District 2-T3 NEWSLETTER

September 2022

► Governor's Message

All Lions were all saddened with the passing of Past District Governor Garion Brunson. His services were attended by several Past District Governors, the Council Chair Elect, Zone Chairmen, Region Chairmen and current Lions members. Garion was a dedicated Lion and mentor to many of us. His dedication was indicative of what we as Lions can accomplish. His time spent in organizing the Lions Camp Golf Tournament for many years was exemplary and generated thousands of dollars for the camp. He was always positive with his advice which he never gave unless asked. He was a friend from the first moments I became a Lion and I had the upmost respect for him. We will all miss him very much.

The El Paso Food Bank Project to purchase and outfit a food van for food distribution has had a preliminary review by LCIF and appears to be headed for approval. Officials at LCIF have ask if we could gather half of the \$25,000 pledges as good faith for the grant approval. The positive feedback from LCIF is encouraging. I am sending in my pledge and encourage others to also send in their pledges.

Thank you Andrews Downtown for hosting our next district meeting in Andrews. It should be interesting to once again visit Andrews and promote Lions while we are there. I pray our strong presence will be noticed by the community and will lead to an increase in membership in the Andrews area.

Please check to be sure each of your clubs are reporting each of your clubs service projects and reporting the number of participants and total service hours generated by your project.

In the spirit of Lions Service

Ralph McCain Governor





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Important Dates

2nd Cabinet Meeting Andrews, Texas Saturday, October 29, 2022

> 2nd COG Meeting New Braunfels, Texas November 4 -5, 2022

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 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 Sun City El Paso United El Paso Upper Valley Fabens Cotton Fort Davis Fort Stockton Heroes of El Paso Horizon Eastlake

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News within District 2-T3

2023 Texas Lion Camp Schedule

East Lions Camp Director Diane Cherry West Lions Camp Director Carrie Quicho

Registration Opens 01/03/23

Children with physical disabilities, down syndrome or type I diabetes. Family Camp also available.

4100 San Antonio Hwy Kerrville, TX 78028 1-830-896-6500, 1-830-896-3666

Peace Poster Contest 2022-2023 Theme: Lead with Compassion

Governor's Charities

Texas Lions Camp	\$10 per membe
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
Norld 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.

2023 Camp Schedule				
Session 1	June 4-10, 2023	Children with Physical Disabilities		
Session 2	June 11-17, 2023	Children with Physical Disabilities		
Session 3	June 18-24, 2023	Children with Physical Disabilities		
Session 4	June 25-July 1, 2023	Children with Down syndrome		
Session 5	July 2-8, 2023	Children with Type 1 Diabetes		
Session 6	July 9-15, 2023	Children with Type 1 Diabetes		
Session 7	July 18-19, 2023	Family Camp		
Session 8	July 21-23, 2023	Family Camp		
Session 9	July 25-26, 2023	Family Camp		
Session 10	July 28-30, 2023	Family Camp		

Registration Opens 01/03/2023



If your club plans on participating, please order your poster contest kit at LCI headquarters. Contest rules, certificates, and a sticker for the club's winning poster is included in the kit. This year, IPDG Frank Heslin has three extra kits, which you may purchase from him to avoid the shipping charges. Please contact him

if you live close to him and want one of the kits. Winning poster should strictly arrive by November 1, 2022 at the home of the Peace Poster Chairperson. Please use Fed Ex only and save the tracking number. Use a mailing tube and send to the following address: Lion Emma Montoya, 3221 Tomahawk St., El Paso, Texas 79936

Note: I will also attend the Andrews' District meeting on October 29-30, and I can pick up posters at that time.

Students ages 11, 12 or 13 as of November 15 are eligible to participate in the International Peace Poster Contest. October 1, 2022: Deadline to purchase kits from the Club Supplies Sales Department at International

Uctober 1, 2022: Deadline to purchase kits from the Club Supplies Sales Department at International Headquarters.

November 1, 2022: Deadline for club's winning poster <mark>to arrive</mark> at above address. For additional information, contact Lion Emma at 915-494-9446 or exmonto1@sbcglobal.net



District Certification Opportunities Come serve your community & make a difference.

District 2-T3 is offering FREE Hearing and Vision certification classes for those Lions who are interested in new certification or certification renewals. The West Texas Lions Hearing, Inc. with the assistance of Lion Sherry Williamson and the Odessa Downtown Lions Club and the State of Texas have put together the following classes:

VISION SPOT CERTIFICATION or RE-CERTIFICATION: Tuesday, October 11, 2022 10am - 2pm 1101 N. Whitaker, Odessa, TX HEARING CERTIFICATION: Wednesday, October 12, 2022 10am - 1pm 1101 N. Whitaker, Odessa, TX

You can attend one or both sessions. Space is limited so RSVP today to <u>secretary.wtxlionshearing@gmail.com</u> Deadline is end of day October 10, 2022.

