



Lions District 2-A2 Newsletter



"It's Great To Be A Lion"

Issue 8 ~ February 2019



My Fellow Lions,

Thank you, fellow lions that made Our Mid-Winter a Success by, attending. Thanks to Lion Ramon and the Eagle Pass Evening Lions Club for their hard work and Great Event. I was very happy to see new faces from clubs that we have not seen in a while.

Thank you for the support and what you have done for Our Great District! I am a very proud and humble as District Governor of this Great District. THANKS! Congratulations lions as we are having a Positive Year in our District in Membership Growth, Retention and Recruiting.

Are you ready for our Big Event! Our 60th District Convention in Del Rio, Tx. Let us all register now and attend this Lion celebration! The registration form is at the District website. The San Felipe

Lions are putting a very special event for Our Lions from this GREAT District! (check it out!)

Have your club join the parade of checks and show the spirit of District 2-A2 Spirit of Giving at its very best at this event.

I encourage you to check out Our District Membership Incentive program! The more members we have, the more helping hands we will have doing service and helping the less fortunate in our communities. Invite your friends, fellow employees etc.... to be part of this Great Service Association. Membership and Retention = Growth!

Remember: ALWAYS SMILE; A PERSON LIKES TO BE AROUND HAPPY PEOPLE (Lions)!

Also, keep in mind that you can use these awards to recognize a fellow lion from your club.

A reminder: Our District has an opportunity to have one of our own, PCC Ernesto TJ Tijerina become our International Director from Texas. With our support, we can make this happen. ***We need for every club in the district to come to the District Convention in Del Rio, Texas on April 5-6, 2019 with their club delegates and vote for Lion TJ for International Director.*** Let us continue with the great support throughout the year. As of today, Lion TJ has received a Resolution of Endorsement from 14 of the 16 Districts. We want to thank each district for their support for Lion TJ. Check out his website at tjforid.com and Facebook account at [tjforid](https://www.facebook.com/tjforid) ***PCC TJ for ID!***

It's not too late: Keep in mind that we have Great Speakers that you can invite for club meetings as a guest. We have ***TLIC:*** Lions Allie Thomas & Jorge Villalpando, ***LSRF:*** PDG Sam Pantusa, ***MESU & LEOS:*** PDG Chris Lloyd, ***LCIF:*** PDG Howie Marbach, ***TLF:*** PCC Don Peppard, and ***IT:*** Lion Floyd Daigle.

Our District Globe Action Team is willing to visit our clubs to encourage and promote Leadership Development, Membership Growth and Service. They are a phone call or email or text away... Let us together meet our goals!

Let our new members learn more of what we do in Our Great District. Invite these Great Lions that

have the knowledge for each program to encourage others to grow.

I encourage you to keep checking for our updates in our websites for Great information. Check out Our District Directory online at district2a2.org.

Our district2a2.org website page has links to others Lion's websites.

BEYOND THE HORIZON! ... International President Gudrun Yngvadottir

IT'S GREAT TO BE A LION,
DG Roberto Castillo



My Fellow Lions:

We had a great Mid-Winter Conference in Eagle Pass. I would like to Thank Lion Ken Book, Opportunities for Youth Chair, and the Youth Contest Coordinators, Lion Debbie Book; Outstanding Youth Coordinator, Lion RoseMary Paletta and Lion Cecilia Nobles; Drug Awareness Speech Contest Coordinators, Lion Nannette Patton; Diabetes Awareness Essay Contest Coordinator and Lion Mary Ann Mays; Young Women's Scholarship Pageant Coordinator. They

did a fantastic job with our Youth Contest. I would like to Congratulate Ms. Natalie Rios, 2019 District 2-A2 Queen, sponsored by the Converse Lions Club. I would also like to Congratulate the following Youth Contest Winners who will be representing District 2-A2 at the State Opportunities for Youth Contest which will be held at the State Convention in Waxahachie, Texas on June 1, 2019. Diabetes Awareness Essay Contest Winner, Ms. Sophia Martinez, sponsored by the Del Rio San Felipe Lions Club; Drug Awareness Speech Contest Winner, Ms. Liana Escareno, sponsored by the Del Rio San Felipe Lions Club; Outstanding Youth Contest Winner, Ms. Grace Ibarra,



sponsored by the Edgewood Lions Club. The Lions of District 2-A2 wish you all the best of luck at State.

I would also like to Thank Lion Jeff Hawley and the Pearsall Lions Club for their \$1000 donation towards a new audiometer. The Lions KidSight and School Screening Team need new audiometers. The audiometers that we have are 15-20 years old. We are hoping to purchase 8 new units. 1 unit will be in the Del Rio area; 2 units will be in Leakey area; and 5 units will be in the San Antonio area. If your club would like to donate towards the purchase of new audiometers, you can send checks to the District Treasurer, Lion Steve Mays.

It is that time of year again. Time to start the process for nominations and elections of new officers. Your Nominations for club officers should be held in March and your Election of new club officers should be held in April. The new officers elected in April do not take office until July 1, 2019. If you have any questions on procedures, go to the Lions International website and search for Election Guidelines. After you have held your elections in April, make sure the club secretary fills out the new officer's form (PU-101) on the MyLCI website.

As you may have heard, one of our own, PCC TJ Tijerina, is running to represent Texas for International Director. He cannot do that without each of you. We are asking for all 65 clubs in our District to send their club delegates to the District Convention in Del Rio, Texas on April 5-6, 2019. Please make sure your club is in good standing with Lions International and District 2-A2. What this means is that you must pay your LCI and Club dues before April 1, 2019. Your club president will be receiving more information about the District Convention and how many voting delegates your club has.

