



District 2-A1 Lions Clubs International District 2-A1 News

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We Serve with



FEBRUARY THE MONTH OF LOVE!

February is the month of Love. Love of God, Love of family, Love of food, Love of stepping off the scale with your eyes closed so as not to see the size of the weight, Love of chocolate (especially the chocolate that comes in those big, red Valentine's boxes), Love of anticipating what the weather will change to in the next hour, Love of being a Lion, Love of wearing the yellow vest or NOT!, Love of people, Love of the life that listens to your service heart to serve those in need, Love of the knowledge that as a Lion today starts your willingness to do what others will not, so that the future of those in need will be better.

February started with the 3rd Council of Governor's meeting where the assembly heard reports of what the different Lion's entities have been accomplishing. None were as heartfelt as the report of Hurricane Harvey's rescue effort that the Lions of Texas and the rest of the country have been succeeding. We also heard a heart piercing plea from our Governor of S2, Betty Ezell, for the desperate need for blankets for some of the people who were displaced by Hurricane Harvey who are now living in tents out in the freezing temperature. As of the issuing of this article this need for blankets has been mostly met. Thank you, God and a big roar for our Texas Lions. It is because of this types of need that we as Lions have to keep our commitment to more aggressive recruiting of new members and helping established Lions to keep that service heart flame burning. After our COG weekend we met our son and granddaughter at IHOP for a breakfast of pancakes. Since then, we have eaten pancakes at the Downtown Lions in Midland, at the Coahoma Lions club in Coahoma and have a date to eat pancakes in San Angelo on the 21th of April. What does all this have to do with Lions? Lions are world renowned for their skill at cooking pancakes and as you can see by the stature of your Governor Lions love to eat PANCAKES!

We are coming up on the time for the new election of officers. New officers need training and that will be offered at the District 2 A1 University Training. The training will be held at the 1st Assembly of God in San Angelo on April 14, 2018. This event will be at no charge to the participants, but they will be on their own for lunch.

As we move forward we must retain our commitment to recruitment and retention. Looking forward, our District Convention will be April 27-28, 2018. We believe this year the Lions of District 2 A1 will make this event the place to be. Thank you Lions of District 2 A1.

DG Armando and Lion Felis

Save the Date
District Convention
April 27th & 28th
San Angelo
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1st VDG Russel Livingston

Russell's Ramblings

Last year, I won a really neat prize at a District A-1 Cabinet meeting. I am a sucker for any pen and pencil set, notebook and organizing devices. The prize was a rolling computer case. It is really cool, with places for my iPad, laptop, notebooks and everything else I could ever need while travelling and executing my duties as your Vice Governor. Over the next few Cabinet Meetings, the bag became the repository for a number of items.

I found, tucked away in one of the compartments, notes taken at various meetings and other prizes won during bingo games. I located a flashlight perfect for navigating dark hotel rooms that was at least six months old, I also found a very nice pen and pencil set and could not account for how long it has been sequestered. Both, very useful and nice items.

It caused me to wonder about what resources we have, as Lions, that are simply sitting around waiting to be discovered and put into service. We have members that are quietly waiting to be discovered and called upon to be of service to their club and district. With this in mind, as we continue our search for Lions for much needed positions in our district and cabinet, who is it out there that we need to call on. Therefore, the call is being made, help me find those that are just waiting to be discovered.

International Director Sam Lindsey introduced us to PID Brian Sheehan from Minnesota in Kerrville. PID Brian sought and received the endorsement of Texas Lions in his quest to be elected as Third Vice President of Lions International. PID Brian is a highly qualified grass roots Lions and I feel that we will be well served should he be elected.

Speaking of Kerrville, our camp is doing well. If any Lion has not toured our facility make it a point to visit and imagine a camp in session and all the excitement. Be sure to be aware of prospective campers and always be willing to sponsor a camper.

Most know that I am the recipient of a Lions Eye Bank cornea. Therefore, our eye bank is very near to my heart. Plans are in the works for structured donation plans and recognitions to better fund our eye bank for the future. We will be keeping you posted on our progress. Is your club a 100% club? Does your club support this very important arm of Lions in our area?

