

LIONS DISTRICT 2-X2

NEWSLETTER

The DG Says....



FELLOW LIONS,

The Lions of District 2X2 Showed Up and Showed Out for the 2021-2022 District Convention!!! THANK YOU!!! I am so encouraged by the enthusiasm and momentum among Lions in our District and would like to personally thank every one of you for your support!!!

Your Commitment to Service and Your Contributions to Lionism is Inspiring and Exemplifies the Message of our International President Douglas X. Alexander of "SERVICE FROM THE HEART".

I would also like to point out that
District 2X2 is currently at a positive
+56 in Membership. WOO-HOO!!!
The 2021-2022 Council of Governors
motto is "To Inspire Growth", and the
DG motto is "To Build Up and Not
Destroy", thank you for putting the
work in to achieve success for Lionism!
Historically, the month of May has
been designated as a Membership
Growth Month so I am asking each
one of you to think about your

DISTRICT 2-X2 CONVENTION



District Governor Elect Rickey Caughron accepts the gavel, symbolically accepting the office of District Governor via the "Passing of the Gavel" ceremony, from PDG Brian Whitenack to DG Sheila Donnelly

Other Elected officers:

First Vice DG-Elect Brandon Greer Second Vice DG-Elect Debra Caughron

Elected Director:

Texas Lions Camp Director for 2-X2: Lion Lois Triebenbach (Big Sandy Area)



circles of influence and focus on the person(s) that would benefit from becoming a Lion. PDG Lion Paul Moore with the Jefferson Lions Club is a true inspiration and has sponsored 50 Lions which means I have a lot of catching up to do since I have sponsored 15 Lions. I am committing to sponsor at least "ONE" New Lion during the month of May.

WILL YOU JOIN ME???

Membership application is included in this newsletter, keep in mind \$35 Entrance Fee Waived until June 30, 2022.

To Build Up and Not Destroy!!!
Yours in Lionism, DG Sheila
Donnelly
sdonnelly@anbmp.com 903-573-2012

Jefferson/Avinger Area Lions



The Jefferson Lions Club took home several prestigious honors during the recent Lions District 2-x2 Convention in Mt. Pleasant. Lion Mary Spearmon was presented the Texas Lions Foundation award for distinguished service in working with the new Avinger club. PDG Paul Moore received the Governor's Recognition Award, presented to only 1 individual per District in each of the 16 Texas Lions Districts. Lion Peggy Walker was awarded a Certificate of Recognition in Service for her work in promoting Texas Lions Camp. She organized the district-

Save the Date 2022-2023 Looking forward to a great year!

Please mark your calendars with the dates below and join your fellow District 2-X2 Lions as we meet for fun and fellowship!

July 16, 2022 – 1st
Cabinet Meeting
hosted by the
Henderson Lions Club

October 15, 2022 – 2nd Cabinet Meeting hosted by the Bonham Lions Club

January 21, 2023 – Mid-Winter Cabinet Meeting hosted by the Gilmer Lions Club wide campaign STEPPIN' UP FOR TLC, which netted a record-breaking \$11,879.16 for Texas Lions Camp. Lion Charles Ellingburg, from the Avinger branch club, was given a Certificate of Recognition for leadership. The Jefferson Lions Club was commended for positive growth in membership and 200% giving to Lions charities

Longview Lions



Lion Glenda was moved to tears when presented with a Lions International Presidential medal at the District Convention. A very humbling experience.



PDG Paul and PDG Glenda received Texas Lions Foundation awards.



Lion Les Rickett was inducted into the District 2-X2 Hall of Fame.

