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

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Think Outside the Box

It's a big month and there are a lot of things taking place. As this is written we are planning our district convention and your governor is deeply indebted to PDG Joyce Downie and 1 VDG Keith Perrine for their hard work and diligence. We have experienced some changes to our convention. International Director Ardie Klemish will be our international guest. She is a delightful person and will share her experiences as a Lion and inspire us for future challenges.

There is some unfinished business to address as we move forward though.

FOR SALE: GMC Yukon. Generic white color with tan leather interior. Purchased as a Second Vice District Governor's vehicle and promoted to First Vice District Governor's vehicle and conscripted into duty as a District Governor's vehicle.

This vehicle is equipped as a District Governor vehicle. Governor equipment includes a TY Beanie Baby Lion on the dashboard and a Lions District Governor sticker in the back window. (The sticker is barely visible due to dark window tinting). Lions Camp license plates are an added touch that will not be included. There will also be various Lions items under seats and in the crevices and at least one District Governor business card located in some forgotten spot.

This vehicle has served its current owner well. One tire blow out and a faulty water pump were remedied in a single weekend and subsequently there have been no reliability issues noted. This vehicle has traveled to and from Kerrville, Texas seven times, has been to Cabinet meetings six times, attended three state conventions and one international convention. Three seasons of Bluebonnets and the innate ability to get a good parking spot at the hospital have also been enjoyed. It has also successfully navigated nearly 50 club visits with only the single mechanical failure. In total, there are at least 50,000 Lions related miles showing on the odometer.

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Historian Helen Wilde 3209 Southland Blvd. San Angelo, TX 76904 H: 325-942-6697 C: 325-277-4758 hmweilde@suddenlink.net The truck has been faithful and dependable. It holds three years of memories and my wife and I have enjoyed hours of companionship (including our first year of retirement) driving the roads of District 2 A-1. Frequent stops include our favorite "antique stores", at least two "must stop restaurants and the Stripes Store in Sterling City (retirement age induced potty breaks) only enhance our memories. We have viewed and documented two disastrous floods and attended various club functions and events.

On second thought, this vehicle is not for sale. It would be like selling the key ingredient in three years of priceless memories. Good luck to Lions Keith, Glenn and Joel as your experiences grow.

Our Lions Year is not over. We still have time to make up for our decline in membership. Let's make a concentrated effort to grow our numbers and share Lionism with our friends and family. It's great to be a Lion.





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The District 2-A1

Leadership Team



PDG Joyce Downie and husband Lion Ron Support

District 2-A1 Governor Russell Livingston and his 2018-2019 Cabinet



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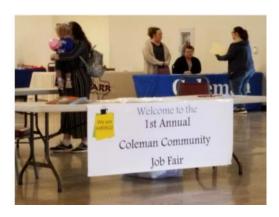
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Club News







2nd VDG Glenn Shepard, IPDG Armando Subia assisting the Coleman Evening Lions Club with their eye screening during 1st Community Job fair





The Midland Downtown Lions Club



Proudly Supports our 2A1

District Governor Russell Livingston Best Wishes for a Great Year 2018-2019

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Club News Continued



On April 8, members of the Concho Pearl Lions Club donated food items for Easter Baskets of Blessings to be distributed by Project Dignidad. Since 1976, Project Dignidad of San Angelo has provided food to individuals and families in emergency situations.



Midland Downtown's Rubber Duck Race

Thinking Outside the Box 2018-2019

DG Russell Livingston, Toni Livingston, Lion Whitney Livingston,

Lion Ryan Livingston, and Kimberly Livingston and Elise Livingston



PDG Armando and Lion Felis Subia proudly supports

DG Russell Livingston and the 2018-2019 cabinet



Midland **West Side Lions Club** Home Club of IPDG Armando Subia and PDG Bob Edwards

Proudly Supports The District 2-A1 Leadership Team





Mason Lions Club holds Hamburger Sale to Support their Scholarship Fund







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Thank you Midland West Side Lions Club for surprising me with the District Governor's Banner. Thank you Midland West Side Lions-Friends-Family!!!

