



Lions District 2-A2 Newsletter



Issue 3 – September, 2016

A note from our District Governor, John Lee



To the Lions of District 2A2,

I want to express my appreciation for the Lions of the greatest District in Texas. You have been out working! Numerous clubs have held events ranging from vision screening children to BBQ cook-off's. A group of us Lions spent most of the week (Aug. 15 – 18th) in San Antonio working at starting a new Professional Women's Lions Club in the downtown area. We are half way there!

I know that some clubs are gaining members because myself and others have been doing inductions of new members. Our zone chairs are at work. There has been a couple of Zone meetings already with several others scheduled to occur within the next 2 weeks. Zone meetings

are important because the Zone Chair finds out what is going on with several clubs at a time. The members of a club who attend a zone meeting also learn what the other clubs around them are doing.

Be sure to go to the district2a2.org website and enter your events on the district calendar. If your event is on the calendar, everyone will know when it is and you might get some volunteers from another club who might not have anything to do at that time.

Also club secretaries need to be sure to do your monthly MMR and activity reports. While you are reporting an event you can also report some of them as Centennial activities and earn banner patches for your club. If you want your club and president to earn a 100% award you have to do your MMRs every month on time.

We are working at getting a couple of officer training classes scheduled for October. One to the West end of the District and one closer to the South end. If your club's secretary or treasurer needs some help before we get the classes scheduled be sure to contact us and we will get someone to you to help.

Yours in service,

Lion John
Governor
District 2A2

A note from 1st VDG Don Kirchoff



The Comfort Lions Club identified “Where there’s a need” in their community. A member noticed that the local Boys & Girls Club walked the children five blocks to the Library for a summer reading program. It was noticed that when the children crossed the streets and highway that the staff did not have any safety vests or flags. So the Comfort Lions elected to furnish the safety equipment by using e-mail responses and the equipment was purchased and provided to the Boys & Girls Club before the next trip.



School Days Are Here!!

The La Vernia Lions Club had another very successful Stuff the Bus for LVISD event on Saturday August 13, 2016. Many thanks to HEB, LVISD, Our Miss La Vernia Court and the very generous people of La Vernia!





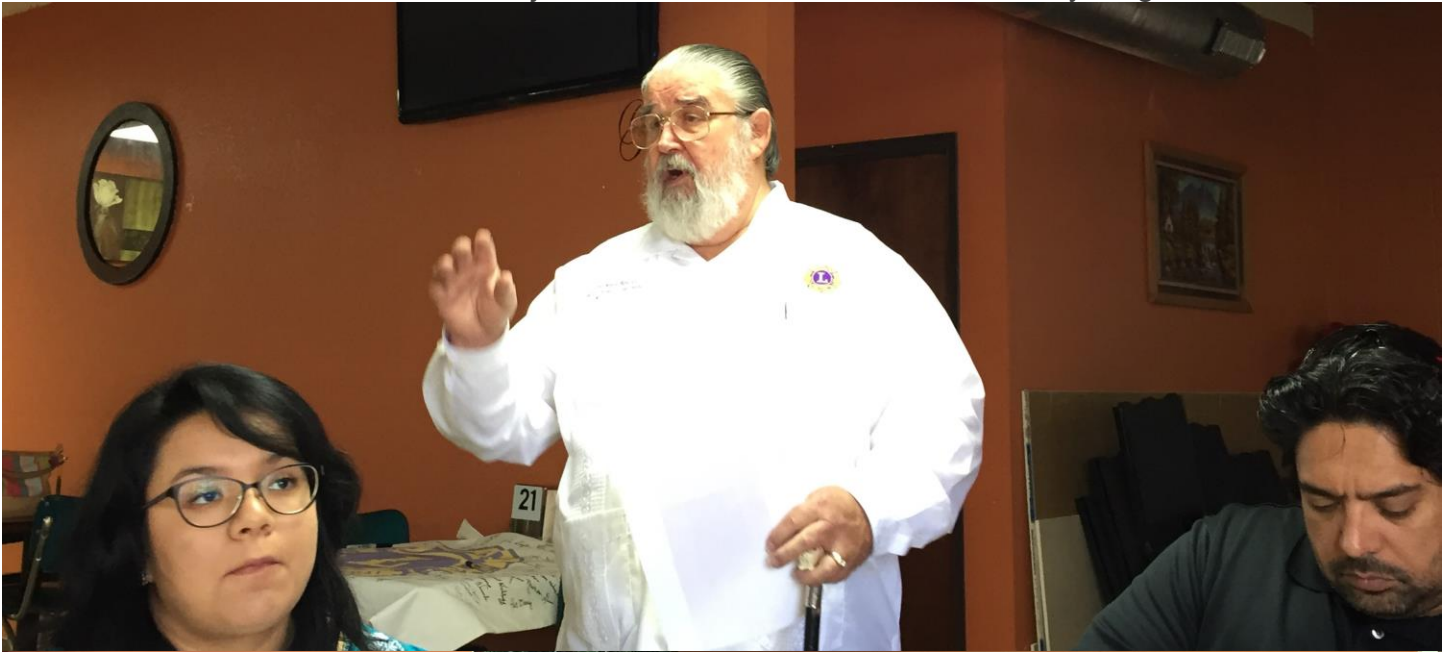
The San Antonio Northwest Lions donated and delivered school supplies to four elementary schools in their service area.





