



# The Lions Den

## District 2-S3

*"Vision of Dreams"*



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## DG Gary Cocanougher



**Lions of District 2-S3,** less than one week ago thousands of peoples lives have been changed because of the massive

and widespread fires throughout our District. Areas in Pflugerville, Leander/Cedar Park, Steiner Ranch, Spicewood and the biggest in Bastrop have been affected. We have clubs in and around all these areas and members being displaced from their homes and some not even knowing if their home is still standing. The District Lions Alert Chair PDG Dave Slider and I have been in constant contact since last Friday. I have been contacted by several Clubs that have already started gathering items to take over to the affected areas. We are asking each club to be responsible in getting the items you have to an agency that can disburse them to the right people. At the bottom of this correspondence will be a list of numbers on whom to call and places that items can be dropped off for distribution.

Yesterday I sent to the Texas Lions Foundation an Emergency Grant Application and should hear back within a day or two if it was approved or not, it will be cash that we can spend to buy necessary items. I also have on my desk and am preparing to fill out an Emergency Grant Application from LCIF; this can be up to \$10,000 but must be used for food, water, clothing and medicine only. We are assessing the situation to see if this is really needed with all the other agencies that have volunteered and sent items from their organizations. From the information I have received from a couple of contacts in the Bastrop area, they have enough

items to hold them a while. Not to say in another week they will need a lot more. If there is enough support and items gathered that they are not going to need our assistance, then I will fill out a Standard Grant application from LCIF in an amount up to \$75,000 and this can be used for construction and rehabilitation.

I know they are in need of individuals to serve at the shelters, so please if your club wants to be involved, volunteer through the Austin Disaster Relief Network and their number is below.

We suggest if your club wants to help, that you send Money to our Lions Alert Chair Dave Slider to be used at the appropriate time. We just don't need to be sending cases and cases of bottled water that they don't need now. Let's build up our financial recourses and in the weeks ahead we can go over and present to the proper agency a check to help the people continue to survive.

***Yours in Lionism  
District Governor  
Gary Cocanougher  
"Vision of Dreams"***



### Contact Numbers

**Bastrop Hot Line: 512-332-8814**

**Ministries Alliance: 512-332-8661**

**Donations - 151 Shiloh Rd in Bastrop**

**Austin Disaster Relief Network:  
512-331-2200 (Sign Up Volunteers)**

**PDG Dave Slider: 512-461-0480  
District 2-S3 Chair**

## In Memoriam

PDG Elwood Arnold passed away at age 101; he was Governor of District 2-S3 in 2000-2001. Elwood was a charter member of the Balcones Lions Club in the 1980's and transferred his membership to the Founder Club several years ago when the Balcones Club ceased to exist.

It is with a heavy heart that I announce that **Lion Dick Martin** of the New Braunfels Breakfast club past away. He was a long time member of our club and had served on the Cabinet in various positions over the years and most recently as Zone Chair. A memorial service was held at St Johns Episcopal Church in New Braunfels, Friday September 9, 2011.

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## From the desk of J. P. Kirksey

In this District, we have a long history of supporting several great charities and service programs that are endorsed by the Lions of Texas. And, every club supports various local projects that provide needed service in their home communities.

In mid-August, I had the opportunity (along with the other 1<sup>st</sup> VDGs) to visit one of the projects that we have supported for many years. Leader Dogs for the Blind was started by Lions in Rochester, Michigan more than 70 years ago. This Lions facility and the services provided are now among the most advanced

and valued anywhere. Much the same as our Texas Lions Camp, Leader Dog sets the standard for Guide Dog programs throughout the world.

While in Rochester, Michigan we toured the facilities, heard about the puppy breeding program, visited with the excellent staff, received a briefing on the history and future of the program, and experienced the unique chili and doughnuts cuisine that the school is renowned for (honestly, it was quite good). We also were bussed downtown to witness new clients in operation with their new best friends. Not only are we providing

excellent client training with state of the art GPS (only available from Leader Dog) to complement the very well trained dogs, we are also breeding our own superior dogs for service.

Out of 47 Multiple Districts that support Leader Dog, MD2 (Texas) ranked eighth (8<sup>th</sup>) in amount of annual donations and our own Taylor Lions Club ranks #16 out of 20 Top Dog Clubs for 2010-2011. Further, the contribution

by the Taylor Lions last year was 8.5% of the entire amount contributed by all of Texas – yes that's what one Club did! Way to go Taylor Lions – you set the bar high for the rest of us and we're proud of your commitment to this program!!! Historically, District 2-S3 has the distinction of being one of the most generous of the 16 Districts in Texas.

While at Leader Dog, I was honored to find my brick (actually I discovered that I had two) in the Walk of Honor. If you don't have a brick, I encourage you to consider a contribution. And, there are many other ways you can support Leader Dog – individually and as a Club.

So, continue your projects to raise funds for Leader Dog and the other worthwhile charities/programs that we are honored to support. And, when you need to recognize a fellow Lion for outstanding service, consider honoring that Lion with a special tribute to one of the charities/programs. Information about recognition and giving programs is readily available on the organization's WebSite.

And, don't forget to ask someone to join you in Lionism.

*Think, Plan, Act.*



1<sup>st</sup> VDG J. P. Kirksey  
2011-2012



1<sup>st</sup> VDGs attend Leader Dog school on August 21. District 2-S3's own 1<sup>st</sup> VDG JP Kirksey is shown on back row, far left.

# ManorFest

30 Sept thru 1 October

Parade – Arts & Crafts

Bar-B-Que Cook-off

5K Run



Sponsored by the Manor Lions Club

Contact Gil Burrell for more info: [gilburrell@att.net](mailto:gilburrell@att.net)

## LIVE MUSIC at MANORFEST

STEVE POWERS  
Friday 6:30-7:30

EAST OF AUSTIN  
Friday 8:00- 9:15

KEITH KELSO BAND  
Friday 9:45-11:00

MOJO AVIATORS  
Saturday 12:00-1:15

JUBALS LAWYER  
Saturday 1:45-3:00

AUSTIN GROOVE BAND  
Saturday 3:30- 5:00

ROCK, COUNTRY, BLUES  
AND BARBEQUE



All performances will be on the stage at the Manor Lions Club in downtown Manor.

## Governor's 2011-2012 Visitation Schedule

### September

<u>Club/Event</u>	<u>Date of Visit</u>
Milano	September 1, 2011
San Marcos Bluebonnets	September 6, 2011
McQueeney	September 6, 2011
Manor	September 12, 2011
Georgetown Evening	September 13, 2011
New Braunfels (Noon)	September 15, 2011
Johnson City	September 15, 2011
Cedar Park Longhorn	September 20, 2011
USA/Canada Forum, Alaska	September 22-24, 2011

### October

<u>Club/Event</u>	<u>Date of Visit</u>
Wimberley	October 4, 2011
Spring Branch-Bulverde	October 5, 2011
Austin Founders	October 6, 2011
Buckholts	October 6, 2011
Buda	October 10, 2011
Kyle	October 13, 2011
Austin North	October 13, 2011
2S3 Cabinet Meeting, Lago Vista	October 15, 2011
Milano	October 18, 2011
New Braunfels Evening	October 19, 2011

### November

<u>Club/Event</u>	<u>Date of Visit</u>
Austin South	November 1, 2011
Council of Gov's, Round Rock	November 4-6, 2011
Austin West	November 14, 2011
New Braunfels New Century	November 15, 2011

### December

<u>Club/Event</u>	<u>Date of Visit</u>
Austin South	December 1, 2011
New Braunfels New Century	December 6, 2011





## 35th Annual USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum

**September 22-24, 2011**  
**Anchorage, Alaska**



*For more information, link to:*  
<https://usacanadalionsforum.org/>

*The USA/Canada Forum is also on  
Facebook, Twitter and YouTube*

## Point Venture Lions Serve

The Point Venture Lions have teamed up with the Point Venture POA maintenance crew to clean out the dead limbs and ball moss from our community oak trees. Invitation is open to anyone that wants to give their time on Wednesday mornings 7:00am, meet at the parking lot in front of the Point Venture Club House. The Lions help by raking up the debris and chipping the tree limbs for mulch. For more information regarding this project, please contact Bob Adolph (512)267-7576.



*Pictured Above: One of our newest projects is cleaning ball moss out of the oak trees in our community. Pictured Left: Twenty of our Lions went to the Texas Lions Camp on July 29th and fed the campers and counselors.*

# LONE STAR LIONS EYE BANK \$1,000,000 HOLE IN ONE SHOOT-OUT October 22, 2011 Manor, Texas



Is your club looking for a way to help promote your golf tournament? Want to create new excitement? Let us help you!

We can offer your club an exciting package of prizes to help your tournament attendance and raise money for our Eye Bank.

What are we talking about?

- \$5,000 cash prize for a Hole in One on a Par 3.
- The golfer closest to the pin on the hole wins an entry into the Hole in One Shoot-Out for one swing at \$1,000,000 Grand Prize in October 2011.

**DETAILS:**

1. LSLEB will provide each participating Lions Golf tournament with an insurance policy to pay a \$5,000 hole in one prize at their tournament.
2. The golfer closest to the pin on the hole wins an entry to the Shootout for \$1,000,000 in October 2011 in Manor, Texas.
3. The goal is to raise \$10 per golfer for LSLEB. We are offering 2 options to participating tournaments:
  - a. The golf tournament would add an additional cost to their entry fee of at least \$10 and donate a minimum of \$10 per golfer to LSLEB.
  - b. The entry is a separate ticket sold as an option to each golfer for \$10 – LSLEB will provide entry tickets and a volunteer to sell entries into the contest. Only golfers who buy the entry would be eligible for the \$5000 prize and the closest to the pin that purchases a ticket will win the entry to the \$1,000,000 shoot-out.

Our goal is for 10-20 tournaments in 2011 and for this to become an annual event.

We plan to solicit sponsors and media coverage for the Shoot Out Finals in October 2011.

