



Lions District 2-A2

Stepping Up Our Service



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“Darkness cannot drive out darkness: only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate: only love can do that.”

— Martin Luther King Jr



My Fellow Lions:

I hope everyone is holding up and adjustment to our current situation. Hopefully, this will not last too much longer. It is great to see that clubs are holding meetings through different meeting programs. We are continuing to conduct District business.

District Convention - Cancelled Voting

We still need to have voting for the incoming District Officers and Boards. I had sent out several emails regarding everything that was going to be on the ballot, i.e. District Officers; Board of Directors for the Human Needs Board and Lion Sight Research Foundation; approval of the Board for the Lions Children Services Program of District 2-A2; the Children Services Constitution and By-laws and Constitutional changes for District 2-A2 and Human Needs Board; and increase of dues. I will send these out again in the next few days.

Club Delegates

It is very important that each club submit their Club Delegate and Alternates to PDG Cal Lawson at jlawson6@satx.rr.com. We are waiting to see how long the stay-at-home order and social gathering is going to last. Per our District Constitution, voting must be made in person; however, LCI has given the District Governors the go ahead to conduct voting as we see is best for our District. The deadline to submit your Club Delegates to PDG Cal is **MAY 20, 2020**. I will keep the Club Presidents and Secretaries informed of how we will be conducting voting as we start approaching the end of May. If you are a PID, PCC or PDG, please submit your information to PDG Cal as well. If your name is not on the list, I will not send you a ballot. Ballots will only be sent to all Delegates that will be certified by PDG Cal.

Opportunities for Youth Contest

We will still have the Opportunities for Youth Contest in late May. This will only be opened to the Contest Coordinators, Contestants, one Parent, one sponsoring Lions Club Member and the Judges for each Contest. We will keep the sponsoring club informed of when we are able to schedule the contest. The State Convention date has changed. The State Convention will be held in Longview, Texas on **June 26-27, 2020**.

Club Officer Elections for 2020-2021

The club Secretary needs to submit the new 2020-2021 Club officers to LCI. The deadline for submitting new club officers is **MAY 15, 2020**. If you can submit officers before the deadline, please do so. The district will need the names for the 2020-2021 District Directory.

Texas Lions Camp

The Texas Lions Camp has made the decision to close the camp for the summer of 2020. The health and well-being of our campers and the summer staff comes first. It was a very difficult decision the Executive Officers had to make, but it was the right decision. The camp will be needing our support in preparing for the continued maintenance and preparing for next year's summer camp. The Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament will be held in August (has not cancelled yet). If you would like to make a donation or participate go to the TLC website. For further information on the happenings of the Texas Lions Camp, go to their website at **lionscamp.com**, under the Media tab, click on the **TLC Blog**. This is where you will find information regarding update information on the Texas Lions Camp.

If I can be of assistance, please let me know.

I would like to wish everyone a HAPPY CINCO DE MAYO and a HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!!

Yours in Service,

Lion Janie

Lion Janie Garza

District Governor 2-A2

"Life is a succession of lessons which must be lived to be understood."



Helen Keller

Good May Morning Lions! I read an interesting article this morning where the Chief of Staff of the US Air Force, Gen. David Goldfein, commenting about adjustments in the face of COVID-19, spoke about preparing for “new abnormal” as the USAF carries out it’s mission. It appears that our Lions Clubs are in the same position as we continue to serve our communities.

We have to figure out how to conduct meetings, continue our community service and raise money for our charities. My club has held several board meetings using Zoom, including a preliminary practice session, and we’re starting to get the hang of it. We conducted our elections via US mail and will start regular club meetings via Zoom next week. The biggest advantage so far appears to be the opportunity to get great guest speakers who we haven’t been able schedule in the past. And on a personal note, I’m not being fined by our tail twister for offering an excellent pun here and there. Although there are rumors that he’s running a tab.

Getting Comfortable with video conferencing

Some of us have used Face time on our smartphones or Skype on our computers, especially those of us who have children and grandchildren living across the state or the Nation. Rather than printing a lengthy instructional manual I suggest that you click on the links below to learn a bit more about connecting with Zoom. I found three videos that give a clear explanation and I hope you find them useful.

The fourth YouTube link provides tips on how to look your best on camera. The presenter has a lot of good tips that may be helpful. I tried them out but I still look 72 years old and I’m not ready yet to dye my hair or get cosmetic surgery. Oh well.

[HTTPS://WWW.YOUTUBE.COM/WATCH?V=SJQ_0M5VCDY](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SJQ_0M5VCDY) - HOW TO SCHEDULE AND JOIN A ZOOM MEETING

[HTTPS://WWW.YOUTUBE.COM/WATCH?V=HI32XK2VA7M](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HI32XK2VA7M) - HOW TO HOST A ZOOM CALL FOR THE FIRST TIME - FUN AND EASY ONLINE CONNECTION

[HTTPS://WWW.YOUTUBE.COM/WATCH?V=HBYHANVCW9M](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HBYHANVCW9M) - HOW TO USE ZOOM - HOW TO HOST/ATTEND A MEETING [FOR BEGINNERS]

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ACNGhPKnmok> - How to look good on video calls for Zoom, Face time and Skype

I encourage you to look these over or find other instructional videos that make sense to you and then practice, practice, practice.

You can expect that many of our district activities will be moving online until we reach the “new abnormal” some time in the future.

We’re already planning to conduct all our new club officer training online in late May and June as it doesn’t appear that we’ll have the opportunity to meet face-to-face in groups of any size.