Finally, as my year as your governor gets closer, let's begin to Think Outside The Box. Our world is changing and Lionism is changing. In order to reach those in need, we are going to have to think of new ways to reach and retain members. I am excited. It is great to be a Lion.

With a heavy heart we need to inform you of the passing of PDG James Wilkes from the Sweetwater Lions Club. Our condolences to his Family and Lions throughout the District and the State of Texas. He was great Lion and best of all a great friend.



**PDG Joyce Downie
 and husband
 Lion Ron**

Support

**District 2-A1 Governor Armando
 Subia and his 2017-2018 Cabinet**



**VDG Russell Livingston,
 Toni Livingston,
 Lion Whitney Livingston,
 Lion Ryan Livingston,
 and Kimberly Livingston**

**Wish Governor Armando Subia,
 a great year as our Governor**

Club News

The San Angelo Downtown Lions Club is sponsoring the San Angelo Lighthouse Lions Club.

It gives me great pleasure to inform you that we will have a charter night

Place: Zentner's

Date: April 20th

Time: 6:00 pm

Price: \$15.00

Food Choices: Grilled Chicken Breast w/ Teriyaki Glaze or Chicken Fried Steak.

RSVP Coming Soon



Midland Downtown, Big Spring Centennial and Midland West Side Lions Clubs working together at the Midland Downtown Lions Club Pancake Jamboree.



SAVE THE DATE
April 27 & 28th
San Angelo, Texas



“The A1 CLUB”



in the Lions 2-A1 District

Sweetwater Lions Club

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Club News Continued

PDG Lion Joyce Downie and Lion Brigitte Rogers, President of the San Angelo Concho Pearl Lions Club attended the Council of Governors Meeting on February 2, 2018 in Kerrville, TX . We received information from DG Lion Betty Ezell, Lions District 2-S2, that supplies were badly needed for the Hurricane Harvey Victims in Houston.

We are pleased to report that San Angelo Concho Pear Lions Club ordered 25 King Size Blankets and they were received on February 16, 2018. in Houston Our Lions Motto is "WE SERVE" and we are proud that our Concho Pearl Lions Club could help. A thank you letter from District 2-S2 was received.


Thank you,
 Brigitte Rogers
 President
 Concho Pearl Lions Club



On January 8, members of the Concho Pearl Lions Club, San Angelo, proudly donated hygiene and household supplies to the Justice Home, a transitional home for women leaving incarceration.



**Midland West Side
 Lions Club**
 Proudly Supports
DG Armando Subia
 and the 2017/2018 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



The goal of this program is to assist all students in becoming good writers, active readers, creative thinkers, and resourceful learners by providing them with their own personal dictionary. The dictionaries are a gift to each student to use at school and at home for years to come. Educators see third grade as the dividing line between learning to read and reading to learn, so we encourage our sponsors to give dictionaries each year to children in the third grade.


The Dictionary Project is a non-profit charitable organization based in Charleston, South Carolina, U.S.A., and was founded by Mary French in 1995 to provide personal copies of a dictionary for third grade students in the South Carolina public school system. It has grown into a national organization. To date, over 28 million dictionaries have been donated to children in the United States and internationally. It is funded through individual donations and by sponsors who implement the program in their local schools.



Lion Kathy McConnell of the Midland West Side Club presenting Ms. Eads of Jane Long Elementary with Dictionaries and English/Spanish Dictionaries for her team of students. The dictionaries were ordered from the Dictionary Project. The dictionaries were given to the students and they will take them home at the end of the school year.



Lion Kathy with Mr. James Dumas, one of Ms. Eads team teachers .



**San Angelo
North by North West
Lions Club**

**Proudly Supports
DG Armando Subia**

and the 2017/2018 DG Team

[The Dictionary Project - Official Site](https://www.dictionaryproject.org)
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Club News Continued

It's okay to be silly and have fun



Lions clubs work hard to achieve their moto of "We Serve". Members support their communities with their time and hands to do all kinds of physical labor. We support community events, pick up trash, and organize activities. We also have fund raisers to provide money for all kinds of needs for children and elderly. We do eye screening and then help with the cost of the eye glasses.

Visiting the clubs in our District, it is notable that most of our clubs are made up of individuals who like each other. The members have something in common "We Serve" and they get great personal satisfaction from that service.