April 14-15, 2023: District Convention hosted by the Big Sandy Area Lions Club

District 2-X2 Welcomes 9 New Members in April

[Sponsor's Name follows Club Name]

Rex Bloodworth, Atlanta, Larry Rowe Melissa Kimble, Atlanta, David Cockrell Laura Donaho, Gilmer, Deborah Howell Sara Whitaker, Jefferson, Ellen Taylor Charles Coward, Jefferson, Roy Richie Traci Coward, Jefferson, Roy Richie Keith Luker, Mt Pleasant, Barry Jones Tony Peterson, Pittsburg, William Guy Judy Yarbrough, Pittsburg, Judy Jackson

Steppin' Up

To all the Lions of District 2-x2:

THANK YOU for making STEPPIN' UP FOR TLC a HUGE success!! Mt. Pleasant won the Top Stepper Club award with 7,798,827 steps!

Big Sandy Area Lions won the **Top Fundraiser** award, raising \$3175.00!

Lion Lupe Gonzalez, from Big Sandy Area, won the **Top Stepper Individual** award logging 1,308,014 steps!!

Our district had a total of 21,285,427 steps!!
You brought in a record-breaking \$11,879.16!!!!
The biggest winners were the Texas Lions Camp kids!!

Lions stopped me during the convention saying they want to do it again next year! We can involve our club members, the community, and businesses. If you can't walk, you can talk...about Texas Lions Camp! Let's do this thing!

Bless you & thank you, Lion Peggy Walker District 2-x2 Texas Lions Camp Director

P.S. I want to visit your club!!

Big Sandy Area Lions Kilgore Lions (BSALC)

CONTACT: Lion Lupe Gonzalez

What a month! April has given us some muchneeded rain but brought on some fairly severe storms. I hope you all fared well in your neck of the woods.

Here's a rundown of what's going on with the Big Sandy Area Lions Club:

- Agape House-March donated 100 pounds of beans and 100 pounds of rice & 95 food items
- Trash Pick-up-April 2 @ 8 am @ entrance to Barber Ranch. Ten (10) volunteers (4 Lions and 6 from SDCC Emergency Response Team) helped with trash pickup that day.
- We had another fun-filled day, "Fill the Boot" April 9, in Hawkins
- The BSALC was at the Holly Lake Club Fair on March 26th – we were able to share our trifold with others in the hope of getting some more members. When you plant seeds, you rarely see any growth till a few days or weeks away! Can't wait to see what comes up!
- April 30 from 10 am 2 pm will be the Carter Blood Care Drive and hot dog fundraiser. There will also be a Diabetes Awareness booth set up there that day.
- The BSALC donated to Gilmer tornado relief efforts: 24 Rolls of toilet paper, 8 packages of Wet Wipes, 12 boxes of Kleenex, 5 packages of feminine pads, razors, toothpaste and toothbrushes, mouthwash, several bottles of hand soap, body wash and conditioner
- As of July 1st, DGE Rickey Caughron will step into his next journey as a Lion, District Governor of Texas Lions District 2-X2
- Lois Triebenbach was elected District 2-X2 Director for Texas Lions Camp

With so much going on, I'm sure I've missed a few things. It may seem like I'm bragging about our group but everything we do is not just for us but all Lions around the world!



April Students of the Month! From Left, Thomas Hathaway, KHS Principal, April Cox, Travis Martin, Club President, and Carly McEntire.





On a more solemn note, we've had some of our members quite ill this month. We'd like for you all to say a prayer for them, as we are all part of the same family.

Lions Roar!

Gilmer Lions



DG Sheila Donnelly presents a Certificate of Appreciation from the Lions International President, Douglas X. Alexander to Gilmer Club President Penny Lawhorn for her mighty efforts during the year, including were the tornado relief efforts. Her comments:

Judson-Lions



PDG & GMA Glenda Boggs presents a 25-year Chevron to PDG Traci Francis for her service

Marshall Lions



Sweet Moment~ Lion Robert Wood accepting the Hall of Fame Award for his late wife Lion Brenda Wood, Marshall Lions Club..



Lion Lois Triebenbach of Big Sandy Area Lions Club visited Marshall Lions to provide an overview of the Leader Dog for the Blind Program.



