

# District Directory 2-A3

## 2025-2026



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**MD2 State Pin**

## District 2-A3 Governors Pin



*Greatness is not in where we stand, but in what direction we are moving. We must sail sometimes with the wind and sometimes against it – but still we must, and not drift, nor lie at anchor.*

Oliver Wendall Holmes

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# INTERNATIONAL OFFICERS

## 2025-2026



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**International President**

Dear Lions,

Service to others defines who we are. It is the very reason we exist as a global organization. A Lions club brings people together. When people work together, amazing things happen. Friendships form, leaders arise and communities change for the better. But it all comes down to one thing — service. Our sole purpose as Lions is, and always has been, to serve those in need.

With “We Serve” as our motto, we will focus on bringing kindness to our communities and our world. This is a call for Lions to show our world that change is possible, and that we are working every day to be the change that our communities and our world need.

We know that we will need to work together to lead our communities, strengthen our clubs and achieve our MISSION 1.5 goal of reaching 1.5 million members by July 1, 2027 so we can serve more people than ever before. Together we have an opportunity to take the lead on service and guide the way toward a brighter future.

I have always believed that at the heart of our service you’ll find kindness, commitment and generosity for the many people we serve — and for the incredibly diverse family of Leos and Lions with whom we serve. Together, we will make our communities and our world a better place for all people.

Together we serve,

A.P. Singh  
International President



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# LCI 2024-2025 Accomplishments



# OUR CAUSES

## Childhood Cancer

Globally, childhood cancer looks like this:\*

**400,000**

children diagnosed annually

**9 in 10**

diagnosed children live  
in low- and middle-income  
countries (LMICs)

**<30%**

of children with cancer in  
LMICs survive, compared to  
≥80% in high-income countries

\*World Health Organization (Updated annually)

### Service areas

Get your club involved in one of these childhood cancer service areas and see how your service will help achieve the **U.N. Sustainable Development Goals**.

#### **PATIENT AND FAMILY SUPPORT**

Ensure patients and their families are adequately supported, and address the most common barriers to obtaining necessary treatment.

#### **ORGANIZATION OR FACILITY SUPPORT**

Identify needs and opportunities to serve childhood cancer organizations or facilities to make a difference by expanding accessibility to treatment and services.

#### **CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS, EDUCATION AND ADVOCACY**

Raise awareness of the impact of childhood cancer, educate your community members and create positive change.

# Diabetes

## About diabetes

### Diabetes is a global epidemic

An estimated 537 million adults across the world are living with diabetes, and its prevalence is increasing rapidly. By 2045, the number is expected to reach 783 million. Diabetes is a global epidemic that touches every corner of the globe.

Lions Clubs International and LCIF are dedicated to empowering Lions and Leos around the world to fight diabetes by serving their communities one by one.

Source: International Diabetes Federation (updated annually)

**537M**

Adults (20-79 years)  
living with  
diabetes

**1 in 2**

Cases  
undiagnosed  
(240 million)

**1.2M**

Youth with  
type 1 diabetes,  
half under age 15

**6.7M**

Deaths from  
diabetes

## Programs

Get your club involved in a handful of ongoing diabetes service programs and see how your service will help achieve the [U.N. Sustainable Development Goals](#).

### STRIDES FOR DIABETES

Strides events involve fun physical activity to help promote diabetes awareness and management.

### TYPE 2 DIABETES SCREENING

Type 2 diabetes screening events are an important way to help your community understand their diabetes risk and take steps toward prevention.

### DIABETES PEER SUPPORT GROUPS

Diabetes peer support groups encourage the exchange of support of all types among community members living with diabetes.

### DIABETES CAMPS

Diabetes camps are designed to help enhance the quality of life for young people living with diabetes by providing diabetes management skills.

# *Disaster Relief*

Whenever and wherever disaster strikes, Lions are often among the first to offer aid. LCIF is ready to support their efforts with funding assistance through global disaster relief programs.

## **Global Statistics**

90% of all natural disasters are water-related.

25.3 million people are displaced each year by sudden disasters.

Annual economic losses are estimated at US\$250B-US\$300B.

Source: [United Nations Disaster Assessment and Coordination](#)

# *Environment*

Lions and Leos are working together to protect the environment to create healthier communities and a more sustainable world.

## **Service areas**

Get your club involved in one of these environment service areas and see how your service will help achieve the [U.N. Sustainable Development Goals](#).

### **TREE PLANTING AND TREE CARE**

Improve your community through the planting of locally appropriate tree seedlings or saplings, contributing to cleaner air and a healthier environment.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL CLEANUP AND RESTORATION**

Protect nature and habitats by cleaning debris and shielding pollutants from harming ecosystems, marine life and the community.

### **RECYCLING AND WASTE MANAGEMENT**

Conserve resources and reduce waste to minimize adverse impacts on sustainability.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS, EDUCATION AND ADVOCACY**

Raise awareness of the importance of protecting the environment, educate your community members and create positive change.

### **CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION**

Ensure safe water and adequate sanitation for all, promoting better health outcomes around the world.

## *Humanitarian*

The humanitarian efforts of Lions have been notable and celebrated for more than 100 years. Working together, Lions identify the world's most crucial needs and LCIF supports them in their efforts to provide humanitarian aid where it's needed most.

### **Global Statistics**

15% of the world's population experience disability; prevalence higher for developing countries;

≤190M experience significant disability.

~20M people need hospice care annually ~3M receive it.

High social connectedness = 50% increased chance of longevity.

Sources: The World Bank Group, Worldwide Hospice Palliative Care Alliance, and World Health Organization Stanford Medicine

# *Vision*

Ever since Helen Keller inspired us to champion the cause in 1925, we've served and advocated for the blind and visually impaired. Nearly a century later, this long-standing mission continues unhindered.

## **Vision Facts**

- **253 million** people are blind or have moderate to severe distance vision impairment (MSVI)
- **1.1 billion** have near-vision impairment simply because they don't have a pair of glasses
- **>75%** of all blindness and MSVI is avoidable
- **89%** of people with visual impairment live in developing countries

## **We Have a Plan**

- We have a long history of serving the blind and visually impaired, and remain committed to continuing this mission into our next century of service.
- **Our Strategic Objective**
- Prevent avoidable blindness and improve quality of life for people who are blind and visually impaired

# *Youth*

Young people are a dynamic force for good. We're more than a century into service, and committed as ever to sustaining our impact over the next 100 years. That's why we devote ourselves to serving youth as beneficiaries, youth as partners, and empowering youth as service leaders.

