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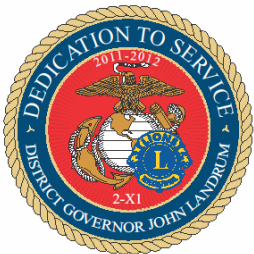
**DG John Landrum**

The second half of this Lion's year is off to a great start and good things continue to happen in District 2-X1. The 2012 Mid-Winter Conference and 3rd Cabinet Meeting held in Waxahachie on January 14th were quite successful based on all of the positive feedback I have received from many Lions in the District. During the general session that morning Lion Jim Weed, our State Public Relations Chair, provided information that each Club can use to promote their activities and make the public more aware of the service they provide. Lion Trish Wilson spoke on the Texas Lions Camp and the very important work that the Lions of Texas and the dedicated staff at the Camp have been doing in Kerrville for over 60 years in service to children who have physical disabilities, diabetes and down syndrome. I think those that heard her speech were truly inspired, and would agree that she is indeed passionate about her work at the Texas Lions Camp. Mike Lee from Waxahachie gave a presentation on the generations that are active in our society today. There are obvious differences in how each generation thinks, perceives service to others, and their ideas on how to provide that service. It is important that we as Lions are aware of these differences and learn how to work with members who may be from any of these generations. The breakout sessions and the Club Officer training sessions were well attended. We had the introduction of Lions 2-X1 University. The courses offered by the University will be of significant benefit to the Clubs in our District for many years to come.

Just before lunch the winners of our Student Speaker and Environmental Photo Contests were presented, and the winner of the Peace Poster Contest gave a speech that received a standing ovation from those in the audience. Thank you to Lions Andrea Chandler, Kimberley Wheeler, and Karen Murray for serving as our District Chairs for these contests.

I am very proud of the LEO program in District 2-X1. Lion Linda Bryant continues to do a great job as our District LEO Chair. We have a new LEO Club in Rowlett, one which has been reinstated at Ranchview High School in Irving, and two others in Wylie that are in the organizational stages. During the Conference, the LEOs in attendance elected officers for the District 2-X1 LEO Council, which is the equivalent of our District Cabinet. District 2-X1 became the seventh District, of the sixteen Districts in Texas, to have a LEO Council. In the future the LEO Council will meet when the District Cabinet meets, they will have the opportunity to participate in the State-level LEO meetings, and to receive leadership training that will also benefit them as students and young adults. Thank you LEOs, for your service on the new LEO Council.

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# KEN'S KORNER

with 1st VDG Ken Gleason  
gleason1@airmail.net

Welcome to 2012! Are y'all ready to finish this Lion Year with a bang! I sure hope so, as we have a lot of work ahead of us.

I hope all Lions were as pleased with the attendance of the Mid-Winter Conference, hosted by the Waxahachie Lions Club, as I was. Good friends, good location, and good food are a pretty hard combination to beat. Thank you to all of the Lions that worked to make this event so successful. How 'bout them Cheerleaders!!

The district charity boards are functioning well, and they are moving at a fast pace. It has been my honor this year to witness all of the volunteers on the various boards working so hard to make good things happen. The Lions Sight & Tissue Foundation board is planning the second Denim and Diamonds fund-raising event, and they're already talking about another Golf Tournament for next year. The Julien C. Hyer Youth Camp board is making plans to host campers next season. 2-X1 Charities board is functioning as intended.

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# Words of Wisdom



by 2nd VDG Darla Wisdom  
darla.wisdom@texascapitalbank.com

January has been a very busy month for us all. I sincerely hope you got a chance to attend Mid-Winter Conference held at SAGU in Waxahachie January 14<sup>th</sup>. If not, you missed the "official" opening of Lions University and all its glory. The Global Leadership Team led by PDG Carolyn Dorman have worked extremely hard during the late summer, early fall and winter getting the school ready for students by May 26, 2012.