PDG Glenda Boggs, took the opportunity to recognize Marshall Lions Robert Coleman, Robert Wood and Liz James (not pictured) for their effort in recruiting new members. Lion Glenda emphasized, "New members are important to the long-term success of Lions Clubs." With three new members, Marshall Lions have 37 Lions in the den



Marshall Lions President Patrick Owens and Secretary Robert Woods welcomed Peggy Walker, District 2-X2 Texas Lions Camp Director. Lion Peggy shared valuable information regarding the 2022 Texas Lions Camp in Kerrville, Texas.

Linden-Lions



Lion Paul Ellinger was inducted into the District Hall of Fame, congratulated by Club Presidentelect Judy Lanier and PDG Charlie Horn

Quitman-Lions



DGE Rickey Caughron presents a 30 year Chevron to Quitman Lion Earnest Largent

Tyler-Lions



Tyler Lion Earl Smith was inducted into the District Hall of Fame by DG Sheila Donnelly, as Lion Lauretta Smith looks on



Horse lovers from across the country gathered at the Marshall City Arena for Marshall Lions Club 59th annual Charity Horse Show. The event is one of Marshall Lions Club's largest fundraising initiatives and assists in funding numerous annual programs in place within the organization.



Lion Dudley Swofford (Marshall Lions Club Scholarship Program) pictured with Julia Lamb. Julia was the 2022 Farm City Week Senior Adult Speech winner and recipient of scholarship funds from Marshall Lions Club.



Lion James Thompson welcomed Mark Crawford. Mark serves as the marketing and public relations manager for Shreveport Louisiana Regional Airport.

New Boston Eve. Lions



Lion Patricia Thompson received the LCI New Voices award

Tyler Lions ...



...serving lunch at the Disciple Place apartments

Gladewater-Lions



Gladewater Lion Martin Pessink, who teaches how to do home freeze drying, was asked to talk about the process [which may come in handy, if predictions of food shortages come true—editor]

District Social Media Info District Facebook Page:

https://www.facebook.com/District-2-X2-170690323548064/

FB Page Admin: Sandra Garver Thompson (like my page so you can tag me in your post)

Email: S.Thompson77@yahoo.com

Text: 512-569-0128

If you have club activities, meetings, club info you want posted on FB "like" both the District and my FB page.

I may not see every club post each day, but if you tag me, I have a better chance of seeing it and posting it to the District Page.

Many Clubs have FB pages. Pick a city and look them up. Great way to get new suggestions for projects and fundraisers. If you have questions, please reach out to me anytime.

Website:

Atlanta Lions



DG Sheila Donnelly presents a rare medal from the Lions International President to Atlanta Club President Billy Hensley for his hard membership work this Lions year

Waskom Lions



PDG Leon VanAlstine enjoyed the Convention



PDGs Charlie Horn and Lynn Nacol Thank God, Convention only comes once a year!

Lion Derrick Menefee (Big Sandy Area Lions) is our website guy: lion derrick@myDLM.com

District Newsletter:

PDG Paul Boggs handles the monthly newsletter. Send him your upcoming events and recap of activities each month to daddyrabbitp@gmail.com
Send articles by 25th of the month for the next monthly newsletter.

Other FB Pages of Interest:

Texas Lions Camp Lions of Texas Lions Club International Lions International President Websites:

District: e-district.org/sites/2x2

State: texaslions.org

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A monthly Newsletter brought to you by MD-2 Texas Lions See the attachment....

Editor's Note: Due to the flood of photos and videos created during the Convention, please consider going to the Lions District 2-X2 Facebook page:

https://www.facebook.com/District-2-X2-170690323548064

Attachments:

- 1. Membership application
- 2. Press Release TLC HW Golf 2022
- 3. TLC Hole Sponsorship Form
- 4. Century Club signup form
- 5. Texas Tuesday Connections (TTC) Newsletter 3





May 1, 2022

Membership Application

WE ARE GLOBAL

Membership types and fees

New member

New members pay an entrance fee of US\$35 or must submit the proper waiver certification form. International dues total US \$43 annually. Dues are billed on a semi-annual basis. Additional district, multiple district and club dues may apply.

