



# Lions District 2-A2 Newsletter



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Service From the  of Texas!

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## From the District Governor's Desk:

As we begin a new Lions year, I am filled with pride and gratitude for the energy and commitment already shown across our district.

From conducting our first district cabinet meeting and representing District 2-A2 at

the first Council of Governors meeting to responding to the urgent needs created by catastrophic flooding in our communities, our Lions are answering the call to serve with compassion, teamwork, and purpose. I am excited to share a few important updates and reflections from these recent experiences.



## Texas Flood Disaster Relief Efforts Underway

Lions of Texas have always stepped up in times of need—and now is no exception. In the wake of devastating flooding across **Districts 2-A2, 2-A1, and 2-S3**, our commitment to serving communities in crisis is being tested and affirmed.

We are grateful that **Past International President Brian Sheehan** has been appointed as the **LCIF Trustee Advisor** for **MD-2's \$100,000 Major Catastrophe Grant**. His leadership and insight will be instrumental as we move forward with coordinated relief and recovery.

**Immediate Past International President and LCIF Chairperson Fabrício Oliveira** will be visiting Texas the **week of August 17th** to assess the damage firsthand in all three affected districts. His visit underscores the importance of the work we are undertaking—and the level of international support we are receiving.

I am honored to serve as **Chair and a voting member** of the Texas Flood Relief Committee, representing **District 2-A2**. Supporting me from our district are **1VDG Jeffrey Almoney** and **PDG Josh Overfelt**, who serve as **non-voting members**. **District Governors Helen Wilde (2-A1)** and **Dennis Gutierrez (2-S3)** are the other voting members on the committee, with each of their districts also having three committee members. Together, we are collaborating as a team of teams to prioritize transparency, efficiency, and meaningful impact in our response.

The **scope of the damage is staggering**. In **Kerr County (District 2-A2)** alone:

- Nearly **3,000 residential properties** were within the floodplain.
- More than **2,000 buildings** have sustained damage.
- Fewer than **150 properties** had federal flood insurance coverage.
- Over **400 families** have been displaced.
- Estimated **property damage exceeds \$200 million**, and that number is expected to grow to **\$240 million** as assessments continue.

In **San Angelo (District 2-A1)**, the situation is equally heartbreaking:

- Over **1,700 families** have been displaced.
- More than **650 homes** have been **completely destroyed**.

As Lions, our mission is not only to respond—but to rebuild hope. In the coming weeks, we will share more information on how clubs can contribute to relief efforts and help affected families find the support they need.

## District 2-A2 Launches the Year with a Strong Start!

Our First Cabinet Meeting of the 2025–2026 Lions year was held this past July 26th at the **Texas Center for Infectious Disease (TCID)**—and what a powerful kickoff it was!

- ✓ **122 Lions registered and 116 in attendance**
- ✓ **31 of our 59 clubs were represented**
- ✓ **Officer training sessions completed** for Club Presidents, Secretaries, and Treasurers
- ✓ **District goals were presented**, setting a shared vision for the year ahead
- ✓ **\$679 raised** in cash and checks for the residents of TCID
- ✓ **Generous donations of material items** from club members to support the TCID Resident Wish List
- ✓ **35 post-meeting surveys submitted**, giving us valuable insights to shape future meetings and events



Thank you to every Lion who showed up, gave back, asked questions, and helped set the tone for a year of meaningful service. Your presence and participation reflect the strength and unity of our District. Together, we are building momentum—and I could not be more proud to serve alongside you.

### **First Council of Governors Meeting in Kerrville**

July 31<sup>st</sup> through August 2<sup>nd</sup>, I had the honor of attending the **First Council of Governors meeting** in Kerrville alongside **1VDG Jeffrey Almoney** and **2VDG Joe Guerra**. It was a powerful weekend filled with inspiration, collaboration, and service—true to the spirit of what it means to be a Lion.

