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GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE

Hello Lions of District 2-S3

As we move through September, this is both an exciting time to be a Lion in our District but also a challenging time.

We need to be excited because during August we added a new member to our family. The Bastrop Noon Lions club was chartered on August 4. As of this writing they have 22 members that are excited to be Lions. They are serving and searching for opportunities to serve their community.

The forming of this Lions club is an example to all of us that there are individuals in our communities that do want to be active, serving members of our organization.

I understand as we move through this virus time that issues have been encountered that have caused us to lose members, but there is an opposite side to that result. The opposite side is that if we are aware of our communities and those that are around us, we

can find new people to be serving members of our Lions family.

Dropping members should not be the end of our membership road in this time. Accept the challenge and find new members to replace those that have been lost. For us to be able to serve in our communities we need growing membership to help share the work.

Another point of excitement should be the opportunity for us to investigate and find new areas of service.

For many of our clubs the "regular" service project has been challenged by the virus or the restrictions caused by the virus. Please do not let a challenged or cancelled project be the end of the story for your club. Use this time to try something new. We hear in some of our discussions that clubs can get into a routine of doing certain things at certain times using the same members. Now is the time to engage in a new project with different members and enable your club to

branch out in greater service.

During August, I was able to start visiting a few clubs. I have enjoyed my first ventures on official visits, officer installations and other club functions. I am



**2S3 District Governor
Gary Fuchs**

excited to see some clubs meeting either live or using virtual methods. We need our fellowship and support to strengthen our clubs.



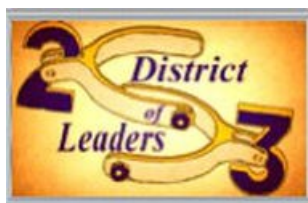
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Finally, it is time to prepare for our second cabinet meeting of the year in McQueeney. Included in this newsletter will be some of the details about that meeting. ** (See latest info below)* Again, for this cabinet meeting as it was for the first meeting, we are going to be prepared for the changing restrictions that we might encounter as we move toward October 24. I will keep the Cabinet Members, Presidents and Secretaries informed about the meeting and they will notify their membership to help spread the information.

Good luck as we move forward serving our communities.

** Final decision will be made around October 1 based on the rules in place concerning COVID-19. A virtual meeting is our backup plan. Registration information will be emailed to cabinet members after the final decision is made.*

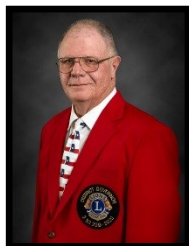


We Serve

DISTRICT 2S-3 LEADERSHIP 2020-2021



District Governor
Gary Fuchs
Cameron



Immediate Past District Governor
Larkin Smith
San Marcos



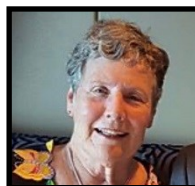
Vice District Governor
Gayle Collins
Taylor



2nd Vice District Governor
Brandon Mund
New Braunfels Noon



Cabinet Secretary
Jill Stermer
Cameron



Cabinet Treasurer
PDG Angela Nicholson
Liberty Hill

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Dr. Jung-Yul Choi
Busan, Republic of Korea



The Lions Den
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2020 DISTRICT 2S3 CLUB VISITS BY DG FUCHS

SEPTEMBER	CLUB
9/8	POINT VENTURE
9/10	AUSTIN FOUNDERS
9/14	HUTTO
9/17	BASTROP NOON
9/17	LIBERTY HILL
9/18	SAN MARCOS
9/23	GEORGETOWN NOON
9/23	LOCKHART
9/24	AUSTIN INDIAN CENTENNIAL
9/25	TAYLOR

OCTOBER	CLUB
10/1	NEW BRAUNFELS
10/5	ELGIN EVENING
10/6	KYLE
10/6	LAGO VISTA
10/7	AUSTIN CAPITAL CITY
10/12	AUSTIN S. AUSTIN
10/12	GRANGER
10/14	GARDEN RIDGE



CONFIRMED



NEED CONFIRMATION

NOTE: UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS TENTATIVELY
SCHEDULED FOR 9/22—WAITING FOR RETURN CALL

MD-2 LIONS ORGANIZATIONS DONATION PROCEDURES

From time-to-time, the State Office receives contributions to various Lions organizations. Please inform your district (newsletter, email blast, etc.) the following information:

Donations to the **Texas Lions Museum Foundation** should be mailed to P.O. Box 294509, Kerrville, Texas 78029

Donations to the **Texas Lions Foundation** should be mailed to P.O. Box 64881, Lubbock, Texas 79464

Donations to the **Texas Lions Camp** should be mailed to 4100 San Antonio Hwy., Kerrville, Texas 78028

Thanks to all for supporting whatever organization you may choose.

Lion Sandy Merritt

State Office Administrator
Lions Clubs International MD-2 (Texas)
P.O. Box 294509 / Kerrville TX 78029



LEO 2S3 DISTRICT OFFICERS ANNOUNCED

PRESIDENT - CATARINA VAZQUEZ
San Marcos Academy Leo Club

**VICE PRESIDENT - AUBREY
HOLLINGSWORTH**
Hutto High School Leo Club

SECRETARY - REBEKAH HAWKINS
Hutto High School Leo Club

TREASURER - JONATHAN HAGY
Grace Prep Academy Leo Club

LEO TAMER - REZNOR SALISBURY
Farley Middle School Leo Club

Hello Lions and Leos of District 2-S3!

My name is Catarina Vazquez, and I am honored to be able to serve as the 2020-2021 District 2-S3 Leo President. I am thrilled that we have decided to participate in the newsletter, which enables us to update and stay connected with everyone, even in these trying times. Before I do just that, I would like to take a moment to allow myself and the other officers to introduce ourselves.

As I mentioned, I am Catarina Vazquez and I am currently a junior at San Marcos Academy. I was a charter member of the San Marcos Academy Leo Club, and this will be my second year in Leo. Last year, I had the opportunity to serve as a board member and was able to participate in many Leo-related events and projects such as School Fuel, a local backpack program feeding almost 900 food-insecure students in San Marcos schools, and the planning of our yearly Culture Fair, which was postponed due to COVID-19.

Aside from Leo Club, I am the current secretary of the National Honor Society, the Treasurer of the Junior Class, a Student Ambassador, and a member of the Junior State of America. I am also the sit-

ting chair of the San Marcos Youth Commission, a city board made up entirely of local high school students. I enjoy playing saxophone in the band and playing softball. I am a firm believer in the importance of serving one's community, and I am very excited to continue to have the opportunity to do this as the District Leo Club President. I am looking forward to working with the other officers and local Lions and Leos on upcoming projects!



CATARINA VAZQUEZ
PRESIDENT

Hi, my name is Aubrey Hollingsworth. I am in 10th grade and go to Hutto High School. I have been involved in Leo since my 6th grade year. I am also involved in my local Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA) chapter.



AUBREY HOLLINGSWORTH
VICE PRESIDENT



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LEO 2S3 DISTRICT OFFICERS ANNOUNCED *(Continued)*

My name is Jonathan Hagy. I am in the 7th grade at Grace Prep Academy. I was one of the founding members there. I have been a Leo for almost 2 years. Fundraising was my position as a board member of our club. I am the district and state treasurer for Leo. Other than Leo, I am involved in several other community service activities. I am in 4H and am on the board there. My grandmother is in charge of Texas Ramps, and I help her in building wheelchair ramps for people that would otherwise be homebound. I also help her at SOS Food Bank. I enjoy riding horses and helping my mother who is the President of the Sheriff Posse. My mother does lots of church work and mission trips in which I assist. In the picture, I am in Mexico preparing to serve food and get clothing out to people along the railroad tracks.



JONATHAN HAGY
TREASURER

My name is Rebekah Hawkins and I am in 11th grade at Hutto High School. I have been involved in Leo since my 8th grade year and before that when my brother was in Leo. I am the District Secretary and the State Second Vice President. I am also in FFA, Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA, and FCCLA. I am excited for this year and hope that we will soon be able to see everyone in person.



