





PAW PRINTS of 2-S2

Thoughts from your District Governor

OK, listen up because this is important! We are about to have our yearly District Lions Convention on April 19th and 20th. Why is it so important???? We get to vote on some really important stuff. Would you like to have a reduction in dues??? Well, come and vote on it. Would you like to have a brand new state constitution? Well, come and vote on it. Would you like to have another Texan as President of Lions Clubs International? Well, come and vote on it. Got the picture???? Come and VOTE!

Please folks, have a meeting with your club and select your club's voting delegates. As you probably know, your club gets one voting delegate for each ten members that have served at least a year and a day. All PDG's are voting delegates also. Make SURE that those selected intend to come and vote. Contact PDG Ron Landers and let him know the names of your delegates and be sure to select alternates just in case something happens and the delegate is unable to vote. This year's voting is really important. We need to get as many votes as we have to indorse PID Mike Butler for International President. It looks like we have about 180 total votes in our district and we need to be sure PID Mike gets every one of them. As an added lure to get you there and vote, we will give a \$250 reward to four voters. So you will have a one out of 45 chance to win!!! That's much better odds than Publishers Clearing House gives!!!! Each voter will put his number in a hat and we will have a drawing at the Governor's Banquet...(you must be present to win).

AND:

I think you will have fun just by being there! Lions Betty Ezell and Ralph Reed have done a bang-up job in organizing the event. Our District Negotiator (Lion Judy Champion) has taken much of the financial burden off. Just look at the costs of the rooms and the low costs for all meals! I believe this convention will cost you less than any that I have ever attended.

AND:

There will be entertainment! On Friday night you can attend a Magic Show! On Saturday you might even be entertained by your District Governor singing.... That is if he can find someone to accompany him.

AND

Don't forget the Past District Governor's Distinguished Service Award. This year there will be five honorees. Be sure to be there noon Saturday.

PS: have you asked someone to become a Lion today?

Paul Eads, District Governor 2012-2013





CALENDER OF EVENTS

April 3 Presidents & Secretaries Council Meeting

April 15 District Youth Contest April 19-20 District Convention,

Crowne Plaza Brookhollow

May 3 Presidents & Secretaries Council Meeting

May 11 Aeros & Autos

Official Newsletter of Lions Clubs International District 2-S2

APRIL www.lions2s2.org 2013

PS: I just got data from our Texas LIONS Camp that says we are WAY behind on our 100% contributions. As a matter of fact, we still owe \$14,710.60!!! Our district has ALWAYS been 100% every year. Don't spoil our record... PLEASE check with your treasurer and make sure your 100% contribution has been paid. If you are unsure, contact either me or Lion Betty Ezell and we will let you know if your name is on the list.

Texas Lions Camp Summer 2013

Mark your calendars! Summer Camp Schedule for 2013:

Regular Sessions

Session 1: June 9 - 15: Children with Physical Disabilities

Session 2: June 16 - 22: Children with Physical Disabilities

Session 3: June 23 -29: Children with Physical Disabilities

Session 4: June 30 - July 6: Children with Physical Disabilities

Session 5: July 7- July 13: Children with Physical Disabilities

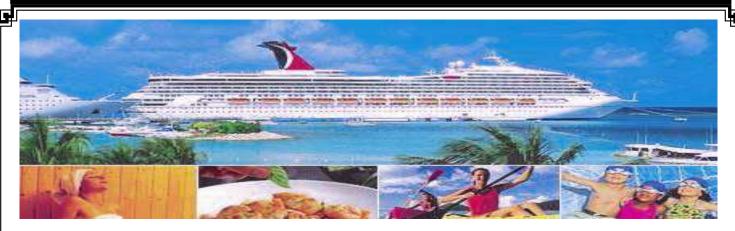


Specialty Camps

Session 6: July 14th – 20th: Texas Burn Survivors Society's Camp David, and Children with Down syndrome Session 7: July 21st – 27th: American Cancer Society's Camp Discovery

Camps for Type 1 Diabetes

Session 8: July 28th – Aug. 3rd : Children with Type 1 Diabetes Session 9: Aug 4th – Aug. 10th : Children with Type 1 Diabetes



The MD-2 Council of Governors for 2013-14 invite you to attend the greatest State Convention on record aboard a Carnival cruise ship on May 15-19, 2014. Hosted by District 2-S4, the ship will depart from Galveston on Thursday after-noon at 4:00 p.m. and return to port on Monday morning at 8:00 a.m. stated PDG Lewis Gardner, Council Chairman for 2013-14.