IPDG Armando/Lion Felis Subia

Support the District Lions of District 2A1 Raffle

1st Prize: Davey Crockett Pellet Grill 2nd Prize: \$100.00 Master Card 3rd Prize: \$50.00 Master Card

Tickets \$1.00 or 15 for \$10.00

Drawing July 27,2019 at the Cabinet Meeting in San Angelo



"The A1 CLUB"



in the Lions 2-A1 District

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Zone 6 Chairpersons

There will be three foreign students hosted in Midland from June 29 to July 20. Kim and Lion Frank Stowers will host Anita Morelli from Italy; Violet and Lion Mark Singh will host Maria Marcet from Spain; and Gire and Dr. Michael Dragun will host Hanna Hieronymus from Germany. Some other Lions will be also help with the program.



Midland Northside Lions Club is sponsoring Vivienne Dragun to go to Belgium for four weeks this summer on the Lions International Youth Exchange program. This is a cultural exchange program to promote international understanding. Vivienne is a junior at Trinity School. She will be spending a part of the time at a Lions youth camp and part will be a family stay.

Midland Westside Lions Club is sponsoring Liberty Taylor who will be going to Germany for three weeks. She is a junior at Midland Lee High School. She will also spend time at a youth camp and with a family.



The San Angelo *Dynamic*Downtown Lions Club

Proudly Supports

District Governor Russell Livingston and the District 2-A1 Leadership Team

San Angelo April 11th, Despite the humidity & high temperature this past Saturday, the San Angelo Downtown & San Angelo Lighthouse Lions Clubs lent a "Helping Hand" to an underprivileged family; repairing, painting & landscaping their home.











Big Spring Centennial Lions Club Pancake Breakfast

















District Convention





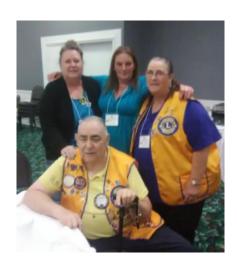




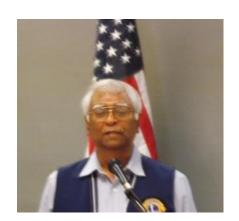








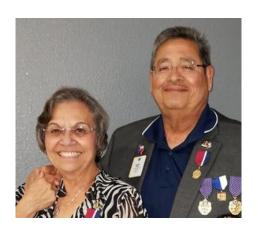
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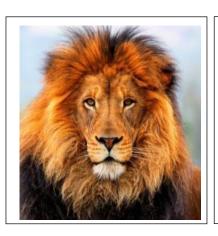








Lions District 2A1 University



May 11, 2019

Time: 9:00 am. - 3:30 pm.

Location: 1442 Edmund St. San Ange-

lo, Texas.

First Assembly of God-Stone Family Life Center (Back building)

9:00-9:15 Sign in coffee & donuts

9:15-10:00 Main room-All members

9:15-10:00 Welcome-2A1 District Governor Russell Livingston, year in review, and introduction to 1st VDG Keith Perrine, and 2nd VDG Glenn Shepard, and membership

10:15-12:00- Break out classes

Main Room-Presidents & Vice Presidents-Lion JoAnn Avants

#1 Room-Secretary-Lion Sandra Freeman

#2 Room-Treasure-PDG Joyce Downie

#3 Room-Tail Twisters-Lion Emilio Perez Jimenez

Lunch 12:00-1:00 Barbeque by East Angelo Lions Club

1:00-3:00 pm. Break-out

Main Room-New Lions Orientation-Governor Russell Livingston-Protocol, History, and Lions Guidelines

#1 Room-Secretary-Lion Sandra Freeman

#2 Room-Treasure-PDG Joyce Downie

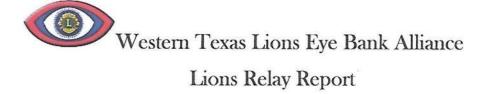
#3 Room-Zone Chair-Lion Larry Walker

3:00-3:15 Break

3:15-3:30 Main Room All Members Governor Livingston Presentation of Certificates

Dismissal Prayer

Thank you for coming!