REBEKAH HAWKINS
SECRETARY

Hi, I am Reznor Salisbury, and I am in 9th grade. I go to Hutto High School and am a part of the Leo club there. I have been part of Leo for 3 full years, and this year will be my 4th year. I am very excited to be a part of Leo this year and am looking forward to all of the projects we take part in each year. I have also been part of The National Junior Honor Society and FCCLA.



REZNOR SALISBURY
LEO TAMER

I'm Melissa Hollingsworth and I am the current District 2-S3 Leo Chair. This is my ninth year at Hutto High School where I teach Forensic Science and Chemistry. I'm also the Hutto High School Leo Advisor. I served as the faculty Leo Advisor before joining Lions 6 years ago. I'm also the Advisor for the Criminal Justice Club.



MELISSA HOLLINGSWORTH
DISTRICT 2-S3 LEO CHAIR

LEO 2S3 DISTRICT OFFICERS ANNOUNCED (Continued)

FINAL THOUGHTS FROM PRESIDENT VAZQUEZ:

As of right now, we have yet to meet in person, but are hopeful that we will get to do so soon. We had a virtual meeting on August 4th to introduce ourselves and discuss upcoming meetings and service project ideas. We have decided that we would like to join the State Leo Club in their "Change the World" fundraising campaign for pediatric cancer patients. We will likely have more information on this in the October newsletter once we know more.

I am beyond excited to get to work with and meet everyone, and know the other officers are as well. Hopefully, we will be able to meet in person in the upcoming weeks, but until then please feel free to reach out to me via email at

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MISSING YOUR CLUB'S CHARTER????

Where Oh Where is Our Lions Club Charter???

PDG Michael Smith

District 2S3 GLT

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I hope everyone is getting back to at least meeting virtually. I have Joined a new club and I am on the Board of Directors this year and the question came up that our club name does not match the name in the bylaws (Club Custom) and what is listed in MYLCI. The MYLCI name is the name the club was chartered under. Looking at the charter would be a logical course of action.

My club's charter was placed in a closet near the room where we met prior to COVID-19. It is now lost, and nobody knows where it is at this time. Not a good thing for the club. I bet this sounds familiar to several of the clubs in the District. If this is your club situation too, one continues to try to find

this document, was it removed to a member's home or place of business. Like other licenses (Hunting Fishing and Drivers) this is your clubs license to operate as a Lions club. It is important for the current officers of the club to know the whereabouts of this important document. Note to club officers: should your club decide to fold for any reason this document **must** be surrendered to the current District Governor and sent back to Lions Club International, so knowing its whereabouts is critical to the club operation.

So, you cannot find the original—what then? The Club President or current Secretary can request a replacement Charter from the New Club division at Lions Club International at (630) 571-5466 and the club will be charged \$25.00 for the replacement. While that is good going forward, the loss of your history of the original charter with the signature of its first members is a tragedy. Based on this article I hope all the district club officers take the time to locate the charter document.

I have planned to make this a series of articles going forward. Next month Charter Night Celebrations—how to recruit new members and retain the older members.

CLUBS CELEBRATING CHARTER ANNIVERSARIES

CLUB	M/D	YEAR	#
Bluebonnet	7/1	1992	28
Austin E Austin	7/30	2018	2
Lago Vista	8/11	1980	40
Buda	8/15	1975	45
Luling	9/9	1948	72
Cameron	9/19	1923	97
Austin S Austin	9/23	1949	71
Georgetown	9/24	1923	97
Univ of Texas	9/25	2012	8
Austin N Austin	9/27	1948	72

SINCE JULY 1, 2020

CHECK FUTURE LIONS DEN FOR YOUR CLUB!

FROM 2ND VDG BRANDON MUND

With the spread of the COVID-19 pandemic we all find ourselves facing daily changes and the unknown. I know personally I find chores and activities to fill my time between working remotely while balancing family life and other obligations. One thing that would be an easy addition to our new normal and also assist the growth of our clubs would be bringing new LIONS into our clubs and district. Even though most clubs are only meeting virtually we can still do our part of growing our organization during this time. I am sure by now you have heard of the acronym **NAMI** or **North American Membership Initiative**. If not I am going to give you a sky high view of what NAMI is.

NAMI is a focused program designed to address and reverse the decline in Lions membership which the objectives are simple: 1) Rejuvenate districts with new clubs, 2) Revitalize clubs with new members, and 3) Rejuvenate members with new fellowships and exciting service.

As Lions we are here to **SERVE**, whether that is serving others in our community, our state, our nation or just our home club we are all here to **SERVE**. As our organization grows throughout the world we need to concentrate on bringing new members into our home clubs. Our membership is what drives the organization as a whole to prosper and be successful in many fronts.

So this month I would like to challenge each club in our district to add **ONE (1) MEMBER**, just 1 MEMBER would make a huge impact on your club and our DISTRICT. I encourage you to reach out to the younger members of your community and share with them what LIONISM is all about and find that sparkle in their eye that screams "I'm interested in becoming a LION!" I promise you that it is there and you just need to search for it.

Stay safe Lions and continue to **SERVE**!

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NORTH AMERICA MEMBERSHIP INITIATIVE (NAMI)



Videos available for Download

Let me encourage you to visit the NAMI website on our district website lionsdistrict2s3.com. The resources page offers many items for your review.

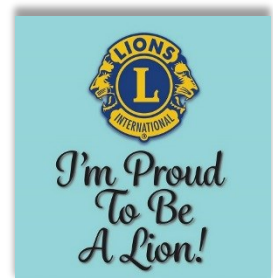
Let me call your attention to the Marketing Resources section. LCI has developed a number of videos that are **available for download**. These short videos can be placed on your club's Facebook page or featured as listings in your club newsletters.

Include these videos in your club's new member orientation program, openings or closings at club meetings, in formats related to membership drives, programs at your zone meetings and in many other opportunities to show case LIONISM.

Let people know who we are and why we are Lions.

We Serve!

PDG Larkin Smith
District 2-S3 NAMI Champion



DISTRICT 2S3 WEBSITE

By **Lion Duane Lueders**
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www.lionsdistrict2s3.com

This month's focus is on the following pages:

- ♦ "District Information"
www.lionsdistrict2s3.com/district-information,
- ♦ "Newsletter/Events"
www.lionsdistrict2s3.com/newsletters-events,
- ♦ District Reports
<https://www.lionsdistrict2s3.com/reports> and
- ♦ "In Memory"
<https://www.lionsdistrict2s3.com/in-memory>

District Information page provides links to various documents such as "Policy & procedures", "District Constitution", "The District directory", "Your Lion Account LOGIN link" and the "District Training" page.

Newsletters/Events provides links to the "District Newsletters" as well as club newsletters. Unfortunately, there are just two clubs that provide copies of their newsletter monthly so I encourage all clubs to provide me with their monthly newsletter. What a great way to "show off" your club's service projects and Lions that make your club a unique one in the District.

District Reports contains cabinet meeting minutes which give you an insight on what the District cabinet is doing. These are posted after approval for each cabinet meeting during the Lion year.

"In Memory" is a great page to honor those Lions that a club has lost during the year and lets oth-

er clubs know of that Lion if they were known through-out the district.

Remember that our clubs comprise a DISTRICT organization and are not an single entity of your club alone. Sharing what your club does is of interest to all clubs and brings out ideas to others on how "WE SERVE".



As I said in the August issue of the Lions Den, the web site has a "search" box on each page and can help in narrowing down where the information you are looking for is located on the site.

FROM FIRST VDG GAYLE TEGGEMAN COLLINS Membership Retention

In the August newsletter I talked about Membership Growth. This month I am focusing on Membership Retention.

Has your club been losing members but you don't know why? Try a few of these suggestions.

When was the last time you attended a meeting and sat next to a member you don't usually sit close to? By joining that member at a meeting could be the difference in making him/her feel like she/he is welcome or a part of the club.

When was the last time you called a member you have noticed hasn't been attending meetings? That one phone call could make the difference in a member staying in the club or leaving the club.

