

District 2-A1 Lions Clubs International

District 2-A1 News

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We Serve

My very best wishes to all Lions and their families. May the holidays find you happy and content with life. What better gift can we receive than a feeling of contentment and purpose in our lives. Philosophers say we are what we give away of ourselves. As I grow older and have kids, then grandkids, and now great grandkids, I understand better that my happiness is found in others being happy.

I have now visited 34 of our 49 clubs and working on visiting the other 15 in January & February. From the 34 clubs I have visited I can tell you that Lions are doing outstanding service in our District. Every club is different and unique but all are making their community a better place. My only complaint with clubs are you don't toot your own horns enough. I also need to thank the 34 clubs for being welcoming, kind, and generous to me during my visit. I can recommend this job as District Governor because you get this opportunity to meet such great people. As one of my fellow District Governors said to me "I am going to miss this job when it is over" – amen brother.

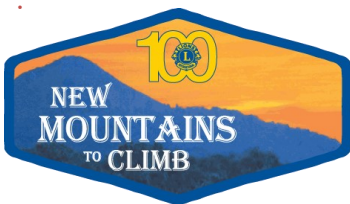
Our next District meeting is January 21 in Brady. As you can see, I've tried to keep the meetings in the center of the District to make travel easier. The agenda is included in the newsletter as well as the sign up form. We call this meeting the Mid-Winter but only because of the calendar, everyone is invited to attend. We have important agenda items for the clubs (importance of new member sponsors) (Retaining members) & (inspiring clubs are growing membership). (continued)

Save the Date

District Meeting

January 20/21

Brady



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Message from District Governor (Continued)

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We also have Heather Donnella who will talk about our supported charity the Texas Lions Camp. Many clubs have gotten out of the habit of attending District meetings and I encourage you to come back. You can get great ideas from other clubs.

A couple of activities going on around the District you should know about concerning membership. We have started recruiting for a new club in Big Spring and it is going very well. Our reception, both by local officials and the people in the community has been great. We already have 15 members signed up and expect the club to charter in January with more than the required 20 members. Both the officials and the community want the Lions to be there. The second item is we are making progress on a Midland Campus club. Although this club's recruiting is just getting started we also expect to charter no later than February and maybe in January. The take away from these successes is "if you ask people to join your club they will".

Finally a suggestion for clubs. Heather Donnella will be speaking at our District meeting in January. All Lions clubs in Texas are required to contribute \$21.00 per member per year to support the Texas Lions Camp. Beyond that, in the District supported charities we ask you contribute an additional \$10.00 per member to the camp. At each District meeting we have what we call "parade of checks". Clubs in attendance can present their checks for supported charities. It would be great if clubs who have not yet contributed the additional \$10.00 showed up (or sent) their checks to be presented to Heather.

 <p>PDG Joyce Downie and husband Lion Ron</p> <p>Support</p> <p>District 2-A1 Governor Dave Richison and his 2016-2017 Cabinet</p>	 <p>Chris Maxwell Sales Manager Eljen Technology 1300 W. Broadway Sweetwater, TX 79556</p> <p>Phone: 325-235-4276 ext. 2002 Toll Free: 888-800-8771 ext. 2002 Fax: 325-235-0701</p> <p>Visit our website: www.eljentechnology.com</p>
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District Meeting Dates

January 20 & 21 2017, Mid-Winter Conference, Brady

April 28 & 29 2017, District Convention, San Angelo

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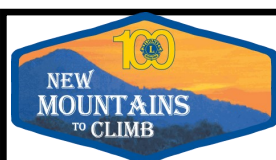
REFLECT by 1st VDG Armando Subia

This time of year inspires you to reflect more than at any other time. Looking back at the 1½ years since my wife of 47 years and I started our journey as Vice District Governor toward the prize of Governor of 2 A1 (the 100th Governor-make that in big flashing lights). We have met a lot of good people and one or two less smiling individuals. All these individuals I am proud to say are a part of our Lion's family.

My reflection is not on how great this journey has been, but on how blessed and favored I have been. As you know or maybe not, I now have a limp and have a cane who accompanies me where I go. I can not tell you how may floors I have inspected or how good grass is growing. I tell you this not to garner sympathy but to explain how blessed and favored we are. I have a friend who three weeks ago was enjoying life. He entered the hospital with congestive heart failure. He was found to have lung cancer with lesions to the liver. My friend wound up on a respirator fighting for his life. The good Lord called him back home last night. So, you see, however sorry I feel about where I am today I am blessed and highly favored.

So when you wake up in the morning and see the light of day, look up to the Lord and say "Thank you". As for me, I also look to my right and say " I am sorry" to my wife, because I know sometime during the day I will mess up!

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR YALL.



SAVE THE DATE

ROPE YOURSELF IN TO ATTEND ALL DISTRICT MEETINGS

NEXT MEETING Mid-Winter Conference

January 20 & 21 2017

Ramblings From Russell

2nd VDG Russell Livingston

Holiday greetings from my house to yours. We as Lions are pretty busy this and every holiday season. Given certain physical traits your Second Vice District Governor has been a little busier than I have been accustomed to. All in the name of seasonal goodwill and cheer.