But "All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy". We encourage clubs to also have activities that are just fun for the members. Celebrate a holiday or set aside a meeting to just celebrate all you achieved. Recognizing all we have accomplished lays the ground work for what we want to accomplish in the future.

The pictures above are from a club having a Hawaiian Luau when the outside temperature was in the 30's. The dancer's names are omitted to protect the guilty but they represent 3 past presidents of the club which will remain un-named. As Lions we tend to be older individuals, but we should never get to old to be "Silly and have fun".

PDG Dave

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First Annual **Lions Club Rattlesnake**
CAR SHOW

held at the 60th Annual

World's Largest Rattlesnake Roundup

with 25,000+ attendees



SATURDAY
MARCH 10
2018

Lions Club Outdoor Flea Market
 South side of 15th & West of Elm St.
 Sweetwater, Texas

Registration	Judging	Awards
8:00 am-10:00 am	3:00 pm-4:00 pm	4:00 pm

CAR SHOW PARTICIPANTS INFO:

\$20 Entry for Cars & Trucks, \$10 for Motorcycles

Door Prizes including a free t-shirt for the first 50 Registrants

AWARDS TO BE GIVEN IN THE FOLLOWING CLASSES:

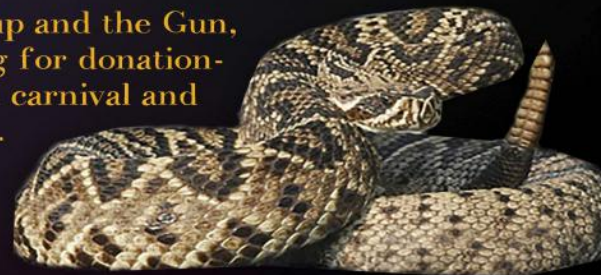
Cars: Pre 1940, 1940-1959, 1960-1979, 1980-1999, 2000-present, Classic Chevy Muscle, Classic Ford Muscle, Classic Mopar Muscle, Modern Muscle, Modified Muscle, Imports, & Low Rider • Trucks: Classic & Low Rider
 Motorcycles: Stock & Custom

*Free entry for spectators. Vendor space available at the Lions Club
 Outdoor Flea Market. Contact Nancy High at 325-236-5460*

There are entry fees for the Rattlesnake Roundup and the Gun, Knife, and Coin Show. Lions Club provides parking for donation-most other parking in the area is \$5. There is also a carnival and cook off. Portable bathrooms for the car show.

Permanent bathrooms around the Roundup

For more information contact Jack Needham at
jack@needsurveyor.com or text/call: 325-236-3555



Benefiting the Texas Lions Camp and the Sweetwater Lions Club
 The Texas Lions Camp is a free summer camp for kids facing special life challenges including physical challenges, epilepsy, down syndrome, burn survivors, cancer, and diabetes.

MIDLAND NORTHSIDE LIONS CLUB



25th
annual



BUNNY BREAKFAST

Midland Park Mall Food Court
7:00 to 10:00 a.m.
Saturday, March 24, 2018

Easter Bunny
Mascots, juggler
DJ/Karaoke

Hispanic Cultural Center
mariachi group

Prize drawings
Winners will be contacted by phone

Sausage biscuit/slider
Scrambled eggs
Potatoes
Fruit
Coffee, milk or juice



Presenting Sponsors

Restaurant Sponsors

Texas Roadhouse
Sidekicks & Legends
Charley's Philly Steaks
Chick-Fil-A (Mall)

CO-SPONSORS

Midland Park Mall	Town Square Media	Midland Reporter-Telegram	CBS7
West Texas Radio Group	Rainbow Press by Safeguard	Standard Coffee Service	Pepsi
Cargile Investments	Pioneer Natural Resources	Sierra Water	Sam's Club

Tickets (\$6 each) available at:

Abacus Computers, Claydesta Center
Charley's Philly Steaks, Midland Park Mall
Dillard's (Customer Service), Midland Park Mall
Liberty Tax Service (all four locations)

Proceeds to be used for:

Eyeglasses for needy children
Midland College scholarship
West Texas Lions Eye Bank
Texas Lions Camp for handicapped/diabetic children
Lions International Peace Poster contest
Lions International Youth Exchange Program



Kingsland Lions Charities, Inc.