**To sign up your tournament please contact Lion Wade Burton  
[Wadeb@austin.rr.com](mailto:Wadeb@austin.rr.com) or 913-375-8607 or your LSLEB board member.**

# New Members

*Congratulations to the newest members of District 2-S3 and their sponsors. If there is no sponsor listed, it was not submitted to LCI. Lion Gary*

## July

### Austin Founder Lions Club

James T. Perry sponsored by

### Buda Lions Club

Tammy L. Jackson	sponsored by	Michael R Jackson
Jackie L Jones Jr	sponsored by	Nancy Handrick
Marlo Malott	sponsored by	Richard Parsons
Judy Parsons	sponsored by	Richard Parsons
David R Sugerman	sponsored by	Justin Krause

### Garden Ridge Lions Club

Randall P Fleisher	sponsored by	Clarence Dugie
Norman A Hershfield	sponsored by	Larry Steele

### McQueeney Lions Club

David A McDaniel	sponsored by	H Ray King
Victor Vargas Jr	sponsored by	Manuel Martinez

### New Braunfels (Noon) Lions Club

Ramiro Martinez	sponsored by	Talmadge Thomas Jr
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### Pflugerville Lions Club

Jason Doyle	sponsored by	Lloyd Hebbe
Randy D Tressler	sponsored by	

### Round Rock Dawn Busters Lions Club

Sterling Jones	sponsored by	John Barlow
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### San Marcos Lions Club

Catherine C Wahrmond	sponsored by	
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### Spicewood Lions Club

Frank Esparza	sponsored by	Ginny Jacks
Beth Howe	sponsored by	
Bob Richards	sponsored by	Fred R Elizalde

### Wimberley Lions Club

Joe T Culver	sponsored by	Cathy A Gould
Leon Lee Epstein	sponsored by	John B Lyon
Jan Yardley	sponsored by	Frank E Williams

## August

### Cameron Lions Club

Candice Velvin	sponsored by	Mark Stroud
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### Canyon Lake Noon Lions Club

William J Schumacher	sponsored by	Robert E Jones Sr
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### Georgetown Evening Lions Club

Patty Fitzgerald	sponsored by	Tommie Carol Mobley
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### Gruene Lions Club

Brittney S Overstreet	sponsored by	
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### Hutto Lions Club

Edward A Broussard	sponsored by	Mahlon Arnett
Laura Irene Sackrider	sponsored by	Mahlon Arnett

### Lago Vista Lions Club

John S Merner	sponsored by	David M Henderson
Priscilla J Merner	sponsored by	Jo A Smith

### New Braunfels Breakfast Lions Club

William R Thomas	sponsored by	
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### New Braunfels (Noon) Lions Club

Yvonne L Heim	sponsored by	
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### Round Rock Noon Lions Club

Monica M Steele	sponsored by	Kimberley A Avery
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### Schertz Cibolo Lions Club

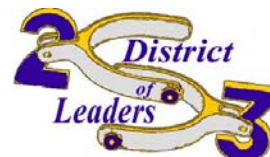
Dean M Midlick	sponsored by	Timothy C Jacobs
Rhonda M Williams	sponsored by	Bob Cantu

### Spring Branch-Bulverde Lions Club

Dayton Tatman	sponsored by	Eldyn Ingerick
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### Wimberley Lions Club

Ken Ellis	sponsored by	Barry C Tyler
Ray E Helm	sponsored by	Andy W Cable
Johnny M Manning	sponsored by	Lonnie W Duke
Shirley R Phillips	sponsored by	John B Lyon
Michael T Steinert	sponsored by	Daniel O Williams
David W Thomasson	sponsored by	Robert P Pierce



Register on-line at [www.riproarinside.org](http://www.riproarinside.org)  
For additional information call 512-217-7130 or 800-801-8009



**Liberty Hill  
Lions Club**

**10th Anniversary**

# Rip Roarin' Ride

*Bring in the Fall with a "ROAR"*

**Saturday, September 24th, 2011**

**Start Time 8:00 a.m.**



*Starting and ending at Liberty Hill High School on Highway 29, the 10th Annual ride for charity will take you through gently rolling hills and valleys of Williamson and Burnet Counties. Experience the beginning of Fall in the beautiful Texas Hill Country.*

**"See You in September"**

**THANK YOU FOR  
SUPPORTING THE  
LIONS CLUB**

**100% OF THE PROCEEDS FROM THE RIDE BENEFIT LIONS PROGRAMS BOTH LOCALLY AND THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.**

Through the fund raising efforts and the dedication of its members the Liberty Hill Lions Club has helped support the Lone Star Lions Eye Bank in Manor, Texas, Lions Leader Dog Program and the Texas Lions Camp for Children in Kerrville, Texas. The Club supports all the global programs that Lions International sponsors, including recycling eyeglasses to developing countries and working to end preventable blindness such as river blindness. The Club provides eye examinations and eyeglasses as needed. Locally the Club provides and maintains an 19-acre park for the community of Liberty Hill. The park provides a place for little league baseball and softball, concession stand, restrooms, pavillion, library, lighted walking trail, playscape and picnic area.



**For additional information call 512-217-7130 or 800-801-8009**

## 1990: Lions Clubs International's Own 9/11!

"Remembering Sept. 11" is the title article of this month's "Lion" magazine. It is the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of 9/11 and people all across America are prayerfully remembering all of those, who died in the attack, as well as all the heroes, who tried to save them. It was a momentous disaster for Americans and "the" defining moment for the USA since that time. In addition, as the article points out, "Sept. 11 was a defining moment for Lions", as "Lions and LIF aided (the) victims on a massive scale". Not only did we expend millions of dollars from LIF and thousands of man hours from Lions in our Clubs, but many individual Lions (also pointed out in the feature article) were heroes at "ground zero".

However, we have committed millions of dollars and contributed countless hours of manpower in dozens of major disasters around the world since the Lions International Foundation (LIF) was started, and it doesn't matter if the "perpetrator" is a terrorist, a hurricane, a fire, a tornado, or a tsunami, we do it because **that's what Lions do - We Serve!**

Yet it could be argued, that the launching of Sight First in 1990 was the Lions' own 9/11; a momentous and defining moment that has launched a massive campaign using millions of dollars and volunteer hours to eliminate preventable blindness around the world. Granted the events weren't as singularly large or vicious, they didn't come in a sudden rush, and the terrorists weren't Taliban or Al-Qaida. Rather they were (and are) cataracts, trachoma, river blindness, refractive disorders, glaucoma, and diabetic retinopathy. So even though we had no sudden event to react to, we finally realized by the International Convention in St. Louis in 1990, that the disaster of preventable blindness, affecting tens of millions around the world, had to be dealt with in a momentous way.

The Texas Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center (TLERC), a Foundation operated by the Lions of Texas, is a part of Sight First; and those who are involved in this work understand that Lions under Sight First will still be fighting this disaster for decades, long after the wounds of 9/11 have faded or the marks of the tsunami are covered up. More volunteer hours and dollars will

be expended on this than on any other disaster LIF has tackled, and **still** we will have sight to save.

Most of those Lions dedicated to eliminating preventable blindness will never be seen as heroes like Lion Ed Plaugher, the Arlington Virginia Fire Chief on 9/11, or Michael Hingson, the Blind hero in Tower One (see both stories and more in the Lion), but nonetheless HEROES they will be.

**So where does your Club stand in this fight? Which Lions in your Club will join the ranks of these heroes in the biggest fight our organization has ever taken on?** Has your Club, or Zone, or District started an adult clinic to help those in need get recycled glasses? Are you using TLERC's lab to put new glasses on dozens more school children? (If you aren't getting your school children's glasses for \$14-\$18/pair, you are losing money.) Are you gathering used glasses for our missions to countries abroad; or better yet, helping us sort, read & bag them? Has your club set up missions to go abroad and put glasses on those in need? **Help and training for all of these projects and more are available at TLERC. Contact your District TLERC Director for a program or call TLERC at 432-683-3611.**

Finally is your club a Focus Club (150%-\$3/member). Have you purchased fellowships for those special Lions you want to honor (\$1000, \$500, \$250)? Have you made a personal commitment by signing up as a "Visionary Knight of the Blind" (min. \$100/yr or \$10/mo.)? (The form can be found on the state web site.) Whether it is by monetary assistance, volunteer hours, or both all Lions can be heroes in this fight. **Make 2011/12 your 9/11!**

*Lion Tom Blase, VDG 2A1  
TLERC Promotions Director*



## PEACE POSTER CONTEST

Lions—it's time again for you to begin thinking about your Peace Poster entries to the district contest. If you haven't already done so, you need to get your kit ordered for the fall contest. Contact your school's art teacher to get them on board for next fall. If they have the information now, they can be thinking about it this summer. Above is this year's winner. LCI will soon have all the honorable mention posters on the website. Letting the teacher know about this resource will give them a better idea of what is expected to win. You will get better entries from the students. Next year's theme is "Children Know Peace." Your club's chosen poster must be in to the governor by November 15. So order your kit, check with the art teacher, keep the deadlines in mind, and get your club involved in a project that involves the youth of your community in thinking about peace. Questions? [angienick1@austin.rr.com](mailto:angienick1@austin.rr.com)



We are anticipating more Peace Poster entries this year. They must be mailed to DG Gary by Nov. 1st. For more information, go to the District Website [PEACE POSTER CONTEST](#) or contact [angienick1@austin.rr.com](mailto:angienick1@austin.rr.com)

# 19th ANNUAL EYEGLASS OPEN



Hosted by

## Pflugerville Lions Club

At

### Star Ranch Golf Club



**Thursday, September 29, 2011**

**1:00 PM SHOTGUN START**

**\$80.00 Per Player**

SHOTGUN START AT 1:00 PM - 18 HOLE SCRAMBLE  
FOUR PLAYER TEAMS - GREEN FEE/CART/RANGE BALLS INCLUDED  
MULLIGANS AVAILABLE AT REGISTRATION  
PUTTING CONTEST STARTS AT 11:00

**FIELD LIMITED TO 36 TEAMS**

DINNER & AWARD PRESENTATIONS AT LIONS HALL FOLLOWING PLAY  
PRIZES AWARDED FOR TOP TEAMS, CLOSEST TO PIN,  
LONGEST DRIVE, AND MOST ACCURATE DRIVE.  
TOURNAMENT WILL BE FLIGHTED AFTER PLAY

PLAYER 1 \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

PLAYER 2 \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

PLAYER 3 \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

PLAYER 4 \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Individual players will be assigned to teams.