Transfer member

Transfer members in good standing pay no entrance fee when transferring to an existing club within 12 months.

Family member

The Family Membership Program provides families with the opportunity to receive a special dues discount when they join a Lions club together. The first family member (head of household) pays full international dues (US\$43), and up to four additional family members pay only half the international dues (US\$21.50). All family members pay the one-time entrance fee of US\$35.

The Family Membership Program is open to family members who are (1) eligible for Lions membership, (2) currently in or joining the same club, and (3) living in the same household and related by birth, marriage or other legal relationship. Common household family members include parents, children, spouses, aunts and uncles, cousins, grandparents, in-laws and legal dependents. Submit via MyLCI, or include the Familiy Unit Certification Form with the Monthly Membership Report Form (MMR).

Student

Students between the age of majority and through age 30 pay no entrance fee and half international dues. Students over age 30 and joining a Campus Lions club pay a US\$10 entrance fee and full international dues. Submit the Student Member Certification Form (STU-5) for each student.



What are your community's needs?



Current or former Leo

Current or former Leos seeking membership through the age of 35, who have served as a Leo for at least a year and a day, pay half international dues and receive an entrance/charter fee waiver under the Leo-Lion membership program. You may select Leo-Lion as the membership type in MyLCI or submit the Leo to Lion Certification form with your MMR.

Leos over age 35 who have served as a Leo for at least a year and a day receive an entrance/charter fee waiver.

Submit the *Leo to Lion Certification Form* for credit of Leo years of service to the Lion member record for each current or former Leo.

Young adult

Young adults through the age of 30 receive an entrance fee waiver and pay half international dues when joining a Leo-Lions club.

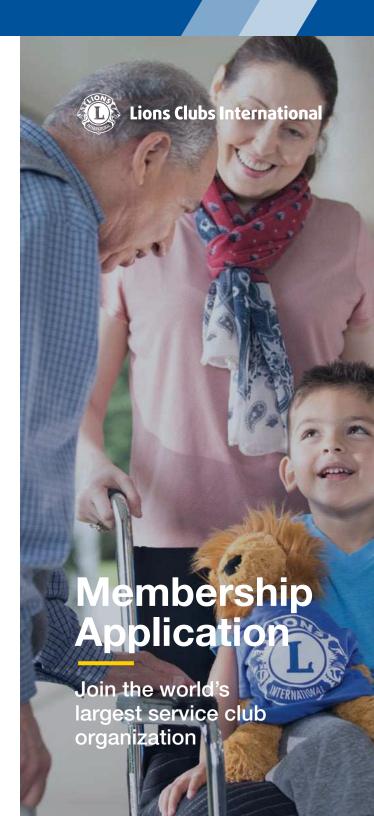
Who are Lions?

Lions meet the needs of local communities and the world. The 1.4 million members of our volunteer organization in over 200 countries and geographic areas are different in many ways, but share a core belief – community is what we make it.

Lions serve

When caring people join together, roll up their sleeves and take action to make their community better, it's a beautiful thing—and an incredible feeling for everyone involved. That's Lions. Being a Lion is about leading by example, building relationships and improving the world through kindness. It's 1.4 million caring men and women serving together so they can make a lasting impact and change more lives.







INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LIONS CLUBS

Invitation-Application for Membership

Lions club name:					
Member sponsor:					
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Enclosed is \$ as a club dues.	an entrance fee, in addit	ion to \$ for interna	ational, multiple district, district and		
reputation. I recognize the imp	portance of rendering pe		d to persons of good moral character and ty in cooperation with other civic-minded rd of directors.		
Signature:			Date:		
FOR CLUB SECRETARY US I confirm that the board of dire		s member for membership in th	nis Lions club.		
Signature of club secretary:_					

OUR MISSION

To empower volunteers to serve their communities, meet humanitarian needs, encourage peace and promote international understanding through Lions clubs.