I look forward to spending some time with you and your club. If I can be of any assistance, do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours in Service,

Lion Janie Garza

First Vice District Governor 2-A2



I long to accomplish a great and noble task, but it is my chief duty to accomplish humble tasks as though they were great and noble. The world is moved along, not only by the mighty shoves of its heroes, but also by the aggregate of tiny pushes of each honest worker.

Helen Keller

Felicitations for a fabulous February Fellow Lions! Valentines Day is almost here and that reminds me of hearts. There was a lot of heart on display at our mid-winter conference in Eagle Pass last month, particularly by the young women and man who participated in our youth contests. They are a credit to themselves, their families and the Lions Clubs that sponsored them.

Speaking of heart reminds me of another connection to diabetes awareness and I want to share it with you. Yes, this is another health story, and not surprisingly, like most things

in our complex world, this is all connected.

This month I draw your attention to an article written by Maria Godoy titled: *From Couch Potato to Fitness Buff: How I Learned to Love Exercise* that appeared in *Health Shots* (<https://www.npr.org/sections/health-shots/>) in January 2019. You can read the report on the internet at this link: <https://www.npr.org/sections/health-shots/2019/01/14/684118974/from-couch-potato-to-fitness-buff-how-i-learned-to-love-exercise>

Here are some of the major points that may help you and your club as you think about and promote healthy lifestyles, awareness of diabetes, and its effects in your community.

- **Reframe what you think of as exercise.**

Research show that basically **all movement counts**, and anything is better than nothing. One big stumbling block for people is that they fail to take advantage of the exercise opportunities they can build into their daily lives, like taking the stairs or walking to work.

Science now tells us that many things count as moderate exercise. There's a very useful scientific resource called the *Compendium of Physical Activities*. It's used by researchers to compare apples and oranges when it comes to exercise and uses a value called a MET, or metabolic equivalent. Here are some examples:

Sitting, doing nothing, - 1 MET; Getting up and walking across the room - 2 METs (makes you work at twice your resting metabolic rate). The Compendium lists the MET values for all kinds of activities — everything from [mopping](#) (that's about 3.5 METS) to [line dancing](#). (That can be almost 8 METS)

To count as moderately intense exercise, the magic number you want to hit is between 3 and 6 METS.

- **HOW TO MAKE EXERCISE A HABIT THAT STICKS**

Lots of regular activities meet the magic mark. [Climb the stairs](#) slowly (4 METs). Climb them quickly (9 METS).

Researchers now know that the health benefits of these little movements add up. **Just taking short breaks to get out of your chair and walk throughout the day can help regulate blood sugar and blood pressure, helping to ward off diseases like Type 2 diabetes and hypertension.** While it won't make you an athlete, moving throughout the day, even in short but repeated spurts, has been linked to a lower

risk of dying prematurely. When you think of it as something that can be broken down throughout the day, the idea of getting at least 150 minutes of moderate exercise a week — as federal guidelines recommend -- becomes less daunting.

• **Exercise Wins: Fit Seniors Can Have Hearts That Look 30 Years Younger**

Think about exercise like climbing a ladder. It's OK to start at the bottom rung and work your way up. Instead of sending an email to a co-worker, walk over and talk to them. Skip the elevator and take the stairs. Do squats at your desk or table and take short walks around the room whenever you can fit it in. Make a rule: You're only allowed to watch TV while working out or moving in some other way (like washing dishes or folding laundry, *yes, I do both*).

• **A New Prescription For Depression: Join A Team And Get Sweaty**

We know that exercise helps people generate energy and it boosts mood. We know that it improves executive functioning and all the tasks associated with that — focus, creativity. There are so many positives that happen when you move. In fact, even though lots of people start exercising this time of year to lose weight, for many people, weight loss isn't actually a good motivator over the long haul, because it can take way too long to see any results, and our brains are not wired to strive for long-term payoff. Weight is much more a factor of what we eat — and eating a 600-calorie muffin takes no time at all. Working it off, on the other hand, takes a good long time.

Focusing on the immediate rewards from exercise can be more effective at keeping you motivated.

When you have more energy and you're a happier person, you bring that much more enthusiasm and energy and performance to your role in your work, your patience as a parent, [and] as a partner to someone. Feeling better isn't just this selfish, hedonic thing — it actually is fuel. Energy from taking care of yourself is an essential fuel for the things that matter most in our lives.

If you've been sedentary, adding more movement into your day is a good place to start an exercise habit. Just grab that bottom rung. Remember, you have to start somewhere.

As I said last month - A healthy lifestyle including food choices (diet) and exercise is a great way to prevent diabetes and to teach others to prevent it. So keep taking those steps through Valentine's Day and beyond. It's only 50 days until our Stride for Sight on Saturday March 23rd. So, keep striding and sign up for our Stride for Sight this spring.

As always, I look forward to enjoying your company at club meetings and joining you in service.

Stay hydrated,

2VDG Dave Splitek

UIW Campus Lions Club



UIW Campus Lions help Cobblestone Shoe Hospital collect shoes for flood victims in the Carolinas



New members stand next to sponsor @ induction

San Antonio Westside Lions Club

San Antonio Westside Lions hosted Christmas Party for 21 Children. The event was held at the Madonna Neighborhood Center. Eighteen Lions participated and donated 52 hours towards the project.



The Westside Lion's Club held their benefit pancake breakfast at the San Antonio Madonna Community Center. Seventy-five customers were served a traditional Pancake breakfast which included all you can eat pancakes, sausage, coffee or orange juice and oranges. All the members of the club participated in cooking and serving the breakfast.



