



Lions District 2-A2 Newsletter



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Service From the  of Texas!

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Celebrating a Month of Connection and Service:

October was a powerful reminder of the heart of Lionism—service, fellowship, and community. From my club visits to special district events, I continue to be inspired by the creativity, dedication, and compassion of Lions across District 2-A2.



This month, I had the privilege of joining the **Northside Lions** and the **Bandera Lions**, witnessing firsthand how each club tailors its service to meet community needs. Whether through health initiatives, fundraising socials, or member recognition, each visit reaffirmed that our clubs are the heartbeat of our district.

At my home club's **Casino Night** on October 14, Lion Bill Kosnik's generous donation of his prize from last year's Lions Sight Research Foundation Valentine's Game Night turned into an opportunity to host a fun, social, and pseudo-recruiting event. It was a perfect example of how service and fellowship can blend seamlessly—reminding prospective members that Lions not only serve but also share friendship and joy.



The following day, at the **Edgewood Lions Club Fall Social**, I had the honor of presenting the **Club Excellence Award for 2024-2025** to Lion Joe Guerra, alongside LCI recognitions for PCC Mike Rourke and IPDG Rose Ann Barajas. The evening was made even more special by the induction of 18-year-old **Lion Natalie Puente**, joined by her proud mother and sponsor, Lion Jessica Puente. Seeing a new generation step forward to continue our legacy of service was both touching and inspiring.



And on October 18, the **Eagle Pass Border** and **Eagle Pass Evening Lions Clubs** co-hosted their *Stride for Sight* event—another shining example of collaboration and community impact. (See more photos here: [Eagle Pass Business Journal Post](#) – and help promote this event by linking to your club’s Facebook). Together, these clubs demonstrated what happens when Lions unite for a common cause: lives are touched, awareness grows, and communities thrive.



From Awareness to Action: Building on Our October Week of Service

Our **October 4–12 Week of Service for Mental Health** was more than a series of activities, it was a statement of compassion. Across the district, clubs found meaningful ways to raise awareness, support those struggling, and remind our communities that mental health matters.



But service doesn't end with one campaign. As we move toward the holidays, I encourage every club to keep that energy alive. Mental health challenges often deepen during this time of year. Loneliness, financial stress, and grief can weigh heavily on families and individuals. As Lions, our role is to see those needs and to respond with empathy and action.

On **November 1**, I participated in the *American Foundation for Suicide Prevention's* **Out of the Darkness Walk** in San Antonio. The experience was deeply moving and reinforced the importance of continuing our focus on mental health throughout the year. The AFSP welcomes volunteers and supporters year-round; learn more at supporting.afsp.org/home



Understanding the Challenge: The Economy, Mental Health, and Hunger

As we enter the holiday season, it's important to recognize the growing challenges families face. The Texas not-seasonally-adjusted unemployment rate for August 2025 was **4.7%**, slightly above the national rate of 4.5%. In the San Antonio area, unemployment rose from 3.9% in July to 4.4% in August.

These numbers may seem small, but they tell a larger story—one of financial pressure, food insecurity, and emotional strain. Economic instability and mental health are closely linked:

- **Food Insecurity** increases as inflation and job loss stretch family budgets.
- **Mental Health** suffers under financial stress and uncertainty.
- **Nutritional Decline** often follows, as families turn to cheaper, less nutritious food—affecting both physical and cognitive well-being.

It's a cycle that can turn the holiday season into a time of hardship rather than joy. And that's where we, as Lions, can make a difference.

A Call to Action: Serving Through the Holidays

Let's channel the spirit of our October service into a **Season of Giving** that bridges to our next global cause focus: **the January 3–11 Week of Service for Hunger**.

Between now and the new year, there are countless ways for Lions to extend hope, share joy, and bring light into the lives of others. Here are just a few examples of what Lions in District 2-A2 are already doing—and ideas to inspire your own club:

- **Windcrest Lions** craft homemade Christmas cards and ornaments to deliver to nursing home residents, followed by caroling and fellowship.
- **China Grove Lions** prepare “Christmas Dinner in a Box” (two boxes, actually!) for families facing food insecurity.
- Lions across the district volunteer with the **San Antonio Food Bank**, ensuring that families have access to nutritious meals. (Learn more at safoodbank.org)
- Clubs are participating in **Wreaths Across America** on December 13, honoring our fallen heroes by placing wreaths on veterans' graves. (Details at wreathscrossamerica.org)
- Many will also help with the **HEB Feast of Sharing** on December 20, bringing food and fellowship to thousands of families.

