



District 2-A1 Lions Clubs International

District 2-A1 News

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**District
Convention
April 19 & 20
San Angelo**



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Think Outside the Box

Russell's Ramblings

February is done, March is roaring to a conclusion and April is upon us. Our District Convention is the next windmill to joust, followed by the winding down of our governor year. March has been eventful though. We have met with a number of clubs and shared our Lions experience and have enjoyed every minute of our club visits. Thanks to all our Lion friends for your warmth and hospitality.

As district governors, a measuring stick for a successful year is membership. Unfortunately, we are not doing too well at this time. There is still time to pull out of the slump. We are still "cleaning up our rolls" and the members we have are strong and active. Further, we have lost clubs this year. This has been a painful ordeal. The Coleman Noon Club has voted to disband and turn in their charter. The charter is 91 years old. The remaining members of the Noon Club have already participated in the activities of the Coleman Evening Club and we have a vibrant growing club in Coleman with active members.

Also, the clubs located in Brady, Wingate and Lake Brownwood have decided to fold due to loss of membership and leadership in their areas. Again, there are a few members in these clubs that have joined other clubs or remain active participating Lions. We miss these clubs but are secure that we now have a core of hard working and active clubs in District 2 A-1.

We are also poised to move forward in the coming year. We have a well prepared and attentive Governor in VDG Keith Perrine awaiting to serve our district. 2VDG Glenn Sheppard is actively preparing for his year in the saddle as well. I look forward to the leadership to be provided by these two capable Lions.

The year is not over yet. Our Lions charities remain. Our own Western Texas Lions Eye Bank Alliance needs and deserves our support. From personal experience, Lions eye banks provide the gift of sight to many. Your club's participation is always appreciated. Make your club a 100% club by contributing to the 100% charities.

Finally, As your Governor, we are looking forward to seeing everyone in San Angelo for our District Convention. We understand this is the Easter Weekend. Due to conflicting dates throughout our district and the mandated time from district to state conventions, it was necessary to select this weekend. We have left enough time for everyone to be able to return home for their Easter celebrations on Saturday and Sunday.

It is my honor and privilege to serve as your district governor. It is great to be a Lion.

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Who's leading the District

Have you ever wondered what it takes to make the district perform as needed to accomplish all Lion's goals. The most important thing is for qualified lions to fill the cabinet positions in District 2A1.

What are the cabinet position's?

- | | |
|---|---|
| District Governor – DG | 1 st Vice District Governor -1 st VDG |
| 2 nd Vice District Governor – 2ndVDG | Immediate Past District Governor – PDG |
| Secretary | Treasurer |
| Zone Chairs – 6 for 2A1 | Alert Chair |
| Chaplain | Directory Chair |
| District Convention Chair | Election Manager |
| Global Leadership Training Chair – GLT | Global Membership Chair – GMT |
| Historian | LCIF Chair |
| Leader Dog for the Blind Chair | Newsletter Editor |
| Tail Twister | West Texas Eye Bank Chair |
| Diabetes Awareness Chair | Youth Exchange Chair |
| Texas Lions Camp Director – West | Texas Lions Camp Director – East |
| Texas Lions Eyeglass Recycling | Texas Lions Foundation -TLF |
| Vision Screening Director | District Administrator |
| District Service Chair | District Media Chair |

As you can see, we need many dedicated and knowledgeable lions to run the district. I thought it might be good for all district 2A1 lions to see what positions need to be filled each year. There are those of you that know all the positions and what they do by heart, but there are many lions that do not.

So if anything peaks your interest or you just want to know what each position does, ask a tenured lion or call we can discuss all opportunities.


“there are many paths to the top of the mountain, just take one and climb”

Thanks Keith 1st VDG

**The San Angelo North by North
West**




**Proudly Supports
The District 2-A1
Leadership Team**



**PDG Joyce Downie
and husband Lion Ron**



Concho Pearl Lions Club

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



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Club News

The Big Spring Centennial Lions Club has planned a pancake breakfast for April 27, 2019. This is a very large undertaking for our small club and I would like to have an estimate of how much help we can expect from members. Please email, or message me if you plan to help. Thank you in advance.

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Club News Continued




Lake Brownwood Lions Club doing good for the community, in this case giving \$1,000 to help refurbish the new SWAT vehicle for Brown County. Details on the Local News page at KOXE.com.




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

Club News Continued




The San Angelo Downtown Lions gave Heritage Park of San Angelo some TLC on Saturday, March 16. Adopting it as one of their environmental service projects, they look forward to serving the park every month from now on. Thanks a million to those Lions who helped!


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THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION
OF LIONS CLUBS



PCC Tom & Lion Sherrilyn Blase



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Russell Livingston & Toni Livingston**

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Club News continued



On Thursday March 21, 2019 PDG Lion Joyce Downie and PDG Armando Subia presented Lion Ralph Powell of the San Angelo North by Northwest Club with the Melvin Jones award and commemorative pin. Our congratulations on receiving this prestigious Lion award!