Has the club president or nominating committee asked a Lion who is a new member to help or chair a fundraiser or project? Does your club survey members to find out what their interests are? Using a survey is a good way to learn about fellow Lions.

Look for new members but don't stop there. Be sure you *INCLUDE* the members you currently have. Be *KIND* and *LEARN* more about your fellow Lions.

RE-MEMBER fellow Lions!

DISTRICT 2S3 2020-2021 GOALS

1 *REJUVENATE OUR DISTRICT WITH NEW CLUBS*

GOAL: ADD TWO NEW CLUBS DURING NEXT YEAR.

We need to identify an area in the suburbs of North Austin to locate a club. It can be any type of club but with the demographics of the area, a specialty club of some type might work best. Equal consideration should be given to areas in the southpart of the District between South Austin and New Braunfels, possibly in the I35 corridor.

Guidance items:

1. Early in the year we will establish a working group with 2 committees. A North committee and a South Committee. These groups will work under and with the Governor team, NAMI Champion and GMT.
2. The committee timelines will be to have possible locations and recommendations ready for leadership by September 1, 2020.
3. Following the receipt of recommendations, the Leadership along with the Committee Chairs will select the focus location, determine the club type and establish a timeline for the formation of new clubs.
4. All information and preparation for the charter should be in place by February 1, 2021. The committee timelines will be to have possible locations and

2 *REVITALIZE OUR CLUBS WITH NEW MEMBERS*

GOAL: THE ASSIGNED MEMBERSHIP GOAL FOR EVERY DISTRICT IS TO BE +1 FROM THE FINAL DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP ON JUNE 30, 2020. THAT GOAL WILL BE THE ONE WE FOLLOW.

Education and promotion will key the goal of new membership in our existing club.

1. The District IT program will emphasize communication of information to encourage and support membership. **A specific goal is to increase the memberships' use of our IT program. The measurement is the report provided by District IT Duane Lueders after each month.**

2. The District IT program and other leadership will encourage clubs to keep club information current on their websites, Facebook, and other social media sites that might be used by clubs .

3. The District IT program with support of a social media specialist will promote the activities of our Lion members on the District Facebook page.

4.. We will promote education through the training provided by our district GLT. **The training goal is to have 60% of the Club Officers in the District trained about their office by October 31, 2020** We will inform members through various message types about the availability of educational material in the Lions Learning center.

5. We will train and support the work of our zone chairs. We will keep the Zone chairs informed about the status of their clubs and the things that are needed to accomplish our membership goal.

6. We must focus on retention. We can emphasize new members but we cannot do things that cause us to lose members that we already have. The specific retention goal is to reduce drops in our District by 5% from the number that were dropped in 2019-2020.

We need to encourage our new member sponsors they need to know their work is not done at the new member initiation. Their work is just beginning. Sponsors need to ensure their new members find a home in the club and find things to do to be involved.

We as club members and club leaders need to be aware of the membership of our clubs. We need to recognize a member that is failing in attendance and participation. We need to make special emphasis to get them involved. Secretaries need to track attendance and participation.

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GOALS (CONTINUED)

Leadership in clubs must let new members or different members take leadership roles in projects, offices, or other things that are part of a club's program.

3 MOTIVATE MEMBERS WITH NEW FELLOWSHIPS AND EXCITING SERVICE

GOAL: 60% OF THE CLUBS IN OUR DISTRICT WILL CONDUCT AND REPORT TO LCI AT LEAST TWO MEANINGFUL SERVICE PROJECTS IN THE AREAS OF LCI GLOBAL CAUSES.

Our clubs need to be aware of new ideas. That is why reporting is such a critical part of the LCI program. Each club's reporting is available to other clubs. Members using the reporting features of our LCI program can help other clubs find ideas for new service projects.

Leaders need to be willing to listen to new members for ideas. This helps with the task of getting new members involved in club activities.

Fellowship is also important. We have at least two avenues of fellowship: our regular meetings and special events.

1. We need to ensure our regular meetings are conducted in an organized and timely way. Organization and order is very good for the morale of the club,

2. We can have special events to stimulate togetherness, recognize members, etc. We need to use these opportunities as club leaders.

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LCI REQUIRED GOAL FOR LCIF

GOAL: THE REQUIRED GOAL IS SIMPLE. IT READS: BY THE END OF THE 2020-2021 FISCAL YEAR, MY DISTRICT WILL SUPPORT LCIF IN ITS ENDEAVOR TO ACHIEVE CAMPAIGN 100'S TARGET GOAL OF US \$300 MILLION.

1. We are to support our LCIF Ambassador by giving her opportunity to display and discuss items about the LCIF Campaign.
2. We will encourage support of the Campaign during club visits.
3. We will give the Ambassador the opportunity to recognize those that LCIF has noted.



LCIF THANKS YOU!

PDG Shirley Dillman
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A huge THANK YOU to 582 District 2-53 Lions who have been awarded Melvin Jones Fellowships since 1988. Of those, 35 are also Progressive Melvin Jones Fellows.

Also, as per LCIF's July reports, Congratulations are being sent to the following clubs who have donated an average in excess of \$100.00 per member:

- **AUSTIN NORTH**
- **AUSTIN WEST**
- **CAMERON**
- **CANYON LAKE**
- **GEORGETOWN**
- **LIBERTY HILL**
- **ROUND ROCK NOON LIONS**

An even greater CONGRATULATIONS to our Austin South Lions for becoming a Model Club, meaning they have declared \$500.00 per member to support LCIF's humanitarian grants that are provided continuously for disasters, diabetes, hunger, vision, cancer, environment, and Leos.

These funds are crucial right now to build our Lions Club Foundation for constant demands for assistance to areas struggling with the horrendous fires in California and Canada, floods from Hurricane Hanna hitting south west Texas and Laura our south east coast, floods and many grants this spring and summer for fighting COVID-19.

It has been said that LCIF sends our monies to third world countries. Yes, but Texas has received a grand total of \$5,520,249.00 LCIF grants since 1988 for our many Texas disasters, Midland Eyeglass Recycling facility, medical mission trips, parks, tornadoes and our District KidSight Spot cameras to name a few.

LCIF uses 100% of your tax deductible donation for humanitarian service, plus you build your

bank account with them and your club can apply for a Melvin Jones Fellowship for every \$1,000.00. You can donate on-line to make a donation or use the application form at lionsclubs.org/en/give-how-to-give/melvin-jones-fellowship to submit for your personal Melvin Jones Fellowship.

"Where there's a Need - There's a Lion"

I also have also received everyone's banked balance of LCIF funds through July 30, 2020 that I will share with you to help you determine what is needed to complete your \$1,000.00.

Melvin Jones Fellowship Application

Lions Clubs International FOUNDATION

Individual Completing this Form
 Name _____ Date _____
 E-mail _____ Phone _____

1. Area of Giving
 Please check one
☐ Empowering Service Fund
☐ Disaster Relief Fund
 (Each choice above is eligible for MJF credit)
☐ Other _____
 (May not be eligible for MJF credit)

MJF Credits to be used from previous donation:
 *Please Note - This section should only be used if sufficient funds have already been deposited with Lions Clubs International Foundation
 Use Credits From: _____
 CIF: _____

2. Contribution Details
 Donor Name (individual, club, company, foundation) _____
 Donor ID: _____
 Donor Club: _____
 Donor District: _____

Amount of Contribution
☐ Full Payment ☐ Installment ☐ Final Installment

Donors making personal donations towards MJF also receive credit as a Lions Share Program Member. The Lions Share Program recognizes three levels of support: US\$50 (One star) US\$100 (Two stars) US\$200 (Three stars).
☐ Yes! In addition to receiving MJF credit, I would like to receive a Lions Share Pin for my donation.

Gift Type
 Make donations via the web at www.lionsclubs.org
☐ US\$ Check Enclosed (payable to LCIF; drawn on US bank)
☐ Wire/Bank Transfer (Please attach bank transfer receipt)
☐ Local LCI Deposit (Please attach bank deposit ticket)
☐ Cash (Mail donations along with the Donor Contribution Form to address provided)
 THE FOUNDATION USES A LOCK BOX SERVICE TO RECEIVE AND PROCESS ALL DONATIONS.

