



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

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Save the Date

Cancelled

District Convention
April 17th and 18th
San Angelo



Moving Forward For Texas

How is it Going?

Well, as we have been sheltering in place for some eight weeks, I can not help but wonder what we have been doing. One thing we can do as Lions is to call and check on each other. We have some Lions that might need a little help and communication. They may need help with food, medicine or maybe just a “**how is it going?**”

Lions may not be able to go to meetings, hold service events, have fund raising events, but we can still make a positive impact in the communities in which we live. Take a few minutes and check on someone from your club and community.

Remember “We Serve” and this is one way we can do that during “social distancing.”

Looking forward to seeing and visiting with all very soon.

Yours in service,

DG Keith



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Retention Contest

The clubs winning the retention contest for the quarter just ending (March 31)

Small Clubs - Blanket 2 adds and no drops

Median Clubs - San Angelo Concho Pearl for 3 times in a row 2 adds and no drops

Large clubs - 2 clubs tied - San Angelo Downtown 3 adds and only drop was a deceased

San Angelo East Angelo 3 adds and 0 drops

Look forward to a future District meeting where we can recognize these clubs

thanks Dave

The San Angelo “Dynamic”

Downtown Lions Club



Proudly Supports Our Very Own



District Governor Keith Perrine
and the District 2-A1 Leadership Team

500%

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Club News

The Midland West Side Lions Club and volunteers delivered food and water to needy families in our community. Thank you to the West Texas Food Bank for providing the food and Staples for providing the water and boxes.




Concho Pearl Lions Club

**Proudly Supports
District 2-A1 Governor
Keith Perrine and
his 2019-2020 Cabinet**

Club News Continued

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 <p>PDG Joyce Downie and husband Lion Ron Support District 2-A1 Governor Keith Perinne and his 2019-2020 Cabinet</p>	 <p>PDG Armando and Lion Felis Subia proudly supports DG Keith Perinne and his 2019-2020 cabinet</p>
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LIONS DISTRICT 2-A1 SUPPORTED CHARITIES

- Texas Lions Camp \$10.00/member
- Leader Dogs for the Blind \$2.00/member
- Western Texas Lions Eye Bank Alliance \$5.00/member
- Texas Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center \$2.00/member
- Lions Clubs International Foundation \$2.00/member
- Texas Lions Foundation \$2.00/member
- Lions District 2-A1 Vision Screening \$1.00/member

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

YEAR 2019-2020

500%


MIDLAND WEST SIDE LIONS CLUB
SAN ANGELO DOWNTOWN LIONS CLUB

200%

MIDLAND NORTHSIDE LIONS CLUB

100%

COLORADO CITY LIONS CLUB
Concho County Lions Club (TLC only)
East Angelo Lions Club (Vision Screening only)
KINGSLAND LIONS CLUB
MIDLAND DOWNTOWN LIONS CLUB
MIDLAND MORNING LIONS CLUB
MIDLAND TALL CITY LIONS CLUB
SAN ANGELO CONCHO PEARL LIONS CLUB
SAN ANGELO NORTH BY NORTHWEST LIONS CLUB
SWEETWATER LIONS CLUB




**Midland
West Side Lions Club**

**Home Club of
PDG Armando Subia**

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The District 2-A1 Leadership Team



**Midland
West Side Lions Club**

**Home Club of
PDG Bob Edwards**

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District 2A-1 Newsletter and Website Sponsors
The District needs your support for 2019 - 2020

Please help the District Governor team, District 2A-1, and a chance to give your club some exposure by advertising in the 2019-2020 District Publications (website and newsletter).

We need your support

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

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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Calendar of Meetings/Events

All Events Cancelled

April 17-18, 2020	District Convention
6:00PM-9:00PM	Friday 17th- Fiesta Fajita Meal prepared By the San Angelo Downtown Club.
7:30AM-1:30PM	Saturday 18th - Pancake Breakfast 7:30AM-8:45AM Prepared By San Angelo East Side Lions Club
May 14-16, 2020	MD-2 Lions State Convention/Council of Governors Meeting Longview, Texas
May 23, 2020 8.30AM-2:30 PM	Lion University- San Angelo, Texas New Presidents, Treasurers, Secretaries, Tail Twisters and all Lions are encouraged to attend.
June 6, 2020 8:30AM-2:30PM	Lion University – Kingsland, Texas New Presidents, Treasurers, Secretaries, Tail Twisters and all Lions are encouraged to Attend.
June 26-30,2020	International Convention –Singapore

News Release

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From the Office of the President & CEO
Stephen S. Mabry, CAE

TLC Board Approves the Launch of CAMPaign Vision2020 & Beyond!