This is going to be a family oriented convention with many seminars available for the regular Lion, according to DGE Ron Martin, Convention Chairman. This convention will be different in that there will be no meal functions, according to Gardner. Most of the general sessions will be held in the mornings, with the afternoons devoted to family activities and fun. Professional entertainment will be available each night. There will be no Lions activities on the day we will be in port, added Martin. This will be a four night, 11 meal (24 hour buffet) cruise. Bring the kids, grand-kids, friends, fellow Lions. The more the better.

For more detailed information and cabin deposit forms, go to http://www.md-2texaslionssta tecruiseconvention2014.com/. Carnival has opened all of 2013 for reservations at this time and it is estimated within the next 6 weeks they will open the first half of 2014. At that time, we will compete with the world for space. Get your cabin deposit in SOON. We don't want you hanging on the side of the ship.

Come and be a part of this great event. If you don't cruise, you lose.

WE CAN DO IT

WELL GUESS WHAT IS COMING UP - - YOU'RE RIGHT - - THE DISTRICT CONVENTION AT CAMP STRAKE----OH NO, THAT'S WRONG!!! I KNOW, IT'S AT LION BETTY'S HOUSE----NO, THAT'S WRONG TOO!!! ACTUALLY IT'S REALLY AT THE CROWNE PLAZA HOTEL ON HWY 290. IT IS THE SAME DATE, APRIL 19^{TH} & 20^{TH} OF APRIL. BETTY AND HER CREW HAVE GOTTEN THE CHEAPEST PRICES OF ANY CONVENTION THAT I CAN REMEMBER. WAY TO GO CREW!!!

THIS IS ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT CONVENTIONS WE HAVE HAD. THERE ARE 2 REASONS:

- 1. A CHANGE IN THE CONSTITUTION NEEDS TO BE VOTED ON, THIS IS AN IMPORTANT CHANGE
- 2. WE HAVE A GREAT LION WHO WISHES TO BE INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT. HIS NAME IS PID MIKE BUTLER. IF YOU LOOK IN THE DICTIONARY UNDER "SERVE" "BANG", THERE HE IS. WE NEED A VERY STRONG SHOWING TO PUT THIS TEXAN IN OFFICE. WE NEED EVERY VOTE FOR MIKE THAT THE STATE CAN MUSTER

OH YEAH, BY THE WAY, I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR VOTE "AT LEAST ONE" TO BE YOUR DISTRICT GOVERNOR NEXT YEAR.

AS A SIDE NOTE TO ALL CLUB PRESIDENTS AND PROGRAM CHAIRS; THE TEXAS LIONS CAMP DIRECTOR, HOUSTON LIGHTHOUSE FOR THE BLIND, HUMANITARIAN RELIEF FUND CHAIR, EYE BANK OF TEXAS CHAIR, ARE DYING TO GIVE YOUR CLUB A PROGRAM. **CALL THEM**, YOU CAN'T MOVE FORWARD TILL YOU START YOUR ENGINES – BROOOM, BROOOM!!!!

AND - - If you joined just to have a place to have lunch or dinner once in awhile, OH WELL, all you'll get out of being a Lion is lunch or dinner







First Vice District Governor Eddie Risha

LIONS DISTRICT 2-S2 2013-2014 Announced Candidates

2013-2014 District Governor	Eddie Risha	Conroe Noon Lions Club	*
2013-2014 First Vice District Governor	Chris Moorman	Liberty Lions Club	*
2013-2014 Second Vice District Governor	Noah Speer	Huntsville Lions Club	
2013-2015 Director Texas Lions Camp	Ron Chene	Tomball Lions Club	*
2013-2015 Director Lions Eye Bank of Texas	Betty Ezell	Houston Spring Branch	*
2013-2015 Director Lighthouse of Houston	George Shackelford	Tomball Lions Club	*
2013-2016 Director Humanitarian Relief Fund	Betty Williamson	Dayton Noon Lions Club	*

District Ballot: Proposed changes to District Consitution

State Ballot: Proposed New State Consitution

Endorsment of PID Mike Butler - Second Vice President LCI

* HAS ANNOUNCED RESOLUTION AT PSC OR CABINET MEETING, PER DISTRICT CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

Thought's from the Second Vice District Governor:

In February, I was able to attend the Advanced Lions Leadership Institute in Chicago. This Institute focuses on building the skills of Lions leaders to prepare them for leadership responsibilities at zone, region and district levels. It was a four day course, from Friday through Monday. The courses and instructors were very good, but another benefit of the course was meeting fellow Lions from around the US and Canada and being able to trade ideas with them. It was a great learning experience and I'd recommend attending if the opportunity ever comes up. There is another institute that is offered as well. The Emerging Lions Leadership Institute focuses on building the skills of Lion members for leadership opportunities at the club level.