The Westside Lion's Club presented two scholarship checks at their pancake breakfast at the San Antonio Madonna Community Center January 26, 2019. The recipients were Madeline Cheattle, and Sienna Guerra. Westside Lion's President Lion Steve Medina, his wife Lion Jeanette Medina and Lion Rosemary Paletta made the presentations.



San Antonio Westside Lions Club and Alamo Heights Lions Club

The following School/Children's Hearing and Vision Screenings were conducted by Westside Lions Club and Alamo Heights Lions Club:

Dec 3 - Floresville pre-kinder and kinder schools: 171 vision, and 171 hearing screenings, Lions Ken, Debbie, Rosemary and Cecilia donated ten hours.

Dec 4 - Floresville pre-kinder and kinder schools: 170 vision, and 170 hearing screenings, Lions Ken, Debbie, Rosemary and Cecilia donated ten hours.

Dec 10 - Idea Nijam in San Antonio: 75 vision, and 34 hearing screenings, Lions Mary Cecilia and Maryann, Nick and Angie donated twelve hours.

Dec 11 - Idea Nijam in San Antonio: 101 vision, and 37 hearing screenings, Lions Ken, Debbie, Rosemary, and Cecilia Nick and Angie donated twelve hours.

Dec 13 - Tiny Tot Daycare Center of San Antonio: 18 Vision screenings, one Lion donated one hour.



Lions International conducted vision acuity, SPOT evaluations and hearing evaluations at George Gervin Academy 6944 Sunbelt Drive on Tuesday 1/9/2019, Wednesday 1/10/2019 and Thursday 1/11/2019. 396 vision and 396 hearing evaluations were accomplished. Thirty-one children were in need of a complete eye examination by an optometrist and 29 children that needed to be rescreened for possible hearing problems. Six Lions contributed a combined total of 48 hours to conduct the screenings. Lion Ken Book, Lion Debbie Book from Region 20 Lions, Lion Nick Garcia, Lion Angie C Garcia, Lion Rosemary Paletta from West Side Lions and Lion Earnest Hamilton from Alamo City Lions participated in the event.



San Antonio Founder Lions Club



The San Antonio Founder Lions Club was honored to present Haven for Hope a donation of \$2,000.00 to assist them serve our community.

****Pictured left to right: Kenny Wilson from Haven for Hope and SAFLC Lion President David Splitek**



The San Antonio Founder Lions Club was honored to present the San Antonio Lighthouse for the Blind a donation of \$5,000.00 to assist them serve our community.

****Pictured left to right: SAFLC Lion President David Splitek, SAFLC Lions and staff at the San Antonio Lighthouse for the Blind – Lion Paula, Lion Daniel and Lion Rene**

San Antonio Northside Lions Club

San Antonio Northside Lions Club hosted a donor drive named 2019 New Year's Resolution Donor Drive on Thursday, January 24, 2019 at Huebner Medical Center in San Antonio, Texas from 11am to 3pm.

The drive was hosted to benefit the San Antonio Eye Bank and South Texas Blood Center. A single blood donor can save 3 lives. A single cornea, organ and tissue donor can save and improve up to 75 lives! Used eyeglass donations were also collected at the event.

The drive was a success and thanks to Lions and community members that donated blood, more than 30 lives will be saved thanks to the 13 units of blood collected. Several individuals were already proudly registered as cornea, organ and tissue donors on the Donate Life Texas donor registry and flashed their donor heart on their driver's license.





George West Lions Club



Want to give a shout out to the George West Lions Club, which I believe to be the southernmost Lions Club in District 2a2, who meets at the local DQ in George West on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of each month. A great group of Lions numbering 30 members at this writing and have received the 2017-2018 Membership Satisfaction Award fiscal year patch to place beneath the Membership Satisfaction Banner Patch that they earned last year as well! It will also be my honor the first Monday of February when I attend their meeting to present Lion Dan Reagan with his Limited Addition Diamond Centennial Award pin earned by Lion Dan for recruiting and retaining new Lions.

