

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

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We Serve

Thank you to the Lions from across District 2-A1 who attended the Charter celebration for the McCulloch County Lions Club. After meeting some of the members I have no doubt this club will flourish and live up grandly to our motto. Their enthusiasm and excitement to be a big part of serving Brady and the surrounding communities through hands on service is commendable. Welcome McCulloch County Lions to the largest service organization in the world, 1.4 million servants throughout our great nation and the world, Lions Clubs International.

On a different note, at this crisis time for Texas, we see Lions in action. I have been making calls to see where District 2-A1 Lions could best serve in the areas affected by the floods. Lions are there. Both LCIF and TLF are working to provide much needed funds, and our state Alert Team is already in action.

Today and every day, whether welcoming new members or in a crisis, it is always a great day to be a Lion. Acuna Eye Clinic Al Owen 6404 Spy Glass San Angelo, TX Home 325-651-7141 Cell 325-650-2013 azowen@verizon.net

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McCulloch County Lions Club Charter Night



DG John Gammill



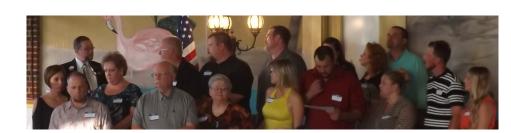
A.J. Dolle



PIP Ebb Grindstaff



Club President Davis Powell







District Meeting Dates

Eden July 17th &18th 2015 (Registration on page 11)

Kingsland October 17th 2015

Midwinter January 22nd & 23rd 2016 San Angelo

Ballinger District Convention April 23rd 2016



San Angelo North By Northwest Lions Club

Supports

District Governor John Gammill

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San Angelo West Side

Lions Club

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District Governor John Gammill

and the 2-A1 Leadership Team

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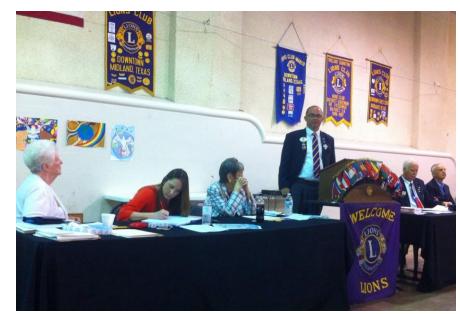
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2-A1 District Convention







CCE Tom Blase and Lion Sherrilyn

Support District Governor John Gammill and the 2-A1 Leadership Team



EVERETT J, "EBB" GRINDSTAFF

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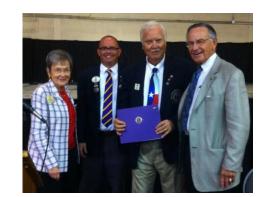
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Thank you to our guest speaker **PID Beverly Stebbins**







The Kingsland Lions Club

50 Years and Growing

Supports

2nd VDG Lion Dave Richson

And the DG Team

PDG Joyce Downie and husband Lion Ron

Support

District 2-A1 Governor John Gammill and his 2013-2014 Cabinet



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2-A1 District Convention Continued









The District 2-A1 Leadership Team



PDG Sam Lindsey Candidate for International Director

Club News



Members of the Concho Pearl Lions Club, San Angelo, gather for a group photo to showcase their donations to Project Dignidad, a local food pantry. These donations were used to fill Easter baskets for needy families.

Thanks to Midland Downtown and Suburban Lions Clubs for sponsoring Jennifer Taylor to go to Belgium on the Lions International Youth Exchange program from July 3 to August 1. Thanks also to Midland West Side for sponsoring Ryan Adams to go to Finland from July 11 to August 12. His parents will meet him in Helsinki and take him on a short vacation to Paris before returning home.

Midland Northside Lions Club is sponsoring Anthony Dragun to go to Germany from July 24 to August 15.

We will be having a meeting on June 10 to plan a program of activities for the three students, Luana, Alessia and Sanni, who will be hosted in Midland. In addition to the hosts and other Lions who regularly help with taking the students around, the Dragun and St. Jacques families have offered to help

DG John Gammill	1st VDG A J Dolle	2nd VDG Dave Richison	Cabinet Secretary Rachel "Randi" Rivaro	Cabinet Treasurer PDG Joyce Downie
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State Convention Coming to 2A1

Every 16 years, District 2A1 gets the opportunity to show off Lionism in District 2A1 by hosting the State Convention. Last time it was held in San Angelo under the capable leadership of then Council Chairperson, John Hancock. This time it will be held in Midland (May 19-21, 2016). <u>That's right 2016</u>!