3. Recipient of Recognition (individual person)
 Type of recognition requested (greater check one) Fellowships cannot be presented to businesses or organizations
☐ MJF ☐ PMJF ☐ To Be Named Later
☐ Memorial Plaque in memory of deceased
 Recipient Name (Exactly as it is to be engraved on plaque) _____
 Recipient ID# (if applicable) _____
 Recipient Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State/Province _____
 Country _____ Postal Code _____
 Club of Recipient _____
 Club # _____ District _____

For Memorial List name of MJF surviving family member to whom Memorial plaque will be given. (Needed for recognition letter which accompanies plaque.) _____

4. Shipping Information
 PLEASE NOTE: MATERIALS CANNOT BE SENT TO PO BOXES.
 Ship to Member ID # (if applicable) _____
 Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State/Province _____
 Country _____ Postal Code _____
 E-mail _____ Phone _____
 Recognition is sent once donation and application are received and processed at headquarters. Please allow a minimum of 15 days in the U.S. and 30 days elsewhere for shipping.
 Special Instructions/Notes _____

Lions Clubs International Foundation
 Department 4547
 Carol Stream, IL 60122-4547
 USA
 Tel: 630-200-3836
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 E-mail: donorassistance@lionsclubs.org

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TEXAS LIONS CAMP NEWS

By Lion Ann Ward
Secretary, Texas Lions Camp Board

Fund-Raisers Benefit TLC Building Campaign; Get Ready for the Summer Service Lottery

On Aug. 27, Martyn Lucas, dubbed "World Piano Man" by Sir Elton John, live-streamed a virtual benefit concert from his Dallas studio to promote Texas Lions Camp and help raise money for the camp's building fund. Through ticket sales, sponsorships and song requests, the evening raised more than \$17,000 for TLC and the initial construction of a quad of bunkhouses. If you missed the concert, go to <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=deNH9aObby8>.

Viewing the recording and subscribing to Lucas' YouTube channel will enable TLC to continue to earn revenue from the concert. Simply click on the "subscribe" button and then "ring the bell" icon which authorizes notifications when new content is posted. Lucas will be posting edited versions of the concert; donations made through the link on the screen throughout the concert go to TLC. Help TLC financially and enjoy some great music!

TLC Masks

PDG Tom Blasé of Kerrville, a member of TLC's Polar Bear Court, is capitalizing on the COVID-19 pandemic, and is selling special TLC face masks. All proceeds will go to TLC's building project. The mask order form is available online at www.lionscamp.com. Cost is \$10 per mask, plus \$1 for shipping. Order info in next column.

Golf Silent Auction

The silent auction held in conjunction with the annual Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament ended Aug. 31. The 23 donated items generated \$2,800! Proceeds of the tournament exceeded \$135,000, plus the silent auction. The final numbers will be announced later this month.

Summer '21 Service Opportunities

October usually is when the camp holds its

annual lottery for summer service opportunities. However, until there is more certainty about the 2021 camping season, the lottery is being delayed, possibly until the spring. All clubs that have participated in service opportunities previously will be notified. Club service opportunities range from the welcome reception/refreshments and luggage crew to picnics/cookouts and awards ceremony hosts. Stay tuned!

Need a TLC Program?

Contact one of District 2-53's Elected Directors to schedule a program for your club:

North – Lion Connie Zschoche @ H (512) 215-2002, C (951) 313-8005, czs2play13@gmail.com

South – Lion Vanessa Dean @ (830) 310-2322, VanessaDean1985@gmail.com

TEXAS LIONS CAMP **"Serving God's Special Children"** **Lions Camp Face Masks** **Special for 2020-2021**

*All profits will go to the Texas Lions
 Camp*

NUMBER: ____ (\$10. + \$1. POSTAGE = \$11.)

INCLUDE YOUR PRINTED NAME, MAILING ADDRESS. CITY, STATE, ZIP

Mail info & check payable to:
**PCC Tom Blase, 40 Antelope Trail,
 Kerrville, Tx 78028**



TEXAS LIONS CAMP—POLAR BEAR PLUNGE

BY PCC Tom Blase

Lions & Leos & Bears... BRRRRR!



In February Texas Lions launched the biggest project at TLC since the inception of the camp – **CAMPaign Vision 2020 & Beyond**, a campaign to replace our bunkhouses, care-taker (summer staff) quarters, and basic infrastructure. This is sorely needed if our camp is going to be relative for another 70 years..... AND to kick things off, the Texas Lions Camp was selected by the **Mo Ranch** in Hunt, TX to be the beneficiary of the 28th **Polar Bear Challenge** on January 1, 2021 at 1PM. We hope you will use this honor given to our camp to help kick off **CAMPaign Vision 2020 & Beyond** with a BIG Splash! All the money raised will go to this **capital building campaign**.

We likely won't get chosen for this honor again for many years, but it gives us a perfect opportunity to get all our Texas Lions & friends thinking about our new "vision" for TLC's future....but to make matters more critical, the spring storms of 2020, destroyed bunkhouse 2, and severely damaged bunkhouse 1, plus summer staff quarters & some other buildings. It has become imperative to start our rebuilding sooner than later, if we want to continue to serve 1500 special kids each summer. Because of the pandemic, however, our Campaign has been virtually shut down so far, making the **Polar Bear Challenge** a timely opportunity to kick off the campaign.

So how does the Polar Bear Plunge Challenge work? Simple: you donate and/or raise money from family, friends, Lions, Lions Clubs and patrons in the

name of someone, whom you would really LOVE to see – hopefully **ME** (PCC Tom Blase) take a freezing plunge down a long slide into the extremely frigid Guadalupe River next January 1st. Generally, you might pick one of the Polar Bear Plunge "Court", of which I am a member, to support; but maybe there is a District Governor, Club President or some other poor Lion you might coerce into taking the plunge. If you will go to www.lionscamp.com, click on Media, and then Blog, you will find all of the members of the court on page 2 or 3 of the blogs. You will also find other important information about the Challenge on other blogs nearby.

All checks should be made out to Texas Lions Camp. Generally the checks should be mailed to the **Texas Lions Camp (P.O. Box 290247, Kerrville TX 79029)**, however some District Governors have some special competitions and challenges going, so they prefer you send them through the District. Make sure your checks indicate which Court member you are supporting to make the BIG splash, and your District number.

You can also donate on line at www.lionscamp.com. Click on the big red box **DO-NATE NOW**, and follow the prompts down the page. When you get to "Donation Categories", select Polar Bear Plunge Challenge, and a little further down, when it asks if you are a Polar Bear Challenge donor, open it for the names of the Court members to credit the donation.

Anyone is welcome to come and watch on January 1st or better yet, anyone can take the plunge by raising their own funds (or paying \$25). Those brave souls, who wish to do this, can register to make the slide on the camp website. This form should be available soon on our website. On January 1 after the slide, we're planning on an "After Party" at the camp. If you have questions call, text or email anytime: **Tom Blase 325-315-7060** (tomblasesr@gmail.com)

Help us start our **CAMPaign**with a **BIG Splash!**

ENVIRONMENTAL PHOTO CONTEST

District 2-S3 Environmental Chair Report #1 by Lion Jo Anne Smith

(My contact info is lagojas@gmail.com)



Good morning Lions,

My name is Lion Jo Anne Smith, my home club is Lago Vista Lions.

I am your District 2-S3 Environmental Chair for 2020-2021.

- ARE YOU GOING CRAZY WITH THIS COVID-19 VIRUS?
- ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A NEW WAY TO PARTICIPATE BUT ARE WORRIED ABOUT SOCIAL DISTANCING OR CATCHING THE VIRUS?
- HERE IS YOUR OPPORTUNITY TO GET REACQUAINTED WITH MOTHER NATURE!

IF YOU HAVE NOT PARTICIPATED IN THE
DISTRICT 2-S3 ENVIRONMENTAL
PHOTO CONTEST,
HERE IS YOUR CHANCE.