Planning for next year – Speaking of officer training please be sure to report your new club officers on MyLCI as soon as possible. As stated above, officer training will take place starting in a few weeks and we want to make sure that we notify all the right people.

Service Reporting

Thanks for making the effort to report your service. We saw a nice increase in clubs reporting service this past month and we encourage you to continue the effort. Just go to the lionsclubs.org website and click on service reporting.

Donate to LSRF

Our Lions Sight Research Foundation doesn't qualify for any stimulus funds or small business loans. It survives on our support. Please consider making a significant charitable donation to our LSRF this month.

Membership

Here is our District 2-A2 Health Assessment from Lions International through the last week in April 2020. Our net member loss this month is 21 members. Even though we're challenged by COVID-19 we still have time to enroll new Lions and increase our collective service. We can still do this. Here's the update:

●Active Clubs -	64
●Current total members -	1,674
●Member Count 12 Months ago -	1760
●YTD Adds -	154
●YTD Drops -	175
●YTD Net Growth	-21

Enjoy your family and community, stay healthy, reach out to those in need in your community, and enjoy your service.

Stay hydrated,

1VDG Dave Splitek

PS : A pirate walks into a bar with a paper towel on his head. The bartender asks, "Hey, what's with the paper towel?" The pirate says. "Argh, I've got a Bounty on me head!"



Dear Fellow Lions,

Today I was looking at the keys on my keyring and thinking which one was the most important. The house key would be the most important if I was trying to get into my house. My car key would be most important if I wanted to drive somewhere. If I wanted to get into my lockbox that key would be most important; each key has its own place.

It was sort of like that when Jesus's disciples were arguing about who was the greatest. Jesus told them that "If any of you who wants to be the greatest, he must be the very least, and servant of all.

As Lions we need to remember that we are all important. And we must not forget those who have gone before us and now rest from their labors. We may not be able to have our memorial service at our District Convention this year because of the coronavirus but we still need to remember that Lions who have passed away this Lion year:

2019-2020 Obituaries

Lion Wayne Kuhn	SA Northside Lions Club
Lion Tony Flores	SA Alamo Heights Lions Club
Lion Henri Schmidt	SA Guide Dogs of Texas Lions Club
Lion Ernestine Luna	SA Northwest Lions Club
Lion Roy Thomas	SA Alamo City Lions Club
Lion Jesse Sanchez	SA Highland Hills Lions Club

Lion Ernest "Neto" Ojeda Del Rio San Felipe Lions Club

Lion Xavier Rodriquez Del Rio San Felipe Lions Club

Lion Tom Neeley Converse Lions Club

Lion Floyd Carriker Kerrville Sunrise Lions Club

International 1st VP Haynes Townsend

Lion Paula Blacklock SA Founder Lions Club

Cissy Lee, wife of PDG John Lee, Kerrville Host Lions Club

Lion Jeanie Rogers SA Windcrest Lions Club

Rest eternal grant them, O Lord;

And let light perpetual shine upon them.

May their souls, and the souls of all the departed

Through the mercy of God rest in peace.

2VDG Doug Thomas


District Chaplain

Point to ponder: Faith without action isn't.

San Antonio Founder Lions Club

On the bottom right hand of the attachment you will see the \$2,000.00 donation made to the SA Food Bank by the San Antonio Founder Lions Club. This donation will be matched dollar for dollar for this campaign. We have club members that are also volunteering with the Home Delivery Service as well as the city wide distribution days.

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Feeding San Antonio

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With leadership from News4 San Antonio, and a list of generous donors led by Harvey Najim, there is a \$2,000,000 challenge for the community that will be matched dollar-for-dollar through midnight April 30. The goal is to raise \$2,000,000 in community funds that will be matched 1:1 by the matching-donors for a grand goal of \$4,000,000. Special thanks to the following donors who contributed to the matching fund: Harvey E. Najim, Carlos and Malú Alvarez, Beldon Family Foundation, Lacie and Joe Gorder, Gordon Hartman, Kronkosky Charitable Fund, Mays Family Foundation, NuStar Energy and Greehey Family Foundation, and the Whitacre Family Foundation.

The telethon portion of Feeding San Antonio will run Wednesday April 29th & Thursday April 30th, from 5:00-10:30pm. Make your gift here, or call 210-610-6590 during telethon hours.

TO GO FOR GOOD is a dining out campaign that will accompany the Feeding San Antonio on-air fundraiser benefitting the San Antonio Food Bank. We will invite our community to support our local restaurants and the SA Food Bank at the same time by purchasing Restaurant packages for two or four. Head to safoodbank.org/togoforgood any time between noon on Saturday, April 25th until midnight on April 30th to purchase your restaurant package.




\$3,807,386.40

raised of \$4,000,000 goal



Donate


\$25	\$50	\$100
\$250	\$500	\$1,000
Other		

69 shares   

Recent Donations

\$2,000.00
San Antonio Founder Lions Club

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San Antonio Windcrest Lions Club

Windcrest Lions Dorothy Jones and Jill Vogel with LEO the Lion represented our Club at the Windcrest Good News Car Parade on May 1 2020. Windcrest Police & Fire Department led the parade followed by decorated vehicles celebrating our town and neighbors. The parade certainly succeeded in its mission: "While we are all doing what we can to keep each other safe... car rides, spreading cheer, joy, and love aren't canceled! Be part of some GOOD NEWS!" Stay safe everyone!

