

District 2-T3 NEWSLETTER

January 2023

► Governor's Message

The holidays have passed and we are all now getting started in our new year. Each of us have made our resolutions for the betterment of ourselves and to make the new year a better year for us, our friends and our loved ones. Part of making our lives better should include making it better for our clubs and our communities. Our service projects do that and in that process it makes us feel better about ourselves.

I try to explain the overwhelming inner joy it gives me to assist someone in need with the construction or repair of a handicap ramp and watching someone being able to move a walker or wheelchair up to and into their home.

To watch the wonderful smile and joy of a child or older person having corrective eyeglasses placed on their face and then watching them see their parents or grandchildren clearly for the first time.

To see and understand the gratitude of an elderly couple having their yard cleared of weeds and debris to increase the health and safety of their property. To see the gratitude of those in need having a meal delivered to them when otherwise no meal would exist. To visualize students having school uniforms furnished by Lions Clubs.

I can understand children being able to have and own their first bed off the floor and being able to sleep in peace and comfort. To understand someone having a warm coat to wear when there was none.

To know the spirit of your fund raising projects in your concession sales at sporting, special or community events and using the money to support your Lions projects.

To watch children playing under trees in community parks or school equipment installed and maintained by Lions Clubs. To watch Lions Clubs in service to communities hit with flooding, tornadoes, hurricanes, and other natural disasters by furnishing water, food and relief funds to assist families to get their lives back together.

I can see the fruits of your volunteer efforts and donations to the Texas Lions Camp for the children attending.

With each of these experiences I can envision an active Lions Member there, passing on that gift of love and asking nothing in return. And in doing so, it makes me proud to be a Lion. I am proud of each of you and your dedication to service as Lions.

As a group your club does so very much, but each time you do each one of the many services your club performs please take a couple of minutes to officially report what you have done in the monthly report to Lions International. Be proud of what you do. Blow your own horn loudly. Share the experience.

In the spirit of Lions Service

Ralph M. McCain
District Governor



District 2-T3

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Important Dates

Mid-Winter Conference

El Paso, Texas
Saturday, January 28, 2023
Hosted by El Paso
Centennial Lions Club

3rd COG Meeting

Kerrville, Texas
February 2 – 4, 2023

4th COG Meeting &

State Convention
Fort Worth, Texas
February 2 – 4, 2023

District 2-T3 Convention

Odessa, Texas
Saturday, April 29, 2023

Texas Lions Leadership Forum

Austin, Texas
March 19 – 20, 2022

Lions Intn'l Convention

Boston, Massachusetts, USA
July 7, 2023
*Subject to change

District 2-T3 Clubs (33 Clubs)

Alpine	Iraan
Andrews	Kermit Downtown
Crane Noon	Marfa
El Paso Centennial	McCamey
El Paso Del Norte	Monahans
El Paso Downtown	Odessa Ante Meridian
El Paso Executive Women	Odessa Basin
El Paso Five Points	Odessa Downtown
El Paso Mountain	Odessa Falcon
El Paso Sun City	Odessa Grandview
El Paso United	Odessa Professionals
El Paso Upper Valley	Odessa Westside
Fabens Cotton	Pecos Downtown
Fort Davis	Sanderson
Fort Stockton	Van Horn
Heroes of El Paso	Ysleta
Horizon Eastlake	

Governor's Charities

Texas Lions Camp	\$10 per member
Lions Eye Bank	\$4 per member
TLERC (Eyeglass Recycling)	\$4 per member
Diabetes Awareness	\$3 per member
Leader Dog	\$3 per member
Lions Club International Foundation	\$3 per member
Texas Lions Foundation	\$3 per member
WTLEHF (Eye Health Foundation)	\$3 per member
World Service for the Blind	\$3 per member
Texas Lions Museum	\$2 per member
West Texas Lions Hearing, Inc (WTLH, Inc.)	\$2 per member
	\$40 per member total*

*Each Club giving to each charity at the requested amount will be considered 200%.

Giving more than the requested amount to any one charity and omitting any remaining charity will not be considered for the 100% or 200% award. The club must give the requested amount to each of the charities.

