



Lions Clubs International
District 2-S2
Greater Houston and Surrounding Areas



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“Service is a Journey

Remember, we’re all on this journey together. We are all heading towards one goal – a better world – yet we are all taking different paths to get there. And the process of getting there is just as important as the destination. What is your path?”

President, Gudrun Yngvadottir

JANUARY 2019

KARLS KAPERS

Greetings Fellow Lions!

Are you still flying? I hope your holidays were enjoyable, and that you created some fantastic memories. I know Jane and I did. We attended several club Christmas parties, missed one due to flooding, attended a wine tasting with the Executive Cabinet, and helped with a fund raiser.

The District has found a large project for the Hurricane Harvey funds. Kingwood High School has several projects that they need completed totaling about 97k. We expect to submit our request next week. This is the HS that PIP Bob Corlew visited when he toured the Hurricane Harvey damage.

I revisited the Pediatric cancer/Harvey flood family last week and presented them with a check for the balance of the work we agreed to pay for. They expect to be back in their house by March. All total we helped them with a little over 11k in repairs.

Your DG team has visited over 30 of our 55 clubs and we are looking forward to visiting the remaining clubs in the next 3-4 months.

January P&S meeting was moved to January 9th because of the threat of heavy rain. While the really heavy rains did not appear, I feel that we did not make a wrong decision.

Mid-Winter conference (Hilton Greens point) is just around the corner, I hope you have made plans to attend. Our 3rd Cabinet meeting will be held immediately after the conference.

Finally, I want to ask you to make plans to attend the District Conference April 26/27 (Hilton Greens point). We are making plans for it to be phenomenal! PIP Bill Biggs will be our keynote speaker, Duelling Pianos for entertainment, and our final cabinet meeting will be held there also.

Blessings to all for all they do

DG Karl Johnson

SAVE THE DATES!

Mid-Winter Conference
Saturday January 26th
8am to 1pm

Magnolia Annual
Pancake Supper
Saturday February 2nd
5pm to 8pm (see ad)

Lions Eye Bank
Bowl-a-Thon
Saturday February 9th 1:30pm
(see article)

PDG Association
District Achievement Award
Application Due Feb 15th

SEND CONTRIBUTIONS FOR
NEWSLETTER BY FEBRUARY
8TH TO
newsletter@lions2s2.org



Past District Governor Paul Eads is now recovering from surgery and would welcome a visit from any Lion who can spare a few minutes. He is at TIRR, 1333 Moursund St, 77030. He is in room 306B but please try and avoid visiting Tuesday, Thursday or Saturday as those are the days that he has dialysis.

TONY'S TALES

In just a little over a week we will have our Mid-Winter Conference on Saturday January 26th! If you have not registered please go ahead and do that today at our website <http://www.lions2s2.org>. The cost is \$35 and that includes breakfast and lunch and the opportunity to hear from several great speakers. The venue is Hilton Houston North at GreensPoint which is really easy to get to from the I-45 or the Beltway. Our guest speaker will be Past Council Chair Ernesto 'TJ' Tjerina who is also a candidate for International Director. We will have 4 breakout sessions that will include one on our New Voices initiative. 2nd VDG Bonita will give you some information about the initiative that was created to amplify the stories of those working to support women in our clubs and districts. As we celebrate our first female International President, New Voices supports stronger gender equality in Lions leadership.

PDG Rick Reynolds will lead a discussion of our 5 global; causes that are:

- **Diabetes** - to reduce the prevalence of diabetes and improve quality of life for those diagnosed .
- **Vision** - to prevent avoidable blindness and improve quality of life for people who are blind and visually impaired.
- **Hunger** - to ensure all community members have access to nutritious foods.
- **Environment** - to sustainably protect and restore our environment to improve the well-being of all communities.
- **Childhood Cancer** - to help those affected by childhood cancer survive and thrive.

The other 2 sessions will include an update on the Strategic Plan for the Texas Lions Camp by TLC Director Lisa Free-Martin and a discussion of the many leadership training opportunities available to Lions led by PDG Chris Moorman. Please register today!!