However, if we want to have a great convention in 2A1, we have to start planning now. One of the goals of next year's Council of Governors is to make this convention even more appealing to the grassroots Lions in Texas. For the last 3 years the Councils have been trying to offer things to attract younger members to see what Texas Lionism is really all about. You'll see what we mean as we unfold our agenda over the next several months.

For now, we are asking for your support as we begin phase 1 of our promotion. As you may know, your own 1st Vice-District Governor, A.J. Dolle, is a newspaper publisher. So in order to promote Midland as the site of our State Convention in May 2016, we plan to publish a full size (minimum) 6 page newspaper to distribute at this year's State Convention, our Council meetings next year, and to deliver throughout the State using our 16 District Governors. It will also be emailed to all clubs and Lions across the State, as well as being posted on the State website.

The newspaper will be full of information about, banquets, entertainment, seminars, special events and guest speakers, as well as, interactive seminars designed to convince grassroots Lions they ought to come see what's going on. The paper will be in color with plenty of pictures of the hotel, convention venue, and other places of interest for visitors.

We are asking for <u>Clubs and/or Lions</u> to buy support ads in the paper, welcoming the rest of Texas Lions to 2A1 in 2016. The business card size ads are \$50 (or any higher amount you wish to donate to help out). Any ads purchased will also appear in a second edition to be printed for the Convention, and also in a special membership newspaper being prepared by next year's Council of Governors. As you can see, your support will help us in many ways. Larger ads (up to a full page) are also available.

The deadline is April 24th, so we have time to print the papers before our Convention in College Station. Please contact Tom Blase (325-315-7060) (<u>tomblasesr@gmail.com</u>) for more information or send orders & checks to 2914 Moss, Midland, Tx 79705. Make checks to 2A1 Lions State Convention.

PDG Tom Blase

MD2 Council Chair Elect

Texas Lions Convention News Advertising

The Lions of District 2A1, who will be hosting the 2016 Lions State Convention in Midland, Texas (May 19-21, 2016), are
preparing the first edition of the State Convention News to announce the event to the Lions of Texas. This newspaper
will be published for distribution at the State Convention in College Station (May 2015). This will be a regular sized
newspaper published with the assistance of the Eden Echo (1 st VDG A. J. Dolle, owner/editor) Advertising rates are
posted below.

In addition this paper will be available to the Council Meeting attendees (Aug. '15, Nov. '15, and Feb. 16). It will be posted on the State website and e-mailed to all 800+ Lions Clubs in the State of Texas in addition to as many of the 25000+ Texas Lions as email addresses are available. Printed copies will be provided to every District Governor to deliver to the Clubs personally. There will be a second edition for Convention attendees, who will include the non-Lion parents & families of our youth contestants, as well as, the families & friends of our Hall of Fame honorees. Your ads should be seen by several thousand readers across the entire State of Texas. Pictures & bio information for all of the contestants and honorees will be in this edition for the families to keep, as well as convention activities & schedules. There is no additional charge to be placed in this edition.

Advertisers in our Convention News will also be placed at no additional charge in our special "re-MEMBER Texas News", a special newspaper that will be part of the 2015-2016 Council of Governors statewide membership plan. This paper will also be delivered to every club, mailed to every club, posted on District & State websites, and emailed to every Lion in Texas with a listed email address. This newspaper should also reach several thousand Lions.

(Cut here and Enclose Completed Form with Check)

Rate Sheet

Business Card Size \$50 (additional donations accepted, size will remain the same)
1/8 Page (5" by 3 column inches using a six column format) \$200
1/4 Page (10.5" by 3 column inches using a six column format) \$350
1/2 Page (10.5" by 6 column inches using a six column format)
Full Page (21" by 6 column inches using a six column format)

Purchase Information

Contact Name (please print):		Entity to be Featured:	
Full Mailing Address:			
Cell Phone:	Other Phone:	Email:	-
Make checks to: Midland State Convention Fund.		Mail to by <u>April 24th, 2015</u> : 2914 Moss, Midland, Texas 79705	
Art work for ads m	ay be emailed to <u>tomblas</u>	esr@email.com – or – Call 325-315-7060 to discuss ad design.	

District 2-A1 Newsletter and Directory Sponsors The District needs your support for 2015-2016

Be A Team Player by showing your support for the District Governor Team Elect and District 2-A1 by advertising in the 2015-2016 District publications.

We need your support as much as ever and July more so.

