

LONS DISTRICT 2-S2

Chambers - Harris - Liberty - Montgomery San Jacinto - Walker - Waller







CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April April April

May

6 Presidents & Secretaries Council Meeting

9 Youth Contest

23 District Convention

4 Presidents & Secretaries Council Meeting



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Official Call to Lions District 2-S2 Convention

In accordance with ARTICLE IX, Section 2 of the Constitution and Bylaws of Lions District 2-S2, I, Noah Speer, District Governor, do hereby issue the OFFICIAL Call to Convention for the 98th Annual Convention of Lions Clubs International District 2-S2. Said Convention will be held at the Park Inn Houston North by Radisson, 500 N. Sam Houston Pkwy East, Houston, TX 77060. The date will be April 23, 2016. The purpose of the Convention is to conduct business of Lions District 2-S2. Said business is to include election of officers and Directors for the District and its charities.

Noah Speer Noah Speer 2015-2016 District Governor

LIONS DISTRICT 2-S2 2016-2017 Announced Candidates

2016-2017 District Governor

Mark Roth

Houston Hieghts *

2016-2017 First Vice District Governor

Betty Ezell

Houston Spring Branch *

2016-2017 Second Vice District Governor

Karl Johnson

Conroe*

2016-2018 Director Texas Lions Camp 2016-2018 Director Lions Eye Bank of Texas

Tony Austin

Humble Noon*

2016-2018 Director Lighthouse of Houston

2016-2019 Director Humanitarian Relief Fund

* HAS ANNOUNCED RESOLUTION AT PSC OR CABINET MEETING, PER DISTRICT CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

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Lions District 2-S2-2016 Convention

Park Inn Houston North by Radisson 500 N. Sam Houston Parkway East, Houston, TX



April 23, 2016

To register and pay online, visit www.lions2s2.org
To register by mail, please send this completed form with payment (please make checkpayable to <u>District 2-S2</u>), to:

PDG Margaret Badeaux 6819 Oakwood Grove Houston, TX 77040-4403 mbado@prodigy.net

Special Guest Speaker – 2nd VDGE Brandon T. Johnson, District 12-N, Johnson City, Tennessee The <u>"Youngest Lion Ever Inducted"</u> will speak about recruiting and keeping younger Lions

Item	Item Cost	Quantity	Total Price
Entertainment book: One ticket to each event (Candidate's Continental Breakfast, PDG Awards Luncheon and DG Awards Dinner)	\$60 each thru 4/1/2016 \$70 each after 4/1/2016		
Individual Event Tickets			
Past District Governors Awards Luncheon	\$29		
		Total Amount Due	

<u>Special Convention Food Drive Project</u>: Please bring your nonperishable food products to help serve those in our communities who go to bed hungry every night.

Name:		
City:	State & Zip:	
E-mail:		
Special Dietary Requests:		

All Registrations must be received by April 16, 2016.
All attendees must pre-register. Registration will NOT be accepted at the door.

ELECTED DIRECTORS AND TRUSTEE QUALIFICATIONS AND DUTIES

The Nominating Committee shall receive the written nomination (endorsed by the majority of the members of the nominee's club) of any member for the office. The nomination shall be received by the Nominating Committee not later than thirty (30) days prior to the opening of the District Convention. Should there be no written nominations received, nominations from the floor of the convention shall be the order of the day as provided in Texas Multiple District 2 Constitution and By-Laws. All nominees shall be members in good standing of a Lions Club within the District, likewise in good standing. Nominees shall have the following qualifications:

Director of Texas Lions Camp

- (1) Shall have been a member of a Lions Club for three (3) years;
- (2) Shall have served as President of his/her club or as Chairman of his/her Club's Committee;
- (3) Be willing to attend, unless providently hindered,
 - a. all regular and special meetings of the Texas Lions Camp Board of Directors
 - b. the Cabinet meetings of his/her District 2-S2
 - c. And in cooperation with the other Director in his/her District, to present, if possible, the message of the Texas Lions Camp to each Club in his/her District.
 - d. Serve a term of two (2) years

The elected Director shall be limited to two (2) consecutive terms.

Trustee of the Lions Eye Bank of Texas

- (1) Shall have been a member of a Lions Club for three (3) years;
- (2) Shall have served as President of his/her Club's Committee on Lions Eye Bank of Texas, Inc.
- (3) Be willing to attend, unless providently hindered
 - a. all regular and special meetings of said Board of Trustees
 - b. the Cabinet meetings of his/her District
 - c. And in cooperation with the other Trustee in his/her District, present, if possible, the message of the Board of Trustees to each Club in his/her District.
 - d. Serve a term of two (2) years

The elected Trustee shall be limited to two (2) consecutive terms.

Director Lighthouse of Houston

- (1) Shall have been a member of a Lions Club for three (3) years,
- (2) Shall have served as President of his/her club or Chairman of his/her Club's Committee on Lighthouse of Houston;
- (3) Be willing to attend, unless providently hindered
 - a. all regular and special meetings of said Board of Directors
 - b. the Cabinet meetings of his/her District.
 - c. And in cooperation with the other Director in his/her District, to present, if possible, the message of the Board of Directors to each Club in his/her District.
 - d. Serve a term of two (2) years

The elected Director shall be limited to two (2) consecutive terms.