There are several deadlines coming up for submissions. First, we are looking for nominations for our District Hall of Fame due by January 31st – see the rules and instructions at the end of this newsletter. Then, the nominations for the District Achievement awards are due February 15th. The form is included in this newsletter. Finally, if you are looking for a way to reward promising students with a scholarship then take a look at our Opportunities for Youth awards due March 30th. There is a Diabetes Essay Contest, a Drug Awareness Speech contest, and the Outstanding Youth award. Contact District Chair Sara Coots (Scootsd2s2@gmail.com) for details.

1st VDG Tony Austin



CALLING ALL COWGIRLS AND COWBOYS!!!



It's time to pull out and dust off your Stetsons and dancing boots! It's almost RODEO TIME in Houston, Texas! If you would like to hear some great toe-tappin' music, dance a jig or two, and eat some delicious PAPPAS bar-b-que, then come join me and your fellow Lions at THE LIGHTHOUSE of HOUSTON!

The Lions of District 2-S2 have a great opportunity coming up to join in some fun and fellowship while serving others. We will be hosting a GO TEXAN RODEO party for the multi-care clients at The Lighthouse on **Friday, February 22nd** from **10am to 1pm**, though we will need to arrive about 9:30. This is the official "kick-off" day for the rodeo. This is not one of their usual parties that we just assist and volunteer for. We are actually hosting and in charge of this "shindig", so I would love to have 6-8 Lions come out and help me with this great event! The multi-care clients are a fun group of adults to work with! Some are totally blind, some have low vision, while others have their sight, but may have another disability. They are such a delight to work and visit with! They love just having someone to talk to and visit with and are very appreciative of everything the Lions do for them!

I have done the legwork for the party. The entertainment is booked. Food is ordered. Centerpieces for the tables are done. Small party favors are picked out. Now I need YOU to come help with the fun! We will need to put out tablecloths and centerpieces, possibly help call BINGO or read some trivia questions, and generally just help with crowd control. If you can spare 3-4 hours that day to help put a big SMILE on the faces of 60 individuals, please contact me! If you live in the Conroe area and don't want to drive down in the Houston traffic, you are more than welcome to meet me and ride down with me. Please text or e-mail me if you can help spread some happiness that day, and I will get back in touch with you! Thank you!

Marla Reynolds, Director of the LOH **(936) 499 - 8393** marlayvette@live.com



MAGNOLIA LIONS CLUB
presents

Annual
Pancake Supper



All You Can Eat!

Adult Tickets **\$10**
Kids Tickets **\$5**

Pancakes
BACON
Milk



**RAFFLE FOR
FLAT SCREEN TV**
(\$5 For Six Tickets)
AND SILENT AUCTION

Magnolia Jr High School Cafeteria
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Saturday February 2nd
5pm to 8pm
.....
31138 Nichols Sawmill Rd, Magnolia, TX 77355
Across from Tax Office



WHAT IS THE BOWL-A-THON?

It's a party with a purpose! Bowlers raise money to help support the Lions Eye Bank of Texas.

Who Bowls? You don't have to be the world's greatest bowler to participate. Most of the participants are Lions, local business people and volunteers getting together with co-workers, friends and family to have fun and bowl for a great cause-sight restoration and educating our communities on the importance of donation!

How does it work? The team registration fee is \$150, which includes three games and shoe rental for each team member. Teams sign up to bowl, compete to win great prizes, support the Lions Eye Bank of Texas, but also HAVE FUN!

Why Bowl? Lions District 2-S2 Bowl-A-Thon generates financial support required to provide education to the communities we serve and increase donation awareness. The more funds we raise, the more programs we can provide and the more people we reach!

If your Lions club or company chooses not to sponsor a team, you can contribute to the Bowl-A-Thon as a sponsor or by providing door prizes which will be given away throughout the event.

For more information, please contact the Lions Eye Bank of Texas at 713-798-5545 or a committee member.

REMINDER – OUTSTANDING YOUTH ESSAY COMPETITIONS

Contestants of the Diabetes Essay Contest, the Drug awareness Speech, and the Outstanding Youth contest must be submitted to **Sara Coots (scoots@rougeuxpllc.com)** electronically by **March 30th**. Anything received after that date will be disqualified. Our District contest for all three scholarship programs will be held on April 13th, venue to be announced at a later date.