February 13th we had the privilege of visiting Park Plaza nursing home to spread some Valentines cheer! We gave long stem roses to all the women patients and employees and bags of candy to all the men. Bringing smiles to many faces made this incredibly special.



“The A1 CLUB”

in the Lions 2-A1 District

Sweetwater Lions Club



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Club News continued



San Angelo Lady Lions donate to the House of Faith Thank you SO MUCH to the [San Angelo Lady Lions](#) for the generous donation of snacks, what a huge blessing!



The District Governor visited with the Coleman Evening and Noon Clubs.



The San Angelo *Dynamic* Downtown Lions Club

Proudly Supports

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

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The San Angelo Downtown Lions Club of San Angelo, during a regular meeting on Thursday 11-19, 2018, voted and unanimously agreed to fully endorse and present Lion Keith Perrine as our candidate for District Governor of District 2A-1 Lions Clubs International for the year 2019-2020.

WHEREAS, Lion Perrine has demonstrated strong and progressive leadership qualities in all club and district assignments and committee chair positions; to include Club President 2015-2016 and district vice governor positions...

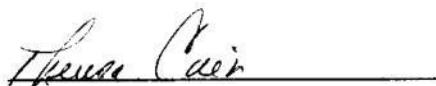
WHEREAS, Lion Perrine has been recognized and honored as the Clubs' 2015-2016 Lion of the Year, Texas Lions Camp brick and further honored with a Melvin Jones Fellow for his dedicated humanitarian services. Lion Perrine is truly a Lions' Lion.

WHEREAS, Lion Perrine has regularly attended Zone and Cabinet meetings, Mid-Winter Conferences, State and International Conventions and has attended USA/Canada Leadership Forums. Lion Perrine has the time, is willing and looks forward to serve as the Districts' next District Governor.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the San Angelo Downtown Lions Club hereby offer and enthusiastically endorse and supports the candidacy of Lion Keith Perrine for District Governor of District 2A-1 for the year 2019-2020.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be read and adopted in the official minutes of the District 2A-1 2019 District Mid-Winter Convention. And, that the San Angelo Downtown Lions Club further attests that Lion Keith Perrine is well-suited and well-qualified to be a candidate for the high office of District Governor for the year 2019-2020.

This resolution was passed and unanimously adopted during the regular meeting of the San Angelo Downtown Lions Club board of directors on Monday November 19, 2018 and further endorsed by the membership during a regular meeting on Thursday November 22, 2018.



Theresa Cain, President



Holli N. Green, Secretary

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS Glenn Shepard of the Ballinger Noon Lions Club has been a member for over seven (7) years, even though his history of Lionism dates back to when his father was also a member of the Ballinger Noon Lions Club and was very active; and

WHEREAS Glenn Shepard has not only been active in the Ballinger Noon Lions Club but has been Chairman of two different zones in District 2-A1; and

WHEREAS Glenn Shepard is an active member of the community, serving as a Deacon in the First Baptist Church of Ballinger and Chairman of the Men's Ministry; and

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WHEREAS Glenn Shepard is retired from Halliburton and his wife Alfreda is a retired schoolteacher and they have been married for forty-eight (48) years and have two (2) girls and two (2) grandchildren; and

WHEREAS Glenn Shepard has participated in all of the activities of the Ballinger Noon Lions Club since he retired and joined the Ballinger Noon Lions Club immediately thereafter; and

WHEREAS Glenn Shepard has worked on all projects and was Chairman of the Grocery Project which made over \$1,200.00 for the Club; and

WHEREAS Glenn Shepard has been approved by the directors and the Ballinger Noon Lions Club on January 11, 2018, for his candidacy for Second Vice-District Governor of 2-A1 of MD-2 from the Ballinger Noon Lions Club for the year 2018-2019 and herewith has offered his services for said years and has been approved by the directors and membership of the Ballinger Noon Lions Club as above stated and presents this Resolution to the Mid-Winter Conference of District 2-A1 at the meeting on January 21, 2018, and seeks the approval of the District for this candidacy of District 2-A1.

Ballinger Noon Lions Club

Mason Lions Club
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WHEREAS, Lion Joel L. Kuykendall became a member of the Mason Lions Club in 2011 as has been an active member in good standing continuously since that time and

WHEREAS, Lion Joel L. Kuykendall was a member of the board of directors of the Mason Lions Club from 2012 to 2017 and

WHEREAS, Lion Joel L. Kuykendall served as President of the Mason Lions Club for the 2015-2016 Lions Year and

WHEREAS, Lion Joel L. Kuykendall Served as Zone Chairman for District 2-A1 Zone 4 for the 2014-2015 and for the 2018-2019 Lions Years and

WHEREAS, Lion Joel L. Kuykendall served a member of the Western Texas Lions Eye Bank Alliance from 2012 to 2018 and

WHEREAS, Lion Joel L. Kuykendall has served as a Texas Lions Camp Elected Director for the 2017-2019 term and