Kerrville, TX - February 13, 2020. During the February 8, 2020 Semi-Annual Board Breakfast, TLC's Board of Directors heard a report from President & CEO, Stephen Mabry concerning TLC's Master Architectural Plan and Feasibility Study for funding those plans. At the conclusion of that report, Stephen asked the Board to adopt and allow the launch of Phase I of the campaign. After hearing further reports and endorsements from the Camp Improvements Committee, Development Committee and Program Committee, the Board enthusiastically voted to proceed and TLC is now officially operating the Capital Campaign known as Vision2020 & Beyond.



Executive Committee Planning Session (Photo courtesy: PCC Stump Weatherford)

The initial phase will be aimed at providing one of the new bunkhouse quads, Lions Leadership Lodge, activity areas and infrastructure needed to support future operations of camp for kids. As the campaign gets underway, TLC will begin the planning and campaign design processes to

ensure fundraising success over the anticipated, campaign life-span of 24-36 months which is the amount of time projected to complete the funding of Phase I.

"I am thrilled to have the Board's approval to move forward with the fundraising and ultimately the construction of new housing to meet the future needs of our campus. These projects are necessary for the health and safety of our kiddos and to take proactive measures to ensure TLC remains a relevant and vibrant service available for future generations of children," said Stephen.

It is always the right time to do something to help others, but according to at least one website focused on the Non-profit sector (*The Non-ProfitPro*), [now is particularly a good time to open a capital campaign](#). Moreover, TLC has been working towards this moment since 2017 and is primed and ready to get started working on our future. Our feasibility study indicates that we CAN succeed at this and, we MUST! Future generations of children are counting on us.

Why This...Why Now?

Our founders likely had no idea what they had set in motion with their vision for TLC or even IF it would work. Despite the uncertainty of success, Lions dared to dream. As a result, here we are 70 years later having served almost 80,000 children and the model and mission has been pressure-tested and proven successful.

But, as one might expect with the time-frame of TLC, time and elements have taken their toll on the housing offered at TLC, some of which is 60+ years old. Moreover, advances in construction materials, installations, and utilities have advanced and will permit greater accessibility, safety and technologies for kiddos engaged in TLC programs.

Consider this: according to the Texas Department of State Health Services - Statistics Division, there were **332,836** children born with a special medical condition in the State of Texas between **1999-2016**. This figure does not include children born with type-1 or 2 diabetes or those who will experience a trauma, accident or illness during their childhood that will result in a life-altering disability. What we can learn from this data, is that if things stay the same or even get slightly better, **very conservatively speaking**, there will be at least **a quarter of a million children** born every **15 years** who will need the services offered at Texas Lions Camp. This time-factor is also consistent with the TLC target age-range for participants.

Bunkhouses

Our plan for the future includes replacing our existing camper bunkhouses with new, accessible facilities. The below depicted schematic is an architectural depiction of the northern-most, planned quadra-plex. A cozy atmosphere, central, shaded gathering area and plenty of space are just some of the features of the bunkhouses that will take us into the next generation of TLC's service to children.



Lions Leadership Lodge - The Triple-L

The *Lions Leadership Lodge* is a key component of the Master Plan. Not only will TLC need to demolish and remove its only two staff dormitories (now fully depreciated and in need of repair) to make way for the North Quadra-plex, but we will also remove a duplex known as the "Smith Building" (fully depreciated and in need of repair) as well. Smith Building provides housing to one professional staff member (year-round) and our Summer Food Services Director during the summer. I don't think that I need to go into an in-depth discussion of how important adult supervision is to the successful operation of TLC's mission to provide quality, safe programming and care for children who have special medical conditions, but "*The Triple-L*" will do just that and much more.



"*The Triple-L*" will begin each year by providing much needed housing for the nursing/medical staff, leadership staff and support staff needed to provide structure, supervision and care over the children engaged in our regular summer program, spanning 6 sessions and ~750 children who have special medical conditions. Later in the summer, the 75 room facility will switch gears when we open our diabetes program and become the headquarters for the 70+ medical staff members needed to provide care and medical support to manage 440 children who have type-1 diabetes.

