

# TEAM NEWS

*Together Everyone Achieves More*

April  
2012



Howard "Howie" Marbach, Jr.  
District 2-A2 Governor  
2011 - 2012

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TOGETHER • EVERYONE • ACHIEVES • MORE**

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*Please don't walk in front of me, because I may not follow; Please don't walk behind me, because I may not lead; Just walk beside me and be my Friend! God Bless.*

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Hi Lion Friends,

As many of you Lions know 1st VDG Richard (Governor to be) is in the process of selecting Lion leaders for the District 2-A2 committees and Leadership TEAM. It might help us to remember the Art of Leadership is like any team sport; the game cannot be played and won alone. You cannot win a game of soccer with just a goalkeeper. You have to engage the whole TEAM in a powerful symbiosis (Together-Everyone-Achieves-More).

Leadership goes beyond management in that it is the ability to inspire others in a way that gets them excited to work together toward a shared vision. Therefore, we must convey that vision in such a way that others want join us in achieving it. It is really great to be involved in a large team of over 1750 Lions that have a shared vision of helping those less fortunate than ourselves. Maybe that is why Lions are so successful, because 1.35 million Lions

throughout the world have the same shared vision; just doing it in different ways to achieve it, and that produces a tremendous amount of energy throughout the world, which creates win-win solutions for everyone. So please contact 1st VDG Richard and help him in achieving our shared Vision.

The District Convention is right around the corner and will be held on April 13-14, 2012. The Friday, April 13th functions are at

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## From the District Governor

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the Holiday Inn Express, and will include Registration and Delegate Certification (1-5 PM), Youth Contests in the early PM, Hospitality Rooms, and PDG Meeting 5:30-6:30 PM. The Friday, April 13 Youth Banquet will be held at Boysville at 7:00 PM (midway between IH 10 and IH 35 on 1604 and Schaefer Rd in Converse).

Sat. April 14 functions will all be held at Boysville; Necrology Service in the Chapel at 7:30 AM. Registration, Certification and Continental Breakfast at 8:00 AM. Business Session at 9:00 AM, Voting at 12:00-1:25 PM, and Awards Banquet at 1:30 PM. Look forward to seeing YOU there! Also, as a reminder to be able to vote at the District Convention our Lions Clubs dues to Lions Clubs International and the District must be paid (according to the Constitution and By-Laws).

The election of Club Officers has started within the district. These club elections are important, because from these officers will come your leadership and what your club will accomplish in your communities, and most of our communi-

ties have many needs. After the election of officers make sure the PU-101 is filed with Lions Clubs International. They can be filed electronically or by regular mail, and make sure the E-mail addresses and telephone numbers are Reported, because the majority of the correspondence from Lions Clubs International and the District are done by E-mail. The PU-101 includes the names, addresses, telephone numbers, and E-mail addresses for the President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Membership Chairman. Let's all give 1st VDG Richard a good start by filing out all the information on the PU-101, because that is where he will get the information for the District Directories (these directories are for the benefit of the district officers, enter club and committee communications, along with all Lions)

Several Lions meeting were held involving new Club organization (extension), thanks to the hard work of PDG T.J. Tijerina and GMT Coordinator Sam Pantusa. Which leads me to District membership, and as I reported last month we had several Lions Clubs disband, after a great effort by the District Team to save them. Of course when we lose clubs and their members they can no

longer provide service to those areas, to those less fortunate than themselves. So the remaining clubs need to help provide that service by increasing their membership. Remember the District Leadership Team had recommended that we talk to and invite 2 people a month to our club meetings. If we will continue this for the remaining 3 months, I Believe we will be surprised in how much more our membership will increase and how many more people we will be able to help/serve. So I encourage you to Believe in the life-changing impact that your Club can have on your community by extending your Lions Family. Remember every club needs members to achieve its service goals. New members provide clubs with fresh ideas, new projects and additional ways to make positive contributions to their community needs.

If you have any constructive ideas you would like to discuss with me, the TEAM or would like to serve your District in anyway. Please contact me or the District TEAM.

Yours in Lionism and God Bless,

**District Governor**

**Lion Howie Marbach**



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## From The Second Vice District Governor

My Fellow Lions,

There are only a few days left before our District Convention in Converse, Texas. The District Convention will begin on Friday, April 13<sup>th</sup> with the Youth Banquet that evening and the Business Meeting followed by the Awards Luncheon on Saturday, April 14<sup>th</sup>. If you have not sent in your registration form, it is not too late to do so. Governor "Howie" Marbach has tried to make the District Convention as affordable as possible to encourage increased Club participation. As I was saying, the month of April is upon us. As Michael Altshuler has said, "The bad news is time flies. The good news is you're the pilot." As I prepare for my Governor's Year, I

will keep that in mind. In spite of the fact that we are in the month of April, there is still much yet to do. I am looking for Lions who are willing to serve at the District Level whether as Zone Chair, Area Chair, or Project Chair. I offer this not only as a challenge but an opportunity to give of yourself, to help make a difference and to help make District 2-A2 a better place. Will it mean more work for you, probably, but as Spirella says, "There's no thrill in easy sailing when the skies are blue. There's

no joy in merely doing things which any one can do. But there is some satisfaction that is mighty sweet to take, when you reach a destination that you thought you'd never make." John C. Maxwell has said, "Nobody can accomplish things alone. To fulfill a big vision you need a good team." I am in the process of forming a good team of Lions to carry our District through to a successful and rewarding year ahead. Please let me know if you are interested in being a part of this team effort. **"We Serve because We Care."**

On another note, I am in the process of putting together the **2012-2013 District Directory**, and I need the help of each Club to complete your PU-101 forms by the end of this month. When completing the PU-101 online, please make sure you include the home address and e-mail address of each of your 2012-2013 Club's Officers. If you need any

assistance with this form, let me know, and I will help you.

As many of you know the month of March has traditionally been the designated month for the **Marion Jones "Stride for Sight"** activities. I want to personally thank each of the Clubs that have raised money for this great endeavor. If your Club has made a pledge but has not yet paid, please try to do so as soon as you are able. Presently, we have approximately 37% of the fifty-nine (59) Clubs participating. We also have five clubs participating that have not participated in the past. This is great news for such a worthy cause. As you may know, this year is our 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary for the **Marion Jones "Stride for Sight."** Over the last twenty (20) years, you, the Lions of District 2-A2, have raised more than \$500,000 in support of the Vision Programs **located at the U.T. Health Science Center in San Antonio**, such as, the Lions Low Vision Center of Texas, the Lions Surgical Skills Lab, the Lion Gene Eberlin Ophthalmic Clinical Research Center, the Lions Pathology Lab and our very own Mobile Eye Screening Unit. This year's **"Stride for Sight"** money will go to help with the expansion of the Lions Low Vision Center and the Patients' Assistance Fund. Many of our LSRF Board members have been out visiting our Clubs to talk about the various programs under the umbrella of the Lions Sight Research Foundation and I want to personally

## From The Vice District Governor

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thank them for their help. If you have any questions, feel free to contact any of the LSRF Board Members, or Lion Jim Wheeler, COO of LSRF or myself or 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Wendy Van Winkle. We would be more than glad to assist you and your club in any way we can.