Director Humanitarian Relief Fund

- (1) Shall have been a member of a Lions Club for three (3) Years;
- (2) Shall have served as President of his/her club or Chairman of his/her Club's Committee on Humanitarian Relief Fund
- (3) Be willing to attend, unless providently hindered
 - a. all regular and special meetings of said Board of Directors
 - b. the Cabinet meetings of his/her District
 - c. And in cooperation with the other Directors in his/her District, present, if possible, the message of the Board of Directors to each Club in his/her District.
 - d. Serve a term of three (3) years

The elected Director shall be limited to two (2) consecutive terms

Proposed Amendment One - To correct wording.

Article VII – District organization

Section 2. Membership: The membership of District 2-S2 shall consist of all District Lions Clubs, which have been duly chartered by Lions International and are in good standing.

Proposed Amendment Two - To correct wording

Article VII – District organization

Section 6. District Governor's Honorary Committee: There shall be in the District a

District Governor's Honorary Committee. The membership of said committee shall consist of Past International Officers and Past District Governors who are members of Lions Clubs within the District. The Immediate Past District Governor shall be chairman of the committee. Said committee shall meet when and as called upon by the District Governor or the Past District

Governor Honorary Committee Chairman.

<u>Proposed Amendment Three – Adopt LCI District Elections Procedures</u>

Rationale:

At the Lions Clubs International Convention in Hawaii changes were made to the elections procedures for Districts. LCI Legal has informed the district that their local District Constitution and B-Laws need Tobe changed to reflect the new District Elections Procedures.

Add – Article XIII – District Elections Procedures

Proposed Amendment Four – Add a positon

Rationale:

During the annual audits performed by Briggs and Viselike, CPAs for the Lions years of 2007-2008 and 2008-2009, there was a deficiency in the internal controls of our record keeping that could have led to possible fraud.

"Segregation of Duties

During our audit process, we noted that the person responsible for handling and depositing of cash receipts also reconciles the bank accounts, posts to the cash receipts, and maintains the accounts receivable subsidiary. Giving one person both custodial and record-keeping responsibilities for the same asset creates a significant internal control weakness. It was noted, however, that the client has mitigating controls by requiring dual signatures for check signing and a strong review of the Organization's activity by the Board of Directors."

During the 2009-2010 Lions Year the District established the position of "Bookkeeper" and assigned certain responsibilities to maintain the financial records. The Bookkeeper is not an authorized signer on checks or transfers. After the creation of the position of Bookkeeper, Briggs and Veselka has not indicated 'Segregation of Duties' as a deficiency in subsequent audits. At the October Cabinet meeting Mr. Dan St Clair, CPA acknowledged that the current responsibilities of the Treasurer and the Bookkeeper is a satisfactory Internal Control, designed to avoid possible fraud.

Article VII – District organization

Section 3(e)

(4) The District Governor shall, by the time he/she takes office, appoint a District Cabinet Secretary, and a Cabinet Treasurer and a Bookkeeper.

Article VIII – District Governor's Cabinet

- Section 1. Membership: The membership of the District Governor's Cabinet, hereinafter called the Cabinet, shall be the
 - District Governor as the presiding officer
 - First Vice District Governor
 - Second Vice District Governor
 - Region Chairmen
 - Zone Chairmen
 - Cabinet Secretary
 - Cabinet Treasurer
 - Bookkeeper
 - District Chairmen as designated by Lions Clubs International
 - Elected Directors of Texas Lions Camp, Inc.
 - Elected Trustees of the Lions Eye Bank of Texas, Inc.
 - elected Directors of the Lighthouse of Houston
 - elected Directors of the Humanitarian Relief Fund
 - Trustee to the Texas Lions Foundation
 - President and Secretary of the President's and Secretary's Council
 - Past District Governors
 - and such Committee Chairmen and Co-Chairmen as the District Governor shall appoint with the approval of the Cabinet.

Section 3 Duties and Responsibilities € District Revenue

- (f) Duties and Responsibilities
 - a. Cabinet Treasurer
 - Receive and Deposit all funds received the District, in a timely manner.
 - ii. Transmit copies of deposits including each check to the Bookkeeper
 - iii. Sign all checks or transfers issued by the District, along with one other authorized signers.
 - b. Bookkeeper
 - i. Record all deposits
 - ii. Maintain all accounts payables
 - iii. Maintain all accounts receivables
 - iv. Issue semiannual per capita tax (dues) invoices to the District Clubs
 - v. Prepare checks for payment, insuring that all checks are signed by two of the authorized signers. Bookkeeper does not have authority to sign checks/transfers.
 - vi. Reconcile Bank Statements
 - vii. Prepare Financial Reports

Article VIII, Section 3 - Following items would change

(f) to (g), (g) to (h), (h) to (i), (i) to (j), (j) to (k), and (k) to (l)

DISTRICT 2-S2 2016 CONVENTION PROGRAM BOOKLET

To help defray the cost of the District Convention we sell advertising in the Program Booklet. The Convention Fund is low, the meal and hotel cost are going up each year. Last year we sold just over \$5000 and we need to increase that amount this year to \$6000.

Clubs are asked to do two things to help us meet this level of ad sales.