Our Mid -Winter Conference is approaching and Lions throughout the district need to be setting aside the weekend of January 20 and 21 in Brady. A good meeting is being planned and we will be looking forward to seeing you there.

As 2016 winds down and 2017 begins, we are faced with New Year Resolutions. For many, 2016 will be bid a hearty adios and good riddance. We as 2A-1 Lions have enjoyed a good year though. We have everything to look forward to in 2017. Governor Dave continues to work tirelessly and we can join him to conclude his year as Governor.

As December ends and January begins, we are looking forward to a more mobile and healthy year. Your thoughts and prayers have been appreciated and felt. Thank all of you so much.

New clubs and a campus club may be just around the corner. So, let's get ready for a great 2017. It is great to be a Lion.

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**The Lions of
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 Support
 The District 2-A1 Leadership
 Team**



**Midland West Side
 Lions Club
 Proudly Supports
 1VDG Armando Subia
 and the 2016/2017 DG Team**



**Midland
 West Side Lions Club
 Home Club of
 PDG Robert (Bob) Edwards
 Proudly Supports
 The District 2-A1 Leadership Team**

Club News Continued

My Fellow Lions,

As your treasurer, I'm proud to inform you that the monies you've worked so hard to raise throughout the year are being put to very good use this holiday season. Here are some upcoming events where you are making a difference in peoples' lives:

Christmas Party for the Family Shelter – As a club, we're throwing a Christmas Party for the women and children of the **Family Shelter (79 Gillis St) Monday, December 19 @ 6PM**. Thank you to all those involved in planning such a meaningful event!

Christmas Basket Project – Yours truly asks for the Club's participation in assembling and distributing Christmas baskets for 30 needy families **Thursday, December 22 @ Noon (regular meeting room)**. Come eat lunch, help with the baskets and be blessed!

Merry Christmas,

Lion Joe Guerra



San Angelo Downtown Lions Club serving their Annual Christmas Luncheon to the staff and employees of the West Texas Lighthouse for the Blind. The hot meal was served right at noon on Wednesday, December 14. Please thank all the Lions who served, especially Chairwoman Theresa Cain, for bringing the miracle of Christmas to those less fortunate.



The San Angelo *Dynamic* Downtown Lions Club

Proudly Supports

District Governor Dave Richison and the District 2-A1 Leadership Team

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Club News Continued



1st VDG Armando Subia calling bingo at Manor Park, a continuing care retirement community. Midland West Side has conducted Bingo at Manor Park once a month, for eight years. Even with the lights going out before the first game started, all the players wanted to play and they did with only the light from the windows. Refreshments were provided in celebration of the holiday season.

Lake Brownwood Lions Club presented James Wages (Sincerely Elvis) December 9, 2016, and Santa to The ResCare clinic in Brownwood, Tx, to approximately 65 people attending. Lions Danny Steele, Rich Collins, Gail Smiley and Tina Powers handed out gift bags and stuffed animals to those present. What laughter and smiles and a lot of dancing done. It was a great experience, and one I won't forget.

December 11, 2016, we had a Children's Christmas Party for one ranging ages 0-12. They were seated on Santa lap, and told him of their Christmas wishes. They were also handed a toy appropriate toy for that age, a gift bag filled with fruit, candies and a stuffed toy. Precious pictures taken by their parents. Served approximately 120 kiddos...

Sincerely, Tail Twister Lion Tina Powers



“The A1 CLUB”



in the Lions 2-A1 District

Sweetwater Lions Club

We Serve

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Club News Continued

THE JUNCTION LIONS CLUB HAD A DUCK DERBY IN OCTOBER TO RAISE MONEY FOR OUR SCHOLARSHIP FUND. WE ALSO SOLD BULBS AS A FUND RAISER CALLED "FLOWER POWER". IN NOVEMBER WE HAD A GARAGE SALE.

WE HAVE BEEN BLESSED WITH 7 NEW MEMBERS AND THEY HAVE BEEN AWESOME IN GETTING THESE EVENTS DONE.

WE ALSO HELPED AT THE "HEALTH FAIR" IN OCTOBER AND WE MADE A DONATION TO THE "JUNCTION YOUTH SHOW" HELD DECEMBER 5TH.

MERRY CHRISTMAS



The Kingsland Lions collected over \$3,500 for our local charity 12/14/16. Pictured L-R John McWilliams, Jim Chapman, Ron Hall.

Kingsland Lion of the Year

Lion Gordon Dixon from the Kingsland Lions He is a long-time member and contributes whenever and wherever his 85+ year old body will allow. Gordon was presented with his trophy at our annual Christmas dinner.



Club News Continued

The San Angelo Lions Present Pancakes with Santa



District Governor Message regarding the Western Texas Eye Bank

As many of you know the eye bank provides corneas for transplant. Donors leave their cornea to the eye bank to be transplanted; the eye bank harvests the cornea, and provides the cornea to surgeons for implanting.