## **YOUTH AS BENEFICIARIES**

### **We Serve Young People**

Across all our Global Causes, we remain committed to serving children and youth. Practically, we improve existing programs through the development of new initiatives that increase impact:

## **YOUTH AS PARTNERS**

## **We Partner With Young People**

Young people are reinventing service with the help of Lions. We recognize and resource youth as capable service leaders:

## **YOUTH EMPOWERMENT**

### **We Unleash Youth Leadership**

Young people are global changemakers. Their fresh perspectives and insights drive change in our organization, in their communities and in the world:

## **Mental Health and Well Being**

All around the world, mental health and well-being is a growing need affecting our communities. Lions and Leos are making a difference by working to raise awareness of the importance of mental health and well-being, educating and supporting their communities, and advocating for positive change

### **.A pressing need**

### **We're addressing the importance of mental health and well-being.**

Lions and Leos are promoting the importance of mental health and well-being and providing meaningful opportunities to get involved in serving this important initiative.

Mental health is made up of a variety of factors, including our emotional, physical, psychological and social well-being. To best address the need for improved mental health, we must first understand the facts\* — and challenges — surrounding mental health.

**25%**

Increase in rates of anxiety and depression since 2020.

**1 in 7**

Youths age 10-19 experience mental health conditions, though many are unrecognized and untreated.

# 14%

Of adults aged 60+ live with a mental health disorder. Loneliness and social isolation are key risk factors.

# 20

Countries still criminalize attempted suicide, and stigma and discrimination remain against those with mental health conditions worldwide.

Source: World Health Organization

## Mental health and well-being resource

Did you know volunteering can alleviate symptoms of depression and anxiety, enhancing overall mood and emotional well-being? Use the **Mental Health and Well-Being Service Resource** to learn about mental health and well-being, plan a service project and start your mental health and well-being journey. Then, explore the additional resources to help you further your mental health and well-being service.

# Amplify your club's impact during Weeks of Service

This initiative unites Lions and Leos worldwide to address the critical issues of mental health and well-being, hunger, and the environment. By participating, you'll be part of three impactful weeks dedicated to creating positive change and making a difference in communities around the globe — together. So get involved and help drive collective action for a better future!

## Mark your calendars

### **Mental health and well-being**

October 4-12, 2025

### **Hunger**

January 3-11, 2026

### **Environment**

April 18-26, 2026

## *Lions Code of Ethics*

**TO SHOW** my faith in the worthiness of my vocation by industrious application to the end that I may merit a reputation for quality of service.

**TO SEEK** success and to demand all fair remuneration or profit as my just due, but to accept no profit or success at the price of my own self-respect lost because of unfair advantage taken or because of questionable acts on my part.

**TO REMEMBER** that in building up my business it is not necessary to tear down another's; to be loyal to my clients or customers and true to myself.

**WHENEVER** a doubt arises as to the right ethics of my position or action towards others, to resolve such doubt against myself.

**TO HOLD** friendship as an end and not a means. To hold that true friendship exists not on account of the service performed by one to another, but that true friendship demands nothing but accepts service in the spirit in which it is given.

**ALWAYS** to bear in mind my obligations as a citizen to my nation, my state and my community, and to give them my unswerving loyalty in word, act and deed. To give freely of my time, labor, and means.

**TO AID** others by giving my sympathy to those in distress, my aid to the weak, and my substance to the needy.

**TO BE CAREFUL** with my criticism and liberal with my praise; to build up and not destroy.

## **DISTRICT 2-A3 GOALS 2025-2026**

- Engage the District and all clubs to participate in all eight of *OUR CAUSES*.
- Promote and AMPLIFY our three WEEKS OF SERVICE.
- Train 100% of secretary and treasurer.
- Offer New Member Orientation and invite all Lions in the District.
- Develop new Lions leaders throughout District 2-A3.
- Identify 2nd Vice District Gov. for 2026-2027.
- Develop good strong Zone Chairs through training.
- Conduct monthly communication with GMT and GLT.
- Charter at least One new Lions Club within the District this year.
- Promote club and District growth throughout the year with each Club striving to be a plus 5 in membership at year's end.
- Remove District 2-A3 from Transitional status by ending the year at 1,250 Members.
- Reduce dropped members by 2%
- Foster effective communication between members of the DG Team, and keep interactions to no less frequent than once a month

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**Vacant**

La Joya

Mission

Mission Sunset

Rio Grande City

Roma

Zapata

**DUES BREAKDOWN**  
**“WHERE THE MONEY GOES”**

Effective July 1, 2025

**Required Annual Dues**

*From Club Administrative Account*

**Lions Clubs International**

**Total International Dues** **\$50.00**

Make Check for International Dues to **Lions Clubs International:**

**Mail Check To:**

**Lions Clubs International**

**300 West 22nd St.**

**Oakbrook, IL 60523-8842**

**District and State Dues**

**MD-2 State**

State Dues \$ 7.00

State Promote Texas Fund \$ .50

**Total State Dues** **\$ 7.50**

**District 2-A3**

District Dues \$ 7.00

District Convention Fund \$ .50

**Total District Dues** **\$ 7.50**

*From Club Administrative or Charity Account*

**MD- 2 Texas Lions Camp Dues** **\$21.00**

**Total Required Dues International, State, District and Texas Lions Camp \$86.00**

Make Check for District Dues & State Dues payable to **District 2-A3**

Make Check for Texas Lions Camp payable to **District 2-A3** or **Texas Lions Camp**

**Mail ALL Checks to:**

**PDG Laura Clark**

**612 S. Texas Blvd**

**Weslaco, TX 78596**

Payments may be made by credit card, bank draft, or Internet payment.

*Lions Clubs International, MD2 and District 2-A3, bill these dues on a semi-annual basis. The billing is based on the number of members reported on the club membership report to Lions Clubs International. These are billed to the club on July 1 and January 1. The payment to the MD-2 Texas Lions Camp may be made from the Club's Charity or Administrative accounts, based upon each Club's policies.*

**DISTRICT 2-A3  
Governors Goals  
2025-2026**

|                                       |                |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|
| Texas Lions Camp                      | \$10.00        |
| 2-A3 Alert Fund                       | \$ 2.00        |
| 2-A3 Youth Contest                    | \$ 2.00        |
| Lions Clubs International Foundation  | \$10.00        |
| Texas Lions Foundation                | \$ 3.00        |
| Leader Dogs for the Blind             | \$ 2.00        |
| World Services for the Blind          | \$ 2.00        |
| Texas Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center | \$ 2.00        |
| Texas Lions Museum                    | \$ 2.00        |
| <b>Total per Member</b>               | <b>\$35.00</b> |

Guidelines:

- 100% club contributions are paid once a year, preferably in the first or early second quarter of the Lions fiscal year (fiscal year: July 1 to June 30)
- **ALL checks must be mailed to the District 2-A3 Treasurer.** Make one check payable to **DISTRICT 2-A3**. If not paying 100% list charities supported on a separate sheet.