Checklist:

- Keep a copy of the completed application form for the club's files. Do not send it to Lions Clubs International.
- Add the member using MyLCI or include the member's name and address on the monthly membership report.
- When the entrance fees and dues have been collected and the new member has been provided with a membership card, turn money over to the club treasurer.
- Add the new member's name and address to the club roster and mailing list.
- See that the new member receives a New Member Kit. The materials within are to be presented at the new member's induction ceremony. Take the time to complete the certificate for the new member prior to the induction ceremony.
- Included in the New Member Kit is a coupon for our Club Supplies store at www2.lionsclubs.org. Show the new member the website so they may browse items to spend their coupon on, such as shirts or personalized badges.



Date: January 31, 2022

Contact: Milton L. Dare, FACHE
Director of Development & Major Gift
830-896-8500

James Avery Artisan Jewelry offers \$50,000 Challenge in support of Children with Special Medical Conditions

Named Title Sponsor for 29th Annual Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament

Kerrville, Texas - James Avery Artisan Jewelry has issued a \$50,000 challenge-matching grant to Texas Lions Camp in support of children with special medical conditions attending Summer Camp 2022. Every gift designated for the 29th Annual Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament will be matched dollar for dollar up to \$50,000. With this challenge, the company has also been named the **Title Sponsor** for the 2022 Golf tournament.

"Texas Lions Camp is very excited that James Avery Artisan Jewelry is partnering with our organization in 2021-2022 and investing in our mission by offering this incredible challenge opportunity, said President & CEO of TLC, Stephen S. Mabry.

James Avery's Chief Executive Officer John McCullough stated, "Just as we forge silver and gold to make jewelry, we are *FORGING HOPE* through our support of nonprofit organizations in communities where we live and work. We are proud to partner with the Texas Lions Camp in their mission to provide a unique summer camp experience for these amazing children and their families."

Mabry added, "Since 1949, the Lions of Texas and TLC have introduced over 80,000 children to the 'CAN DO' philosophy and encouraged them to reach for new horizons and celebrate exciting, first-time experiences. The support of family, friends, and neighbors allows us to help some of the most amazing children share in the best summers of their lives."

About James Avery Artisan Jewelry

James Avery is a vertically integrated, family-owned company located in the heart of the Texas Hill Country. We offer finely crafted jewelry designs for men and women in sterling silver, 14K and 18K gold, bronze and gemstones. James Avery jewelry is designed and crafted by our own skilled artisans in Kerrville, Comfort and Hondo, Texas using the finest materials sourced worldwide. We are a multichannel retailer with over 100 James Avery stores in four states. Our jewelry is also available at JamesAvery.com, more than 220 Dillard's locations and Dillards.com. You can also find our designs at airport stores in Austin, Houston and Nashville, as well as select Army and Air Force Exchange Service (AAFES) locations.

About Texas Lions Camp, Inc.- Texas Lions Camp, Inc., provides, without charge, a camp for children with special medical conditions from the State of Texas, regardless of race, religion, or national origin. The organization was chartered as a Texas, nonprofit corporation on April 4, 1949, by the Lions Clubs of Texas and is recognized under section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Service Code. The Camp is accredited by the American Camp Association and is licensed by the Texas Department of State Health Services. In addition, the organization is recognized with a Four-Star rating from Charity Navigator and as a Platinum-level participant on GuideStar so donors may give with confidence when furthering the mission of TLC.

Those who are interested in learning more about and/or contributing to the work of Texas Lions Camp are invited to visit www.lionscamp.com or by emailing Milton L. Dare at milton.dare@texaslions.camp. If preferred, you may also call 830-896-8500 for more information.

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29th Annual Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament TITLE SPONSOR



JAMES NAVERY Forging Hope



ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT TEXAS LIONS CAMP

TLC is tax exempt under 501(c)(3) of the I.R.S.—Donations are tax deductible—see your tax professional for details.



