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# SAN MARCOS BLUEBONNET LIONS

Originally chartered as San Marcos Lioness Club May 1984  
 Rechartered as San Marcos Bluebonnet Lions July 1992  
 31 years of continuous service to your community!



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Our Motto is **WE SERVE**

*More Volunteers in More Places than Any Other Service Club Organization  
 Come Serve With Us*

## Calendar

### FEBRUARY 2018

Feb. 2 Bake Sale postponed until April 6  
**Feb. 6** Noon lunch mtg, Saltgrass, \$11  
 Program: Lion Sylvia Muzzy, LCI Foundation  
 Feb. 7 5:30pm, Planning Mtg for garage sale (p. 2)  
 Feb. 9 Hays Nursing Home Birthday Party  
 Feb. 11 3pm, SM Greenbelt Alliance project (see p. 2)  
**Feb. 20 6 pm, Evening Mtg, SMPD Training Room**  
 Program: Lions new member orientation &  
 Peace Poster Contest awards  
**7:15pm, Board meeting**  
 Feb. 22 5-7:30pm, School Fuel project (see p. 2)  
**Feb. 27** 5:30 pm Birthday Bash at Chuy's (p. 3)

### MARCH 2018

Mar. 4 Lions Day with the United Nations  
**Mar. 6** Noon lunch mtg, Saltgrass, \$11  
 Program: Amber Wakem, Director of Startup  
 Kid's Club, entrepreneurial education  
 Mar. 9 Hays Nursing Home Birthday Party  
**Mar. 20** 6 pm, Evening mtg, SMPD training room  
 Program: Central TX Life Care baby shower  
 7:15 pm, Board meeting  
 Mar. 26-29 Hands of Hope lunches project (see p. 2)  
**Mar. 27** Birthday Bash at Chuy's Restaurant  
 Mar. 31 LCI Annual Internat'l Convention deadline for  
 regular registration (see p.3)

## President's Corner

Lions Centennial Celebration continues into the 2nd 100 Years!

Great things are happening in our community and our Lions organization. At our recent District 2-S3 Winter Conference, we learned about what other Lions Clubs are accomplishing together. That's right! Together, we can be greater! Our upcoming bake sale with the San Marcos Noon Lions Club is proof of that.

Our Club earned a couple of distinctions that I'll be sharing at an upcoming meeting. By the way, I recently became certified for eye screenings at Spot training. Wow! If you haven't checked this out it's pretty neat!

It was a privilege to serve dinner last night at the Southside Community Center (Tuesday, January 23, 2018) with my fellow Lions. This was my first time to help serve at the center and everyone was so appreciative! I'm in awe of my fellow Lions!

Be sure to mark your calendars for our Club's upcoming events.



# Club News

## COMMUNITY SERVICE—Cherry Walts, chair

### San Marcos Greenbelt Alliance Project—Judy Aswell, chair

Bluebonnet Lions will prepare and serve food for San Marcos Greenbelt Alliance Annual Meeting on February 11 at 3 pm at the City Park Rec Bldg (Lions Tube Rental).

Volunteers needed to provide light refreshments of finger foods such as chips/dips, fruit, veggies, appetizers, snacks, etc. (NO trays of sandwiches please!) Drinks & desserts provided by SMGA. Serving approx 75 people.

Bring food to City Rec (Lions Tube) building by 2:30pm on February 11 or get food to Judy either Feb. 10 or the day of no later than 2 pm in disposable dishes!!

2-3 Bluebonnets are needed to help set up and serve from 2-3:30 pm. Please text, call, or email Judy at 512-558-1032 or judya@grandecom.net to let her know what you are bringing, serving size, and/or if you can help Feb11.

### School Fuel Project—Debby Lawrence, chair

Bluebonnet Lions Club is signed up for Thursday, February 22, and Thursday, April 12, for Prep and Packing sacks for School Fuel. We need about 5 people for each date to Prep from 5-6pm. We need 10+ people for each date for packing from 6:30-7:15pm. Family members are welcome to help also. Sign up sheets will be at the February meetings.