Every one of these acts—large or small—makes a real difference. Service doesn't have to be grand to be impactful; it only has to be heartfelt.

Looking Ahead: Hunger Relief in the New Year

Our **January Week of Service for Hunger (January 3–11)** offers another opportunity to mobilize our district around one of the most fundamental human needs—access to food. Hunger touches every community, and addressing it not only nourishes bodies but also restores dignity and hope.

I encourage clubs to start planning now:

- Partner with local food pantries, schools, or faith organizations.
- Host food drives that include healthy, shelf-stable options.
- Support community gardens or farm-to-table programs.
- Educate your communities about the link between nutrition, health, and well-being.

When we fight hunger, we fight for the future health and stability of our communities.

Closing Thoughts: Lions Leading with Heart

As we head into the final months of the year, I am filled with gratitude for the passion, creativity, and resilience of our Lions. You embody the true meaning of our motto, **“We Serve.”**

Whether it’s lifting the spirits of an isolated senior, feeding a hungry family, or supporting someone struggling silently with mental health challenges, every act of service strengthens the bonds that make our communities—and our district—stronger.

Let’s carry forward the warmth of October’s service and the light of the holidays into the new year. Together, we can transform compassion into action and challenges into opportunities to serve.

Thank you for all that you do, and for the heart you bring to Lionism every single day.

With pride and gratitude,

Lion Nanette

District Governor

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Calendar of Upcoming Events:

Cabinet and Convention Dates:

Mid-Winter Conference	January 16-17th	Fredericksburg, Texas
District Convention	April 10-11th	Eagle Pass, Texas

Club and Other Events:

Walk to End Alzheimer's	November 8th	Fiesta Texas San Antonio, Texas
LSRF Valentine's Game Night	February 14th	St. Gregory's Catholic San Antonio, Texas

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. Articles must be submitted by the 28th of the month to be included in the following month's newsletter.

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.

FREE MATTER FOR THE BLIND OR HANDICAPPED MAILING

From: _____

FREE MATTER FOR THE BLIND OR
THE HANDICAPPED

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

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

A Season of Gratitude and Service-

November invites us to pause and reflect on all that we're thankful for. As Lions, we express our gratitude not only in words, but through action.

Hunger remains one of our most important global causes, and this season offers a meaningful opportunity to live out our motto, **We Serve**. Whether it's collecting nonperishable goods, sponsoring a community meal, or preparing Thanksgiving baskets, each effort reminds others that they are valued and not forgotten.

As we gather with family and friends this month, let's also extend our gratitude outward—to neighbors, friends, and even strangers who may need a helping hand. When we share our thankfulness through service, we not only nourish others but also enrich our own hearts.

October Highlights

October was a wonderful month filled with service, fellowship, and fun! I had the pleasure of serving alongside my home club, the **Alamo Ranch Lions Club**, at the **Alamo Ranch Health and Safety Fair**, where we provided vision screenings through the Mobile Eye Screening Unit (MESU). We also supported the Alamo Ranch Artist League craft show by running the snack bar—a great opportunity to serve our community and share our Lion pride.

I enjoyed a lively evening with the **Windcrest Lions Club** during their Casino Night and dinner. It was a fantastic event filled with good food, laughter, and fellowship

I also attended the **Edgewood Lions Club** Fall Social, where I had the pleasure of hearing about their ongoing projects and celebrating their many accomplishments. Their enthusiasm and dedication to service truly embody what it means to be a Lion.

Another highlight of the month was attending the **District's Second Cabinet Meeting**. It was inspiring to hear about all the incredible service happening throughout our district. Participating in the fun service project to bring smiles to others was a special treat, and as always, it was wonderful reconnecting with old friends and meeting new ones.

In service and friendship,

Lion Jeffrey

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

Hello Lions of District 2A-2,

I hope the year has been good for you so far. It is November and the season is up upon us. Let's talk about what has happened so far. As many of you know, Boss Lion Floyd of the Edgewood Lions has been hospitalized since late September. He is doing better but progress is slow, so please keep him in your thoughts and prayers as you go about your everyday affairs. Our times together are a blink of the eye.

My Partner in service and I had the opportunity to attend the 100th anniversary of Lions Field in San Antonio. For those of you don't know, the land for the park was donated to the City of San Antonio by the San Antonio Founders Lions Club. The city built the park and the facility. It functioned as a meeting place for a number of years and now is a senior center run by the San Antonio Parks And Recreation Department.