But that's not all, "*The Triple-L*" will also become head-quarters and home to the leadership staff arriving to implement partner-programs that are already running, such as Camp Discovery (for children with cancer), Camp Neuron (Texas Epilepsy Foundation's camp for children who have epilepsy), and Camp David (Texas Burn Survivors' camp for children suffering a traumatic burn) just to name a few who provide services to another ~350+. If you think by this time it has already had a workout, buckle up because we are NOT done yet. This facility will make it possible for TLC to further expand its outreach to NEW partner, mission-based, non-profit organizations similar to those listed above in order to serve a wider audience of children with special needs while supporting TLC's own operations - a win-win-win in most everyone's economy.

When TLC's Summer Camp operation is not in session, "*The Triple-L*" will also provide new and exciting additional housing for volunteers engaged in TLC's workdays. As many of you are aware, the TLC workdays have become wildly popular and we now regularly run in excess of 600 people per workday at each of our three Spring workdays held on the 1st Saturday of March, April and May. As a result of this observation, I have recently adopted the following saying, which I invite you to likewise adopt:

"Before a single child steps foot, wheelchair, crutch or prosthetic on TLC's soil, almost 2,000 of the 34,500 Lions funding TLC arrived early just to make sure that the gate is open and the facility is ready for them to enjoy!"

I'm still not done. Some of you may be unaware that TLC has expanded its outreach through a three-prong mission that includes our 1) summer programs, 2) diabetes education and 3) disaster relief, all three of which might result in what is classed as "service-revenue". Over the course of my career, TLC has participated in relief operations involving ice, wild-fires, floods, hurricanes, and sheltering of minors, senior-citizens and 1st responders who were themselves engaged in disaster relief. I would also venture a guess that if you are unaware of this fact, you would definitely be surprised to learn that TLC has provided safe-haven shelter to more than 2,000 individuals in the last 30 years. Such operations have allowed us to expand our service-base while raising both operating support and community awareness.

While I recognize the cost of building is significant, the benefits of the new bunkhouses and "*The Triple-L*" facility are invaluable. TLC will garner much needed resources to offer while providing service-revenue that will discount the cost of construction over the building's useful, service-life. A win for Texas Lions Camp, the adults and volunteers who pour into the lives of TLC campers and most importantly - the children "*We Serve*."



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26th Annual Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament raises more than \$265,000

James Avery Artisan Jewelry presents \$100,000 challenge grant check

Kerrville, Texas – Lions of Texas and friends of Texas Lions Camp celebrated raising more than \$265,000 from the 26th Annual Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament. John McCullough, CEO of James Avery Artisan Jewelry®, participated in the announcement and presented the \$100,000 challenge grant check during the closing Friday Awards Night ceremonies at Texas Lions Camp (TLC) in Kerrville.

“The Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament began more than 25 years ago and is a vital part of our annual fundraising program to raise funds to help children with disabilities, vision-hearing impairment, Down syndrome, cancer and Type 1 diabetes attend Texas Lions Camp at no cost to their family,” said TLC President & CEO Stephen Mabry. “TLC is deeply grateful that James Avery Artisan Jewelry agreed to offer a Challenge Grant of \$100,000 which provided an incentive for family, friends and other businesses and corporations to step up and offer pivotal donations of more than \$165,000.”

John McCullough, CEO of *James Avery Artisan Jewelry*® noted, “James Avery was pleased to continue our partnership with Texas Lions Camp by offering the challenge grant in recognition of their 70 years of service and commitment to helping children with special medical conditions throughout Texas.”

According to Mabry, “Reaching this historic milestone of \$265,000 through the Wickersham Golf Tournament was only made possible as a result of the dedicated efforts of Texas Lions and our many friends who made personal commitments while garnering more than 550 donations to the effort. These funds have already been put to work helping Texas children as Texas Lions Camp hosted 1,512 children during the Summer of 2019 at no charge to them or their families.”

About James Avery Artisan Jewelry®– James Avery is a vertically integrated, family-owned company located in the heart of the Texas Hill Country and 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. The multi-channel retailer has 92 James Avery stores in five states. James Avery jewelry is also available in more than 220 Dillard’s stores in Texas and in 28 additional states, two airport stores in Austin and Houston and nationwide through JamesAvery.com. James Avery crafts jewelry in four Texas workshops— one each 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 who are physically disabled, have Down syndrome, cancer or Type 1 diabetes 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 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue 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.