See Photo Contest Rules and Entry Form on the following page.

You can use a previous photo in your collection or take a new photo.

The Annual **District 2-S3 Environmental Photo Contest** will continue to host our own photo contest for our clubs. Entries will go no further. The same rules and themes will apply; Animal Life, Weather Phenomenon, Landscape and Plant Life from any location.

NOTE: One change in the rules this cycle will be one entry per member for more participation; instead of one entry per club.

Photo Contest Rules / Entry form is available on the following page in this newsletter and on the District website at www.lionsdistrict2S3.com. The deadline is Tuesday, December 1, 2020. The winner will be announced at the District 2-S3 Mid-Winter Conference on Saturday, January 30, 2021 at Hutto.

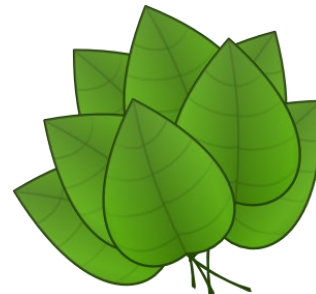
I would love for you to take advantage of this opportunity and participate.

Respectfully submitted,
Lion Jo Anne Smith



PROTECTING OUR ENVIRONMENT—
AN LCI GLOBAL CAUSE

**SEE NEXT PAGE FOR
OFFICIAL RULES
AND ENTRY FORM**





2020-2021 Environmental Photo Contest Official Rules and Entry Form



- The 2020-2021 Environmental Photo Contest is open to LIONS and LEOS.
- All photos depicting a nature theme (such as plants, animals, weather phenomenon, etc.) are welcome.
- Photos that include people will be disqualified.
- Photos should be original and unaltered.
- Photos should be printed on high-quality photo paper and measure 8" x 10" (20.3 x 25.4 cm.)
- Photos will be judged impartially based on originality, artistic merit, and technical quality.
- All photographers accept responsibility for the cost of taking and processing all photos.
- **The deadline must be postmarked by Tuesday, December 1, 2020. Please add a note to envelope that reads "DO NOT BEND".**
- Each LIONS CLUB or LEO CLUB are invited to **submit one photo per member** to:

Lion Jo Anne Smith 20609 Oak Ridge Lago Vista, TX 78645
- The three photos receiving the most votes will win 1st, 2nd, and 3rd prize. Prizes will be presented to the winning photographers at the District 2-S3 Mid-Winter Conference on January 30, 2021.
- The winning photos will be featured in the District 2-S3 newsletter.
- The contest will end at the District 2-S3 level.
- E-mail contest questions to Lion Jo Anne Smith at e-mail: lagojas@gmail.com.

2020 DISTRICT 2-S3 ENTRY FORM ENVIRONMENTAL PHOTO CONTEST

(Please Print)

Photographer Name _____

Photographer Lions Club _____

Photographer Phone Number _____

Photographer E-mail Address _____

2020-2021 Lions International Peace Poster Contest

For over three decades, Lions clubs around the globe have been sponsoring a very special art contest in schools and youth groups. Creating peace posters gives children everywhere the chance to express their visions of peace and inspire the world through art and creativity.

To sponsor the Peace Poster Contest, Lions clubs can order a contest kit from January 15 to October 1. The kit is available in 12 of our official languages. A kit is needed for each contest sponsored.

Each kit contains:

- Official Club Contest Guide and Rules
- Official School or Youth Group Contest Guide and Rules
- Participant Flyer to duplicate and give to participating students to take home
- Sticker to place on back of winning poster
- Certificates for contest winner and school or youth group

[Click Here to Order Your Kit](#)

To order a kit by phone, call Club Supplies Sales at (630) 571-5466 or 1-800-710-7822

To view the 2019-2020 Contest Winners, go to:

<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/peace-poster-winners>



Students ages 11, 12 or 13 as of November 15 are eligible to participate in the International Peace Poster Contest. Entries not meeting the following deadlines will be disqualified.

- **January 15:** Kits go on sale from the Club Supplies Sales Department at International Headquarters.
- **October 1:** Deadline to purchase kits from the Club Supplies Sales Department at International Headquarters.
- **November 15:** Postmark deadline for a club to send one winning poster (per contest sponsored) to the district governor.
- **December 1:** Postmark deadline for a district governor to send one winning district poster to multiple district council chairperson.
- **December 1:** Postmark deadline for a district governor not belonging to a multiple district to send one winning poster to the Public Relations Department at International Headquarters.
- **December 1:** Postmark deadline for a club not belonging to a district to send one winning entry to the Public Relations Department at International Headquarters.
- **December 15:** Postmark deadline for the multiple district council chairperson to send one winning poster to the Public Relations Department at International Headquarters.
- **February 1:** International winners notified on or before this date.



2020-21 Lions International Peace Poster Contest "Peace Through Service"

Important things to remember if your club is conducting a Peace Poster Contest

- Order kits for each contest you conduct before Oct. 1, 2020.
- Take rules to the teacher or group leader, making sure they read the rules of the contest.
- **SIZE DOES MATTER**—check the rules for the minimum and maximum size limit.
- **NO WORDS OR NUMBERS** can be on the front of the poster.
- The contestant must be 11, 12, or 13 years of age on November 15, 2020.
- Standard peace symbols are allowed—peace symbol, 2 fingers up, peace dove, and olive branch.
- **NOTHING CAN BE GLUED OR STAPLED TO THE POSTER**—no glitter glue, no extra paper or objects. It cannot be mounted on anything, and must be able to be rolled into a tube for mailing.
- There must be an official Peace Poster Sticker (that comes in the kit) attached to the **BACK LOWER RIGHT HAND CORNER** of the poster. This sticker cannot be photocopied; it must be from a kit. Be sure this is filled out and signed by the parent of the child, as well as your president.
- Be sure that those who are judging your club's contest know the rules and the theme. Entering a poster that will be disqualified in the district contest is unfair to the other contestants in your contest that could have been a winner.
- If you would like a Powerpoint of last year's winners on the International level, send me an email and I will send it to you. angienick1945@gmail.com This could be beneficial to your teacher or leader to show the students what has won in the past.
- Send your winning poster to Angie Nicholson, 100 Cavalier Lane, Liberty Hill, TX 78642 by November 15, 2020. It must be postmarked no later than that date. District contestants must be judged and the winning poster sent to the state chair by December 1, 2020.

INFORMATION ALSO AVAILABLE ON
WWW.LIONSDISTRICT2S3.COM

2020-2021 DISTRICT 2-S3 YOUTH CONTESTS ANNOUNCED

The following provides an overview of the MD-2 Youth Contests. Detailed information, instructions, and due dates are at

WWW.LIONSDISTRICT2S3.COM

The Lions of Texas believe in developing youth as they pursue academic excellence while learning to be of service to others. District 2S3 Lions Clubs are asked to contact local high school counselors and Leo clubs with information about the contests and encourage participation.

Requirements to enter: Students must be juniors or seniors in high school.

- ♦ **DIABETES AWARENESS ESSAY:** Topic: The importance of Diabetes Education in Texas Schools K-12
- ♦ **DRUG AWARENESS SPEECH:** Topic: Juuling and E-Cigarette Epidemic
- ♦ **OUTSTANDING YOUTH ESSAY:** Topic: Innovation and Leading Change Today

There are three levels to the competition:

1. *Local Lions club*
2. *Lions District 2S3*
3. *MD-2 Texas Lions.*

Each level of competition carries scholarship awards at all three organizational levels as follows:

1. *Local Lions Club—Determined by club*
2. *Lions District 2S3—\$1,000.00 for first place in each contest and \$500.00 for second place in each contest.*
3. *MD-2 Texas Lions—\$3,000.00 for first place in each contest; \$2,000.00 for second place,, and \$1,000.00 for third place.*

Students entering a local Club contest and are judged first place, **must** be committed to compete in the 2S3 District contest on January 30, 2021 in Hutto, TX, and, if successful there, attend the MD-2 orientation on Friday evening, May 21, and compete on Saturday morning May 22 in Waco, TX.