To qualify for the Emerging Lions Leadership Institute, candidates must be Lions in good standing who have successfully served on a club committee and who have not yet attained the level of club president. They also "must be willing to commit to every day of the institute". There are some homework assignments that will be assigned before you get to the institute, but nothing you won't be able to handle. The cost of the Institute includes three nights in a hotel and meals and is only \$95. This is a great deal and hopefully your club can budget \$95 and perhaps some transportation cost for a vice president to attend.

The date for the next Emerging Lions Leadership Institute has not been set yet. When it is, it will be published at http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/member-center/leadership-development-programs/emerging-leadership/index.php. More information about the Institute can be also be found at this website. Hopefully someone in your club will be able to attend.





Second Vice District Governor Chris Moorman

PSC Meeting

Presidents and Secretaries Council Meeting APRIL 3, 2013
Come early to eat, Meeting starts at 7:00 pm

CHINA BEAR RESTAURANT Located at 15000 I-45 North On the northbound feeder road.







Resolution Of Candidacy Support

Whereas: Lion Noah Speer is an outstanding member of the Huntsville Lions Club having joined in 1981, having been in continuous service since 1981, **and**

Whereas: Lion Noah Speer has served the Huntsville Lions Club faithfully in many capacities, including two terms as President, five terms as Secretary, and 10 years as a Director, and

Whereas: Lion Noah Speer has served Lions District 2-S2 as Elected Director of the Texas Lions Camp, Bookkeeper for District 2-S2, and is currently serving as Zone Chairman, and

Whereas: Lion Noah Speer has also served his community as President of the Christian Construction Team, Masonic Grand Lodge Community Builder Award, and BSA Scoutmaster of the Year, **and**

Whereas: Lion Noah Speer is a Jack Weich Fellow, a Member of the TLC Century Club, has received the President's Award for service to the Huntsville Lions club, and is a recipient of the Past District Governor's Distinguished Achievement Award, **and**

Whereas: Lion Noah Speer wishes to further serve Lions District 2-S2 in the capacity of Second Vice District Governor for Lions Year 2013-2014

Now Therefore be it Resolved that: We the members of the Huntsville Lions Club do heartily and enthusiastically endorse and support the candidacy of Lion Noah Speer.

James Willett

Justin Ward

President

Vice President

March 14th, 2013

DISTRICT 2-S2 2013 CONVENTION PROGRAM BOOKLET

To help defray the cost of the District Convention we sell advertising in the Program Booklet. The Convention Fund is low, the meal and hotel cost are going up each year. Last year we sold just over \$5000 and we need to increase that amount this year to \$6000.

Clubs are asked to do two things to help us meet this level of ad sales.

- Appoint an Ad Sales Chairman for your club and sell ads for the Convention Program Booklet. You can sell ads to members, neighbors, co-workers, business acquaintances, Lions, Non-Lions, campaign for district candidates. Anything that is legal...
- Each club is asked to sell or buy at lest one full page ad

Ad Sizes and Cost:

Full page: \$100. Half page: \$75. Quarter page: \$50

Last inside page \$125. – Already reserved - First Vice District Governor Candidant

Inside front cover: \$150. – Already reserved - District Governor Candidant

Inside back cover: \$150. – Already reserved - Second Vice District Governor Candidant

Outside back cover: \$200. – Already reserved

Send ad copy to:

PDG Ronald Landers 2015 Crestdale Houston, Texas 77080-5303 rglanders@comcast.net by April 1, 2013





Hello everyone,

In order to create 8 new clubs in our district, we will need to have a group of dedicated individuals to canvas the various areas.

I am also offering help to any club in our district that wants to have a membership drive. I visualize that help being assistance in canvasing their area for new members.

No one will work alone. Our team members will work in pairs... one carrying notepad and applications and the other doing most of the talking.

I know this works because this was done to create the Crosby, Nasa and La Porte clubs.

I know not everyone will be able to assist each time, so I am asking that a pool of individuals be made available that we can call on for each project.

As is stands now, we have three clubs that need us.... the Oak Forest Club, the

Montgomery Club and the Riverside Club. All need a membership drive.

For you to be a member of the "Pool", just send me an email with a "yes" reply. I thank each an everyone of you for your service.

District Governor Paul Eads, <u>paul-eads@comcast.net</u> or call me 713-861-8733





The 95th Annual District 2-S2 Convention - 2013

Surprise! Change Happens!