- Appoint an Ad Sales Chairman for your club and sell ads for the Convention Program Booklet. You can sell ads to members, neighbors, co-workers, business acquaintances, Lions, Non-Lions, campaign for district candidates. Anything that is legal...
- Each club is asked to sell or buy at lest one full page ad

Ad Sizes and Cost:

Full page: (8x4) \$75. Half page: (4x4) \$50. Quarter page: (2x4) \$25

Last inside page \$100. – Already reserved - First Vice District Governor Candidant

Inside front cover: \$125. – Already reserved - District Governor Candidant

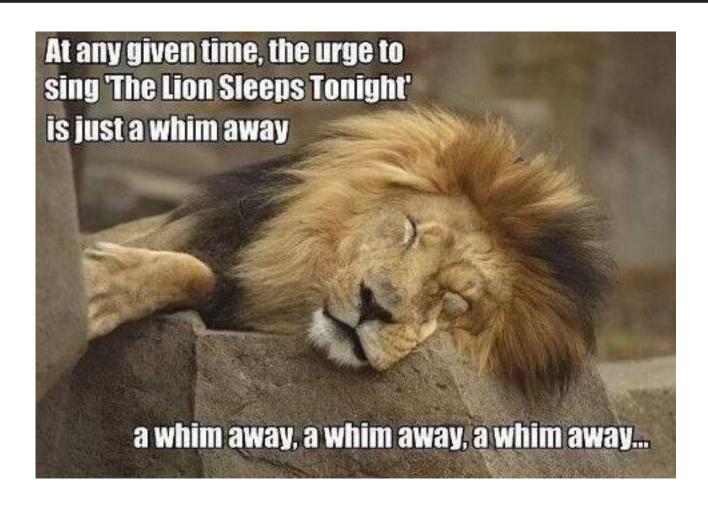
Inside back cover: \$125. – Already reserved - Second Vice District Governor Candidant

Outside back cover: \$175. – Already reserved

Send ad copy to:

PDG Ronald Landers 2815 Teague Rd. #1438 Houston, Texas 77080 rglanders@comcast.net by April 5, 2016







P.O. Box 1135 1106 Wilson Rd. Conroe, TX 77305-1135 936/760-1666 Fax: 936/760-1668

Resolution

Energy, LION KARL JOHNSON has been a member of Lions International and the Conroe Noon Lions Club for the past 15 years and has provided his enthusiasm, leadership, loyalty, and exceptional service to the goals and objects of our organization, and

Thereas, LION KARL JOHNSON has served through his leadership on club committees such as White Cane Day, Eyeglass Program, Park Committee, Fair Concessions, and Membership Director, and

Energy, **LION KARL JOHNSON** has served his 300+ member club on numerous committees and as Director, and 2nd, 1st Vice Presidents and current Club President, with 10 years perfect attendance and a Builder Key – having sponsored 12 new members, and

Whereas, LION KARL JOHNSON has served his District in the office of Zone Chair, and

Exercis, **LION KARL JOHNSON** has been honored with a TLC-Jack Wiech Fellowship, and is a Gold Century Club member, and LCIF - Melvin Jones Fellow, and

Effects, **LION KARL JOHNSON** wishes to continue his service to the Association by serving as 2nd VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR for District 2-S2 for 2016-2017 and has been encouraged by the members of his club and many Lions in the District to pursue this position.

Therefore, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the Conroe Noon Lions Club go on record as recommending and endorsing **LION KARL JOHNSON** for the position of 2nd VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR for District 2-S2 for 2016-2017.

This resolution was passed by a <u>unanimous</u> vote of the Board of Directors of the Conroe Noon Lions Club <u>March 9, 2016</u> and further approved by the general membership of the Conroe Noon Lions Club on March 16, 2016.

Lion Ken Kreger, 1st Vice President

Lion Scott Perry, Secretary

Lions District 2-S2 2016 Delegate Certification Form

The Following From	Lions Club plan to
attend the 2015 - 2016 District 2-S2 Convention	at the Park Inn on April 23, 2016.
Delegates: Each Lions Club is entitled to one de or major fraction thereof. The District Governor, Governors who are members of Lions Clubs, in gaddition to the club's other delegates.	·
PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT NAMES	S; MAKE SURE THEY ARE LEGIBLE
Delegates	PDGs & PIDs
Alternat	te Delegates
	
	
to Lions Clubs Intern	must not owe more than \$50. national, or District 2-S2.
Dues must i	be paid to date.
Request for certification of delegates and alternat	tes:(Signature of Club President or Club Secretary)
PLEASE: Mail the completed and sign	ed form NO later than Friday, April 15, 2016.

E-Mail or Mail to: PDG Ronald G. Landers

2815 Teague Rd. # 1438 Houston, TX 77080 rglanders@comcast.net

281-520-9195

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MUTIPLE DISTRICT 2 ELECTION BALLOT 2015-2016

Amendment to the MD-2 Constitution & By-Laws

Lions Clubs International has changed the Constitution and Bylaws to accommodate the typical school schedule by allowing campus clubs an extended roster adjustment period. This is an amendment to the Multiple District 2 Constitution & Bylaws to extend Campus Club dues payment dates to allow for this extended reporting period. Wording in *Italics* to be added following the respective sections.

Article IX, Section 2, Item d. Date Due

Said dues shall be paid semi-annually by each club as soon as possible after billing but not later than September 10th and March 10th respectively of each fiscal year. Campus Clubs due dates, due to an extended roster adjustment period, are October 15 and April 15 respectively of each fiscal year.

Article IX, Section 3, Item d. Date Due

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Article IX, Section 4, Date Due

This assessment shall be paid semi-annually by each club as soon as possible after billing but not later than September 10th and March 10th respectively of each fiscal year. Campus Clubs due dates, due to an extended roster adjustment period, are October 15 and April 15 respectively of each fiscal year.