MAIL ENTRY AND CHECK TO: PFLUGERVILLE LIONS CLUB  
P.O. BOX 722  
PFLUGERVILLE, TX 78691

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL

James Kuempel (512) 413-9121 Willard Hebbe (512) 497-7709  
Atlan Pfluger (512) 251-4308 Wally Erickson (512) 251-2655

Sponsorship Opportunities Also Available  
Proceeds Benefit Pflugerville Lions Charitable Projects

## Texas Lions Camp Endowment Campaign

Dear Texas Lions Camp,

Our son Joshua was able to attend Session 4 camp this year. We were so happy that he had this opportunity and wanted to let you know how much it meant to him and us! Joshua, whose diagnosis is cerebral palsy, was adopted by us in 2009 when he was seven years old. He was placed with us as a foster child in 2004. At the time he was placed in foster care, he was medically neglected and abused. He had received no medical care or therapy of any kind for his condition until he came home to us.

Joshua has worked very hard with therapists to get where he is today and being able to attend this camp is one more achievement and celebration of who he is. Having been through so much and knowing his background we were very nervous about letting someone else take care of him for a whole week. The camp directors, staff, counselors and fellow campers were fabulous and we want to thank everyone that helped to give him a life lasting experience. We look forward to a long relationship with Texas Lions Camp and many more years of camping experience for Joshua!

Special thank you for all that you do for families and the kids!

Cheryl Crumley-Sickles and Donna Sickles, Joshua's Moms!

Questions: What guarantee can we Lions make to families like Cheryl, Donna and Joshua Sickles? Will there be adequate funds for this camp to continue providing the current number of camps 'free' to families with the same abundant staff?

Answer: An Endowment CAMPAign began this calendar year for all of Texas. Your Lions Club may create a fund raiser or dip into club funds or; individual Lions, business persons, or corporations may be presented the opportunity to contribute over the next 5 years to fund an account to secure the future of our highly acclaimed TLC (yes, camp providing 'tender loving care' that fosters the 'Can Do' attitude).

The following Lions have committed to s-t-r-e-t-c-h donations and can provide contribution information for you and/or your Club: Leah Baxter [extremegratitude@yahoo.com](mailto:extremegratitude@yahoo.com), Billie Chambers [bnac@austin.rr.com](mailto:bnac@austin.rr.com), Shirley Dillman [shirley.dillman@gmail.com](mailto:shirley.dillman@gmail.com), Adrien Drouilhet [adriendrouilhet@gmail.com](mailto:adriendrouilhet@gmail.com), Larry Kunkel [lkunkel@satx.rr.com](mailto:lkunkel@satx.rr.com), Jim Newbold [jnewbold1@satx.rr.com](mailto:jnewbold1@satx.rr.com), Alan Schodowski [aschodowski@brick.com](mailto:aschodowski@brick.com), Skip Stem [lstem@satx.rr.com](mailto:lstem@satx.rr.com), Glenda Summers [gsummers@lsggroup.com](mailto:gsummers@lsggroup.com), John Thomas [John.Thomas2@sci-us.com](mailto:John.Thomas2@sci-us.com).

## Mentoring Lions

Retention is something that all clubs need to practice - retention of the new members that you induct into your club. How can you keep those new members and show them what Lionism is all about? After a new member is inducted, an orientation should be done for that new member and any other Lions who are not familiar with what Lions do. There is an Orientation power-point presentation on the LCI website that can be very helpful. Once you download it, you can make any changes you feel necessary to make it more appropriate to your club.

There are many online training courses on the LCI website that can be helpful to you as a club leader, and they don't take a lot of time to complete. Go to the Lions website and choose the Lions Learning Center under Member Center, then choose the training program you wish to do.

One of the training programs is the Basic Mentoring Program and can be very good to help new Lions and to retain other Lions in your club. The Advanced

Mentoring Program is also good for those who want to advance in Lionism in a leadership position - in their club or in the district. Check out the Mentoring program in the Learning Center; do the checklists for a mentor or a mentee, to see how you can serve as a mentor or why you need a mentor. Then you can download a Mentoring Program manual - Basic or Advanced, to learn more about the program.

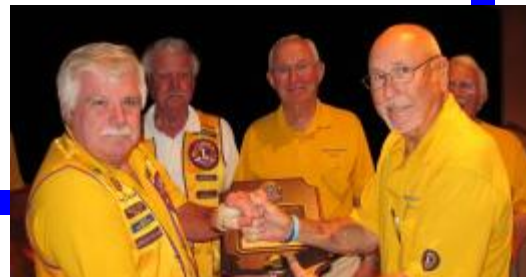
If you have any questions, let me know. I'm here to help you become more knowledgeable about Lionism. If you would like a program on Mentoring for your club or zone meeting, send me an email.

**PDG Angie Nicholson, GLT Coordinator**



## LAGO VISTA LIONS CLUB HONORS MIKE THORNTON

At the first August meeting of the Lago Vista Lions Club, Past President Don Zschoche spoke of the next recipient of the Melvin Jones Fellow award. That award is the highest and best, as it is given in honor of the founder, Melvin Jones. Jones was a businessman in Chicago, Ill and his code was, "you can't get very far until you start doing something for somebody else." That also refers to the "service to others" background of Lion Mike Thornton, sponsored into Lionism in November of 2002 by Lion Jim Dougherty. Working with others on many projects through the years, he was a very positive role model as Membership Director for several years, sharing the joy in his service to Lions with others. His latest love has been serving on the barbeque team. "Not even illness could stop his desire to serve his community", said Zschoche. Lions motto is, WE SERVE. Lion Mike shows us exactly how it's done!



# 1st Annual Bulverde Lions Foundation "Four Man Scramble" Golf Tournament



## Thursday, October 20, 2011

### Hawk Golf Course

### 10101 Rebecca Creek Road

### Spring Branch, Texas 78070

Cost: \$60 per player, or \$240 per team of 4.

Come join us in a "Four Man Scramble" at the Hawk on October 20, 2011 on Rebecca Creek Road, just off of US 281 in Comal County. Check-in at noon and Tee time at 1:00 pm. Bring your own team or be assigned to a team needing a 4<sup>th</sup>. Price includes an after tournament meal provided by the Hawk. Make checks payable to the **Bulverde Lions Foundation**, a 501(c) (3), benefiting the local community.

Registration and check may be mailed to Joe Hamilton at 1019 Victoria Lane, Spring Branch, TX. 78070.

Player 1 Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address or email \_\_\_\_\_

Player 2 \_\_\_\_\_

Address or email \_\_\_\_\_

Player 3 \_\_\_\_\_

Address or email \_\_\_\_\_

Player 4 \_\_\_\_\_

Address or email \_\_\_\_\_

Come join us for a good cause and a good time. This will be one to talk about!

This event is sponsored by the Bulverde Lions Club with all proceeds to benefit the Bulverde Lions Foundation, a 501 (c) (3) tax exempt organization.

For more info, go to: <http://www.bulverdelionsclub.com> or **contact** Lion Joe Hamilton at: [jphgmh@gvtc.com](mailto:jphgmh@gvtc.com)

# Tenth Annual Marble Falls Main Street Show-n-Shine

~ 2011 ~

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 Awards given @3pm  
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## Taylor Lions Receive "Top Dog" Award

The Taylor Lions are "Top Dogs" again this year for Leader Dogs for the Blind! We moved up to #16 in the nation for Leader Dog support, with hopes of improving this year.

Texas Lions' donations were down 25% this year, while Taylor Lions donation increased. Taylor Lions donated over \$5,100 of the \$60,000 from the ENTIRE 16 DISTRICTS OF MD-2.

If any clubs need a speaker, I will be glad to schedule a presentation on Leader Dogs.

Yours in Lionism,  
Lion Greg Teggeman  
2-S3 Leader Dog Chairman

*Congratulations to the Taylor Lions for your consistent outstanding support of this great program. And, thank you for your leadership and involvement with*

*this, and many other activities. JP Kirksey*

The following article is a reprint from the Leader Dog Newsletter, the *Mane Event*. Every year, Leader Dog receives donations from 5,000+ Lions, Lioness and Leo clubs, covering over 200 Districts in 47 separate Multiple Districts. The average club donation is about \$360 which adds up to about \$2 million every year (about 20% of our total operating budget). This tremendous support is a critical component of our ability to keep offering the services we do—free of charge—to those who need them.

In the 2008–2009 Lions year, Leader Dogs introduced the Top Dog Club Award to recognize the 20 clubs that provided an extraordinary level of finan-

cial support. Each Top Dog club receives a special club banner patch and pins for each club member. The patch and pin colors change each year. The awards are presented at club meetings or district conventions by a Leader Dog representative. The response from clubs has been enthusiastic. You can find a list of the 2010-2011 Top Dog clubs on page four.

Leader Dog is proud to salute the Top Dog Award clubs for their extraordinary support of our organization!



### CANYON LAKE NOON LIONS CLUB ANNUAL SHRIMP FEST & SILENT AUCTION SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2011



On Saturday, October 8, the Canyon Lake Noon Lions Club will hold its 16<sup>th</sup> annual Shrimpfest, one of the largest annual charitable events in the area. The big "rain or shine" event will be held in the beautiful Canyon Lake community at the air conditioned CRRC Recreation Center below the Canyon Lake Dam on South Access Road. Last year over 1,000 people attended. The event will begin at 11:30 a.m. with a big silent auction and great shrimp dinners. Plates of **cold boiled gulf shrimp** with red cocktail sauce, cole slaw, and iced tea will be served between 11:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Also available for a small extra charge will be delicious desserts prepared by Lions and their spouses. Parking and admission are free. Tickets for the meals are available in advance from any Noon Lions member or from the Canyon Lake Chamber of Commerce for \$10.00, or at the door. **All net proceeds are used for charitable causes**, most of which are in the local Canyon Lake and Comal County community. For more general information, call our Shrimpfest chairman, Bob Jones (830) 885-7187. The web site for information about the Club and Lions International is [www.clnoonlions.com](http://www.clnoonlions.com).