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# CLUB DIRECTORY

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Charter Date 4/24/2015  
Fernando de la Rosa Library  
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## Aransas County Women's 14729

Charter Date 1/14/2020  
First Baptist Church  
1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday 6:00PM  
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Charter Date 11/19/1928  
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1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday 6:30 PM  
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## **Brownsville Border 56242**

Charter Date 11/16/1994  
Valley Inn And Country Club (VICC)  
1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday 7:30 PM  
301 McFadden, Brownsville TX  
**Secretary**

**President**  
Missing Officers report

**Treasurer**

## **Brownsville Downtown 1287**

Charter Date 7/29/1927  
Cobbleheads  
1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday 12:00 PM  
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## **Brownsville Nite 1288**

Charter Date 9/17/1970  
Robert E Lee Youth Center  
1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday 7:15 AM  
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## **Brownsville West Brownsville 1289**

Charter Date 11/11/1948  
IHOP  
2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday 6:30 PM  
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## **Corpus Christi Downtown 1292**

Charter Date 12/18/1923  
Land and Sea Restaurant  
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Charter Date 10/31/2013

Online

2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday 7:15 PM

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Charter Date 5/15/2025

R B Carter Insurance

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday

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Charter Date 2/15/1938

Don Panchitos Café and Restaurant

1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Thursday 12:15 PM

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Charter Date 11/17/1938

First Christian Church Fellowship Hall

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday 12:15 PM

410 W University Dr Edinburg TX

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Charter Date 2/26/1997

My Place Café

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday 7:15 AM

405 E University Dr Edinburg TX

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No Officers reported

### Secretary

### Treasurer

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Charter Date 8/9/1927

Camelot Village

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday

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### **Harlingen Amigas 51076**

Charter Date 11/27/1990

Salvation Army Office

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday 6:15 PM

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### **Harlingen Dawn Breakers 1305**

Charter Date 4/10/1973

Los Nortenos Restaurant

1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday 7:15 AM

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Charter Date 6/4/192

La Herradura

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Monday 7:15 PM

613 Judy Hidalgo TX

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Charter Date 6/18/2021

Ingleside Dairy Queen

2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday 7:15 PM

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Charter Date 4/9/1962

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2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>

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## **Kingsville 1310**

Charter Date 6/25/1929

El Dorado Restaurant

1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> Wednesday 12:15 PM

704 N 14<sup>th</sup> St Kingsville TX

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## **La Feria 41818**

Charter Date 9-28-1982

Online

3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday 8:30AM

### **President**

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## **La Joya 57581**

Charter Date 12/5/1995

Child Nutrition Center

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday 5:30 AM

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Charter Date 12/2/1947

Lions Club Hall

1<sup>st</sup> Thursday 7:15 PM

Hwy 100 East Los Fresnos TX

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Charter Date 10/25/1923

Salvation Army Building

1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> 12:15 PM

1600 North 23<sup>rd</sup> St McAllen TX

### **President**

No Officers reported

### **Secretary**

### **Treasurer**

## **McAllen Evening 1316**

Charter Date 10/30/1973

Rudy's Bar B Q

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday 7:15 PM

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Charter Date 2/28/1969

Denny's

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Charter Date 3/31/1949

The American Legion Post 172

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday

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### **Mission 1319**

Charter Date 4/28/1926

Taco Ole

1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday 12:15 PM

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### **Mission Sunset 125248**

Charter Date 6/24/2015

I&D Wireless

1<sup>st</sup> Friday 123:00 PM

1928 N Conway Blvd Mission TX

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Charter Date 6/23/2016

Dairy Queen in Odem

3<sup>rd</sup> Monday 6:00 PM

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Charter Date 1/4/2018

Pharr EDC 3<sup>rd</sup>

Monday 6:30 PM

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Charter Date 2/15/1975  
St Christopher by the Sea Church  
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820 Wildcat Portland TX

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### **Portland North Bay 53033**

Charter Date 5/4/1992  
Portland Dairy Queen  
2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday 7:00 PM  
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Charter Date 4/10/1947  
Premont Lions Hall  
3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday 6:30 PM  
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Charter Date 1/6/2025  
San Juan Memorial Library  
1<sup>st</sup> Saturday 1:00 PM  
1010 S Standard San Juan TX

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### **Raymondville 1328**

Charter Date 10/7/1944  
Casa Blanca Restaurant  
2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday 12:15 PM  
South Business Hwy 77 Raymondville TX

**President**

No Officers reported

**Secretary**

**Treasurer**

### **Rio Grande City 1329**

Charter Date 12/3/1953  
Lion Celia Barrera residence  
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### **Rockport 1332**

Charter Date 3/2/1950  
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### **Roma 106809**

Charter Date 11/4/2009  
Roma Community Center  
2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday 7:15 PM  
845 6<sup>th</sup> St Roma TX

**President**

No Officers reported

**Secretary**

**Treasurer**

### **San Benito 1334**

Charter Date 8/23/1927  
Tres Hermanos Restaurant  
3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday 6:15 PM  
615 E Business 77 San Benito TX

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## **San Juan Community 126965**

Charter Date 3/8/2016

San Juan Memorial Library

1<sup>st</sup> Saturday 1:15 PM

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Charter Date 12/20/1960

Back Street Restaurant

4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday 12:15 PM

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## **Sinton Nite 55781**

Charter Date 6/1/1994

The Butter Churn

1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday 6:00 PM

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Charter Date 11/25/1927

Valley Nature Center at Gibson Park

1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday 12:15 PM

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Charter Date 11/19/1970

Paul Garza Man Cave

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Charter Date 5/4/1954

Ruben Flores Lions Hall

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## International Ambassador of Goodwill Award

**The International Ambassador of Goodwill Award, the highest honor bestowed by Lions International to its members. These District 2-A3 members have been awarded this prestigious award:**

**PCC Rick Talbert**

Weslaco Lions 2022-2023

**\*PID Connie De La Garza**

Harlingen Lions 2000-2001

**PID Ray Hughston**

Brownsville Downtown Lions 1991-1992

**\*PDG Jack Weich**

Brownsville Downtown Lions 1983-1984

**\*PDG Roy Davis**

Weslaco Lions 1982-1983

**\*Deceased Members**

## **INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT'S AWARD**

*This Award is the second highest award in Lionism and is awarded by the International President to Lions who have shown a significant level of commitment to the principals of Lions and outstanding contributions in the world of service beyond the club and district levels.*

## **INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENTS LEADERSHIP AWARD**

*This award is the third highest award in Lionism and is presented to members who demonstrate exceptional leadership qualities and contribute significantly to the global impact of the Lions Club. It recognizes individuals who inspire others and lead by example, strengthening the organization's mission of service and humanitarian efforts worldwide.*

**Various Lions in District 2-A3 have been awarded the President's Award and Presidents Leadership awards. They are awarded every year to a limited number of Lions. They are a ribbon and medal design and usually worn on special occasions.**