WHEREAS, Lion Joel L. Kuykendall has been a continuous member of the Texas Lions Camp Century Club since 2012 and

WHEREAS, Lion Joel L. Kuykendall is a Life Member of the Texas Lions Camp in Kerrville, Texas and

WHEREAS, Lion Joel L. Kuykendall is a member of the Texas Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center's Visionary Knights for the Blind and

WHEREAS, Lion Joel L. Kuykendall is a Life Member of the Texas Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center in Midland, Texas and

WHEREAS, Lion Joel L. Kuykendall was awarded the Melvin Jones Fellowship in 2014 and

WHEREAS, Lion Joel L. Kuykendall was awarded the Texas Lions Foundation Award in 2014 and

WHEREAS, Lion Joel L. Kuykendall was awarded the Lions Club International Leadership Medal in 2016 and

WHEREAS, Lion Joel L. Kuykendall has 100% consecutive attendance in the Mason Lions Club,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Lion Joel L. Kuykendall's name be placed in nomination for the position of Second Vice District Governor of District 2-A1 at the District

2-A1 Mid-winter conference on January 12, 2019 in Midland, Texas.

We certify that this Resolution was adopted at the regular meeting of the Mason Lions Club on November 13, 2018

Marty Benson, President

Will Lehmborg, Secretary



Western Texas Lions Eye Bank Alliance

Lions Relay Report

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



Kingsland Lions Charities, Inc.

Semi Annual Pancake Breakfast

Saturday, April 20, 2019

7AM - 11AM

Kingsland Convention & Community Center

3451 Rose Hill Drive, Kingsland, TX 78639



Adults \$5.00

Children 12 and under \$3.00

Free Entertainment

Free Eye Screen for the Kiddos

MIDLAND NORTHSIDE LIONS CLUB



26th
annual



BUNNY BREAKFAST

Midland Park Mall Food Court
7:00 to 10:00 a.m.
Saturday, April 13, 2019

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
Cookies
Coffee, milk or juice



Presenting Sponsors

Restaurant Sponsors

Texas Roadhouse
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Charley's Philly Steaks
Fuddruckers

CO-SPONSORS

Midland Park Mall	West Texas Radio Group	Midland Reporter-Telegram	CBS7
Rainbow Press by Safeguard	Standard Coffee Service	Pioneer Natural Resources	
Cargile Investments	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 three 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



Lion Ernesto "T.J." Tijerina

Your Candidate for International Director



"Team Tijerina"



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 You



Serving the World

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.

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



**DISTRICT 2-A1
CONVENTION REGISTRATION
APRIL 19-20, 2019
PEARL ON THE CONCHO HOTEL
333 RIO CONCHO DRIVE, SAN ANGELO, TX.
325-653-4500**



Friday: April 19: Governor's Award Banquet 6:00PM 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 Stephen M. Glass from Bridgeport, West Virginia

Saturday: April 20:

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 11:00 AM in the lobby of the Riverside room.

(Lions must be registered in order to vote)

Luncheon: 12 Noon Riverside Room. . Speaker will be PID Stephen M. Glass.

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

Registration will be from 4PM to 6PM Friday April 19th. Riverside room lobby

Registration will be from 7:00AM to 9:00AM Saturday April 20th. Riverside room lobby

Name: _____
Club _____

Name: _____
Club _____

Registration Fee (For Lions only)	\$10.00 x _____	_____
Friday:		
Governor's Award Banquet (business attire)	\$25.00 x _____	_____
Saturday		
Continental Breakfast and Luncheon	\$20.00 x _____	_____
(will need food count by April 5th)	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 12th)
Pearl on The Concho Hotel
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Room rate: \$89.00 plus tax

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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

200%

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.

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:

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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

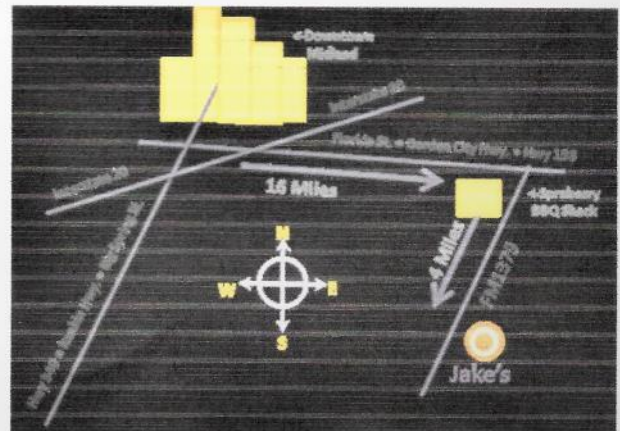
1 in 10 SHOOTERS WILL WIN A GUN!

Sponsorship Levels:

Platinum	Gold	Silver	Bronze
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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 JamesAvery.com or facebook.com/JamesAvery.

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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Elizabeth Gustafson, Camper 2018

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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 other 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.



Her mother, Michelle, tells of Elizabeth’s conditions, periventricular leukomalacia (PVL) and CP 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!

