

March 15, 2022



We Serve

# The District



District 2-S5



## Governor's Message

One of the pleasures of serving as your district governor is hearing about and even witnessing the wonderful service activities that take place throughout the district on a constant and regular basis. Most of you carry out activities for our primary charities, but I am blown away when I hear of activities such as providing fishing experiences at nursing homes, creating

toy bags for kids experiencing a disaster, providing free summer movies of children, or even filling duffel bags for foster children. And the list goes on and on. You constantly amaze me how you scan your communities and meet local needs.

Thank you for living out our motto, "We Serve." It's wonderful being a Lion.

We Serve!  
Lion Joe

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### Your District Officers

DG - Joe Franks

1<sup>st</sup> VDG – David Sahm

2<sup>nd</sup> VDG – Jane Istre

Secretary – PDG Michael Smalley

Treasurer – PDG Mark Ulrich

### Upcoming Events

- March 19-20, 2022, Texas Leadership Forum, Austin, TX
- April 22, 2022, Cabinet meeting
- April 23, 2022, District Convention

## From our Vice District Governors

1<sup>st</sup> VDG Lion David Sahm

### **We Can Help Ukrainian Lions.**

Lions across the world recognize the plight of the millions of Ukrainians whose lives have been torn apart in recent weeks. Despite the Russian invasion, Ukrainians have valiantly resisted the aggression, taken refuge in shelters, or fled the country. Many of our fellow Lions who live in Ukraine have continued to provide comfort and aid to those in need including displaced families, wounded, hungry, and seeking to flee.

Lion Oksana (for security reasons her last name is withheld) has been leading her fellow citizens in this effort. Huddled in a subway tunnel, she reported that she continued to do her daily work, care for her family, and offer support to others within the shelter. She was doing these things with missiles and planes flying overhead. (As of this writing, I have not heard from Oksana in nearly seven days.)

Like you, I am sure we all would like to be there to help care for all the Ukrainians. Perhaps you know of some Americans who have gone over to assist Ukraine. It is tempting. Short of that, many continue to pray for Ukraine. If you pray, please include Oksana, her family, her neighbors, and fellow Lions.

A more tangible way of helping is to give to a special fund set up by the Lions Club International Foundation. Please follow this link to the [Refugees and Displaced Persons page](#). Whatever amount you choose to give will go a long way to help the millions displaced by this war.

Ask your friends and neighbors if they would like to give. Tell them about your club and this is what Lions are about – helping those in need when it counts. Perhaps you might recruit a new Lion on Oksana's behalf, which would be a great calling.

As I hear more news from Oksana, I will keep you updated.

Lion David Sahm  
1<sup>st</sup> VDG

## From the District Secretary

PDG Lion Michael Smalley

Please note the Convention Call and Announcement of the 4<sup>th</sup> District Cabinet meeting. Both documents are in the appendices for this newsletter. Registration deadline is April 20, 2022.

The 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament will be held August 4, 2022. Details and hole sponsorship forms are attached to this newsletter. Please note James Avery Artisan Jewelry has issued a \$50,000 challenge-matching grant to the Texas Lions Camp in support of children with special medical conditions attending Summer Camp 2022. This press release is included in this newsletter.



## From the District Youth Coordinator

### Lion Pat Jackson

Thanks to all who helped make this year a great one for our youth. You have made sure that scholarships will be awarded to those students who participated in the Opportunities for Youth Contests as well as awards for the Peace Poster winners. The State Opportunities for Youth Contests will be held via Zoom on May 14<sup>th</sup>. Those students representing the District will be notified next month concerning the details in preparation for the contests. The State will have a trial run in April with the contestants to ensure that they are comfortable with the set up and what to expect, since it will be done virtually.

Remember that the Peace Posters can be worked on starting now and each club can sponsor a contest. If you are unsure about this, contact me and I will discuss how this can be done even if only one school is in the ISD. You can even partner with another club to sponsor a contest. Just ask!