The funds to operate the eye bank come partly from contributions by Lions and Lions clubs but also from processing fees collected from the surgical centers and hospitals.

This past year, new officials took the positions which regulate cornea transplant and instituted stricter regulations. Restrictions were placed on the use of cornea from people who die from cancer and people who died without an official cause of death. These rules significantly reduced the availability of cornea for transplant. This also reduced the revenue taken in by the Eye Bank.

As the new officials have become more experienced they have relaxed some of these rules. The eye bank management believes we are moving toward a more historical flow of donated cornea.

During this transition period, our Eye Bank has run thru its financial reserves built up over past years. To give the Eye Bank a chance to operate in the short term we need to provide them with an infusion of \$50,000.00 in funds. Eye Bank management believes this will carry them thru the business cycle and they will return to building small reserves each year. As a contingency, the board is looking at alternative ways of operating if the market does not return to where it was. Similar cycles have occurred in the past.

The cornea for transplant market is dominated by large for profit companies operating out of the big cities. Our eye bank is an important service for rural communities and we need to ensure the eye bank is still there to serve them.

As Lions & Lions clubs, we need to step up and help the Eye Bank. There are 1,350 Lions and 49 clubs in the District. Together we can do this. Contributions can be sent to Chris Maxwell our District Treasurer indicating this is a special contribution to the Eye Bank

Thank you for all you do - Dave

District 2A-1

District 2A-1 Conference to be held in Brady, Texas

This letter is meant to inform and excite Lions across the region about the upcoming district conference January 20-21, 2017.

Be sure to mention when calling to reserve your room that you are with Lions Club District Conference

Lodging:

Holiday Inn Express
2320 S. Bridge Street
Brady, Texas 76825
(325) 597-1800

Estimated Lodging Cost
Single King : \$99.00
Double : \$108.00
Suite: \$112.50
Double Queen Suite: \$117.00

Best Western
2200 S. Bridge Street
Brady, Texas 76825
(325) 597-3997

Single King: ~~\$76~~
Double Queen: \$86.39

Event Venue: Heart of Texas Events Center
804 San Angelo HWY Brady, Texas 76825

Friday evening will include a cheeseburger meal along with Bingo and a raffle. Lions will begin to congregate starting at 5:30 p.m.

Saturday's meeting will include breakfast entrees w/ coffee and lunch will be BBQ pulled porked meal. A meet and greet will be from 8:30 a.m.- 9:00 a.m. with the district meeting following from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Lunch will be served directly after the meeting is adjourned.



RSVP

Name of Person's Attending

\$25.00/person includes all meals for the duration of conference.
Your Checks may be mailed or you can register at the conference.

Please fill out and mail back to
McCulloch County Lions Club
PO Box 135
Brady, Texas 76825

Friday Night Social - 5:30, January 20

Mid-Winter Agenda – January 21 Brady

7:30 to 8:30 Training Club Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers, Vision Screening & PDG meeting

8:30 – 9:00 Meet & Greet

9:00 Call to order – flags – prayer – song

Welcome **DG Dave Richison**

Introduction of guests & PDG's **Armando**

Host club Welcome

Secretary & Treasurer Reports - **Merissa Swink / Chris Maxwell**

Membership report – **Dave**

Parade of checks

Announcements & other items

9:30 Hall of Fame nominations turned in

Nominations for 2016/2017 District Officers DG, 1st VDG, 2ndVDG
Camp Director West

Club Centennial member selection – handout - **Dave Richison**

10:00 Break – Pin Sales, Raffle – drawing, ticket sales

10:15 Club Administrative Topic – **Roy Landry** - The importance of
“new member” sponsors

10:35 Inspiring Lions - “Growing Clubs” Coahoma – others - **Dave**

11:00 Break – Pin Sales, Raffle – drawing, ticket sales

11:15 Supported charity Lions Camp **Heather Donnella**

11:35 – 12:00 Key Note Speaker **Rod Chisholm** – Retaining members



HELP CELEBRATE THE CENTENNIAL OF “LIONISM”

As we approach Lion Year 2017/2018, we are coming upon the 100 year anniversary of LIONS. The exact date is October 8, 2017. We all need to remember those 44 gentlemen that met at the Adolphus Hotel in Dallas on 8 October 1917. From that meeting came the Charter for the “International Association of Lions”. Times have changed since then, but our motto of “We Serve” continues to lead us today. The Texas Centennial Celebration will be held in Dallas next October 6 and 7th. Details will be provided after the first of the year. For our older clubs, look at your original Charter and see who signed it. If it was signed by Melvin Jones, I would like a copy. The copy will be framed and on display at the Celebration in Dallas. If you have any other memorabilia that you could share let me know. There will be a room with security for all items on display. Did you know that PIP Ebb is writing a book on the second 50 years of Lionism. It should be on sale by summer.

Lions International has devoted a lot of time and effort to promote the “Centennial Celebration”. If you go to lionsclubs.org and click on Lions 100, you will get sensory overload from all the information that is provided. The point of this is to get all our Clubs involved in the Centennial Celebration. There are several parts to the Celebration.

