



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

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Moving Forward Together

Dear Lions,

What a crazy way to start our year of service! This pandemic has caused us to learn new ways to communicate. This year's council of governors adopted the theme of "Moving Forward Together". In that spirit, we will tackle this year together.

I am looking forward to working with all the clubs in district 2A-1 in building membership within each club, hoping to put in a new club along the way, and rebuilding the one at Lake Brownwood. Lions International is initiating a new program called NAMI (North American Membership Initiative). As we get deeper in our year together there will be a lot more action with this program.

In this time of uncertainty, we will continue to search for new ways that we can still serve our local communities by reaching out to our neighbors and being on the constant lookout for new ways we can all serve.

Our first cabinet meeting is scheduled for July 25th, hosted by the Ballinger Noon Lions. We will hold our meeting at First Baptist Church in Ballinger in the family life center. However, if COVID restrictions shut us down, we might have to go to an alternative plan. I might have to send out an invitation to a Zoom meeting via e-mail to everyone. We might also choose to reschedule for a later date when we can meet in person instead.

I would like to introduce the 2020 – 2021 Cabinet Officers:

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**Up coming
events
None yet
Keep Safe.
Hope to see
soon!**



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Bangs Lions Club

The Bangs Lions Club has been meeting for the last two months on the 4th Monday of each month at 6:30 pm at the Bangs Community Center.

We had breakfast burritos and orange juice for the 18 new teachers in the Bangs ISD prior to school starting.

We have begun working with the school to recognize a senior boy and girl as Students of the Month, and one boy and one girl will each be awarded a \$500 scholarship in May.

We plan to have a vehicle in the October 31 Trunk or Treat at the Bangs First Baptist parking area for the younger children to enjoy Halloween.

Midland Tall City Lions Club

We at Midland Tall City are meeting at Lions Den on the 1st Thursday of the month.

We never stopped meeting we just went to once a month.

We are in the process of our winter fundraiser, Shopping Spree at Super Mercado.

Thanks Lion Tony Borens



These beautiful ladies came out and volunteer 5 hours to sell tickets for our shopping spree.

it was very Successfully day.



Concho Pearl Lions Club

**Proudly Supports
District 2-A1 Governor
Glen Sheppard and
his 2020-2021 Cabinet**

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09/30/2020 East Angelo Lions Club Inducted 5 new club members!

District Governor Glenn Shepherd presided over their induction, Lions Kim Griffin, Lion Melvin Cribb, Lion Jane Gray, Lion Alfred Avila, and Lion Christopher Jordan, welcome!



Midland
West Side Lions Club

Home Club of
PDG Armando Subia

Proudly Supports

The District 2-A1 Leadership Team



Midland
West Side Lions Club

Home Club of
PDG Bob Edwards

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East Angelo Lions Serve - Environment Highway trash pickup



East Angelo Lions Serve...We are well known for our GREAT Brisket!



East Angelo Lions Club Serves!



PDG Joyce Downie
and husband Lion Ron
Support

District 2-A1 Governor
Glen Sheppard and his 2020-2021
Cabinet



PDG Armando and
Lion Felis Subia
proudly supports

DG Glen Sheppard and his
2020-2021 cabinet

Midland Northside Lions Club

Due to the Covid shutdown, we began using Zoom for our meetings starting on April 9. We were able to keep our normal schedule of a program plus business at the first meeting of the month with the second monthly meeting devoted entirely to business.

We resumed live meetings at 7 AM on Thursday September 10 and moved to the meeting room in the new Cowden Dining Hall at Midland College.

We had to postpone our annual Bunny Breakfast scheduled for April, but we successfully transformed the event into the "WE SERVE" Breakfast held at Midland Park Mall on October 3. We were able to retain our Bunny Breakfast sponsors and add new backers. Due to ongoing Covid restrictions, we decided to offer curbside pickup in addition to inside dining, and it worked well. We served more than 230 people and were able to donate the unused food.

Our club donated a lion drinking fountain to the Chris Davidson Opportunity Park which was dedicated on October 3.

We have also made our yearly scholarship donations to Midland College and have continued to donate to several charities.

We are again sponsoring four Peace Poster Contests at Midland Schools, although we are being required to work around visitation limitations at some schools

Two of our members have been devoting 3 hours per week (most weeks) at TLERC to help with sorting and shipping of used eyeglasses.

Finally, and very importantly, we have added two new members, including one who joined at our October 22 meeting.

Don Eckerty
 Secretary
 Midland Northside Lions Club

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Big Spring Centennial Lions Club

Big Spring Centennial Lions have been busy!

We did the Forsan Elementary School Vision Screen.

In progress the Peace Poster Contest.

Went to San Angelo to Eye Recycle Center dropped off glasses and got to help do some sorting, along with the possibility of getting a 3 wheel bike for a needy person in our area.

Set out new collection boxes for used glasses.

Have concerted several ways to do things to get around covid 19 like Vision For Vision Drive Thru which would be sort of cleaning the outside windows of cars wiping down the lights and as added feature make sure all lights are working and wiper blades look good all the while the person sits in car and then at the end of the line maybe donate to our Club.