I am available to visit any club wishing to sponsor a Leo Club or helping with any of the youth contests. Also, I would like to thank everyone for allowing me to work with the youth again this year and look forward to doing so next year, if requested. Blessings!

Yours in Lionism,  
Lion Pat Jackson

## Our Global Causes

### KidSight USA\*\*



Lions KidSight USA is a nation-wide program bringing Lions Clubs across the country together to ensure our children receive eye screenings and follow-up care when needed.

### Core Values

- We believe very strongly from years of experience that early childhood vision screening – and correction of poor vision – is one of the most effective and cost-efficient health care interventions in the entire world.
- We provide vision screening to children as young as six months and through grade 12.
- We're national – we've created a coordinated national coalition of active and experienced Lions vision screeners.
- We're needed – vision problems undetected by the age of 7 can become permanent.
- We're concerned – How many millions of kids now have worsening eyesight from prolonged "screen" time, in 2020.

\*\*From the [Lions KidSight USA](#) web site.

## Lions Clubs International Global Causes

From [Our Global Causes](#) at the Lions Clubs International web site.

Lions Clubs worldwide have over 1.4 million members and has an opportunity to truly change our world. That's why LCI has united its global service around five areas of need.

1. Vision
2. Diabetes
3. Hunger
4. Environment
5. Childhood Cancer

And these are coupled with existing service areas, including

1. LCIF Disaster Relief
2. LCIF Humanitarian Efforts
3. LCIF Youth
4. Eyeglass Recycling
5. SightFirst
6. **KidSight**

It has been said that ***Where there is a need, there is a Lion*** and that is truly the case with these Global Causes. The Lions motto is **We Serve** and there are plenty of areas where each and every Lion can get involved.

Each month our newsletter will highlight one of the global causes or service areas. For many of these, District 2-S5 has a coordinator or chairperson. Please consider asking them to visit your club for a program.

## Around 2-S5

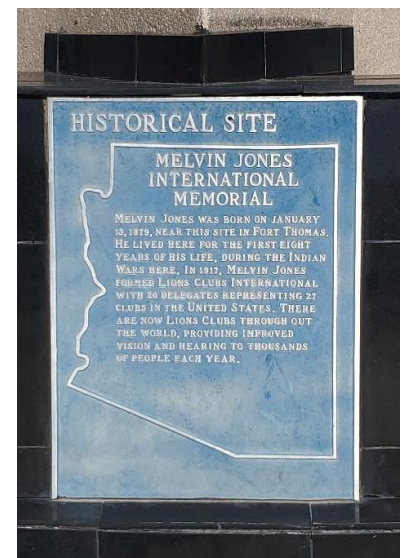
### College Station Evening Lions Club

By J.P. Winston



On 02/17/2022 the College Station Evening Lions awarded a Melvin Jones Fellowship to Lion Hannah Crawford, pictured left with the plaque and award letter.

Lion Crawford has been a dedicated member of the College Station Evening Lions Club since 2016. Her service has included two years as club President, a year as the club's LCIF Coordinator and Immediate Past President, and service as chair of District 2-S5 Zone 5B.



On 01/06/2022 College Station Evening Lions Eugene and Diane Molina visited the birthplace of Melvin Jones, the founder of Lionism, in Fort Thomas, Arizona. The photos below detail their discoveries at the historical site dedicated to his memory.

Photos by Lions Eugene & Diane Molina



## Brenham Evening Lions

By Lion Joe Green

The following article was submitted by Lion Joe Green with the Brenham Evening Lions Club. Youth Coordinator Pat Jackson, upon hearing the presentation, suggested Lion Green share the information with the district. Contact information is in the article.

Lion Randal Hoppens has a grandson with Batten's disease. Batten's is a rare childhood disease that affects the body's ability to get rid of cellular waste (lipids and proteins), so they build up in cells all over the body. The buildup causes seizures, vision loss, problems with thinking and movement, and eventually, death. He and his family have been sending out Easter care packages for Batten's families for some time. Our club got involved with the program last year, and we wanted to let everyone know what we are doing and how they can help.