Zone Meetings

Zone Chairman from Zone 7, Lion Abel Martinez (from Edgewood) and Zone Chairwoman from Zone 8, Lion Juanita Tijerina (from SA Northwest) held our first Zone meeting of the year for club Presidents and Secretaries at The Fajita Taco Place Restaurant on Saturday, August 27th.



From the District Chaplain Doug Thomas

Dear Fellow Lions,

As we begin another year in Lionism, I want to share with you a column that then District Chaplain PDG Lytle Blankenship wrote several years ago. I thank him for this. I could not have said it better myself.

“How soon we forget? How fast our memories fade? Are their days of service to fellow man no longer of importance? Have we forgotten so soon those hours of toiling together as a reminder that we who remain behind must always be ‘found faithful’ in following the example that they set in their commitment to the Lion’s motto, **WE SERVE**.

Although our dearly beloved departed Lions have gone on to receive their just rewards there are still the hundreds of thousands of needy souls waiting the encouragement of one who is willing to say, ‘silver and gold have I none, but what I have I give to you.’

Do we forget so soon their remorse and concern for people like the father, son and daughter sitting all alone on the side of a street in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic; the children evidently crying because they are hungry? Or the leper in a colony in the bush in eastern Uganda longing for medical care so he can return to his family? Or the partially blind men anxiously waiting cataract surgery to be performed in a hospital built by Lions and serviced by Lion doctors who give of their time freely.

So many tales I could relate, but many with happy endings because of dedicated Lions.

I don’t know what the departed Lion(s) in your club may have done, but I ‘m sure they honored the admonition in Proverbs (3:27), ‘*Whenever you are able, do good to people who need help.*’ Therefore, *I’m sure his/her life is worth remembering if only by fellow Lions*’.

We attempt to do this twice: first in the District Newsletter as soon as possible and second in a longer Memorial Service at the annual District Convention. For this to happen we need significant information on the Lion as soon as possible. Lion Secretaries or Zone Chairmen, let me know. **Lest We forget!**”

Please fill out the **In Memory** form and let me know when we lose one of our Lions. Thank you.

District 2A2 Chaplain

Lion Doug Thomas

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Hunting Blind Raffle To Benefit Lions District 2-A2



District 2-A2 is running a raffle for a Nature Blinds hunting blind valued at \$2985.00.

Tickets 1 for \$10 or 3 for \$20.

Has locking door, 3 pull up windows and constructed out of 4" thick hi density foam. Tickets will be sold at the 1st and 2nd District Cabinet meetings.

To purchase tickets between the 2 cabinet meetings please contact DG John Lee at (830) 370-3156 or email: governor@district2a2.org.

Winner will be drawn at end of the 2nd cabinet meeting October 15, 2016.



- 2nd Cabinet Meeting to be held on October 15th in Stockdale.
- Secretaries: please submit your MMR's and club activities to Lions International (they don't have to be big events, the small ones count also).
- Please submit any stories/pictures that you would like to appear in the newsletter to: newsletter@district2a2.org before the 25th of the month.
- Centennial State Convention information can be found at www.100.district2a2.org. Check it out!