March 26, 2019

My fellow Lions,

We sent out a group text message on March 11, 2019 requesting help with Ocular tissue transport. Several Lions responded willing to assist. Our first response was from Lion Jack Farris who immediately drove to the Lions Eye Bank to pick up medical supplies needed in the Odessa area. Lions Farris met with pilot, Lion Bill Lipham form Odessa Downtown Lions club to retrieve the corneas and exchange the medical supplies.

Both corneas arrived in a timely manner to the Lions Eye Bank where evaluations and processing prepared the corneas for transplant. After extensive medical chart reviews and diligent data base search we were able to find two Argentina recipients in need of a sight saving transplant. The right eye was transplanted into a 14-year-old female and the left eye into a 72-year-old male.

As you see, our Lions Eye Bank not only helps provide sight locally but in other countries too. We're a little Eye Bank compared to the other Eye Banks in the United States. Though small in size, we're making a BIG impact in people's lives in our state, country and around the world.

Respectfully,

Lucy Rivas,CEBT Eye Bank Director

Dear Lions,

Disasters strike all over the world, seemingly every day. Sometimes, significant disasters occur in different areas all at once. During times like this, Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) is able to offer support to local Lions Clubs International for their disaster relief work.

In the past few weeks, several of our constitutional areas have experienced devastating tragedy. Catastrophic floods are overwhelming the central United States and parts of Mozambique, Malawi, and Zimbabwe.

In the US, hundreds of levees were breached and entire towns have been destroyed. The land and the farmers whose livelihood depends on it are devastated. In Nebraska alone, livestock and crops losses are expected to reach \$1 billion. It will likely take years to recover from this disaster.

In the days immediately following the disaster, LCIF awarded five Emergency grants totaling US\$50,000. The gravity of the situation has become more apparent, and your foundation has responded with another US\$50,000 Major Catastrophe grant for all affected regions.

In Mozambique, Malawi, and Zimbabwe, thousands of people are missing in the wake of Cyclone Idai. The death toll cannot even be estimated right now. Residents of these countries are in dire need of food, water, medical supplies, shelter and sanitation.

To assist local Lions in their relief efforts, LCIF initially awarded two US\$10,000 Emergency grants. As the devastating effects of this disaster have become more apparent, your Foundation has responded again with a US\$50,000 Major Catastrophe grant for the affected countries.

We are only able to offer this assistance because of your generous support. Your donations to LCIF's disaster relief fund enable us to provide Lions with the tools they need to help those who need us most.

For all the reasons you serve, please give.

Sincerely,

Dr. Naresh Aggarwal Chairman, Lions Clubs International Foundation

Gudrun Yngvadottir International President, Lions Clubs International

Lion Ernesto "T.J." Tijerina

Your Candidate for International Director



"Team Týerina"





Lion "T.J." is committed to making sure that the future of our International Association remains strong and that the Lions continue to lead the way in our world as the largest and best service organization. With your helping hands together with Lion Juanita, his wife of 45 years, "Team Tijerina" is prepared to serve you, the Lions of Texas and the world as your International Director. Lion "T.J." can always be counted on to see that any job that is worth doing is "worth doing well" and that it is always done with integrity and compassion.

Leadership Development

- Empowering Lions and promoting Dynamic Leaders!
- Develop opportunities for Lions to be Active and Participate!

Membership Growth

- Adding Helping Hands will promote Lions Programs!
- Having Fun and Fellowship will lead to Retention of the Lions!

Service

- Serving Communities with Innovative Programs!
- Focusing on Vision, Diabetes, Hunger, Environment, and Pediatric Cancer!
- Changing Lives and improving Communities!

