

# **SOVERNOR'S MESSAGE**

Dear Lions of District 2-T3,

"To Create and foster **a spirit of understanding** among the peoples of the world." \* That is from our Lions Club Purpose and Ethics. Even though it was adopted over 100 years ago, a spirit of understanding is a worthy purpose right now, during this era when information is easy to access, but when truth can be so difficult to find. Let's renew this purpose and foster it.

It will be so good to see you again either in person or virtually when **we meet** in Alpine on October 29 (evening social) and 30th at Kokernot Lodge. Council Chair Scott Evans will be our keynote speaker. His direct leadership style is refreshing. You'll also meet Lion Sherrie Evans. They are a motivational team. Cabinet and District Team: Please remember that our virtual meeting has been changed to Wednesday, October 27 at 7pm CDT. You'll get a Zoom invitation soon, and then the agenda will follow later. This change was needed so that I can visit Fort Davis Lions Club on that Thursday evening.

We are grateful to these Lions who stepped up to fill vacancies on our cabinet and district team: **PDG Dr. Avinash Rangra** of Alpine is now our **LCIF** District Coordinator. **PDG John Feighery** of El Paso Downtown is our new **Texas Lions Foundation** Trustee and Ambassador. Also, **Lion Maria Cazares** of El Paso Executive Women, who has been serving as our Fitness Chair and Diabetes Support all along, will now serve as dual Chairwoman of **Diabetes Awareness and Fitness**. Look for more great service from those three Lions.

**Club visits** have been a joy, with 11 during the month of September; so many clubs have allowed me to induct their new members that I have used up all of the 50 New Member kits that LCI sent me in June! It has also been fun to participate in club projects here and there. Odessa Downtown LC runs the concession stands at Ratliff Stadium. I helped them during the annual football game between OHS and Permian HS. It was so impressive to see how raw rookies like me and dozens of high school and junior high school students could be effectively put to work by the core group who run that project year round.

It has been inspirational to witness the formation of a new organization: **West Texas Lions Hearing, Inc.** (WTLHI) which will carry on the legacy and some of the functions of the Late Lion Rocco Viera's Hearing and Speech. WTLHI's virtual meetings are effective and efficient. Members work between meetings to get this organization up and running. Thanks to one of my ideas, they are about to lose one of their audiometers. (Don't thank me.) Please check around your local community, especially your school system, and ask whether or not serviceable used audiometers might be donated. Please also ask Lion Raul Rosales of El Paso Del Norte LC whether or not a machine is worth having before you accept it. I think we can use at least four more good audiometers.

Opportunities for Youth Chairwoman Maria Ecklund, Odessa Grandview LC is planning a virtual **Outstanding Youth Contest** for early January. Criteria will include an essay and an online interview. Prizes for first three places and their schools: HS Jr's and Sr's. More soon.

Sincerely honored to be yours, District Governor Frank Heslin \*Purpose and Ethics | Lions Clubs International

## District 2-T3

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#### **Important Dates**

2<sup>nd</sup> Cabinet Meeting Alpine, Texas Saturday, October 30, 2021

2<sup>nd</sup> COG Meeting College Station, Texas November 12-13, 2021

Mid-Winter Conference El Paso, Texas Saturday, January 29, 2022 Hosted by El Paso Five Points Lions Club

> 3<sup>rd</sup> COG Meeting Kerrville, Texas February 3-5, 2022

4<sup>th</sup> COG Meeting Abilene, Texas May 26-28, 2022

State Convention Abilene, Texas May 26-28, 2022

District 2-T3 Convention Monahans, Texas Saturday, April 30, 2022

Texas Lions Leadership Forum Austin, Texas March 19-20, 2022

> Lions Intn'l Convention Montreal, Canada June 24-28, 2022

# District 2-T3 Clubs (34 Clubs)

Alpine Andrews Crane Noon **El Paso Centennial** El Paso Del Norte El Paso Downtown El Paso Executive Women El Paso Five Points El Paso Mountain El Paso Special Needs El Paso Sun City El Paso United El Paso Upper Valley Fabens Cotton Fort Davis Fort Stockton Horizon Eastlake

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### Governor's Charities

Texas Lions Camp	\$10 per member
Lions Club International Foundation	\$3 per member
Texas Lions Foundation	\$3 per member
Leader Dog	\$3 per member
World Services for the Blind	\$3 per member
Diabetes Awareness	\$3 per member
District 2-T3, Hearing and Speech	\$2 per member
Lions Eye Bank	\$4 per member
TLERC (Eyeglass Recycling)	\$4 per member
WTLEHF (Eye Health Foundation)	\$3 per member
Texas Lions Museum	\$2 per member

Giving to each of these charities will cost a club \$40 per member. However, a club will be considered 100% by choosing to give at least \$20 per member to its choice from the Governor's Charities list at the requested levels. Giving to all these charities at the requested levels will be considered 200%. I believe that each of these charities is worthy of our generosity. For that reason, a very generous gift of more than the requested amount to any charity will not be considered for a club's 100 or 200% award unless the club also gives the requested amount to each of the other charities. Contributions to these charities is over and above the billed dues to the same charities. Please make separate checks payable to each selected charity and present at a cabinet meeting or mail to: District 2-T3, 500 Thunderbird Drive, Unit 74, El Paso, TX 79912