They have provided a list of items they need. If you can help, please contact me (Lion Joe Green) at 713-295-9181. Thanks in advance.

### Donations needed:

Candy  
Smelly Lip Balm  
Small Sensory toys  
Bag cotton candy  
Play Doh, slime, or kinetic sand  
Easter Egg dying kits

Stickers or Tattoos  
Hot wheel cars  
Small plastic creatures  
Playdough tools  
Plastic jewelry  
Money for shipping

## Giddings Evening Lions

By Lion Normette Moore

Giddings Evening Lions helping to set up silent auction for 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Chili Bowl



## Caldwell Burleson County Lions Club

By Adrien Drouilhet

Caldwell Burleson County Lions Club designated a Campaign 100 Model Club



Pictured above, left, PID Joe Al Picone explains the significance of the Melvin Jones Fellowship. Center, club president Pat Drouilhet receives the certificate designating the Club as a Campaign 100 Model Club. Right, PID Picone presents PDG Jessie Bryan with the Visionary Model Club Award. PDG Jessie is a major donor to LCIF's Campaign 100 program.



Ten Caldwell Burleson County Lions receive Melvin Jones Fellowships. Recipients are Lions Fran Galbreath, Jacque Bray, Faith Ward, Michael Bennett, Karen Johnson, Richard Elliott, Sherrian Gondesens, Nancy Stewart, and Kathy Cornett. Not pictured Janice Ofczarzak. PID Joe Al Picone, DG Joe Franks and PDG Jessie Bryan made the presentations.



## Geronimo Lions Club

By Jim Lievens

On February 17 Lions District 2S-5 Governor Joe Franks awarded charter members of the Geronimo Lions Club with recognition for their 15-year service anniversaries. Present for the photo were (l to r) DG Joe Franks, and honorees **Zach Reiley**, **Randall Sullivan**, **Martin Mueck**, **Vicki Mueck** and **David Reiley**. Not present for the photo were other 15-yr honorees **Wilfred Bartoskewitz**, **Debbie Hanse**, **Teri Nash**, **Debbie Powers**, **Garland Powers**, **Mary Reiley**, **Tammy Sullivan**, and **Michael Woerndel**. *Congratulations!*



## Round Top Lions



Lions Chris Collins and Pam Langford from the Round Top Lions are shown receiving the Club Excellence Award from Zone 4A Chair Kelli Higgins at the zone meeting in Carmine on February 21.



## Sealy Lions Club

The Sealy Lions club received the Model Club for their contribution to LCIF. District Governor Franks presented the award to Club President Bill Blume.



## Washington County Ladies Lions Club

By Linda Oberhoff

The Washington County Ladies Lions Club held an installation service for three new members and their sponsors. Past President Jeanne Luedemann, installing officer, welcomed new members and their sponsors: Laurlinda Krause by Peggy Kramer, Sherry Fritz by De De Eastveld and Elle Steele by Linda Oberhoff. President Judy Hulsey presented each member with the certificate of membership, new member lapel pin and the welcome packet.



Pictured, left to right, are Laurlinda Krause, Peggy Kramer, De De Eastveld, Sherry Fritz, Linda Oberhoff, Elle Steele and Judy Hulsey.

## Giddings

By Chas Cox



Giddings has a special guest speaker, Laura Sherrod, Lee County Wildlife Biologist. With Laura is her assistant, OD, which is short for Otter Dude. OD is native to the area.

## Corrections and Updates

### Weimar Encore Lions Club

In the February 2022 newsletter we failed to identify the individuals in this photo. At right, Weimar Encore President Sue Mullens is pictured with Colorado County EMS officer Marilyn Hinze. Weimar Encore donated a new microwave and treats to the Colorado County EMS unit.



## District 2-S5 Calendar

Please note the following dates and events.

