other LIONS Club(s) assisting in project: _____

Request description: _____

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Name and address of service provider: _____

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Person(s) benefitting from project: _____

Is this an emergency situation: Yes____ No____ Date funds needed: _____

Club contact person: _____

Contact's phone number: Home: _____ Cell: _____

Contact's email: _____

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Submit requests to: PDG Frank Kinald, 604 W Sequoia Spur, Georgetown, TX 78628

In an emergency situation, the completed Request form may be emailed to: PDG Frank Kinald

For questions and further information, contact PDG Frank Kinald, Alert Chair, at Home: 512-868-8021 or Cell: 512-508-4552 or email at: fkinald@msn.com.

AFLC Conducting 'Old Sole' Shoe Drive

Austin Founder Lions are looking for gently worn used or new shoes. Sneakers, high tops, golf shoes, flip flops, boots and children's shoes are being accepted through May 31. The shoes will be used to help micro-entrepreneurs in developing countries.

"Not only are we recycling, which is good for the environment, but more importantly, we are helping people in developing countries start a small business and earn money for their families," said Leonor Marques, club president.

To donate shoes, please contact Leonor Marques via email at leonorfaria@gmail.com, or phone Ann Ward, 2nd vice president, at 512/338-1623 or via email to:

awardcomm@gmail.com.



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.



REGISTRATION FOR PARADE HAT IN LAS VEGAS - \$25

	NAME	Cell Phone	M - 6 7/8 - 7 1/8	L - 7 1/4 - 7 3/8	XL - 7 1/2 - 7 5/8
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	HATS WILL BE DELIVERED IN LAS VEGAS ON FRIDAY, JUNE 29 AT THE MGM GRAND HOTEL - CONTACT COUNCIL CHAIR RICK TALBERT AT 956-373-5321				
	"MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO MD 2 TEXAS LIONS"				



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.



AFLC Plan 'Oldies' Bowling Tournament

Austin Founder Lions Club will host its first Bowling Oldies Strike-o-Rama on Saturday, June 2 at Saengerrunde Halle, located at 1607 San Jacinto, next to Scholz Garten. Proceeds will benefit the club's KidSight vision screening program, including follow-up care for children of all ages.

Registration fee is \$20 per game, or a team of five for \$80. Players choose either the 11:30 a.m. or 1 p.m. game time. The registration fee includes shoes, ball, raffle ticket, goodie bag, snacks and drinks. Additional raffle tickets may be obtained by bringing a pair of gently worn shoes. Sponsorships range from \$50 to \$300, and include signage and other promotional benefits.

Saengerrunde Halle has the oldest continuously operating bowling alley in Austin. The six-lane historic

venue was opened in 1904 with only two lanes. It was expanded to the current six lanes in 1927, and the automatic pinsetters were installed in 1973.

For more information about the event, sponsorships and registration, contact Leonor Marques at leonorfaria@gmail.com.



Austin Founder Lions Club
1st Bowling Oldies Strike-o-Rama
 Benefiting our "Lions KidSight Program"
 Providing vision screening and follow-up care for children of all ages
June 2, 2018 - 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Each Player - \$20 per game
Team of 5 - \$80
Lane Sponsor - \$200
Table Sponsor - \$50

Registration includes:
Shoes and Ball
Snacks & Drinks
Raffle Prizes

Come join us at the oldest continuously operating Bowling Alley in Austin:
Saengerrunde Halle 1607 San Jacinto, Austin TX 78701
(next to Scholz Garten)

For more information contact: Leonor Marques - (512) 739-6670 - leonorfaria@gmail.com
 For an extra raffle ticket bring a gently worn, used or new pair of shoes and participate in our "Old Sole" Shoe Fundraiser

Comal County Children's Health Fair

Comal County Public Health Service sponsored a children's health fair on April 21 at our local Rec Center. Canyon Lake Fire/EMS, Comal County Sheriff's Office, CASA, medical personnel, and Canyon Lake Noon Lions were just a few of the attendees invited. The purpose was to conduct hearing and vision screening for children, among other exciting features. Arts and crafts were a big hit, with the kiddos making and coloring hats out of paper plates.



Canyon Lake Noon Lions borrowed a SPOT machine for the event to check eyes. Lions Carol and Bill Kannawin, and Diane Schaule manned the Lions table and passed out literature to the parents on the Lions mission and our service focus.