FOR[] AGAINST[]

Next month is our District Convention. The convention is to be held on Saturday, April 23, 2016. Events include our District's annual business meeting and election of certain District officers and both District and Multiple District Constitution/By-Laws changes. My sincere hope is that you, members of District 2-S2 will not only mark this day on your calendar, but participate. I believe that district member participation is important because first these officers/directs represent us, District 2-S2. They represent our district at club meetings within our District, our Multiple District meetings, and LCI events outside our District such as the International Convention, USA/Canada Lions Leadership Conference and any other LCI sponsored event that they attend. As of the writing of these particular comments, our District does not have Lions nominated for the Elected Director for the Texas Lions Camp, The Lions Eye Bank of Texas nor the District Humanitarian Relief Fund.

In addition to electing officers, we have the opportunity to vote on changes to our District Constitution and By-Laws. Two items involve a wording change, one item up-dates our Constitution and By-Laws to reflect changes made in LCI at the International Convention last June. A third item adds the position of "Bookkeeper" to the District Cabinet. The position was established in 2010 (I believe that I was the first District Bookkeeper under PDG Glen Starr). This position was established in response to the advise of our District Auditor.

In addition to the above District Constitution and By-Law updating/changes, we are also asked to vote on three (3) changes to the Multiple District 2 Constitution and By-Laws. All three (3) have to do with updating LCI recognized changes.

Why come together to vote for item? Again, I believe that by doing so indicates the recognition by members of District 2-S2 that attending to business is important. By voting we, as members of District 2-S2, announce that we think maintaining our ruling documents is worthwhile.

I hope to see you at the District Convention. Register, participate and fellowship.

Noah Speer, District Governor.



Katy Lions Club Raised money to help a family with a special tryke for their son.





CHILD ABUSE IS PREVENTABLE.

APRIL IS NATIONAL CHILD ABUSE MONTH

REPORT ABUSE 800-252-5400

WEAR BLUE IN APRIL





Great Opportunity to Meet the Future Face of Lionism

If you have not made plans to attend the District Convention on April 23rd, please give it serious consideration. In addition to the opportunity to select new District leadership, you will have the opportunity to celebrate the achievements of Grass-Roots Lions serving their communities as they are recognized by the Past District Governors at the PDG Association awards luncheon. To honor our District Governor, Noah Speer, at the DG Dinner we will be hosting a young Lion from Tennessee as our keynote speaker that Saturday evening. We first noticed Lion Brandon Johnson in Toronto as he campaigned for then PID Bob Corlew, also a Son of Tennessee, for the office of 2nd Vice President of Lions Club International. Since meeting Lion Brandon, our paths have crossed a couple of times. We heard him speak at the USA Canada Forum in Grand Rapids where he led a discussion with Lions from North America on the challenges of recruiting and retaining younger Lions. As we know, our association is aging and we are at risk to lose relevance in our communities if we do not bring in more – and younger – members.

Brandon T. Johnson, from Johnson City, Tennessee, USA, has been a Lion since 12:01 on his 18th Birthday – and in turn was the youngest Lion ever inducted into the Association. Johnson is currently a student at East Tennessee State University in Johnson City, Tennessee. He graduated in December 2015 Magna Cum Laude with two degrees in Management and Marketing. He is currently pursuing his Master of Business Administration Degree, and plans to attend law school thereafter.

A Lion since 2012, he has held many offices within the association, including charter club president, Leo Club Charter President, District Leo Chairperson, Region Chairperson, Zone Chairperson, Certified Guiding Lion, and every other office at the club level. He has also chaired the Tennessee Leo's Convention, is the youngest graduate ever of the Advanced Lions Leadership Institute, and is currently the 2nd Vice District Governor-Elect of District 12-N.

Johnson travels to share his love of Lionism through speaking on the subjects of youth leadership, recruiting, marketing, and motivation. His work has taken him to distant places such as Puerto Rico and Canada, and a dozen US states including Alaska.

In recognition of his service to the association, he has received numerous awards, including District Lion of the Year, an International President's Certificate of Appreciation, and two International President's Leadership Medals. He is also a Lindsey-Jennings Fellow and a Melvin Jones Fellow. Tennessee's Governor Bill Haslam commissioned Johnson as an official "Ambassador of Goodwill" for his representation of the state while speaking about leadership throughout North America.

In addition to his Lions Activities, Johnson is involved in multiple other organizations. Johnson is an active member of the Sigma Chi Fraternity, a Freemason, and a Shriner. He aspires to become an Assistant District Attorney General.

For more information on the District Convention, please click the link below:

http://lions2s2.org/DISTRICTCONVENTIONPAGE.html



Hello Fellow Lions,

Spring is coming... what does that mean? New beginnings, a fresh start and gorgeous flowers everywhere are some things we think about when we think of Spring.

Let's look at our District (2-S2), and apply Spring to our District. This is a chance for us to have a new beginning in our District. Let's all come together to support the District by stepping up to leadership positions. We have so many good leaders in our clubs and we need you to "spring" up to work in these leadership positions. Don't think you will be alone because there are a lot of people who have gone before you and are willing to help you. Please give this some serious thought because our District needs leaders. Lions who have not taken a leadership position can add so much this "spring" with new ideas. We really need your help. It would be great if we were the best District in Texas! Have I begged enough?

Next Lions year I hope to be your 1st VDG and let's start working together now. One of my goals is to make our District strong again and to have the old comradery "spring" up again. Will you please help me? Send me any thoughts you may have on this issue (bez1texan@sbcglobal.net).