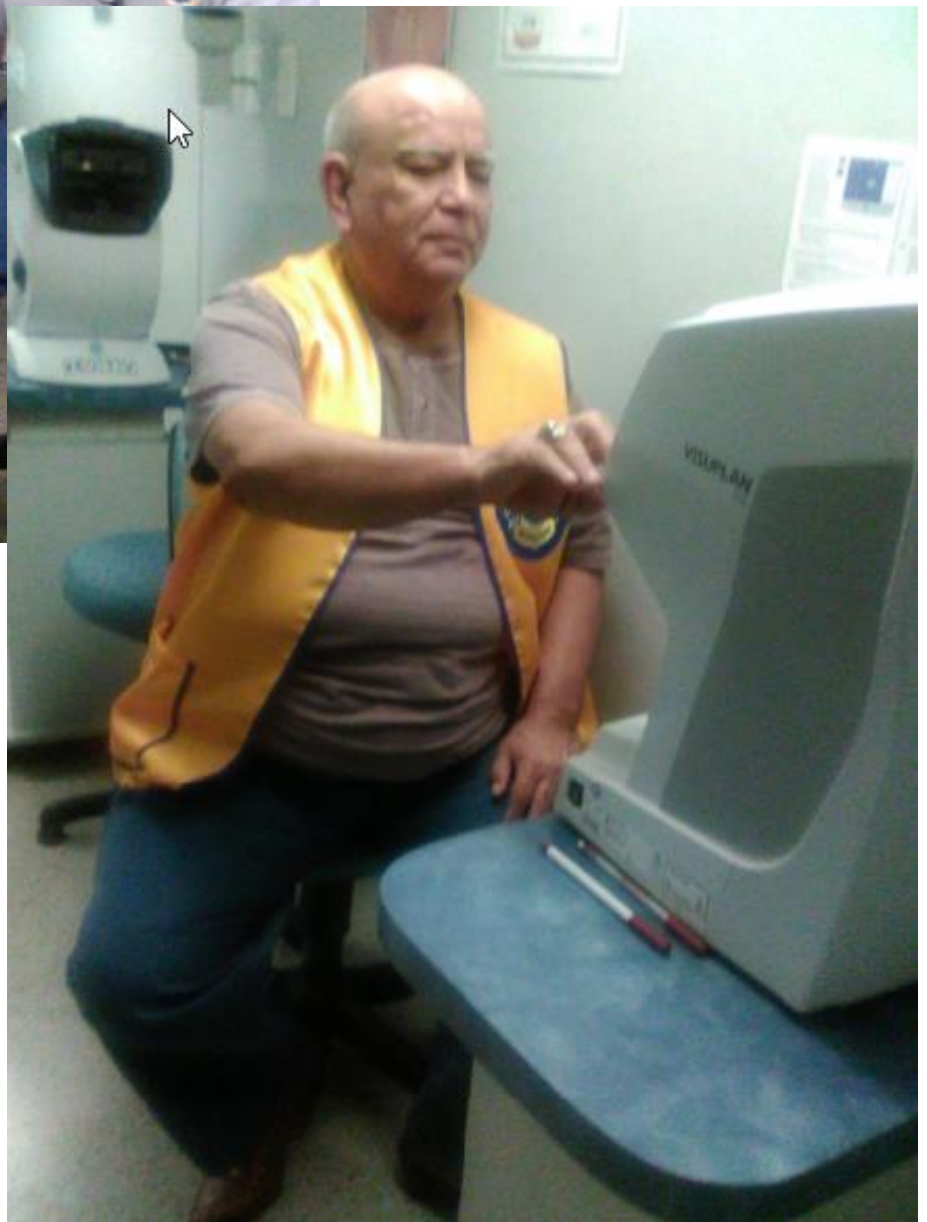
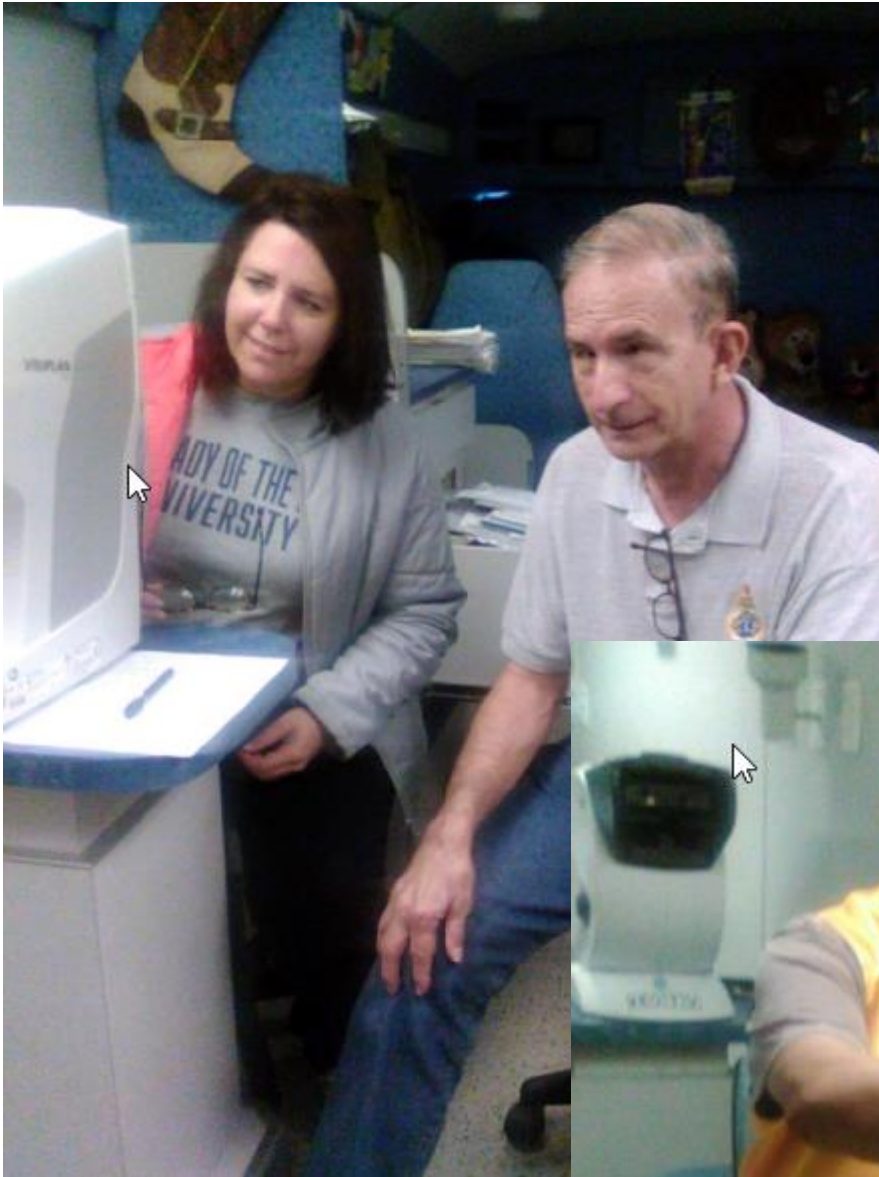
Along with the contributions to their community, they have had some very interesting programs this past quarter which included sponsoring the Fireman's Banquet, speakers from the Director of Halo-

