## **DISTRICT 2-X2 NEWSLETTER**

Howdy Lions of District 2-X2!

WOW! We're already 5 months into the Lion Year, and what a great time it has been!

First of all, I would like to thank Lion Amanda Jackson (<a href="TexasGirl1184@yahoo.com">TexasGirl1184@yahoo.com</a> or <a href="district2.x2newsletter@gmail.com">district2.x2newsletter@gmail.com</a>) for stepping up to take over the Newsletter! Please send all you newsworthy articles to her! And thanks also go out to PDG Joan Houser of the Tyler Lions Club for her work with the Texas Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center. She has had to step aside for personal reasons, but her work there has been invaluable. And many thanks to PDG Lynn Nacol of the Henderson Lions Club for stepping in to finish out the year!

Last month we celebrated with the Cooper Lions Club on their 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary! To say that 100 years is a milestone is an understatement! What a great achievement!

We had a great Cabinet Meeting in Bonham in October - many thanks to that entire club and all the hard work they put in!

Our efforts in Lindale and Winona are coming along slowly, and we have a few other events coming up to move things along! Franklin County Club Branch and Avinger Area Club Branch are doing some excellent work in their respective communities, as is the East Texas Club Branch!

I recently attended the Executive Board Meeting of the Texas Lions Camp as the District Governors Representative. The Camp is gearing up for next summer when they'll be hosting REGULAR camp again AND family camp-it's a wonderful time to be a supporter of YOUR TEXAS LIONS CAMP! With the Camp opening back up to regular and family camp, and the world we live in now, costs to run YOUR CAMP have risen sharply, and the need for financial assistance has never been greater. If you are not yet please consider becoming a Century Club member and a Jack Wiech Fellow! Also, don't forget about the TLC license plates for you vehicles! Remember also that registration for camp begins JANUARY 3<sup>RD</sup>!

Please remember that District Hall of Fame nominations should be submitted to your Zone Chair by December 1<sup>st</sup>.

I would like to let everyone know that the District Governors Team is here to help in any way we can, but COMMUNICATION is the KEY to that being successful! We (the DG Team) can help you and your club in many ways, but we can't if we don't know about your needs! Please feel free to reach out to any of us when you have an issue or just need help with a service project.

Please keep my Council Chair Lion Suzi Schneider and her husband Lion Vic in your thoughts and prayers - Lion Vic is having some severe health issues right now that are slowing him down, and he's not one to like being slowed down!

January is right around the corner, and Mid-Winter Conference will be here before you know it! Make sure that you get those resolutions to your Clubs to be voted on so they can be read at the conference.

DG Rickey Caughron

District Governor 1



The **Gilmer Lions Club** utilized their local coffee shops in Gilmer, Texas: Huey's, Uncle Joe's and Cozy Coffee for Veterans to get a coffee or their favorite beverage. They managed to snap a picture of George Wolf, a Senior Chief of the US Navy and Ted Collier, an Infantry Army Veteran. We are so grateful for the service of all Veterans. The club also made a donation of turkey legs to the Highway 80 Rescue Mission in Longview, Texas. They were so excited to get this donation, since they were short on turkeys for this year. Gilmer Lions participated in the Peace Poster contest; we had a total of 18 turned in for this year. The children are so creative and talented.



The **Kilgore Lions Club** recognized Students of the Month and inducted 2 new members into their club (pictured below). Also, the club received a thank you letter from Kilgore College Foundation for the amoun\$12,384 that has been added to the endowment fund for scholarships. Way to go!

## KILGORE LIONS INSTALL NEW MEMBERS



SHWON (L-R): NEW MEMBERS RACHEL MARTINEZ AND JAN NORRIS INSTALLED BY LION KEN NORRIS, MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN

KILGORE LIONS CLUB STUDENTS OF THE MONTH FOR NOVEMBER



SHOWN (L-R): JAZMIN BALDAZO MARTINEZ, SAM CLEMENTS AND APRIL COX, KHS PRINCIPAL

The **Waskom Lions Club** supported the communities of Hughes, Bogata, and New Boston by giving storage tubs and cleaning supplies to the clubs in each community for distribution to the victims of the tornadoes on November 4<sup>th</sup>. Picture below show Lions Sue and Gene Gardner helping load the supplies for distribution.



The **Atlanta Lions Club** collected trash at their Adopt-A-Highway spot on Highway 77W on Friday, November 18<sup>th</sup>. The club collected 9 bags of trash within 3 hours. Pictured are Lions Amanda Jackson, Clay Collins, Billy Alexander, and Billy Hensley.



## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

JANUARY 21, 2023
MID-WINTER
CABINET MEETING
Hosted by
Gilmer Lions Club

APRIL 14-15, 2023

**DISTRICT CONVENTION** 

Hosted by Big Sandy Area Lions Club

May 18-20, 2023 STATE CONVENTION Fort Worth, Texas