AFLC Cooks Breakfast For Ronald McDonald House



On April 27, members of the Austin Founder Lions Club made breakfast for families staying at the Ronald McDonald House, located adjacent to Dell's Children's Hospital in Austin. Eggs, bacon, pancakes and fruit were served by AFLC members Rudy Munguia, left, Sam Ruiz, Chuck Mandelbaum and Evan Wienck.



PDG Shirley Dillman, an AFLC associate member, baked cookies for Ronald McDonald House residents.

Garden Ridge Lions Present Scholarships

The Garden Ridge Lions present scholarships to 12 deserving seniors from local area high schools at our regular membership meeting on April 25th; each scholarship was for \$1,000, for a total donation of \$12,000.

Receiving scholarships were: Sadie Cesar, Delilah Chavez, Kira Christensen, Sophie Friesenhahn, Caitlin Garrigus, Jalen H. Gomez, Elijah Hand, Eric Holder, Shelby Paige McGrath, Logan Matthew



Riley, Andrea Gonzalez Rojas and Allison Claire Van Beveren. Presenting the checks were Lion's Laura Ochoa and Kerry Ledford.

Austin Founder Lions Club Hosts 8th Annual Sporting Clay Shoot-out

The Austin Founder Lions Club will host its eighth annual Sporting Clay Shoot-Out on June 10 at Capitol City Trap & Skeet Club, located at 8707 Lindell Lane. This charitable fund-raising event will challenge teams of four, shooting 12- or 20-gauge shotguns at 10 stations. Prizes will be awarded to the top two teams in each of two classes using Lewis Class scoring. Flurry competition and Dead Last winners also will be recognized at the luncheon following the contest. Proceeds benefit the Center for Child Protection and other Lions service activities.

For the fourth consecutive year, the NFL Alumni – Austin Chapter is partnering with Austin Founder Lions on the event. Shoot-out participants will have the opportunity to rub shoulders with NFL legends like Matt Anderson, who played for the Pittsburgh Steelers; William Graham, Detroit Lions; John Haines, Minnesota

Vikings and Indianapolis Colts; Dan Neil, Denver Broncos; Adam Ulatoski, Houston Texans and many more.

Team registration is \$800 before May 13 and then goes to \$900. The entry fee includes breakfast, lunch, beverages, snacks, shotgun shells and an event gift. Each team member may purchase mulligans – at a cost of \$10 each – which provide chances on a drawing for a CZ-USA Drake 20-gauge over and under shotgun. The registration fee for a single shooter is \$200. Teams of two also may shoot in a flurry competition for \$50 per flurry.

Team registrations still are being accepted, and sponsorship opportunities, ranging from \$200 to \$8,000, still are available. For more detailed information and to register online, go to:

www.AustinDowntownLions.org

Contact Event Chairman Cameron

Labunski at 512/796-7714 or Co-Chair Jim Overton at 512/627-8092 for additional information.

The primary beneficiary for the event is the Center for Child Protection, a nationally accredited child advocacy center. For more than 25 years, the center has been the first stop for children entering the justice system because of suspected sexual abuse or for serious physical abuse as well as for children who have witnessed a violent crime.

Some of the proceeds also help support Austin Founder Lions Club service activities, such as providing free vision screening for children and adults, eyeglass recycling and supporting Texas Lions Camp.



A team sponsored by 5-F Mechanical won the Blue Field in 2017. AFLC 2016-17 President Jim Overton, left, and NFL Alumni – Austin Chapter President John Haines, far right, presented autographed NFL football helmets to the winners.



The Sonic Drive-In team won the Red Field in 2017. Team members are pictured with their autographed NFL football helmets, presented by AFLC 2016-17 President Jim Overton, left, and John Haines, far right, NFL Alumni – Austin Chapter president.





Help Fill Vacant Camper Slots Plan a Road Trip!

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



Almost 400 open slots for children with physical disabilities still were available on May 1. More than 800 campers are enrolled and assigned to camp sessions. Some 200 applications were pending because the application information is incomplete. If your club has sponsored a camper and not been informed of assignment to a session, please contact the child/parent and try to facilitate completion of the application. Children are not assigned until the application is complete.