One of those is a Centennial Community Legacy Project. The purpose of this is to connect with your community by giving a visible “gift” that commemorates the Lions Centennial and creates a lasting Legacy of your service to the community. A “gift” or project does not have to be elaborate or expensive. It can be as simple as a Lions Logo sign outside of your meeting location. Projects are defined in three levels and have until June 30, 2018 to be completed. So far we have 3 completed Legacy Projects with 5 more in progress. That means that 40 of our Clubs have not worked on a Legacy Project.

A second part of the Celebration is the Centennial Service Challenge. This effort has been ongoing since July 2014. Many of our Club have received recognition for their efforts in 1 or all 4 of the Centennial Service Challenge areas. They are: Engaging our Youth: Get youth involved in the Peace Poster contest, Outstanding Youth contest, and other District Youth programs. Sharing the Vision: Support vision screening and educational events that discuss the medical issues that can lead to blindness. Relieving the Hunger: Support a local food bank, deliver meals to the elderly, support a local school “Backpack Buddies” program. Protecting the Environment: Protect and improve the environment to make your community a healthier place to live in. Coordinate with TXDoT and do a highway trash cleanup. Partner with others in the community to do a bulk household waste collection. Centennial Service Challenge projects can be reported each year. So far this year, only 13 Clubs have reported Service Challenge Projects to LCI. That means that 35 of our Clubs have not reported on the Service that they have done. I know that you have done more, but YOU need to report them. The LCI reporting instructions are included in the District Newsletter.

Another part of the Centennial Celebration is membership. District Governor Dave Richison is working this effort and you should have already seen the goals that he has established for the District.

Look at the LCI web page and click on Lions 100. The tool box contains tons of info.

Thanks,

Chuck Henicke

District 2A1 Centennial Coordinator

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MyLCI Reporting Instructions

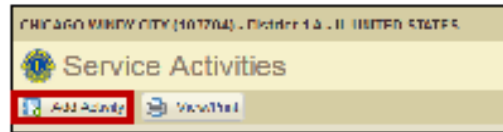
Centennial Service Challenge & Community Legacy Projects



Step 1: Log on to [MyLCI](#) and select *Service Activities* from My Lions Club menu



Step 2: Select *Add Activity*



Step 3: Enter Basic Activity Information

Fiscal Year

The current fiscal year is displayed. During July 1-15, you have the option of selecting the previous fiscal year for unreported activities.

Activity Date

For activities that occur over multiple days, select the beginning date of the activity. If the activity is part of a Worldwide Week of Service (WWS) event, make sure the date falls within the designated dates of the WWS. For Centennial Community Legacy Projects that were completed between July 2014 and June 2015, enter "July 1" and include the actual date in the *Description* field.

Signature Activity

Signature activities are those that clubs engage in on a repeated basis. If the signature activity type has already been identified as a CSC activity, the corresponding CSC campaign will automatically be selected in the Detailed Activity Information section. If the signature activity type has not already been identified, manually select the appropriate CSC campaign in the Detailed Activity Information section.

Activity Type

Click on the "Select Type" button to view all service categories and subcategories. Activities that count towards the CSC have a special CSC logo next to them. Centennial Community Legacy Projects are located under the "Community & Cultural Activity" category and also have a special logo next to them.

Level 1 Legacy Projects raise your club's community visibility, such as donating a park bench, bike rack or a new sign. **Level 2 projects** are larger contributions, such as refurbishing a park, establishing a community garden or providing medical equipment. **Level 3 projects** make a significant community impact, such as building a clinic, school, hospital or library.



Select the box that best reflects your activity. If an activity is both a CSC activity and a Legacy Project, select the appropriate Legacy Project box and then select the relevant CSC campaign in the *Detailed Activity Information* section below.

Activity Title

Enter a few keywords or a phrase to help identify this activity, such as a partner organization or beneficiaries.

Activity Description

Entering a description helps clubs remember the goals, action steps and outcomes of their projects. They also help LCI understand club projects and identify clubs for partnership, funding and publicity opportunities.



MyLCI Reporting Instructions Centennial Service Challenge & Community Legacy Projects

Step 4: Enter Detailed Activity Information

Share this Story

This box is automatically selected, allowing all MyLCI users to learn the details of this service project. Deselect the box to opt out.

District-wide Activity

Select this box if the service activity was organized by the district.

Centennial Service Challenge Campaign Box

If you selected an activity subcategory that is identified as a CSC activity, the campaign it applies to should be automatically selected. If none of the CSC campaigns is selected but you feel that it should be, or if your service activity is also a Centennial Community Legacy Project, manually select the appropriate campaign.

Number of Lions

Type in the number of Lions from your club that were involved in the service activity. Clubs are encouraged to only report those activities that involve multiple club members in service.

Number of Lion Hours

You may choose to report only the time spent in actual service or the total number of hours preparing for and implementing a project, but please be consistent.

Number of People Served

For service activities that involve direct service to individuals, provide the number of people served. For service activities that do not involve direct service to individuals, provide an estimated number of beneficiaries. There is a maximum limit of 3,000 people served and 5,000 trees planted per activity.