## Hotdogs for St Jude's Children's Ranch

**BULVERDE, TEXAS:** On August 15, 2011 the BLC visited the St Jude's Ranch for Children and cooked hotdogs and beans for the children. St. Jude's Ranch for Children rescues abused, abandoned, and neglected children of all races and faiths from the vicious cycle of child abuse. St Jude's Ranch for Children provides healing and nurturing in a safe home-like environment where children can learn life skills to start new lives with new chances, new choices and new hope. The Bulverde, Texas campus is located just north of San Antonio. For more information on the St Jude's Ranch for Children, visit <http://stjudesranch.org/>



Bulverde Lions Club and Saint Jude's Children's Ranch  
We Serve



August 15, 2011

*The theme for August is a focus on Youth. Members of the Bulverde Lions Club visited the St Jude's Ranch for Children on August 15th, 2011 and cooked hotdogs for 42 children.*

## 18th Annual Texas Lions Camp Golf Tourney

**FREDERICKSBURG, TEXAS:** On August 4, 2011 four Lions from the Bulverde Lions Club participated in the the18th Annual Texas Harry Wickersham Lions Camp Golf Tournament on August 4th, 2011 at Lady Bird Johnson Golf Course in Fredericksburg, Texas. All proceeds from the Tournament went to Lions Camp. Texas Lions Camp is a residential camping facility for children with physical disabilities, type 1 diabetes and cancer. The Camp is located on over 500 acres in the Texas Hill Country, and is designed to introduce the "Can Do" philosophy to children dealing with special medical conditions. Children with special needs from all over the State of Texas are invited to attend one of 9 weeks, which provides an opportunity to become one of their life-long childhood memories.



BULVERDE LIONS CLUB AUGUST 4, 2011  
18th Annual Texas Harry Wickersham Lions Camp Golf Tournament  
MARK KIRCHOFF, MARK MICHALCZYK, DAVE MAND, ROBERT THIBBS

## 2-S3 & LCI Environmental Photo Contest

Please send winning club-level photos to 2-S3 Chair, Carol Peters, at 36 Mill Street, Maxwell, TX 78656, by November 15, 2011, or bring them to the October 15 Cabinet Meeting. Any Lion in good standing is eligible to enter the contest by submitting 8"x10" photos of their environment (without people) in one of the following categories: animal life, plant life, urban or natural landscape, weather phenomenon, or 2012 special theme "protecting our future with trees".

More information about the contest is available at [www.lionsclubs.org/EN/member-center/planning-projects/community-environment](http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/member-center/planning-projects/community-environment).

There you will find information, contest rules, and the entry form. There is also an order form for the 2012 wall calendar with the winning photos of the 2011 LCI contest. These calendars make great Christmas gifts as well as examples for the contest.

Carol Peters  
2s3 Green Team Chair  
512-357-2627,  
[capeters12@austin.rr.com](mailto:capeters12@austin.rr.com)

## PDG Dave Slider awarded Outstanding Lion Trophy

Lion Dave Slider, Wimberley Lions Club, continues to keep us grounded in the spirit and purpose of Lionism. Dave leads by example. That is why PDG Dave was awarded the Outstanding Lion Trophy by the Wimberley Lions Club.



*Shown above is 2nd VP John Lyon, PDG Dave Slider, and Lion Boss President Lonnie Duke.*

# Early Childhood Vision Screening



2011 has been a very successful year. We are finding about 15 to 20% referrals at our screenings. A lot of children have been helped thanks to the efforts of the Lions in District 2S3. The last two screenings were with Schertz Cibolo Lions Club and the Lakeway Lions Club. It is suggested that a club might contact them for feed back about how they feel about the screenings they sponsored

A club's sponsoring a screening is an opportunity to actually "directly" make a difference in a child's life. Most projects that Lions participate do not allow direct involvement with families.

ECVS/ROATx is targeting preventable blindness in children between the ages of one through four years. During our first two years of operation (2009 & 2010) we were able to identify 280 children that needed to be referred to a pediatric vision specialist. Twelve of the Two Hundred - Eighty were detected by our professional ROATx Certified Screeners even though the PediaVision computerized equipment they were using did not detect a problem. During 2010, we have detected nearly 200 children who needed a referral to a Pediatric Ophthalmologist for serious eye health conditions or to Optometrists who specializes in children eye exams.

All Scheduled Screenings are for Saturdays from 10 AM - Noon unless posted otherwise. The morning hours before noon works best with the age of the children we are screening because they tend to be hungry and tired later in the day. The ROATx Certified Screeners will stay as long as there are children to screen. All the screenings that have been held since the first of the year are listed on the screening calendar page of the ECVS web site. There are not many available dates between now and the end of this year. [www.roatx.org](http://www.roatx.org) [samjohnson@roatx.org](mailto:samjohnson@roatx.org)

Clubs, get your Early Childhood Vision Screening Packet ([CLICK HERE](#)). The information contained in the packet gives you everything to conduct a SUCCESSFUL program and to get on the schedule for ECVS Screenings in your area.

Understanding the Screening Process slide show ([CLICK HERE](#))

TERMS: A check for \$200 is to be made out to and mailed to the ECVS/ROATx (address below).



**ECVS/ROATx**  
203 Harbor Circle  
Georgetown, TX 78633

## New Braunfels LEOs Installed

Leo Officers from each of our three clubs were formally installed August 11 by State and District Leo Advisor Liz Bumguardner. The house was packed with Leos and their guests along with a large group of our Lions. The festivities began with Tailtwister Cameron Bradfute getting the Leos involved with the Lions in a "mini drama" involving the Three Stooges. Leos, most of whom have never heard of the Three Stooges, try to emulate sounds of the Stooges as Cameron reads his "mini drama." They held their own, doing about as well as the Lions. It was typically hilarious,



after which Lion Liz began the installation. An impressive process which will be long remembered by those present.



*Above, Lion Liz addresses the assembled Leo Officers on the importance of their offices.*



*A packed house of Leos School Sponsors and Guests.*

# CLUB NEWS

## AUSTIN LAKE TRAVIS LIONS CLUB

Early Childhood Vision Screening: The Early Childhood Vision Screening provides early detection of vision problems in pre-school age and as young as 6 months old children. This easy computer assisted screening has resulted in saving some 16 kids' eyes in the last 2 years. Our Club advertised the screening and we held the event at Rolly Pollies, a kids' gymnasium. Sam Johnson with ROATX was there to assist with any referrals to Ophthalmologists and to operate the laser used to screen the children. The event was held on August 13th in Bee Caves, TX. As a result of our event 14% of the children were flagged for referral to a Pediatric Ophthalmologist. This percentage was higher than expected and as a result we will be hosting another one in 6-8 months rather than waiting a full year.

## BASTROP LOST PINES LIONS CLUB

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## BULVERDE LIONS CLUB

**Meeting Minutes** 11 August 2011, Members Present: Lewis Kreutler, Jim Barr, Mason Burgess, Steve Carpenter, Dave Hammond, Scott Herring, Tom Hotalings, George McNew, Joe McNew, Mark Kirchoff, Chester Kolmeier, Mark Morkovsky, Robert Tennis, Tom Warren, Henry Uriegas, Jerry Steward, Dale Wilken, and Larry Zunker. **Guests:** Gary K Cocanougher, District Governor; Alan Schodowski, Zone V-B Representative; and Dayton Tatman, Bob Gearhart, and Jose Fernandez (Lions Club New Jersey). **Cooks,** Mark Kirchoff, Meal, Rice & Sausage, Corn Muffins, and Deserts.

### Key Dates:

25 August 2011: Lions Club Bulverde Chapter Wild Game Dinner (WGD) Meeting, 6:00 pm  
 2 September 2011: Dove Hunting FM 1518 near 1604  
 3 September 2011: Dove Hunting Uvalde  
 10 September 2011: Bulverde Jubilee  
 7-8 October 2011: Support for Matt Wright Fund Raiser at Anhalt Hall  
 8 October 2011: 2011 Wright BBQ Cook Off

20 October 2011: Bulverde Lions Club Golf Tournament  
 13 April 2012: Wild Game Dinner

Minutes: Old Business: None.