# **Texas Lions Hall of Fame**

**PDG Juan Lopez, Edinburg Lions 2025**

**PDG Cesar Montelongo, Donna Lions 2022**

**PDG Mark Todd, Portland North Bay 2019**

**\*PDG Helen Muse, Harlingen Amigas 2016**

**\*PDG Dr. Clayton Roth, Aransas Pass 2013**

**\*George Jackson, Corpus Christi Industrial 2010**

**\*PDG Glynn Kaigler, Portland Lions 2007**

**\*PDG Bill Manix, Corpus Christi Downtown 2004**

**\*PID Connie de la Garza, Harlingen Lions 2001**

**PCC David “Ike” Boling, Rockport Lions 2001**

**PCC Richard “Rick” Talbert, Weslaco Lions 1998**

**\* Burt Diebel, Alice Evening Lions 1995**

**\* Orville Harris, Corpus Christi Southside 1992**

**\*PDG Leroy “Atta-Boy” Cornelius, Portland Lions 1989**

**PID Ray Hughston, Brownsville Downtown Lions 1986**

**\* PDG Alfred Rogers, Donna Lions 1983**

**\*PDG Roy Davis, Weslaco Lions 1979**

**\* PDG Jack Wiech, Brownsville Downtown 1976**

**\*Deceased Members**

## **PID Ray Hughston Humanitarian Awards**

**PDG David Christopher**, Kingsville 2023-2024  
**Lion Cody Colchado**, Edinburg 2022-2023  
**PDG Juan Lopez**, Edinburg 2021-2022  
**\*PDG Paul Parr**, C.C. Southside 2020-2021  
**PDG David Krebs**, Portland 2019-2020  
**PDG Jesus Rodriguez**, McAllen Palm City 2018-2019  
**Lion Mary Bunton**, Mercedes 2017-2018  
**PDG Mark Todd**, Portland North Bay 2016-2017  
**Lion Felix Escobedo**, McAllen Evening 2015-2016  
**PDG Cesario Montelongo**, Donna 2014-2015  
**\*PDG Buz Sawyer**, Ingleside 2013-201  
**\*Lion Robert Janik**, Donna 2012-2013  
**Lion Wally Bunton**, Mercedes 2011-2012  
**\*PDG Helen Muse**, Harlingen Amigas 2010-2011  
**Lion Betty Moore**, Portland North Bay Lions 2009-2010  
**Lion Lynde Todd**, Portland North Bay Lions 2008-2009  
**\*Lion Bill Flatters**, Brownsville Lions 2008-2009  
**\*PDG Norman Stradley**, Harlingen Lions 2007-2008  
**PDG Joe Trevino**, Hidalgo Lions 2006-2007  
**\*PDG Carolyn Keskitalo**, Aransas Pass Lions 2005-2006  
**\*PDG Leroy “Atta-Boy” Cornelius**, Portland Lions 2004-2005  
**PDG Rick Talbert** Weslaco Lions 2003-2004  
**\*Lion Gene Olszewski**, Corpus Christi Downtown 2002 -2003  
**\*Lion Jesse Guzman**, Corpus Christi Shoreline Lions 2001 -2002  
**\*PDG Bill Manix**, Corpus Christi Downtown 1999 -2000  
**\*PDG Glynn Kaigler**, Portland Lions 1998 -1999  
**\*PDG Jack Wiech**, Brownsville Downtown Lions 1997 – 1998  
**\*PDG Roy Davis**, Weslaco Lions 1996 -1997  
**PID Ray Hughston**, Brownsville Downtown Lions 1995 -1996

\* Deceased members

## Past District Governors of 2-A3

|                             |           |                                                         |           |
|-----------------------------|-----------|---------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Dr. Joe Hinojosa            | 2024-2025 | Ray Hughston                                            | 1984-1985 |
| Laura Clark                 | 2023-2024 | *W. E. "Spider" Webb                                    | 1983-1984 |
| Joe Lewis Ponce             | 2022-2023 | *Russell L. Willis                                      | 1982-1983 |
| Rosalio Rosales             | 2021-2022 | *Norm Stradley Dist MD5 M6                              | 1982-1983 |
| Esmeralda Rodriguez 2-X1    | 2021-2022 | *Ruben Castellanos                                      | 1981-1982 |
| Connie Swartz               | 2020-2021 | *Dr. Harry W. Wickersham                                | 1980-1981 |
| Aurelio Villarreal          | 2019-2020 | *Jimmy L. Steele                                        | 1979-1980 |
| David Christopher           | 2018-2019 | *Samuel C. Martin                                       | 1978-1979 |
| Jessie Rodriguez            | 2017-2018 | *Fidel G. Davila                                        | 1977-1978 |
| David Krebs                 | 2016-2017 | *Eugene Engels                                          | 1976-1977 |
| Juan Lopez                  | 2015-2016 | *Gilbert "Gil" Powers                                   | 1975-1976 |
| Enedina Vela                | 2014-2015 | *J. Henry Von Pein                                      | 1974-1975 |
| J. Michael Olszewski        | 2013-2014 | *Alfred W. "Al" Rogers                                  | 1973-1974 |
| Cesario Montelongo          | 2012-2013 | *Roy Davis                                              | 1972-1973 |
| *Anse Windham               | 2011-2012 | *Walter S Falk Jr.                                      | 1971-1972 |
| Mark Todd                   | 2010-2011 | *Bob McLeaish                                           | 1970-1971 |
| Joe Trevino                 | 2009-2010 | *Neil Gilligan Jr.                                      | 1969-1970 |
| *Dr. Clayton Roth           | 2008-2009 | *William Manix                                          | 1969-1970 |
| *Helen Muse                 | 2007-2008 | *Gordon Smith                                           | 1968-1969 |
| *Leonard "Buz" Sawyer       | 2006-2007 | *Claude Bean                                            | 1967-1968 |
| *Richard "Dick" Vasquez     | 2005-2006 | *E.L. "Les" Swanson                                     | 1966-1967 |
| *Paul N. Parr               | 2004-2005 | *Bob Davis                                              | 1965-1966 |
| Joe Lugo                    | 2003-2004 | *Cy Grett                                               | 1964-1965 |
| *Carolyn Keskitalo          | 2002-2003 | *William B. Wood                                        | 1963-1964 |
| *Ernesto DeLeon             | 2001-2002 | *Leslie Chappell                                        | 1962-1963 |
| *Jose Herrera Jr            | 2000-2001 | *James D. "Jim" Cook                                    | 1961-1962 |
| *Eloise Boling              | 1999-2000 | *Charlie Secord                                         | 1961-1962 |
| Pat Smith                   | 1998-1999 | *H.W. "Bonnie" Bahnman                                  | 1960-1961 |
| *Glynn Kaigler              | 1997-1998 | *Buster Shely                                           | 1959-1960 |
| *Dan Gerlach                | 1996-1997 | <i>Followed Leonard Johnson the last Governor of 2A</i> |           |
| *Margo Crosby               | 1995-1996 |                                                         |           |
| *Fred Klanke                | 1994-1995 |                                                         |           |
| Wesley "Wes" Caple          | 1993-1994 | *Jack Weich                                             | 1948-194  |
| Russell Sandry Dist MD 5M 4 | 1993-1994 | <i>Was District Governor of 2A</i>                      |           |
| *Connie de la Garza         | 1992-1993 |                                                         |           |
| *John N. Wylie              | 1991-1992 | *Deceased                                               |           |
| Richard S. "Rick" Talbert   | 1990-1991 |                                                         |           |
| David "Ike" Boling          | 1989-1990 |                                                         |           |
| *Duane E. Snyder            | 1988-1989 |                                                         |           |
| *Kenneth A. James           | 1987-1988 |                                                         |           |
| *Homer M. Ortega            | 1986-1987 |                                                         |           |
| *Leroy "Atta Boy" Cornelius | 1985-1986 |                                                         |           |