Flight, Meteorologist speaking on La Nino and El Nino, preparing for the upcoming scholarship fundraiser, and in November getting prepared for the George West Storyfest, with their sausage wraps food both, an annual full blown town celebration! President this year is Lion Greg Booth and long term Secretary Treasurer, Sheriff Lion Larry Busby! Way to Roar George West Lions! ~ Lion LaJuana Zone 3 Chair

MESU

District a2-a Lion's Mobile Eye Screening Unit (MESU) participated in the Saint Lawrence Church Health Fair. Fifty adults were screened for visual acuity and glaucoma eye pressure testing. In addition, four fifty and above year old seniors received visual fields testing and two children received Plus Optics eye checks. Fourteen adults were referred for further evaluation by a physician. The program director, Lion Chris Lloyd supervised the activities. Westside Lions president Lion Steven Medina directed the participant intake and registration. Westside Lions Rosemary Paletta, Nick Garcia, Angie Garcia, Our Lady of the Lake Lions Erica Martinez and Maricela Camargo conducted eye acuity, and glaucoma screening for the event. These

Lions contributed twenty-five hours towards making the health Fair a valuable service to the Saint Lawrence Church community.



JOIN US at our

pancake
breakfast



SATURDAY February 9

from 8:30 to 11:30am

Salvation Army Citadel Center

2810 W Ashby Place

San Antonio, TX 78201

For Tickets

210 326 3915

Or email; spantusa@yahoo.com

\$6.00 / plate all you can eat

Saturday,
March 23, 2019

Comanche County Park
Pavilion#2
2600 Rigsby Avenue
San Antonio, TX 78222



Schedule of Events

7:30 am Registration
8:30 am Opening Ceremony
9:00 am Dove Release
9:15 am FREE Kid's Fun Run
9:30 am Run/Walk
10:30 am Awards & Recognition
-Event will occur Rain or Shine-

Paper Registration Form

Save time, Register online at
bit.ly/SFS2019 or at SolersSports.com

If registering by mail, please send completed form and check by March 20th to:
LSRF, 4502 Centerview Drive, Suite 120, San Antonio, TX 78228

Please make checks payable to: 2019 Stride for Sight 5K - Lions Sight Research Foundation

Questions? Call or email Sam Pantusa at (210) 326-3915, spantusa@yahoo.com

5K Run/Walk - FREE Kid's Fun Run - Zumba Warm Up
Register early, Save \$\$
All Registration Fees Will Increase 2 Weeks Prior To Event

Team Promotional Discounts: Available to affiliates
and families of Partners In Vision (LSRF, SAEB & GDTX).
Contact Lion Sam or Lisa at Lisa@SolersSports.com for code

(ALL FEES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE & NON-TRANSFERABLE)

Check one:

\$30.....Individual 5K Runner/Walker (commemorative race T-shirt *included!*)

\$20.....Sleep Walker (donation in lieu of attendance)

Yes! I'd like to purchase a commemorative race T-shirt for \$10 dollars ____

\$20.....Teams*, fee per person (*5 or more members required, ALL teams are walkers)

Yes! I'd like to purchase a commemorative race T-shirt for \$10 dollars ____

[Are you the Team Captain? Circle: Yes or No]

[Team name _____ (IMPORTANT)]

[Discount code _____]



First and Last Name: _____

E-mail: _____

Address, City, State and Zip code: _____

Phone : _____ Date of Birth: ____/____/____ Age: _____

Gender: Female or Male T-Shirt Size (if purchased) : S - M - L - XL - 2XL - 3XL (shirt size based on availability)

In consideration of the acceptance of this registration entry, I assume full and complete responsibility for any injury or accident which may occur during my participation in this race or while on the premises of this event, and I hereby release and hold harmless the sponsors, promoters, and all other persons and entities associated with this event from any and all injury, damage, claims or liabilities, whether it be caused by negligence of the sponsors or promoters or other persons or entities associated with this event or their designated agents, employees, or otherwise.

Participant's Signature _____

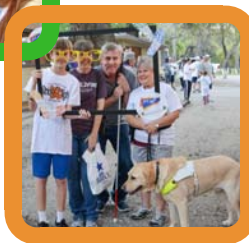
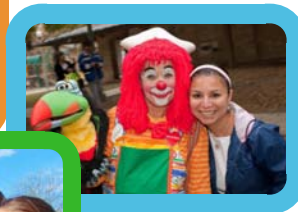
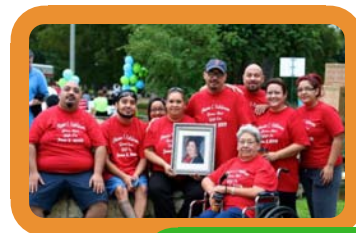
Parent's Name and Signature (if under 18) _____

SAVING SIGHT,
CHANGING LIVES

SATURDAY,
MARCH 23, 2019

COMANCHE
COUNTY PARK

5K RUN/WALK - FREE KID'S FUN RUN & PRIZES - ZUMBA WARM-UP



MUSIC &
ENTERTAINMENT

5K RUNNER
T-SHIRTS & MEDALS

FREE BREAKFAST
TACOS & FRUIT

TEAM AWARDS &
RECOGNITION

GUIDE DOGS &
LAZY DOGS WELCOME

DONOR MEMORIAL
QUILTS DISPLAYED

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

7:30 am	Registration
8:30 am	Opening Ceremony
9:00 am	Dove Release
9:15 am	Kid's Fun Run
9:30 am	Run/Walk
10:30 am	Awards & Recognition

