

Lions in Service

From The District Governor Richard Keilholz

My Fellow Lions,

We are fast approaching our 2nd Cabinet Meeting to be held in Del Rio, Texas, and hosted by the Del Rio San Felipe Lions Club on Saturday, October 6, 2012. Highlights of this Cabinet Meeting will be the presentation and demonstration by C.K. Chorley representing PediaVision which is a handheld Screener that provides a new class of vision screening technology. The PediaVision will screen children as young as six months old to adulthood. The U.S. Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) states that "Vision disability is the single most prevalent disabling condition among children." As your Governor, I will be very interested in seeing your response and interest in this demonstration.

An additional highlight at our Cabinet Meeting is having our own PID Mike Butler speak at our luncheon. As you know, PID Mike's name was unanimously approved by all sixteen Governors of MD-2 Texas to place his name on the State Ballot, this spring. With this vote, he will have the opportunity to run for the position of Second Vice President of Lions Clubs International in the year 2014, at the Convention to be held in Toronto, Canada. But, first things first. As mentioned, PID Mike Butler's name will be on the ballot at our District 2-A2 Con-

vention in April at The Menger Hotel. It is extremely important that all of the Clubs of District 2-A2 vote to show their strong support for PID Mike. At this Cabinet Meeting, PID Lion Mike is going to talk about District 2-A2 from his perspective.

I want to congratulate the following Lions Clubs who have shown a positive membership as of October 1st. They are: Converse Lions Club, Crystal City Lions Club, Eagle Pass Evening Lions Club, Hondo Lions Club, Pleasanton Lions Club, S.A. Alamo Heights Lions Club, S.A. Edgewood Lions Club and S.A. First Ladies Lions Club. Along with membership growth comes, more help with service projects and more brain power and new ideas so congratulations to these Lions Clubs for their effort **to grow in Lions Service.**

Lastly, I want to encourage Lions to work on being the recipient of the Club Excellence Award. Every club can do this by growing your membership, staying in good standing, and communicating your projects to the community and attending zone and district meetings, as well as, attending leadership training sessions in order to grow leadership both within your club and the District.



DG Richard Keilholz

It is you and your Club that make our District what it is today and tomorrow. As your District Governor, I am here to serve you and help to build and improve our District. In our effort of working together this year, we hope to grow healthy, build future leaders and continue to provide needed service to all of our communities that we serve.

As always, I am available to meet with your club and if I can be of service to you or your club, please let me know.

Yours in Lionism,

Richard Keilholz

District Governor

Veterans Day Parade



District 2-A2 Lions if you would like to be in the Veterans Day Parade on November 10, 2012 please e-mail PDG Saul Lopez at alicesaullopez@sbcglobal.net or call 210-522-9267. For more information see PDG Saul or Lion Rosemary Paletta at the Cabinet Meeting in Del Rio on October 6, 2012.



CHARTER NIGHT BANQUET

Friday, OCTOBER 26, 2012

UNIVERSITY of the INCARNATE WORD LIONS CLUB

to be held at

International Conference Center

CONFERENCE ROOM

847 E. Hildebrand

on UIW Campus

San Antonio, Texas

beginning at 6:30pm

Invitation to follow by

Alamo Heights Lions Club

Cost \$ 15.00

For Information: contact 2nd VDG Lion Sam Pantusa

210 326 3915; email spantusa@yahoo.com

From the 1st Vice District Governor Rod Chisholm

I am proud to be a Lion, and to be a part of the greatest service organization in the world. I've said this many times... that we accomplish so much more collectively than we can possibly achieve by putting our the same effort on an individual basis.

This is brought home each time I get a chance to witness the fabulous work that's accomplished at the Texas Lions Camp. The enthusiasm and joy and energy displayed by the camp counselors do so much more than provide a week's respite. A single week can make a change in a campers life that will stay with him/her for entire life. I'm proud to be a Lion.

Another life-changing Lion's organization is the Leader Dog for the Blind. Mary Jane and I had the privilege to visit the Leader Dog training site in Michigan. We were introduced to the dog training, to some of the clients, we witnessed their training and we came away with a spirit of awe that as a Texas Lion we can be a part of that organization. I'm proud to be a Lion.