Donations to the Governor's Charities is not part of the billed dues to the same charities. Please make separate checks to each of the charity and mail to the district Treasurer or present the checks at the District Cabinet Meeting.

News within District 2-T3



FOLLOW THE LEADER     



To learn more about our programs and services visit LeaderDog.org
 Visit our virtual learning resources at leaderdog.org/resources/virtual-learning
 We are always in need of volunteers to raise our puppies. Learn more at LeaderDog.org/puppy

***Our mission is to empower people who are blind or visually impaired
 with lifelong skills for safe and independent daily travel***

The January edition of the Leader Dogs for the Blind News for Lions is available on our website! Follow the link below to our "Lions resource" page then scroll down for the "newsletter" button. Here is the website link: <https://www.leaderdog.org/lions-club/resources/> Each month, a newsletter page will be uploaded to our website. Help spread the good partnership between Lions and Leader Dog and how people blind, visually impaired, and Deaf Blind are being served.

March 17 Deadline for Cullen Akins Award Nominations

It's time for clubs to nominate their candidates for the 2023 Cullen Akins Award, otherwise known as District 2-OT3's Lion of the Year Award. Lion Betty Spencer of El Paso Sun City LC was the 2022 Cullen Akins honoree. At the time, I remember hearing that all of the new members she has sponsored, all were still Lions. What an accomplishment!

A specially engraved watch will be presented to the winner at the annual District Convention banquet. Our 2023 honoree is encouraged to attend the banquet. However, this is no longer a requirement.

Eligibility for the Cullen Akins Leadership Award is based on the following:

1. Outstanding service in Lionism based on the current Lion year shall be the primary consideration.
2. Nominee must be a member in good standing of a Lions Club in District 2-T3 during the current year.
3. Nominee should have an above average attendance record and be involved in Lions activities in his/her club first, and the District, State, and International levels thereafter.
4. Those not eligible for nomination are previous winners, Past District Governors, current cabinet members such as Zone and Region chairpersons, Cabinet Secretary or Treasurer, or Vice District Governor (other district committee chairpersons are eligible for consideration).

An outline or biography of the nominee must be sent to the Immediate Past District Governor at fheslin1@nwol.net or Frank Heslin, 1404 S Gary Ave, Monahans, Texas 79756. This nomination must be no longer than one double spaced typewritten page and must be submitted no later than **May 17, 2023**. Selection of the winner will be made by a secret vote by the Past District Governors who will defray all of the expenses of this award.

Legacy Lion Award

The Legacy Lion Award provides each Lions Club in the District the opportunity to recognize an individual member for outstanding performance and community service during the year and/or throughout their membership. As the name implies, this individual has instilled a "Legacy" in their club. The nominee is voted on by the club or by the Board of Directors. Legacy Lions will be honored during the luncheon at the District Convention in Odessa on April 29, 2023.

Each club may nominate one Legacy Lion, who will receive a certificate and a patch for their vest. Please submit: (1) the **name** of your club's Legacy Lion for 2022-2023; (2) a **summary** of what that Lion has contributed; and (3) **\$12** to defray the cost of the patch.

Please email or text the nominee's name and summary to Lion Laura Charity (Lhcelpaso@elp.rr.com / 915-240-4903). Remit the \$12 separately to Cabinet Secretary/Treasurer Annette Norch.

The deadline for submissions is Saturday, March 18, 2023.

Feel free to contact me with any questions/comments.

Thank you for using this opportunity to recognize a deserving Lion!

Lion Laura Charity
Legacy Lion Award
915-240-4903 (cell: talk/text)
Lhcelpaso@elp.rr.com

Thank you for reading the District 2-T3 Newsletter. Lion gives his encouraging view.

Lion Anna Bela: This is Lion Geno, El Paso United Lions Club.

Comments: The November 2022 District 2-T3 Newsletter has very good information about new member orientation. In my 51 years as a Lion, I have never seen one item that should be included in a new member orientation.