I want to leave you with something Helen Keller said, "No pessimist

ever discovered the secrets of the stars, or sailed to an uncharted land, or opened a new doorway for the human spirit." And Theodore Isaac Rubin states that, "Kindness is more important than wisdom, and the recognition of this is the beginning of wisdom." So as Lions may we continue to "Serve because We Care." As always, as I continue to visit Lions Clubs in the District, I hope to learn more about you and your club

and ways that I can give you my full support. Again, if I can be of service to you or your club, please let me know.

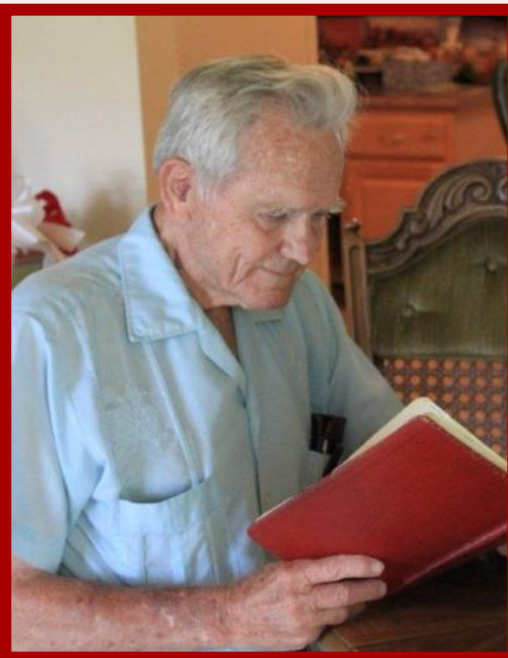
Yours in Service,

**Vice District Governor**

**Lion Richard Keilholz**

[rjkeil@aol.com](mailto:rjkeil@aol.com)

## From The District Chaplain



Fellow Lions,

As we get close to the District Convention, I am putting the finishing touches on the Necrology Service, and I hope you will all attend. We have had the opportunity to serve with so many wonderful Lions, but many have passed away this year and we owe them our thanks and respect.

Even at this late date, if your club has had a member pass away you haven't completed a Memorial

form, on the following page is a form you can complete and send to me so they, too, will be honored.

In His Service,

**District 2-A2 Chaplain**

**PDG Lytle Blankenship**

[lhblanken@gmail.com](mailto:lhblanken@gmail.com)



One Shot,  
One Life



# In Memory

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ LIONS CLUB \_\_\_\_\_

JOINED LIONS \_\_\_\_\_ CLUB \_\_\_\_\_ CHARTER MEMBER \_\_\_\_\_

OTHER CLUBS \_\_\_\_\_

CLUB OFFICES HELD \_\_\_\_\_

DISTRICT OFFICES HELD \_\_\_\_\_

STATE OFFICES HELD \_\_\_\_\_

INT'L OFFICES HELD \_\_\_\_\_

AWARDS IN LIONISM \_\_\_\_\_

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES \_\_\_\_\_

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Address (street/box) \_\_\_\_\_

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OTHER COMMENTS

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Additional comments may be included on attached sheet.

Member who will be your Club Representative for Memorial Service \_\_\_\_\_

Important: Send photo of deceased Lion. Digital preferred or color slide. If not available, send color print or good black & white.

Will you want photo back? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Send to: PDG Lytle H. Blankenship, District 2-A2 Chaplain, 4410 Medina Hwy, Kerrville, TX 78028-8891



## From The Second Vice District Governor

To my Lions Family,

Oh boy, it's that time of year again! Time for the District Convention. Now, I've always enjoyed District Functions, because it means getting a chance to enjoy seeing friends again, networking, sharing ideas, and the fun we always have together.

But over the years, I've notice a trend going on that I can no longer ignore. Between preparing for meetings, publishing newsletters, creating displays, a ton of emails, making sure I have everything done I'm supposed to do; my life resembles bears no resemblance to what I consider normal (not that my version of normal actually is).

The closer we get to the Convention, the harder it is to find my desk. Once I have the desk located, getting all my communications, lists

and instructions in one place is next. This is a bit troublesome, because at this point, my cats decide that they want more of my attention. When they discover I'm up against a pretty tight deadline is when I swear I can hear them hiding under a piece of furniture plotting against me (by gosh, they're going to show me who's boss!), and although my husband says it's just a hallucination caused by sleep deprivation, I know I hear them giggling as they come up with ways to slow me down.

One cat predictably lounges on the windowsill until she thinks the time is just right, then decides to play with pens, pencils, cell phones; anything on my workspace that she can move and create havoc by doing.

When she becomes bored by this, she then decides to nibble on any paperwork she likes, usually the more important it is, the more fun it is, and the more of it she eats. After leaving that bit of fun (which she knows will further cut into my time to clean up), it's time to groom her long, springtime shedding hair on top of any piece of equipment that can possibly be rendered temporarily out of order until I can remove the fluffs of fur that are able to find their way into places I never knew existed.

It then becomes time for her to move to the floor to discover what she can pull from the wastebasket and play with that will inevitably cause a trip hazard when she becomes bored with it.

That's it. Exit Miss Kitty. It's time to go outside.

I return to my desk, only to find my very loving other cat, Spike. Spike doesn't do very much, he just likes

to do not do it wherever I'm trying to work. The keyboard of my computer is his favorite place, making typesetting a challenge, especially when he wants me to scratch his back. He becomes immovable, and my only defense against the dire situation is to save often. I've discovered he likes to type. No amount of moving him keeps him from his ultimate goal of replacing my keyboard.

Spike looks very indignant when he, too, is escorted from the house.

I now have a brief moment of silence to collect the tattered remnants of my thoughts. I sit, ready to concentrate and finish the task at hand.

Then there she is. Miss Kitty. Hanging from the screen on my window, looking pathetic and confused that I made her leave the comforts and the joys of what used to be my office, but has now obviously become the cats room.

By this time, my energy tapped, my thoughts fragmented, I know there's only one thing to do. Let the cats in and go to bed. I'll just have to work twice as fast tomorrow!

But it's a ritual worth going through when it means I get to spend time with you, my Lion family. I learn from you, I'm inspired by you, I'm energized by you. And even though it means dueling cats, I wouldn't have it any other way.

I truly look forward to seeing you this weekend,

Yours in Service,

**Second Vice District Governor**  
**Lion Wendy Van Winkle**  
[dvanwinkle@stx.rr.com](mailto:dvanwinkle@stx.rr.com)

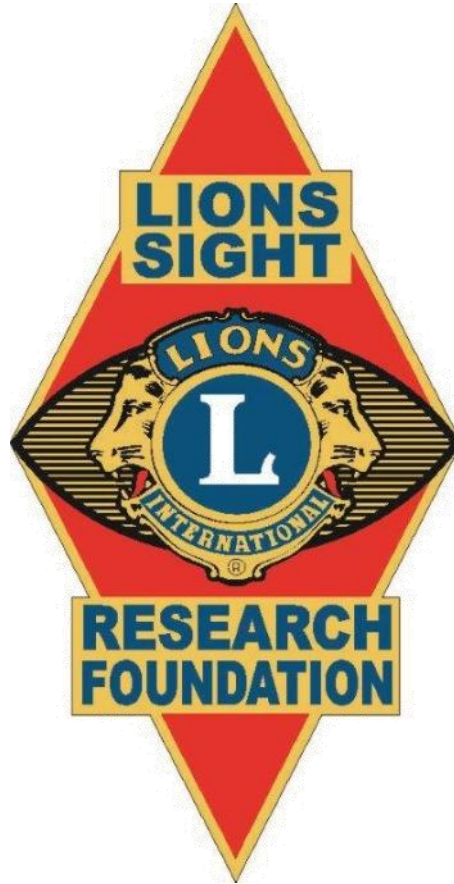
## Lions Sight Research Foundation Recognition Programs

**FOUNDATION ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP** - Individuals may become an Associate Member of the LSRF through application and approval by the Board. The cost is \$125 and the membership is recognized with a unique lapel pin and a distinctive marble desk accessory that has the Foundation emblem and an engraved plate with the recipient's name.