Expenses will be paid by the Lions. MD2 District winners application fees will be paid by the Lions of 2S3. Financial awards are given to the winner only when she/he competes at the next level.

Applications are available on the Texas Lions MD-2 website at texaslions.org

Local Club winning entries must reach District 2S3 Awards Coordinator DG Gary Fuchs, by January 15, 2021, at P O Box 81, Cameron, TX 76520
Garyfuchs53@yahoo.com.

DISTRICT 2S3 100% CLUBS RECOGNIZED

These are the 2S3 2020-2021 charities and donations per member:

Texas Lions Camp	\$10.00
Texas Lions Eye Glass Recycling Center (TLERC)	\$1.00
LCI Foundation	\$1.00
Texas Lions Foundation	\$2.00
Leader Dog	\$1.00
World Services for the Blind	\$2.00
District 2-S3 Charities	\$2.00
District 2-S3 Youth Opportunities	\$2.00



As of August 22, 2020, the following Clubs have achieved 100% status:

Dripping Springs	South Austin	Austin Founder
Point Venture	Lago Vista	Georgetown
Round Rock Noon	Bastrop Evening	Elgin Evening
Marion	West Austin	Buckholts
San Marcos Noon	Liberty Hill	Taylor
North Austin	Pflugerville	Granger
Canyon Lake Noon	Cameron	Hutto

USA/CANADA LEADERSHIP FORUM ANNOUNCES VIRTUAL LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE



SEPTEMBER 25 - 27, 2020

YOU CAN EXPERIENCE THE FORUM THIS YEAR IN A NEW WAY!
JOIN US FOR THE USA/CANADA LIONS VIRTUAL LEADERSHIP
EXPERIENCE.

Follow the link to register:

<http://members.lionsforum.org/event-3925061>

Complete Event registration Fee
\$20
3 Days - 2 Hours Sessions

General Sessions Keynotes



Katherine Greenland
Katherine is a cultural innovator and inclusion strategist with over 20 years of experience as a public speaker, team builder and advisor.



Dr. Jung-Yul Choi, President LCI
Dr. Choi will speak on the services and programs of LCI and give us insight on being United with Kindness and Diversity.



Striker Corbin
As a motivational speaker, certified hypnotist, and success coach, Striker Corbin focuses on personal development.

Join us for the USA/Canada Lions Virtual Leadership Experience. Although we aren't able to facilitate the 80 wonderful seminars that were planned for Louisville, the Forum Planning Committee is excited to present 19 sessions you can attend virtually. It's easy and affordable.

Book your spot now!

SEE LIONSFORUM.ORG FOR INFORMATION

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.
Club's matching check for a grant must be made payable to: District 2-S3 Charities

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,
Home: 512-868-8021 - Cell: 512-508-4552 - email at: fkinald@msn.com

LONE STAR LIONS EYE BANK— MIRACLES IN SIGHT EXPANDS SERVICE REACH WITH NEW PARTNERSHIP

WINSTON-SALEM, N.C. — [Miracles In Sight \(MIS\)](#), a non-profit eye bank that recovers, processes and distributes ocular tissue, announced

today that it has expanded its reach with a new partnership. [Lone Star Lions Eye Bank](#) based in Manor, Texas, has joined the MIS family. The agreement was effective August 3, 2020.

Under the partnership, [Lone Star Lions Eye Bank](#) will be known as Miracles In Sight, Lone Star Division, and have access to specialized capabilities, training opportunities and expanded service lines.

"After many years of collaboration between our organizations, alignment in values, and strengthening of trust over the years our partnership came about naturally," said Daniel Mercado, Executive Director of Lone Star Lions Eye Bank. "We are proud to be part of the Miracles In Sight Family. This agreement will allow us to maintain a local presence while expanding our capabilities to serve our community and provide highly specialized services to enhance visual outcomes for patients."

Lone Star Lions Eye Bank was established in the early 1970s. The nonprofit is dedicated to the preservation of sight, raising donor awareness, recovering and processing ocular tissue, supporting research and providing educational programs in Central Texas.

"We are excited to partner with Lone Star Lions Eye Bank," said Dean Vavra, President and CEO of Miracles In Sight. "Our joining together will give the physician community in Texas access to additional eye-banking services and resources to improve patient outcomes. We welcome Lone Star Lions Eye Bank to the MIS family."

As one of the largest eye banks in the world, Miracles In Sight performs more than 3,600 transplants each year. A significant part of the organization's mission centers on stewardship. Miracles In Sight focuses heavily on training and educating the medical community as well as supporting partners and organizations around the world.

About Miracles In Sight

Miracles In Sight (formerly the North Carolina Eye Bank), based in Winston-Salem, N.C., USA is one of the largest eye banks in the world. The mission of Miracles In Sight is to support the restoration, preservation, and enhancement of sight through transplant, research, education and innovation. A significant part of this mission is stewardship focused on training and educating the medical community and supporting partners and organizations around the world. For more information, visit www.miraclesinsight.org.



"Membership Growth" New Members - August

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

Austin West Austin

Matt Hudgins	sponsored by	Ty Yocham
Adam Knudson	sponsored by	Ty Yocham

**WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST CLUB,
BASTROP NOON!!!**

Bastrop Noon

Lauri Anzaldua	Steph Lewis
Lisa Bailey	Robert Mertz
Troy Brown	Diana Miller
Lindsey Coffey	Amberley Palmer
Dan Fink	Craig Robichaud
James Gary	Andrews Rosales
Rebecca Gleason	Stephen Ross
Darlene Graham	Pam Solly
Tami Hitt	Helen Taylor
Sarah Houser	Frank Urbanek
Rhonda Janak	Frank Weisser

Buckholtz Lions Club

Roger Barron	sponsored by	Mary Chambers
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Cameron Lions

Arturo Villarreal	sponsored by	Bill Torrey
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Canyon Lake Noon Lions Club

Leslee Rapp	sponsored by	Paul Drush
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Lago Vista Lions

Michael Elliott	sponsored by	Dick Weatherly
Russell Krull	sponsored by	Phyllis Jordan
Paul Roberts	sponsored by	Ronald Smith

San Marcos Lions

Rebecca Manzanares	sponsored by	Denisa Burnham
Krystal McAuley	sponsored by	Denisa Burnham

**IN MEMORIAM
DISTRICT 2S-3 TRIBUTE
July 2020
Raymond E. Pitzen
Garden Ridge Lions Club**



RAISING COMMUNITY AWARENESS IN THE PANDEMIC

By Ann Ward (awardcomm@gmail.com)
Public Relations Committee Chair

As COVID-19 continues and social distancing is still a priority, many clubs have found alternative ways to meet, and small clubs may be meeting in-person. *If so, does your community know?* Here are some ideas to be sure your community is aware that your club is meeting and continuing to serve:

Website – Does your club's website prominently inform viewers of your meeting status? Do you have contact information for those with questions or seeking more details?

Newspaper article – If you have an interesting program scheduled, provide your local newspaper with a news release or media advisory. Be sure to include when and where the meeting will occur, and note that visitors are welcome. If you are meeting on Zoom, provide details on how to obtain the link.

Community calendars – Many television stations or cable companies have a Community Calendar. Request that your club meetings are listed by submitting the required information in a timely fashion. In some markets, you may be able to list regular meetings, and in others, it may be better to use this option for special events or programs of broad community interest.

Facebook/Twitter – If your club has a Facebook page and/or a Twitter account, are you using these social media tools to put out information about upcoming club meetings?

Whichever communications tools you use, be sure to include information about any service projects you are able to conduct. Also, if you have a fund-raising activity coming up, be sure to use these media channels to get the word out.

While working to generate publicity may take a little time and effort, your club will benefit in terms of community awareness and support, and potentially, new members!

CLUB NEWS STARTS HERE

AUSTIN FOUNDER LIONS

By Lion Ann Ward

AFLC Inducts New Members, Holds Orientation

On Aug. 20, Austin Founder Lions inducted four new members into the club. Past President Leonor Marques inducted the following new Lions:

- Greg Dew, sponsored by Bob Thonhoff;
- Bill Hanks, sponsored by Alan Ford;
- Gloria Munguia, sponsored by President Rudy Munguia; and
- Steve Reilly, sponsored by Immediate Past President Ann Ward.