Please, please mark your calendars for two very important dates in May:

**May 25<sup>th</sup>:** Filming of "The History of Texas Lions" at Collin Community College. Narrated by PID Mike Butler, the film promises to cover Texas Lionism dating from the historic first Convention held at the Adolphus Hotel to present day 2012. All Lions of MD-2 are cordially invited and urged to attend and be filmed. You just might be discovered!

**May 26<sup>th</sup>:** Opening day for Lions University. Registration will begin at the same location, CCCC, at 7:00 a.m. with classes starting at 9:00 a.m.

There will be a plethora of literature on the two events listed above in the coming months. I primarily wanted you to circle the dates.

We also had the fourth in a series of six Executive Council meetings last Thursday at El Fenix with 27 in attendance. The numbers were down from the previous three meetings but let's blame that on short notice and the Thursday night meeting. The fifth meeting will be on Tuesday, February 21<sup>st</sup> at the Rockwall Wedding Chapel located in downtown Rockwall. You don't want to miss this one. The meal will cost \$5.00 for various types of pizza, salad, drinks and dessert. Plus 1<sup>st</sup> VP, Lion Iris Smith of the Oak Cliff Lions Club is the proprietor and she has done a beautiful job with the property. It will be worth the trip just to see it. The program will pick up the next step in the Club Excellence Project. If you missed the 3<sup>rd</sup> Executive Council meeting when we originally covered this material, don't let that deter you; we will have information for you.

Of course the month ended with Charter night for the new Hutchins Lions Club. WOW! What a crowd.....there were 19 of the 27 new members present to be sworn in and lots and lots of District Lions. The meal was fantastic, PID Bev Stebbins gave a meaningful speech and the night ended with the parade of checks. It was a fun night for all.....except for Lion Lynn Ables outbidding me on EVERYTHING! Ha.

Have a fabulous February and Happy Valentine's Day to all Lions.

*Many persons have a wrong idea of what constitutes true happiness. It is not attained through self-gratification but through fidelity to a worthy purpose.*

—Helen Keller

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***“District Governor remarks” (cont’d from page 1)***

During the month of January I was privileged to visit the Wylie Evening, Richardson Host, DeSoto, Wylie (Noon), Sachse, Grand Prairie Evening, Waxahachie (Noon), Mabank Cedar Creek Area, and Carrollton Evening Lions Clubs.

The Charter celebration event for the new Hutchins Lions Club was held on January 28th. PID Beverly Stebbins was the featured speaker. She inducted the Charter members of the Club and gave an excellent presentation. The attendance from the District was outstanding. There were twelve PDGs at the event. Thank you to all who turned out to welcome the Hutchins Lions Club into the District 2-X1 family.

On January 12th, PDG Mark Dean, Lion Don Ables and I attended a Chamber of Commerce meeting in Caddo Mills. Based on the feedback received at that meeting, the work began on January 27th to recruit members for a new Lions Club in Caddo Mills. PDG Mark Dean and Lions Don Ables and Henry White got off to a good start, and on February 8th we anticipate having the first organizational meeting for this new Club.

District 2-X1 is fortunate to have many dedicated Lions who are willing to serve in the many leadership positions that are necessary to have a successful District organization. Your service does not go unnoticed. I am very grateful for the support of the Lions in the District as we work together in our on-going “Dedication to Service...Service with Purpose...Service with Heart”.

# **DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S CALENDAR**

## **FEBRUARY 2012**

**2-4: Council of Governors  
Meeting in Kerrville**

**12: Irving DFW Indian**

**13: Dallas White Rock**

**17: Dallas Founder**

**18: Plano Early**

## **MARCH 2012**

**3-4: Texas Lions Leadership  
Forum**

**17: 4th District Cabinet Meeting**

**25: Dallas Everest**

**27-29: Membership Extension**

**Workshop (PDG Hal Griffin)**

**31: LS&TF Denim & Diamonds  
Fundraiser**



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***“Ken’s Korner” (cont’d from page 2)***

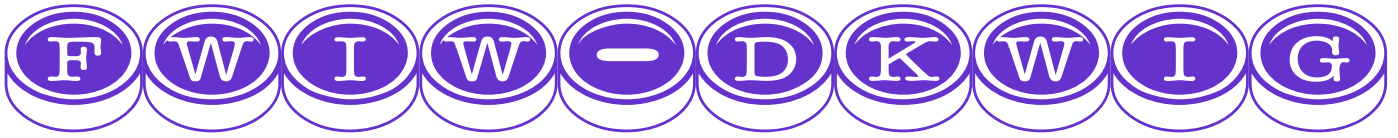
Many thanks to the Global Membership Team and Lion Don Ables for all that they’re doing. Some would be surprised at the time and effort this team has put in by developing new clubs and helping retain older clubs. Great job!