**LIFE MEMBERSHIP** - Outstanding Lions and individuals selected for special recognition may be nominated for Life Membership in the Foundation by a Lions Club or the Foundation Board of Directors. The cost is \$250. A handsome lapel pin and a unique wall plaque crafted from acrylic materials and decorated with a colorful Foundation emblem and a personalized plaque are awarded to each Life Member.

**MIRACLE CIRCLE MEMBERSHIP** - For service and achievement that deserves special recognition, membership in the exclusive Miracle Circle of the Foundation may be awarded to individual Lions. A Club or individual Lion may submit a nomination to the Board. Upon approval

and with payment of \$500, the recipient will receive a handsome walnut plaque with an engraved plate and the Foundation coat-of-arms. The distinctive lapel pin given to the new Miracle Circle Member will signal this unique honor to others.



**FOUNDATION FELLOWSHIP** - In the tradition of the Melvin Jones and Jack Wiech Fellowship Programs, the Foundation has created a "Vision Research Fellowship" that is available for award to selected individuals. The cost is \$1000 and the plaque is a handsome complement to the other fellowship plaques. A lapel pin is also presented.

**LOW VISION FELLOWSHIP** - Created to provide a Recognition item directly associated with the Lions Low Vision Center of Texas. The plaque is identical to the Sight Research Fellowship but utilizes the unique LLVC logo in lieu of the LSRF logo. Each plaque has a specific number and each recipient receives a distinctive LLVC lapel pin. The cost is \$1000.

### Did You Know...

#### The Department of Ophthalmology at UTHSC/SA

The Department of Ophthalmology at UTHSC/SA welcomes four new Residents to the campus each year as they embark on their course of study to become Ophthalmologists. Part of the intensive training, of course, involves learning how to perform the delicate surgery that

they will have to employ to serve the vision needs of their patients. Given that finding volunteers for the Residents to practice on is not a viable way to teach surgical skills to future eye surgeons, the Department decided to create an on-campus surgical skills laboratory where

When the LSRF learned of this plan, the Board was quick to see the many direct and indirect benefits

that could derive from having a Surgical Skills Laboratory at UTHSC/SA. So, in 2005 the LSRF donated funds to purchase equipment and supplies for the new *LIONS Surgical Skills Laboratory*. The facility is located in the Department and is widely used by the faculty Doctors and Resident students to develop skills and to refine surgical tech-

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## Did You Know...

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niques. The LSRF annually reviews the needs of the LSSL and makes a monetary gift to the Department to replenish necessary supplies and equipment.

An Did of applicants for the limited Residency slots available each year increased substantially since relatively few medical schools offer an ophthalmic surgical skills laboratory for the students. Thus, the Department is guaranteed a talented list of candidates to choose from each year.

And, not to be overlooked, the future patients of the UTHSC/SA

Ophthalmology Residents can rest assured that when the new Eye Docs go into "Practice", they will already have had lots of "practice" on pig's eyes in the *LIONS Surgical Skills Laboratory* at UTHSC/SA.

### The Eberlin Clinical Research Center

The primary mission of all univer-

sity Medical Schools is to train medical doctors. At most major universities there is a second and very important mission; specifically, conducting medical research related to the detection, treatment,

the Department of Ophthalmology is noted for both its teaching and research capabilities. However, prior to 2009, the medical research being carried out by both the research and medical staff emphasized basic research that is utilized by specialists located elsewhere who focus on clinical research. The Department wanted to expand their research capabilities and asked the LSRF to assist.

In cooperation with the Eberlin family, a bequest left to the LSRF by Lion Gene Eberlin – a Founder, past Chairman, and Trustee Emeritus of the LSRF – was used to equip a new

clinical research facility in 2009. The *Eberlin Clinical Research Center* was initially located in the Ophthalmology Department on the UTHSC/SA campus. In 2012, the Eberlin Center will be relocated to a larger facility at the Texas Diabetes Institute in San Antonio and clinical research projects will incorporate more researchers and increased patient participation.



and prevention of medical problems. Within the 'medical research' realm, there are relevant subdivisions addressing basic, applied, and clinical research.

"Clinical" research is related to translating basic research findings into medical related applications, including developing procedures and medications. At UTHSC/SA

# A Few 2012 Stride for Sight Festivities

Early Saturday morning, March 17th, Five Del Rio Area clubs gathered at the Roy Musquiz park to participate in the 2012 Stride for Sight.

Arranged by Past President Roberto Castillo of the Del Rio San Felipe Lions Club, he has plans for a bigger and better event next year.



March 17th is designated Stride for Sight Day by the District 2-A2 Lions Sight Research Foundation.

While not all clubs raise the bulk of their donations to the Foundation on



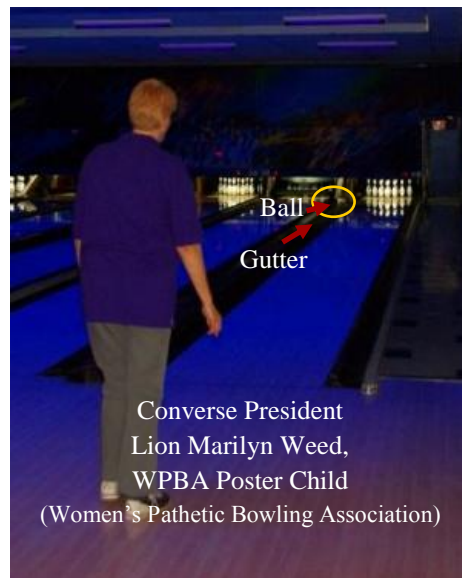
March 17th, but even so, an effort is underway to have all clubs save that date on their calendars to raise awareness for the Lions Sight Research Foundation, and the entities these donations are distributed to by the Foundation.



Even though the Del Rio Host Lions Club was involved in another project that day, Lion President Stacy Lewis and Lion Vice President Gloria Klasen took time out to show their support and Stride for Sight.

In San Antonio, the Converse Lions Club held a Bowling for Sight night. Refreshments, pizza, and swollen fingers were just a few of the highlights of the evening. They had no 300 games, but lots of fun and are ready to do it again next year.

Plans are already underway for next year's Stride for Sight, so mark your calendars for Saturday, March 16th, and remember that 100% of the funds raised go to support research programs and related facilities.



Converse President Lion Marilyn Weed, WPBA Poster Child (Women's Pathetic Bowling Association)

Remember. We are Knights of the Blind. We should take that very se-



riously, but of course, have some fun along the way!