Closer to home is the Lions Site Research Foundation. This is our District 2-A2 Foundation that provides the Low Vision Center, Site Research at the University level, the Mobile Eye Screening Unit (MESU), not to mention



1st VDG Rod Chisholm

sustaining the excellence that has already been achieved. Shortly we will have the STRIDE FOR SIGHT fund-raising (...or is it fun-raising?). Money raised in the past years have been used to purchase medical equipment and research instruments for programs sponsored by our District 2-A2 and administered by the Foundation. This is a 21 year tradition. During that time Lions of 2-A2 have raised over \$550,000! I'm proud to be a Lion.

There are so many clubs involved in their respective service projects. There is nothing like "rolling up one's sleeves" and working side-by-side with your fellow Lions to fully appreciate the rewards one receives in giving. In other words, you give of your time and talent and treasure and yet you wind up receiving so much back in terms of fellowship and satisfaction. It's crazy... the more I give away the I seem to receive. That's why I'm proud to be a Lion.

I look forward to seeing as many Lions as possible in Del Rio at the next Cabinet meeting.

Yours in Lionism,

Rod G. Chisholm
1st Vice District Governor

Useful Lions Links

[MD-2 Texas Lions](http://texaslions.org)
<http://texaslions.org>

[Texas Lions Camp](http://lionscamp.com)
<http://lionscamp.com>

[Texas Lions](http://tlercmidlandtexas.org)
[Eyeglass Recycling Center](http://tlercmidlandtexas.org)
<http://tlercmidlandtexas.org>

[Lions of Texas on FaceBook](http://www.facebook.com/#!/m)
<http://www.facebook.com/#!/m>
[d2texaslions](http://www.facebook.com/#!/m)

[Texas Lions on Twitter](https://twitter.com/TxLionsPR)
<https://twitter.com/TxLionsPR>

[Texas Leo Program](http://texasleos.org/)
<http://texasleos.org/>

[Lions Clubs International](http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/index.php)
<http://www.lionsclubs.org/EN/index.php>

[Lions Clubs International](http://www.lcif.org/EN/index.php)
[Foundation](http://www.lcif.org/EN/index.php)
<http://www.lcif.org/EN/index.php>

[Yellow Vest Posse](http://www.facebook.com/#!/groups/411173912261631/)
<http://www.facebook.com/#!/groups/411173912261631/>

From 2nd Vice District Governor Sam Pantusa

GMT, Try this Opening Line: I'll BET YOU'VE Got a ROARRRRR!!! IN YOU that's just Dying To COME OUT--HOW ABOUT ROARING WITH US

We've been on the Road having an eye opening great time visiting with many of you and meeting terrific hard working Lions all over our Great District. The hospitality is nothing less than true Texas Comfort and the enthusiasm for Service is CONTAGIOUS. It's really interesting how all of our Clubs are unique and yet so alike. We're truly blessed to share such a rich heritage in our traditions from the Hill Country to the Brush Country. We have so much to be so tremendously proud of and we ain't even close to being done yet.

We've included some shots of Great Lions in great Clubs like Somerset, Eagle Pass Evening, and Devine.

And we've had the good fortune to be at Brackettville, at Hill Country Retreat, at Natalia, at First Ladies, at Floresville, at Alamo Heights, at Converse. We're looking forward to working at Recruiting Booths with Southtown and the Kerrville Area Clubs like we have done with Our Lady of the Lake and Windcrest. And we've heard and seen great things at Lion Harry



2nd VDG Sam Pantusa

Boykin's Zone Meeting with seven Clubs represented and at Lion Diane Carrillo's Zone Meeting with all four Clubs represented. We're really excited to be helping in the planning of **Charter Night on October 26** for our newest **University of the Incarnate Word Club** while we're in the final stages of forming our Kelly Field Area Lions Club. And then we'll show our colors at the Veteran's Day Parade in San Antonio next month.

I hope that you get the picture that District 2-A2 is on the Go and on the Grow, thanks to your energy and excitement and your dedication to SERVICE. Looking Forward to Helping you and complementing your style of Lionism whenever you need us. Gotta Go – the truck's running.

SEE YOU IN DEL RIO where we'll hear from **YOUNGER MEMBERS about Service as Lions.**

Take some video of your having fun and doing your good work.