We were especially privileged to welcome **Justice Brian Stevenson, Past International President 1987-88**, from **Calgary, Alberta, Canada**, as our guest of honor. His words reminded us of the enduring strength and global unity of our organization. We were also excited to connect via Zoom with **International President AP Singh**, who challenged every district in MD-2 to **increase membership by 25 members each month**. It is a tall order—but one that is possible when we work together as a **team of teams**.

In the spirit of service, each district brought **backpacks filled with school supplies** for the children at **Hill Country Youth Ranch in Ingram**. **Lion Maria Guerra, Lion Whitney Livingston, and I** were among the Lions who personally delivered the 65 backpacks to the ranch. It was a touching reminder of why we serve—and how even a simple act of kindness can make a lasting impact. You can watch a video of the delivery [here](#).



## Volunteer Opportunity: Help Raise a Future Guide Dog! 🐾

I recently had the privilege of volunteering with **Guide Dogs of Texas (GDTX)** in San Antonio, supporting their puppy socialization efforts—and it was both heartwarming and inspiring! GDTX currently has **two litters of Labrador puppies**:

- One litter turned **2 weeks old** on August 3rd
- Another reached the **8-week mark**, which means they are ready to begin their journey with Puppy Raisers.



**GDTX is actively seeking volunteers** to assist with *socialization through mid-September*, as well as *Puppy Raisers* who are willing to welcome an 8-week-old puppy into their home and guide them through early training and exposure until they are about 12–16 months old.

✨ All expenses—including food, veterinary care, training, and supplies—are fully covered by GDTX. Volunteers just need to provide a safe, loving environment.

Julie Brooks, GDTX’s Breeding, Client Services, and Volunteer Coordinator, shared that they are also expecting **another litter in the November timeframe**, so ongoing support will be needed.

This is a meaningful opportunity to help raise the next generation of service animals who will one day provide life-changing independence for individuals with visual impairments.

To get involved, visit the GDTX Volunteer Portal:

🔗 <https://volunteer.bloomerang.co/volunteer/#/join-party?k=kqjbilezo2h2jr>

Let’s continue to serve where we are needed—even if that means cuddling puppies for a cause!

### **Step Up and Lead – District Leadership Opportunities Available**

**District 2-A2** is seeking passionate, committed Lions to step up and help lead the way forward. Leadership in our district is not just about titles—it is about making a difference, shaping the future, and serving our communities at a higher level. If you have ever considered getting more involved, **now is the time**.

We currently have the following **vacant leadership positions**:

- **Texas Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center (TLERC) Director**
- **Nominations & Elections Chair**
- **Texas Lions Leadership Forum Chair**
- **District Alert Chair – San Antonio Region**
- **District Alert Chair – Southwest Region**
- **Region 1 Chair – Northwest**

These roles are vital to the success of our mission, and we need dedicated Lions with a heart for service and a vision for impact to step into these positions. We will provide mentorship and support—you will not walk alone.

If you are ready to **lead to serve and serve to lead**, please reach out to me directly.

### **Closing Thoughts**

As we face the challenges ahead—whether rebuilding after disaster, growing our membership, or deepening our impact in our communities—let us remember that leadership begins with service. When we **lead to serve**, we inspire others through our actions. And when we **serve to lead**, we elevate the mission of Lionism by putting others first. Thank you for your dedication, your heart, and your unwavering commitment to making a difference. Together, we lead. Together, we serve.

Yours in Lionism,

*Lion Nanette*

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## **Kerrville Sunrise Lions Foundation - Launched for Flood Relief**

The **Kerrville Sunrise Lions Club** has taken an extraordinary step to support their neighbors in need by officially launching the **Kerrville Sunrise Lions Foundation**, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to **Kerr County flood relief**.

In response to the devastating flooding in the Kerrville, Ingram, and Hunt communities, the club has proactively **distributed needs assessment surveys** to affected areas. So far, **24 families** have returned completed surveys seeking critical assistance—and more are expected.

