



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



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Lions, join the conversation in the new [Lions Global Action Team](#) community! Our goal is to empower Lions through the power of action in driving membership growth and retention, leadership development, and the implementation of impactful service at the club and district level.

President, Gudrun Yngvadottir

KARLS KAPERS

Hello Fellow Lions!

This past month has been rewarding to say the least. Lion Jane and I have traveled to fund raisers, Eye Bank board meetings, Club visitations, Service projects, the Council of Governors meeting (Kerrville) and met with those wanting to start new clubs and projects.

The Eye Bank is dispersing the remaining cookbooks they were selling several years ago. I have obtained multiple cases so clubs that want them can sell them as a club fundraiser for the club. Email me for details.

The paperwork for the district 501c3 status has been filed. Now we wait on the IRS.

I met with Kim and John last Sunday along with 1st VDG Tony and Lion Jane. GoalBall is coming to Houston, and 2-S2 is sponsoring it! It is, in a nutshell, soccer for the blind. A sport played on a basketball court, on hands and knees with a ball that has bells. I had never heard of it. But the desire and demand appear to be large. This will be a District project and I am looking forward to seeing it up and going.

1st VDG Tony is preparing to assume the leadership of this great district and has been attending training in Chicago. If you are at all interested in what the district does, contact him and become a part of a dynamic cabinet! 2nd VDG Bonita, Lion Savannah, PDG Mark, Lion Jane and I met with people from Ames (east of Liberty) to start up a new club. I am excited about the potential of this club. PDG Mark is also working on yet another scouting club. How cool is that! Way to go PDG Mark!

I am looking forward to the upcoming club visits, service projects, and fund raisers. Let me know when and where and I will try to attend them.

Blessings to all for all they do

DG Karl Johnson

FEBRUARY 2019

SAVE THE DATES!

Leo Club District Project

Vietnam Rice Collection

Email lytr@aisdpanthers.com

Or click here for more information

<http://lions2s2.org/pdffiles/LeoRice.pdf>

Lake Conroe Centennial

Casino Night

Walden Yacht Club on Lake Conroe

Friday March 29, 5:30 – 9:30

See ad in this newsletter

SEND CONTRIBUTIONS FOR NEWSLETTER BY MARCH 8th TO newsletter@lions2s2.org

TONY'S TALES

There is a lot going on right now in the District and beyond.

Last week I was in Chicago for 4 days of training and a visit to the Headquarters office along with 730 other First Vice District Governors from all over the world. It was a wonderful experience and the training was excellent with a lot of emphasis on the new Service Journey that focuses on our 5 global service areas:



We were lucky to be joined by incoming International President Dr Yung-Sul Choi from South Korea – he addressed us several times and visited us in our classroom. He plans to build on the New Voices initiative started by IP Gudrun with a focus on Diversity. He is a successful businessman but balances his success with a strong commitment to family. He will be a strong leader who will be pushing us to achieve greater goals in the services we provide and grow our clubs by doing that.

Our District has been successful in being awarded an LCIF grant for \$103,000 to assist Kingwood High School with Hurricane Harvey restoration of Special Education materials and a giant video display wall in their gym.

I am fortunate to be part of a team of 16 1VDGs from Texas and we are making plans to move Texas forward. One of our main objectives will be to improve our communications with members. We believe this to be critical in helping us to retain members.

Look for information in coming weeks about our Annual Convention scheduled for Friday/Saturday April 25th/26th.

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

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, Karl Johnson, District Governor, do hereby issue the OFFICIAL Call to Convention for the Annual Convention of Lions Clubs International District 2-S2. Said Convention will be held at the Hilton Houston North Hotel, 12400 Greenspoint Drive, Houston, Texas.

The dates will be April 25th – April 26th. 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.

DG Karl Johnson



CALLING ALL COWGIRLS AND COWBOYS!!!

THIS FRIDAY 22ND!!!



THE
LIGHTHOUSE
OF HOUSTON

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

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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.

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Proceeds to Benefit Lions Charities



**First
Annual**

LAKE CONROE CENTENNIAL LIONS CLUB
Casino Night

DATE: FRIDAY,
MARCH 29, 2019



TIME: 5:30 PM - 9:30 PM

\$40 PER PERSON AT THE DOOR

Includes: \$2,000 Casino Cash

Buffet • Cash Bar • Drawing • Prizes

Live Music • Dancing • Goody Bag • Dessert Table

Location: Walden Yacht Club on Lake Conroe • 13101 Melville Drive, Montgomery, Texas 77356

TICKETS: To Pay Online: (Credit Cards/PayPal) • www.lclcasinonight.eventbrite.com

or Mail Checks to: Lake Conroe Lions Club

P.O. Box 2074 - Montgomery, Texas 77356

Payable to: Lake Conroe Lions Club

For more information: Contact Sharon Cason-Fenske 310.936.9633

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