Serving



Serving the World

With your support for our "Team Tijerina" and your vote for Lion "T.J.", you are sure to have the strongest and best representation for International Director

LIONS DISTRICT 2-A1 SUPPORTED CHARITIES

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)
Texas Lions Foundation (\$2 per member)
District 2-A1 Vision Screening (\$1 per member)

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

YEAR 2018-2019

500%

Midland West Side Lions Club

<u>200%</u>

Midland Northside Lions Club

100%

Colorado City Lions Club
Concho Pearl Lions Club
Kingsland Lions Club
Junction Lions Club
Midland Downtown Lions Club
Midland Tall City Lions Club
San Angelo Downtown Lions Club
San Angelo East Angelo Lions Club
San Angelo North by Northwest
Sweetwater Lions Club



District 2-A1 Newsletter and Website Sponsors

The District needs your support for 2018-2019.

Please help support the District Governor Team, District 2-A1, and a chance to give your club some exposure by advertising in the 2018-2019 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.

Email Address: Phone number: Note: We can help design your ad for you or	\$50 (approx. size: 2" x 2.75") \$100 (approx. size: 2" x 5.5") \$150 (approx. size: 4" x 7.25") you can include a copy of your card/ad as you 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

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SAVE THE DATE! Busting Hunger!

Midland West Side Lions Club, 1st Annual Clay Shoot

To benefit families in need during the holidays.

We Serve

OCTOBER 5TH, 2019

\$175 PER SHOOTER

REGISTRATION at 8AM / Rotation Starts at 9AM
Lunch provided / Finished after lunch!
1 in 10 SHOOTERS WILL WIN A GUN!

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\$1000 - Includes:

Station Sponsor \$500 - Includes:

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One 6 Person Team and a Station Sign.

Recognition on Gun Board Name on Station

Signs

Recognition and Station Sign.



Jake's Clays is located at:

13301 FM 1379 Midland, TX 79706

Phone: 432-570-0290





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We Serve

Event Schedule

8:00 AM	Registration Starts
9:00AM	Rotation Starts
11:30 AM	Lunch / Prize Drawings

Entry Fee

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James Avery Artisan Jewelry® offers \$100,000 Challenge in honor of 70th Anniversary of Texas Lions Camp

Named Title Sponsor for 26th Annual Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament

Kerrville, Texas - James Avery Artisan Jewelry has issued a \$100,000 challenge grant in honor of the 70th Anniversary year of Texas Lions Camp in 2019 and in support of the 26th Annual Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament to be held in August 2019. Every gift designated for the event will be matched dollar for dollar up to \$100,000. With this challenge, James Avery Artisan Jewelry has also been named the **Title Sponsor** for the 2019 tournament.

"Texas Lions Camp is honored that *James Avery Artisan Jewelry*® has again honored our organization and mission by offering this challenging and generous opportunity as well as taking a leadership role as the Title Sponsor for this event, said Chief Executive Officer of TLC Stephen S. Mabry, CAE.

President & CEO of *James Avery Artisan Jewelry*® Chris Avery stated, "Texas Lions Camp helps children from across Texas share in a unique summer camp experience where they learn about dealing with their respective disabilities. Our organization is pleased to offer this \$100,000 challenge grant in recognition of the unique work being accomplished which impacts the lives of children with physical disabilities, Down syndrome, cancer and Type 1 diabetes. In addition, it is our hope that this incentive will also encourage Lions, friends of TLC, corporations and foundations to provide charitable support during this anniversary year."

Mabry added, "For 70 years, the Lions of Texas and TLC have introduced over 74,000 children to the 'CAN DO' philosophy and encouraged them to reach for new horizons and celebrate exciting, first-time experiences. Corporate sponsorships with special friends allow us to help some of the most amazing children share in the best summers of their lives."

About James Avery Artisan Jewelry® – James Avery is a vertically integrated, family owned company located in the heart of the Texas Hill Country. The company offers finely crafted jewelry designs for men and women in sterling silver, 14K and 18K gold, gemstones and leather wallets – designed by their own skilled artisans in Kerrville, Texas. They are a multi-channel retailer with more than 80 James Avery stores in five states. Their jewelry is also available in more than 215 Dillard's stores in Texas and in 28 additional states; and nationwide through JamesAvery.com. James Avery crafts jewelry in four Texas workshops in Comfort, Fredericksburg, Hondo and Kerrville. For more information, visit <u>JamesAvery.com</u> or <u>facebook.com/JamesAvery</u>.