The Ultimate Package Price	No @ \$80.00 each Amount \$
INDIVIDUAL TICKETS:	
Friday, April 19, 2013	
Surprise Friday Night Do	No @ \$35.00 each Amount \$
Saturday, April 20, 2013 (No tickets for Saturday even	ents will be sold after Wednesday, April 12th.)
Eye-Opener Breakfast PDG Awards Luncheon Governor's Banquet	No@ \$25.00 each Amount \$ No@ \$35.00 each Amount \$ No@ \$45.00 each Amount \$ Total Enclosed \$
If not	Vegetarian: Yes [] or No [] Diabetic: Yes [] or No [] checked it will be assumed it is No Dietary Needs
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	Phone:
	ck or money order payable to Lions District 2-S2 to:
Lion Betty Ezell 7627 Allegro Drive, Houston, 7 Phone: 713-849-0490	ΓX 77040
Pick up books and tickets at the reg	sistration desk at the convention.
Freeway, Houston, TX	own Plaza Hotel, 12802 Northwest 77040. Phone: 712-462-9977 (identify of Lions of District 2S2)

**** If you have special registration requests, or you are not sure what to pay, email Lion Betty at bez1texan@sbcglobal.net or Lion Ralph at rreed1049@earthlink.net



10 THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT DISTRICT 2-S2 2012-2013 CONVENTION

The Date April 19-20, 2013

YES, the location has been changed.

Plan to attend at the **Crowne Plaza**, 12801 Northwest Freeway.

The District and your Convention Committee are always attempting to save you money. Hotel room rates are **seventy-nine dollars (\$79.)** Quite a bargain.

Speaking of bargains, Hospitality Rooms covering all functions to the Convention are only **eighty dollar (\$80.).** This is less than the cost has been a years! **WHAT A BARGAIN.**

Convention will begin on FRIDAY NIGHT.

You will entertained and dazzled by MAGIC BY MAGIC PARTY.

This entertainer has been voted the #1 Corporate Entertainer in Houston.



Someone will win the cost of their dinner. Someone will win a free hotel night stay. (Conditions apply)

The **PAST DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD LUNCHEON** has been reunited with the Convention. Plan to come to lunch and help honor those Lions being recognized this year.

There will **HOSPITALITY ROOMS** at the hotel.

Voting is very important this year.

Be a part of decisions about your District and Lionism. We will be electing our officers, directors, our leaders for the coming year. We will be voting on amendments. We have a TEXAN, PID Mike Butler, running for 2nd Vice President of Lions International. **ALL delegates** need to vote to show our support.

MORE DOOR PRIZE DRAWINGS will take place at the DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S BANQUET. All voting delegates will be entered into a drawing for some high dollar gift cards in a drawing at the banquet Saturday night. (conditions apply).

AND, lastly, we all know that we Lions like to wait until the last minute to register for functions. Well, the last minute is here. **TIME IS SHORT.** Make your hotel reservations and register for the Convention **NOW**. **You do not want to be the one hearing about what a great time the rest of us had!**



Proposed Constitutional Amendments - 2013 District 2-S2 Convention On-line PDF copy of Proposed Amendments

Proposal 1

ARTICLE VII - DISTRICT ORGANIZATION, Section 3 (e) (4) provides for a limit of the number of terms a

District may serve as follows:

(4) The District Governor shall, by the time he/she takes office, appoint a District Cabinet Secretary and a Cabinet Treasurer. The District Cabinet Treasurer shall serve no more than two successive terms.

It is proposed the wording be changed in ARTICLE VII Section 3 (a) changed as follows:

(4) The District Governor shall, by the time he/she takes office, appoint a District Cabinet Secretary and a Cabinet Treasurer. The District Cabinet Treasurer shall serve no more than two successive consecutive terms.

Proposal 2

ARTICLE X – REVENUE, Section 2 (a) (page 23) of the District 2-S2 Constitution provides a per capita tax for a District Administrative Fund as follows:

Section 2. District Administrative Fund

(a) Provision and Amount

To provide a District Administrative Fund, a semi-annual per capita tax in the amount of \$10.50 annually (\$5.25 semi-annually) shall be levied on each member thereof. Said tax shall be remitted by each club in the District to the Cabinet Treasurer as hereinafter provided.

It is proposed the District Admin dues be reduced with ARTICLE X Section 2 (a) changed as follows:

Section 2. District Administrative Fund

(a) Provision and Amount

To provide a District Administrative Fund, a semi-annual per capita tax in the amount of \$10.50 \$8.00 annually (\$5.25 \$4.00 semi-annually) shall be levied on each member thereof. Said tax shall be remitted by each club in the District to the Cabinet Treasurer as hereinafter provided.

Proposal 3

ARTICLE X - REVENUE Section 4 (a) (page 24) of the District 2-S2 Constitution provides for a per capita tax to fund a "State Convention Fund" for the MD-2 State Convention that is held in the district ever sixteen years as follows:

Section 4. State Convention Fund

(a) Provision and Amount

To provide a State Convention Fund, a semi-annual per capita tax in the amount of \$0.50 annually (\$0.25 semi-annually), shall be levied on each member thereof. Said tax shall be remitted by each club in the District to the Cabinet Treasurer as hereinafter provided.