### March 2022

19-20	Austin Crown Plaza	Texas Leadership Forum
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### April 2022

22	Lions Den, Giddings	4 <sup>th</sup> Cabinet Meeting
23	The Event Center, Giddings	District Convention

### May 2022

26-28	Abilene	State Convention
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### June 2022

24-28	Montreal, Canada	International Convention
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## From your newsletter editors

If you sent me info and I failed to get it in this edition, please be patient and forgive me. Please re-submit to [newsletter@2-s5.org](mailto:newsletter@2-s5.org) and we will be sure to get your article in the next edition.

Our goal is to have submissions in by the 10<sup>th</sup> of each month with a publish date of the 15<sup>th</sup>.

### The District

Published monthly for District 2-S5 Lions, visitors, family and prospective Lions. Deadline for submissions is the 10<sup>th</sup> of each month with publication on the 15<sup>th</sup>.

Submissions may be sent to **PDG John Rauser** or **Lion Mike Bolton** at [Newsletter@2-S5.org](mailto:Newsletter@2-S5.org).

## 4<sup>th</sup> Cabinet Meeting and 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual District Convention



**Lions Clubs International  
Texas Lions District 2-S5  
4<sup>th</sup> Cabinet Meeting and 33<sup>rd</sup>  
Annual District Convention  
April 22<sup>nd</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup>, 2022**



### **4<sup>th</sup> Cabinet Meeting**

Friday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2022: 5-6 P.M. Registration and Social; 6:30 P.M. Meeting  
Location: Lions Den; Address: 1623 FM 141 Giddings, Texas 78942

### **33<sup>rd</sup> Annual District Convention**

Saturday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2022; 8-9 A.M. Registration and Breakfast; 9 A.M. Meeting  
Location: The Venue on Main; Address: 289 North Main, Giddings, Texas 78942

Meeting Coordinator: PDG Michael Morgan: [pdgmorgan@gmail.com](mailto:pdgmorgan@gmail.com)

Hotel Information: Best Western; Phone 979-542-5000; 15% Discount for all Lions

NAME OF CLUB: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME	4 <sup>th</sup> Cabinet (\$30)	Convention (\$25)	Total Due	Paid

Registration and Form are due by April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Please make checks payable to District 2-S5.  
**PLEASE SEND FORM AND PAYMENT TO:** Michael Smalley, District Secretary, 335 Club View Drive, La Grange, TX 78945. You may also email the form to: [michaelsmalley46@gmail.com](mailto:michaelsmalley46@gmail.com). If you have any questions, you may either call or email Michael Smalley. Cell number is 979-208-9337.

## Call to Convention



### **District 2-S5 Annual Convention Call To Convention**

**The 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual District Convention will be held on Saturday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2022. At the Venue on Main located at 289 North Main Street, Giddings, Texas 78942. The 4<sup>th</sup> Cabinet Meeting will be held on Friday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2022 at the Lions Den located at 1623 FM 141 Giddings, Texas 78942.**

### **Convention Keynote Speaker: Past International Director Lion Jerry Smith**

Election of District Officers for the upcoming 2022 – 2023 Lions Year will be conducted at the convention on Saturday. Each club in the district is allowed 1 voting delegate per ten members in their club; however, the major fraction of 5 members or more qualifies for an additional delegate vote (example a club with 26 members is entitled to three votes).

Annual District Awards including the Robert Koennecke Award (2021 –2022) for the outstanding Lions Club; and the E.B. “Tex” Mayer Award recognizing the outstanding Lion of the Year for 2021 – 2022, and other special recognition will be presented at the convention.

In lieu of bringing silent auction items, it is requested that each club bring a check made payable to “Lions Club International Foundation”. This will be a free will donation with the proceeds going to help with the relief effort in Ukraine.

I have really enjoyed serving as your District Governor this year. This is a great district with lots of great people doing great service in your community. I am planning on our 4<sup>th</sup> Cabinet Meeting and District Convention being a fun time of great food, fellowship and information for all to enjoy and I hope to see all of you at these upcoming events.