New Business:

1. BLC Vice President Lewis Kreutler opened meeting with introduction of guests – Gary K Cocanougher, LCI District Governor District 2-3S, and Alan Schodowski, Zone V-B Representative. Also attending were Dayton Tatman, Bob Gearhart, and Jose Fernandez (Lions Club New Jersey).
2. BLC participated in the 18th Annual Texas Harry Wickersham Lions Camp Golf Tournament on August 4th, 2011 at Lady Bird Johnson Golf Course in Fredericksburg, Texas and took 3d place. All proceeds from the Tournament went to the Lions Camp. Texas Lions Camp is a residential camping facility for children with physical disabilities, type 1 diabetes and cancer. The Camp is located on over 500 acres in the Texas Hill Country, and is designed to introduce the "Can Do" philosophy to children dealing with special medical conditions. Children with special needs from all over the State of Texas are invited to attend one of 9 sessions, which provides an opportunity to become one of their life-long childhood memories.
3. Alan Schodowski, Zone V-B Representative for District 2-3S introduced District Governor Lion Gary K. Cocanougher to the Club. Governor Cocanougher has built a schedule designed to complete club visits as rapidly as possible. He feels that visiting and getting to know the clubs and their members is critical to his success as governor. Governor Cocanougher talked about his trip to the Lions Club International Convention in Seattle where he attended a 4 day Governor School with over 700 Governor-Elects from around the world. He met with the International President Wing-Kun Tam from Hong Kong, China. Over 18,000 Lions attended the convention and participated in a parade lasting 5 ½ hours. International President Tam's motto is "I Believe." The three key elements in "I Believe" are Courage, Commitment, and Action. The Courage to envision the future, to set goals, and to consider the impossible. The commitment to be resilient and consistent to inspire others and to take risks. Action to make your vision a reality, to follow through with your commitments. International President Tam wants us to focus this year on his philosophy "my club, my family." Value club members – keep members involved like our own families. Four things to focus on this year are as follows: a. In August and September – YOUTH – get youth involved in signature service projects. b. October and November – SIGHT – Focus these months on sight and get the Pedia Vision Scheduled. c. December and January – HUNGER – gather all we can to help food banks all year long. d. April – ENVIRONMENTAL – International LC has a goal to plant 1 million trees – Governor Cocanougher challenged the district to plant 1000 trees. Governor Cocanougher talked about the District's goals – strengthening membership, expanding service by expanding our signature service project (the Wild Game Dinner), involve new people (sited the Leo Club as an example). He then explained the District's motto is "Vision of Dreams." Lions are the vision that makes the numerous charities like Texas Lions Camp and the Lone Star Eye Bank a reality. He closed by explaining there are two kinds of dreamers – the night dreamer who goes to sleep – and the day dreamers who dream with their eyes open who make

## CLUB NEWS *(Continued)*

dreams a reality. Governor Cocanougher challenged the Lions and members who they represent to be a day dreamer. Governor Cocanougher concluded his presentation by indicating he wants to come to our Wild Game Dinner on 13 April 2011.

4. Lewis Kreutler reminded folks about the upcoming cookout for the St Jude's Ranch for Childrens. Planning to cook hot-dogs and beans for 42 children.

5. Lewis Kreutler made a motion to extend the contract for the use of the Bulverde Communy Center for the next year to support BLC meetings and a local Scout Troop. Cost of contract is \$3500.00. Motion was unanimously approved by the club membership to retain the use of the facility for the next year.

6. Friends of Matthew Wright have planned a fundraiser to be held October 7-8 at Anhalt Dance Hall, in Spring Branch, featuring a Barbecue Cook-Off during the day and some great entertainment by Johnny Dee and the Rocking 88's, beginning at 8:00pm. Lion Henry Uriegas will represent the BLC for the BBQ Cook-off. More information about this event can be found at this website: <http://hillcountrytimes.com/lifestyle/happenings/matthew-wright-fundraiser-coming-up-in-october>

7. Lewis Kreutler reminded the club about the upcoming Bulverde Jubilee on September 10, 2011. BLC will host a "Jail" where people can have their friends locked up for fun for a small fee – and then bail them out. All proceeds from this booth will be donated to the BLC Foundation. Tom Hotaling volunteered to be the "Sherriff" for this event. Additional information is available at this weblink: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Bulverde-Jubilee/176429482399569>

8. Lewis Kreutler reminded the membership about the upcoming BLC first annual golf tournament to be conducted on October 20, 2011 at the Hawk Golf Course. Lion Dale Wilken posted the event flyer BLC website at this link: [http://www.bulverdelionsclub.com/BLC Golf Letter and Flyer.pdf](http://www.bulverdelionsclub.com/BLC%20Golf%20Letter%20and%20Flyer.pdf)

9. Lion Joe McNew talked about the following: At the meeting last Thursday we talked about the two catered dove hunts in last year's game dinner live auction. We are the caterers for the two hunts which are coming up soon. Each hunt will also allow us to dove hunt. • The first hunt is on Friday 9/2/11 off of FM 1518 near 1604. There is an air conditioned camper on site for our use and the dove hunting is free for us. For this hunt, Jim Barr has volunteered to help; there is room for more volunteers. We can cook or buy plates for the hunters. We need a pop-up shelter for shade. • The second dove hunt is in Uvalde on Saturday 9/3/11. This is for the opening day of the Special Whitewing Dove Season; the season begins at noon on Saturday. This is expected to be an excellent hunt. • Again I am looking for up to 4 volunteers to provide dinner for the ten hunters, the outfitter & ourselves. If you want to hunt, the cost is \$50 each ( regular cost is \$100 ) You do not have to hunt.

10. Lion Joe McNew talked about the status of the Wild Game Dinner Committee – BLC needs to make final decision on ticket and table fees so we can start selling tickets to the event and for the Buggy Raffle at upcoming events like Bulverde Jubilee and upcoming Golf Tournament in October –

update on WGD Chairmen follows: - Confirmed Subcommittee Chairmen Volunteers:

o WGD Chairman – Joe McNew; WGD Vice Chairman – Tome Hotaling; Raffle Chairman – Tom Hotaling; Silent Auction Chairman – Ken Fiedler; Live Auction Chairman – Joe McNew; Cashier Chairman – David Menig; ReceptionTable Chairman – Jim Barr; Set Up Chairman – George McNew; Publicity – Steve Carpenter with help from Tom Hotaling; Program & Tickets Chairman – Dale Wilken; Liaison to Anhalt Hall – Joe Hamilton; Lionette Leader – Tom Hotaling; and Signage Chairman – Lewis Kreutler. NEEDS: Cook Chairman – OPEN/VACANT – NEED THIS RESOLVED NLT 8 SEPTEMBER 2011; and Donations Chairman – OPEN/VACANT -- Hunts, Guns, Gear, Golf, Hunt Buggy. The Buggy Chair will find us a golf cart or some type of hunting buggy for the dinner and lead us in displaying it for ticket sales.

11. Steve Carpenter talked about publicity for the upcoming Golf Tournament – we have ads in Craig's List, WOAI Television, and on MySanAntonio.com. Steve thanked Dale Wilkins for his work with the club's website and uploading the flyer for the Golf Tournament. We also have a new Facebook Page and an infomercial advertising the WGD. • FACEBOOK PAGE LINK: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Bulverde-Lions-Club-International/198597583531357?sk=wall>. • WILD GAME DINNER VIDEO COMMERCIAL LINK: <https://www.facebook.com/video/video.php?v=10150283964483308> • GOLF TOURNAMENT AD ON CRAIG'S LIST LINK: <http://sanantonio.craigslist.org/eve/2526165339.html> • GOLF TOURNAMENT AD ON MYSANANTONIO.COM LINK: <http://events.mysanantonio.com/spring-branch-tx/events/show/202301225-golf-tournament-bulverde-lions-club-spring-branch-tx-hawk-golf-course-10101-rebecca-creek-rd> • GOLF TOURNAMENT AD ON WOAI LINK: <http://events.woai.com/springbranch/events/1020-golf-tournament-bu-/E0-001-040566013-2> 12. Lewis Kreutler closed the meeting by thanking our distinguished visitors for coming to speak to us. He also asked each member to bring a new person to the club. Goal is for each member to add a new member to the club. 13. Meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm. Steven Carpenter Secretary

### CANYON LAKE NOON LIONS CLUB

**Shrimpfest Planning:** A lengthy discussion on Shrimpfest was held. The estimated cost was \$6.57/pound for 30-35 count flash frozen shrimp. A decision was made to decrease the amount of shrimp to 700 pounds, because of excess shrimp the last few years. Ticket prices will remain \$10.00 per ticket. Banners advertising the Shrimpfest will be at new locations this year: FM306 & Maricopa and in front of Dairy Queen on FM2673. Harmonica Bob, and George & Brenda will entertain at Shrimpfest at no charge. The wagon for the stuffed Lion mascot should be ready to display at the Shrimpfest. The new wall banners to be used for the Shrimpfest and Fish Fry have been made and were displayed for CLNL viewing. Lion logos will be sewed onto the wall banners before the Shrimpfest. The entire September 15th meeting will be devoted to the final planning for the Shrimpfest. There will be no program or speaker.

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**Retama Road Trip:** Lion Bob Wickman stated the trip to Retama Park Race Track was set for October 13th, at 5:30. Fifty five Lions and guests have signed up for the trip. The cost is \$30.00, which includes entry, parking, Italian buffet in a private dining room, and reserved seating. There will be a horse race named for the Canyon Lake Noon Lions and a group picture will be taken with the winning jockey. Checks are to be brought to Sept 1, 2011 meeting. Make checks payable to Canyon Lake Noon Lions. Lions are encouraged to wear their official Lion's vests.

**Guest Speakers:** On August 4<sup>th</sup>, Sherry Tucker talked about a new countrywide program called Rachels Challenge, which will be starting up at various schools in our area. The program is to stop bullying and to teach students to be good citizens. The Canyon Lake Community Coalition is being formed, which will include the presidents of all service organizations to help support Rachels Challenge. The coalition will meet September 13<sup>th</sup> at CRRC. Lions can help with the parking. Rachel was the first student killed during the Columbine murders. In addition, our LEOs will be helping in this program.

On August 18<sup>th</sup>, District Governor Gary Cocanougher, who discussed Lionism in general and his goals and dreams for his current term. Governor Cocanougher also inducted new member Bill Schumacher.

**Vision Screening Training:** On August 18<sup>th</sup>, Comal County Vision Screening Lead Ralph Koch, and Vision Screening Trainer Renaldo Martinez conducted vision screening training for nine CLNL members.

### Community Recognition:

1. A thank you letter was presented by President Alan Chalfont to a new local business "O'Reilly Auto Parts" for their \$200 gift to our club. The O'Reilly chain has a policy that when a new store opens they donate to one of the service organizations in the community.



Left: President Alan Chalfont presents a letter to "O'Reilly Auto Parts" for their \$200 donation.

2. A plaque, letter, and certificate were presented by President Alan Chalfont to two local Lowes Super S Stores, thanking them for their support of the Canyon Lake Noon

Lions Club by allowing us to collect money for our White Cane program at their stores and allowing us to sell aluminum cans collected and stored in a storage area by each store.