It is proposed ARTICLE X Section 8 be eliminated in its entirety.

Section 4. State Convention Fund

(a) Provision and Amount

To provide a State Convention Fund, a semi-annual per capita tax in the amount of \$0.50 annually (\$0.25 semi-annually), shall be levied on each member-thereof. Said tax shall be remitted by each club in the District to the Cabinet Treasurer as hereinafter provided.

Proposal 4

ARTICLE X - REVENUE Section 4 (b) (page 24) of the District 2-S2 Constitution provides for retention of the State Convention Fund as follows:

(b) Retention of Funds

These funds are to be retained from year to year for the purpose of hosting the State Convention. The State Convention Chairman shall submit a budget, for approval, at the first Cabinet Meeting of the Lions year in which the State Convention is to be held. All surplus funds are to be retained and expended for future State Conventions only, unless so released by 2/3 (two-thirds) of the Cabinet.

It is proposed ARTICLE X Section 4 (b) be changed as follows:

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These funds are to be retained from year to year for the purpose of hosting the State Convention. The State Convention Chairman shall submit a budget, for approval, at the first Cabinet Meeting of the Lions year in which the State Convention is to be held. All surplus funds are to be retained and expended for future State Conventions only, unless so released by 2/3 (two-thirds) of the Cabinet ***INSERT TEXT *** to only be returned to the current Lions Clubs on a pro-rata basis according to the last Monthly Membership Report (MMR) on record with Lions Clubs International *** STOP INSERT TEXT ***.

Proposal 5

ARTICLE X - REVENUE Section 8 (a) (page 27) of the District 2-S2 Constitution provides for a per capita tax to fund a "Public Awareness Fund" as follows:

Section 8. Promote District 2-S2 Public Awareness Fund

(a) Provision and Amount

To provide a Promote District 2-S2 Public Awareness Fund, a semi-annual per capita tax in the amount of \$2.00 annually (\$1.00 semi-annually), shall be levied on each member thereof. Said tax shall be remitted by each club in the District to the Cabinet Treasurer as hereinafter provided.

It is proposed ARTICLE X Section 8 be eliminated in its entirety.

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Section 8. Promote District 2-S2 Public Awareness Fund

(a) Provision and Amount

To provide a Promote District 2-S2 Public Awareness Fund, a semi-annual per capita tax in the amount of \$2.00 annually (\$1.00 semi-annually), shall be levied on each member thereof. Said tax shall be remitted by each club in the District to the Cabinet Treasurer as hereinafter provided.

Proposal 6

ARTICLE X - REVENUE Section 9 (page 27) provides for a student per capita tax rate as follows:

Section 9 - Student per Capita Tax

For student membership programs as adopted by the International Board of Directors, eligible student members shall pay a semiannual per capita tax equal to one-half (1/2) of the total amount of dues as provided in Sections 2(a), 3(a), 4(a) and 8(a) above.

It is proposed ARTICLE X Section 9 be changed as follows:

Section 9 – Student per Capita Tax For student membership programs as adopted by the International Board of Directors, eligible student members shall pay a semiannual per capita tax equal to one-half (1/2) of the total amount of dues as provided in Sections 2(a), $\frac{3}{4}$, $\frac{4}{4}$, $\frac{3}{4}$, $\frac{4}{4}$, $\frac{3}{4}$, $\frac{4}{4}$, $\frac{3}{4}$,

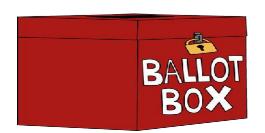
Lions District 2-S2 2013

Delegate Cetification Form

The Following From	Lions Club plan to
attend the 2012 - 2013 District 2-S2 Convention	at the Crowne Plaza Brookhollow on
April 19-20, 2013. Please type or print names; make sure they are le	agible
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Delegates: Each Lions Club is entitled to one de or major fraction thereof. The District Governor, Governors who are members of Lions Clubs, in addition to the club's other delegates.	•
Delegates	PDGs & PIDs
Alternat	te Delegates
	
	must not owe more then \$50. national, or District 2-S2.
	be paid to date.
Request for certification of delegates and alternate	tes:
1	(Signature of Club President or Club Secretary)
DI FASE: Mail the completed and sign	ad form NO later than Eriday April 15, 2013