I attended the Governors cabinet meeting in Uvalde where we reviewed our achievements of the past month we have had some growth, and we continue to do so. The latest statistics from Lions Portal are as follows:

Total Membership	Dropped Members	Members Added	Net Gain	Net Growth %
1,455	25	44	19	1.31%

Another Item discussed was the potential for the Lions of District 2A2 to Participate in the San Antonio Fiesta Battle of Flowers (day) Parade. I am currently working on the application for the parade. Below is the concept design I created with ChatGPT. The approximate cost is \$10,000 and since this is a non-budgeted item it will have to be paid through donations from the clubs. The plan is that each club will have a participant marching in the parade with the float.



And finally, congratulations to PCC Lion Mike Rourke at achieving 80 years young with a majority of those years being a Lion and Founding Member of the San Antonio Edgewood Lions.

Lead to Serve, Serve to Lead,

Lion Joe

Second Vice District Governor
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The PID Mike Butler Ambassador of Service Award - Nominations



ANNOUNCING: THE PID M.P. MIKE BUTLER AMBASSADOR OF SERVICE AWARD

***The District PDG's, once again, invite District Clubs
to nominate their very special, eligible, Members
to receive the PID M.P. MIKE BUTLER AMBASSADOR OF SERVICE AWARD***

CRITERIA FOR NOMINATION AND SELECTION:

1. A member must have been a member in good standing for a minimum of 15 years.
2. The member may not have been inducted into the District 2-A2 Herb Petry Hall of Fame
3. The member may not have served as District Governor.
4. The member must be nominated by his/her club and voted as an awardee by a majority of PDG Association members.
5. A Club may nominate one member per year using Resolution format on Club letterhead. That nomination may remain current for a three year period. The Club may not nominate another member until the prior nominee has been awarded, three year term has run out, or the member has expired. **Nomination is to be submitted no later than the close of the Annual Mid- Winter Conference in January.**

Other Stated Qualifications: (Enumerated, and accompanying Nomination Resolution)

- PROVEN LEADERSHIP AS A CLUB OFFICER AND CLUB PROJECT LEADER
- DEDICATED TO THE GROWTH OF THEIR CLUB THROUGH THEIR SPONSORSHIP AND GUIDING OF OTHER CLUB MEMBERS TOWARD THEIR OWN PERSONAL SUCCESS AS LIONS
- RECOGNITION FOR ETHICS ABOVE REPROACH AND AS AN INDIVIDUAL OF HIGH MORAL CHARACTER
- RECOGNIZED SERVICE BEYOND THE CLUB ENVIRONMENT THAT MAY INCLUDE MILITARY OR OTHER PUBLIC SERVICE OR LIONISTIC SERVICE BEYOND THE CLUB LEVEL

NOTE: The elements of these criteria have been endorsed by PID Butler and are based on his personal strong beliefs that District 2-A2 should always make great efforts to uplift and remember the long serving "Grass Roots" members that sacrifice and serve through their Clubs.

OTHER:

No more than a total of four awards may be presented each year.

The award is a handsomely designed medal with pin and ribbon and is presented with an accompanying congratulatory letter.

The cost of the awards will be borne by the PDG Association and the awards will be presented at the District Convention at the same ceremony as the Herb Petry Hall of Fame Induction.

Mail Club Nominations to PDG Sam Pantusa 4502 Centerview, Suite 120 San Antonio Tx 78228
For Information—PDG Sam Pantusa (210) 326 3915 or Email: spantusa@yahoo.com

NOTICE - District 2-A2 Hall of Fame Nominations



The District 2-A2 PDG Association is accepting Resolutions for Lions to be considered for the District 2-A2 Hall of Fame.

Resolutions must be received by the end of our Mid-Winter Conference on January 17, 2026.

**Please forward all Resolutions to:
PCC Michael “Mike” Rourke,
Chairman, District 2-A2 Hall of Fame Committee at:
pccmikemd2@sbcglobal.net**

HERB C. PETRY, JR. “HALL OF FAME” REQUIREMENTS

Elevation of Lions of District 2-A2 into the Hall of Fame is bestowed upon one who has been outstanding in using their time, talents and resources to further the cause of humanitarian service. Selection is made by the Hall of Fame Committee.

Minimum standards to qualify are:

- Be an active member with at least 15 years of service.
- Having provided outstanding and dedicated service to Lionism.
- Having provided other than Lionistic service to the community, state, and nation.
- Having accomplished special achievements in, or contributed to, humanitarian service for those less fortunate, and
- Not having solicited in any manner for this recognition, which automatically eliminates the soliciting candidate for that year.