**LEO Activity:** Leo Advisor and staff met with Canyon Lake High School representative to discuss starting a Leo Club at the high school. The cost to start a new Leo club would be \$100. They also met with Mountain Valley Middle School to discuss planning for upcoming school year for our existing Leo Club.

**Scholarships:** High school scholarships of \$1000 to University of Texas at Austin for the Fall 2011 for Kiera Lowery.

**Audit:** The annual audit of the CLNL Treasurer's books was completed. All items were found to be complete and accurate. Recommend close out dates be adjusted to match bank statements.

**New members/Reinstatements/Resignations** - two new members were added: On 8/4 - Mike Griesing was inducted into club membership with Lion Bob Wickman his sponsor, and on 8/18 - Bill Schumacher was inducted into club membership with Lion Bob Jones his sponsor.

### Wellness:

1. Jack Sharp is recovering in a rehab center in Greune, Texas, and Kaffi Sharp is in assisted living quarters.
2. Joel Collins remains the same and would like to attend our meetings, but needs a ride. Rides will be provided.
3. Gloria Marshall lost her balance and fell. She is OK, but decided to stay home today.

### ELGIN EVENING LIONS CLUB

**Scholarships:** We gave \$1000. towards Scholarships this month.

**Recycling:** The Elgin Evening Lions Club Thrift Shop recycles clothing and other items each month. We are looking forward to the new Lions year.

### GARDEN RIDGE LIONS CLUB

**National Night Out:** Several members set up a Lions Information Booth in the City's Community Center to celebrate National Night Out, inform city residents of the Lions and solicit new members.

**Publicity:** Lions Joe Britan, Harvey Bell and Wayne Tyson appeared on Mark Frye's Radio Talk Show Saturday, August 13, morning program to publicize our upcoming annual signature fundraiser Fish Fry and Auction.

**Texas Lions Camp Counselor Scholarships:** Counselors Ashley Goodwin, Denise Bates and Jennifer Zambales received \$500 scholarships each, which were paid this month.

**Hearing Testing:** Chairman Dick Holloway has initiated a new schedule to perform hearing testing of children attending Comal County and New



## CLUB NEWS *(Continued)*

Braunfels elementary schools. Commencing on August 29 and 30, Lions and Lion Helpers Harvey and Nancy Bell, Pat Hartley, Linda Morgan, Dick and Leta Holloway, Terry Mascheck, Wayne Tyson, John Mitzel, Rose and Gary Odvody, Merle Sarvey, Don Swint, Laura Ochoa and Joe Britan completed hearing screenings for Goodwin-Frazier and Arlon Seay Elementary Schools.

### Charitable Contributions:

**District 2-S3 100%:** The following contributions are 100% except as noted; District 2S3 Charities, \$78; District 2S3 Youth Opportunities, \$234 (300%); Lone Star Lions Eye Bank, \$780; Texas Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center, \$78; LCIF, \$78; Leader Dogs for the Blind, \$156; Texas Lions Camp, \$7,800 (1000%); World Services for the Blind, \$234; and Texas Lions Foundation \$156.

**Semi-annual Dues:** Texas Lions Camp \$819.

**Texas Lions Foundation Fellowship:** A \$500 fellowship was purchased to award at a later date.

### GEORGETOWN EVENING LIONS CLUB

Planning: Several fund raising and service projects are underway in the planning stages. Our most exciting news is that we have made application on behalf of the Texas Lions Camp for Extreme Makeover, the TV show, to consider the camp for a makeover of several of the buildings there---or even just one. We are focused on the building that houses the store and meeting rooms, but would not turn down any offer made by them. Our club does snacks, cleaning and sponsorships for the club. We are also a 100% club vis. Endowment Campaign which is a five year long campaign to assure that money will be there to finance the camp for many years to come and provide this experience free to disabled children. Our first events are in Sept. with Market Days to sell Raffle tickets and our October Fest. We have reinstated three \$1000 scholarships this year vs. one last year, a Melvin Jones Fellowship, and a small amount to the American Legion Auxiliary Girls State effort in support of leadership/citizenship training for teen girls. This reflects the hard work to raise funds last year as well as provide community service as previously reported.

### GEORGETOWN NOON LIONS CLUB

**August 10 news:** Lion Susan Hopper, past president, was presented with a membership key for bringing two members into the club. Members were informed of the planned ambassador's training program to be offered in the future by the Lone Star Lions Eye Bank. This will assure that we get the word out to all those folks who are present surrounding deaths that occur outside the hospital setting—EMS, JPs, funeral home directors, etc. Organ donations are poorly obtained in those instances which do not serve the community of people who need an organ, nor those who have declared to be donors. This was a busy meeting involving reports from several Lions who are working hard to put together the Raffle, Garage Sale, October Fest and budget planning.

Lion Warren Wille, Pres., announced that we may need to change to gold vests in the future once our small supply of blue ones is used up. Only gold vests are available from LCI from here on. **Program:** We welcomed Mickey Ross, director of the Williamson County Museum, who has been working with Lions Joan and Russ Miller on the Chisholm Trail Ride coming up in October. This huge undertaking will need lots of volunteers to assure success. Profits will be split between the museum and the Eagles Nest, a house for homeless children. Most of us had no idea how many educational efforts are made by the museum which provide a sense of history for children in schools in Wm. County. The museum itself is gearing up for a large German history display centering on early settlers to the area; bound to be an interesting look at days of old in Wm. County.

**August 24 news:** Reports were received by several chairs and can be summarized by saying that all plans are on track for the Raffle, October Fest, and Garage Sale. The Raffle involves an Xbox, a DeWalt drill and a week vacation at a timeshare worth lots of \$\$\$. Our October Fest will serve up wonderful Bratwurst with all the fixins and homemade desserts, and the Garage Sale will offer some really nice stuff from all the Geo. Noon Lions. The Fall is a busy time of year for the Georgetown Noon Lions, so folks are encouraged to give as much time as possible to these events. We can rest later! Lion Gearl Koonce reported on profits from our gumball machines—we need more machines placed and it just takes submitting a business card to Lion Gearl. **Program:** Lion Richard Liardon introduced Head Football Coach Jason Dean. In his seven years at GHS, he had developed a year round program that goes beyond football to mold the young men into good citizens. His Champions Notebook covering topics like accountability, service and leadership helps to guide his coaching staff as they meet with and counsel the football players. His goal: Make them good future husbands and fathers. He spends 95 hours at the school during the season, but still finds time for his 3 children and teaching Sunday School to 5 year olds. Did I mention that Coach Dean is about 6'3 and built like a linebacker? Must be a picture on Sundays!

### Future events:

**Sept. 8:** The Marksmen Bluegrass performance at the Performing Arts Center, GISD at 7:00 PM. Fund raiser for the Georgetown Evening Lions. Tickets are \$10.00; **Sept. 10:** Market Days with raffle tickets and October Fest tickets available; **Sept. 10:** Guiding Lions training. Contact PDG Angie Nicholson at [angienick1@austin.rr.com](mailto:angienick1@austin.rr.com); **Sept. 14:** Club guest is Dr. Jo Dan Lee, Superintendent, GISD; **Sept. 15:** Zone meeting at Flamin Grille, 212 E. Main St., Florence, TX. From I 35, take 195 to Florence. Then, turn right onto E. Main. Meeting at 7:30 PM.; **Sept. 22-24:** USA/Canada Leadership Forum in Anchorage, AK. There will be tours offered to embellish this trip for those who can take the time; **Sept. 23:** **October Fest at the VFW Hall from 5:00 PM- 8:00 PM. Fabulous German food and desserts - maybe a raffle ticket or two. Our prizes this year are over the top and will be available from members and at all functions, including Market Days and other events on the Square;** **Sept. 24:** Rip Roarin Ride fund raiser for the Liberty Hill

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Lions. They need help running this. Contact Pres. Paul Curtis at [pcurtistx@yahoo.com](mailto:pcurtistx@yahoo.com); **Sept. 28:** Dr. Clark Wernecke, Dir. of the Gault School of Archeological Research will speak; and **October 8:** Garage sale during Market Days which will be held at the First Texas Bank parking lot. There will be some great stuff. We will start selling at 9 AM. Set up at 8 AM. There will be a Market Days nearby on the Square, so two good reasons to come out.

### HUTTO LIONS CLUB

Flag Parade Contract booth at 8/26 Hutto football game; Hutto Lions Club flags provided for memorial service of Hutto soldier killed. Hutto Lions Club set up a booth for sales of contracts to display the U.S. flag on special days.

### LAGO VISTA LIONS CLUB

Blood Mobile comes to Lago Vista every other month and was manned by three members of the Lago Vista Club and two from the Pt. Venture Lions Club. Out of thirty-one offering to give blood, twenty-six pints were collected for the day. That makes a total of 110 pints collected since January. We already have two new members that attended one of the collection dates. Two more have visited our club since then. Hooray for the Blood Mobile group!

Thanks for the \$1000 scholarship says graduate Duncan Hall. "Thank you so much for the scholarship! I can't express how much the money has meant to my family and how your organization has truly blessed our lives. The knowledge that I received your help has helped lessen the looming financial burden of school and now I am much more excited about school. Thank you for everything"..... Sincerely, Duncan Hall

The Lago Clubs Fan Project, chaired by Lion Dayle Aulds, got off to a great start by arranging for the good people at Ace Hardware in Lago Vista to give us a small break on the cost of 20" box fans for the less fortunate. Store Manager Mark Bowers and Lions Dayle Aulds and Bob McCarty delivered 25 fans to the North West Rural Community Center in Jonestown. Folks need to qualify by filling out an application showing financial need, residence and that they are either over 60, disabled or have children at home under the age of 18.