### **How You Can Help:**

The Kerrville Sunrise Lions Foundation is now **accepting donations** to support these families and help rebuild lives. Donations can be made in two ways:

#### **By Check:**

Kerrville Sunrise Lions Foundation  
PO Box 290508  
Kerrville, TX 78029

#### **Via Cash App:**

[https://cash.app/\\$SunriseLionsFlood?qr=1](https://cash.app/$SunriseLionsFlood?qr=1)

Every dollar makes a difference. Be a part of this **team of teams** effort as we **Lead to Serve, Serve to Lead**—one family, one home, one community at a time.

POC: Lion Amanda DuBose, Kerrville Sunrise Lions Club Flood Relief Co-chair, [kerrvillesunriselions@gmail.com](mailto:kerrvillesunriselions@gmail.com)

**[Forward This Email to a Friend](#)**

## Calendar of Upcoming Events:

### Cabinet and Convention Dates:

Second District Cabinet Meeting	October 4th	Uvalde, Texas
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### Club and Other Events:

LaVernia Lions Club Golf Tournament	October 4th	River Bend Golf Club Floresville, Texas
Del Webb Craft Fair/Alamo Ranch Lions	October 18-19th	4550 Del Webb Blvd San Antonio, Texas

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### Tell Us What You Are Doing

We want our District newsletter to feature more of the wonderful work being done by each of the Lions Clubs in District 2-A2. Please send in articles about your service projects, fundraisers, installations, and member recognitions for inclusion in the monthly newsletter to [newsletter@district2a2.org](mailto:newsletter@district2a2.org). Articles must be submitted by the 28th of the month to be included in the following month's newsletter.

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**ALAMO HEIGHTS LIONS CLUB & TEXAS LIONS EYEGLASS RECYCLING CTR**  
**Free Postage to Mail Eyeglasses to the Texas Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center**  
by Lion Norman Fulkerson

The USPS Publication 347 dated October 2015 spells out how to mail glasses for recycling to the Texas Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center in Midland, Texas.

The publication states that individuals and noncommercial organizations which serve eligible persons (i.e., those who require glasses). No advertising is allowed.

The box or envelope must NOT be sealed. The boxes must have the words "FREE MATTER FOR THE BLIND OR THE HANDICAPPED" in the upper right corner of the address side of the envelope or parcel where postage is normally placed. The words may be printed, rubber stamped or handwritten. See the form below.

The mail is not considered a specific class of mail. If you wish to insure the item, you may pay the required insurance fee.

The Postmaster at my Post Office says they will accept boxes up to the size of a Banker's box or the size of the box that comes with 10 reams of paper. I have found the 10-ream paper box weighs about 20pounds when full of eyeglasses.

You may use the form below by cutting off the bottom of this page to use as the required label.

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FREE MATTER FOR THE BLIND OR HANDICAPPED MAILING

From: \_\_\_\_\_

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FREE MATTER FOR THE BLIND OR  
THE HANDICAPPED

To: Texas Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center  
2550 Flynt Ave.  
Midland, TX 79701

## Note From Jeffrey Almoney, Our First Vice District Governor:

Greetings Fellow Lions,

I regret that I was unable to attend our District's first Cabinet Meeting—I was in Pennsylvania and had a business presentation there that evening. However, my time there wasn't without some meaningful Lions connections. I had the pleasure of reconnecting with several Lion friends and participating in a few of their local events.

One event that truly stood out was the **New Freedom Lions Club's Annual Carnival**, which has been a community tradition for 66 years. It's always impressive to see how much impact one club can make—raising thousands of dollars each year to support their local community. While there, I enjoyed catching up with FVDG Patti Wurzbacher and her husband, Wayne. I also stopped by the **York Springs Lions Club** food booth at the Blueberry Festival—another great example of Lions serving with pride.





More recently, I attended the **First Council of Governors Meeting** in Kerrville. The First District Governors hosted a Hawaiian Luau dinner for the Second Vice District Governors, giving us a fun opportunity to connect and build relationships. The rest of the weekend was filled with valuable training and breakout sessions that left us energized and better equipped for the year ahead.