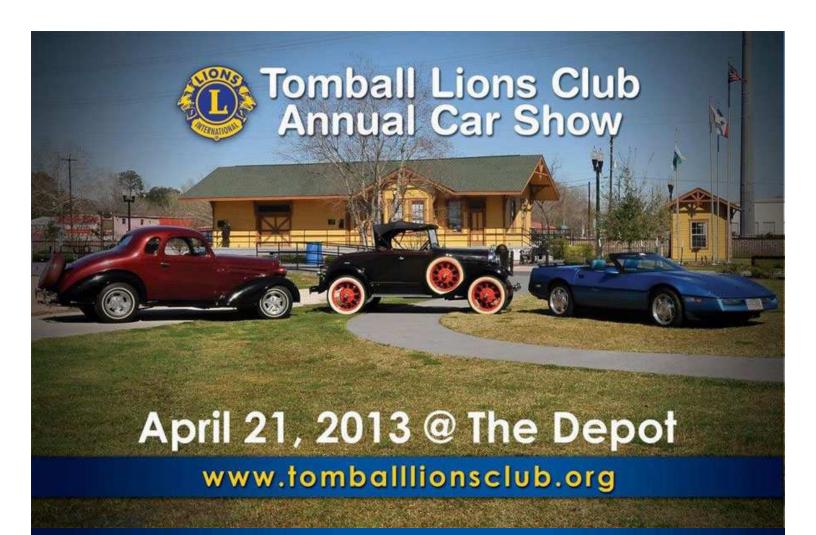
PLEASE: Mail the completed and signed form NO later than Friday. April 15, 2013.

Mail to:



PDG Ronald G. Landers 2015 Crestdale Houston, TX 77080-5303 rglanders@comcast.net 281-520-9195





Benefiting Texas Lions Camp and Lions Charities



\$25 Entry Fee

- Free to public
- Free parking
- Jimmie Vaughan's
 54 Ford Victoria



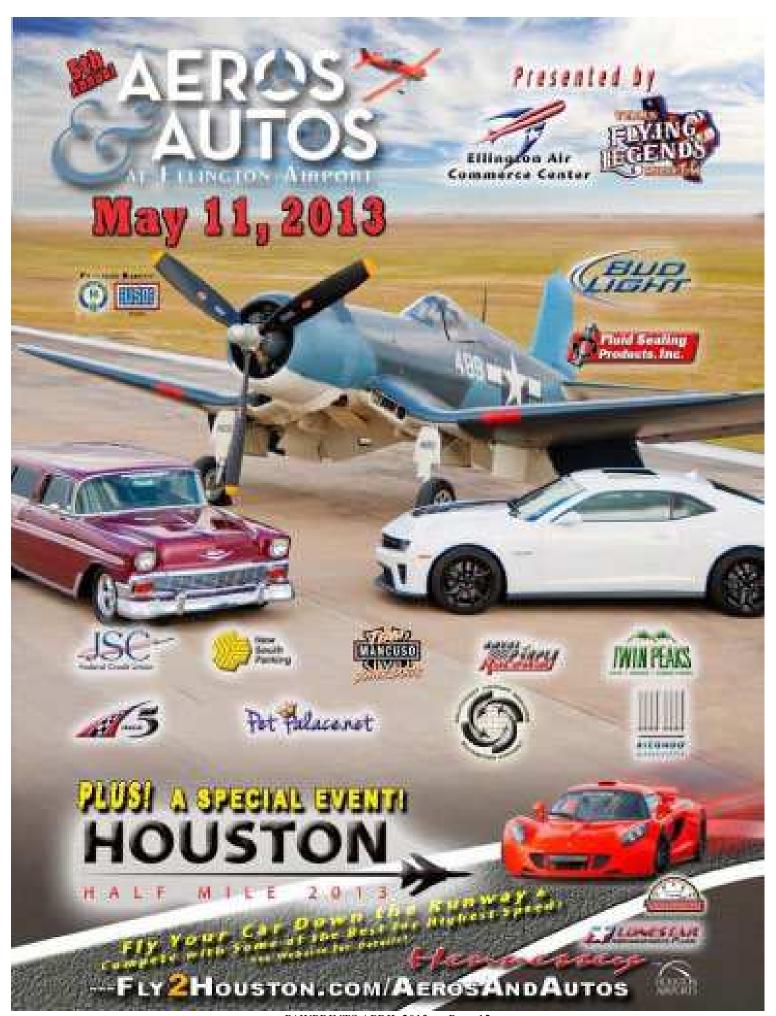
- BBQ, Music, Beverages
- Rain Date: 4/28/2013

Registration entrance on Walnut (enter off Main)



Vehicle registration time 8AM-12:30PM

All Years, Makes & Models Welcome For More Info: Tim Fowler 281-351-3029 timf@tomballford.com www.tomballlionsclub.org



Texas Lions Camp Transportation District 2-S2

Dear Fellow Lions,

The purpose of Camp Transportation is to provide free transportation for parents of children who cannot drive their kids to the camp. Because of this service provided by District 2-S2, we have many more campers from the Houston area than we would have otherwise.