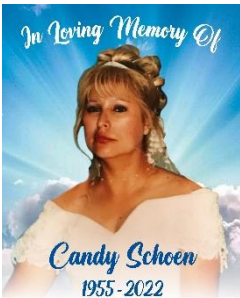
I will explain. When we bring a new member is imperative that we stick to that person like crazy glue. Give that person a ride to the meetings, take to conventions and projects, and to everywhere you go. Make the new Lion feel at home, wanted, important to the club. Do not turn that person loose to fend for himself. This should be a constant treatment, not just on occasions. I have done that with those that I have recruited and over 20 years later, we still walk together.

Just a thought. Have a good day.

Lion Geno (United Lions Club). 🤠



In Memoriam
"Lions Gone get not Forgotten"



El Paso Downtown



Dr. John "Jack" Bristol
El Paso Downtown



Robert "Bob" Lindsey
El Paso Downtown



Patrick Richard Berry
El Paso Five Points



Lynette Thomas
Professionals of Odessa



Emerging Lions Leadership Institute (ELLI)
Kerrville Texas
March 25-27 Starts Friday and ends on Monday

DEADLINE JANUARY 31, 2023

Here are the criteria:

Must NOT yet been a club president. Must be in good standing with your club. Fill out enclosed information form.

Need application to be signed by:

- club president
- District Governor
- District GLT (PDG Kathy Summers) -if you do this last then I can send in application

Cost \$150 which will be paid by the District

Will be held at the Lions Camp and lodging will be there and free meals will be provided

You will be responsible for transportation (carpooling encouraged) or you may ask your club to help with expenses

****LAST YEAR'S ELLI WAS A BLAST FOR BOTH THE ATTENDEES AND THE INSTRUCTORS AS WELL.**

A GREAT STEPPING STONE TO GIVE YOU THE SKILLS AND RESOURCES TO BE A GREAT LION LEADER!

IT IS A GREAT EXPERIENCE AND I ENCOURAGE YOU TO GO IF YOU MEET THE CRITERIA

Contact PDG Kathy Summers for application: drksummer@juno.com (432) 266-1128.

PDG Kathy Summers - District GLT



EMERGING LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

Kerrville Texas USA
March 25-27, 2023

Emerging Lions Leadership Institutes focus on building the skills of Lions members for leadership opportunities at the club level, including the position of club president.

PARTICIPANT QUALIFICATIONS

1. Candidates for this institute must be from Constitutional Area I & II - United States of America, Its Affiliates, Bermuda & The Bahamas & Canada. This institute will be conducted in English. Candidates must be capable of understanding and participating in the language of instruction at this institute.
2. **Candidates must be Lions in good standing who have successfully served on a club committee and who have not yet attained the level of club president.** Current charter club presidents are also eligible for this institute.
3. Candidates must be willing to commit to all days of the institute, including group mealtimes, and understand that personal time is extremely limited. **Attendance at all classroom sessions and scheduled meals is mandatory.**

COST OF THE INSTITUTE

Lions Clubs International will provide meals and lodging according to the schedule of the institute. Please note that according to board policy, a non-refundable participation fee of US\$150.00 will be required to offset a portion of these costs for all institutes. This fee will be due no less than four weeks prior to the institute start date. Please do not send **fees until you receive a letter of acceptance to the institute.**

Participants are also responsible for their own transportation and related travel expenses to and from the institute site.

You will be assigned a roommate of the same gender to share lodging with for the Institute.

SELECTION PROCESS

Because of the high number of applications received by the association, acceptance into the institute is not guaranteed. In the selection process the MD2 Leadership Division strives to achieve maximum geographical representation of districts throughout the Multiple District. All candidates will be notified of selection status no more than three weeks after the application deadline via the email address provided on the application form.

The Leadership Development Division of MD-2 reserves the right to cancel any institute or due to insufficient applications submitted by the stated application submission deadline date.

The division maintains the quality of all aspects of the institute, including program, faculty and the selection process of participants.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

All candidates must complete the following items and submit them as indicated below. All completed documents must be submitted by the stated application submission deadline date in order to be considered.