**It's Great to Be A LION!!!
BE LOOKING FOR
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Thanks for listening.

Sam Pantusa
2nd Vice District Governor

Keep One With You



Don't let a month go by without asking someone to join your Lions Club

Download and print applications to keep in your pocket.
[Just click here.](#)

Mark Your Calendar

January 19, 2013 Mid-Winter Conf
Floresville Municipal Building
Floresville, Texas

Apr 12-13, 2013
District Convention
Menger Hotel
San Antonio, Texas



Eagle Pass Evening Lions Club. 1st VP, Lion Lupe Vasquez seated at far left presiding in absence of Lion President Ramon de la Garza, Member Chair Lion Martin Padilla, Treasurer Lion Pete Marquez, Jr and his father Lion Pedro Marquez, Sr and remainder of the Club. Lion Secretary Raphael Chancey is seated at right end of first row. All doing great service, having great fun and growing in numbers.

Club Treasurers

IRS Form 990

**Must be post marked by
November 15, 2012**

To maintain your nonprofit status



PDG TJ Tijerina visited the Somerset Lions Club along with 2nd VDG Lion Sam and they were hosted by Lion President Gary Maske and the remainder of the very active membership. The Somerset Lions have been in business since 1948. Secretary Lion Ernie Lopez was unable to attend but among the members present is 99 year old Lion Irving Ernst, 3rd from the right, and Lion Wayne Jackson with more than 60 years of service.

Hill Country Retreat Arts & Crafts Festival

We welcome you to our fourth annual Arts & Crafts Festival.

Benefiting charities of the Hill Country Retreat Lions Club

Saturday, October 20th – 10am to 6pm

Sunday, October 21st – 11am to 4pm

This juried show features some of the finest artists in the San Antonio area.

HAND-MADE items such as:

Jewelry, Weaving, Knitting, Felting, Quilting, Crocheting, Embroidery, Ceramics, Wood Crafts, Painting + Plants

<http://www.hcrartsandcraftsfestival.com>



Each month the Devine Lions Club honors two outstanding Devine High School Seniors by inviting them to their noon meeting at the Triple C Steakhouse. President Lewis Stroud and September Students of the Months - Seniors Amy Aaron and Joseph Espinosa. The Devine Lions are busy year round and are another of our Club's that are well respected in their community for their broad areas of service. Another growing Club, they have four new members in the wings.

Things to Keep You Awake Worrying About

Can you cry under water?

How important does a person have to be before they are considered assassinated instead of just murdered?

Why do you have to "put your two cents in," but it's only a "penny for your thoughts"? Where's that extra penny going to?

Once you're in heaven, do you get stuck wearing the clothes you were buried in for eternity?

Why does a round pizza come in a square box ?

What disease did cured ham actually have?

How is it that we put a man on the moon before we figured out it would be a good idea to put wheels on luggage?

Why is it that people say they "slept like a baby " when babies wake up like every two hours?

If a deaf person has to go to court, is it still called a hearing?

Why are you IN a movie, but you're ON TV?

Why is "bra" singular and "panties" plural?

Why do people pay to go up tall buildings and then put money in binoculars to look at things on the ground?

Why do doctors leave the room while you change? They're going to see you naked anyway.

Why do toasters always have a setting that burns the toast to a horrible crisp, which no decent human being would eat ?

If Jimmy cracks corn and no one cares, why is there a stupid song about him?

From The District Chaplain Lion Doug Thomas



Today I was looking at the keys on my key ring and thinking about which one was the most important. The house key would be the most important if I was trying to get into my house. My car key would be most important if I wanted to drive somewhere. If I wanted to get into my lock box that key would be most important. There is no one key that is most important; each has its

place. It is sort of like when the disciples were arguing about who was the greatest and Jesus told them that "If anyone wants to be first, he must be the very last, and servant of all."

As Lions we need to remember we are all important and what we do is important. And we need to remember those who have gone before and now rest from their labors. Please let me know when a member of your club has passed on so that we can remember them now and at our necrology service at the District Convention. So far I have been notified of the passing of Lion Matthew Marshall of the China Grove Club, Lion Clarence Niblett from the Center Point Club; Lion Raymond Carrel from the Del Rio Host Club;

and Lion James Tschirhart from Hondo.

Rest eternal grant them, O Lord;

And let light perpetual shine upon them;

May their souls, and the souls of all the departed,

Through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

Point to ponder: Faith without action isn't.