As the District Global Extension Team (GET) Coordinator, I'm excited to share one of our **key goals**: launching three new clubs and one branch club within our district. During the Council of Governors meeting, we also had a video call with Lions Clubs International President A.P. Singh, where the Texas Council of Governors committed to forming 40 new clubs across the state. President Singh was energized by this ambitious goal and looks forward to seeing everyone at the State Convention.

If you know of an area that could benefit from a new club or branch, please reach out. Your input could help us expand our service and strengthen our impact across more communities.

I'm looking forward to visiting clubs throughout District 2-A2 in the coming months and seeing all the amazing work our Lions are doing.

In service and friendship,

*Lion Jeffrey*

First Vice District Governor  
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## **Note From Joseph Guerra, Our Second Vice District Governor:**

Hello District 2-A2,

Once again, I get to talk to each and every one of you, I am happy to report as Governor Nan has stated, we had a very successful cabinet meeting and it was great interacting with the many Lions from across District 2-A2, enjoying our time together is special. I really enjoyed the location, and their hospitality was fantastic, and the food was great.

We have also returned the Council of Governors meeting in Kerrville where we received additional training. The new international president spoke to us by zoom and praised us for being number 1 in the nation in growth.

Now let us talk about the business of Lionism in District 2-A2, As I stated last month, we are starting the year on a positive note. But that can change very easily. We are a district with many seniors, I myself am approaching 75, and with that thought in mind it is important to consider where our pool of new Lions will come from. I am a proponent of reaching out to empty nestors who have a need to seek other avenues to fulfill their life and what better way to do it is to become a Lion and give it back to a community that is always in need.

The question is how do I find these people, well the answer is simply "Ask" to strike up a conversation as you go through your day there is always someone willing to talk and to listen show them your excitement at being a Lion and the service you provide.

We have a great deal to accomplish this year; we need 166 new members and 3 new clubs. There are new and more rigorous guidelines for achieving the Club Excellence Award for next year so please, officers, review the guidelines at the Lion Portal.

I have heard from 3 Lions clubs in my group that have invited me to come to their club meetings, I have reached out to many of you through email if you are interested in me in coming for a visit please reach out to me by email at [joemg3@yahoo.com](mailto:joemg3@yahoo.com), in most cases my wife who is a region chair will accompany me especially if your club is out of town.

Thank you for your service.

Yours in service,

*Lion Joe*

Second Vice District Governor  
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## Note From Lion Marlene Patton – Global Service Team

### SERVICE FROM THE OF TEXAS

It was great seeing so many of you at the 2025-2026 First Cabinet Meeting in San Antonio. When I asked how many of you had already participated in a service project or were in the planning stage for one, almost every attendee raised their hand! Moments like that remind me why I'm proud to be a Lion ... especially a Lion of District 2-A2. If your club attended that meeting and participated with donations (cash check, or goods) to the Texas Center for Infectious Disease (TCID) or made donations to Flood Relief efforts, thank you! Please be sure to post that service to the Lions portal.

We recognized the Devine Lions Club for their participation in Project Breeze. They purchased box fans and donated them to residents in need during the early July heat wave. Their Project Breeze was the first service project reported to the Lions Portal in Lion year 2025-2026. Congratulations Devine Lions Club!



Each month I'll be highlighting a club for a service project posted to the portal. If selected, I will contact you for photos and more information about your event.

**Our district goal is that 90% of clubs report service to the portal.** We can do it! I'm confident 100% of our clubs do service every year. ROAR. If you are having trouble reporting, please contact me, PDG Janie Garza, or your zone chair ... we're here to help.



Please start planning how your club will participate in 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.

## Mark your calendars

### Mental health and well-being

October 4-12, 2025

### Hunger

January 3-11, 2026

### Environment

April 18-26, 2026

Plan now to be part of the October Week of Service for Mental Health and Well-Being. Participate in a service project in your community and/or participate in our District-wide service project at the Second Cabinet Meeting in Uvalde! What a difference we will make in our communities and our district when we all act together toward a single goal!