Semi Annual Pancake Breakfast

Saturday, March 31, 2018

7AM - 11AM

Kingsland Convention & Community Center

3451 Rose Hill Drive, Kingsland, TX 78639

Pancake
Breakfast



Adults \$5.00

Children 12 and under \$3.00

Free Entertainment

Free Eye Screen for the Kiddos

Club News Continued

The Ballinger Noon Lions is fixing to have their 43rd Annual Colorado River Bike fest this coming April 28, 2018. Go to their web site ballingernoonlions.org or see below to print off an entry form and come join the fun.



TEXAS STATE FESTIVAL OF ETHNIC CULTURES OF & ARTS and CRAFTS SHOW Ballinger, Texas

Saturday April 28 & Sunday April 29, 2018
Enter the Bikefest and visit the festival for a great weekend!

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|------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|
| Parade | Exhibits | Cultural Food Booths |
| Games | 3 On 3 Basketball | Czech |
| Dance | Bingo | African |
| Activities | Washer Pitching | German |
| Miss Ballinger Pageant | Fish Pond | English |
| | | Mexican |
| | | Native Texan |



Center Stage With Live Entertainment!



Club News Continued

42nd Annual Colorado River Bikefest

In conjunction with the
Texas Festival For Ethnic Cultures
In Historic Ballinger, Texas

Proceeds benefit Journey For Sight— combating blindness world wide, Texas Lion’s Camp
for Diabetic and Crippled Children, Eyeglass Recycling, Scholarships and Civil Projects

Saturday, April 28th, 2018

Begins At 8:30 AM

Registration Begins At 7:00 AM

Runnels County Courthouse Square (West Side)

**30K, 60K and
100K Tours**
Entry Fee \$25⁰⁰
T-Shirts to first 100 entrants!

**5K Fun
Ride/Walk/Run**
Entry Fee \$15⁰⁰

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Birthday _____ Age _____ Email _____

RACE: 5K 30K 60K 100K

T-Shirt: Small Medium Large X-Large XXL

Waiver of Liability

In consideration of my entry in the Colorado River Bikefest, I hereby waive any and all liabilities against
the Ballinger Noon Lion’s Club and any promoting entities (and their respective agents and employees).

HELMETS ARE ENCOURAGED TO BE WORN!

Entrant Signature _____

Parent/Guardian if under age 18 _____

To pre register, mail Entry Form and fee to: **Ballinger Noon Lion’s Club, P.O. Box 374, Ballinger, TX 76821**

FMI: Call Lanada Driskell 325-234-7842 or email lanada_driskell@yahoo.com

www.ballingernoonlions.org



2017-2018 MD-2 TEXAS STATE LION CONVENTION

AD PRICING AND ORDER FORM



CELEBRATE YOUR CLUB, DISTRICT OR BUSINESS IN THIS YEAR'S **DIGITAL** SOUVENIR BOOK AND GUIDE!

- Two-Page Spread (16x10")
- Full Page (7.5x10")
- 1/2 Page (7.5x5")
- 1/3 Page Vertical (2.375x10")
- 1/4 Page (3.75x5")

ALL ADS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED AS A COMPLETED PDF. IF NOT SUBMITTED AS SUCH, SETUP FEE IS REQUIRED. E-MAIL FILES TO LAURA.T.ALBERT2@GMAIL.COM.



ORDER FORM			
Name	Name of District/Club/Business or Individual Represented		
Size of Ad Selected (check all applicable):	# of Ads	Price	Subtotals
<input type="checkbox"/> Two-Page Spread		\$150.00	
<input type="checkbox"/> Full Page		\$100.00	
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1/4 Page		\$25.00	
<input type="checkbox"/> PDF Setup Fee (optional)		\$20.00	
Mail order form and check to: District 2A-3 State Convention, 612 S. Texas Blvd, Weslaco, TX 78596-6222			Total Enclosed
Order Form, File/Ad Information and Check must be received no later than May 1, 2018.			