# DEADLINE'S QUICKLY APPROCHING



**November 1** postmark deadline for club submission; should arrive: Lion Emma Montoya, 3221 Tomahawk St., El Paso, TX 79936. Use Fed Ex and a mailing tube ONLY and keep your tracking number. **November 15** postmark deadline for District Governor to receive winning entries. **Lion Emma (915) 494-9446.** 



There is still time to help your club achieve their goals by attending the District 2-T3 Cabinet Meeting hosted by the Alpine Lions Club Saturday, October 30, 2021 (Social, Friday October 29, 2021 @ 6:00 p.m.)

Early registration for both in-person or ZOOM
\$15 (late registration \$20).
Add \$20 to the registration fee for lunch.
Please register as soon as possible in order to have an accurate meal count.
Payment Options:
Venmo reference District2-T3,



please donate a basket for

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PayPal reference <u>Dirstrict2T3@gmail.com</u> (use Friend/Family option), or Check payable to District 2-T3, 500 Thunderbird Drive, Unit 74, El Paso, TX 79912.

Reference Cabinet Meeting flyer previously emailed or contact Lion Annette Norch for assistance. Please contact District Secretary/Treasurer Lion Annette Norch with your club count of attendees ASAP. In Lion News





#### Pecos Downtown Lions Club "WELCOME! Looking forward to Serve"

On September 15, 2021 the Pecos Downtown Lions Club had the privilege of hosting District Governor Frank Heslin who installed their newest member to the club. The club is happy to have Lion John, who is the Store Manager of La Tienda Thriftway store in Pecos. Lion John Whittington is pictured along side his sponsor Lion Armando Mondragon and DG Heslin.

El Paso Executive Women Lions Club

The club made a donation of kitchen items, bath

Transitional Home for Women. The home services

Executive Women Club was further emphasized by

life of faith. The generosity of the El Paso

accessories, hangers and sheets to the Villa Maria

women experiencing homelessness while nurturing a

gifting and delivering, a much needed, washer and

"Celebrating Generosity"

#### El Paso Upper Valley Lions Club "The Little Club with a BIG Heart"

This wonderful club is continuing their monthly contributions to the Veterans Food Pantry by collecting donations at each meeting and making food deliveries on a monthly basis. This holiday season they plan on serving the community by ringing bells for the Salvation Army and placing wreaths at the Ft. Bliss Cemetery before Christmas assisting Wreaths Across America. As for fundraising efforts, they will once again take up the sales of fruit baskets. Last year, the fundraiser was affected by the COVID pandemic, so they are hoping for a full return of sales this year.



#### El Paso United Lions Club "Supporting LCIF"

Over the span of three years, El Paso United Lions Club has been committed to pledging \$100 per member to LCIF's "Campaign 100" one of the most ambitious fundraising effort in LCIF history. "Campaign 100" will empower Lions to serve 200+ million people each year. El Paso United Lions have shown a strong dedication to this effort because they are on track to meet their goal by the end of year.



#### Lions Clubs in Unity for a Better Community "Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much." - Helen Keller



The El Paso Executive Women Lions Club and El Paso Five Points Lions Club united forces to assist La Posada Home a local nonprofit assisting those effected by domestic violence. Household items along with a monetary donation were made.

dryer set.

The El Paso Five Points Lions supported fellow Ysleta Lions Club at their 1st Annual Ceci's Hope for Childhood Cancer Awareness Walk.

District 2-T3 Lions Clubs united to assist those in immediate need. The district clubs, as of September 29, 2021 had donated \$3,171.80 to assist Louisiana Hurricane Relief. A heartfelt thank you too all!

# Noteworthy ROARS

Congratulations to Lion Allan Espina of Professionals of Odessa Lions Club who qualified to participate in the 26.2 mile Boston Marathon on October 11, 2012. This year marked the marathons 125<sup>th</sup> run. Lion Allan used this opportunity to unselfishly fundraise funds for Mia, a six year old leukemia thriver undergoing treatment. He humbly asked that people pray, cheer and donate from the bottom of their hearts. Initially Lion Allan had only qualified for the Virtual marathon but soon after was invited to participate in-person.





Place your order now! Holiday Fruit Baskets \$15 - \$20 Free Delivery Fruit is better than Chocolate El IPaso Upper Valley Lions On Going Ceci's Hope for Childhood Cancer Awarness SWAG BAG - \$25 & Pecan Sale Ysleta Lions Club

#### LIONS HARE

Del Norte Lions COOKBOOK is hot off the press. On sale now - \$25 Oct. 1 thrrough Oct. 23 Helping Hands Donstions Benefit Afghan Refugees El Paso Centennial Lions Club

For more information on these and other events/activities, please reach out to individual clubs or their Facebook page or District 2-T3 Facebook page.