Let's all try to make it to the next P&S meeting (April 6, 2016) and "spring" into action. It would be great if most or all Presidents and Secretaries where there along with club members. Bring your Spring smile and ideas.

Happy Spring and Happy Easter to all of you,

Betty Ezell
Second Vice District Governor

Summer Schedule 2016

The Schedule for Summer Camp 2016 was recently set by the Board of Directors.

Regular Sessions

- 1. Session 1 June 5 11, 2016 (Ages 7-16)
- 2. Session 2 June 12 18, 2016 (Ages 7-16)
- 3. Session 3 June 19 -25, 2016 (Ages 7-16)
- 4. Session 4 June 26- July 2, 2016 (Ages 7-16)
- 5. Session 5 July 3- July 9, 2016 * Concurrent

Specialty Camps

- 1. Camp Neuron July 3- July 9, 2016 * Concurrent
- 2. Session 6 Camp David Jul 10 16, 2016 * Concurrent
- 3. Down syndrome July 10 16, 2016 (Ages 12-16) * Concurrent
- 4. Session 7 Camp Discovery July 17 23, 2016

Camps for Type 1 Diabetes

- Session 8 Diabetic 1 July 24 Jul 30, 2016 (Ages 8-15)
- 2. Session 9 Diabetic 2 July 31 Aug. 6, 2016 (Ages 8-15)

Contact our Lions Camp Directors for Information, application form, and Visit to your clubs.

Lions Wes Carr 713-703-9210

wes.carr@carr-redwine.com

Scott Perry 713-205-3476 sperry@cityofconroe.org



SAVE THE DATE!!!

Friday - May 6th, 2016



Live & Silent AUCTIONS



at THE GRAND PALACE 314-A Pruitt Road, Spring, TX 77380

CALLING ALL KNIGHTS FOR THE BLIND

Benefiting Leader Dogs for the Blind, Come Join Us and Help Lion District 2S2 Support the New Leader Dog Facility in Rochester Hills, MI



50 Dogs Now in Texas
of the Historical
14,000
provided since 1939.



More Dogs needed to Give the Blind their life back!

OPENINGS FOR CORPORATE & TABLE UNDERWRITERS!

For More Information

CONTACT: Larry Smith, Leader Dog 2S2 Chairman 281-731-9573 Pilotsmitty@gmail.com



Brookshire-Pattison Lions Club BBQ Chicken Sale

Friday, April 22, 2016 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Pattison Area Volunteer Fire Department & Brookshire-Pattison Library

\$10 per chicken

For pre-sales, call: Dora Ann – 281-934-4141 Paul – 832-533-2144



The Houston Westbury Lions Club

Celebrating its 50th Anniversary!

Saturday, April 16, 2016

Christie's Seafood and Steak Restaurant

6029 Westheimer Road

Houston, TX 77057

Guest Speaker: Past International Director Marshall Cooper

Social and Cocktails 6:30-7:00pm

Dinner 7:00-8:00pm

Menu

House Italian Salad

Entrée Choices

Grilled Gulf Fillet Snapper

Christies Famous Fried Shrimp and Onion Rings

Rib Eye Steak

Chicken Madeira

Dessert

Tuxedo Cake

Beverages

Tea Coffee or Soda

RSVP BY APRIL 8th, 2016 \$35 PER PERSON ATTIRE: BUSINESS JULIAN LEVIN – (713)774-1110
5150 HIDALGO #1901 HST, TX 77056
Email: bigjul50@aol.com





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FOR MORE INFO:

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Essay & Speech

Contest

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APRIL 9. 2016 11:00 am

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS PER CONTEST

1ST PLACE - \$1000

2ND PLACE - \$500



DIABETIC AWARENESS ESSAY

"New Ways of Thinking To Manage Diabetes." Rather than researching symptomology, history, or psychological, social and emotional issues, contestants will focus instead on recent approaches, which help youth and adults keep their blood sugar and appetite in check. Contestants will investigate and evaluate new research and emerging treatments that provide higher success rates for those who have been diagnosed with Type 1 or Type 2 diabetes.

DRUG AWARENESS SPEECH

"The Socioeconomic Effects of Marijuana Decriminalization." Explore the positive and negative effects that have occurred in communities where marijuana has been decriminalized. Make a case for or against allowing marijuana to be decriminalized in your community based on your findings. You may discuss the medical, culture, legal and economic changes in communities where the laws have been changed in defense of your position.





OUTSTANDING YOUTH AWARD

"VOLUNTEERISM & ITS IMPORTANCE"

Contestants are evaluated on high school grade point average, a personal biographical information statement, three letters of recommendation, performance of community service, a 750-word essay "Volunteerism & Its Importance", leadership experience/participation and a

This contest is open to all **high school seniors**. Each contestant must be sponsored by a Lions Club in District 2-S2. There is a **non-refundable** fee of **\$100 per entry**. It is the responsibility of the sponsoring Lions Club to provide meal and transportation for its representatives to the district contest. Entries must be received by the District no later than **March 31, 2016**. Contest will be held on **April 9, 2016 @ 11:00 AM** (Venue to be announced later).

For entry forms and complete contest rules, please contact Lion Minette Chiu (District Chairperson) at 713.208.2380 or email lionminette88@gmail.com or visit www.lions2s2.org

First place winners will have the chance to represent District 2-S2 at the MD-2 State

Youth Contest on May 20-21, 2016 during the State Convention in Midland, TX.