> A Message from Fitness & Diabetes Chair Lion Cindi Alvara

Hello Fellow Lions,

Hope everyone is doing well and staying healthy by staying active and eating healthy. The holidays are just around the corner, and we all are looking for ways of saving money. We can save money and still eat healthy. Here are a few tips of doing that.

- I also have some questions for you.
- 1. Did you know that you don't have to spend lots of money to eat healthy?
- 2. Do you include vegetables and fruit in your diet?
- 3. Do you know how much you are supposed to eat to be healthier?
- 4. Did you know that the "food pyramid" is not used anymore?

Well, I have some answers here for you. I have enclosed some budget tips and information about the new pyramid now known as "My plate." (Refer to previous email)

Please share this with your club. I challenge your clubs to share a new healthy recipe that you tried and enjoyed. EMAIL them to me. Who will be the most interactive club?



Vice District Governor Patsy Achim of Ysleta Lions Club, attended Leader Dogs for the Blind in Rochester Hills, Michigan.





District 2-T3 Cabinet Meeting Governor Ralph McCain Registration Form Andrews, Texas Saturday, October 29, 2022

Board Meeting by Zoom Thursday, October 27th, 2022 @ 7pm CST

Social Event Friday, October 28th, 2022 @ 6pm B&B Building 1201 Rogers Drive Andrews, Texas 79717

District Meeting

Saturday, October 29th, 2022 Andrews High School 1400 NW Avenue K 8 am – Check-In Table 8 am – Breakfast/Coffee/Juice 8:30 am – 10:00 pm -Training – LCIF Lions Quest Program Special Guest – Dr. Juneria Berges Ed.D. State Chair, Lions Quest Program 10:15 am – District Meeting Noon – Lunch 1:00 pm – District Meeting

<u>Service Project</u> Bring your Boxes of Eyeglasses 8 am – Sorting Eyeglasses

Meeting Theme

Club Member or Guest



Rooming La Quinta 1012 NE 1st Place Andrews, Texas 79714 \$79 King/2 Queens (432) 223-3140

Event Rates - All Must Pay before Meeting Registration \$15 (includes Zoom) Lunch \$25 Late Rates – After 10/20/22 Registration \$20 Lunch \$25

Options to Pay

Venmo – District2-T3 PayPal – District2t3@gmail.com Use Family and Friend Option Checks – Payable to District 2T3 500 Thunderbird Drive, Unit 74 El Paso, Texas 79912

Total

Baskets Donation Requested



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Lunch \$25

💽 Costume Contests - Social & Meeting

Registration \$15

All Must Register and Paid Prior to Event

Hosting Club - Andrews Downtown Lions Club

RECYCLE For Sight





Garíon Dennís Brunson, 73, of Odessa, Texas, passed away on Sunday, August 28, 2022, ín Odessa, Texas.

Garíon was born in Dallas, Texas on March 24, 1949. He went to school in Dallas, and then graduated from Texas Tech State University. He was involved in Lions Club and many church activities. Garíon was a highly successful Certified Public Accountant with his own practice for forty years. One of his greatest passions was serving as a Lion and raising money for the Texas Lions Camp for Children and playing golf. He was a passionate fan of Texas Tech sports and the Dallas Cowboys. Family and friends were dear to him.

Memorials may be given to Texas Lions Club Camp in Kerrville, Texas.

PDGJim Peak has been an El Paso Downtown Lion for 46 years, since 1976. He served as Vice District Governor in July of 2007 and became District Governor for District 2-T3 in July of 2008. He has always been proud of his 100% attendance every year and his success at fundraising. Please keep his family and friends in your prayers. Wife: Mrs. Julie Peak, 4832 Costa De Oro. El Paso, Texas 79922.







Amazing Progress: Downtown Lions Thanksgiving Day Parade Iloat





Three Keys for Lion Teresa

The Lions International Membership Key is a set of 17 progressive awards given to Lions who have sponsored new members who have each remained Lions for at least a year and a day. Pictured here is Lion Teresa Burnett of the Monahans Lions Club as she receives three Membership at the same time. She received the Builder Key for 10 new members, the Senior Builder Key for 15, and the Master Key for having sponsored a total of 20 new Lions since she joined the Monahans Lions Club in July of 2008. Immediate Past District 2-T3 Governor Frank Heslin had the honor of presenting the Membership Keys to Lion Teresa.