For service activities that are implemented by more than one club, all clubs should report the activity in order to receive CSC recognition. However, please divide the total number of beneficiaries among the participating clubs.

Funds Raised

If the project was a fundraiser, provide the amount of funds raised. Do not include in-kind contributions.

Funds Donated

If the project was a donation of funds, provide the amount of funds donated. Do not include in-kind donations.

Step 5: Upload Images (optional)

Upload 1 or 2 photographs that capture the impact and emotion of your project. JPG, GIF, and PNG files less than 4MB can be uploaded.

Step 6: Save your report

You must select "Save" to upload your information, so you can receive Centennial Service Challenge and Community Legacy Project recognition.

For more information

To learn more about the Centennial Service Challenge and Centennial Community Legacy Projects, visit lions100.org. You can also email programs@lionsclubs.org with questions about the Centennial Service Challenge and LegacyProjects@lionsclubs.org with questions about Centennial Community Legacy Projects.



District 2-A1 Newsletter and Website Sponsors

The District needs your support for 2016-2017.

Please help support the District Governor Team, District 2-A1, and a chance to give your club some exposure by advertising in the 2016-2017 District publications (Website and Newsletter).

We need your support more than ever!

Please purchase your space as soon as possible by completing this form and sending it with your check to the District Treasurer.

Ad Cost:

- Business Card Size:** **\$50** (approx. size: 2" x 2.75")
- Double Business Card Size:** **\$100** (approx. size: 2" x 5.5")
- Quadruple Business Card Size:** **\$150** (approx. size: 4" x 7.25")

Contact Name: _____

Club Name: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone number: _____

Note: We can help design your ad for you or you can include a copy of your card/ad as you would like it to appear. If you would like us to design, please give us an idea of what you want:

- Please help with Ad
- Ad Enclosed (pdf format)

Please mail or email this information to the following:

District 2-A1 Treasurer
 Lion Chris Maxwell
 408 CR 109
 Sweetwater TX 79556
 Email: cmaxwell@eljentechnology.com
 Cell Ph: 325-665-0127

DISTRICT 2-A1 CHARITIES

If your club needs a program, here are a few suggestions.

TEXAS LIONS CAMP

Directors:

Chuck Henicke

325-388-3569

Email: c.sheinicke@verizon.net

Donald McConnell

432=520-5651 or 413-935

Email: Donald_mcconnell@outlook.com

WESTERN TEXAS LIONS EYE BANK

Lion Lucy Ybarra, Director

325-653-8666 or 650-0072

Email: wtleba@wcc.net

LCIF

PDG Joyce Downie

325-651-8894 or 234-2803

Email: joyced2@suddenlink.net

TEXAS LIONS FOUNDATION

Lion Brigitte Rogers

325-387-2309

LEADER DOG FOR THE BLIND

Lion Keith Perrine

325-651-6474 or 656-3252

Email: keith.perrine@hotmail.com

ACUNA EYE CLINIC

PDG Al Owen

325-651-6208 or 650-2013

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TEXAS LIONS EYEGLASS RECYCLING CENTER

PDG Al Owen

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Email: azowen@verizon.net

VISION SCREENING PROGRAM

Lion Jim Chapman

325-388-3231

Email: grandadtexas@yamil.com

Donating to LCIF is as easy as 1, 2, 3!

1

Donation Info

Who is making the donation, and how is the donation coming to LCIF?

2

What Recognition?

Please select one of our Recognition programs described below.

3

Shipping Info

Please provide shipping information and any other special instructions.

Recognitions Available for LCIF Contributions

Contributing Memberships*

The LCIF Contributing Membership (CM) program is a great way for Lions to make an annual contribution to LCIF. There are three levels of recognition: The Basic CM is US\$20, for which donors receive a lapel pin, unique to the current fiscal year. The Silver CM is US\$50, for which donors receive the current year's pin with a silver ribbon backing. The Gold CM is US\$100, for which donors receive the current year's pin with a gold ribbon backing.

Honor Roll*

The LCIF Honor Roll recognizes individuals who donate US\$100 to LCIF or in whose name a donation was made by others. Recipients receive a certificate and their names are added to the Honor Roll at International Headquarters.

Club Plaque*

The LCIF Club Plaque is awarded to Lions clubs that make a non-fellowship donation of US\$1,000 to LCIF. A club may request a banner patch instead of a plaque if desired.

Corporate Plaque*

Companies may also receive recognition for their generous contributions to LCIF. The Corporate Plaque is awarded to companies that donate US\$1,000.

Memorial Donations

LCIF recognizes donations honoring the memory of another. The donor receives an acknowledgement card, and the family of the deceased receives a card informing them of the donation if family information is provided to LCIF at the time of the donation. For Memorial Melvin Jones Fellowships refer to form LCIF42, which can be downloaded from the LCIF Web site at www.lcif.org, then select "Publications and Downloads."

Special Occasion

Commemorate any special occasion, from birthdays to graduations, by making a donation to LCIF. An acknowledgement card will be sent to both the donor and the recipient.