• Event will occur rain or shine •

Register Online At: bit.ly/SFS2019
or at SolersSports.com

Individuals

\$30 per person - Individual 5K Runner or Walker

\$20 per person - Sleep Walker

Teams*

\$20 per person - Teams

(*5 or more members required, ALL teams are walkers)

Team Promotional Discounts: Available to affiliates
and families of Partners In Vision (LSRF, SAEB & GDTX)
Contact Lisa at Lisa@SolersSports.com for discount code

FREE Kid's Fun Run for ages 10 and under
(Registration not required for kid's fun run)

Registration Fees Will Increase 2 Weeks Prior To Event





For any Info—just call Lion Sam at 210 326 3915

**Here's ANOTHER WAY to Support our
MARCH CAMPAIGN and GET READY for the
STRIDE for SIGHT 5K the following Saturday**



WEAR THE GREEN AND BE IRISH FOR THE DAY at the



SATURDAY—MARCH 16 6:00PM TO 9:00PM

ENJOY A GREAT DINNER

*Maybe Some Beer or Drinks If you have a mind to
(always be safe)*

LISTEN TO THE MUSIC

PLAY SOME GAMES

HAVE FUN WITH YOUR BUDDIES

LION & ROSE WILL DONATE 15% of YOUR BILL

To LIONS SIGHT RESEARCH FOUNDATION

17627 La Cantera Pkwy, San Antonio, TX 78257 at the RIM Phone: 210 798 5466



District 2A-2 Convention, Del Rio, Texas – Registration Form

April 5 & 6, 2019

Ramada Inn & Ballroom – 2101 Veterans Blvd – Del Rio, Texas 78840

Reservations: Blocked room rate is \$85.00 per night (plus tax). Reservations must be made **no later than 3/20/2019**. Any rooms not reserved by this date will be released by the hotel for sale to the general public. RESERVATION METHOD: **Individual Call In**. Reservations will be made, modified, or canceled by individuals by calling the hotel directly at 830-775-1511. Please refer to group and meeting name (Lions Convention). Reservations must be made on or before the cutoff date. All rooms shall be available for check-in by 3:00PM with a check out time of 11:00AM

Name & Title	Club Name	Delegate: Yes__ No__	
Name & Title	Club Name	Delegate: Yes__ No__	
Address	City	Zip Code	email address
EARLY DEADLINE FOR DISCOUNT PACKAGE –form and payment rec'd NLT WEDNESDAY 03/20/19			

Item/Event	EARLY by 3/20	After 3/20 NLT 3/31	# Tickets	Total Cost
Discount package – Includes ALL meals	\$70.00	\$90.00		
Friday April 5 TJ for ID Reception/Dinner	\$20.00	\$20.00		
Saturday April 6 – Breakfast (Ramada hotel guests have comp. breakfast buffet included.)	Free w/ stay at host hotel if staying elsewhere, see note	Free w/ stay at host hotel if staying elsewhere, see note	N/A	
Saturday – April 6 Awards Luncheon	\$25.00	\$35.00		
Saturday – April 6 Fellowship and Hall of Fame Dinner	\$35.00	\$45.00		
Registration fee	FREE	FREE		
Note: Indicate any special dietary needs		Totals		

Make Checks Payable to: District 2A2 – questions: email lions.sanfelipe@gmail.com

Mail to: Lions Convention c/o San Felipe Lions Club, P.O. Box 281, Del Rio, TX 78841



2019 District 2-A2

District Convention

District Governor Roberto Castillo along with the San Felipe Lions Club invites you to the 2019 District Convention to be held in beautiful Del Rio, Texas, the Queen City of the Rio Grande. This year we have two very special events and guests for our convention. PDG TJ Tijerina will be attending and campaigning for a spot as an International Director. Also set to attend will be Past International President Sid L. Scruggs, III (2010-2011) from Vass, North Carolina. PIP Scruggs will serve as keynote speaker at Saturday night's dinner.

Friday night

TJ for ID Reception and Dinner

April 5, 2019

6-9PM

After checking in to the Ramada Inn and resting up a bit, get ready for a great evening. Dinner will be in historic South Del Rio at the famous Whitehead Memorial Museum. Stroll the grounds with a beverage and visit the exhibits that showcase Del Rio and Val Verde County. Visit with PDG TJ Tijerina, as he campaigns for International Director. Dinner will include fried catfish, hushpuppies and fixins'. Attire: Business Casual

Saturday

April 6, 2019

Breakfast

Each Ramada reservation will include two breakfast buffet tickets per night stayed to be used at the Malinda restaurant. The Malinda is considered to have one of the best breakfast buffets in Del Rio.

Saturday

April 6, 2019

Awards Luncheon

During the awards luncheon enjoy a Texas sized Mexican Buffet. Buffet will include cheese enchiladas, beef and chicken fajitas, Spanish rice, ranchero beans, guacamole, pico de gallo, tortilla chips, corn and flour tortillas, desert and water or tea. Dress attire: Casual

Saturday

April 6, 2019

Fellowship and Hall of Fame Dinner

On Saturday night the stars shine brightest in Southwest Texas. The induction ceremony for the Hall of Fame will take place as well as the Keynote address by PIP Scruggs. Dinner will include a 10oz slow roasted Prime Rib with sides, dessert and beverage. Dress attire: Men: Dark business suits. Women: Semi formal evening wear

It promises to be a big night for District 2A-2 and Del Rio!!