**The San Angelo *Dynamic*
Downtown Lions Club**

Proudly Supports

**District Governor Armando Subia
and the District 2-A1 Leadership Team**



District 2A1 Retention Contest

Last year our District lost 254 members because they decided to drop their membership in their Lions Club. The loss of these members meant we had less service in our communities, less support for our Disabled Children going to the Lions Camp, and less support for all the other good things we do.

The loss of most of these members who dropped could have been prevented. They drop for different reasons but the underlying reason is, “what they got out of being a member was not rewarding”.

To encourage clubs to focus on retention, the District is implementing a retention contest. For the contest we have broken the clubs into 3 groups, Small membership, Medium membership, and Large membership. The contest will run through June 2020. The current District Governor and the District Governors for the following 2 years are committed to this program to strengthen our clubs.

Quarterly, the club with the best retention in each of the 3 size groups will be recognized at the District meeting and all the members will receive a Retention Pin. Each additional time a club wins the members will receive a chevron with a number on it representing how many times the club has won. Potentially, a club could have a chevron with 10 on it, meaning they won every quarter through June 2020.

If multiple clubs tie on having the fewest drops, we will recognize the club or clubs that tied but also have the most new members.

At the end of each year we will also recognize the club with fewest drops for the full year with an award of \$10.00 for each member. The club can decide how they want to use the money. They could use the money to buy an apparel item, have a club celebration party, take the members to a Lions Camp Friday night graduation event, or whatever fits their need.

District 2A1 Retention Contest

At the Sweetwater Mid-Winter District meeting, we recognized the first 3 clubs who had best retention for their size club. The awards were based on results for November and December. Where more than one club tied on retention we recognized the club that had the most new members for those 2 months.

Every member of the club received a vest pin. We presented the 3 clubs with a combined 108 pins. The contest goes through July 2020.

The 3 winners are:

Small clubs = **Eldorado** – 17 members, zero drops and 2 new members added.



Medium clubs – **San Angelo North by North West** – 23 members, zero drops and added 2 new members.



Large clubs – **Sweetwater** – 68 members, zero drops, and added 5 new members.

Each additional time these 3 clubs win over the next 10 quarters they will receive a chevron that goes on the pin.

At the District Convention April 27 & 28 in San Angelo we will honor the 3 clubs with best retention for the first quarter (February, February, & March).

At the District meeting in July 2018, incoming District Governor Russell Livingston will present clubs \$10.00 for every member of the clubs who have the best retention between November 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018. We will also present the pins for best retention during the 2nd quarter of 2018.

Keys to member retention:

Know their name

Get them involved

Treat them as equals

Be careful with criticism and liberal with praise

Make sure they see the results of your clubs efforts

Make every member responsible for retaining members

District 2A1 2017-18 Opportunities for Youth Contests



District 2A1 will host all three Opportunity for Youth Contests this year. The District will fund a \$750 scholarship for 1st place and \$250 for 2nd place in each contest. The \$250 State entry fee for 2A1's District winners will be the responsibility of the sponsoring club.

Clubs are welcome and encouraged to offer scholarships to the winners of your local Club Contests.

The 1st place winners in each contest will be entered in the MD2 State Contest to be held at the State Convention on May 26th, 2018 at the Omni Hotel In Corpus Christi (MD2 State Participants will need to arrive on the afternoon/evening of the 25th).

Complete contest rules, instructions for proper completion of the applications and supporting forms, and everything else the student will need to know can be found at www.texaslions.org. Select "Programs", then "Opportunities for Youth" for the general information, and finally the specific contest or contests the student wishes to enter.

Your Club's entrants to the District Contests must be **received** in completed form by **March 31st, 2018**. Mail them to: **PCC Tom Blase, 2914 Moss, Midland, Texas 79705 (cell 325-315-7060) (home 432-218-8021)**.

Below is a brief outline of this year's contests:

Diabetes Awareness Essay

"Accepting a Diabetes Diagnosis: What can Parents, Partners and Caregivers do to help loves adjust to a "new normal?"

Some individuals diagnosed with diabetes have a difficult time accepting a diabetes diagnosis and fail to seek medical attention for this disease. What specific recommendations would you provide for parents, partners and caretakers to help loves adjust to living with diabetes and help them live long and healthy lives? (Maximum 1500 word essay)

Drug Awareness Speech Contest

"Rick Factors and Why Teens Use Drugs and Alcohol"

"Biological and Environmental Factors Associated with Drugs and Alcohol: What you should know."