***Please note: Contributing Member, Honor Roll, Club and Corporate Plaque Donations are unrestricted and cannot be applied to designated funds such as Melvin Jones Fellowships or Campaign SightFirst II.**

Did you know...

- 400 people still die every day because of **measles**, most of them children
- **Measles** can cause severe complications, including brain damage, hearing loss and blindness
- Lions fight **measles** by providing physical support through social mobilization and advocacy
- LCIF and Lions have promised to raise US\$30 million by 2017 in support of **measles** vaccination around the world. When we reach that goal, Gavi's matching fund will provide an additional US\$30 million, for a total of US\$60 million!
- The safe and effective **measles** vaccine costs only about **US \$1**



Serve the World: Become an LCIF Contributing Member



Lions Clubs International
FOUNDATION

The LCIF Contributing Membership program is a great way for Lions to make an annual contribution to LCIF. For US\$20, donors receive a bronze pin, for US\$50 donors receive a silver pin, and for US\$100 donor receive a gold pin. To encourage Lions to make an annual contribution, the pin changes every year.

Your entire donation goes toward an LCIF grant; LCIF's administrative costs are paid for by earnings on investments.

Contributing Memberships make a difference in the lives of the needy. As little as US\$20 can provide the Lions Quest life skills program to two students. US\$50 can provide emergency relief supplies following a disaster to one family or several individuals, and US\$100 can make possible a low vision eye exam and eyeglasses in developed countries.



*Contributing Member donations cannot be applied toward designated accounts and are ineligible for Melvin Jones Fellowship recognition.

(Check one) Gold Level US\$100 Silver Level US\$50 Bronze Level US\$20 Other

Payment Type: Check, bank draft, money order (payable to LCIF in U.S.dollars drawn on a U.S.bank)
 Bank receipt of deposit
 Credit card Visa® MasterCard® American Express®

Amount US\$ _____ Cardholder Name _____

Card Number _____ Security Code _____

Expiration Date _____ Signature of Cardholder _____

Donor's Name _____ Club Name _____ Club # _____ District # _____

Street Address _____ City _____ State _____

Country _____ Zip/Postal Code _____ Phone # _____

Mail to:
PDG Joyce Downie
LCIF District 2-A1 Coordinator
115 Churchill Blvd.
San Angelo, Tx. 76903

For more information please contact us at:
- Mail: donations@lionsclubs.org
- Telephone: 530-203-3336
- Web site: www.lcif.org

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Play an instrument?
 Want to be part of a memorable, fun time?
 Join Lions from all over Texas at the
 Centennial Convention
 Chicago - June 30 – July 4, 2017

The Texas Lions Band will ride on a float and
 thrill the crowd in the International Parade of
 Nations on Saturday, July 1st
(and maybe some other appearances also)

Register for the Convention and complete the information below no later than Jan. 10, 2017.

Name _____ Club _____ District _____
 Instrument: _____

Prior experience: HS Band College Band Band Director

Address: _____

Phone: Home _____ / _____ Mobile _____ / _____

Send to:
 PDG J. P. Kirksey
 12503 Scissortail Drive
 Manchaca, TX 78652
 512/282-2053 (home)
 512/585-0992 (mobile)



**SIXTEENTH ANNUAL TEXAS LIONS LEADERSHIP FORUM
and
LCI REGIONAL LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE
Crowne Plaza North Central
6121 North I-35 – Austin, Texas
February 25 (start 11:30 a.m) and February 26 (end 2:15 p.m.), 2017**

**Registration –
All who attend must register**

**Registration must be for the total event package.
It is not possible to register for individual meals.**

Separate registration form is required, even if lodging together.

_____ **Please check if you are a first-timer – Never attended this Forum / Institute before.**

Name: _____ Lion Yes No Member # _____
 Phone: _____ E-mail _____
 Address: _____
 City/State _____ Zip code: _____
 Club: _____ District _____
 Highest Lion office held _____
 Are you staying at the Crowne Plazer? Yes No If yes, name on reservation? _____

Make checks to: **Texas Lions Leadership Forum**
 Mail to: **Frances Cherry Cell: 915-494-4425**
6216 Caprock El Paso, TX 79912
pdascherrys@yahoo.com

If have not been Vice Governor or above
 Forum registration by 1/28/17 # _____ @ \$50.00 = _____
 If have been Vice District Governor or above
 Forum registration by 1/28/17 # _____ @ \$75.00 = _____
 All registrants after 1/28/17 # _____ @ 100.00 - _____

Reserve lodging at the Crowne Plaza Austin North Central, 6121 North I-35, Austin, TX. The Lions Clubs International rate must be requested. To reserve telephone 877-227-6963 or telephone the hotel direct at 512-323-5466. Rate: \$109 per night, single or double. The reservation deadline at this rate is February 21. Reserve and guarantee your room now.

The first 100 Lions registering, who have never been elected to a position of Vice Governor or higher, will have their February 25 lodging paid by the Institute. Even those who qualify for this paid lodging must make, and guarantee, their own reservations with the Crowne Plaza Austin North Central and complete all parts of the Institute evaluation. A charge will be made to the credit card of those not attending who do not cancel lodging through Frances Cherry (915)494-4425. Free lodging eligibility is considered only if Registration is received within ten days of making the hotel reservation.