Slots remain for weeks two through five, which serve children with physical disabilities. Please help recruit these children for Texas Lions Camp. **Remember that physical disabilities may not be visible.** Children with conditions such as asthma, epilepsy, lupus, narcolepsy, glaucoma, sickle cell anemia and vision/hearing impairment qualify for camp. **Children ages seven to 16 are served during the sessions for those with physical disabilities.**

The summer camp schedule is as follows:

Session 1	June 10-16, 2018	Children with Physical Disabilities
Session 2	June 17-23, 2018	Children with Physical Disabilities
Session 3	June 24-30, 2018	Children with Physical Disabilities
Session 4	July 1-7, 2018	Children with Physical Disabilities
Session 5	July 8-14, 2018	Children with Physical Disabilities, and Camp Neuron - Epilepsy Foundation of Texas
Session 6	July 15-21, 2018	Children with Down syndrome, and Camp David, Texas Burn Survivors Society
Session 7	<u>July 22-28, 2018</u>	Camp Discovery for children with Cancer
Session 8	July 29-August 4, 2018	Children with Type 1 Diabetes
Session 9	August 5-11, 2018	Children with Type 1 Diabetes

Note that the Down syndrome and two diabetes sessions are full, and any applicants will be added to the wait lists.

Please consider visiting Texas Lions Camp this summer. Seeing the children and counselors in action is a life-changing experience. Lions are invited to attend every Friday night awards program – except July 27 – to celebrate with campers, families, counselors and staff. Festivities begin at 7:30 p.m. in the camp Amphitheater and conclude by 9 p.m. I suggest your club plan a “road trip” and see your camp and the amazing things that happen there.

As the end of the Lions year approaches, please remember that **club TLC dues, 100 percent participation and any other donations for the 2017-18 year need to be to the camp by June 30.**

Please contact me if you need any assistance – from sponsoring a camper and obtaining promotional literature to scheduling a speaking event. Email me at award-comm@gmail.com or contact me by phone at 512-338-1623.





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Gabriel Farmer, Camper 2017

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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 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!"™



Canyon Lake Noon Lions Attend TLC Workday

On an unseasonably cold and blustery Saturday morning in April, six Canyon Lake Noon Lions (and one spouse) reported to Texas Lions Camp along with 600 other volunteers from all over the state, for a record setting volunteer work day attendance. Three butcher paper pages full of work assignments were posted in the dining hall, everything from painting, counting linens, cleaning gardens, and relocating two Gaga pits. What is a Gaga pit, you might ask? Noon Lions learned that Gaga is a very popular game throughout the US, introduced first in Israel. The game combines dodging, striking, running, and jumping, with the objective of being the last person standing. Players hit the ball at each other with their hands, and are eliminated if the ball strikes them on or below the knee. The game can be played by a group of individual players or with teams, as well as in one-on-one matches. Rules, ball types, pit surfaces, and pit sizes can vary widely at different venues. Its played in a large fenced in area, generally in the shape of an octagon or hexagon. Hence the term gaga pit.

The Lions work team was asked to relocate two octagonal Gaga pits. Sound easy? Can't just pick it up and move it! Pits are held together at each corner by heavy stainless steel brackets and attached with 12 washers, bolts, and nuts per corner to three 2" x 10" x 10' boards.



Smaller Gaga Pit

Pits are approximately 20 to 25 feet across. TLC provided tools and a few of our Lions came prepared with their own. With 30 mile an hour gusts of wind dropping the outside temperature to a balmy 30 degrees, the work team labored to successfully move the first, slightly smaller pit.

Then onto the big daddy of Gaga pits. With the help of Conn from the TLC Maintenance Department, we struggled to disassemble it and reassemble the pit approximately 8 feet from its original location. However, our work crew couldn't completely finish this task due to uneven terrain. After three and a half hours laboring in the cold, it

sure felt great to return to the dining hall for warmth and lunch!!

Noon Lions were pleased to help TLC. We got to learn about a popular camp sport and also reinforced what we already knew--never trust the Texas weather!!!



Stainless Steel Bracket



Big Daddy of Gaga Pits

New Braunfels Evening Lions attend Texas Lions Camp Workday

Members of the New Braunfels Lions Club and some of their family members, attended the annual workday at the Texas Lions Camp, April 7, 2018 and combined their efforts to tackle a project assigned by the camp's staff. This year's project involved the clean-up and staining of a huge water fountain that will grace the camp's grounds this summer. Along with our club's work team, clubs from all over Texas sent groups to help tackle the large number of construction, repair, and clean-up projects necessary to allow the camp to accommodate the large group of campers that will be attending this year's sessions. Not only has our club participated in work projects for the camp every year, but we are also one of the few clubs that has made its 100% contribution level to the camp every year.