- A. Candidate's Information Form
- B. Nomination Form - must be signed by the applicant's:
 1. Club president
 2. *District Governor
 3. *GLT District Coordinator

*Applicants from a provisional zone or provision region must have the signature of the Zone Chairperson or Region Chairperson and Global Leadership Team Area Leader, respectively, in lieu of the District Governor.

Expectations of ELLI graduates:

1. Pursue additional leadership roles and responsibilities in their respective clubs.
2. Serve as a leadership resource in their respective clubs.
3. Share their institute experiences with members of their club and encourage other qualified Lions to apply to the institutes.

APPLICATION SUBMISSION DEADLINE DATE:

January 31, 2023

RETURN APPLICATION TO:

Institute Coordinator
PDG Chris Moorman

Email: jcmoorman@lonestarccomputing.com

Electronic completion of this form is strongly encouraged to ensure accuracy of your information. The information typed in this form can be saved and then forwarded to officers for signatures.

To ensure timely receipt of your application, please submit by email.



EMERGING LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE
Kerville, Texas USA
March 25-27, 2023

CANDIDATE'S INFORMATION FORM

Application Submission Deadline Date: January 31, 2023

Please type or print and use additional sheets if needed.

District Number _____ Membership Number _____

First/Given Name _____ Last/Family Name _____

Current Lions Title _____ Highest Lions Office Held _____

Language Offered English

I confirm that I am capable of understanding and actively participating (reading, writing and speaking fluently) in the language selected above.

Email* _____

*Required information for all institute correspondence – PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

State/Province _____ Country _____ Gender Male Female Non-binary

Lions Club Name _____ Club Number _____ Month and Year Joined _____

Have you served as Club President before? Yes No If yes, club name and date _____

Lions Leadership Institutes Previously attended (locations & dates) if any _____

Offices held within current Lions Club _____

Committee positions held within current Lions Club _____

Previous Lions Clubs of which you have been a member _____

Offices held within previous Lions Clubs _____

Committee positions held within previous Lions Clubs _____

Why is this institute of interest to you? _____

Lions Clubs International MD2 is not responsible for personal costs, including but not limited to, those associated with the following: illness, unanticipated or other personal events, lost or stolen property of participants. Participants are requested to carry medical insurance information in the event they require medical services.

Candidate Signature _____ Date _____



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NOMINATION FORM

Application Submission Deadline Date: January 31, 2023

PLEASE NOTE: The Club President, District Governor and GLT District Coordinator of the applicant's district must complete and sign this form. Please see Application Procedure instructions. Please type or print.

Applications submitted without all required signatures and full information will not be considered for selection.

1. DISTRICT GOVERNOR OR GLT DISTRICT COORDINATOR--Please complete this information about THE CANDIDATE:

Candidate's Name _____

Why do you think this candidate will benefit from attending the Emerging Lions Leadership Institute?

Yes, this Lion is capable of understanding and participating in the selected language(s) of instruction at this institute.

2. CLUB PRESIDENT

 Name of Club President

 Signature of Club President

 Email (please print)

 Member number

 Date

3. DISTRICT GOVERNOR

I understand and agree that in the event that the above named candidate is selected to attend and does not cancel his/her registration for the Emerging Lions Leadership Institute in writing 10 days prior to the institute, or does not attend any portion of the institute, the district will be billed for one night's meals and lodging according to Board policy.

I have read and agree to the above cancellation policy statement.

I certify that this application has been reviewed and supported by the First Vice District Governor and Second Vice District Governor, prior to its submission to MD2.

 Name of District Governor

 Signature of District Governor

 Email (please print)

 Member number

 Date

4. GLT DISTRICT COORDINATOR

 Name of GLT District Coordinator

 Signature of GLT District Coordinator

 Email (please print)

 Member number

 Date

By the Way....In Club News!

El Paso Downtown Lions Club



El Paso Downtown Lions Minerva Al-Tabbaa , Susan Driscoll, and Annette Norch hosting a Christmas Party at the Salvation Army. Thirty two kids in attendance, who received food, cookies, drinks, and Santa gave out presents and coats. Thank you, Santa! Also featured, float at the Sun Bowl Parade.