Please select 6 choices. +
 Indication of choices are used for scheduling purposes – Participant may change to other choices.

- Club Success Resources
 - Local Issues & Opportunities
 - Effective Meeting Management
 - Member Diversity & Inclusion
 - Future Vice Governors
 - Texas Lion history
 - Leadership fundamentals
 - Lion fundamentals
 - Club Membership Growth
 - Motivating club members
 - Public speaking
 - Set & reach club goals
 - Social media & Lionism
 - Structure & organization
 - Time management
 - Working in teams
- Service entities invited to provide a display.
- Leaders for the Blind
 - Lions Clubs Int'l Centennial
 - Lions Clubs Int'l Foundation
 - Texas Lions Camp
 - Lions Eyeglass Recycling
 - Texas Lions Foundation

Liberty * Intelligence



Our * Nations * Safety

San Angelo Lions Charities

27 W. Concho
San Angelo, TX 76903

October 11, 2016

Re: San Angelo Lions Balloon Festival – June 9-11, 2017

Dear :

The San Angelo School Board and Superintendent Dr. Carl Dethloff agree and have given written permission to the Lions Clubs of San Angelo, to host a hot-air balloon festival on school property at John Glenn Jr. High practice football field (corner of Johnson Street and University Avenue) and to use the accompanying stadium parking lot for the hot-air Lions Balloon festival next June 9-11, 2017. We all agree, it's time for the hot-air balloons to return to the Concho Valley after being absent almost 20-years.

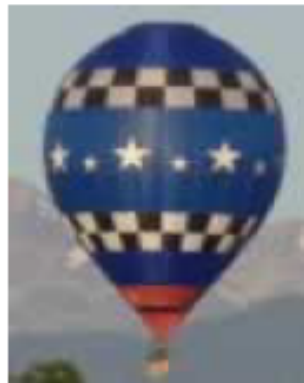
Lions Clubs are a service to others organization and must rely on volunteers and the business community. Putting on a hot-air balloon festival is no different – we must depend upon others; especially the generosity of the community to ensure success... May we count on your financial support!

Attached are several different sponsorship opportunities ranging in price from \$200 up to and including an Event Sponsor at \$5,000. We realize this request is more of a donation to the Lions; yet, we've tried to give you a variety of marketing and promotional avenues to thank you for your support. For example: banner on balloon, promotional tent w/banner, free parking, radio, television, newspaper and social media mentions and so on... San Angelo Lions Charities is a 501 c 3 tax deductible non-profit corporation. Checks and other donations may be made to the above corporation/ Balloonfest.

I realize your current year's budget is already committed and it may be January commit to this worthwhile whole family

I'll be in touch soon!

Lion Marshall Twombly
San Angelo Downtown Lions Club
(325) 656-2972



more than likely 2017, before you can oriented event...

*Texas Racer - Joe Cartmill
San Angelo, Texas*



SAN ANGELO LIONS BALLOONFEST HOT-AIR BALLOONS



June 9-11, 2017

John Glenn Jr. High Football Field @ Johnson & University



Imagine an opportunity to bring joy, laughter and smiles to the young and the young-at-heart. That's what a balloon festival will do! It's truly a family weekend for the Concho Valley... The Lions Clubs of San Angelo is proud to partner with the San Angelo Independent School District and the business community to bring the balloons back to town... Corporate marketing opportunities and volunteerism play a unique role in this effort. In years to come, we'll be adding events and activities to further strengthen the Hot-Air Balloon Festival experience. Help us help others in our community...

NO ALCOHOL, GUNS, DRUGS OR SMOKING PERMITTED ON SCHOOL PROPERTY...

Be an Event or Activity Sponsor – Sign Up Today!

- **EVENT SPONSOR OPPORTUNITY - \$10,000**
Advantages, Benefits and Marketing opportunities negotiable...

- **PLATINUM SPONSOR OPPORTUNITIES - \$5,000 (Limited)**
 - Up to a 20' x 30' Exhibit Tent
 - Name on rear of specially designed baseball cap commemorating event
 - Name or logo listed on event T-Shirt
 - Banners – 1 ea-1' x 5' tent, 1 ea-2' x 3' balloon, 1 ea-4' x 10' grounds and logo on street banner
 - Name / logo on printed material
 - Name mentions over loud speaker during festival
 - Name / logo on television advertising
 - Name mentions during interviews and talk shows
 - Social media mentions and links
 - Up to 5 reserved parking spaces



➤ **GOLD SPONSOR OPPORTUNITIES - \$2,500**

- Up to a 20' x 20' Exhibit Tent
- Name or logo listed on event T-Shirt
- Banners – 1 ea-1'x 5' tent, 1 ea-2'x 3' balloon
- Name / logo on printed material
- Name mentions over loud speaker during festival
- Name / logo on television advertising
- Name mentions during interviews and talk shows
- Social media mentions and links
- Up to 3 reserved parking spaces



➤ **SILVER SPONSOR OPPORTUNITIES - \$1,500**

- Up to a 10' x 20' Exhibit Tent
- Name or logo listed on event T-Shirt
- Banners – 1 ea-1'x 5' tent, 1 ea-2'x 3' balloon
- Name / logo on printed material
- Name mentions over loud speaker during festival
- Name / logo on television advertising
- Name mentions during interviews and talk shows
- Social media mentions and links
- Up to 2 reserved parking spaces



➤ **OTHER "ACTIVITY" SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES:**

(Advantages, Benefits and Marketing opportunities negotiable...)