Thank you,

Lion Doug Thomas

District 2-A2 Chaplain

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The parents of, Jakob Lopez, First Ladies Lions Club scholarship recipient, came to thank the club for the donation. With Mr. and Mrs. Santos Lopez are club 1ST VP Becky Laureano and Jakob's grandmother, Lion Virginia Lopez.

Texas Lions Camp Update

Lion Doug Thomas
Elected Director, 2A2

We have just finished a great summer at Texas Lions Camp. We had a great Down Syndrome Camp and are still learning from that experience. It looks like changing the age group to 12-16 year olds was a good move.

District 2A2 has done a great job supporting TLC sending about 130 campers each summer but I think we can do better and send more campers. It seems a little early to be thinking about sending kids to camp but now is the time to be thinking about camp and those potential campers and their families that you meet this time of year. We have a Lion in our district that broke an ankle and ended up in an orthopedic doctor's office. He suddenly realized that there are many children with special needs and physical handicaps that pass through that office and left some TLC brochures that the doctor and staff can give to families with children who are eligible



for camp. Look for opportunities to pass out TLC brochures and tell families about the camp. Have a "camp night" at one of your meetings to encourage members to find possible campers. Your District Directors (Lions Doug Thomas and Harry Boykin) are available and anxious to talk up camp with your club. Just contact us.

You may think September is a little to start thinking about camp when registration for camp doesn't begin until mid-January but now is the time to start

working on next summer's camps. Texas Loins Camp is always buzzing with activity, either wrapping up the camping season, planning for next year, or doing camp. The camp never sleeps and we need to begin now to be sure that we have full camp sessions next summer. The summer camp schedule will soon be posted on line at www.lionscamp.com.

Now is the time to begin getting ready for summer 2013. Let's fill each camp session and have the best summer ever.

More Things to Worry About

Can a hearse carrying a corpse drive in the carpool lane ?

If the professor on Gilligan's Island can make a radio out of a coconut, why can't he fix a hole in a boat?

If electricity comes from electrons, does morality come from morons?

If Wile E. Coyote had enough money to buy all that ACME crap, why didn't he just buy dinner?

If corn oil is made from corn, and vegetable oil is made from vegetables, what is baby oil made from?

Why do the Alphabet song and

Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star have the same tune?

Why did you just try singing the two songs above ?

Did you ever notice that when you blow in a dog's face, he gets mad at you, but when you take him for a car ride, he sticks his head out the window?



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 _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Cancellations honored until **April 30, 2013**

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

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Hilton Austin Airport

Austin-Bergstrom International Airport (AUX)

9515 Hotel Drive

Austin, TX 78719 Phone: 1-800-584-5091

Request MD2 Lions rates

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

http://www1.hilton.com/en_US/hi/hotel/AUSAHHF/index.do



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AREA LIONS CLUB

“Celebrating 30 Years of Service”

Saturday October 20, 2012

**Martinez Hall - 7791 FM 1346 @1516
6:00 p.m. - Midnight**

Corporate tables: \$250.00 (includes 8 tickets, reserved table & corporate recognition)

**SILENT AUCTION
6 P.M. – 9P.M.**

**DONATION
\$25.00 per person**

**DANCE
8 P.M. – Midnight
DANCE ONLY \$10.00**

**Raffle
Tickets
\$1.00 each
Carnival Cruise
5 days /4 nights
Or
Roundtrip Airfare
To Las Vegas
3 days/ 2 nights
Or
Cancun Vacation
5 days /4 nights
& more**

**Music By
BILLY MATA
& THE TEXAS TRADITION
CATERING BY: RONNIE KIOLBASSA**

**Bar-B-Q
Dinner
Beef & Sausage
6 p.m.- 8 p.m.**

All Donations Welcome!

For More Information: Contact Pat Carrol 648-9242 or Cathy Ripps 648-0448
Or Any China Grove Lions Club Member

October 2012

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
	1	2	3	4	5	6 2nd Cabinet Meeting in Del Rio
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15 White Cane Day	16	17	18	19	20 China Grove 30th Anniversary
21	22	23	24	25	26 Charter Night UNIVERSITY of the INCARNATE WORD	27 Hill Country Retreat Arts and Crafts
28	29	30	31			

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