### Hands of Hope project—Judy Aswell, chair

We will serve lunches on four days for this educational program for underprivileged women. Members are requested to provide lunch dishes to serve 10 which can be brought to the First Baptist Church on McCarty Lane by 10am on March 26, 27, 28, or 29. You can also bring your dish to Judy anytime prior to 10am. Sign up sheets will be at upcoming meetings.

### Hays Nursing Home Birthday Project—Carol Peters & Jill Stolar, co-chairs

If you are available on Friday mornings and are looking for something to get you out of the house on the second Friday, we have your answer. Just stop by the Hays Nursing Home behind the CTMC around 11am.

They will be celebrating their monthly birthdays and those residents will be receiving their birthday cards and small gifts from our Bluebonnet Lions Club.

February 9 is the next party so why not add that to your calendar. Be sure to thank Ester for helping us with this project.

### Central Texas Life Care—Gloria Sandoval, chair

Mark your calendar for our annual Baby Shower at the March 20 evening meeting. Bring a new baby item to donate to Central Texas Life Care's closet.

Their closet is accessible to families with babies in need in San Marcos in return for coupons that parents receive for attending classes on parenting, health care, finances, community service, etc. Check the clearance racks at local stores like HEB and Carters for ideas. There will be baby- shower-type games and refreshments.

**Photo at right: Centennial Service Challenge patch received from Lion Clubs International**

## FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE—Trish Wilder, chair

### Lions Mexican Dinner Bake Sale—Debby Lawrence, chair

The San Marcos Lions Club postponed the Mexican dinner from February 2 to Friday, April 6. Due to changes in the City Environmental Service regulations, the event will be held at the Activity Center so that hot foods can be cooked on site. Our desserts are OK since they do not have to be kept at any certain temperature.

We need lots of yummy desserts! Some popular ones last year were cakes (german chocolate, lemon bundt, chocolate, Strawberry), brownies, pies, cookies, and Rita's Pecan Pie bars! Serving hours are 11am –7pm. We'll need Lions there from 10am – 7:30 pm. Debby will have a sign up sheet at the February Noon and evening meetings for desserts and workers.

### Bluebonnet Lions Spring Garage Sale—Carol Peters & Pat Hiam, co-chairs

There will be a planning committee meeting on Wednesday, February 7, at 5:30 pm, at the Price Center for this new fundraising project. Please look for the sign up sheet at February lunch meeting or just show up at Price Center.

We already have some items collected. Start looking around your house for items that no longer bring you joy but might be recycled to bring joy to another San Marcos household.

### Pecans & More Fundraiser—Debby Lawrence, chair

Kudos to Trish and Carol for selling left-over nuts at the Mid-Winter Conference. A big giant thank you to DJ, Judy, Cherry, and Linda A for preparing 5 lbs each of cinnamon roasted almonds. They were very popular and all 20 lbs were sold!

Debby brought Cinnamon roasted almonds to the January luncheon. Upon request the recipe is below. We still have a few walnuts, almonds and Mountain Mix. Prices have been reduced to \$7 for walnuts and almonds and \$6 for Mountain Mix. Valentine's Day is coming up!

#### Cinnamon Roasted Almonds

4 c (1 lb.) whole raw almonds	1/2 cup sugar
1 egg white	1/4 tsp salt
1tsp water	1/2 tsp cinnamon

Preheat oven to 250 degrees. Lightly grease 10"x15" baking sheet. In medium bowl, lightly beat egg white. Add water & beat until frothy but not stiff. Add nuts & stir until well coated. In a small bowl mix sugar, salt, cinnamon & sprinkle over nuts. Toss to coat and pour onto prepared baking sheet. Bake 1 hour stirring occasionally. Let cool & store in airtight jar or bag. Freezes well. Chop & add to your salad.



# More Club News

## From the Club Secretary's Desk—Judy Aswell

Advise Judy Aswell and Linda Alexander if you have any changes regarding your personal information that may need to be updated with LCI. Board minutes & financial reports are available to all members upon request to Judy Aswell or Linda Alexander..