*****Special Note*****

Times for events and meals will be included in your registration packet when you sign in.

If not staying at Host Hotel, you will be responsible for your own breakfast Saturday morning. Listed below are some options:

Skillet's – 1 block from hotel

Whataburger – 1 block from hotel

iHOP – 2 blocks from hotel

Malinda Restaurant – located in hotel

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**You shop. Amazon gives
to the L.S.R.F.**



Shop Amazon

Help the L.S.R.F

- Amazon donates 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to the charitable organization of your choice.
- AmazonSmile is the same Amazon you know. Same products, same prices, same service.
- Lions Sight Research Foundation by starting your shopping at



CLICK HERE

For more information about the L.S.R.F. please visit our website at: LionsSightResearch.org

Center Point Lions Club **Chili and Tamale Supper**

Saturday, February 9th

5:00 - 7:30

CPISD School Cafeteria



Serving Chili, Tamales, Beans,
Cornbread

Cost - By Donation

Silent Auction, Too!

*All proceeds will go to Lions Club Scholarship Fund and other community needs.



We continue to change more lives and achieve our club goals to promote **Service, Membership Growth, and Leadership Development**. It's going to take great leaders to reach our goal to increase service in our community and worldwide.

The development of the Global Action Team unifies the three key areas of Lions—Leadership, Membership and Service—to strengthen our clubs, districts and association. It's a bottom-up approach to supporting and encouraging the one thing that unites all Lions: **service**.

The Global Action Team empowers clubs and especially lion members with the Power of Action. The Power of Action is the vision for lion members to have the opportunity to serve every need. Clubs will experience growth in membership creating the energy for clubs to grow and serve. Providing strong service projects will allow for our current members to re-engage in the work of lions. Potential new members will see the work we do in our local communities. **Membership will grow with Service creating strong Leadership in our lions clubs.**

At the end of the day, it's all about service!



District 2-A2 Global Action Plan Membership Contest 2018-2019

**Enhance Service, Membership Development, and Effective
Leadership Development.**

Lion Membership Contest

**Top three (3) Highest Lion Members that sponsor New
Members for 2018-2019 (July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019)**

Award: your choice -----

Texas Lions Foundation Silver Plate Award

Texas Lions Camp Life Membership Award

District 2-A2 Lions Sight Research

Foundation Special Recognition Award



Zone Chairperson Membership Contest

Top two (2) Highest Zone Chairperson(s) that have the highest membership net gain in their Zone for 2018-2019 (July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019)

Award: your choice -----

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Lions Club Membership Contest

Top three (3) Highest Lions Club(s) with the highest membership net gain for 2018-2019 (July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019)

**Award: Club Membership Banner Patch
Award**

Lions Club Retention Contest

Top three (3) Highest Lions Club(s) with the highest Retention of Club Members for 2018-2019 (July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019) (Beginning number of members minus the total drops for the year equals retention).

**Award: Club Retention Banner Patch
Award**

Alamo Heights Lions Attended The Eagle Pass Mid-Winter Conference

Friday night was casual. DG Roberto spoke about his health. We wish him well. Afterwards, he called for announcements. Alamo Heights Lion Doug Thomas stood and announced that he is running for Second Vice District Governor for 2019-2020.



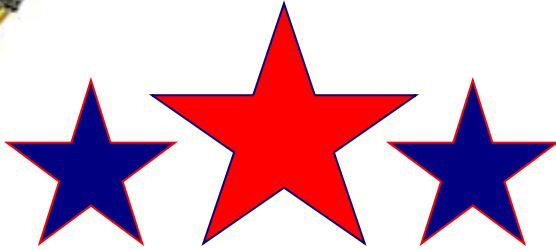
Most District 2-A2 Lions recognize Lion Doug for his seven years as District Chaplain, three terms on the Texas Lions Camp Board, and 2018-2019 Zone 2 Chair. With over thirty years in Lionism, he has received many awards to include the International Presidents Medal and the Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow, the Jack Wiech Fellow, and the Texas Lions Fellow.

Thank you Eagle Pass Lions. Saturday was a great success. We left the conference saying, "See you in Del Rio. Vote for Lion Doug Thomas for Second Vice District Governor and PCC T.J. for I.D."



Lion Ernesto "T.J." Tijerina

Your Candidate for International Director



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Lion "T.J." is committed to making sure that the future of our International Association remains strong and that the Lions continue to lead the way in our world as the largest and best service organization. With your helping hands together with Lion Juanita, his wife of 45 years, *"Team Tijerina"* is prepared to serve you, the Lions of Texas and the world as your International Director. Lion "T.J." can always be counted on to see that any job that is worth doing is "worth doing well" and that it is always done with integrity and compassion.

With your support for our "Team Tijerina" and your vote for Lion "T.J.", you are sure to have the strongest and best representation for International Director



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James Avery Artisan Jewelry® offers \$100,000 Challenge in honor of 70th Anniversary of Texas Lions Camp

Named Title Sponsor for 26th Annual Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament

*Kerrville, Texas - James Avery Artisan Jewelry® has issued a \$100,000 challenge grant in honor of the 70th Anniversary year of Texas Lions Camp in 2019 and in support of the 26th Annual Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament to be held in August 2019. Every gift designated for the event will be matched dollar for dollar up to \$100,000. With this challenge, James Avery Artisan Jewelry® has also been named the **Title Sponsor** for the 2019 tournament.*

“Texas Lions Camp is honored that *James Avery Artisan Jewelry®* has again honored our organization and mission by offering this challenging and generous opportunity as well as taking a leadership role as the Title Sponsor for this event, said Chief Executive Officer of TLC Stephen S. Mabry, CAE.