## 2012 District 2-A2 Convention

*April 13th and April 14th*

# 2012 DISTRICT CONVENTION

**Holiday Inn Express  
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### Friday, April 13

3:00 p.m. • LSRF Board Meeting, 4502 Centerview Drive, SA  
 Registration • Afternoon at Holiday Inn Express  
 Hospitality Rooms Open  
 Youth Contests • Afternoon at Holiday Inn Express  
 6:00 p.m. • PDG meeting( Boysville midway between IH 10E and IH 35N on 1604)

7:00 p.m. • Youth Scholarship Banquet (Boysville)

### Saturday, April 14

7:30 a.m. • Necrology Service (Chapel)  
 8:00 a.m. • Registration and Continental Breakfast  
 9:00 a.m. • Business Session (Boysville)  
 1:30 p.m. • Awards Banquet (Boysville)

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## Candidates for District 2-A2 Offices

Governor - 1st VDG Richard Keilholz  
1st VDG - 2nd VDG Wendy Van Winkle  
2nd VDG - Lion Rod Chisholm

LSRF – Five Director Positions Available  
Candidates to date:

Lion Bill Barker  
PDG Ray Conner  
Lion Pat Hardwick  
Lion John Lee  
Lion Jim Weed

Human Needs – Four Director Positions Available,  
three for a full 2-year term, and one to fill a 1-year  
term.

Candidates to Date:

Lion Ken Book  
Lion Abel Martinez

Hearing Board – Four Director Positions Available  
Candidates to Date:

Lion Norman Fulkerson

## Clubs Needed to Host Training Sessions

At the District Convention, clubs will be asked (clubs that volunteer would be greatly appreciated) to host the Leadership Training Sessions in May. We will attempt to space the sessions geographically so we can keep your travel time and gas money to a minimum, but it is crucial that all elected officers attend. Even if you have previously attended these sessions, changes to the sessions will make it beneficial for you to attend.

Clubs that host the sessions will be asked to supply a place for the training to be held. The sessions are a total of 3 hours beginning at 9:00 a.m. and ending at noon. You will be asked to provide coffee, juice, and appropriate snacks.

If your club is interested in hosting a training session, please see me ([SVDG Wendy Van Winkle](#)) at the convention.

## Congratulations to Bexar County China Grove Area Lions!

Congratulations to the Bexar County **China Grove Area Lions Club**, who was the first Club to complete their 2012-2013 PU-101. And not only were they the first to complete their form, they completed it correctly, with all requested information completed, and probably most amazing is that it was completed so neatly that I can read every word and numeral; and every email address is legible.

Wow! It's a District Governor Elects dream come true!

If every club in the District will follow this club's lead, Governor Elect Lion Richard will have an accurate directory that can be produced in a timely manner.

Thank you China Grove, for setting the precedent!

Being a lowly editor working in the dungeon by candlelight with only a quill, ink, and parchment at my disposal, I cannot present you with an appropriate award, so please accept this as a gesture of my appreciation of your timeliness and excellent penmanship!



**PU101  
PRO!**

## The Importance of the Club Officer Report (PU-101)

Current Secretaries, it is essential to remember that Clubs submit their officer contact information on this form annually on paper or through the membership reporting area of the association's Web site **by May 15**.

Clubs submitting a paper copy should return the original copy to International Headquarters and forward a copy to your district governor. Remember to include current unique email addresses to facilitate establishing club officer passwords.

It's easiest to submit the PU-101 online, and can be accessed by clicking [here](#).

Why is it so important to file your Clubs PU-101? Because, as is explained at the top of the sample PU-101 on the following page, this is the form to report the names and addresses of your newly elected club officers to International Headquarters. This form is ***extremely important*** –all communications your new officers receive during their year in office will be based on the information you provide here. ***Please PRINT*** the needed information on this form and return it in the enclosed self-addressed envelope, ***immediately following your club elections in April. Final deadline is May 15***. If you fail to return this form, your new officers will not be able to receive the information and materials they will need during the coming year.

It is also important that you fill in all of the requested information. Officers names, their member number, email addresses, phone numbers, and the club mailing address are all needed for communications between Lions International, your District, your Club, and most importantly to the club members.

**Even if you do not elect *new* officers, you still must file a PU-101.**

If you have any problems accessing or completing the PU 101, please contact

Lion Susan Merrifield



**DUE NO LATER THAN MAY 15<sup>TH</sup>**

## URGENT! THIS IS YOUR 2012-2013 LIONS CLUB'S OFFICER REPORTING FORM

**Lion Secretary:** Use this form to report the names and addresses of your newly elected club officers to International Headquarters. This form is *extremely important*—all communications your new officers receive during their year in office will be based on the information you provide here. **Please PRINT** the needed information on this form and return it in the enclosed self-addressed envelope, *immediately following your club elections in April. Final deadline is May 15.* If you fail to return this form, your new officers will not be able to receive the information and materials they will need during the coming year.

IDENT.	CLUB NO.	DISTRICT	NAME OF CLUB	INTL. OFFICE USE ONLY
				LANG. COUNTRY

Your meeting place and time are indicated on the left. If different, please indicate below.  
(PLEASE INDICATE DAY, WEEK & HOUR OF MEETING)

	SUN.	MON.	TUE.	WED.	THUR.	FRI.	SAT.
EACH WEEK							
1ST WEEK							
2ND WEEK							
3RD WEEK							
4TH WEEK							
ALTERNATE WEEKS							
HOUR							

SAMPLE

MEETING PLACE \_\_\_\_\_

STREET ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

Club mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

Clubs website URL: \_\_\_\_\_

*Any change in club officers during the fiscal year must be reported to headquarters.*

**\*MEMBER NUMBERS ARE INDICATED ON YOUR SEMI-ANNUAL PER CAPITA. PLEASE INDICATE BELOW MAILING ADDRESS FOR INCOMING CLUB OFFICERS**

**# ENTER MAILING INFORMATION IN LOCAL FORMAT.**

<b>PRESIDENT:</b> NAME	MEMBER NUMBER*	HOME PHONE NO.
#		BUSINESS PHONE NO.
#		MOBILE PHONE NO.
E-MAIL ADDRESS	SPOUSE: NAME	SEND MAIL TO CLUB ADDRESS <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>SECRETARY:</b> NAME	MEMBER NUMBER*	HOME PHONE NO.
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#		MOBILE PHONE NO.
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#		MOBILE PHONE NO.
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# MD-2 State Convention



# TEXAS



## MD-2 TEXAS LIONS 2012 STATE CONVENTION

May 17 - 19, 2012



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Bush Intercontinental Airport  
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Houston, Texas 77032

“Come join our salute to Patriotism”

[www.GoLions.us](http://www.GoLions.us)

Register on-line



Golf Tournament  
May 17, 2012  
Tour 18 Golf Course  
1:30pm Shotgun Start  
Contact PDG Art Drouin  
936-537-1400  
adrouinsr@hotmail.com



Convention Information  
PDG Margaret Badeaux  
Convention Chairperson  
713-856-5549  
mbado@prodigy.net

## Southtown Lions Club's first "Spaghetti for Sight"

The pouring rain didn't stop the community from supporting the Southtown Lions Club's first "Spaghetti for Sight" Supper & Plate Sale, held on Saturday, March 10th. Eighty-four plates went out the door at \$6 each. Lion Jimmy Espinoza, of Jimmy's Family Pizza, generously provided the spaghetti, salad, and garlic bread, so 100% of the revenues, plus some additional cash donations -- over \$600 in all -- will be used to provide eyeglasses to local schoolchildren in need. This supper



was the first of a regularly occurring series the club plans to do, taking place bi-monthly or quarterly, to keep funds flowing in to this important Lions cause. The Southtown Lions are grateful for the community support -- and the support of district Lions who attended, as well! More information at [www.spaghettilforsight.org](http://www.spaghettilforsight.org).



# Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament



## 19th Annual Texas Lions Camp Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament

### ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT TEXAS LIONS CAMP

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Brodie Zenner, Camper 2011

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**August 2, 2012**

8:00 am Shotgun Start

**Tapatio Springs  
Golf Course & Resort**

Boerne, TX

#### Sponsor One or More Holes

For a one time donation of \$100 per hole, individuals, clubs, associations and corporations may sponsor a hole(s).

All sponsors of the tournament will be recognized in publications on location and on the Texas Lions Camp website.—[www.lionscamp.com](http://www.lionscamp.com)

Please make checks payable to Texas Lions Camp.

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**Mail to: Gary Sult, 2-E1**  
1424 Highland View Dr.  
Stephenville, TX 76401-9676

## 2012 Texas Lions Camp Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament Camper Representative – Brodie Zenner

Seven-year-old Brodie Zenner, a first time camper to Texas Lions Camp in 2011, is the camper representative for the 2012 Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament benefiting Texas Lions Camp. A camper is chosen every year to represent all campers and the “Can do” philosophy they embody. A camper must have a spirit of the possible no matter limitations placed before them. Brodie is a perfect example of the possible.

Brodie’s mother sent a record of some of the hurdles that this young man has had and continues to climb with his physical disability of Apert’s Syndrome.

Three weeks before Brodie’s birth we found, through ultrasound, a diaphragmatic hernia, and the suspicion of Apert’s Syndrome. We were told it was slim he would live. Brodie underwent his first surgery at 3 days old to correct his hernia, and spent a total of 27 days in the NICU. (They had told us to expect 3 ½ to 4 months.)

We then met with the Craniofacial Team in Dallas for all of the reconstruction that would be needed for Brodie’s rare syndrome, Apert’s. At 9 months, he had his first syndactyl release, separating of fingers and toes. At 12 months, his second syndactyl release. At 15 months, his first cranial vault – an incision was made across the top of his head and his forehead was broken off, remodeled and grafted on to allow for his brain to have enough room for

growth. At 18 months, a strabismus surgery to correct eye muscle issues. At 5 years old, Brodie had a mid-face advancement – entering through the same scar across the head from earlier surgery and pulling down the face, breaking all the bones from his eye orbits down through the nose, cheek and upper jaw. Then doctors looped a wire through these broken areas and a metal halo attached to the outside of his head and we tightened screws daily for 4 weeks to pull the bones forward and then let them set for 4 weeks. Then the appliance was surgically removed. At 6 years old, the 2nd cranial vault took place (same procedure as at 15 months).

At 7 years old now, Brodie has a surgery scheduled this coming Monday (February 6, 2012) to break bones in his left foot to correct a joint that did not form properly and causes him pain. Then 4-6 weeks later we will do the right foot. Before the age of 18, Brodie will have to undergo around 26 reconstructive surgeries.

Despite the terrible pain, surgeries, recovery time and stresses of Apert’s Syndrome, Brodie’s excitement of each day and eagerness to be a part of the lives of those around him, gives him a personality that everyone enjoys. He is always eager to help and wants to be part of the action. His smile is contagious and his sense of fun energetic. Brodie likes games, sports, and just being with others. He has a close bond

with his older sister, Charlie who enjoys watching out for her younger brother. Living in Fredericksburg with his family, Brodie is particularly excited about being a part of this year’s Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament at the end of the summer sessions for 2012.

Texas Lions Camp is proud to have great kids that attend our summer camping program. But more importantly, Texas Lions Camp is honored to be able to know and celebrate awesome examples of true “Can Do” way of life, like that of Brodie Zenner.

In regard to Brodie, Trish Wilson called me earlier in the week to inform me of some very concerning news. Brodie has been diagnosed with what appears to be a brain tumor. His parents are seeking a second opinion and Brodie will be going in for another scan this coming Thursday April 12<sup>th</sup>. As each of you know, this is an amazing child who has been through more in his short life than most of us go through in a lifetime, and he continues to do this with a laugh and a smile. The stories that Trish tells me tug at my heart. Like so many of the children that pass through the gates of “Your” Texas Lions Camp, Brodie is the reason we as the Lions of Texas do what we do! I would hope that you would take a moment and lift Brodie and his family up in prayer and on this next Thursday when he goes in for the scan.

## Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament Hole Sponsors

### District 2-T1

Amarillo Lonestar Lions Club 100.00  
 Bonner, David & Gayla 100.00  
 Canyon Noon Lions Club 200.00  
 Hereford Lions Club 100.00  
 King, Jack & Rebecca 100.00  
 King, Jack & Rebecca 100.00  
 Pampa Lions Club 100.00  
 White, Ray & Zoie 100.00

**Total District 2-T1 900.00**

### District 2-T2

Gradel, Bernie and Barbara 100.00  
 Horizon Builders 400.00  
 Linker, Gary & Judy 100.00  
 Redbud Lions Club 100.00  
 Shallowater Lions Club 100.00  
 Shannon, Charles & Jerry Beth 500.00  
 Snyder Lions Club 100.00  
 Snyder Lions Club 100.00  
 South Plains Roofing & Remodeling 200.00  
 Steakley, Jene 100.00  
 Sundown Lions Club 408.14

**Total District 2-T2 2,208.14**

### District 2-T3

Brunson, Garion 100.00  
 El Paso Five Points Lions Club 100.00  
 Odessa A.M. Lions Club 1,300.00  
 Odessa A.M. Lions Club 100.00 Val Alvarado  
 Odessa A.M. Lions Club 100.00 Jose Banuelos  
 Odessa A.M. Lions Club 100.00 Manuel Gonzalez III  
 Odessa A.M. Lions Club 100.00 Terry Gooch  
 Odessa A.M. Lions Club 100.00 James Henderson  
 Odessa A.M. Lions Club 100.00 Fred Lewis  
 Odessa A.M. Lions Club 100.00 Layo Abalos  
 Royalty, Dean 100.00

**Total District 2-T3 2,300.00**

### District 2-E1

Abilene Cactus Lions Club 100.00  
 Bryson Lions Club 100.00  
 Campbell, Luren & Beatt 100.00  
 Davis, Beth 50.00  
 Dearing, Art & Jodie 100.00  
 Dearing, Art & Jodie 100.00  
 Emmons, Sharon 100.00  
 Griffin, Hal & Sandy 200.00  
 Isbell, Tom & Marnette 500.00  
 Isbell, Tom & Marnette 200.00  
 Kendrick, Doris 100.00  
 Kendrick, Doris 100.00 In Memory of John Ed Conner  
 Lodor, Sue 100.00  
 Machenberg, Don & Carolyn Sue 100.00  
 Mitchell, Bob & Virgie 100.00  
 Sharp, A.C. & Mary Beth 100.00  
 Smith, C. Lee & Sue 100.00  
 South Taylor Co. Lions Club 100.00  
 Sult, Gary & Jana 100.00  
 Watson, Cindy & Barry 100.00  
 Wood, Billy & Rose 100.00