Lion Dew, who is training a Leader Dog puppy, had several special guests for the induction, including PID Jenny Ware of Rapid River, Michigan, who currently serves as Campaign 100 Constitutional Area 1 Vice Chairperson; and his aunt and uncle, Lions Phyllis and Phil Krebs from Springfield, Mo. They are both Leader Dog Ambassadors and currently are raising their 12th future Leader Dog. His uncle, Jerry Dew of Maryville, Mo., also a Lion, attended via Zoom. Gloria Munguia's special guests included her son Paul Munguia and grandson Julian, and nephew, Bryan Ramirez.

The club created a two-part Zoom orientation for new members. The first 1.5 hour session was presented Aug. 26, and part two was presented Sept. 2. New members participating included Greg Dew, Bill Hanks, David Mann, Sandra Mann, Gloria Munguia, Suzan Nyfeler, Rachael Reed and Steve Reilly. New members who attended both orientation sessions or listened to the recordings of both sessions will be eligible for a Sept. 10 prize drawing.

Membership Chair Mim Hruby, who is past president of the Point Venture Lions Club, organized the orientation. Past President Alan Ford created the two-part course and PowerPoint presentations, and presented much of the overview of Lions Club International and the history of the Austin Founder Lions Club. Other presenters included Hruby, PDG J.P. Kirksey, Rudy Munguia and Ward. Past President Leonor Marques hosted the Zoom meetings, and helped moderate questions.

This screen shot shows some of the participants in the AFLC's two-part new member ZOOM orientation.



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AUSTIN FOUNDER LIONS SPONSOR ROSE DAY

Want to make someone's day during this pandemic?

Surprise loved ones, family members, friends, valued clients, employees, etc. with a dozen long-stemmed red roses, delivered anywhere in the Austin Metro Area.* The cost is just \$26.00, and, if we deliver more than one dozen roses to the same address, you pay only \$23.00 per subsequent dozen.



On **October 29**, members of Austin Founder Lions Club will provide contact-less delivery of a dozen beautiful long-stemmed red roses in an attractive florist box which will include your personalized message. Lions hand-trim and pack the boxes, and deliver them in-person. In addition to making someone's day, you are helping Austin Founder Lions have the financial resources to serve our community

5 Reasons to Send a Dozen Roses

1. Make someone feel special and appreciated – it's an awesome surprise!
2. Write your own personalized message – and we won't tell if it's a little sexy or suggestive!
3. Maintain social distance while connecting safely with special people!
4. Boost mental health in a calorie-free, affordable, gluten-free way!
5. Support Austin Founder Lions Club's service to the greater Austin community, including vision screening, eyeglass recycling, sponsoring children with special medical needs to attend Texas Lions Camp, providing scholarships to Texas School for the Blind & Visually impaired graduates, and helping train Leader Dogs for the blind.

Your order and payment must be received no later than **Wednesday, October 21.**

Order Online or by Mail

Online by filling out the secure online form at www.austindowntownlions.org.

Mail the order form and payment to: Austin Founder Lions Club, P.O. Box 28306, Austin, TX 78755 for receipt by October 21.

Questions? (512) 441-1555

*You can send roses to any home or business street address in the metro Austin area (Round Rock, Cedar Park, Lakeway, etc.)

Rose Day Order Form

Please complete all of the following information, and print or write legibly. Complete one form per recipient, and be sure to provide recipient's phone numbers!



Austin
Founder
Lions Club

Delivery: October 29

Purchaser Info:

Name: _____

Daytime Phone Number: _____

Recipient Info:

Name: _____

Delivery Address: _____

City: _____ Zip Code: _____

Check One: ☐ Business ☐ Residence

If Business, Business Name: _____

Daytime Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Special Instructions (Beware of dog, delivery hours, etc): _____

Quantity	Description	Per Unit	Subtotal
	First Dozen Red Roses	\$26.00	\$
	Additional Dozen to Same Address	\$23.00	\$
	Additional Tax Deductible Contribution	\$	\$
	Total	\$	\$

Payment Info:

Payment Method: ☐ Cash ☐ Check ☐ Credit Card

Please make checks payable to Austin Founder Lions Club and send check with this form to Rose Sale, P.O. Box 28306, Austin TX 78755.



Name as it Appears on Card: _____

Card Number: _____

Exp Date: _____ CCV _____ ZIP Code _____

Signature: _____ Email: _____

Message to Recipient: _____

AFLC Rose Day Sure to Make Recipients Feel Special, Appreciated

Austin Founder Lions Club is linking its annual **Rose Day** fund-raiser to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. Surprising loved ones, family members, friends, valued clients, employees, etc., with a dozen long-stemmed red roses is sure to make the recipient feel special and appreciated. On **Oct. 29**, AFLC members will provide contact-less delivery of a dozen beautiful long-stemmed **red roses** in an attractive florist box which will include the sender's personalized message. Lions hand-trim and pack the boxes on Oct. 28, and deliver them in-person the following day.

The cost is just \$26.00 per dozen, and, if more than one dozen roses are delivered to the same address, the cost is only \$23 per subsequent dozen. The Austin Metro delivery area includes Round Rock, Pflugerville, Cedar Park, Lakeway, etc. Deliveries will be made to both residential and business addresses during normal business hours. For questions about the delivery area, call 512-441-1555/**Deadline to place orders is **Wednesday, Oct. 21.**** Order securely online at www.austindowntownlions.org or complete the order form and mail with your payment to: Austin Founder Lions Club, P.O. Box 28306, Austin, TX 78755 for receipt by Oct. 21.

CANYON LAKE NOON LIONSCanyonlakenoonlions.wixsite.com/clnl77*By Lion Diane Schaule*

Canyon Lake Noon Lions past President Norm Schaule congratulates Lion Joe Ed Lyles (top pic) and Lion Bill Wilson (bottom) as the 2019-2020 recipients of the Melvin Jones Fellowship. This Fellowship Award is named for the Lions International Founder, Melvin Jones, and is the highest form of recognition in Lions service. Well deserved, Lion Joe Ed and Bill!



Immediate Past President Norm Schaule (center) presented two awards to two outstanding Lions: President's Award went to PDG Len Heimer (on left) and Lion of the Year to current President Marc Matier. The Board's new meeting place is the patio of the Canyon Lake Presbyterian Church and the Lions consider themselves very fortunate to have such a scenic outdoor spot to social distance!



Canyon Lake Noon Lions haven't let the pandemic slow us down in recruiting new members. Lions inducted Leslee Martz Rapp at their August 6 meeting. Welcome Lion Leslee! Pictured l-r, sponsor Paul Drush, Lion Leslee, and CLNL President Marc Matier.





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CANYON LAKE NOON LIONS ANNOUNCE OUR 2020 DRIVE-THRU SHRIMPFEET

It wouldn't be October without the Canyon Lake Noon Lions annual Shrimpfeet!!!! Come celebrate our quarter century of serving gulf-raised, fresh off the boat, boiled shrimp on Saturday, October 17th, at the CRRC Recreation Center, 125 Mabel Jones Drive (below Canyon Dam) from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm.

Now in our 25th year of serving fantastic shrimp to the Canyon Lake community, we can't let a pandemic get the way of this annual tradition. Masked, gloved Lions will box your serving of fresh boiled shrimp, along with a helping of baked potato salad and coleslaw, in a carry-out clam shell box and deliver it to your vehicle. As in past years, tickets are only \$12.00 each and are available from any Lion or in the drive-thru line on October 17th. Credit cards, cash, and checks accepted. Due to the current COVID-19 restrictions, no indoor seating will be available.

We want to keep our guests safe so we've had to forgo the annual mega-raffle! We're disappointed and we know you all are too, but safety and the health of our Lions and community are foremost. CDC guidelines for food preparation and events and gatherings will be adhered to.

We Serve

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CAMERON LIONS

THREE GENERATIONS OF LIONS AND MELVIN JONES FELLOWSHIP RECIPIENTS.....