Don't forget to sign up for the Walk to End Alzheimer's on November 8<sup>th</sup> at Fiesta, TX. Our team's name is Lions District 2-A2. Wear your Lion shirt or vest, bring your family, friends, and well-behaved dogs, and join us in a fun event for an important cause. You can sign up here:

[https://act.alz.org/site/TR?fr\\_id=18937&pg=team&team\\_id=937782](https://act.alz.org/site/TR?fr_id=18937&pg=team&team_id=937782)

Contact me at any time to share your stories and photos of service, or if you have questions or concerns.

Keep posting your service projects to the Lions Portal. Let's hit our 90% goal this quarter!

*Lion Marlene*

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## Spotlight on Texas Lions Camp – Lion Ann Ward, TLC Board Chair

For more than a decade, I have heard that Texas Lions Camp is one of the “best kept secrets,” and as the 2025-26 Chair of the TLC Board, I want to change that!

The July 4<sup>th</sup> floods in the Kerrville area – and the tragic loss of lives, especially at some of the summer camps for children located on the Guadalupe River – certainly raised the profile of Kerrville and the camps in its proximity. Unfortunately, this likely has made our task of recruiting campers even more difficult because we will have to overcome some parents’ fear of summer camping in Kerrville. Thankfully, TLC was spared, and as Lions, we need to let parents know that our camp is located on high ground, safe from flood-prone areas.

When I think about how to spread the word about TLC, the children’s gospel song, “This Little Light of Mine,” comes to mind. Together, we can spotlight TLC, and “let TLC’s Light Shine” in 2025-26.

The TLC Executive Committee will focus on three areas this year:

- Improve communication with the Lions of Texas and with the general public. Our purposes are to recruit campers, build brand awareness, strengthen the value of TLC to the Lions of Texas, and to increase philanthropic support. As your TLC chair, I will be providing a monthly article to each District for inclusion in a newsletter, or other distribution.
- Enhance support of our Elected Directors and help amplify their important roles. We are inviting the IPDGs and active past TLC chairmen to join us in building excitement and interest in camp.
- TLC will continue to improve its philanthropic giving programs, to increase foundation grants/bequests/donations, and to prepare for a capital campaign in 2026. With the demolition of several structures in August, we will move forward with completing the bunkhouse quad behind the dining hall with the addition of the remaining two bunkhouses. This continues implementation of the Master Plan to create four camps on one campus.

Our goals are to have next season fully occupied with campers and to have more Texas Lions visit camp throughout the year. Come check out *your* camp!

I welcome your input and suggestions, and I am available to visit your district. Please contact me at [lionannward@gmail.com](mailto:lionannward@gmail.com).

*Lion Ann*

Lion Ann Ward  
2025-26 Chair, Texas Lions Camp Board  
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LaVernia Lions Club – 24th Annual Golf Tournament – October 4th



# LA VERNIA LIONS CLUB



## 24TH ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

**SATURDAY  
OCT. 4**



**8:30 AM  
TEE TIME**

**4 PERSON SCRAMBLE  
CASH PRIZES FOR TEAMS  
\$40 PLAYERS POOL OPTION**

**FREE MEAL PROVIDED TO PARTICIPANTS  
FOLLOWING THE TOURNAMENT.**

**RIVER BEND  
GOLF CLUB  
FLORESVILLE**

**FOR MORE  
INFORMATION  
VISIT AND  
REGISTER HERE**



**All Proceeds Benefit the La Vernia  
Lions Club Charitable Giving Fund.**

### **Sponsorships Available**

**\$1,000 Platinum** (4-person team, individual banner & 2 hole sponsor)  
**\$750 Gold** (4-person team, shared banner at event and 2 hole sponsors)  
**\$500 Silver** (4-person team and 1 hole sponsor)  
**\$300 Closest to the Pen (2 Available) and Longest Drive(1 Available)**  
**\$250 Bronze** (Two Hole Sponsor) **\$150** (One Hole Sponsor)  
**Door Prize Donors Wanted**