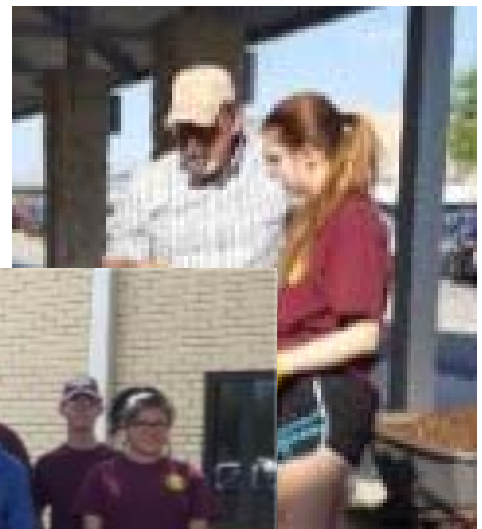
Texas Lion's Camp Workday

The Garden Ridge Lions traveled to Kerrville, Texas to paint getting the facilities ready for the camp to start. Here in the photo from the L to R: Chuck and Barbara Elia, Kerry Ledford, Larry Thompson, Ken Weber (guest worker), Roger Rocha (guest worker), Ken Loser, John McCaw, and Carmen McCaw.



NB LEOs At Work

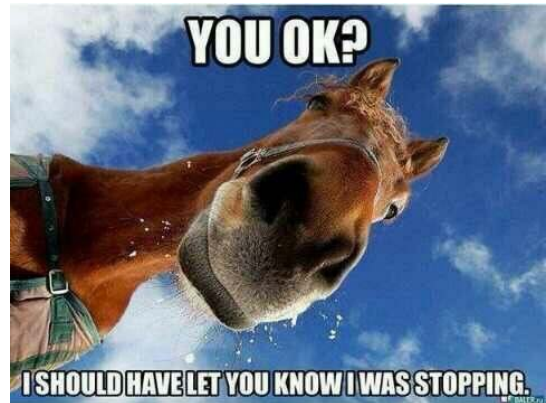
Special thanks to the Leos from NBHS and NGC coupled with adults Wink Smith, Christine Ziese, Lions Robert Armstrong and Cameron Bradfute, April.28 at NBHS. Hopefully, this will continue as a yearly project for different campuses in NBISD. LEOs Advisor, David Simmons.



LEOs At The 2-S3 Convention



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CLUB NEWS.....

BLANCO LIONS CLUB

We will meet at the Old 300 Bar-B-Que (4th and Pecan St.) on Thursday May 3rd. 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. New officers should be working with the outgoing officers to assure a smooth transition. There's also a number of positions we'll fill by volunteers at a later meeting.

Scholarships: Scholarship applications are in. The review committee shortly with the awards being made 5/17.

LEOs: The LEO Club participated in the Blanco Trash-Off and the Blanco VFD's Fish Fry on April 7th. In spite of the very cold weather, our volunteers turned out to help their community with smiles on their faces! Our last scheduled event this year will be a canned food drive to benefit the Good Samaritan Center.

So far this year, our club volunteered a total of 346.75 hours. In contrast, this time last year, the LEOs had clocked a total of 473 hours. As you can see, this is a significant drop of 126.25 volunteer hours, which is a concern.

I do not know exactly why our participation has decreased this year, but I do know that each year is different. I am hopeful that next year, we will see an increase in LEO Club participation and that our students will take advantage of the opportunities that the LEO Club provides to give back to their community.

I do appreciate this year's officers and participants that have made a difference by showing up and giving of their time. They will be receiving certificates for a job well done at the end of the year!

Submitted by Lion Kim.

CANYON LAKE NOON LIONS CLUB

Program: Dr Vicente Quintero, New Braunfels dermatologist, warned Canyon Lake Noon Lions at the April 19th meeting of the dangers of overexposure to the sun this time of year. Sunscreen or sunblock protection is the key to reducing the possibility of developing skin cancers which may develop into life threatening conditions.



President Tom Huff on left presented Dr Quintero with a thank you Certificate from the Club. Lion Maurice Simmons sponsored Dr Quintero's visit.