**Total District 2-E1 2,650.00**

### District 2-E2

Grapevine Heritage Lions Club 100.00  
 McCown, Mac & Mary 100.00  
 Stebbins, Ed & Bev 100.00  
 Total District 2-E2 300.00

### District 2-X1

Eads, John 100.00  
 Ennis Noon Lions Club 100.00  
 Fletcher, Danny & Kathy 100.00  
 Garland Evening Lions Club 100.00

## Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament Hole Sponsors

Gleason, Ken & Sherry 100.00  
 Grand Prairie Host Lions Club 200.00  
 Irving Noonday Lions Club 100.00  
 Johnson, Julia 100.00  
 Ketner, Billy 100.00  
 Landrum, John 100.00  
 Plano Early Lions Club 100.00  
 Plano New Millennium Lions Club 100.00  
 Wisdom, Darla 100.00  
 Wylie Evening Lions Club 100.00  
***Total District 2-X1 1,500.00***

### **District 2-X2**

Canton Lions Club 200.00  
 Nacol, Lynn & Charles 100.00  
 Van Alstine, Leon & Nancy 100.00  
 Waskom Lions Club 100.00  
***Total District 2-X2 500.00***

### **District 2-X3**

Bohls, Jim & Jan 100.00  
 Clay, Britt and Jill 100.00 Gatesville Lions Club  
 Crabtree, Bob & Becky 100.00  
 Killeen Evening Lions Club 100.00  
 Lindsey, Sam & Jodye 100.00  
 Surface, Richard & Martha 100.00  
 Waco Founder Lions Club 100.00  
 Williams, Dan E 100.00  
***Total District 2-X3 800.00***

### **District 2-A1**

Concho Pearl Lions Club 100.00  
 East Angelo Lions Club 100.00  
 Grindstaff, Everett J. "Ebb" 100.00  
***Total District 2-A1 300.00***

### **District 2-A2**

Buffalo Valley Lions Club 1,000.00  
 Carrillo, Manny & Diane 200.00  
 Carroll, Pat 100.00  
 China Grove Area Lions Club 200.00 In Memory of Herb Carroll  
 Del Rio Pride Leo Club 100.00  
 Frantzen, Kaderli & Klier 100.00  
 Frantzen, Lester 100.00  
 Fredericksburg Lions Club 100.00  
 Helotes Lions Club 200.00  
 Herb's Hat Shop 200.00 In Memory of Herb Carroll  
***Total District 2-A2 2,300.00***

### **District 2-A3**

Boling, Ike & Elouise 100.00  
 Mission Lions Club 100.00  
 Rockport Lions Club 100.00  
 Talbert, Rick & Lupita 100.00  
 Weslaco Lions Club 500.00 In Memory of PDG Roy Davis  
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***Total District 2-A3 1,400.00***

### **District 2-S1**

Browning, James & Jayne 100.00  
 Carthage Lions Club 100.00  
 Cully, Moe & Henny 100.00  
 Farmer's State Bank - Carthage 100.00  
 Orange Lions Club 100.00  
 South County Breakfast Lions Club 100.00  
***Total District 2-S1 600.00***

### **District 2-S2**

Badeaux, Margaret 100.00

## Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament Hole Sponsors

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Buckalew, Don A. 100.00  
 Conner, George & Theda 100.00  
 Houston Sports Lions Club 100.00  
 Moorman, Chris 100.00  
**Total District 2-S2 500.00**

### District 2-S3

Dillman, Shirley 200.00  
 Heitkamp, Dennis 100.00  
 Tremblay, Ray 100.00  
**Total District 2-S3 400.00**

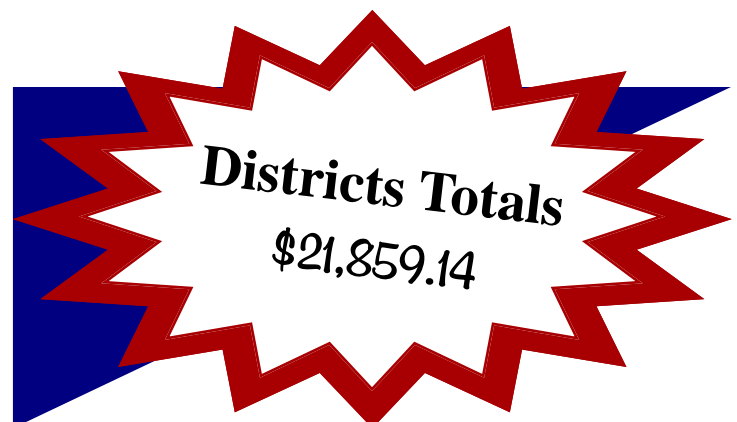
### District 2-S4

Angleton Lions Club 100.00  
 Bhat, Vasanth 100.00  
 Brazosport Evening Lions Club 100.00 In Memory of  
 Lion Ocktavia Carstarphen  
 Brazosport Evening Lions Club 100.00 In Honor of Lion  
 Vasanth Bhat  
 Brazosport Evening Lions Club 100.00 In Honor of  
 PDG Michael Moss  
 Brazosport Evening Lions Club 200.00  
 Calapan, Abelardo & Thelma 100.00  
 Dentler, Julie 100.00  
 Ganado Lions Club 100.00  
 Gillas, Billie Rae 100.00  
 Hallettsville Lions Club 100.00  
 Massey, Sharon 1,000.00  
 Moss, Michael 100.00  
 Needville Lions Club 100.00  
 Pearland Lions Club 100.00  
 Pearland Lions Club 100.00  
 Roe, Bill 100.00  
 Santa Fe Lions Club 200.00  
 Schuette Jr, Raymond L 100.00 In Memory of Octavia  
 Carstarphen  
 Shinn, David 101.00

Simpson, John & Dianne 100.00  
 Sugar Land Lions Club 100.00  
 Sult, Gary & Jana 100.00 In  
 Appreciation for District 2-S4  
 Texas City Noon Lions Club 100.00  
 Victoria Boulevard Lions Club 100.00 In Memory of  
 Lion Oscar Vogt  
 Victoria Boulevard Lions Club 100.00 In Honor of DG  
 Randy Morton  
 Victoria Boulevard Lions Club 100.00 Smitty's Food  
 Mart  
 Victoria Boulevard Lions Club 100.00 Cimarron Stores  
 Victoria Boulevard Lions Club 100.00 Tractor Supply  
 Co - Victoria  
 Victoria Boulevard Lions Club 100.00 Raisin Windmill  
 Store  
 Victoria Boulevard Lions Club 100.00 Victoria All  
 Sports  
 Victoria Lions Club 100.00  
 Wallis, Susan & Tom 100.00  
 Wheeler, William 100.00  
 Zein-Eldin, Patti 100.00  
**Total District 2-S4 4,601.00**

### District 2-S5

Bryan, A.L. & Jessie 200.00  
 Caldwell Men's Lions Club 100.00  
 Murray, Vicky & Jack 200.00  
 New Horizons Lions Club 100.00  
**Total District 2-S5 600.00**



## TLC Advanced Diabetes Management Skills Seminar

The Texas Lions Camp, in corporation with Dr. Steven Ponder, is conducting an exclusive advanced diabetes education seminar for the entire family, including grandparents and extended caregivers. The seminar will be held at Texas Lions Camp Saturday, April 21, 2012 8:00am- 4:00pm. You can register

online at [www.lionscamp.com](http://www.lionscamp.com) (beginning 2/15/12).