- **Balloon Race Competition Sponsors - \$1,000** (Saturday and Sunday – 7:00am)
- **1k/5k – Run / Walk Sponsors - \$200 & Up** (Friday 6:30pm)
- **Car – Truck – Bike Showcase Sponsors – \$1,500** (Saturday 9:00am)
- **Balloon Glow Sponsors – \$1,000** (Friday & Saturday 9:00pm)
- **Lions Pancake Breakfast Sponsors – \$1,200** (Saturday 7:00am)
- **Kids Zone Sponsors - \$1,000** (Kids play area - inflatable gyms, face-painting, games and other activities for kids of varying ages)
- **Food and Other (For Profit) Vendors - \$150** (Friday – Saturday – Sunday)
- **Balloon Basket Banner (2'x 3') - \$250** (If available)

Contact: Marshall Twombly, 325-656-2972 or any Lion

Net Proceeds from Balloon activities: 100% of the net proceeds from the 2017 Lions Balloonfest will be given back to the community through the charitable service activities of each of the eight Lions clubs; plus, Lions Charities current and future service endeavors.





Sponsor Agreement

I (Name/Business) _____ have agreed to help the San Angelo Lions Clubs and San Angelo Lions Charities, an IRS qualified 501 c 3 corporation, host the Hot-Air Balloon festival June 9-11, 2017 by donating (\$) _____ to be a _____ sponsor, in return for promotional advantages and or benefits associated with your particular sponsorship. Sponsor is permitted to pay for desired sponsorship in two or three equal payments... Or as may be agreed upon by both parties.

Payment upon commitment: \$ _____

2nd Payment by February 1, 2017: \$ _____ (2- payments, if sponsorship less than \$1,500)

Final payment by May 1, 2017: \$ _____ (3-payments if sponsorship more than \$1,500)

Sponsor Signature _____

Date _____

Lions Signature _____

Date _____

**Tax deductible donations payable to: San Angelo Lions Charities/Balloonfest,
27 W. Concho Street, San Angelo, TX 76903**



WHO ARE THE LIONS? Yes, Lions cook pancakes... BUT DID YOU KNOW...

San Angelo Lions Charities Inc. a 501 c 3 corporation (IRS #75-2532455), founded in 1992...and consists of members from all eight San Angelo Lions clubs – It's mission is to help meet vital needs within the Concho Valley with particular emphasis on sight conservation, which may be beyond the reasonable capabilities of an individual Lions club... and to support the efforts of the Lions Clubs in serving the community through humanitarian service and other civic endeavors.

Current Lions Charities service programs include: 1) Children's' Eye Photo-Screening, 2) Eyeglass Recycling, 3) Assist Shannon Inc. in providing Glaucoma Medication to the needy and underinsured. 4) Provide Eye exams and glasses for children whose parents are temporarily unable to afford; plus, assist adults who need an eye exam and or eyeglasses. 5) If possible, Lions Charities will provide adults with used eyeglasses utilizing the thousands of pair of recycled eyeglasses closely matching their prescription. Used eyeglasses may be dropped off anytime at our Lions Charities building, 27 W. Concho, San Angelo.

Each Lions club is unique and independent... and sets its own sail; determines its own fund-raising events, and community service activities. Lions Clubs are always looking for ways to serve and to better our community. All clubs work together on certain projects for the betterment of our community.

San Angelo Lions Clubs

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| ▪ Angelo State University Campus... | Meets each Thursday (Sept-June), ASU Library, 7:00pm |
| ▪ Concho Valley Law Enforcement... | Meets on 4 th Tuesday, Peppercorn Restaurant, 6:00pm |
| ▪ San Angelo Concho Pearl... | Meets 2 nd & 4 th Monday, Salvations Army Complex, 7:00pm |
| ▪ San Angelo Downtown... | Meets each Thursday, Rio Concho Manor (downtown), 12:00 noon |
| ▪ San Angelo East Angelo... | Meets each Wednesday, Rio Concho Manor (downtown), 12:00 noon |
| ▪ San Angelo Lady Lions... | Meets 1 st Thursday, Los Panchitos, 12:00noon and 3 rd Thursday, Nachos Restaurant, 12:00 noon |
| ▪ San Angelo North x Northwest... | Meets 1 st & 3 rd Thursday, Dunbar Historical Library, 6:30pm |
| ▪ San Angelo Southside... | Meets 2 nd & 4 th Wednesday, Los Panchitos Restaurant, 6:00pm |