PRESIDENTS AND SECRETARIES COUNCIL MEETING

ALL LIONS WELCOME

ENJOY FELLOWSHIP AND FUN WITH LIONS FROM OTHER CLUBS.

HEAR FROM DISTRICT OFFICERS AND THE GOVERNOR.

LET OTHER LIONS KNOW ABOUT YOUR PROJECTS AND

GET THEIR SUPPORT.





**NEXT MEETING
WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 6TH**

**First Wednesday every month
6pm Dinner 7pm Meeting
Chinese Buffet available at \$13
(includes, soda, tax and tip)**



**15000 North Freeway
(exit Airtex)
Houston, TX 77090**




Lions Clubs International
District 2-S2
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Past District Governors Association
Distinguished Achievement Award


PURPOSE - The purpose of the Past District Governors District Association Distinguished Achievement Award is to “bestow honor upon those Lions in District 2-S2 who have shown outstanding leadership and service achievement to their Club, Community and District.”

QUALIFICATIONS - Minimum qualifications for the Award are:

- a) An active member with at least seven (7) years of service. This award is for living Lions only, unless the honoree passes away after being nominated.
- b) Outstanding leadership and dedicated service to Club, Community and district.
- c) Special achievements in, or contributions to, humanitarian service for those less fortunate.
- d) At the time of the presentation of the award, must NOT be a member of any Lions Hall of Fame.
- e) At the time of the presentation of the award, must NOT be a District Governor or Past District Governor of any Lions Clubs International District.

NOMINATIONS - The completed application form must be sent to the Chairman of the District Governor’s Honorary Committee. The application may be made by any Lion in the District that is in good standing. The application is required to be received by **February 15th** of each year and will be valid for that year only. If an applicant is not selected for that year, a new application must be submitted again to be considered for this award. There is no requirement to make an award each and every year.

APPLICATION

Nominee:	Lions Club(s):
Offices Held:	
Service to Club:	
Service to Community:	
Service to Lions District:	
Awards & Honors received from the community, non-Lions organizations and/or Lions:	
Other achievements:	
Submitted by:	Lions Club: Date:
SEND TO : PDG IRV WISHNOW 5235 BRAES VALLEY DR. HOUSTON, TX 77096 icwishnow5@gmail.com	



DISTRICT 2-S2 HALL OF FAME

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Lions District 2-S2 Hall of Fame is to “bestow honor upon outstanding Lions in District 2-S2 who have given usefully of their time, talents and means to further the cause of humanitarian services”.

STANDARDS

Minimum Standards to qualify for the District 2-S2 Lions Hall of Fame are:

- An active or deceased member with at least five (5) years of service.
- Outstanding and dedicated service to Lionism beyond the call of duty.
- Service to community, district, state and international Lionism.
- Special achievements in, or contributions to, humanitarian service for those less fortunate.
- Solicitation in any way for this recognition will automatically eliminate the candidate for that year.

NOMINATIONS

Nominations, along with a profile, will be provided to the Nomination Committee in writing. Said nomination may be made by any Lion in the District that is in good standing. The nominations are required to be received by December 31st of each year. There is no requirement to induct someone each and every year.

CANDIDATES

There may be one (1) candidate selected each Lions year. In order to recognize past Lionistic service, two (2) additional candidates (that are deceased) may be selected for the years, 1993-1994, 1994-1995, 1995-1996, 1996-1997, and 1997-1998 only. The cost of the plaques shall be borne by the District.

SELECTION

The selection shall be made by the Hall of Fame Committee. The Hall of Fame Committee shall be appointed by the District Governor and shall number five (5) Active Lions in good standing, none of which are from the same club. The candidate(s) shall be certified, by the selection committee, prior to the third cabinet meeting.

PRESENTATION

Presentation shall be made at the District Convention at an appropriate time as selected by the District Governor. Each selectee will receive an appropriate plaque.

MODIFICATION

A two-thirds majority of the District 2-S2 cabinet, as defined in the District 2-S2 Constitution and By-Laws, qualified and legally voting at a District Cabinet Meeting shall be required to change the provisions of this document. The decision of the majority shall be binding on all members, the District Cabinet and all succeeding District Cabinets.