For more information: Kasie Tankersley, 830-243-1386,  
Frank Pruski, 210-260-1241 and Steve Mays, 210-380-6572

**WWW.LAVERNIALIONS.ORG**

**GOLF@LAVERNIALIONS.ORG**

**Alamo Ranch Lions Club – Arts & Craft Festival – October 18th and 19th**

**Join us for the 15th Annual  
Del Webb Hill Country Retreat  
Arts and Crafts Festival**

**Over 50 Vendors!  
Find beautiful, unique handcrafted gifts**

October 18, 2025 10am - 4pm

4550 Del Webb Blvd

October 19, 2025 11am - 3pm

San Antonio, TX 78253

Open to the Public  
FREE Parking, FREE Admission

Food & snacks available for purchase  
provided by Alamo Ranch Lions Club



<https://aralhcr.my.canva.site/>

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Ranch Artists League

## San Antonio Northside Lions Club - We Serve

### We Serve by Picking Up

Northside Lions at our 4th Saturday June Adopt a Spot are Lions Gary Morrison, Arthur Browne, Jr., Roy Vale, Harvey Krape, Jerre Williams, and Chuck Pantusa. Being together picks up our spirits as well as provides another way of serving our community. We then adjourned to Press Coffee, where we were given the opportunity to serve in a unique way. A lady sees us sitting outside and asks would we be willing



to take care of her dog while she goes inside to place her order. Lion Chuck says sure, so we have the pleasure of Ridley's company until the lady gets her order and comes outside. Lion Chuck gives her information about items we are collecting which she can give to her

sister who is the dog's owner. Lion Chuck never misses a beat to promote Northside Lions and what we do.

New Northside Lion Jannel Gonzalez (right) brings our first program of the Lions year. Kerrville native Jannel was a Texas Lions Camp Counselor from 2009-2013. She is employed by Keller Williams as the Regional Tech Trainer for the South Texas region. Lion Jannel has a heart for service to others and found us through the Internet.

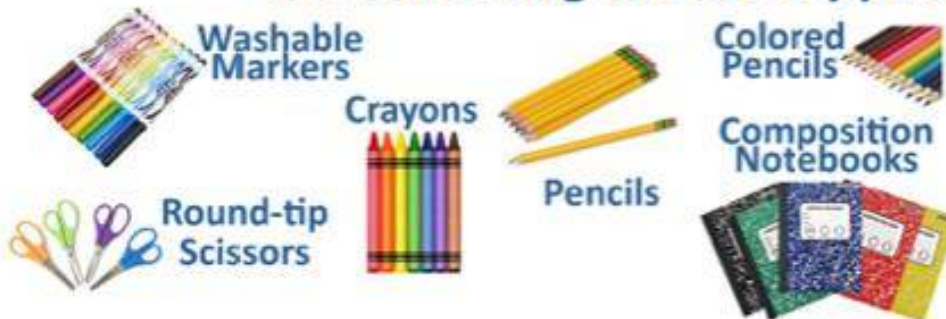


# San Antonio Northside Lions Club – Collecting School Supplies



SCAN TO CONTACT US

*The Northside Lions Club as part of the Community Partners of Larkspur Elementary are collecting school supplies*



Donations accepted for purchase of supplies & electric pencil sharpeners  
Cash or check (made out to the Northside Lions Club)

@Charles-Pantusa



**venmo**



**PRESS COFFEE @ The Enclave**

11103 West Ave., Suite 302 San Antonio, Tx 78213

June 28<sup>th</sup>, July 26<sup>th</sup>

August 26<sup>th</sup> & September 27<sup>th</sup>

**9:00 to 11:00 am**

*Do you have eye glasses sitting in a drawer or closet that you don't wear anymore? Or a box or bag of glasses you've been storing for too long?*