18th Annual La Vernia Lions Club

Edmund Kuempel Memorial Golf Tournament



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- Date:** Saturday, October 1, 2016
- Place:** Max Starcke Park Golf Course (Seguin)
- Time:** 7:30 AM Registration, 8:30 AM Shotgun Start
- Fee:** \$65.00 per player
- Format:** Four-person Scramble
(pick your own team w/ handicap system)
- Team Prizes:** 1st - \$300, 2nd - \$200, 3rd - \$100
- Player Prizes:** Closest to the Pin, Longest Drive,
Players Pool (Optional)

There will be a free meal following the golf tournament for all participants

Sponsorship Levels

- Gold:** \$500 (2 – 4 person teams and 2-hole sponsors)
- Silver:** \$300 (1 – 4 person team and 2-hole sponsors)
- Bronze:** \$250 (1 – 4 person team and 1-hole sponsor)
- Hole Sponsor:** \$50 (Vinyl Sign), \$100 (2 Vinyl Signs)
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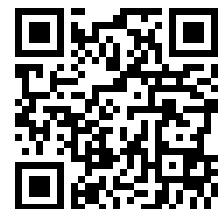
For More Info and Entry/Sponsor Forms:

- Frank Pruski (830) 779-2595
- Steve Mays (210) 380-6572

golf@lavernialions.org

LaVerniaLions.org/golf

[facebook.com/LaVerniaLionsClub](https://www.facebook.com/LaVerniaLionsClub)



All of the funds raised will go to the La Vernia Lions Club Scholarship Fund



Date: August 1, 2016

**Contact: Milton L. Dare, FACHE
Director of Development & Major Gifts
830-896-8500/mdare@lionscamp.com**

H-E-B Invests in CAMPerShip Program For Texas Lions Camp

Kerrville, Texas. H-E-B joins in Texas Lions Camp's CAMPerShip initiative by making an investment of \$5,000 to support children with special medical conditions.

"The commitment of H-E-B to serve and its dedication to invest in local organizations is a shining example of community stewardship at its finest and is a wonderful blending with the motto and purpose of Lions which is "WE SERVE," said Stephen S. Mabry, Chief Executive Officer of TLC. The goal at TLC is to provide an atmosphere wherein campers will learn the *Can Do* philosophy and be allowed to achieve maximum personal growth and self-esteem. "Corporate Sponsors like H-E-B are making our motto, 'Children Can...With TLC' a reality every day for every child attending camp this summer," Mabry added.

"H-E-B believes strongly in supporting the communities it serves, and we've been proud to serve the Kerrville community for more than 110 years," said Greg Nichols, General Manager of H-E-B in Kerrville. "We are thrilled to support Texas Lions Camp and the CAMPerShip initiative to provide the camp experience to children with special medical conditions."

About H-E-B

H-E-B, with sales of more than \$23 billion, operates more than 370 stores in Texas and Mexico. Known for its innovation and community service, H-E-B celebrated its 110th anniversary in 2015. Recognized for its fresh food, quality products, convenient services, and a commitment to environmental responsibility and sustainability, H-E-B strives to provide the best customer experience at everyday low prices. Based in San Antonio, H-E-B employs more than 96,000 Partners in Texas and Mexico and serves millions of customers in more than 300 communities. For more information, visit heb.com.

About Texas Lions Camp, Inc.

Since 1949, the Texas Lions Camp has provided without charge, a camp for over 68,000 children with special medical conditions from the State of Texas, regardless of race, religion, or national origin. Located on over 500 acres in the beautiful Texas Hill Country, the Texas Lions Camp was organized and founded by the Lions of Texas and is recognized as a non-profit corporation, under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Service Code. The Texas Lions Camp is accredited by the American Camping Association and licensed by the Texas Department of State Health Services.

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



H-E-B presented a check of \$5,000 in support of the 2016 CAMPerShip initiative at Texas Lions Camp. Participating in the presentation were (from left to right): H-E-B Kerrville Store Director, Jeannette Bocock, TLC Diabetic Camp Medical Director Stephen Ponder, MD, H-E-B Kerrville Area General Manager, Greg Nichols and Texas Lions Camp CEO, Stephen Mabry.



MD-2 TEXAS LIONS STATE CONVENTION

May 18 - 21, 2017
THE MENGER HOTEL
 204 ALAMO PLAZA
 San Antonio, Texas 78207



FIRST TIME ATTENDEES CHECK HERE

Hotel Reservation Cutoff Date — May 10, 2017

CONVENTION REGISTRATION FORM

Name and Title	Club Name	District	Delegate YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>
Name and Title	Club Name	District	Delegate YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>
Address	City	State	Zip Telephone

e-mail address: _____ I require Transportation from the Airport - YES NO

Register by February 15, 2017 w/discount package and save \$20.00 to \$40.00.
Registration fee of \$20.00 must be included with all non-discount packages.