Children Can...With TLCTM

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For more information or to download player registration forms go to www.lionscamp.com

August 4, 2022

8:00 am Shotgun Start

Lady Bird Johnson Golf Course Fredericksburg, TX

All GIFTS will be matched dollar for dollar up to \$50,000 in 2021-2022 by **James Avery Artisan Jewelry**® For more information: www.lionscamp.com.

Sponsor One or More Holes
For a one time donation of \$100 per hole, individuals, clubs, associations & corporations may sponsor a hole(s). All sponsors of the tournament will be recognized in publications on location and on the Texas Lions Camp website: www.lionscamp.com

Please make checks payable to **Texas Lions Camp**.

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Century Club

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The Century Club is an annual opportunity to personally participate in giving to Texas Lions Camp and the programs it has established to provide at no cost a quality summer camp experience for Texas children with physical disabilities, type-1 diabetes and cancer. An individual, couple, family or business can be a Century Club member by giving annually or monthly at whatever level you desire. Choose the level and how you'd like to make your payments whether lump sum or monthly through automatic draft. Automatic bank draft can be set up simply by filling out the information necessary on the form below and including a voided check. All Century Club members will receive an inscribed plaque, patch and a lapel pin. Each year a new medallion for your plaque will arrive once your annual membership renewal is paid. At the end of 10 years membership, a new plaque will arrive along with your eleventh year medallion. Fill out the form below with the level you'd like to start with and send it with your payment to Texas Lions Camp at the address given above. For any other questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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Sessions for the month of MAY





Tuesday, May 3, 2022 @ 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, May 17, 2022 @ 7:00 p.m.

PEACE POSTER: HOW TO ENGAGE

HOW TO IDENTIFY and COLLABORATE with COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

Message from Texas Tuesday Connection (TTC) Committee



New Club Officer? Helpful info, right at your fingertips!

Do you have questions on your responsibilities as a new club officer? You are in luck. There are plenty of club officer resources at your fingertip's on the Texas Tuesday Connections

and Lions Clubs International website. To access the TTC past videos, you ca visit the website, or scan the QR Code at the bottom of this newsletter. A FREE way to learn more from other Lions just like you is to tune in online to "Texas Tuesday Connections"—a webinar series created *by* Lions *for* Lions just like you. Easy to access via Zoom on the first and third Tuesday of every month at 7:00 p.m.,

If questions or to share topic ideas, send an email to PDG Tony Austin, tonyaust2000@yahoo.com.



How to Identify and Collaborate with Community Organizsations

Organizations in our community like schools, churches, businesses and other nonprofit groups can play a key role in making or breaking the efforts of your club to reach its goals. Building a relationship with other community organizations is important in the success of your community

service and fundraising efforts. In this session, you will be able to identify and develop a list of other community organizations. It is important to determine what organizations will support or inhibit a collaborative effort and if your community with support this collaboration.

Presented by; TBA

PEACE POSTER: HOW TO ENGAGE



Only a Lions club can sponsor the contest in a local school(s) or organized, sponsored youth group(s), such as YMCA programs, Boys & Girls Clubs, Scouts, etc. The International Essay Contest was created to give an opportunity for visually impaired young people to express their feelings of peace. Lions work with local schools and area families to identify young people who are interested in participating and who could benefit from this program.

How the Contest Works:

Lions clubs can sponsor the contest in a local school or organized youth group. The contest is open to students who will be 11, 12 or 13 years of age on November 15 of the contest year. . Participating students are asked to create posters that visually depict the contest theme.

Visit **lionsclubs.org/peaceposter** for more information, deadlines, to download a video and view past finalists' posters. To get started, purchase your club's Peace Poster Kit (PPK-1) from the Member Service Center at International Headquarters. Order yours soon.

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PDG Tony Austin: tonyaust2000@yahoo.com