Note From Lion Josh Overfelt – District 2-A2 LCIF Coordinator

I hope your summer was good and you are looking forward to real fall weather, not “False Fall” we are getting ready to experience.

This Lion Year, I am serving as the District 2-A2 LCIF Coordinator. My job is to let clubs know about the importance of LCIF and what it has to offer our organization. A brief history and description of the Foundation is as follows:

“The story of LCIF is epic filled with unlimited compassion and tireless support of Lions service. Founded in 1968, the mission of LCIF is to:

"Empower Lions clubs, volunteers, and partners to improve health and well-being, strengthen communities, and support those in need through humanitarian services and grants that impact lives globally, and encourage peace and international understanding."

“For more than 50 years, we’ve dedicated our energies to increasing the ability of Lions everywhere, helping them empower the communities they serve. With every grant we give, our history grows, along with the impact of Lions. Today, we couldn’t be more proud of where we stand, or more excited about the future of our work.” – LCIF Website

When a Lion thinks of LCIF we tend to think of disaster response and aid. This is a major part of the LCIF mission. On July 4, 2025, the Guadalupe River went on a historic flash flood rise in the early morning hours, devastating communities along the river from Hunt, Kerrville, Center Point, and Comfort. The rain system also inundated San Angelo and the area of Leander and its surrounding area. Within hours of the waters receding LCIF Area leaders and Coordinators for 3 districts began applying for emergency grants. MD2 was awarded a \$100,000 Major Catastrophe Grant, and 2-A2 was awarded an immediate emergency grant for \$15,000. The governors from the affected areas will manage these grants as the rebuilding effort begins.

These grants are made possible via your donations to LCIF. You can make personal donations, or your club can make one in the club's name. Personal donations will also earn you credits towards a Melvin Jones Fellowship or a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellowship. Clubs that donate and accrue over \$1,000 in donations will be eligible to give those fellowships as well. Any amount helps, as every dollar goes back to those in need. Not to a CEO or advertising but to those who need it. That is what makes our Foundation unique. If interested in donating, you can donate here:

<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/donate>

I am available to come speak to your clubs about LCIF if you have any questions. Please get ahold of me at the info below.

Lion Josh

LCIF Coordinator


Josh Overfelt

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Note From Lion Marlene Patton – Global Service Team

SERVICE FROM THE OF TEXAS

More amazing service from District 2-A2 Lions! Thanks to every club that participated in the first District Service Pop-Up in Uvalde. I was excited at the generous contributions from the Amazon Wish List and those who brought items or cash donations on the day of the event. And to all the Lions who wrote Halloween Cards and filled the gift bags – ROAR! Special thanks to the Uvalde Lions who perfectly orchestrated the delivery of the gift bags ... and to the Del Rio Lady Educators for completing way more than their fair share of cards with such encouraging, fun messages!

We received this wonderful message and photos from UHRC – “Such a sweet and thoughtful gift from our friends at the Lion District 2-A2 Global Service Team (GAT) for these fun Halloween bags. We are so grateful for your kind hearts. ”



The presentations at the District meeting in Uvalde by the Kerrville Clubs were an example of what Service from the Heart of Texas is all about. Please continue to support this continuing relief effort that is bringing help and encouragement to so many still suffering the effects of devastating flooding. **Sunshine Lions of Kerrville's** charitable 501(c)3 can react quickly to individual needs. They team with area stores to get the best return on your donations, so please continue your generous contributions!



There is so much happening in the District, I can't cover it all. I want to highlight this event:

“October 9th was a wonderful day for the **SA First Ladies Lions Club**. We were blessed to be able to provide a luncheon for our Fireman at Fire Station #7, for all the wonderful service they do in our community. This is what we do best “Serve”.



Look at all these Lions out and about – serving their communities! Please remember to **post your service to the Lions Portal!** If you'd like your service project highlighted, please send me photos and info!



Clubs working together to support military veterans in their community! Our District continues to set the example of "Stronger Together" Service! Congratulations Del Rio clubs for working with each other and other groups to create a fantastic event for those who served our nation!



A collage of images and text. At the top left is a group photo of several people. Below it is the text 'Del Rio Host Lions Club'. In the center is a large red banner with the text 'HONORING ALL WHO SERVED' in white, set against a background of the American flag. To the right is a circular image of a Lions Club logo with the text 'INTERNATIONAL' and the number '9'. Below that is the text 'San Felipe Lions'. At the bottom left is a logo for 'DEL RIO Lady Educators Lions Club est. 2024' featuring a sunflower and a lion. At the bottom right is another group photo with the text 'Del Rio Amistad Lions' and a Lions Club logo.