Lions District 2-S2 Humanitarian Relief Fund Matching Funds Request Form

HRF provides funds for local disaster relief and to aid Lions Clubs in humanitarian efforts that are beyond the resources of the individual club. HRF will match funds (up to \$1,250) raised by clubs to aid their projects.

Once the HRF Request has been approved, the Cabinet Treasurer will issue the check to the service provider.

Lions Club:	
Other Lions Club a	ssisting in project:
Request description	on:
Name and address	of service provider (include copy of bill):
Person or persons	benefiting from project:
Is this an emergen	cy situation (Yes) (No) Date funds needed:
DISTRICTZE	Club contact person:
	Contact phone number:
TARIAN RELIE	Contact email:

Submit requests to Minette Chiu, 13638 La Concha Lane, Houston, TX 77083. Check made out to District 2-S2 HRF for club's portion of request (1/2 of total project cost – maximum \$1,250) must accompany request. Request may be emailed with copy of check being mailed.

HRF Committee Members:

Chairman: 1st VDG Mark Roth, (C) 713-962-4194, (W) 713-349-2550 email: markwroth@live.com Vice Chair: 2nd VDG Betty Ezell, (H) 713-849-0490, (C) 281-743-0523, email: bez1texab@sbcglobal.net

Secretary: Minette Chiu, (C) 713-208-2380, email: lionminette88@gmail.com

Treasurer: Greg Turner, (H) 936-257-8897, (C) 936-776-1334, email: greg.turner46@gmail.com

DG: Noah Speer, (H) 936-291-3045, (C) 936-661-1685 email: noahspeer@sbcglobal.net

IPDG: Chris Moorman, (H) 936-336-5043, (C) 936-776-3018 email: jcmoorman@lonestarcomputing.com

Directors:

Betty Williamson (C) 281-785-0559, email: betwmsn@hotmail.com

Jim Kerr (C) 713-385-7619, (H) 936-334-1672, email: jimakerr@aol.com

Donald Landers (C) 281-520-7418, email: dlanders1484@gmail.com

Revised: July 1, 2015





MD2 Lions State Convention Registration Form May 19-21, 2016 The Grand Texan, Midland Texas

1) Name	_ Position	District
Club Name		_ First Time Attendee Yes [] No []
E-Mail Address	Cell Phone	
2) Name	_ Position	District
Club Name		_ First Time Attendee Yes [] No []
E-Mail Address	Cell Phone	

Address_____City____Zip__

Event & Date	Cost/Person	Number	Total
Registration Fee (see exceptions in notes*)	\$25		
Thursday Evening May 19, 2016 Food, Entertainment, Dancing	N/C		
Friday May 20, 2016 Texas Lions Foundation Breakfast Susan Reeves former TLC Camper	\$18		
Friday May 20, 2016 PDG Memorial Luncheon	\$24		
Friday May 20, 2016 Dinner w/Lion Karen Taylor Good Singer/Song writer/Inspirational Speaker	\$28		
Saturday May 21, 2016 Hall of Fame Breakfast w/ Mollie Milligan as Helen Keller	\$18		
Saturday May 21, 2016 Opportunities for Youth Luncheon	\$24		
Saturday May 21, 2016 MD2 Banquet Past Int'l President Joe Preston	\$35		
Late Fee if applicable (see note*)	(\$20)		
Total (w/o a late fee)	\$172		

*NOTE: Payment postmarked by 4/15/16 will be as shown in the table for each item. An additional \$20/person charge will be added for all registrations postmarked after that date. Registration Fees are required for everyone attending, except non-Lion family members of Hall of Fame Honorees or Opportunities for Youth Contestants attending just that specific event.

_____Check here if you are a non-Lion family member of an honoree or an Opportunity for Youth contestant.
(Late fees do not apply to these family members)

See Additional Registration pages for the Golf Tournament, Babysitting, Tours, and the 3 Action Projects.

Attendees are invited & welcomed to attend all meals & banquets. The dress code for the Friday Memorial luncheon is business attire. The MD2 banquet attire is white coat OR business attire.

_____Check here & then provide details on the back for special dietary needs.

Checks should be made payable: Lions District 2A1 State Convention. Mail to: Lion Kathy McConnell 307 Thomas, Midland, Texas 79703

The Grand Texan Hotel 4300 W. Wall, Midland, Texas 79703.

 $Reservations: call~\textbf{432-697-3181}~or~E-Mail~\underline{sales@grandtexan.com}~(leave~contact~phone~\#'s)$

Block Name: Lions Club - District 2A1 (Block closes 5-4-16) Convention Rate \$109.99





Texas Lions State Convention – ACTION Projects Registration

What is Texas Brand of Lionism? First of all, the 2015-16 Council of Governors thinks it means **Texas –sized** service! Secondly, Texas Brand of Lionism also means the leaders of Texas Lionism should make our Convention more meaningful to grassroots Lions and providing avenues of education & experience for those who have no current interest in the business & committee meetings. Combining the two, the 2016 State Convention in Midland will contain 3 Action Projects, giving club leaders, committee chairs, and club members the chance to learn new ways to serve with hands on experience allowing them to go back to their communities and put these new projects into ACTION.

For complete information on the 3 Action projects and how they may benefit your club or zone, go to the Texas Lions website (www.texaslions.org) and read the "MD2 Convention Times (pages 4-6). This newspaper will be found under the Midland Convention tab/button. To register you will need to complete the information below and send it to the person indicated for the selected project. It will not be possible for one Lion to participate in more than one project, thus you may want to split up the courses between others in your club or zone, so you can share ideas when you get home.