# **Texas Multiple District 2 International Family**

## **2-T1 PIP 2006-2007**

Jimmy Ros (Lion Velda)

PO Box 368

Quitaque TX 79255

[jmross@caprock-spur.com](mailto:jmross@caprock-spur.com)

H 806-455-1271

C 806-269-7500

## **2-A3 Immediate Past International Director 2021-2023**

Ernesto "TJ" Tijerina (Lion Juanita)

10407 Timber Country

San Antonio TX 78254

[tjtijerina@gmail.com](mailto:tjtijerina@gmail.com)

C 210-414-3319

## **2-X3 PID 2016-2018**

Sam Lindsey (Lion Jodye)

PO Box 100

Kosse TX 76653

[samlindseyjr@gmail.com](mailto:samlindseyjr@gmail.com)

C 254-723-5435

B 254-375-6022

## **2-S5 PID 2011-2013**

Joe Al Picone (Lion Merle)

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Brenham TX 77833

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H 979-836-3764

C 979-421-0689

## **2-T2 PID 1993-1995**

Marshall Cooper

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Lubbock TX 79416

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H 806-698-6489

C 806-790-5051

## **2-A3 PID 1990-1992**

Ray Hughston

15 Ebony Ave

Brownsville TX 78520

[rayhughston@att.net](mailto:rayhughston@att.net)

H 956-546-6603

## **2-A2 PID 1984-1986**

Mike Butler (Lion Sheryl)

PO Box 295012

Kerrville TX 78028

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C 830-739-1930

## **Past Presidents of Lions Clubs International from Texas**

**1918-191 L. H. Lewis \***

*Dallas*

**1931-1932 Julien C. Hyer \***

*Dallas*

**1941-1942 George R. Jordan \***

*Dallas*

**1950-1951 H. C. Petry \***

*Carrizo Springs*

**1968-1939 David A. Evans \***

*Galveston*

**1982-1983 Everett J. “Ebb” Grindstaff \***

*Ballinger*

**2006-2007 Jimmy M. Ross**

*Quitaque*

\*Deceased

## **Texas Lions MD-2 Council of Governors**

### **2025-2026 Council Officers**

#### **Council Chairman**

Kathy Summers 432-266-1128

#### **Council Vice Chairman**

Michael Burnett 972-948-9228

#### **Council Secretary**

Vohnya Tongate 806-797-3463

#### **Council Treasurer**

Kelli Higgins 512-988-1335

### **Texas Lions MD 2 District Governors 2025 – 2026**

|      |                  |              |
|------|------------------|--------------|
| 2-T1 | Deanna Porter    | 806-676-7940 |
| 2-T2 | Vohnya Tongate   | 806-797-3463 |
| 2-T3 | Aaron Urias      | 832-444-2220 |
| 2-E1 | Michael Burnett  | 972-948-9228 |
| 2-E2 | Michelle Greco   | 817-888-0090 |
| 2-X1 | Kedar Timalisina | 214-415-7322 |
| 2-X2 | Jimmy Cox        | 903-930-5355 |
| 2-X3 | Stacy Phillips   | 253-468-5271 |
| 2-A1 | Helen Wilde      | 325-277-4758 |
| 2-A2 | Nanette Patton   | 210-593-8794 |
| 2-A3 | Lynde Todd       | 361-215-2908 |
| 2-S1 | George Avery     | 936-462-8074 |
| 2-S2 | Mike George      | 936-334-4717 |
| 2-S3 | Dennis Gutierrez | 512-738-1206 |
| 2-S4 | Steven Johnson   | 512-738-1206 |
| 2-S5 | Kelli Higgins    | 512-988-1335 |

## **MD-2 FIRST VICE-DISTRICT GOVERNORS 2026-2027**

### **COUNCIL CHAIR 2026-2027**

|                        |              |
|------------------------|--------------|
| PDG Chris Gunstream    | 903-503-1894 |
| 2-T1 Alexa Maples      | 806-922-1313 |
| 2-T2 David Hardee      | 940-733-6162 |
| 2-T3 Brian Carter      | 915-525-9409 |
| 2-E1 Ryan Donaldson    | 940-923-2629 |
| 2-E2 Mike Lueckenhoff  | 817-233-7403 |
| 2-X1 Gary Vineyard     | 469-471-2133 |
| 2-X2 Donna Owings      | 903-736-3216 |
| 2-X3 Kim Giles         | 254-716-0991 |
| 2-A1 Otilia Sanchez    | 512-699-4585 |
| 2-A2 Chris Ryan        | 330-815-0206 |
| 2-A3 Cody Colchado Jr. | 956-571-2077 |
| 2-S1 Jared Wilson      | 409-658-7695 |
| 2-S2 Kevin Smith       | 832-643-5854 |
| 2-S3 Diane Schaule     | 830-832-0340 |
| 2-S4 Terri Gorby       | 832-724-5368 |
| 2-S5 Steve McCullough  | 432-425-5696 |