**SERVICE FROM THE
HEART OF TEXAS -- WE
SERVE TOGETHER**

ROAR from Lion Marlene, proudly serving as District 2-A2 GST

Lion Marlene

Lion Marlene Patton
District 2-A2 GST
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marpatton@aol.com

Texas Lions Camp - 2026 Workdays – Registration is Open – Lion Ann Ward

Registration for the 2026 Texas Lions Camp Workdays is now open. Lions Clubs are encouraged to attend and bring families and potential members to experience the fun and comradery of preparing TLC for summer camp. Workdays are scheduled for:

- Saturday, March 7
- Saturday, March 28 (to avoid Easter)
- Saturday, May 2

As usual, TLC will provide breakfast and lunch on each Saturday, and free, on-site accommodations in the bunkhouses will be available (although you need to bring your own linens/pillows, etc.).

TLC will provide essential materials and equipment for the work projects.

Participants are encouraged to bring personal protection gear, such as gloves and eye/hearing protection, plus any tools requested by the group coordinator.

Group coordinators should register their entire group online and indicate an estimated number of participants (including youth) so that meals and shirts can be ordered. Groups with youth must submit parental approvals, plus signed forms for minors' liability release and permission to treat.

For more information about Workdays, contact Ken Folsom, director of maintenance, at 830/896-8500. Register online at www.lionscamp.com – under Get Involved!

The TLC Executive Committee will be reviewing updated plans for the 2026 summer camp schedule during its Nov. 7 meeting. New housing strategies are being considered, with safety, comfort and fun-filled camper experiences being top priorities. Session dates and registration details will be announced soon.

Camp dates, application deadlines and housing arrangements will be shared soon at <https://www.lionscamp.com> and on TLC's official social media channels. Lions, let's gear up to recruit campers. Make your list of target audiences – including special education teachers, school nurses, pediatricians, children's hospitals, etc. Be sure you have the camp literature you need – brochures, maps, flyers, etc. Let's be ready to spotlight the camper opportunities available at Texas Lions Camp in summer 2026 as soon as details are released!

Lion Ann

Lion Ann Ward
2025-26 Chair, Texas Lions Camp Board
lionannward@gmail.com

Texas Lions Camp - Prior Workday Photos – Austin Founder Lions Club



Lion Craig Estes coordinates the event for our club



AFLC's current president, Mac Ragsdale, wielding a chainsaw. He had way too much fun with it!



VALENTINE Games Night

Saturday, February 14, 2026

St Gregory the Great Catholic Church Parish Hall
709 Beryl Dr. San Antonio, Texas 78213
FUN STARTS at 5:00pm



A Fundraising Event of the District 2-A2 Lions Sight Research Foundation

Your Reservation entitles you to be a **PLAYER** in our **VALENTINE CASINO** where you can **WIN** at **BLACKJACK TEXAS HOLD 'EM CRAPS ROULETTE** or the **MONEY WHEEL** and there's our **ADULT BEVERAGE RING TOSS HEADS & TAILS 50/50 RAFFLE**

A Fun Evening with **Great Food and Lots of Door Prizes**



All Seating - \$50.00 per attendee

Open Bar—Beer and Wine, Set Ups for BYOB

Checks payable to the Lions Sight Research Foundation

For Online Reservations: www.lionssightresearch.org - "DONATIONS" Tab

For Other Reservations or information: PDG Sam Pantusa call: 210 326 3915 or email: lsrf.sam@gmail.com

We'll also be Drawing the Names of **ALL** the **WINNERS** of our



Sweetheart Raffle

gift card giveaway

5 Chances to WIN \$50 Donation or 3 for \$100

1st Prize \$ 5,000 - 2nd Prize \$ 1,000 - 3rd Prize \$ 500
4th & 5th Prizes \$ 250/each



Valentine Games Night and the Sweetheart Raffle are fundraising elements of the 2026 Save Our Sight / Stride for Sight Campaign with net proceeds directed toward LSRF Special Projects and other needs of the Lions Eye Health Program.