GARDEN RIDGE LIONS CLUB

TLC Work Day, April 7, 2018: A record crowd of over 630 volunteers from across the state of Texas reported to the Lions Camp on April 7, for the second Camp Work Day of 2018.

Garden Ridge Lions attending were John Mitzel, Jim Newbold, Dick Holloway, Larry Thompson, Cammie and Windell Cannon and Frank Rios. Our task was to continue painting the Recreation Hall, remove 32 double door kick-plates and prepping double doors for painting in May. We will get the kick-plates cleaned and return them to the camp to be replaced after the double-door sets are painted

My thanks to all that were present for the effort and May Chairman Larry Thompson is looking forward to working with all those signed up for the final work day on Saturday, May 5th. Lion Chairman, Richard Holloway.

Garden Ridge Library, Lone Star Books: We donated \$254 to the Garden Ridge Library to purchase the Lone Star Books for their Children's Program.

Scholarships: Twelve scholarships were presented to seniors from local area high schools at our regular membership meeting on April 27th; each scholarship was for \$1,000.00, for a total donation of \$12,000.00. Receiving scholarships were 1. Sadie Cesar, 2. Delilah Chavez, 3. Kira Christensen, 4. Sophie Friesenhahn, 5. Caitlin Garrigus, 6. Jalen H. Gomez, 7. Elijah Hand, 8. Eric Holder, 9. Shelby Paige McGrath, 10. Logan Matthew Riley, 11. Andrea Gonzalez Rojas, and 12. Allison Claire Van Beveren.

Harry Reasonover Award: Congratulations to Lion Jim Newbold who was awarded the Harry Reasonover Award at the District 2-S3 Convention in Round Rock, TX Saturday, May 5th. The Award is named in honor of Lion Harry Reasonover and is the highest individual award given to members of District 2-S3 which recognizes the Lion's service at both the district and club levels over an extended period of time. Lion Jim Newbold is the first from the Garden Ridge Lions Club to be awarded the Harry Reasonover Award.



Presenting the award to Jim was John Pruett, District Governor, and Doris Treadwell, West Austin Lions Club.

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NEW BRAUNFELS (NOON) LIONS CLUB

White Cane Day: and, as has been pointed out several times heretofore, our most lucrative outlet — Wal-Mart — has been taken off the table this year (and perhaps every future year unless we want to sell Girl Scout cookies) which means we'll have to scramble at our other locations — Granzin's Meat Market, Arlan's Supermarket and New Braunfels Farmers Market — to try to make up the shortfall. If you've yet to sign up, there will be sheets for that purpose at the May 3rd business meeting. Good luck to us all.

Because of the anticipated shortfall, you are also invited to dig deep into your own stash of rare coins and stamps, raid your piggy bank or dig up that mayonnaise jar in the back yard and make a personal donation to the cause. It's tax deductible, of course, all except for the value of the miniature Tootsie Roll which you should legally declare, or perhaps refuse.

Tip of the day: invest in a bag of miniature Tootsies and offer them to the kiddies (after getting their parent's permission.) The candy draws the kids and the kids draw their folks and mostly their folks hold the purse strings. Try it, It works.

Business Meeting, April 5th:

- **Board Elections:** A quorum was certified, and elections of officers and directors was held. No surprises. You should know by now who will be holding the reins come July. Congratulations to President-elect Brandon Mund and his "cabinet" and board of directors.
- **Program:** The meeting's program featured Cameron

Bradfute's dad, Byron Bradfute, who was drafted by the Dallas Rangers (before they became the Cowboys, before Dallas even had an NFL franchise!) out of The University of Southern Mississippi in the 1960 draft.



The bio provided by Cameron was full of interesting facts and tidbits of life in the early NFL — the contracts and wages — and I'm guessing Byron covered much of it if not all.

Business Meeting, April 19th: History and trivia set the tone for this meeting. Tail Twister Ranger Ray Martinez advised that the mural on the north side of the Wursthalle required 40 gallons of paint, that the Pledge of Allegiance was written by Francis Bellamy in 1892, and that if one is entirely bald they leave "hair color" blank on one's TDL.

Deacon Ben Wehman led us in prayer and advised that Bill Kolodzie had been transferred to Eden Hill for what we discovered later was his last lap. May he rest in peace.