President & CEO of *James Avery Artisan Jewelry®* Chris Avery stated, “Texas Lions Camp helps children from across Texas share in a unique summer camp experience where they learn about dealing with their respective disabilities. Our organization is pleased to offer this \$100,000 challenge grant in recognition of the unique work being accomplished which impacts the lives of children with physical disabilities, Down syndrome, cancer and Type 1 diabetes. In addition, it is our hope that this incentive will also encourage Lions, friends of TLC, corporations and foundations to provide charitable support during this anniversary year.”

Mabry added, “For 70 years, the Lions of Texas and TLC have introduced over 74,000 children to the ‘CAN DO’ philosophy and encouraged them to reach for new horizons and celebrate exciting, first-time experiences. Corporate sponsorships with special friends allow us to help some of the most amazing children share in the best summers of their lives.”

About James Avery Artisan Jewelry®— James Avery is a vertically integrated, family owned company located in the heart of the Texas Hill Country. We offer finely crafted jewelry designs for men and women in sterling silver, 14K and 18K gold, gemstones and leather wallets – designed by our own skilled artisans in Kerrville, Texas. We are a multi-channel retailer with 83 James Avery stores in five states. Our jewelry is also available in more than 215 Dillard’s stores in Texas and in 28 additional states; and nationwide through JamesAvery.com. James Avery crafts jewelry in four Texas workshops— one each in Comfort, Fredericksburg, Hondo and Kerrville. For more information, visit JamesAvery.com or facebook.com/JamesAvery.

About Texas Lions Camp, Inc.- Texas Lions Camp, Inc., provides, without charge, a camp for children with special medical conditions from the State of Texas, regardless of race, religion, or national origin.

The organization was chartered as a nonprofit corporation on April 4, 1949 by the Lions Clubs of Texas and is recognized as a non-profit corporation, under section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Service Code. The Camp is accredited by the American Camp Association and is licensed by the Texas Department of State Health Services. In addition, the organization is recognized with a Four-Star rating for Accountability and Transparency from Charity Navigator and as a Gold-level participant on GuideStar.

Those who are interested in learning more about and/or contributing to the work of Texas Lions Camp are invited to visit www.lionscamp.com or by emailing Milton L. Dare at mdare@lionscamp.com. If preferred, you may also call 830-896-8500 for more information.

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Elizabeth Gustafson, Camper 2018

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2019 Texas Lions Camp Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament Hole Sponsorship Camper – Elizabeth Gustafson

The 2019 Texas Lions Camp Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament Camper Ambassador is Elizabeth Gustafson. “Peepers”, as she is known to her family and close friends because of her big beautiful brown eyes, calls Waco home. Elizabeth has attended TLC for the past 4 summers and talks about camp affectionately as “the best place on earth”. For Elizabeth, TLC is a camp for kids with special abilities just like her. She can do anything there, try new things, do everything other kids can do and have tons of fun while doing it.

Elizabeth loves school, especially reading, math and science. But helping others is really her favorite thing to do. At school, sometimes Elizabeth needs help traveling from one class to another. The students who help her, in turn she tutors them in whatever subjects they are having trouble. Outside of school she volunteers and raises resources and awareness for those in need. Her mother Michelle describes Elizabeth as the hardest working, most loving and kind, generous and thankful kid she knows.



Her mother, Michelle, tells of Elizabeth’s conditions, periventricular leukomalacia (PVL) and CP with spastic quadriplegia and how they do not define her daughter and her abilities. She said, “Elizabeth had a rough start to life. Born at 29 weeks and with complications at birth, she’s endured multiple surgeries and procedures throughout the twelve short years of her life. Lots of people rush through life, but not her. She enjoys life each day and takes time to smell the flowers. No matter what she has been through physically, surgeries, or therapy, she just keeps going. Even in times of struggle or pain, she still looks for ways to help others around her that are in need.



“TLC was amazing and perfect for Elizabeth from the very start. She loves riding the horses and going down the zip-line. But this past summer, she fell in love with Camp Scene Investigation (CSI). The mock crimes around campus gave her and her group opportunities to solve problems and work together to solve the crime. She loved every minute of it. She always feels included at TLC and things are adapted, and modified for her to participate. The support staff make the impossible possible and those international staff cause Elizabeth to speak in an English Accent all the time, even long after she goes home.

Elizabeth came home from camp her first summer and asked, “Mom, we need to get more kids to go to camp, and help them to get there. How can we do that?” Michelle responded with, “I guess me becoming a lion would be the best place to start, so I can help

sponsor kids.” “How long will that take?” Elizabeth asked. Two weeks later, Michelle had joined the Waco Women’s Lions Club and will be serving as their president next year. Her husband, Lynn, the only man in the club, serves as the treasurer. Through their love for Elizabeth and her drive to serve others, especially children just like her,

Michelle and Lynn have fought tirelessly to follow their daughter’s lead and do everything they can to help others as well. They are proud of the strong, compassionate young woman she has become and will continue to become because of places like TLC which helps her to grow.

Elizabeth and her entire family are excited about being a part of the 26th Annual Harry Wickersham Golf

Tournament. For more information on how you and your team can play in the Tournament, visit:

www.lionscamp.com and look for the Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament Tab. Texas Lions Camp is proud to have great campers, like Elizabeth, who attend our summer camping program and celebrate those like her who embody the TLC spirit of “Children Can...With TLC!”™ Remember to smell the flowers today!



2nd. Annual Lions Club



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