Explore the types of biological and environmental factors parents can watch for to figure out if their child is at greater risk for substance abuse and steps they can take to address a child's drug and alcohol abuse issues. (Speech: 5 min. minimum – 7 min. maximum)

Outstanding Youth Award Contest

The "Change Maker"

Contestants must articulate ways in which they have been "Change Makers" in their community, school and inspired others to do the same. Why is it important to be a Change Maker? A Change Maker is defined as one who commits to self-responsibility and action toward change in their community. (Essay: 750 word minimum – 1000 word maximum)



Lions Clubs International **FOUNDATION**

LIONS OF DISTRICT 2-A1

THE LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION IS THE FUND RAISING ARM OF LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL.

LCIF'S MISSION IS TO GIVE SIGHT, SUPPORT YOUTH, PROVIDE DISASTER RELIEF AND MEET HUMANITARIAN NEEDS. IN 2018 LCIF WILL TURN 50 YEARS OLD. PLEASE VISIT THE LCIF WEBSITE LCIF50.ORG TO LEARN ABOUT THE CAUSES THAT LCIF SUPPORTS AND THE WORK LIONS ARE DOING ALL AROUND THE WORLD. IN ADDITION, YOU CAN ENTER AN EXCITING CONTEST TO WIN A SPECIAL PRIZE. LCIF HAS SURPASSED US1 BILLION DOLLARS IN GRANTS SINCE ITS FOUNDING IN 1968.

IN 2017 TEXAS SAW THE HELP OF LCIF WHEN HURRICANE HARVEY DEVASTATED THE COAST AND HOUSTON AREA. A TASK FORCE WAS FORMED BY THE MD-2 COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS AND THE 4 MD DISTRICTS THAT WERE AFFECTED AND SO FAR LCIF HAS RECEIVED OVER \$916,000.00 IN DESIGNATED HURRICANE HARVEY CONTRIBUTIONS. THE TASK FORCE RECEIVED \$100,000 AS THE ORIGINAL CATASTROPHE GRANT WHICH WAS ALLOCATED \$25,000 PER DISTRICT WHICH AS BEEN SPENT ON EMERGENCY RELIEF ACTIVITIES. THE TASK FORCE ALSO RECEIVED \$60,000 AS THE HOLIDAY SPIRIT GRANT FOR PROVIDING ASSISTANCE TO FAMILIES AND CHILDREN FOR CHRISTMAS WHICH WAS ALLOCATED BETWEEN THE DISTRICTS. THE TASK FORCE HAS SUBMITTED ITS NEIGHBORHOOD RECONSTRUCTION GRANT FOR \$280,000 (\$70,000 PER DISTRICT) TO LCIF. THE PLAN IS TO ASSIST 20 HOMEOWNERS IN EACH DISTRICT WITH REPAIR COSTS OF MATERIALS NOT TO EXCEED \$3,000 PER HOMEOWNER. THIS HAS BEEN SUBMITTED TO LCIF FOR FINAL FAVORABLE APPROVAL. THE TASK FORCE ALSO RECEIVED APPROXIMATELY \$100,000 IN CONTRIBUTIONS FROM THE TEXAS LIONS FOUNDATION. THE HURRICANE IN PUERTO RICO ALSO RECEIVED A \$100,000 GRANT FROM LCIF PLUS ALL THE DONATIONS THAT CAME IN FOR THAT DISASTER.

LCIF IS ONE OF THE EIGHT CHARITIES THAT OUR DISTRICT 2-A1 SUPPORTS BY THE 100% VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS FROM THE 49 CLUBS IN OUR DISTRICT. FOR THE FIRST 6 MONTHS OF THIS YEAR 13 CLUBS HAVE BEEN 100%, ONE CLUB IS 200% AND ONE CLUB IS 1000%, 24 LIONS HAVE BECOME CONTRIBUTING MEMBERS, 3 MELVIN JONES FELLOWS WERE AWARDED TO DESERVING LIONS AND ONE TWO DIAMOND MELVIN JONES FELLOW PIN WAS AWARDED. WITH ALL THESE CONTRIBUTIONS AND DISASTER CONTRIBUTIONS BY CLUBS, DISTRICT 2-A1 HAS GIVEN \$7522.00 TO LCIF. OUT OF THE 16 DISTRICTS, DISTRICT 2-A1 IS IN 6th PLACE FOR GIVING. I WANT TO THANK EACH CLUB AND EACH LION WHO HAS SUPPORTED LCIF.