## Nominating Committee—Judy Aswell, chair

If you would be interested in serving on the Bluebonnet Lions Club Board of Directors for 2018-19, contact Lion Judy at 512-558-1032. Serving as an elected officer is a great way to hone your leadership skills and build your resume. The only qualification needed is a desire to meet other Lions and support the Club and the work that we do in our community.

## Membership Committee—Ramika Adams, chair

Guests are always welcome to our meetings! A potential member must attend either a lunch or an evening meeting plus a Board meeting to qualify. Any new member who joins before July 1, 2018 will be honored as a Centennial Member and the sponsor will be recognized as a Centennial Sponsor.

## Social Committee—Beverly Marek, chair

Happy Birthday to our February birthday Lions:  
Georgia Cheatham Linda Jalufka Carol Peters Cherry Walts

February 20 meeting hostesses:

Ellie Stewart Beverly Marek

April 17 Club picnic will be held at Dunbar Rec Center

## Texas Lions Camp—Carol Peters, Club Liaison

The Texas Lions Camp is located in Kerrville, Texas. Preparation is already beginning for the 2018 camping season. How do YOU want to help? Visit [www.lionscamp.com](http://www.lionscamp.com) to get inspired! Contact Lion Carol to find out more or volunteer to attend one of the Camp workdays listed below.

February, 2018—

- 1) Visit SMCISD school nurses to recruit campers at elementary or secondary schools
- 2) Organize a carpool to Camp workday in Kerrville  
March 3, April 7, or May 5
- 3) Interview an alumni camper, parent, or counselor for a media release

## 101st Annual LCI International Convention

Who: Lions from around the World

What: Parade, service projects, international speakers

Where: MGM Grand Hotel in Las Vegas, USA!

When: June 29-July 3

How: [www.LCICon.org](http://www.LCICon.org)

March 31 = regular registration deadline

April 1—July 3 = late registration

Why: Make plans to attend with a friend.....Bon Voyage!

## Photos at right:

Lions at Mid-Winter Conference listening to District 2-S3 Youth Contest winner deliver her winning speech on diabetes.  
Bluebonnet Lions pecan sales at Mid-Winter Conference.

## Awards Committee—Debby Lawrence, chair

The Bluebonnet Lions Club received a Membership Satisfaction 2016-17 patch for our banner. This means we met the membership development goals set for the Centennial Year 2016-17. We also received this patch for 2015-16. We hope to reach it for 2017-18 too!

The December Lion of the Month was not at the January lunch meeting and since the January evening meeting was cancelled due to weather, it will be presented at a February meeting along with the January Lion of the Month.

The Awards Committee is always open to suggestions for Lion of the Month. Awards Committee members are Chairman Debby Lawrence, Rose Brooks, Irene Luna and Carol Peters.

## Lions District 2-S3 Mid-Winter Conf—DG John Pruett

Trish Wilson, Director of Marketing for Texas Lions Camp, was a motivating speaker at Mid-Winter Conference in January. Bluebonnet Lions Club was represented by Lion Trish Wilder, president, and Lion Carol Peters, newsletter editor.

If you would like to represent our Club at the May 5 District Convention in Round Rock, let Trish Wilder know.

New Braunfels Noon Club sponsored our District Peace Poster winner who received a \$250 prize. The three Youth Contest winners, sponsored by Lago Vista, Liberty Hill, and Hutto Lions Clubs, each received a \$100—1,000 prize. All winners will now advance to state level contests. An Austin Founders Club member won District 2S3 Environmental Photo Contest.



Lion Carol attended trainings on Texas Lions Camp recruiting and hosting District meetings. Lion Trish attended MyLions app and Connecting with Millennials trainings.

## District Governor John Pruett's Club Visit:

2st Vice District Governor Larkin Smith brought DG Pruett's 2017-18 goals to Bluebonnet Lions at our December 5 meeting. The Governor's motto is "The Power of We". This includes Clubs partnering with each other for stronger, more effective community service projects as well as several Clubs joining together to share their experiences in leadership trainings.



# Around the District