Date and Function	Early Registration Postmarked by February 15, 2017	Discount Registration Postmarked by April 15, 2017	Registration Postmarked after April 15, 2017	FORM OF PAYMENT	
				Check	Cash
				Total Number of Tickets	Total Cost
REGISTRATION FEE All attendees, including Non-Lions, must be registered.	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00		
DISCOUNT MEAL PACKAGE Includes all meals and Thursday Evening Welcome. <i>Golf not included. You must register separately</i>	\$170.00	\$190.00	\$210.00		
Thursday 5:00 - 9:00 PM May 18, 2017 RECEPTION • RIVER BARGE PARADE AT IBC BANK PLAZA	No Charge	No Charge	No Charge		PLEASE INDICATE NUMBER ATTENDING
Friday 6:30 - 7:30 AM May 19, 2017 WELCOME BREAKFAST	\$25.00	\$28.00	\$31.00		
Friday 12:00 - 2:00 PM May 19, 2017 HALL OF FAME LUNCHEON	\$27.00	\$29.00	\$33.00		
Friday 7:00 - 9:00 PM May 19, 2017 PDG BANQUET AND MEMORIAL	\$34.00	\$36.00	\$39.00		
Saturday 7:00 - 8:30 AM May 20, 2017 TEXAS LIONS FOUNDATION BREAKFAST	\$22.00	\$25.00	\$29.00		
Saturday 12:00 - 2:00 PM May 20, 2017 OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUTH LUNCHEON	\$25.00	\$29.00	\$33.00		
Saturday 6:00 - 9:30 PM May 20, 2017 MD-2 GOVERNORS' BANQUET	\$37.00	\$43.00	\$45.00		
Sunday Breakfast or Brunch will be available at The Menger Hotel on May 21, 2017				Total Enclosed:	

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: **TEXAS LIONS CONVENTION FUND**

CANCELLATIONS HONORED UNTIL APRIL 30, 2017

**MAIL CHECKS and
REGISTRATION TO:**
 Lion George "Wally" Jackson
 243 Montfort
 San Antonio, Texas 78216

**FOR INQUIRES
CALL OR EMAIL**
 Lion George "Wally" Jackson
 956-648-9685
Gwjackson64@gmail.com

THE MENGER HOTEL

204 Alamo Plaza
 San Antonio, Texas 78205
 (800) 678 8946 • (210) 223 4361

Ask for the Lions Rate
 Standard Room Rate
\$126.00
 Junior Suite Rate
\$150.00

- **REGISTRATION is required for everyone attending.**
Except for non-Lion family members of Hall of Fame Honorees or Opportunities for Youth Contestants attending just that specific event.
- Payment postmarked by 2/15/17 will cost \$170; payment postmarked between 2/16/17 and 4/15/17 will cost \$190; and payment postmarked after 4/15/17 will cost \$210 for the full package. All other choices will be subject to the listed price for each event.

Dress Code: Thursday Evening for the Welcome Social will be Fiesta Casual or Council Casual Uniforms.

Dress Code: Friday Evening for the PDG Banquet will be Business attire.

Dress Code: Saturday Evening for the MD---2 Fellowship Banquet will be White Coat OR Business attire.

➤ **All convention attendees are encouraged to attend both evening banquets.**

_____ Check here if you require special dietary needs and please list the needs below.

_____ Check here if you are a non-Lion family member of a Hall of Fame honoree or Opportunity for Youth Contestant



Come join us as we ***“Celebrate a Century of Service”*** with a Texas Flair while keeping our eye on the future of the Association that the Lions of Texas have had such a large part in developing.

- Come and be a part of this ***History Making Convention.***
- Come and hear from ***4 Past International Presidents.***
- Come and experience ***Everything that only San Antonio can offer.***
- Come and enjoy the ***Entertainment, Music and Historical Displays.***
- Come and share the ***Fun and Fellowship with your Fellow Lions.***
- Come join with the ***Founder Clubs that helped start our Association.***
- Come and participate in ***Seminars with the best and brightest in Lionism.***

***Come and be a part of the beginning of our
Second Century of Service.***