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Texas Ramp Project

Learn how to build an ADA compliant handicapped ramp for the elderly or disabled, who may be trapped in their homes without one. Using the system and building templates (that can be used for any configuration) of the Texas Ramp Project, you will learn how to take a "pre-vetted" lead in your town, develop a site plan, and then actually build a ramp. The classroom seminar starts Thursday (1 PM) at the hotel. The crew will pre-build and then assemble a ramp on location throughout Friday & Saturday with time allotted to attend the meals and hear the special speakers. Bring work clothes. To register, send this form to Lion Aubrey Linne, Midland Downtown Lions, 200 Plaza, Midland, Texas 79701 (432-553-5008, aalinne87@yahoo.com).



TLERC Used Eyeglass Training Course

Learn how to set up and operate a screening lane to place recycled eyeglasses on those in need. Using the Texas Lions Eyeglass Recycling Centers' own training course (now used by centers all over the world), the class will learn how to use all of the equipment and then how to find a "near prescription" for the client. All training will be at TLERC in Midland (2550 Flynt) only 5 minutes from the convention hotel. Your class will start Thursday (9AM), will continue on Friday, & culminate Saturday where you will participate in an actual screening & placement. Time will be allotted to attend the meals and hear the special speakers. To register, send this form to PDG Carolyn Keskitalo, TLERC, 2550 Flynt, Midland, Texas 79701 (432-683-3611; txlerc@gmail.com).



Children Vision Screening - "Lions kidsight USA"

Learn how to set up & hold a children's vision screening, including the use of both the "Plus Optix" & "Spot" machines. Manufacturer Reps from both companies will also provide "manufacturer certification classes" (needed to screen in Texas schools). The group will start with a classroom training session on Thursday (1 PM) at the hotel. On Friday you will go to some daycare centers for actual hands on experience screening children. To register, send this form to Lion Art Laengrich, 7 Lakes Drive, Midland, Texas 79705 (432-559-9226; art.laengrich@att.net).

Complete this information and send to the person listed above for the Action Project you have selected:			
Name:Address:	Email:	Phone:	
Lions Club & District:			







Texas Lions State Convention — Childcare Registration

The Council of Governors for the past several years has attempted to make the State Convention more meaningful and more accessible for our grass roots Lions. Many younger Lions may be unable to attend because of young children. The 2016 State Convention Committee, therefore, has arranged for "onsite" childcare during some of the events during the 2016 convention. Please be aware these are not licensed or professional daycare providers. They are simply the same kind of young people that you might have come to your home, while you go out for an evening. For some events, the ladies will be from the local YMCA day care program. For other events a local Girl Scout Troop(s) with adult leaders will provide the care. Meals will be provided where indicated. If special food is required you must provide it. It is suggested you bring any special toys or games the child may prefer. You may pay at the Convention, but you must register by May 6, so proper sitting arrangements can be finalized.

Event	Sitting Date/Time	Description	Cost/Child	# of Children	Total Cost
Lions Feeding Frenzy & Entertainment	Thursday, May 19 From 5:00 PM To 10:00 PM	Package price is for the sitters (\$3/hr) and dinner (\$5). (see note below)	\$20.00		\$
Seminars & Workshops	Friday, May 20 From 1:30 PM To 5:30 PM	Package price is for the sitters (\$3/hr). A snack will be provided. (see note below)	\$12.00		\$
Dinner & Entertainment (Karen Taylor- Good)	Friday, May 20 From 6:30 PM To 9:30 PM	Package price is for the sitters (\$3/hr) and dinner (\$5). (see note below)	\$14.00		\$
Opportunity for Youth Luncheon & afternoon seminars.	Saturday, May 21 From 11:30 AM To 5:30 PM	Package price is for the sitters (\$3/hr) and lunch (\$5). A snack will also be provided. (see note below)	\$23.00		\$
District Governor Banquet	Saturday, May 21 From 6:15 PM To 9:15 PM	Package price is for the sitters (\$3/hr) and dinner (\$5). (see note below)	\$14.00		\$





Texas Lions State Convention Excursions

Registration can also be done at the Convention, depending on the availability of space on the buses.

Registering early helps the Convention committee arrange for enough transportation.

Susie's South 40 Confections: Factory Tour and shopping President George Friday, May 20 Take a step back in time, as you tour this world renowned confection factory. Sample some of their famous Texas Trash, Texas Pecan Toffee & more. \$5.00 (for transportation) \$\$ transportation) \$\$ transportation	\$
Confections: Factory Tour and shopping Leave 9:00AM this world renowned confection factory. Sample some of their famous Texas Trash, Texas Pecan Toffee & more. Trash, Texas Pecan Toffee & more.	\$
President George Friday May 20 Tour the home of 2 Presidents, a first \$8,00 (includes	
W. Bush Child- Home: Tour The Ivy Cottage: shopping Nature Tour And a Governor, as you tour this normal suburban home of the 50's. Then have some fun shopping at Midland's most unique boutique and gift shop.	\$
Museum of the Southwest and Farmer's Market: Tour & Shopping Saturday, May 21 Leave 9:15AM Return 11:15AM Return 11:15AM Peruse the farmer's market & craft booths found on the grounds on Saturday mornings in the spring. \$\$8.00 (includes transportation & admission)	\$
The Petroleum Saturday, May 21 A visit to the Petroleum Museum is a \$13.00 (includes	\$

Total Cost \$

*** The Petroleum Museum is offering its special \$8.00 group rate to all Lions attending the convention from Wednesday May 18th through Sunday May 22nd, 2016. You do not have to be on the excursion. Just tell them you are with the Texas Lions Convention.