Leaving from Memorial City Shopping Center on Sunday mornings, the children are transported to the camp in Kerrville by top-of-the-line buses. The following Saturdays, the children are picked up by the bus and returned to Houston. Lion volunteers from all over the district ride the buses to monitor and assist the children. It is a wonderful experience to ride the buses and connect with Lions Camp campers. You will meet some very excellent young kids.

How Can You Help

1) **Spread the word.** You can tell any parents of children attending the camp that transportation is avaiable to them. Here are the dates:

Session 3

Sunday, June 23rd – Children check in starting at 8:00 AM. The bus leaves at 9:00 AM. Saturday, June 29th – Bus leaves at 5:00 AM and returns the children at 3:00 PM(ish).

Session 4

Sunday, June 30th – Children check in starting at 8:00 AM. The bus leaves at 9:00 AM. Saturday, July 6th – Bus leaves at 5:00 AM and returns the children at 3:00 PM(ish).

Session 5

Sunday, July 7th – Children check in starting at 8:00 AM. The bus leaves at 9:00 AM. Saturday, July 13th – Bus leaves at 5:00 AM and returns the children at 3:00 PM(ish).

- 2) You can help fund the bus transportation. The cost to the district is approximately \$10,000 for the six trips. Several clubs in our district are very generous with their contributions. There are a number of Lions who also donate as individuals. Please consider donating to the camper transportation fund. You can do this in two ways: A) give at the PSC or Cabinet Meetings during the "Parade of Checks." B) You can send a check, made out to District 2-S2 (noting that it is for "Camper Transportation"), to: Ralph Reed, 705 Main St. Unit 315, Houston, TX 77002.
- 3) You can volunteer to ride the buses. Please consider riding the camp bus at least once this summer! Saturdays are the best time for two reasons: A) you can sleep all the way to Kerrville and B) the kids are so tired on the return back that they usually sleep all the way back, making it easy duty. Sundays are also nice, however there are a few more duties involved like checking in kids and wrangling their gear.











The Lions Built the Lions Eye Bank of Texas

As many of you may know, I served as the Director of Business Development at the Lions Eye Bank Texas from 2000 to 2006. While I was there, I learned a lot about the history of the Lions involvement with the development of corneal transplantation in our area. Shortly after joining the staff, I had the opportunity to meet a corneal recipient from the late 1970's. Since corneal transplantation in 2000 had become commonplace with a strong and steady supply of corneas for transplant, the waiting list – at least locally – had become almost nonexistent. Corneal transplantation had become an on-demand procedure. Meeting the recipient provided me with an opportunity to learn a little about his procedure back in 1975.

I was shocked to learn that, despite a severe penetrating corneal injury, the recipient waited over nine months for corneal tissue to become available to his surgeon. He told me that it was quite commonplace back in the early 1970's for someone to wait nine months to a year for a suitable cornea to become available. During his long waiting period, he had to comply with his surgeon's instructions and bathe his injured eye daily in antibiotics to prevent an infection that most certainly would have cost him his sight. As an adult, he was probably more compliant with his doctor's orders than a child would have been. It made me wonder how many "less-compliant" children lost their sight back then while they waited for the cornea to be healed.

Lions to the Rescue

In 1977, local Lions led the effort to petition the State Legislature to enact the "Medical Examiners" law. Under the new law, the medical examiners in the State were empowered to authorize corneal recoveries on the decedents whose bodies came to them for autopsy or inquest. Because of the Lions efforts with the State Legislature, corneal recoveries at the Lions Eye Bank of Texas jumped from about 350 a year to over 2,400 a year by the early 1980's – mostly due to the access to donors at the medical examiners' facilities. This was transformative for corneal transplantation. It enabled the citizens in our communities to virtually eliminate the waiting list. The Lions Eye Bank became a major "exporting" eye bank for other parts of the country.

Exporting Vision to Latin America

Lions and local surgeons made good use of the corneas recovered locally by developing Lions Eye Banks and Lions Vision Centers across Central and South America. At times when local demand was satisfied, corneas were exported to surgeons in Latin America who, before, had no access to donor tissue. The network of clinics enjoyed today by our neighbors to the south are the direct result of the hard work and dedication of the staff of the Lions Eye Bank and the Lions who, in the 1970's had the vision to eliminate the local waiting time for transplantation.

Today's Call to Action as Lions

Even today, the Lions Eye Bank of Texas is leading the charge to insure that a steady supply of donated corneal tissue remains accessible to our citizens in their time of need. Lions are now called upon to support their Lions Eye Banks and help them reach out to our communities and promote the Texas Donor Registry. Through "DonateLife-Texas.org", Texans can sign up to donate any and all organs and tissue. To date, there are only 3.4 million Texans registered to be donors. The Lions' work is not done. We must continue to support the Lions Eye Bank of Texas and help them promote the registry so that our precious supply of corneal tissue does not go away. If you would like me to come visit your Club so you can learn a little more about the history and importance of the Lions Eye Bank of Texas and what your Club can do today to help maintain a supply of corneal tissue, please give me a call. (713) 962-4194.