Song Leader Mike Smetanka led the assembly in "Red, Red Robin" and "Lions Care". Robert Armstrong was saluted for his superb pre-meeting visuals. Centennial medals, silver and gold, were presented to Ray Martinez, Bill Kolodzie (in absentia), Wallace Johnson and Mike Smetanka. Congratulations.

- **Program:** Our featured speaker was Club Historian Ver-Nell Martinez. Working from Jack Wise's 1987 club history manual she led us on a stroll through fraternal years 1975-'76 and '76-'77.

In those years Lioness Clubs were authorized, the first eye transplants were performed, club vice presidents were assigned specific duties (as now), The Wurstfest Association authorized a Lions food booth which netted \$6,150 in its inaugural outing. And much, much more. Thank you, VerNell.

NEW BRAUNFELS EVENING LIONS CLUB

Program: Lucy Gale, Development Coordinator for Comal County Habitat for Humanity, was the guest speaker at the club's April 4 general meeting at Bosses Pizza in New Braunfels. Habitat for Humanity was presented a check for \$2,000 from our club which will be used for trusses for the current home that is under construction. Comal County Habitat for Humanity has built homes for 44 families over the past 25 years.



Lucy Gale, Habitat Development Coordinator, and Tom Matschek, NBE Lions President.

SAN MARCOS BLUEBONNET LIONS CLUB

President's Corner: Lions Centennial Celebration continues into the 2nd 100 Years! May is here and our Lions year is almost at an end, but our work is never done. Thank you for your hard work and commitment to our community. April was a busy month for the Bluebonnets! Let's continue to help each other grow as a club and a Lions.

Trish Wilder, President

COMMUNITY SERVICE—Cherry Walts, chair:

- **Lions District 2-S3 Convention (DG John Pruett)** - The Convention will be Saturday, May 5 from 8am to 2pm at St. Richards Episcopal Church in Round Rock. Club delegates will elect the 2018-19 District officers. Trainings will be held, a keynote speaker will motivate, and lunch is included. Bluebonnet Lions Club still needs one more delegate to join Lions Trish and Carol so come if you can.
- **Hays Nursing Home Birthday project; Carol Peters & Jill Stolar, co-chairs** - The last two birthday parties will be May 11 and June 8. We need about 8 more birthday cards, mini gift bags, and mini hand sanitizers to finish off the year. If you have some of these items, please bring them to the May 1 luncheon. Thank you to Linda Alexander, Irene Luna, and all else who have donated cards, bags, and gifts for the project this year. They were very much appreciated by the residents at Hays Nursing Home.
- **Adopt-a-Park project; Linda Alexander, chair** - Our next cleanup day at Ramon Lucio Park will be Saturday May 12 from 9-10 am. Supplies will be provided but feel free to bring your own garden gloves if preferred. All volunteers are welcome.
- **Texas Lions Camp; Carol Peters, liaison** - Tyler Murken, a student at Bowie Elementary, will graduate from Lions Camp on Friday, June 15. If you would like to join Tyler in Kerrville to celebrate a new-found independence, please let Carol know and she will organize a carpool. Thank you to Lions Trish, Debby, Beth, and Carol for sponsoring a total of five campers this summer.

Thank you to Lions Rose, Cherry, and Beth for delivering camp information to the SMCISD elementary and middle school nurses to promote the camp. Lions Cherry, Beverly, Trish, and Carol attended the April 7 Camp workday along with their guests Charles Walts and Makayla Marek. When they finished at noon, the rose gardens around the pool and between the pool and the cafeteria were weeded and mulched and looked beautiful.

- **School Fuel Project; Debby Lawrence, chair** - Thank you to Lions Sherry, Bev, Carol, Beth, Trish, and Debby who volunteered for School Fuel on April 12 helping to fill over 600 bags or food for needy elementary students at all six SMCISD elementary schools.