Andrews Downtown Lions Club



Gave away Halloween Candy and toys for 3 hours to 1000 people at Halloween Safe Spot. Lions PDG Pete Francis, PDG Kathy Summers, Mark Savell, Kevin Bushart and Lion Boss Julio Melendez participated.

Nov. 10th Andrews Lions held its annual Bob Wheeler Memorial Pancake Supper. Unlike many other Lions Clubs, this one is FREE to the public. It also featured a drive-thru. We partnered with the Club Scout Webelos who buss the tables. 350 people were served. We also collected used eyeglasses. A handcrafted quilt by Mrs. Bushart was donated that along with other cash donations amounted to \$900 for our Lions' charities.

CCEEE Kathy Summers donated 18 lbs. of toiletries to Teen Challenge Drug Rehab program.

Texas Ramp Project is a non-profit that provides custom wheelchair ramps to handicapped persons who are in need. Project Coordinator Gary Poe and two others came from Snyder, TX for the build. CCEEE Kathy Summers was the liaison from Andrews Downtown Lions Club and worked with them for about 2 hours. There were four others in the household who did a great job and contributed.

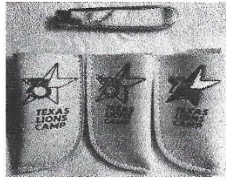


El Paso Centennial Lions



Horizon City Christmas Parade
Float Judging Contest
Arrival of Mr. & Mrs. Claus Social
Tree Lighting Ceremony
Volunteer Appreciation Gathering

**with your support: Together We Are Stronger
District 2-T3**



**Texas Lions Camp
75th Anniversary
Case "Trapper" Style Knife Sheath**

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Shipping Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

**Handmade and tooled by JDS Leather, Kerrville, Texas
*ATTENTION: Prices will be going up drastically for all orders after Jan., 31st, 2023.
Leather prices have doubled, but JDS Leather will hold these prices until then.**

<u>Style</u>	<u>Price</u> (each)	<u># ordered</u>	<u>Extended</u> <u>Total</u>	<u>Side of Belt</u> # Right # Left
Laser Sheath	\$40*	_____	\$ _____	_____
Laser & Tooled Sheath	\$50*	_____	\$ _____	_____
Laser & Tooled Sheath w/colored logo	\$60*	_____	\$ _____	_____
Subtotal of All Items			\$ _____	
Add \$4 per Sheath for shipping			\$ _____	
Total with shipping			\$ _____	

Make Checks Payable to: District 2S1
Mail Checks to: PDG Ken Jobe, 4749 County Road 2590, Chester, TX 75936
(Hand tooling takes time, please allow at least 10-12 weeks for shipping.)

**CASINO NIGHT tickets still available
Contact Lion Frank Ramirez (915) 525-3400**

No. 1064



CASINO NIGHT
PERFORMANCES ONLY

Saturday January 28, 2023
Ascarate Park Pavilion 6:00 - 10:00 PM



WEST TEXAS LIONS EYE
HEALTH FOUNDATION

Tickets - \$30.00 per person
\$50.00 per couple

No. 1064

WEST TEXAS LIONS EYE
HEALTH FOUNDATION
CASINO NIGHT
Ticket - \$30.00 per person

**Complementary adult beverages, soft drinks & finger foods
along with play \$ and a lot of fun.
What happens at CASINO NIGHT stays at CASINO NIGHT!**

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District 2-T3 2022 - 2023 Budget