IT IS NOT TOO LATE TO BECOME A 100% VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTING CLUB. IT IS NOT TOO LATE TO BECOME A CONTRIBUTING MEMBER BY GIVING \$20, \$50, OR \$100 TO LCIF. IT IS NOT TOO LATE FOR YOUR CLUB TO RECOGNIZE A DESERVING LION WHO HAS GONE ABOVE AND BEYOND IN YOUR CLUB BY AWARDED HIM OR HER WITH A MELVIN JONES FELLOW. IT IS NOT TOO LATE TO GIVE TO THE DISASTER FUND SO SOMEONE ELSE CAN BE HELPED BY LCIF, WE STILL HAVE 6 MONTHS LEFT OF THIS YEAR TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

PLEASE GIVE LCIF YOUR SUPPORT BY MAKING A DONATION TO HELP SOMEONE IN NEED.

THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU DO FOR LIONISM. IF YOU NEED INFORMATION ABOUT LCIF OR A PROGRAM, PLEASE CONTACT ME.

**PDG JOYCE DOWNIE
DISTRICT 2-A1 LCIF COORDINATOR
joyced2@suddenlink.net 325-651-8894**

Dear Clubs,

We hope that your club will become one of the "100% Club" by donating to these eight charities. These charities really count on our support, so please ask your President or Treasurer if they plan to donate this year.

- Texas Lions Camp (\$10 per member)
- Leader Dog for the Blind (\$2 per member)
- Western Texas Eye Bank Alliance (\$5 per member)
- Texas Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center (\$2 per member)
- Lions Club International Foundation (\$2 per member)
- Acuna Eye Clinic of Ophthalmology (\$1 per member)
- Texas Lions Foundation (\$2 per member)
- Visions Screening (\$1 per member)

Below is the current list of clubs in District 2-A1:

2017-2018

100%

- Lions Club of Ballinger
- Colorado City Lions Club
- Concho Pearl Lions Club
- Kingsland Lions Club
- Midland Downtown Lions Club
- Midland Tall City Lions Club
- San Angelo Downtown Lions Club
- San Angelo North by Northwest
- San Angelo Lady Lions
- Sweetwater Lions Club

200%

- Mason Lions Club

500%

- Midland West Side Lions Club

If you have any questions or need to know how to contribute, please let me know.

Chris Maxwell
 District 2-A1 Treasurer
 408 CR 109
 Sweetwater TX 79556
 Ph.: 325-665-0127

Email: cmaxwell@eljentechnology.com

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Zenni Optical, one of this year's sponsors at the USA/Canada Forum

\$6.95 Glasses



Check them out at <http://www.zennioptical.com>



District 2-A1 Newsletter and Website Sponsors

The District needs your support for 2017-2018.

Please help support the District Governor Team, District 2-A1, and a chance to give your club some exposure by advertising in the 2017-2018 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
 CONVENTION REGISTRATION
 APRIL 27&28, 2018
 PEARL ON THE CONCHO HOTEL
 333 RIO CONCHO DRIVE, SAN ANGELO, TX.
 325-653-4500**



Friday April 27: Governor's Banquet 7:00PM Riverside Room
 The District Governor invites all Lions to come and help him recognize and thank all the Cabinet Officers, Zone Chairs and District Chairs for their service to District 2-A1 this past year.
 Speaker for the Convention will be PID Ed Lucius from Merrimack, New Hampshire.

Saturday: April 28
 PDG meeting will start at 7:30AM to 8:30AM
 Meet and Greet from 8:30AM to 9:00AM
 Business Meeting will start at 9:00AM
 Voting will be from 10:00AM to 10:30AM in the lobby of the Riverside room.
 (Lions must be registered in order to vote)
 Awards Luncheon: 12 Noon Riverside Room.