Mark Roth, Director Lions Eye Bank 2011-2013







Capitalize on Membership

MD-2 Lions State Convention Registration Form

May 30 - June 1, 2013 Hilton Austin Airport Hotel

Name	Position	District
Club	Delegate Yes [] No []	First Time Attendee Yes [] No []
Name	Position	District
Club	Delegate Yes [] No []	First Time Attendee Yes [] No []
Telephone () -	E-Mail	
Address		State Zip
		Cancellations honored until April 30, 2013

Early Bird Registration Registration					
Event and Date	Package Postmarked by January 2, 2013	Postmarked after January 2, 2013	Postmarked after April 15, 2013	Number of Tickets	Total
Thursday May 30, 2013 Welcome to 2013 Convention!		\$20	\$25		
Friday May 31, 2013 Breakfast		\$24	\$25		
Friday May 31, 2013 Hall of Fame Luncheon	Early Bird Package	\$22	\$23		
Friday May 31, 2013 PDG Banquet	Includes all functions.	\$37	\$38		
Saturday June 1, 2013 Texas Lions Foundation Breakfast	Golf not included.	\$24	\$25		
Saturday June 1, 2013 Youth Contest Luncheon		\$22	\$23		
Saturday June 1, 2013 MD-2 Banquet		\$39	\$40		
Registration Fee (Required)		\$20	\$25		
Totals	\$170	\$208	\$224		

Notes: The PDG Banquet is open to all convention attendees. Dress for the PDG Banquet is business attire. MD-2 Banquet dress will be White Dinner Jackets or business attire. Those attendees with special dietary needs, please inform your server at the meal.

Make Checks Payable to: Texas Lions State Convention Mail Payment and Registration to:

Lion Nancy Handrick, District Secretary, 2-S3

303 Willett Buda, TX 78610

Phone: (512) 295-3158

Email: chandrick@austin.rr.com

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Austin-Bergstrom International Airport (AUX)

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Request MD2 Lions rates

Room Rates: \$99 regular, \$102 suites

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MD-2 Texas Lions 2013 State Convention Golf Tournament May 30, 2013,

8:00am Shotgun start, 4-person team scramble

At the beautiful historic LIONS MUNICIPAL GOLF COURSE 2901 Enfield Drive, Austin, TX 78703

Golf Prizes:

1st Place: \$100 Gift Card to each player on team 2nd Place: \$75 Gift Card to each player on team 3rd Place: \$50 Gift Card to each player on team

Prizes for Hole in One, Longest Drive, and Putting Contest

MULLIGANS: \$10 each—unlimited

Entry Fee: \$ 80 per player includes: Lunch, green fees, range balls, gift packet

Registration Deadline: May 17, 2013

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Bob Bullock History Museum and IMAX The	Adult - \$9.00, Student - \$8.00, Senior - \$7.00, Youth - \$6.00		
Lady Bird Johnson Wildlife Center	Adult - \$9.00, Senior - \$7.00		
Barton Creek Mall (shopping)	Free		
Texas School for the Blind	Free		
LBJ Library - New Exhibits	Adult - \$8.00, Seniors - less		
All transportation and entrance fees to be paid by attendees			
Contact Information:			
Name Number of Attendees			
Phone Ema	il		
Lion Doris Treadwell email:			

The Presidential Suite at the Hilton will be open from 9:00 - 11:00am and 2:00 - 4:00pm Friday and Saturday

dtreadwell@austin.rr.com

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Austin, TX 78757

PAWPRINTS of 2-S2

Official newsletter of Lions District 2-S2

All Ads and subscriptions need to be renewed at this time.

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They cost \$100 per ad panel for the year, or \$25 a month.

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ONE ACCORD.
TO DO THY WILL,
LORD MAKE US STRONG.
TO AID THE WEAK AND
RIGHT THE WRONG.



I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands.

One nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all

(Face the Texas flag with your right hand over your heart.)



Honor the Texas flag.
I Pledge Allegiance to thee.
Texas, One State under God.
One and Indivisible.

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PSC Meeting

APRIL 3, 2013

** CHINA BEAR ** 15000 I-45 North

Dinner 6:00 P.M. Meeting 7:00 P.M.

CHINA BEAR RESTAURANT located at 15000 I-45 North On the northbound feeder road

The cost for the buffet is \$13.00 per person, including tax and gratuity.

The food is buffet-style, of Chinese, American and Mexican food.

There are desserts galore and more than one Ice Cream Machine.



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