Income

	Item	Budgeted	Income to Date	Notes
1	Initial Operating Fund - Beginning Balance	\$25,131.00	\$25,131.00	
2	District Admin Dues (5.5 x 699)	\$3,844.50	\$1,130.50	
3	State Admin Dues (7 x 699)	\$4,893.00	\$1,453.00	
4	State Convention Fund (.5 x 699)	\$349.50	\$107.35	
5	State Promote Texas Fund (.5 x 699)	\$349.50	\$107.35	
	Tail Twister Income (\$400 x 4)			
6	District Meeting - Pecos, Texas	\$400.00	\$575.15	
7	District Meeting - Andrews	\$400.00	\$500.01	
8	Mid-Winter Conference - El Paso, Texas	\$400.00	\$0.00	
9	District Convention - Odessa, Texas	\$400.00	\$0.00	
	Cabinet Meetings (Reg/Food)			
10	District Meeting - Pecos, Texas	\$700.00	\$1,935.00	
11	District Meeting - Andrews	\$700.00	\$1,599.70	
12	Mid-Winter Conference - El Paso, Texas	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	
13	District Convention - Odessa, Texas	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	
14	District Directory	\$80.00	\$50.00	
15	District Directory Ads	\$500.00	\$600.00	
16	State & District Pins	\$400.00	\$278.73	
	TOTAL INCOME	\$44,547.50	\$33,189.06	

	State Convention Fund	Income	Interest to Date	Total Funds
1	CD	\$21,000.00	\$263.88	\$21,263.88
2	Savings	\$741.50	\$0.68	\$742.18

	Food Truck Project	Pledges	Received	Outstanding
	Pledges by Club	\$25,100.00	\$21,650.00	\$3,450.00

Expenses

1/6/2023

	Item	Budgeted	Expense to Date	Balance
1	State Admin Dues (699 x 7)	\$4,893.00	\$2,395.75	\$2,497.25
2	State Promote Texas Fund (699 x .5)	\$349.50	\$171.13	\$178.37
3	State Convention Fund	\$349.50	\$0.00	\$349.50
4	District Directory	\$450.00	\$450.00	\$0.00
5	District Pins (300)	\$600.00	\$0.00	\$600.00
6	State Pins (200)	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
7	District Awards	\$1,200.00	\$278.11	\$921.89
	District Meeting - Pecos, Texas			
8	Facilities/Food/Expenses	\$900.00	\$783.00	\$117.00
	District Meeting - Andrews, Texas			
9	Facilities/Food/Expenses	\$900.00	\$0.00	\$900.00
	Mid-Winter Conference - El Paso, Texas			
10	Facilities/Food/Expenses	\$1,400.00	\$0.00	\$1,400.00
	District Convention - Odessa, Texas			
11	Facilities/Food/Hotel/Honorariums	\$6,000.00	\$0.00	\$6,000.00
12	GLT Training	\$1,500.00	\$249.20	\$1,250.80
13	GMA Travel, etc	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	\$1,500.00
14	International Convention IPDG	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
15	Office Expense/Printing	\$500.00	\$142.50	\$357.50
16	Virtual Meeting/Technology Expenses	\$1,000.00	\$533.90	\$466.10
17	Meeting Expenses	\$500.00	\$189.81	\$310.19
18	Bond Insurance	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.00
19	Opportunity for Youth	\$1,200.00	\$0.00	\$1,200.00
20	Peace Poster	\$1,300.00	\$1,183.76	\$116.24
21	Camp Director East	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
22	Camp Director West	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
23	Governor Expenses	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
24	Travel - Secretary/Treasurer	\$1,000.00	\$560.01	\$439.99
25	Travel 1st VDG	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
26	Travel 2nd VDG	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
27	Contingency	\$2,000.00	\$914.67	\$1,085.33
28	Cabinet 2023-2024	\$14,205.50	\$0.00	\$14,205.50
28	TOTAL EXPENSES	\$45,547.50	\$7,951.84	\$37,595.66

Helpful Links:

- Texas Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center (TLERC): www.txlerc.org
- Texas Lions Camp: <http://lionscamp.com>
- MD-2 Lions of Texas: <http://texaslions.org>
- Lions Club International (LCI): <http://lionsclubs.org>
- LCI Member Portal: <https://mylci.lionsclubs.org/Home>
- District 2-T3 Web: <http://www.e-district.org/sites/2t3/>
- District 2-T3 Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/lionsdistrict2t3>

Send Us a Story

Do you have an article we need to read?

Submit to news.district2t3@gmail.com and let us know today!

Submission deadlines are the 10th of the month. *Newsletter production by the 20th of the month.

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