## **MD-2 SECOND VICE DISTRICT GOVERNORS 2027-2028**

### **COUNCIL CHAIR 2027-2028**

PDG Chris Moorman

C: 936-776-3018

2-T1 Kirk Pope

C : 806922-5802

2-T2 Glen Harville

C: 806-778-3756

2-T3 Rose Lucero

C: 915-861-2163

2-E1 Vacant

2-E2 Sean Bryan

C: 817-845-7685

2-X1 Nia MacKay

C: 972-697-3521

2-X2 Travis Ransom

C: 906-244-6655

2-X3 Vacant

2-A1 Darlene Kelly

C: 325-977-1122

2-A2 Joseph Guerra

C: 210-260-7968

2-A3 William Castillo

C: 361-563-1081

2-S1 Benitris Edwards

C: 409-330-6730

2-S2 Hollywood Martin

C: 936-524-9638

2-S3 Vacant

2-S4 Kim Edmonson

C : 281-795-2008

2-S5 Kenneth “Ken” Clemmer

C: 979-716-6907

## **Texas MD-2 State Chairs 2025-2026**

### **Diabetic Awareness Program**

Lion Gloria Mathur

2-X1 C 972-896-9953

### **MD-2 GLT Coordinator**

PDG Paul Moore

2-S2 C 512-565-0484

### **MD-2 GMT Coordinator**

PDG Vinod Mathur

2-X1 C 817-705-4096

### **MD-2 GST Coordinator**

PDG Lawrence Sanchez

2-X3 C 254-466-5037

### **MD-2 GET Coordinator**

PDG Esmeralda Rodriguez

2-A3 C 972-891-4678

### **Leo Clubs Program/Texas Leo Council**

Lion Nancy Smith

2-S3 C

### **Peace Poster**

Lion Terri Kunkel

2-S3

### **Opportunities For Youth**

Lion Abel Martinez

### **Alert**

Lion Jackie Arnold

2-S4 C 806-236-9810

### **State Grant Writing**

VDG Otilia Sanchez

2-A1 C 512-699-4585

### **Constitution/By-Laws/Policy Manual**

PCC Joseph Montag

2-X1 C 214-435-5763

### **LLI & USA Canada Forum Liaison**

PDG Woody Matthews

2-E2 C 817-648-6537

### **World Service for the Blind**

PDG Billy Gray

2-S4 C 979-415-4426

**Leader Dog for the Blind**

PDG Angela Casas

2-X3 C 603-321-7365

**LCIF Ambassador**

PDG Mark Roth

2-S2 C 713-962-4194

**Lions Quest**

Juneria Berges

2-X1 C 214-455-8752

**Social Media**

PDG Randi Wilde

2-X3 C 325-277-7082

**Sate Vision Chair**

PDG Gary Fuchs

2-S3 C 254-482-0611

**Youth Exchange**

Lion Vanessa Jones

**New Voices Chair**

PDG Angela Casas

2-X3 C 603-321-7365

**MD2 Administrators****MD2 Office Administrator**

Lion Whitney Livingston

830-257-6557

**MD2 IT Administrator**

Lion Floyd Daigle

2-A2 [lionfloyd@district2a2.org](mailto:lionfloyd@district2a2.org)**Council of Governors Liaisons****Texas Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center**

DG Helen Wilde

2-A1 325-277-4758

DG Aaron Urias

2-T3 832-444-2220

**Texas Lions Foundation**

DG Lynde Todd

2-A3 361-215-2908

**Texas Lions Camp Executive Committee**

DG Mike George

2-S2 936-334-4717

**Texas Lions State Office Museum**

DG George Avery

2-S1 936-462-8074

**Administrative Oversight**

DG Dennis Guitierrez

2-S3 512-738-1206

**Constitution/By Laws/Policy**

DG Steven Johnson

2-S4 512-738-1206

**Advisors to Council of Governors****Legal Advisor**

PCC Rick Talbert

2-A3 956-371-5321

**Financial Advisor**

PDG Gary Sult

2-E1 254-967-1980

**COG Advisor/International Liaison**

PID Ernesto "TJ" Tijerina

2-A2 210-414-3319

**Executives****Texas Lions Eyeglass Recycling CEO****Texas Lions Eyeglass Recycling Chair**

Lion Susan Driscoll

2-T3 C 915-539-6834

**Texas Lions Foundation COO**

PCC Bernie Gradel

2-T2 C 806-790-0579

**Texas Lions Foundation Chairman**

PDG Chuck Martin

2-S2 C 281-685-6322

**PDG of Texas Lions President**

PDG Larkin Smith

2-S3 C 512-787-1207

**PDG of Texas Lions Secretary**

PDG Chuck Martin

2-S2 C 281-685-6332

**Texas Lions Camp CEO**

Stephen Mabry

2-A2 B 830-896-8500

**Texas Lions Camp Chairperson**

Lion Ann Ward

# 100 Years Ago

## Helen Keller's Speech

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1925 International Convention,  
Cedar Point, Ohio, USA on June 30, 1925

Dear Lions and Ladies:

I suppose you have heard the legend that represents opportunity as a capricious lady, who knocks at every door but once, and if the door isn't opened quickly, she passes on, never to return. And that is as it should be. Lovely, desirable ladies won't wait. You have to go out and grab 'em.

I am your opportunity. I am knocking at your door. I want to be adopted. The legend doesn't say what you are to do when several beautiful opportunities present themselves at the same door. I guess you have to choose the one you love best. I hope you will adopt me. I am the youngest here, and what I offer you is full of splendid opportunities for service.

The American Foundation for the Blind is only four years old. It grew out of the imperative needs of the blind, and was called into existence by the sightless themselves. It is national and international in scope and in importance. It represents the best and most enlightened thought on our subject that has been reached so far. Its object is to make the lives of the blind more worthwhile everywhere by increasing their economic value and giving them the joy of normal activity.

Try to imagine how you would feel if you were suddenly stricken blind today. Picture yourself stumbling and groping at noonday as in the night; your work, your independence, gone. In that dark world wouldn't you be glad if a friend took you by the hand and said, "Come with me and I will teach you how to do some of the things you used to do when you could see"? That is just the kind of friend the American Foundation is going to be to all the blind in this country if seeing people will give it the support it must have.

You have heard how through a little word dropped from the fingers of another, a ray of light from another soul touched the darkness of my mind and I found myself, found the world, found God. It is because my teacher learned about me and broke through the dark, silent imprisonment which held me that I am able to work for myself and for others. It is the caring we want more than money. The gift without the sympathy and interest of the giver is empty. If you care, if we can make the people of this great country care, the blind will indeed triumph over blindness.

The opportunity I bring to you, Lions, is this: To foster and sponsor the work of the American Foundation for the Blind. Will you not help me hasten the day when there shall be no preventable blindness; no little deaf, blind child untaught; no blind man or woman unaided? I appeal to you Lions, you who have your sight, your hearing, you who are strong and brave and kind. Will you not constitute yourselves Knights of the Blind in this crusade against darkness?

I thank you.

# THE DISTRICT GOVERNORS' VISITATION PROTOCOL

## DISTRICT 2-A3

The visit of the District Governor is one of the highlights of the Lions year. Certain rules of protocol apply for the official visit.

The Governor maintains a very busy schedule during the year and courtesy would suggest that the Governor be contacted, in writing, suggesting a minimum of three (3) dates for the official visit.

The Governor can be introduced by the club president or one of the cabinet officers present. This should be done with dignity and include information concerning the Governors home club, business, offices held, Lionistic activities and family, if appropriate.

**Introduction of the Governor should be done only once - when being presented to the assembly for remarks.** The Governor sits to the immediate right of the podium with the President to the immediate left. It would be suggested that thirty (30) minutes be allowed for remarks by the Governor.

The Governor is the only speaker to be scheduled for the meeting. Do not expect the Governor to compete with another speaker or with long, drawn-out business or board meetings.

Usually, rules are suspended and all reports are tabled until the next regular meeting. Have an agenda to work from and start the meeting on time. Make sure all of the details are done in advance, greeters to be present, bell and banner displayed, region or zone chairmen invited, meal planned and, if a gift is being presented, make sure it is available at the meeting.

Notify the Governor, in writing, of all special club events and extend an invitation to attend. If the Governor is expected to be a participant in the event, provide advance notification, in writing, as to the level of participation requested by the club.

When the District Governor is recognized at any Lions meeting, club or district level, all Lions should rise and remain standing until the Governor signals them to be seated. Not only is this proper protocol, it is recognition of the office.