Name(s)	
Address	
Phone	Email

Make check payable to Lions District 2A1 State Convention

Mail form & check to Lion Kathy McConnell, 307 Thomas, Midland, Texas 79703

Note: The 2016 State Convention Committee reserves the right to cancel any excursion for low participation. If an event is cancelled, you will be refunded any prepaid excursion fee.

LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL MD-2 (TEXAS)

P.O. Box 294509 Kerrville, Texas 78029 830-257-6557

LionsStateOffice@MD2Lions.org

PARADE VEST(s)

All vests are \$60 each with the exception of the 3X which is \$75 each.

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TEXAS LIONS STATE CONVENTION GOLF TOURNAMENT

THURSDAY MAY 19, 2016 8:30 AM

REGISTRATION FORM



RANCHLAND HILLS GOLF CLUB 1600 E. WADLEY AVENUE MIDLAND, TX 79705 (432)683-2041

4 PERSON SCRAMBLE FORMAT

<u>Prizes for 1st Place Team – Closest to the Pin - Long Drive</u> cost includes golf carts and range balls

Individual Cost - \$75
Name, Phone number & e-mail address:
Team Cost -\$300
Team Captain Name, Phone number & e-mail address:
Team Member Names

Registration Form and fees due by May 10, 2016

Send Entry Form & Money to:

DG Dick Van Hoose Office of the Superintendent 1441 FM303 Loop, Texas 79342

Contact *Dick Van Hoose* at (806)487-6412 or <u>dick@mylbk.com</u> for any other information.

CALENDAR

JULY 2015 Presidents & Secretaries Council 15 1st Cabinet meeting China Bear Restaurant China Bear Restaurant 30-31 MD-2 Council of Governors Meeting Mid-Winter Leadership Conference 23 Kerrville, Texas Holy Cross Lutheran Church AUGUST 2015 23 3rd Cabinet meeting Holy Cross Lutheran Church Presidents & Secretaries Council 5 China Bear Restaurant FEBRUARY 2016 SEPTEMBER 2015 Presidents & Secretaries Council 3 China Bear Restaurant Presidents & Secretaries Council 2 China Bear Restaurant 4-5 MD-2 Council of Governors Meeting Kerrville, Texas 15 District, State and Camp dues paid by this date. (Except for campus clubs) 27 District 2-S2 Bowlathon Palace Bowling Lanes. Bellaire, TX 17-19 USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum Grand Rapids Michigan **MARCH 2016** OCTOBER 2015 Presidents & Secretaries Council 2 China Bear Restaurant 1 Last day to purchase Peace Poster Kits Texas Leadership Forum Bob Dowden Dinner Austin, Texas Grand Palace. Spring, Texas 15 District, State and Camp dues paid by this date. Campus Club dues are payable 15 (Except for campus clubs) **NOVEMBER 2015 APRIL 2016** Presidents & Secretaries Council 6 Presidents & Secretaries Council China Bear Restaurant China Bear Restaurant MD-2 Council of Governors Meeting 7 9 **District Youth Contests** San Antonio Texas Deadline for club elections 15 2nd Cabinet Meeting 14 Houston Cy-Fair Lions Den 15 Campus club dues must be paid District Environmental Photo Contest 23 **District Convention** 14 Houston Cy-Fair Lions Den MAY 2016 14 District Peace Poster judging Presidents & Secretaries Council 4 Houston Cy-Fair Lions Den China Bear Restaurant Club IRS forms due to IRS 15 Deadline for submission of 15 DECEMBER 2015 2016-2017 club offices report to LCI 19-21 MD-2 Texas State Convention Peace Poster due to State (final day) 1 Midland, Texas 2 Presidents & Secretaries Council China Bear Restaurant JUNE 2016

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Presidents & Secretaries Council

China Bear Restaurant

4th cabinet meeting

Clubs requested to pay their 100% contribution

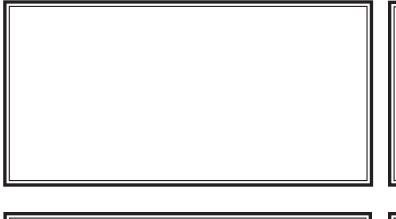
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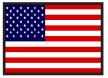
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tslanders@comcast.net or calling 281-726-0334



WHERE LIONS MEET
BE PRESENT LORD.
TO WELD OUR HEARTS IN
ONE ACCORD.
TO DO THY WILL,
LORD MAKE US STRONG.
TO AID THE WEAK AND
RIGHT THE WRONG.



I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands.

One nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all

(Face the Texas flag with your right hand over your heart.)



Honor the Texas flag.
I Pledge Allegiance to thee.
Texas, One State under God.
One and Indivisible.

(Face the Texas flag with your right hand over your heart.)

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PSC Meeting

APRIL 6, 2016

** CHINA BEAR **
15000 I-45 North

Dinner 6:00 P.M. Meeting 7:00 P.M.

CHINA BEAR RESTAURANT located at 15000 I-45 North On the northbound feeder road

The cost for the buffet is \$13.00 per person, including tax and gratuity.

The food is buffet-style, of Chinese, American and Mexican food.

There are desserts galore and more than one Ice Cream Machine.



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