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

- **Saver's Fund Drive; Trish Wilder, chair** - The Savers Drive will continue until May 11. We started collecting soft clothing, linens, towels, shoes, etc, at our Recycle the Joy sale on April 28. You can bring more items to the May 1 lunch meeting or drop them off at Trish's office near Seton Hospital in Kyle until Friday, May 11. All items will be weighed on May 12 and then delivered to Savers in South Austin. Bluebonnet Lions will receive 20 cents per pound for all of our donations. Thank you to Amber Wakem with Start-Up Kids for helping to coordinate this fundraising project.
- **Bluebonnet Lions Spring "Recycle the Joy" Sale; Pat Hiam & Carol Peters, co-chairs** - Thank you to all those who volunteered, collected sale items, or shopped at our sale on April 28. Beverly, Edna, Melissa, Georgia, Ramika, Cherry, and Carol led the way with delivering, receiving, pricing, and welcoming shoppers from 7-10am. Beth and Debby carried on with Melissa staffing five tables during 4th Flea of one-of-a-kind gift items. Trish and Linda Alexander held the \$10 bag sale and half price sale from noon to 1pm and boxed up unsold items for delivery to our Saver's Drive. We could not have done the project without the help of all of our members. And the work continues until May 12 when we will weigh all of our left-over donations. So please keep collecting!
- **Lions Mexican Dinner Bake Sale; Debby Lawrence, chair** - The April 6 event was fun and earned \$288 for our activity Fund. Thanks to all those who baked, volunteered at the event, sold tickets, or donated cash.
- **Wimberley Parking; Linda Alexander, chair** - On April 7 Linda and David Alexander, Edna Anglin, Martha Moore, Gloria and Gary Sandoval, Judy Aswell, and Debby Lawrence parked cars at former Liz Sumter's lot at Wimberley Market Days. It was really cold, but we earned \$1,085 to add to our grant money.

Nominating Committee—Judy Aswell, chair: Congratulations to our new 2018-19 officers-elect. They will be installed on Tuesday, June 19. President—Trish Wilder Secretary—Sandra Ellison; 1st VP—Judy Aswell; Treasurer—Linda Alexander; 2nd VP—Cherry Walts; Director—Beverly Marek; 3rd VP—Ramika Adams; Director—Debby Lawrence; And Membership Director—Maggie Moreno.

Social Committee—Beverly Marek, chair: The mystery meats at our April 17 annual picnic were pulled pork and chicken on slider buns. There were several guests and wonderful conversation. Thank you to Beverly and her social committee crew who coordinated the food and activities.

Happy Birthday to our May birthday Lions: Sandra El-lison and Patricia Hiam. Annual Officer Installation Dinner will be held on June 19.

Membership Committee—Ramika Adams, chair: Blue-bonnet Lions membership brochures were available at our April 6 Bake Sale and April 28 Recycle the Joy sale. Our goal is three new members before June 30! "ASK 1" and become a Centennial Sponsor.

Lions International President's goal this year is to reach the 1.5 million world membership mark by June 30. USA currently has over 315,000 members in more than 11,000 clubs and is the only country to have served in Lionism for 100 years. We have always been the world that anything is possible, so President Naresh has challenged the USA to add at least one new member per each of our 11,000 clubs.

At this time Bluebonnet Lions has not yet inducted a new member during 2017-18 Lions year. Please let Ramika know if you have a potential new Cub so she can work to get that Cub approved by June 15 which is the deadline for LCI's New Member Sweep-stakes with several prizes of \$750 to Centennial Sponsors. When our Club grows, our impact grows!

In the Sweepstakes you will receive one entry for each new member approved by June 15. All entries will be automatically put into the drawing for your chance to win US\$750. Two winners per constitutional area will be selected at random, notified by email, and announced at the July 3 International Lions Convention. Just imagine if your name was called!

"Let's put the Power of We into action," declares Dr. Naresh Aggarwal, 2017-18 International President.

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.
Internal Communications Committee—Trish Wilder, chair
Lion Carol is resigning as our Club Newsletter Editor. If you have skills for this key Club communications position and are interested in learning more, please talk to Lion Trish.

District 2-S3 Club Officer Trainings—PDG Mike Smith, district Global Action Team (GAT): There will be training webinars in May and live training classes in June for all newly elected Lions officers. These include: President/Vice Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers, Club Community Service Chairs, Club Membership Chairs, and Club Marketing Chairs.

There are significant changes in all warranting to sign up this year even if you are continuing to serve in this position. The District Global Leadership (GLT) coordinator will be tracking all training attendance for Governor Pruett to verify your club's eligibility for the Club Excellence Award at the end of your term.

Even if you will not be an officer next year, you will probably be one of their committees and may become an officer in the future so you would also be welcomed to attend a training and learn more about these areas of service.

To register for a live class in June or find the links to May webinars, please go to the District webpage, www.lionsdistrict2s3.org, and click on District Training Page.