If a club wishes the Governor to induct new members during the course of an official visit, again notify of the induction in advance and provide a list of names of new members, and their sponsors. Make sure new member kits are ready for presentation.

## **DISTRICT 2-A3 CABINET**

The District Governor's Cabinet is the deliberative and assisting body to the District Governor in the formation of District administration plans and policy. The District shall have a district cabinet composed of the district governor, the immediate past district governor, the first and second vice district governors, the region chairpersons (if the position is utilized during the District Governor's term), the zone chairpersons, the cabinet secretary-treasurer, or a cabinet secretary and a cabinet treasurer, Texas Lions Camp Director(s), Lions Eye Bank Director(s), Past District Governors and such other club members as may be in this section as amended in accordance with the amendment procedures contained herein.

### **FIRST VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR**

The First Vice District Governor is elected each year and normally is elected Governor the following year. The First Vice District Governor serves as assistant to the Governor. He or she will work with the Global Membership Coordinator for their year.

### **SECOND VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR**

The Second Vice District Governor is elected each year and normally is elected First Vice District Governor the following year. The Second Vice District Governor serves as assistant to the Governor. He or she will work with the Global Leadership Coordinator for their year.

### **ZONE CHAIRS**

Zone Chairs represent the "grass roots" of Lionism. They coordinate the Clubs in each zone and remain constantly aware of membership, attendance, dues payments, programs, funding, and/or the need for assistance in each. They evaluate the strengths and weaknesses of clubs for the District Governor and recommend assistance where needed. They coordinate club attendance in region and stay in contact with the District Governor and Vice District Governors. They are responsible for seeing that club secretaries submit Club Activity Reports and Future Officer Reports on time.

### **COMMITTEE CHAIRS**

Committee Chairs have the responsibility for organizing and implementing the programs of their respective committees. They form the working corps of the district.

## **HISTORY OF THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION LIONS CLUBS and MD2**

Officially formed October 1917

### **FIRST PRESIDENT**

Dr. D. P. Woods, Indiana

### **VICE PRESIDENT**

D.H. Lewis, Dallas, Texas

### **SECRETARY – TREASURER**

Melvin Jones, Chicago, Illinois

### **ONE-YEAR DIRECTOR**

C.H. Kirk, Houston, Texas

First meeting convened with 36 delegates and eight alternates. There were 12 original clubs from Texas that joined lionism when it was officially formed. These were Abilene, Austin, Beaumont, Dallas, Ft. Worth, Houston, Paris, Port Arthur, San Antonio, Temple, Waco and Wichita Falls. These clubs are known as Founders Clubs.

October 8, 1917, Texas became District 4.

In 1921 District 4 became District 2 as a result of the International Convention in Oakland, California.

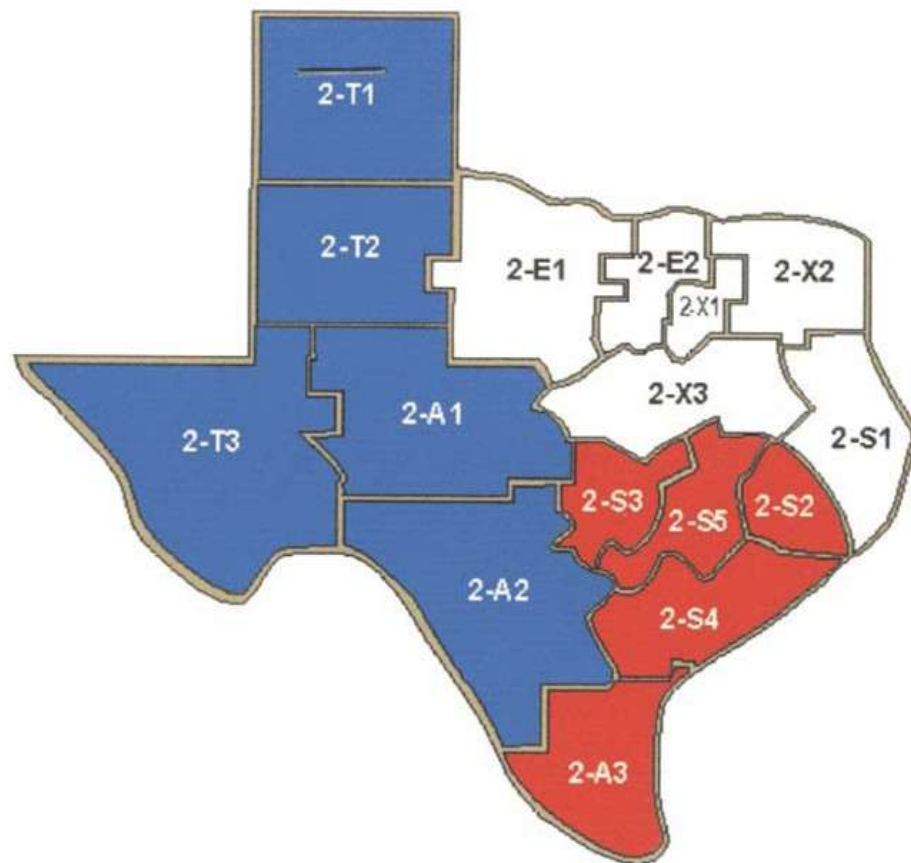
At the 1930 Convention held in Austin, Texas District 2 was divided into 5 District: 2T, 2E, 2X, 2A and 2 S.

After the 1942 Convention, District 2S was divided into three Districts: 2-S1, 2-S2 and 2-S3. This increased the number of Districts in Texas to seven.

At the Convention held in 1958, District 2T was divided into three Districts: 2-T1, 2-T2, 2-T3. This increased the number of Districts in Texas to nine.

At the Convention in 1959, Texas was divided into fifteen Districts: 2-T1, 2-T2, 2-T3, 2-E1, 2-E2, 2-X1, 2-X2, 2-X3, 2-A1, 2-A2, 2-A3, 2-S1, 2-S2, 2-S3 and 2-S4.

At the Convention in 1988, Texas was divided into sixteen Districts: adding 2-S5. There are still sixteen Districts in Texas as of 2025-2026



## **LIONS CLUB OBJECTIVES**

**TO CREATE** and foster a spirit of understanding among the peoples of the world

**TO PROMOTE** the principles of good government and good citizenship.

**TO TAKE** an active interest in the civic, cultural, social and moral welfare of the community.

**TO UNITE** the clubs in the bonds of friendship, good fellowship and mutual understanding.

**TO PROVIDE** a forum for the open discussion of all matters of public interest; provide, however, that club members shall not debate partisan politics and sectarian religion.

**TO ENCOURAGE** service-minded people to serve their community without personal financial reward, and to encourage efficiency and promote high ethical standards in commerce, industry, professions, public works, and private endeavors.