*Please bring them to donate to our state-wide eye glass recycling center so someone in need can receive the gift of clear sight*



Texas Lions Camp  
Lions Low Vision Center  
Vision & Diabetes Screening

**WHERE THERE'S A NEED,  
THERE'S A LION**

For more information about donations, membership, and volunteer opportunities, please visit us at: <https://sanorthsidelions.org/>

or please contact:

Lion Chuck Pantusa  
[Chuck.Pantusa@gmail.com](mailto:Chuck.Pantusa@gmail.com)  
210-275-2685 mobile



# Sign Up, Step Up, Catch Up



## For Century Club - It's "Service from the Heart"

If you aren't a member of the TLC Century Club, please "Sign Up"; if you are a member, consider "Stepping Up" to the next level; and if you were a member but dropped out, consider "Catching Up" (i.e., come back in).

**What is Texas Lions Camp Century Club?** It's an individual annual giving program, and as such, it is giving from your own heart, independent of Club budgets or fund raisers. It is one of the life bloods of our operating budget, that in normal times sends up to 1500 children with special needs to Texas Lions Camp each summer, and yet less than 5% of Texas Lions are members.

**Who can be a Century Club Member?** Anyone can be a member. You don't have to be a Lion. It can be family or friends. You can even be a non-Texan, but it is our Texas Lions who are the backbone of the Century Club.

**What does it cost to be a member?** You can give your gift annually, or you can give monthly. A Bronze member is \$100 (\$10 if monthly); Silver is \$250; Gold \$500; Diamond is \$1,000; & Ambassador is \$5,000. Membership automatically renews each year, so members should join with the intention of making their same gift each year or even increasing their level.

**How do I enroll or Step Up?** Go to [www.lionscamp.com](http://www.lionscamp.com), click on "Get Involved" and go to "Donate Now". There you will find "Ways to Give". Click that open and select "Century Club". If you scroll down, you will see the option to enroll online or to download and print out the form to send to the Camp directly.

**Sign Up, Step Up, Catch Up** is a drive to beef up our Century Club membership for the Texas Lions Camp, as a birthday present to Texas Lions Camp on its 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2024. Today we have half the number of Texas Lions, supporting twice the number of campers at over twice the cost, as we did some 30 years ago. If we reach our goal of an increase of \$60/mo. among the members of EACH club in Texas, we will generate an additional of \$575,000 ANNUALLY, which would generate 15% of our operating budget, and help us keep serving our special children into the future.

A \$60 increase from the members of each Texas Club is doable. "Signing Up" as a new Bronze member is a \$10/mo. increase (\$100 if pd. ann.); a new Silver is \$21/mo. (\$250/yr.); a Gold is \$42/mo.(\$500); etc. Likewise, "Stepping Up" from Bronze to Silver is an \$11/mo. increase; Bronze to Gold is a \$32/mo. increase; going from Silver to Gold is a \$21/mo. increase, etc.

**\$575,000/year – now that's some 75<sup>th</sup> Birthday present!**


**There's a saying at TLC that "ALL CAN DO". Yes, Texas Lions, \$60/mo./club. WE CAN DO IT.**



# A COUPLE OF TIPS FOR WORKING WITH THE LION PORTAL

To Begin take a look at the Home Page of Lions International at:

[www.lionsclubs.org](http://www.lionsclubs.org), [Lions Clubs Membership](#) | [Lions Clubs International](#)

And click on “Member Log In” 



## THEN —> How do I register for Lion Portal?

If you have an existing account, all your data has already been transferred and the email address you'll use to login has not changed. You will only need to setup a new Lion Portal password.

Follow the steps below to begin accessing the new Lion Portal:

1. Go to the Lion Account login page and sign in using your existing credentials, this will transfer you to the new Lion Portal
2. Here, you can either enter your current password or create a new one
3. From there, you'll be able access and begin using the new Lion Portal

Still not able to access your new Lion Portal account? Get in touch with the Member Service Center.