St. Gregory the Great Parish Hall
709 Beryl Dr. San Antonio, Texas 78213
Just off IH 10 W and NW Loop 410 near Wonderland Mall

Announcing the Kick off of the
2026 Save Our Sight / Stride for Sight Campaign
to Benefit the Projects of your
Lions Sight Research Foundation



Sweetheart Raffle

gift card giveaway

5 Chances to WIN

1st Prize \$ 5,000 - 2nd Prize \$ 1,000

3rd Prize \$ 500 - 4th & 5th Prizes \$ 250 /each

\$50.00 donation or 3 for \$100.00

For online tickets & payment go to www.lionssightresearch.org

See "Donations" tab: "Raffle"

Checks made payable to: Lions Sight Research Foundation

For information: Lion Sam at lsrf.sam@gmail.com or (210) 326 3915

Proceeds benefit the Lions Sight Research Foundation

Drawing Feb 14, 2026 at "Valentine Games Night"

need not be present to win

**SPECIAL
OFFER
FOR YOU**

EARN ONE FREE RAFFLE TICKET

For Every 5 That You Help Us Distribute

Contact Lion Sam for details





CANDIDATE

John LANDRUM

for International
Director

Proven. Passionate. Ready.

- Consistently active Lion for 41+ years (1984-Present)
- Held multiple offices at Club/District/State levels
- Global Action Team leader • Area 1A
- Board Chair for World Services for the Blind (Board member since 2008)
- Recipient of multiple International recognitions
- Four-time Lion of the Year in two clubs
- Past District Governor/Council Chair/State Convention Chair
- Progressive Melvin Jones/Jack Wiech Fellows
- Texas Lions Foundation/Ebb Grindstaff Fellows
- Numerous committee appointments in Texas
- Proud Marine Corps Veteran
- Ellis County Veterans Celebration Treasurer
- Ellis County Marine Corps League Treasurer

Lion John Landrum is well-qualified and more than ready to become your next International Director from Texas.

John & Hilary Landrum



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at lionbillismo@gmail.com

If you would like to support his campaign, scan the QR code.

Lions International

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San Antonio Northside Lions Club – Collecting Pantry Items



OUR MOTTO -
WE SERVE



SCAN TO CONTACT US

*The Northside Lions Club as part of the
Community Partners of Larkspur Elementary
are collecting pantry items*

Dry Beans

Dry Rice

Vermicelli

Mac &
Cheese

Ramen

Men's 3 in 1
Body Wash

Pancake
Mix

Individual
Cereal Cups

Almond
Butter

Jelly

Peanut
Butter

We invite you to drop off items and donations to us at



PRESS COFFEE @ The Enclave
11103 West Ave., Suite 302 San Antonio, Tx 78213

**September 27th, October 25th
November 22nd, December 27th**

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

210-275-2685 mobile

Kerrville Host Lions Club - Pumpkin Patch of Positivity

The "Pumpkin Patch of Positivity" was a collaboration between The Kerrville Host Lions Club and another non-profit known as Kerr Kids. Over 15 members of the Kerrville Host Lions Club were on hand for this project on Saturday, October 4, as part of the LCI Week of Mental Health and Well-Being. The crowds that turned out were very large, overall, a huge success.

The event offered a range of free activities for children and families. Highlights included a petting zoo featuring a porcupine, turtle, snake and llama, among other animals. Additional attractions included face painting, a sensory area, bounce houses and opportunities for kids to enjoy cotton candy and create beaded bracelets courtesy of Beads of Love.

A designated pumpkin patch featured photo areas, along with a zone where children could paint pumpkins, take home a toy and select a pair of Crocs provided by the Kerrville Host Lions Club.

Kerr Kids founder Alyssa Chavez said the Kerrville Host Lions Club reached out to organize the event, aiming to bring happiness to the community, especially after the summer's flooding.

"They actually reached out to us and were like, 'Hey, you guys are so good at putting on events and fun things for the kids, so can we collaborate?' And this is what we came up with."



San Antonio Northside Lions Club - We Serve



**THAT'S A LOT
OF SPAGHETTI**

We Serve . . . Spaghetti

Thanks to all who helped out with our spaghetti fundraiser! Because of our team effort, we have lots of happy customers and our Club appreciates their repeat business. We prepped close to 500 plates in record time, and afterwards had time for PDG Lion Sam Pantusa to induct new members Lions Irene and Lucy into the First Ladies Lions Club and Lion Benjamin into the Medical Students Branch Club.



A Very Special Guest

District Governor Nan Patton paid us a visit on Oct 2nd. She brought us up to date on the latest initiatives put forth by Lions International.



It Pays to Pick Up the Trash

Lion Sam Pantusa found a little something extra for the club at our monthly Adopt-a-Spot trash pick up.

San Antonio Northside Lions Club – Thank You!!!