**“WE SERVE”**

## **AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS**

### **Lions Clubs International**

|                         |       |
|-------------------------|-------|
| Life Membership         |       |
| 20 years or more member | \$500 |

### **Lions Clubs International Foundation**

|                             |        |
|-----------------------------|--------|
| Melvin Jones Fellow minimum | \$1000 |
|-----------------------------|--------|

### **Texas Lions Foundation**

|                              |       |
|------------------------------|-------|
| Texas Lions Foundation Award | \$125 |
| Texas Lions Fellow           | \$500 |

### **Texas Lions Camp**

|                          |                 |
|--------------------------|-----------------|
| Life Membership          | \$100           |
| Life Membership w/Plaque | \$125           |
| Jack Wiech Fellowship    | \$1000          |
| Endowment Brick          | \$250           |
| Endowment Tree           |                 |
| Stone                    | \$5,000-\$9,99  |
| Boulder                  | \$10,000 and up |
| Century Club             | \$100 Minimum   |

### **Lions Eye Bank of Texas**

|                           |       |
|---------------------------|-------|
| Wall of Honor             | \$500 |
| Life Membership           | \$100 |
| Visionary Ambassador Club | \$100 |
| Eye Bank Angel            | \$125 |

### **World Services for the Blind**

|                   |         |
|-------------------|---------|
| Silver Cane Award | \$500   |
| Roy Kumpe Award   | \$1,000 |

### **Texas Lions Museum and State Office**

|                              |       |
|------------------------------|-------|
| Life Membership              | \$100 |
| Everett J. Grindstaff Fellow | \$500 |

## **LIONS PRAYER**

Lord, help me build a Lions Club that will be strong enough to know  
when it is weak

Men and women brave enough to face themselves when they are  
afraid

A Lions Club that will be proud and unbending in honest defeats, and  
humble in its victories

Help me build a Club whose wishbone will not be where its backbone  
should be

A Club whose heart will be clear and whose goal will be high

Lions who will master themselves before they seek to master others

Lions who will learn to laugh, yet never forget to weep

Lions who will reach into the future, yet never forget the past

Then may I ask that I be granted enough of a sense of humor so that I  
may always be serious yet never take my self seriously

Give me humility, so that I may always remember the simplicity of  
true greatness, the open mind of true wisdom, the meekness of true  
strength, so that at the end of my term I can say with honesty, that I  
have not served thee and this Lions Club in vain.

Anonymous



## District 2-A3 Calendar 2025-20266

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| <b>July 13-17</b>    | <b>Lions International Convention</b><br>Orlando, FL                                  |
| <b>July 26</b>       | <b>1<sup>st</sup> Cabinet Meeting</b><br>Premont, TX                                  |
| <b>Jul 31-Aug 2</b>  | <b>1<sup>st</sup> Council of Governors Meeting</b><br>Y.O. Resort Hotel-Kerrville, TX |
| <b>September</b>     | <b>1st Zone Meeting</b><br>Each Zone to Schedule                                      |
| <b>Sept. 18-20</b>   | <b>USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum</b><br>Atlantic City, New Jersey                 |
| <b>October 10-12</b> | <b>Mental Health and Well Being Week</b>                                              |
| <b>October 18</b>    | <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Cabinet Meeting</b><br>Rio Grande Valley Fairgrounds, Mercedes      |
| <b>November 7-8</b>  | <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Council of Governors</b><br>Hilton Garden Inn, Temple               |
| <b>November</b>      | <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Zone Meeting</b><br>Each Zone to Schedule                           |
| <b>January 3-11</b>  | <b>Hunger Week</b>                                                                    |
| <b>January 24</b>    | <b>District Mid-Winter Conference</b><br>Harlingen, TX                                |
| <b>February 5-7</b>  | <b>3<sup>rd</sup> Council of Governors</b><br>Y.O. Resort Hotel-Kerrville, TX         |
| <b>March</b>         | <b>3<sup>rd</sup> Zone Meeting</b><br>Each Zone Schedule                              |
| <b>April 18-26</b>   | <b>Environment Week</b>                                                               |
| <b>April 24-25</b>   | <b>District Convention</b><br>San Patricio Fairgrounds & Event Center Sinton          |
| <b>May 28-30</b>     | <b>MD-2 State Convention</b><br>Odessa Marriott Hotel & Conference Center             |
| <b>July 3-July 7</b> | <b>Lions International Convention</b><br>Hong Kong                                    |

# Club Excellence Award criteria

The Club Excellence Award acknowledges the dedication and legacy of service within individual clubs and is the foundation for excellence awards presented to Zone Chairpersons, Region Chairpersons and District Governors.

## Membership

- Induct a minimum of two or 20% new members, whichever is greater (not including transfer, reinstated or charter members). Eligibility is determined based on the club's membership count on June 30th of the previous Lion year.
- Or sponsor a new Lions club.

## Service

- Report a minimum of four service activities to Lions International. Three of these activities must show participation in each of the three International [Weeks of Service](#).

## Leadership

- Report newly elected club officers in Lion Portal by May 15 of the current Lion year.
- A minimum of 10% of the club's members complete any three courses in the [Lions Learning Center](#).
- The club president for the current Lion year must not have served more than two consecutive terms.
- A minimum of two or more club officers (president, vice president, secretary or treasurer. Of which, one must be the club president) complete Club Officer Training (online with the Lions Learning Center or in-person as reported by a GLT coordinator in Learn) between July 1 – December 31 of the current Lion year.

## Donations

- [Contributed to LCIF](#) a minimum of the club's membership total on June 30th of the previous Lion year, multiplied by US\$20.

# INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE

## FORM 990

All United States Lions Clubs are required to file a 990 form annually with the Internal Revenue Service. **All clubs must file one of the three forms depending on income and asset requirements as follows:**

|                                                                                                                                                             |                  |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|
| Gross receipts normally $\leq$ \$50,000<br><b>Note:</b> Organizations <u>eligible</u> to file the <i>e-Postcard</i> <u>may choose to file a full return</u> | 990-N            |
| Gross receipts $<$ \$200,000, and<br>Total assets $<$ \$500,000                                                                                             | 990-EZ<br>or 990 |
| Gross receipts $\geq$ \$200,000, or<br>Total assets $\geq$ \$500,000                                                                                        | 990              |

If your club normally has annual gross receipts of \$50,000 or less and does not have to file Form 990 or 990EZ, you must file the e-Postcard (also known as 990N). The e-Postcard is due by the 15th day of the fifth month after the close of your tax year. Lions Clubs operate on a fiscal year, July 1 June 30, and the e-Postcard will be due by **November 15th**.

**Note: if the November 15th deadline is missed, a club will have to file a paper 990EZ or 990 and there is no extension or paper form for the 990N.**

All Lions clubs are exempt from federal income tax under IRS code section 501(c)4; however, if you don't file, you risk losing your tax-exempt status.

**Any Lions Club that fails to meet its annual reporting requirement for three consecutive years automatically loses its tax-exempt status.**

The e-postcard (Form 990N) will be filed electronically and does not require a paper form. It is internet-based and does not require special software. If you do not have access to a computer, you can file at your local library.