This luncheon will honor our Peace Poster winners and any outstanding Youth, Diabetic Essay and Diabetes Awareness contestants. Speaker will be PID Ed Lucias

Please come and enjoy the culmination of the year at the District 2-A1 Convention.

Registration will be from 4PM to 6PM Friday April 27th. Riverside room lobby
 Registration will be from 7:00AM to 9:00AM Saturday April 28th. Riverside room lobby

Name: _____ Club _____

Name: _____ Club _____

Registration Fee (For Lions only)	\$10.00 x _____	_____
Friday:		
Governor's Banquet	\$25.00 x _____	_____
(business attire and white coats for PDG's)		
Saturday		
Continental Breakfast and Awards Luncheon	\$20.00 x _____	_____
(will need food count by April 20th)	Total	_____

Make check payable to District 2-A1 and send to
 Make Hotel reservations on own (ask for Lions rate)
 (rooms will be blocked until April 27th)
 Pearl on The Concho Hotel
 333 Rio Concho Dr., San Angelo, Tx.
 325-653-4500
 Room rate: \$84.15 plus tax

PDG Joyce Downie
115 Churchill Blvd
San Angelo, Tx. 76903
325-651-8894
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SAN ANGELO LIONS BALLOONFEST June 15-17, 2018

Sponsored by:

ALL AMERICAN Chrysler Jeep Dodge Ram Fiat of San Angelo

Event location:

John Glenn Jr. High Football Field @ Johnson & University

➤ **PLATINUM SPONSOR: \$5,000**

- 10' x 10' Tent
- 1 Tethered Balloon Ride (weather permitted)
- Name listed on event T-Shirt if paid by 5/8/2018
- Balloon basket, tent & grounds banners with name or logo
- Name displayed on website and printed material
- Name mentions during TV/Radio PSA's
- 3 reserved parking spaces
- 200 Raffle Tickets

➤ **GOLD SPONSOR: \$2,500**

- 10' x 10' space only
- Name listed on event T-Shirt if paid by 5/8/2018
- Balloon basket banner with name or logo
- Name displayed on website
- Name mentions during TV/Radio PSA's
- 2 reserved parking spaces
- 100 Raffle Tickets

➤ **SILVER SPONSOR: \$1,500**

- 10' x 10' space only
- Name listed on event T-Shirt if paid by 5/8/2018
- Balloon basket banner with name or logo
- Name displayed on website
- 50 Raffle Tickets

➤ **Food & Other (for profit) Vendors - all 3 days:**

- 20' space - \$150
- 30' space - \$225
- 40' space - \$300

➤ **Balloon Basket Banner: \$250**

- 2' x 3' if available

➤ **OTHER "ACTIVITY" SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES:**
(Marketing opportunities negotiable...)

- Stage Sponsor - **\$5,000**
- Balloon Race Competition Sponsors - **\$1,500**
- 1k/5k - Run / Walk Sponsors - **\$1,500**
- Car - Truck - Bike Showcase Sponsors - **\$1,500**
- Balloon Glow Sponsors - **\$1,500**
- Lions Pancake Breakfast Sponsors - **\$1,500**
- Kids Zone Sponsors - **\$1,500**
- Food Court Sponsors - **\$1,500**





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, tax deductible corporation, to host their hot-air balloon festival June 15-17, 2018, 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, 2018: \$ _____ (2- payments, if sponsorship less than \$1,500)

Final payment by May 1, 2018: \$ _____ (3-payments if sponsorship more than \$1,500)

Sponsor Address _____ Sponsor Phone Number _____

Sponsor Signature _____ Date _____

Lions Signature _____ Date _____

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

CREDIT CARD INFORMATION

TYPE OF CARD: ___ Visa ___ Master Card

Name of Card holder (Please print) _____

Card Number _____ Exp. Date: ___ Month ___ Year Security Code: _____

Net Proceeds from Balloon activities: 100% of the net proceeds from the 2018 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.

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

Sponsor Information - Lion Contact: Keith Perrine, 325-656-3252, Rosalind Payne 325-374-9775 or Kim Floyd 325-280-0461

We Serve!