Our Club has been even going to other clubs to see what they been doing as in Coahoma and San Angelo and were welcomed by them both and we learned a lot.

We do have a few more pokers in the fire also.

Yes we meet 2nd and 4th Thursday @630 Please Check out our Facebook (Group Page) Big Spring Centennial Lions! We are always willing to help other clubs as We Serve!

David Stives President Big Spring Centennial Lions

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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 2020-2021

500%

250%

Midland West Side Lions Club (11/30/20)

200%

Midland Northside Lions Club (11/30/20)

100%

Concho Pearl Lions Club (08/13/20)

Junction Lions Club (09/08/20)

Kingsland Lions Club (11/23/20)

Midland Tall City Lions Club (08/26/20)

San Angelo North by Northwest (08/13/20)

San Angelo Downtown (11/30/20)

For only \$24.00 per member your Club can
be a 100% Club



District 2-A1 Newsletter and Website Sponsors

The District needs your support for 2020-2021.

Please help support the District Governor Team, District 2-A1, and a chance to give your club some exposure by advertising in the 2020-2021 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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“Serving God’s Special Children” Lions Camp Face Masks

Special for 2020-2021

All profits will go to the Texas Lions Camp

Mask sales will end on November 6th. All orders received in the mail or given to me at the Council meeting in Kerrville will be filled as soon as possible. Orders after that date will sadly be returned to sender.

_____ Quantity ----- (\$10 + \$1.00 Mailing = \$11 each) Total Purchase: \$ _____

Make Checks out to Tom Blase, NOT to Texas Lions Camp

Purchaser Name (Please Print): _____

Mailing Address Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____ email: _____

Mail Order form to: PCC Tom Blase, 40 Antelope Trail, Kerrville, Tx 78028

There are literally millions of specialty masks being made, therefore, due to a shortage of material manufacturers have not been able to provide masks to the suppliers on a regular basis. As a result my mask printer has to get masks as they become available. **I have been able to supply most requests within 2-3 weeks, however, please understand you order may take 4-5 weeks or longer to fill.** My phone is 325-315-7060 (email is tomblasesr@gmail.com), if you need to contact me.





In February Texas Lions launched the biggest project at TLC since the inception of the camp – **CAMPaign Vision 2020 & Beyond**, a campaign to replace our bunkhouses, care-taker (summer staff) quarters, and basic infrastructure. This is sorely needed if our camp is going to be relative for another 70 years..... AND to kick things off, the Texas Lions Camp was selected by the **Mo Ranch** in Hunt, TX to be the beneficiary of the 28th **Polar Bear Challenge** on January 1, 2021 at 1PM. We hope you will use this honor given to our camp to help kick off **CAMPaign Vision 2020 & Beyond** with a **BIG Splash!** All the money raised will go to this **capital building campaign**.

We likely won't get chosen for this honor again for many years, but it gives us a perfect opportunity to get all our Texas Lions & friends thinking about our new "vision" for TLC's future....but to make matters more critical, the spring storms of 2020, destroyed bunkhouse 2, and severely damaged bunkhouse 1, plus summer staff quarters & some other buildings. It has become imperative to start our rebuilding sooner than later, if we want to continue to serve 1500 special kids each summer. Because of the pandemic, however, our Campaign has been virtually shut down so far, making the **Polar Bear Challenge** a timely opportunity to kick off the campaign.

So how does the Polar Bear Plunge Challenge work? Simple: you donate and/or raise money from family, friends, Lions, Lions Clubs and patrons in the name of someone, whom you would really **LOVE** to see – hopefully **ME** (PCC Tom Blase) take a freezing plunge down a long slide into the extremely frigid Guadalupe River next January 1st. Generally, you might pick one of the Polar Bear Plunge "Court", of which I am a member, to support; but maybe there is a District Governor, Club President or some other poor Lion you might coerce into taking the plunge. If you will go to www.lionscamp.com, click on Media, and then Blog, you will find all of the members of the court on page 2 or 3 of the blogs. You will also find other important information about the Challenge on other blogs nearby.

All checks should be made out to Texas Lions Camp. Generally the checks should be mailed to the **Texas Lions Camp (P.O. Box 290247, Kerrville TX 79029)**, however some District Governors have some special competitions and challenges going, so they prefer you send them through the District. Make sure your checks indicate which Court member you are supporting to make the **BIG splash**, and your District number.

You can also donate on line at www.lionscamp.com. Click on the big red box **DONATE NOW**, and follow the prompts down the page. When you get to "Donation Categories", select Polar Bear Plunge Challenge, and a little further down, when it asks if you are a Polar Bear Challenge donor, open it for the names of the Court members to credit the donation.

Anyone is welcome to come and watch on January 1st or better yet, anyone can take the plunge by raising their own funds (or paying \$25). Those brave souls, who wish to do this, can register to make the slide on the camp website. This form should be available soon on our website. On January 1 after the slide, we're planning on an "After Party" at the camp. If you have questions call, text or email anytime: **Tom Blase 325-315-7060** (tomblasesr@gmail.com)

Help us start our **CAMPaign**.....with a **BIG Splash!**