Thank you for all you do!!  
Joe

A 15 percent discount will be offered to all Lions in need of a Hotel Room at the Best Western in Giddings, Texas. Just let them know you want the Lions Club rate. The phone number for the Best Western is (979) 542-5000. The address is 2161 East Hempstead Street, Giddings, Texas 78942.



## 2022 TLC Hole Sponsorship Form

### 29th Annual Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament

TITLE SPONSOR



JAMES AVERY  
Forging Hope



#### ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT TEXAS LIONS CAMP

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in 2022!**

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player registration forms go to  
[www.lionscamp.com](http://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](http://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](http://www.lionscamp.com)

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

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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**MAIL TO: TEXAS LIONS CAMP**  
**PO Box 290247 Kerrville, TX 78029**

# James Avery Artisan Jewelry offers \$50,000 Challenge

## **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, James Avery 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 more than 83,000 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 multi-channel retailer with over 100 James Avery stores in four states. Our jewelry is also available at [JamesAvery.com](https://www.jamesavery.com), more than 220 Dillard's locations and [Dillards.com](https://www.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](https://www.lionscamp.com) or by emailing Milton L. Dare at [milton.dare@texaslions.camp](mailto:milton.dare@texaslions.camp). For more information, you may also call 830-896-8500.





## Fayetteville Lions Club Classic Car Show 2022



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**APRIL 16TH, 2022 / FAYETTEVILLE, TEXAS**

*Presented by the Fayetteville Lions Club*

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Saturday, April 16th, Fayetteville, Texas

**8:00am - 1:00pm**

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Paige Lions Club Spring Turkey Shoot 2022

# **PAIGE LIONS CLUB**

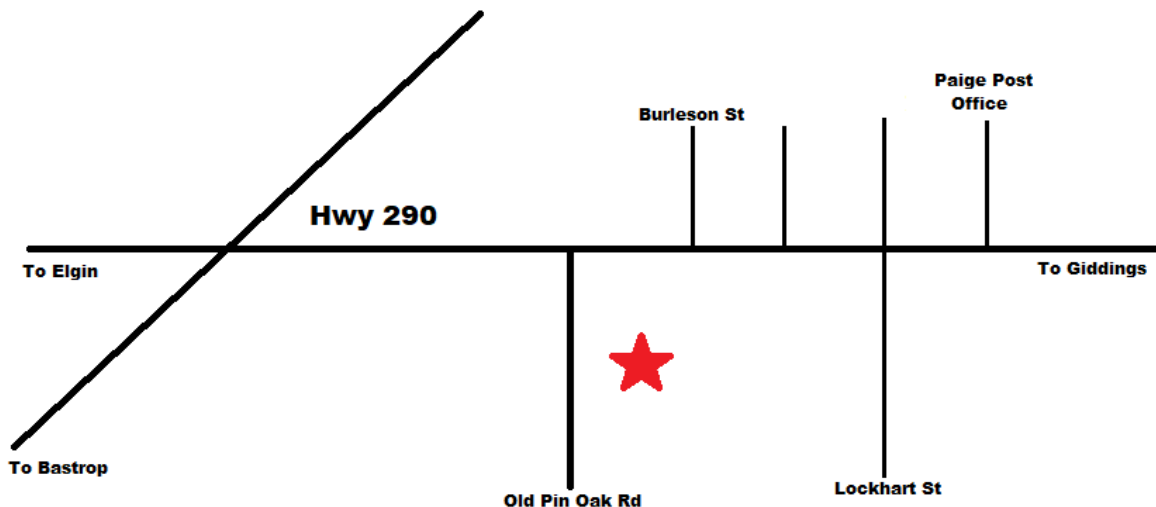
## **SPRING TURKEY SHOOT 2022**

### **SUNDAYS AT 2:00 P.M.**

**April 24<sup>th</sup> – May 22<sup>nd</sup>**



**One block off Hwy 290 on Old Pin Oak Rd**



\*\*\*\*NEW ON SITE: Diabetes Awareness Literature and a donation box for the Texas Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center, please donate your used and/or unwanted eyeglasses\*\*\*\*