Lion Robert Roeber filled Blessing Boxes





Fort Stockton Lions Club Annual Football concession fundraiser. Pictured are a few parent and High School student volunteers along with Lion members. We have 5 home game this season.





Our Lions Charvested squash at the Jardin de Milagros today. The Jardin donates all produce to the Kelly memorial food bank and relies on volunteers to harvest and plant. EPEWLC

EPEWLC volunteered at Dillard's Style for a Cause on Saturday. They passed out flyers to promote the event to raise funds for the "V" Foundation to fund game-changing cancer research!



El Paso Executive Women members at the San Vicente Fun Walk





Congratulations to PDG Sam Calderon III he's been chosen as the club newest recipient of the Jack Wiech Fellowship Award. Lion Sam is well deserving of this honor. We appreciate everything you have done and continue to do for our club and the community of Fort Stockton. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

Paso Centennial Lions Club "A Purse of Her Own" Strengthens with Support



Some just being silly



Playing games after working hard assembling purses



Founder Lion Ruth Rivas thanking the women for their dedication, support and donations



Women working together for one cause: Women Supporting Women. Filling purses with toiletries, earrings, make-up, essential and much more



Earrings, game prizes & donation purse made out of a box



Silent Auction of Purses. Two new purses donated by Vice District Governor Patsy Achim. THANK YOU!



Photo frame opportunity







Assembling purses and chit-chatting



Delicious Pot Luck Dinner is served!

"A Purse of Her Own"

is a yearly event attended by community women that is the brain child of Lion Ruth Rivas.

Their hope is to support other women to have confidence to achieve their goals. Women who hopefully are driven by ambition and know that they can be and do anything with their lives. Through the gesture of a new or gently used purse, perhaps their world will be transformed.

This year over 35 women attended and over 90 beautiful, new and gently used purses were donated along with various essentials and monetary contributions. The purses will be distributed to organizations that house and support women within our community.

The group was honored and surprise to have a very special guest attended who told the group her personal moving story. How as a child living in poverty her view of life changed when she was taken to Western Playland, a place that she had only heard and dreamed about but knew that she would never be able to attend because her family did not have the economical means.

She stated that she was very grateful to organizations such as the Lions Clubs that had given her that opportunity so many years ago because it motivated her to learn and want to do better for herself. She saw another way of life and knew at that moment that she wanted to also help others.

She now sees the fruit of her efforts in her own children who now strived to help others and do better for themselves and their children.

It is truly amazing to hear that such a small gesture changed her life and that is what "A Purse of Her Own" is striving to do. Changing even one life at a time.

It is the hope of Lion Ruth to see this grow more and more each year, as it has and to see more fabulous women supporting and changing women's lives. Hope to see you all next year.



Guest Martha, mother of Lion Diana Garcia of Downtown Lions Club

Thank you to all who

attended and made donations.



With your Support: Together We Are Stronger District 2-T3









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District 2-T3 2022 - 2023 Budget

Income

Expenses

8/23/2022

	ltem	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	\$1,153.74	
3	State Admin Dues (7 x 699)	\$4,893.00	\$490.00	
4	State Convention Fund (.5 x 699)	\$349.50	\$35.00	
5	State Promote Texas Fund (.5 x 699)	\$349.50	\$35.00	
	Tail Twister Income (\$400 x 4)			
6	District Meeting - Pecos, Texas	\$400.00	\$575.15	
7	District Meeting - Andrews	\$400.00	\$0.00	
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	\$0.00	
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	\$0.00	
15	District Directory Ads	\$500.00	\$450.00	
16	State & District Pins	\$400.00	\$0.00	
	TOTAL INCOME	\$44,547.50	\$29,804.89	

	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

		ltem	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	\$0.00	\$450.00
	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	\$200.00	\$700.00
		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, Texa	35		
	11	Facilities/Food/Hotel/Honorariums	\$6,000.00	\$0.00	\$6,000.00
	12	GLT Training	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
	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	\$21.45	\$478.55
	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
B	19	Opportunity for Youth	\$1,200.00	\$0.00	\$1,200.00
В	20	Peace Poster	\$1,300.00	\$0.00	\$1,300.00
	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	\$121.68	\$878.32
	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	\$0.00	\$2,000.00
į.	28	Cabinet 2023-2024	\$14,205.50	\$0.00	\$14,205.50
	28	TOTAL EXPENSES	\$43,647.50	\$4,011.83	\$39,635.67

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Helpful Links:

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

Texas Lions Camp: <u>http://lionscamp.com</u>

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

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

LCI Member Portal: <u>https://mylci.lionsclubs.org/Home</u>

District 2-T3 Web: <u>http://www.e-district.org/sites/2t3/</u>

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

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