#### District 2-T3 2021-2022 Budget

	Item	Budgeted	Income to Date	Notes
1	Initial Operating Fund - Beginning Balance	\$16,638.52	\$16,638.52	
2	District Admin Dues (5.5 x 725) x 90%	\$3,588.75	\$1,270.05	
3	State Admin Dues (7 x 725) x 90%	\$4,567.50	\$1,617.00	
4	State Convention Fund (.5 x 725) x 90%	\$326.25	\$118.73	
5	State Promote Texas Fund (.5 x 725) x 90%	\$326.25	\$118.72	
	Tail Twister Income (\$400 x 4)			
6	District Meeting - Odessa, Texas	\$400.00	\$886.12	
7	District Meeting - Alpine, Texas	\$400.00	\$0.00	
8	Mid-Winter Conference - El Paso, Texas	\$400.00	\$0.00	
9	District Convention - Monahans, Texas	\$400.00	\$0.00	
	Cabinet Meetings (40 x \$30) Reg/Food			
10	District Meeting - Odessa, Texas	\$700.00	\$1,930.57	
11	District Meeting - Alpine	\$700.00	\$610.00	
12	Mid-Winter Conference - El Paso, Texas	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	
13	District Convention - Monahans, Texas	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	
14	District Directory	\$100.00	\$30.00	
15	District Directory Ads	\$500.00	\$725.00	
16	State, District, and (free) Personal Pins	\$1,000.00	\$1,127.50	
17	Opportunity for Youth/Peace Poster donations from clubs	\$700.00	\$0.00	
18	Contributions: Hotel tax money, OFY	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	
	TOTAL INCOME	\$39,747.27	\$25,072.21	
	State Convention Fund	Income	Interest to Date	Total Funds
1	CD	\$21,000.00	\$70.28	\$21,070.28
2	Savings	\$41.50	\$0.00	\$41.50
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	Possible Grants	Budgeted	Expense to Date	Available funds
1	Leadership	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2	Membership	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	Committee Fund	Income	Paid Out	Available Funds
1	Hearing & Speech	\$9,081.03	\$0.00	\$9,081.03
_	District Fundraiser	Collected	Paid Out	Funds Available
1	LA Hurricane Donations	\$3,173,80	\$3.173.80	Funds Available \$0.00
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	Expenses	Updated 10/18/21		
	Item	Budgeted	Expense to Date	Balance
1	State Admin Dues (725 x 7)	\$5,075.00	\$2,427.25	\$2,647.75
2	State Promote Texas Fund (725 x .5)	\$362.50	\$173.38	\$189.12
3	State Convention Fund (2 years)	\$700.00	\$0.00	\$700.00
4	District Directory	\$300.00	\$450.00	-\$150.00
5	District Pins (300)	\$555.00	\$0.00	\$555.00
6	State Pins (200)	\$206.00	\$0.00	\$206.00
7	District Awards	\$1,200.00	\$50.41	\$1,149.59
	District Meeting - Odessa, Texas			
8	Facilities/Food/Expenses	\$700.00	\$647.80	\$52.20
	District Meeting - Alpine			
9	Facilities/Food/Expenses	\$700.00	\$0.00	\$700.00
	Mid-Winter Conference - El Paso,			
10	Facilities/Food/Expenses	\$1,200.00	\$0.00	\$1,200.00
	District Convention - Monahans			
11	Facilities/Food/Hotel/Honorariums	\$5,500.00	\$0.00	\$5,500.00
12		\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
13	GMA Travel, etc	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
14	International Convention IPDG	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
15	Office Expense/Printing	\$500.00	\$222.19	\$277.81
16	Virtual Meeting/Technology Expenses	\$1,000.00	\$849.55	\$150.45
17	Bond Insurance	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.00
18	Opportunity for Youth	\$1,450.00	\$0.00	\$1,450.00
_	Peace Poster	\$1,300.00	\$0.00	\$1,300.00
20	Camp Director East	\$500.00	\$156.38	\$343.62
21	Camp Director West	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
	Governor Expenses	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
23	Travel - Secretary/Treasurer	\$1,000.00	\$239.32	\$760.68
24	Travel 1st VDG	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
	Travel 2nd VDG	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
	Contingency	\$2,000.00		\$2,000.00
27	Cabinet 2022-2023	\$10,398.77	\$0.00	\$10,398.77
28	TOTAL EXPENSES	\$39,747.27	\$5,316.28	\$34,430.99

## Helpful Links:

Texas Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center (TLERC) www.txlerc.org

MD-2 Lions of Texas <u>http://texaslions.org</u>

LCI Member Portal <u>https://myapps.lionsclubs.org</u> Texas Lions Camp http://lionslcamp.com

Lions Club International (LCI) http://lionsclubs.org

District 2-T3 Website <u>https://e-district.org/sites/2t3/</u>

District 2-T3 Facebook https://www.facebook.com/lionsdistrict2t3

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