We had a great time at this year's Lion Bill Garden Memorial Charity Golf Tournament! A big Lions thanks to all of the sponsors, players, volunteers and staff at Silverhorn Golf Club. Here's a few photos!!



WE ARE TRULY GRATEFUL to our SPONSORS AND FRIENDS

TEE BOX SPONSORS



Academy of Learning in Retirement

KDW Eye Consultants

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Jazzy J's

Clinical Pathology Labs

Comet Cleaners

Mission Chiropractic & Injury Clinic

Converse Lions Club

Rich Sinclair—Edward Jones

Ernesto Castro—Westside Lions

Shogi Construction

HCDT Insurance

Tom & Kaye Colbourn

Jefferson Bank

Gary & Irma Morrison

Jupe Feeds

Westside Lions Club

Jerre Williams

Shaklee Products—Rota Krape, RN



San Antonio Founder Lions Club – 100th Anniversary of Lions Field

On Saturday, October 18, 2025, Lions Field celebrated its 100th anniversary. Our club donated the land for this park to the City of San Antonio in 1925.



The following SAFLC Lions and others participated in this celebration at Lions Field (left to right): Michael Poole, 2VG Joe Guerra and his wife, Roger Rigal, Kim Wong, Pat Guerra, Irene Guzman-Castillo, Enedelia Espinosa and Alberto Espinosa. PDG Rod Chisholm, Mary Jane Chisholm and Earl McPeek also attended.

San Antonio Hosts LCICON 2030 – Host Committee Chair Lion Josh Overfelt



<https://sanantonio2030.org/>

Fellow Lions of 2-A2,

Hopefully, you know by now that in less than 5 years, 2-A2 will become the epicenter of all things Lions Clubs International when San Antonio hosts LCICON 2030! That's right, for the first time in 40 years, the International Convention will return to Texas and be in our backyard!

I am serving as the Chair for the LCICON 2030 Host Committee, the group in charge of organizing and pulling off this monumental task. Over the next 5 years, our committee will be fundraising, bringing awareness of the event, and signing up volunteers for the convention. At this time, we are kicking off our fundraising sales with some very unique collector items.

Every Lion year, beginning in July, we will release a new collector pin. When the set is complete, it will spell TEXAS. Each pin will be \$25, or if you don't want to wait, you can purchase the entire set at once for \$100 now and proudly show off your support.

For our clubs, we will be selling a Sponsor/Supporter Banner Patch that your club can purchase. Every Lion year, beginning in July, we will release a new section of the patch. When the set is complete, it will create a full image. Each patch piece will be \$250, or if your club wants to purchase the entire set, it will be \$1000. Several clubs around the state have purchased the entire at once. These patches are limited.

We also have sponsor pins for those who also wish to make a financial donation to the Convention. Depending on your donation, you will receive a Bronze, Silver, or Gold pin that you can proudly wear to show your support of LCICON 2030 San Antonio.

Our website is slowly coming online, so check back for more info.

I am including the order forms for the three items talked about above. Please return an order form digitally to lcicon2030sanantonio@gmail.com or mail the form along with a check or cashier's check made out to LCICON 2030 Host Committee to the following address:

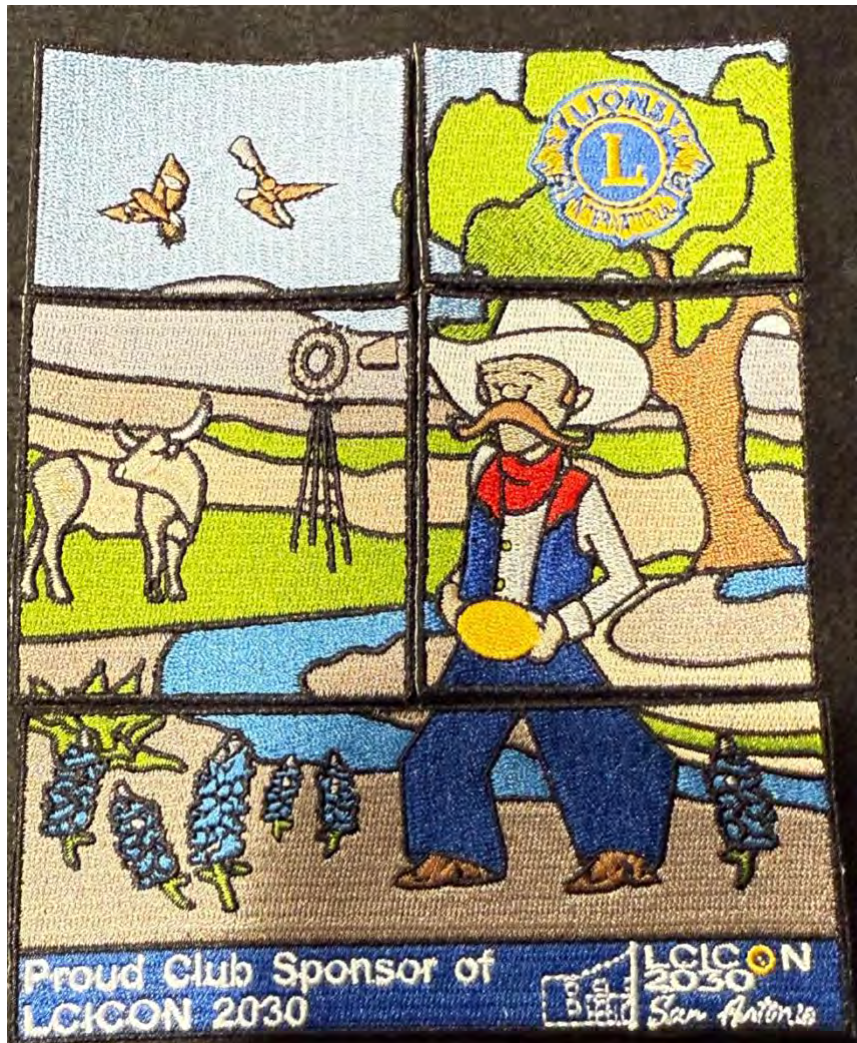
LCICON 2030 Host Committee
c/o Josh Overfelt
101 Lilac Lane
Del Rio, Texas 78840

I am including some pictures of the pins and patches so you can get a visual of what they look like.

A huge thank you for supporting LCICON 2030 San Antonio

Lion Josh

LCICON Host Committee Chair
Josh Overfelt
josh.overfelt@gmail.com



LCICON 2030 San Antonio Commemorative Pin Set Pre-Order Form



T E X A S Pin Set	QTY	<input type="text"/>	X	\$100.00	=	<input type="text"/>
"T" Pin (1 of 5)	QTY	<input type="text"/>	X	\$25.00	=	<input type="text"/>
"E" Pin (2 of 5)	QTY	<input type="text"/>	X	\$25.00	=	<input type="text"/>
"X" Pin (3 of 5)	QTY	<input type="text"/>	X	\$25.00	=	<input type="text"/>
"A" Pin (4 of 5)	QTY	<input type="text"/>	X	\$25.00	=	<input type="text"/>
"S" Pin (5 of 5)	QTY	<input type="text"/>	X	\$25.00	=	<input type="text"/>
SHIPPING (YES OR NO)				\$5.00	=	<input type="text"/>
				TOTAL	=	<input type="text"/>

NAME

ADDRESS

CITY / ST / ZIP

EMAIL

PHONE #

Return a digital image of the completed form to lcicon2030sanantonio@gmail.com



LCICON 2030 San Antonio Individual Lion Sponsorship Form



BRONZE SPONSORS

Individual Sponsors Contributing Up To \$250.00

- Recognition on Convention Website being developed
- Recognition on MD2 produced convention materials
- Recognition at convention in 2030
- Bronze Commemorative Pin



SILVER SPONSORS

Individual Sponsors Contributing Up To \$500.00

- Recognition on Convention Website being developed
- Recognition on MD2 produced convention materials
- Recognition at convention in 2030
- Silver Commemorative Pin



GOLD SPONSORS

Individual Sponsors Contributing Over \$500.00

- Recognition on Convention Website being developed
- Recognition on MD2 produced convention materials
- Recognition at convention in 2030
- Gold Commemorative Pin

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY / ST / ZIP _____

EMAIL _____

PHONE # _____

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LCICON 2030 San Antonio MD2 Lions Club Sponsorship Form

Cowboy Patch Set	\$1,000.00	_____
Patch 1 of 5	\$250.00	_____
Patch 2 of 5	\$250.00	_____
Patch 3 of 5	\$250.00	_____
Patch 4 of 5	\$250.00	_____
Patch 5 of 5	\$250.00	_____
SHIPPING (YES OR NO)	\$5.00	_____
	TOTAL	_____

CLUB NAME _____

CLUB # _____

DISTRICT _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY / ST / ZIP _____

EMAIL _____

PHONE # _____

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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 lifebloods 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, 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 75th 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 75th 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, [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

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 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.

For further information contact PDG Sam Pantusa at lsrf.sam@gmail.com or call 210 326 3915