While your children (ages 6-16) with diabetes and their non-diabetic siblings enjoy the supervised activities of Texas Lions Camp's state-of-the-art facility, internationally rec-

ognized diabetes experts will provide a day-long seminar on how to apply advanced diabetes care skills. Grandparents will also participate in a separate, ½ day, hands-on training session. The goal of these seminars is to increase levels of advanced diabetes care knowledge and skills.

### Topics Include

What's New in Type 1 diabetes  
 Managing the extremes  
 Proper use of diabetic tools  
 Diet as an effective self-care tool  
 Equipping Grandparents with Diabetic Care Skills.

### Presenters

Stephen W. Ponder MD, FAAP, CDE  
 Barbara J. Anderson Ph.D  
 Meaghan Anderson RD, CDE  
 Barb Schreiner, PhD, RN, CDE

\$75 entire family (includes grandparents, too!). \$25 for individual.

Log on to [www.lionscamp.com](http://www.lionscamp.com) for more information.

### Summer Camp 2012 Schedule

**Session 1** - June 3-9: Children with Physical Disabilities  
**Session 2** - June 10-16: Children with Physical Disabilities  
**Session 3** - June 17-23: Children with Physical Disabilities  
**Session 4** - June 24-30: Children with Physical Disabilities  
**Session 5** - July 1-7: Children with Physical Disabilities  
**Specialty Camps** - July 8-14: (Leased) American Cancer Society  
**Specialty Camps** - July 15-21: Children with Burns (leased)/Down Syndrome  
**Diabetes Camp 1** - July 22-28: Children with Type 1 Diabetes  
**Diabetes Camp 2** - July 29 - Aug 4: Children with Type 1 Diabetes

### Last Spring Work-Day

Last call for sprucing up the TLC before the campers start arriving! The last remaining work day scheduled is on Saturday, May 5, 2012.

**Note: All youth groups must be approved prior to registration**

So far in the first week, 244 campers have applied to camp online! That is an average of 40 campers per day! Get your camper application in too!

If you need any help at all, we have folks ready to assist you. Call Stephanie or Jess at the camp office (830) 896-8500 [www.lionscamp.com](http://www.lionscamp.com)



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## Time to Return Audiometers

All Lions who have Audiometers to please bring them back to me at the convention they will need to be calibrated for next school year. I am also ready to mail to Starkey a box with used hearing aids for credit so if any club has collected any please I urge you to bring them to the convention on 4/13/12.


Starkey Hearing Foundation is all set to do our hearing program with the University Hospital and Lions District 2-A2 Hearing Board. Lion Harry Burney with the SA Northwest Lions and Board Secretary accompanied me to the University hospital where we donated 8 hearing aids that A&B Audiology Co still had when March 1st came around.

Two applicants have been submitted to me by the University Hospital and I am just waiting for the approval from Starkey Foundation.

Thank you for your cooperation,


*Lion Lulu*

## USA/Canada Forum



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Go to: [www.usacanadalionsforum.org](http://www.usacanadalionsforum.org) and see all the information and packaging available for you and your family.



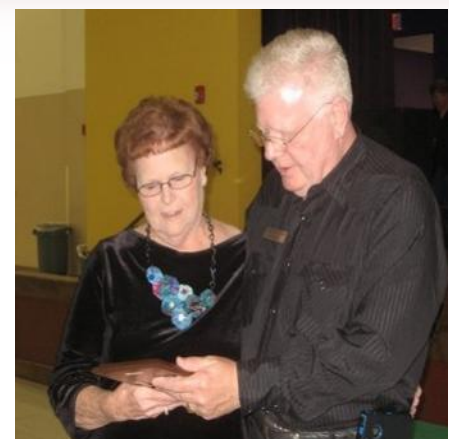
**Tampa Bay, Florida  
September 13-15, 2012**

## LaJuana Newnam-Leus accepts the People's Choice Award

*Courtesy of Wilson County News  
Photo by Susan Hodges*

LaJuana Newnam-Leus accepts the People's Choice award from Floresville Chamber of Commerce President Philip Vipond during the chamber's annual awards banquet held March 2 in the Floresville Event Center. Members of the chamber chose Newnam-Leus by voting on a slate of nominees.

LaJuana is a long time member of the Floresville Lions Club, Wilson County Historical Society, American Legion Auxiliary, Floresville Musical Club, Director on the Atascosa Health Board, Sunday School Director of First Baptist Church in Floresville, along with many other affiliations with local clubs and organizations.



# Annual D'Hanis BBQ Cook-Off!

## D'Hanis Lions Club

# BBQ Cook-off!

April 27th and 28th, 2012

Rules and Entry Forms are [here](#)

## Prizes and Awards include

Trophies for Beef, Chicken and Ribs

People's Choice Award

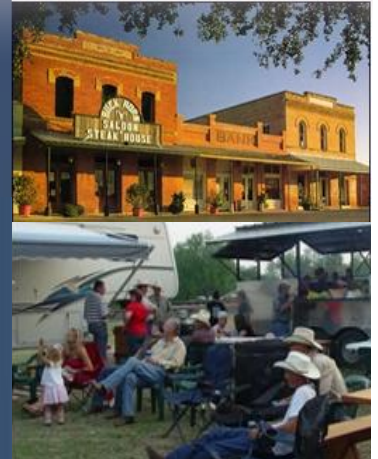
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## From the Texas Lions Foundation



One picture may be worth a thousand words, but in this case, the opportunity to picture PDG John Seale being shaved bald is definitely worth \$25,000!

This has been a hard year for so many Texans; drought, wildfires, then floods and tornados, and agencies that can help are stretched so thin, and can take so long to respond, but the Texas Lions Foundation stands at the ready.

Texas Lions have always been generous and those who have been tasked to find donors and have been tenacious in their jobs, and sometimes, just a little nuts.

In this case, our very own PDG John Seale has vowed to let the Tailtwisters shave his head if our District can meet the challenge of raising \$25,000 for the Texas Lions Foundation.

This is a bold move on many levels. The first, obviously, is the amount of sunscreen PDG John is going to have to invest in to keep that scalp of his from turning as red as his soon to be former hair!

Then there is the fact that he's allowing Tailtwisters Harry Boykin and Dave Krumm near him with anything sharp. That's the equivalent of giving 4 year old lots of scissors to run with.

PDG John seems to have forgotten an incident some years back which led to similar shock and awe, but we all know PCC Mike Rourke will never forget.

All fun aside, this lighthearted gesture was made by a bighearted man who is willing to do whatever it takes to get help to those in need. So be generous. Help the Texas Lions Foundation help Texans in their times of need.