Being Membership Director is one area in Lions that just keeps on giving back. Lion Anita Burke became a Lion in June of 1994 in south Texas, as a member of the Portland North Bay Lions Club. Holding a few different positions over the years, her favorite by far was Membership. Later, she transferred to the Portland Lions Club and became Membership Director in that club as well. It was with that group of Lions that an idea came to entice people to be interested in this great organization. After stating an interest in them visiting at a club meeting, they were asked if they could sing. Every-

one would answer with an emphatic NO. That's when they were told if that was the case, they would definitely fit right in with the rest of the club! This club, mostly of men, loved to sing robust Lions songs, but they either didn't know that they couldn't carry a tune or didn't care. So when the guest was waiting for the singing to begin, Anita would lean in and say, "now listen to this". The guest would just guffaw, realizing that Anita was right. They were instantly at ease and comfortable and many joined. Lion Anita says the Lago Vista Club is a different story. Most all of them sing pretty well, in particular the four Dandy Lions Barbershop Quartet. The 7 years in the Lago Club, Lion Anita has mostly been on the Membership Committee. Lions don't get paid for what we do, but we are rewarded. The biggest reward is finding new people to be Lions. She says her second biggest reward was DG Gary Cocanauers' presentation of the Senior Master Key for bringing 25 new Lions into the fold over the years!

It was our clubs great pleasure to have as our guest speaker, PCC Richard Robinson, the current Lions Club International Foundation for Multiple District 2. Lion Richard is a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow 11 times over and his partner in service, Lion Renee Robinson is a PMJF five times. PDG Charles Handrick and his wife, Lion Nancy were in attendance as well to hear the very positive information about LCIF. Since the LCIF and MJF go hand in hand, the Lago Clubs six present Melvin Jones Fellows were all on hand at the head tables. They are Lions Alex Dunn, Jerry Fenley, Don Zschoche, Mike deSorgo, Anita Burke and Jim Orr. MJF's Mike Thornton and Jim Dougherty were out of town.

Lion Richard spent 28 years in the U.S. Army and then went into business for many years. During that time, he found his love for Lions and finally quit his job to volunteer for Lions work full time. Before the meeting, he said he studied our club banners and explained that banners tell a story of the club. Banner patches are sent for club accomplishments and he could tell that the accomplishments for our club were many and said that we had a commendable legacy hard to be matched.

Donations we make to LCIF give us "credits" and once our credits are 1000, we can turn those in for a Melvin Jones Fellow Award for one of our members. The other way to become a Melvin Jones is to pay the \$1000. Did you know that honoring a member by awarding him a MJF represents 75% of all donations to LCIF? Did you know that one MJF awarded saves the sight of 106 people in the world? It is LCIF who builds hospitals and supplies the staff to operate them in many countries. Through LCIF, River Blindness in South America is GONE! Lions did this by supplying 13.7 million doses of medications to cure River Blindness. Lions have given sight to 8 million people through cataract surgeries. Forty one million children have been inoculated for diseases by Lions.

Lions are now involved with the Special Olympics for disabled children and have supplied 200,000 pair of glasses. Did you know that Lions Club is the only service organization in communist countries? Through LCIF, grants are awarded all over the world for catastrophes ranging from \$75-10,000, all done

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through the very compassionate hearts of Lions. So you see, by honoring someone in your club, you really do so much more! A Melvin Jones is the highest award LCIF gives and is awarded for service and generosity. President Mike Beal presented Lion Richard a check in the amount of \$2000 from the Lago Vista Lions.

The Lago Club sat mesmerized with the ideas shared by our DG Gary Cocanougher at the first August meeting. He was just full of interesting information about Lions all over the World, and had lots of praise for our club. He said there are currently 1950 Lions in 54 clubs in our District and his goal at the end of his term is 2000 members. He would also like each club to work hard on member retention, finding signature projects that we're known by in our communities and focus more on our youth. Our District has a total of 21 Leo Clubs with seven formed just last year. His goals are the same as his motto this year which is "Vision of Dreams". So, we all need to work to make the DG's Vision of Dreams a reality by June, 2012. We were lucky enough to have two visiting couples at this meeting hearing him discuss what it means to be a Lion. It also served as a very loud reminder of why we all joined Lions in the first place!

District Governor Gary also installed our new 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President, Lion Frank Robbins and officially welcomed him into the Board of Directors, Lion Frank is a relatively new Lion and we are really happy he's on board and anxious to volunteer.

Thanks to the efforts of Lions Jo Anne Smith and David Henderson, we have two new Lions, Priscilla and John Merner. Priscilla and John are Lago residents as of about one year, moving here with John's job from Kentucky. He works at MLS, Inc and she works for Starwood Hotels, both officing from their home. They have two children, both residing in Houston along with 2.5 grandchildren. John said they their daughter scoped out the area and found Lago Vista and told them they needed to live here. They like to travel, golf, garden and John likes to hunt. They also like giving blood and that's where the Lions finally snatched them to be members. We stress that we want "working" members in our club. They took that very seriously and worked the road clean up before they ever filled out an application. They are anxious to be involved and anxious to meet new people. A big Lago Vista welcome to you both!

### LIBERTY HILL LIONS CLUB

Plans are underway for the 10th annual Rip Roarin' Ride to be held on Sept. 24. At the last board meeting on Aug. 15, Lion Jimmy talked about assignments for the different duties of the ride. SAG Support is headed by Lion Gary Jackson, rest stops are being done by various Lions and volunteers, including the Georgetown Evening Lions Club, and Janet is heading the registration with help from students and Lions. We hope to have a good turnout of riders this year and need everyone's help.

This is our biggest fundraiser and we have some new sponsors this year, including the City of Liberty Hill. Jimmy has posters advertising the ride, if you can put some in the hands of businesses where bikers shop. Janet will need help folding t-shirts when those come in, so be ready to help in any way you can to make this a huge success and make it possible for us to help those in our community who need our help.

We will be doing the Early Childhood Vision Screening again this year at the Fellowship Fest on Oct. 22. Times have not been determined, but we will need all the help we can get for that day. We need Lions to sign up for times they can work to sign children up and give out information on our club and the screening that is done on the children.

What's coming up in this Lions' year? Lion Jimmy Oliver has scheduled many good programs for this year. Of course, we have the 10th Rip Roarin' Ride in September and the 21st Thrill of the Hill 5K in April. We will plan some service projects throughout the year. Our battery collection was popular this past year, so we may do that again. Our International President is concerned with environment.

Let's make it a prosperous year for LH Lions.

### LULING LIONS CLUB

Stuff the Bus: Providing school supplies for needy children for school. Used Eyeglasses: We collected 25 pair of used glasses for recycling. Scholarships: We paid for one \$600 scholarship.

### MANOR LIONS CLUB

Meetings: 2nd & 4th Mondays (7pm) of each month at Manor Lions Hall at Lexington & Browning.

On August 22, Lion Rubert Ceder provided the meal. Lion Hub Sherman reported that Manorfest planning is going well. We are in desperate need of auction items, volunteers and sponsors. All available Lions will be needed as this year Manorfest promises to be bigger, better, and more profitable than ever before.

On August 8, Lions Loyd and Lois Shroul provided the meal. The Boss Lion reported that all the "cake ladies" received flowers. The Building committee will be comprised of Lions Paul, Gil, Doug, Herb, Hub, Don & Rubert. Manor Fest was the primary focus of this meeting. The Banner was agrred on, our float needs 5 people, and Doug was approved to purchase 8 trophies. The steak Fry served 94 people.

**Club Meeting, 12 September 2011:** Lions Loyd & Lois Shroul will provide the meal. This meeting will be the official visit of our new District Governor Gary Cocanougher.

**Fish Fry Fundraiser, 23 September 2011:** All hands needed! The Manorfest Queen will be voted on at this event.

**Club Meeting, 26 September 2011:** Lion Rubert Ceder will provide the meal.

**Mark your Calendars:** Manorfest 1 October 2011, Turkey

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Shoot Begins 2 October, and 2011 Fish Fry (tentative) 4 November 2011.

### MILANO EVENING LIONS CLUB

**Feed the Teachers:** Annual event provided a free taco lunch with all the trimmings to the Milano I.S.D. teachers before school starts for Fall (held on 8/11/11). Ten members and 1 guest from the Cameron Lions Club served all the teachers and staff members. Very well received by everyone!

**Clean-up 4<sup>th</sup> Street:** The city mayor asked the Lions to help with trash pick-up along this street in preparation for the fall sports season. This is the street that everyone travels on to get to the school campus. The project was held on 8/13/11 starting early in the A.M. due to the hot weather. 7 Lions were able to help. Lion Jerry Hall brought his tractor and Lion Eldon Ball brought his chain saw.

**School Supplies:** Our club designated August as Help Local Youth Month. We donated \$172.90 for school supplies needed by students and/or teachers to get the school year started. Purchase included paper, pencils, notebooks, back-packs, crayons, glue, and etc.

### NEW BRAUNFELS (NOON) LIONS CLUB

**Staff Visitor Center:** Provided information and directions to visitors to New Braunfels.

**Red Cross Disaster Relief:** Supervised crew of volunteers who activated Client Assistance Cards for victims of fires and other disasters.

**Boy Scouts and Big Brother Big Sister:** Service to our Scout Troop in New Braunfels, Texas. Sponsoring a child in the Big Brother/Big Sister Program and showing the support needed to help with school activities both academic and sports and the real importance of responsibility.

### NEW BRAUNFELS BREAKFAST LIONS CLUB

On August 9th District Governor Gary Cocanougher visited our club for his annual visit. In his speech he thanked the club for not going negative in membership last year and he encouraged the club to grow during this Lions year.

The international president's Theme "I Believe" was introduced and he stated that the July Lions Magazine had a great detailed article on the new president's theme. The gist of the theme was that we as Lions can become Lions for life if they as members believe in what their club was doing to serve in our own communities. Also, we need to treat our membership like family and look out for each other.

DG Gary went on to explain his theme for 2011/2012, "Vision of Dreams," the theme's basic premise is that our clubs give

vision to the dreams of those less fortunate in our communities and we must develop a signature service project that is visible to all in our communities.

This Lions year, DG Gary Cocanougher went on to say that he was encouraging the clubs to help him make good on the District pledge to plant 250 trees District wide. Tree planting will of course have to depend on getting much needed rain before the clubs in Texas can make that pledge good. I know we can do that in New Braunfels alone was my thought listening to the Governor state his goals.