About Texas Lions Camp, Inc.- Texas Lions Camp, Inc., provides, without charge, a camp for children with special medical conditions from the State of Texas, regardless of race, religion, or national origin.

The organization was chartered as a nonprofit corporation on April 4, 1949 by the Lions Clubs of Texas and is recognized as a non-profit corporation, under section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Service Code. The Camp is accredited by the American Camp Association and is licensed by the Texas Department of State Health Services. In addition, the organization is recognized with a Four-Star rating for Accountability and Transparency from Charity Navigator and as a Gold-level participant on GuideStar.

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

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26th Annual Texas Lions Camp

Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament Sponsored by

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August 1, 2019

8:00 am Shotgun Start

Lady Bird Johnson Golf Course Fredericksburg, TX

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Please make checks payable to Texas Lions Camp.

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2019 Texas Lions Camp Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament Hole Sponsorship Camper – Elizabeth Gustafson

The 2019 Texas Lions Camp Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament Camper Ambassador is Elizabeth Gustafson. "Peepers", as she is known to her family and close friends because of her big beautiful brown eyes, calls Waco home. Elizabeth has attended TLC for the past 4 summers and talks about camp affectionately as "the best

place on earth". For Elizabeth, TLC is a camp for kids with special abilities just like her. She can do anything there, try new things, do everything oth-

er kids can do and have tons of fun while doing it.

Elizabeth loves school, especially reading, math and science. But helping others is really her favorite thing to do. At school, sometimes Elizabeth needs help traveling from one class to another. The students who help her, in turn she tutors them in whatever subjects they are having trouble. Outside of school she volunteers and raises resources and awareness for those in need. Her mother Michelle describes Elizabeth as the hardest working, most loving and kind, generous and thankful kid she knows.



with spastic quadriplegia and how they do not define her daughter and her abilities. She said, "Elizabeth had a rough start to life. Born at 29 weeks and with complications at birth, she's endured multiple surgeries and procedures throughout the twelve short years of her life. Lots of people rush through life, but not her. She enjoys life each day and takes time to smell the flowers. No matter what she has been through physically, surgeries, or therapy, she just keeps going. Even in times of struggle or pain, she still looks for ways to help

others around her that are in need.

"TLC was amazing and perfect for Elizabeth from the very start. She loves riding the horses and going down the zip-line. But this past summer, she fell in love with Camp Scene Investigation (CSI). The mock crimes around campus gave her and her group opportunities to solve problems and work together to solve the crime. She loved every minute of it. She always feels included at TLC and things are adapted, and modified for her to participate. The support staff make the impossible possible and those international staff cause Elizabeth to speak in an English Accent all the time, even long after she goes home.

Elizabeth came home from camp her first summer and asked, "Mom, we need to get more kids to go to camp, and help them to get there. How can we do that?" Michelle responded with, "I guess me becoming a lion would be the best place to start, so I can help

sponsor kids." "How long will that take?" Elizabeth asked. Two weeks later, Michelle had joined the Waco Women's Lions Club and will be serving as their president next year. Her husband, Lynn, the only man in the club, serves as the treasurer. Through their love for Elizabeth and her drive to serve others, especially children just like her,

Michelle and Lynn have fought tirelessly to follow their daughter's lead and do everything they can to help others as well. They are proud of the strong, compassionate young woman she has become and will continue to become because of places like TLC which helps her to grow.

Elizabeth and her entire family are excited about being a part of the 26th Annual Harry Wickersham Golf

Tournament. For more information on how you and your team can play in the Tournament, visit: www.lionscamp.com and look for the Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament Tab. Texas Lions Camp is proud to have great campers, like Elizabeth, who attend our summer camping program and celebrate those like her who embody the TLC spirit of "Children Can...With TLC!" Remember to smell the flowers today!