And have a good laugh!



## From TLERC: Easter, the Real Time of Giving

Christmas gets all the glory as the gift giving season. I recently saw one Lions picture of his house on Christmas morning. Christmas wrap was tossed all over the room and piles of gifts covered the floor. The caption: "After the Carnage!" It looked a whole lot like our house.

Yet I challenge the yuletide's supremacy in that regard, and would offer springtime as the REAL season of giving. The spring is when Mother Nature is giving us all of her beauty. In the springtime, young people are more likely to be giving themselves in marriage. Even major religions celebrate God's greatest gifts to them in the springtime (Passover & Easter). We even have a "Christmas In April", when people give of their time, materials & labor to rebuild or repair the homes of the elderly, poor, and disabled in their communities. I could go on, but you get the idea.

Even Lions are not immune to this "Spring Giving Fever". Committees start awarding their scholarships and youth contest awards in the spring. Club Boards are carefully considering how best to give out those discretionary funds above their budgets, they have so diligently worked to earn during the

year. They send gifts to support our Lions projects like LCIF, Leader Dog Schools, and many more.

Lions also give some of their most important gifts in the springtime, during their annual awards and installation banquets. Clubs that are vibrant, strong and GROWING in

service to your Club and community, we save those special gifts of recognition; the ones I call the "double-dippers". Double-Dippers are those that give special recognition to the Lion and also a gift to a special Lions project.

Please consider giving a double-dipper gift this year from the Texas Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center (TLERC). We have Gold (\$1000), Silver (\$500), and Bronze (\$250) Fellowships that come with a beautiful hard-wood plaque. Please allow us 4-6 weeks to get the plaque to you on time. Go to our website at [www.tlercmidlandtexas.org](http://www.tlercmidlandtexas.org) to get more information, see a sample plaque and obtain an order form.

TLERC receives no Lions dues. Your "double-dipper" gift this spring may help fund a mission to Kenya, while exciting a great Lion to bigger heights. This can only make your Club stronger.

TLERC is your project (Texas Lions), it needs your support – your gifts. Remember.....'tis the season!

**Lion Tom Blase, UDG 2-A1  
TLERC Promotions Director**



**Please note the new address for the  
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Recycling Center  
(432) 683-3611 Work  
tlercAattglobal.net  
2550 Flynt Avenue  
Midland, TX 79705  
[www.tlercmidlandtexas.org](http://www.tlercmidlandtexas.org)**

membership understand that everyone, no matter how altruistic or humble, has a need to be recognized. That pat on the back, some small token or certificate, and recognition in front of their peers energizes these Lions to keep on going. For those special Lions, however, those that have given extraordinary

## From The District 2-A2 Hearing Board

### *Alanna Birdwell Audiologist*

On March 14 the Hearing board donated 7 hearing aids to the audiology department at University Hospital San Antonio. Lion Lulu and Lion Harry were there for the Hearing Board.

The Hearing Board provides hearing aids for needy adults residing within in the district. The 21 counties served by District 2-A2 are: Atascosa, Bandera, Bexar, Dimmit, Edwards, Frio, Gillespie, Kendall, Kerr, Kinney, LaSalle, Live Oak, Maverick, McMullen, Medina, Real, Uvalde, Val Verde, Webb, Wilson, and Zavalla. To be eligible, the needy adult must be financially within 180% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines as listed each year in the Federal Registry. Recently, the Hearing Board has paid for the audiology exams and provided hearing aids to 15-25 needy adults per year at a cost of about \$4000 to \$6000 per year. Hearing Board members and its volunteers also provide hearing screenings (and some vision screenings) to local schools within District 2-A2. Since July 2011, Hearing Board members and volunteers provided hearing screenings to more than 7100 students.

As of July 2011 the cost to provide the audiology exam and one hearing aid to one needy adult increased from \$250 to \$300. After looking into ways to reduce these costs, the

Hearing Board, led by Chairperson Lulu Garcia, entered into an agreement and partnership with the Starkey Hearing Foundation. This new partnership will allow us to expand our hearing assistance service. At a cost of \$250, we will be able to provide two hearing aids for each adult, if needed, whereas in the past we only provided one hearing aid. Starting March 1, 2012, clubs can refer adults for a hearing aid evaluation appointment at the University Hospital in San Antonio. Contact information for making the appointment is listed in the "**Hear Now** Program -- letter to clubs." You can learn more about Starkey Hearing Foundation at: <http://www.starkeyhearingfoundation.org>

The Hearing Board directors would like to thank the following clubs and individual for their donations to the Hearing Board that were made at the Mid-Winter Conference in Fredericksburg on Jan. 14, 2012:

Kerrville Heart of The Hills Lions Club ;\$300

Buffalo Valley Lions Club; \$600

Lion Rose Mary Paletta, President of SA West Side Lions Club, personal donation; \$150

The Hearing Board directors would also like to thank the following clubs that made pledges at the same meeting:

SA Alamo Heights Lions Club; \$500

SA Edgewood Lions Club; \$300

SA North Side Lions Club; \$600

Del Rio Host Lions Club; \$300

SA Area Family Lions Club; \$300

To encourage donations of this type, the Hearing Board will continue to provide a recognition plaque or (new this year) a certificate. For a \$1000 donation, a Helen Keller Fellow recognition plaque will be provided – see photo of plaque. For a \$600 donation a slightly smaller Helen Keller plaque will be provided. For a \$300 donation an appreciation certificate will be provided. The plaque or certificate can have the name of the club or the name of a club member. Clubs have until June 30, 2012 to increase their donation to the Hearing Board for the current Lions calendar year so they can reach the next higher recognition award increment.

Chairperson Lulu Garcia was elected to serve her third consecutive term on the Hearing Board in 2010 and per the Constitution [and By-Laws](#) is not able to run again this year, 2012. She will have to remain off of the Hearing Board for one year before again becoming eligible. She has served as chairper-

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## From The District 2-A2 Hearing Board

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son of the Hearing Board for the last three years. Each year at the district convention, the Hearing Board seeks to elect four directors. Elected directors serve a two year term. Following the District Convention and before the district directory is printed, the Hearing Board holds an election meeting. From among the eight voting directors, it elects officers: Chairperson, vice-chairperson, secretary, and treasurer. Several of the current officers of the Hearing Board cannot run or do not plan to run for reelection. Clubs in the district are encouraged to consider members that would like to serve on the Hearing Board and submit a nomination resolution to the district Nominations & Elections chairperson, Christine "Chris" Condren, prior to the deadline of March 13, 2012.

You can link to the Hearing Board District 2-A2 webpage at: <http://texaslions2a2.org/hearing.html>

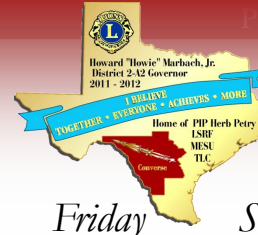
If you have questions about the Hearing Board, you can contact Chairperson Lulu Garcia (see the district directory for contact information), Secretary Harry Burney at 764-1683, or elected Hearing Board director Andrew "Andy" Lee at andylee@clear.net .

***Lion Harry Burney***  
***Secretary, Hearing Board***

210 764-1683



# April 2012



<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
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