District Governor Gary also passed out the international president's pin to Lion Boss Lynn Cadell. That all the District Governors from around the world were asked to make sure all the club presidents received one of the pins.



*DG Gary Cocanougher speaks to the NB Breakfast Lions Club.*

Your Comal County Fair Booth Committee met at Mamacitas restaurant on August 15th at 7 pm to finalize the menus for the upcoming event. Four members of the committee were present and certain items from last year were dropped in favor of new items that will probably be better sellers this year. All products added will be just put in the fryer and cook and will need little or no prep. The items also discussed were that the club should participate in the Saturday before mutton run event at the grounds Saturday 17th of September from 3 pm to 9 pm. Tuesday night (Suicide night) will also be added this year. Wednesday through Sunday evenings, the booth will be open. Look for the cleanup schedule to come out at the next regular meeting.

### NEW BRAUNFELS EVENING LIONS CLUB

Helping Hand to who needs one, Eye glasses, Fair and Wurstfest planning meetings, and we had two Lions and two guests play golf at the Texas Lions Camp golf tournament with a total of 28 hours and \$280.00 donated.

One Lion helped with the meetings for 2013 State Convention, community activity helping others in need, recycling program collecting aluminum cans and we gave three \$1000.00 scholarships to counselors at the Texas Lions Camp this month.

### ROUND ROCK NOON LIONS CLUB

Four Lions spent over 50 hours raising funds and preparing for a Medical Mission to Peru the end of September. International regulations governing transportation of medical supplies is mind boggling. Lion Tino Hernandez is always most concerned about safety, so he's personally visited the area to be served and constantly staying in contact with persons trav-

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eling from Texas as well as with persons establishing contact for our medical services. **Medical Mission:** Four Lions collected medical supplies. One Lions spent 50+ hours organizing fund raiser and making arrangements for Medical Mission to Peru in Sept.

Two Lions spent over 18 hours collecting, sorting and boxing 588 pairs of used eyeglasses. August is like Christmas to Optical Businesses as many diligent parents have provided proper eye exams and glasses for their sons and daughters to begin the new school year. They've then dropped used eyeglasses into Lions collection boxes at 13 collection sites to be sent to Midland for reconditioning so others will also have an opportunity to see.

Three Lions and 2 Cubs spent over 33 hours assisting the Round Rock ISD with packaging, distribution of school supplies and medical assistance program for over 8,000 K-12 students eligible for free or reduced lunches. Two Lions also served as interpreters.

Transportation is also furnished by several Lions for disabled or elderly to attend Lions meetings, church and medical appointments. **Aid to the Elderly/Disabled:** Transported wheel chair and disabled seniors to medial appointments and church.

Our number one focus is membership recruitment. Fund Raisers include White Cane during October, scholarships, TLC Endowment CAMPaIn, SightFirst II, vision services and other needs of the community.

Three Lions and 2 Cubs assisted the Round Rock School District to assemble and distribute school supplies for 8,000+ K-12 disadvantaged students as well as completed applications for the families to obtain medical assistance. Two Lions visited 6 other Lions Clubs to make presentations about the TX Lions Camp, invite potential members to their Club, or to participate in their Club functions. We also participated as a contributing member by donating to LCIF and we collected used eyeglasses for the recycling program.

### SAN MARCOS BLUEBONNET LIONS CLUB

Collecting baby items for the needy: Our club had a baby shower benefiting Life Care, an organization that helps new mothers be able to afford to keep their babies.

Peace Poster Contest: Committee members visited local middle schools to educate art teachers about this year's theme and remind them of the October 15 deadline for the local contest.

Eye-glass Recycling: On August 16, two members spent four hours each advocating for the project to over 100 staff members and collecting glasses at our local Baptist Academy. National Honor Society students were involved in the collection and are going out to collect more in the coming weeks.

### SAN MARCOS LIONS CLUB

Hello everyone. Linda and I are in cool Cloudcroft, New Mexico celebrating our 49th wedding anniversary. Some guys just have all the good luck.

Temperature range yesterday was 68 to 80. We also get rain almost every afternoon. Wish I could bring some of it home with us when we get back next week. Maybe a tropical storm will visit us and break the drought in September!!

Well, we are coming to a close for the 2011 tubing season and thanks to all of you Lions it will be another successful year and we are in the new facility with a new lease. Give yourselves a pat on the back. More than that, we will be able to continue to support many local charities.

As the Fall falls upon us, we need to turn our attention to river clean-up, preparation for Mexican Dinner and Christmas food baskets. Somewhere in this schedule, it would be nice if we had a Lion's Social; maybe a covered dish meal in the park, in October, for Lions and their families.

Just a thought, are you sitting at the same table every meeting? Why not mix it up once in a while and sit with and meet other Lions. I'm not trying to break up long standing friendships, just mix it up and make sure new Lions are made to feel welcome and possibly get them involved in our activities more quickly. Maybe we could have the third Friday of each month a mixer Friday where we try to sit at a different table with different Lions. This brings up another issue, have all our new Lions been added to a committee? Talk to them and find out their interest and see if there is a committee in which they might enjoy joining and participating.

In future newsletters, don't forget to brag on a Lion that you think did a little something special or a significant accomplishment by someone in your family. This way we get to know a little more about others. See you the 1st Friday in September. Lion President, Al Green

**Lions Tale All.....** Cathy Wahrmond was born June 13th. She is a widow that was married for 36 years. Her husband worked for Exxon and they lived in New Jersey, France and Italy. Before moving to San Marcos to be closer to her family they lived in Austin. Cathy also lived in Victoria, Texas for 17 years. Her hobbies are enjoying people, sewing and reading. Cathy is a very interesting Lion that transferred from Victoria Lion's Club. She is a great asset to our club. Please take time to visit with her. Lion Karen

**Big Scoop** Shining Stars Under 40.....successful in their career; making important contributions to our community; a rising star on the horizon; cut from a different mold – one that celebrates success, both personally and professional. **Drum Roll, Please! Lion Brian Olson** will be recognized on September 1st as a Shining Star! **Congratulations Brian!!**

**Mark Jalufka Shares:** I missed the meeting last Friday to help my oldest son move into his apartment on the University of Houston campus. On Saturday morning at 11:30 he called me to say that he had already found a job in Houston - as a waiter at the Olive Garden restaurant near campus. I was

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pretty proud of that boy! Of course he loves Italian Food, so I hope he doesn't spend all of his wages where he works. I'm pretty sure Olive Garden food tastes a lot better than the U of H cafeteria food.

**Dr. Galvan Writes:** Eva and I celebrated our 54th Wedding Anniversary recently with a regal repast at a local restaurant. I penned a poem which I dedicated to Eva to commemorate the auspicious occasion:

### *Ubiquitous*

Even though we have been wed  
half a century and four years  
I now feel a love for you  
more intensive than it was  
when we said our sacred vows  
You will always reign supreme  
in the Eden of our world  
and in both my heart and soul  
where you reign from dawn till dusk  
and then fill my reveries  
with a love that permeates  
both my peace and my repose  
till the dawn breaks through anew  
Everywhere I chance to go  
Anywhere that I may be  
Even when we're miles apart  
I can feel your warm embrace  
and the love of your caress  
Some will call it E-S-P  
but I say it's L-O-V-  
with a final giant -E  
that spells out -E'TERNITY.

*Roberto A. Galvan.*

### TAYLOR LIONS CLUB

We purchased two pair of eye glasses; Lion Zone Chair John Thomas & Sec. Greg Teggegan attended the Zone Meeting in Elgin; and we are planning a Car Wash Sept. 10th to help fund our Flying Vikings Fly Day. We also placed a deposit on the American Legion for our Chili Supper, January 26, 2012.

We paid our dues and the District's 100% charities; All dues are paid and we paid \$1,147 for our District 100% Charities.

**Horseshoe Tournament:** Six Lions helped at the Horseshoe Tournament's kick-off Fajita Supper Friday evening, August 26th; four of our people competed in the tournament. Proceeds of the event will go toward Leader Dogs for the Blind.

**Taylor Lions Miniature Golf Course:** We spent \$1,099 on repairs & improvements at the Lions Miniature Golf Course. We have donated the use of the course to the YMCA for their summer camp at no charge. Approximately 55 children use the course daily during the summer.

**Tree Planting:** Our \$500 donation will provide 10 to 12 trees

in 15-gallon containers. They will go to the new City Park and will be planted on Arbor Day (Oct 22). The City will match our donation, providing a backhoe to dig the holes and drip irrigation to keep them watered.

**Early Childhood Vision Screening:** We provided early detection of vision problems in pre-school age and as young as 6 months old children. This easy computer assisted screening has resulted in saving of some 16 kids eyes in the last 2 years. Our Club will advertise the screening and get with the local daycares to get the word out about the screenings. A special screener from ROATX performs the actual screening of the child.

### WIMBERLEY LIONS CLUB

**Road Warriors:** The Wimberley Lions Club Road Warriors continue to faithfully clean up Wimberley Roads each month even in the really hot weather. Thanks for a job well done!



**Wimberley Market Days:** The Wimberley Lions Market Days operates on the first Saturday of each month from March through December. Three all-time records were broken last year and we continue to have large crowds this year. This event brings in thousands of visitors which benefits the Lions Club as well as restaurants, Bed & Breakfasts, shop owners, etc. Everyone is anxious to see it start up again! The local economy depends on the income generated by this event each month.





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May 17, 2012

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2nd Place: \$ 75.00 Gift Card to each player

3rd Place: \$ 50.00 Gift Card to each player

Prizes for Hole in One, Longest Drive  
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MULLIGANS: \$5 Each - Limit 2 per player

Entry Fee: \$75.00 Per Player Includes:

Lunch, Green Fees, Cart, Range Balls, Gift Packet etc.

Net Proceeds to Benefit Lions Club Activities

#### Entry Form

Deadline: May 7, 2012

Club Name \_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_

Players Name

Day Phone

Player(s)	1. _____	_____
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