**Member Service Center phone number:**

+1 630-468-6900

**Member Service Center email:**

[lionsupport@lionsclubs.org](mailto:lionsupport@lionsclubs.org)

**Then Check Out**

**TRAINING VIDEOS to  
get a good start**



**TWO OF THE FIRST THAT YOU WANT TO LOOK AT ARE:**

[Navigating Lion Portal as a Lion or Leo \(youtube.com\)](#) and

[Navigating Lion Portal as a Leader \(youtube.com\)](#)

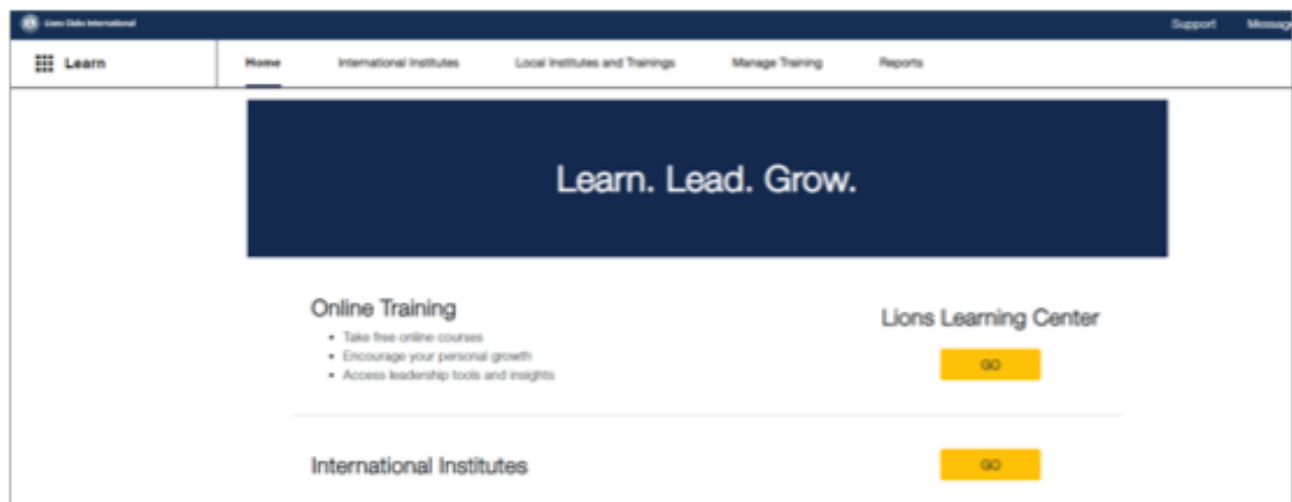
## •GUIDELINES FOR EVERY *LIONS CLUB PRESIDENT*

•The beginning of learning about the role of Lions Club Vice President and President can be found at [LCI - lionsclubs.org](http://LCI-lionsclubs.org) in the e-Book at

[md\\_glEW1O9UElw3.jpg.pdf \(webdamdb.com\)](#) OR at the District 2-A2 website - [District2a2.org](http://District2a2.org) at the Menu Choice called "DOCUMENTS" >> "TRAINING DOCUMENTS" At the same page at the District Website are e-Books for guidance in working as CLUB SECRETARY and CLUB TREASURER as well as guidance for several other key positions.

## **BEYOND THE BASICS**

Lions Clubs International also provides a wide range of educational resources to help in specific topic areas which are located at the LIONS PORTAL under the Tab heading called "LEARN". At "LEARN", LCI offers a host of resources and tracks each Lion's coursework which enables all of us and, especially, our District Leadership, to know the extent and level of training received. 'LEARN' looks like:



All of the topics are online and self-taught at whatever pace works for you. From the headings in the picture, you can see that there are multi-levels of learning from basic to institutional.

## **LOCAL RESOURCES**

If, however, you as a Club Officer are looking for guidance at a more local level, know that your District Global Leadership Team is here to assist. Your first call should be to your Zone Chair who serves as your immediate connection to the GLT.

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