*From the right. Lion Monroe Fuchs, DG Gary Fuchs,
Lions Stephen Fuchs and Nathan Fuchs*



*District Governor Gary Fuchs presents the
Melvin Jones Fellowship to Past President Lion
Nathan Fuchs.*

Congratulations!

POINT VENTURE LIONS

LETTER OF APPRECIATION



Samaritan Health Ministries

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We would like to thank the Point Venture Lions Club for their generous donation to help us provide HOME (Health Observation, Monitoring, and Evaluation) Boxes to diabetic patients in the Lago Vista area.

The boxes will include a thermometer, blood pressure monitor, glucometer and test strips. Due to COVID-19 and transitioning to telehealth appointments, home health monitoring has become imperative for continuity of care.

The Point Venture Lions are people who are willing to give their time, energy and resources to make our world a better place. Lions serve to make a difference to the quality of life for the handicapped, the poor, the sick, the young, and the aged.

Learn more: <https://www.pvlionsclub.org/>



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POINT VENTURE LIONS (Continued)



Our beloved Mayor and Lion Member Eric Love spoke to the group about all exciting growth happening in Point Venture.



Meet Lion Janice Huling



She loves living in Point Venture and could not dream of any other place she would rather live. She has a huge heart and helps her mother daily, whom she coincidentally had join the Lions also. One thing we might not know about Janice she is a Zumba instructor and started the Zumba program at Rolling Hills Church in Lago Vista that is still currently ongoing. It is part legacy. She works at the Point Venture Golf Course which she loves getting to meet new people and speaking the attributes of the Lions. She loves to cook, dance, read and walk the neighborhood. She has two wonderful children (below) that love to help with the Lions. Janice is a huge asset to the Lions and we are blessed to have her as our leader this year.

As with many we are continuing with social distancing but we thought we would hi-light one of our beloved members so we may get to know each other better in these trying times. So without further ado please let me introduce our amazing leader Janice Huling.



ROUND ROCK LIONS

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"Rockin Rocks"

The Round Rock Noon Lions Club have participated in cheerful acts to show our gratitude for emergency services of medical personnel since April, 2020 due to COVID – 19. One event was joining hundreds of local citizens parading around St. David Medical Center with decorated honking vehicles every evening for 2 months to remind medical personnel of our thankfulness for putting their lives on the front line to care for infected persons. We also did chalk drawings on sidewalks that washed away with spring rains. Stuffed toys were placed in windows of our homes, but these acts were all temporary.

Lion Shirley Dillman saw mini decorated rocks along walkways of her subdivision, and began dreaming of 'planting' Rockin Rocks around Round Rock to bring uplifting thoughts during these stressful times.

We visited with Ella Thorpe, Communication Director of St. David Medical Center, Round Rock, Texas for permission to place 'Rockin Rocks' in the flower beds at the entrances to the hospital to let employees know we are thankful for their bravery every day to save lives. Ms. Thorpe asked for large rocks so we wrote a letter to Whittlesey Landscaping of Round Rock explaining our mission to bring cheer. They graciously offered rocks free of charge.

A health care insurance agent suggested we also 'plant' Rockin Rocks at Texas Baptist Children's Home cottages for displaced children. Libbie Seaton, volunteer coordinator, welcomed our offer.

Our painting parties proved to be fun and an uplifting project! However, delivery of these rocks to both the hospital and children home was even more exciting to witness our reception and admiration of our 'art'. We are now looking for additional rocks and facilities 'to plant' them.

We are all stressed seeing loved ones suffer

and listening to the depressing messages broadcast over radio, TV, and in our daily newspapers. That is the reason we are now trying to create more lasting reminder of our gratitude around our beautiful city.



TAYLOR LIONS

ANNUAL TAYLOR LIONS CLUB BANQUET

Taylor Lions met on August 11, 2020 in the Holiday Inn Express for their annual banquet and installation ceremony. The fiscal year ended on June 30, but the banquet was delayed from early July due to COVID concerns.



Lions Club and Lions Foundation officers for 2019-2020 were recognized for their service. They are John Thomas, Greg Teggeman, Don Artieschoufsky, Griffin Teggeman, Gayle Collins, Deborah Parker, Herb Brinkmeyer and Doug Minzenmayer.



Outgoing Taylor Lions President, Griffin Teggeman presented the Lion of the Year award to Deborah Parker for her service to the Club and community.



Gary Fuchs, the District Governor for Lions District 2-53, installed local officers for 2020-2021. The new officers are Don Artieschoufsky (President), Shane Polach (VP), Greg Teggeman (Treasurer), Deborah Parker (Secretary), Doug Minzenmayer (Director & Tail Twister), John Thomas (Director & assistant Tail Twister), Steven Kovar (Director and Eyeglasses coordinator), Delinda Thomas (Director), Gayle Collins (assistant Secretary), Herbert Brinkmeyer (assistant Treasurer), and Griffin Teggeman (Lions Clubs International Foundation Coordinator).



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TAYLOR LIONS (Continued)

TAYLOR LIONS HOST SUCCESSFUL GOLF TOURNEY

Saturday, August 29, 2020 at Mustang Creek Golf Course, Taylor, Texas: The Taylor Lions Club's Annual 4-Person Select-Shot Golf Tournament was a roaring success. According to Lion President, Don Artieschoufsky, "Taylor Lions offered a spread of food and drinks for the players from the time they arrived until they departed. It was hot, but everybody seemed to enjoy the morning! And with all the support from Lions and local sponsors, this event went off without a hitch."

Twelve teams with 44 golfers hit the course at 8:30 AM for 18 holes with a shotgun start. Teams represented Babeco, Black Stallion, Herbert Brinkmeyer, Citizen's National Bank, City National Bank, Edward Jones / Mark Thompson, First Baptist Church, Golden Chick, Larry Gonzales, Chris Hutchinson, Taylor Auto Credit and Taylor ISD.

Under the select shot rules, Taylor Auto Credit placed first with a "gross team score" of 52, followed by teams from Babeco and Golden Chick each shooting 55. For "net team scores" after applying team handicaps, Taylor ISD placed first with 46.5, followed by Citizen's National Bank at 50.38 and Golden Chick at 50.50. In addition to first place team plaques, individuals competed for the longest drive and closest to the hole jackpot prizes.

Taylor Lions extend their thanks to event sponsors: Edward Jones / Mark Thompson, B&M Tractor, Windmill Mini Storage, Taylor Auto Credit, Citizens National Bank, City National Bank, Bryan Technical Services, Condra Funeral Home, Keller Williams / Shane Polach, Sirloin Stockade and Longhorn Title Company.

Lion Mark Thompson, the golf event coordinator said, "Taylor Lions depend upon support from our community to make our fundraisers successful. We are proud to have this fine group of sponsors

who contributed to the Taylor Lions Foundation in 2020, even with the ongoing COVID struggles. Taylor Lions say 'Thanks' to each of these sponsors!" Lion Treasurer, Greg Teggeman added, "Initial figures show that this year's event and sponsorships resulted in our best golf tournament ever. This will really help to offset other fundraisers that were cancelled during the past few months due to COVID regulations."

Taylor Lions are part of Lions Clubs International, 101 years old and the largest service club in the world. The global organization is best known as the 'Knights for the Blind', based upon a challenge made by Helen Keller. Lions address sight problems, health issues and other problems around the globe. In its 81st year, the Taylor club offers youth vision screening at schools and events, eye exams and eyeglass support based upon school referrals, full scholarships to the Texas Lions Camp for children with special physical needs, assistance obtaining Leader Dogs, and support for other charitable programs as needed.

Lion VP Shane Polach concluded, "Taylor Lions raise funds through annual events like this golf tournament. All profits from the events and other donations to the Taylor Lions Foundation (a 501c3) are used exclusively for charitable activities. We need community support – both financial and manpower. We meet at noon on most Fridays at Sirloin Stockade. If anybody wants to serve the local community, meet community leaders and have some fun, I encourage them to join us. They can call any officer for more information."