Please purchase you space as soon as possible by completing this form and sending it with your check to our District Treasurer: PDG Lion Joyce Downie, 115 Churchill Blvd, San Angelo, Texas 76903.

Business Card Size: \$50 Double Business Card Size: \$100 Quadruple Business Card Size: \$150 Name (if a Club also give the contact name): Address: Email address: Phone #'s:

Text/logos, etc. on ad: (or, if you would like, include a copy of your card/ add, as you would like it to appear)

GOVERNOR'S REPORT AND AGENDA FOR THE YEAR

1ST CABINET MEETING JULY 18TH

2015 Location Eden, Texas July 17th Welcome and Bingo and dominoes at VFW Hall 7 PM Cabinet meeting starts at 9:30 in the Multi Purpose Center (off the square) Guest Speaker PID Mike Butler

October 17th Kingsland, Tx more details will follow

January 22n/23rd Mid-Winter San Angelo Details to follow

District Convention April 23rd Ballinger, TX details to follow

1st Cabinet Meeting in Eden:

Where you will be meeting, the night of the 17th we will have a mixer and bingo game at the VFW hall starting at 7 PM. The actual meeting on the 18th is right across the street (behind the big Oak tree in the picture) the Multi Purpose Center. Where you can stay for the night is the Slumber Inn located on Highway 87 West (as you enter town from San Angelo) it is at the City Limits) PID MIKE BUTLER WILL BE THE KEYNOTE SPEAKER, The theme is Leadership



Concho County Lions welcome you to join us at first Cabinet Meeting July 17th and 18th in Eden Pictured above Your Governor A J Dolle, Scott Spoonts Justice of the Peace and Lion, Michael Conaway, U S Representative at recent town hall, Eddy Markham Mayor of Eden and Lion, Mark Jones, President of the Eden State Bank and Lion, Dwain Psencik Attorney and Lion's Treasurer



Just off the Square in Eden behind the 3 Flags at Memorial Park are the Multi Purpose Center and the VFW hall where all the meetings will take place.

What will be served for meals: Night of the 17th assorted Pizza ordered fresh as you like it, tea and coffee, Jack and Jill Donuts of Eden will deliver tasty kolaces and doughnuts in the moming and of course plenty of coffee and juice. Lunch will be served at 12:30 by award winning Smokey Joe's Bar-B-Q of Rowena, Texas. The meal will consist of Brisket, Sausage, Potato Salad, Beans, Bread, all the trimmings and Iced Tea



SMOKEY JOE'S FAMILY OF CATERERS (From the Ballinger News) bottom row left to right: Aaron, Kyandra, middle left to right: Sienna, Chris, Joe & Jessica Top row: JJ

RESERVATIONS AND COSTS

RSVP TO Joyce Downie <joyced2@suddenlink.net> WE NEED A COUNT BY THE 1ST OF JULX, DON'T DELAY. YOU MAY SEND CHECKS ALONG WITH RSVP TO JOYCE AT Joyce Downie 115 Churchill Blvd.

San Angelo, TX 76903

The cost for the event is \$30 pre-registered and \$35 at door, be sure to let Joyce know if you are coming Friday night or just for the Saturday meeting. Reservation sheet follows

From Your Governor Elect:

Lion of the A1 District we are going to have a great year, I can sense it and feel it from my contact with you.

What a start the McCulloch County Club is Chartering this week with at least 27 members, and it is going to be a dynamic club, there are several family members and it has a mixed age group of very enthusiastic people of all walks of life in it.

Our GMT team has it's sights on Brownwood next and with what we have learned in Brady it too will be a great achievement. Let us not forget our own club, remember to just as one as President Joe Preston is pushing for us to do. You will be suprised if you simply do this. I personally have added 3 new members to our club and Scott Spoonts has as well, that is 6 new members because we ask one on one.

Looking forward to what I know will be a plus year for our District and a fun and exciting ride.

\$30 I am from the

Lion A. J. Dolle



Governor 2A1 2015-2016 A. J. Dolle

Lions Club

 1st Cabinet Meeting in Eden Registration
 I plan to attend the meeting

 I vill be bringing ____Guest I plan on staying overnight I

 Mail check to Tracurrer Low

I will be bringing ____Guest at \$30 each ____ I plan on staying overnight I will make my own reservation Slumber Inn (325)869-5560 Mail check to Treasurer Joyce Downie at 115 Churchill Blvd.

115 Churchill Blvd. San Angelo, TX 76903

Make checks payable to District 2A1Total owed \$_____

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