Speaking of new clubs, what a great night had by all that attended the Charter Night of the Hutchins Lions Club. They have a super core of new members that are enthusiastic about helping their community! We had 12 Past District Governors, led by IPDG Dan Busdiecker, in attendance at the Charter Night. This team of PDG’s is a committee that is committed to helping District 2-X1 with extension and retention, and their attendance showed how serious they are.

Special thanks also go to PDG Carolyn Dorman and the Global Leadership Team. They have put together a training program with all of the material that has cast District 2-X1 to the front of MD-2. Did anyone hear about May 26?? Mark your calendar now. Lions 2-X1 University will be making its debut.

Please keep up the good work! I appreciate all of you that have volunteered to be on my cabinet next year. Actually, I appreciate all of you for everything that you do as a Lion.

Well, it’s on to Kerrville again!



Just got back from one of the Texas Lion Trainer Development Workshop sponsored by our **MD2-COG's** (**IDK** about the other 20 participants, but I thought it was **GR8!** Great job 2-S5 DG Andy Rodriguez!) and immediately figured out I had not sent out the **TLERC** monthly newsletter.

For years we have played the "pneumonic" game, shortening everything until, nobody knows what anything means. Well, now our kids and grandkids have created a whole new language that they use to communicate on messages and "tweets". **LOL** (laughing out loud), **TTYL** (talk to you later), **LROF** (rolling on floor laughing) and one you parents better learn, **AITR** (adult in the room) are all part of the new vocabulary. Not to be outdone, the senior citizens have a few of their own like **LOL** (living on Lipitor), **ATD** (at the Doctor), and **ROFL-CGU** (rolling on floor laughing-can't get up). Finally from the first paragraph we have **MD2** (Multiple District 2), **IDK** (I don't know) **GR8** (Great), and **TLERC** (Texas Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center).

At this point (2 paragraphs in) you must wonder, how this could possibly be the monthly **TLERC** newsletter and sadly **SDI** (so do I)! Now you know where I got the title for this article, **FWIW-DKWIG: FORGOT WHERE I WAS-DON'T KNOW WHERE I AM GOING!** (Another senior pneumonic)

However, after a brief pause I have recovered: We were discussing this topic at the seminar, because so many of us tend to confuse our audience with abbreviations and pneumonics to the extent we have not communicated very well. This was the connection I wanted to make about **TLERC**.

For whatever reason, it is grossly evident that we have failed to let the Lions in our Clubs know what **TLERC** has to offer to them and their work as Lions. How else can we explain why more Clubs are not putting new glasses on children for \$14-\$18/pair, or why more communities don't have adult screenings to put used glasses on those in need?

Maybe our District Directors are not making enough presentations; maybe the Clubs don't know this resource is available to them for a Club presentation; maybe your District is not able to put our monthly article in its newsletter; or maybe it's because in many District Directories the information about TLERC is not correct. Whatever the reason I want to share some great new things we are doing to communicate better.

TLERC has a new power point presentation, titled "**Out of the Darkness**" complete with audio. The new presentation should be in the hands of your **TLERC** District Directors in a couple of weeks. Contact them to bring a great and informative program to your Club, Zone or District.

It is also available to any Club on a thumb drive, just for the asking. It is just under 20 minutes to show. This should allow many more Lions see the great work that is going on right here in Texas to help those less fortunate get "Out of the Darkness". (We'll send it to you at no cost, but it costs about \$7 for each one we send, if you wish to help us cover the cost.) Contact me at [stblase@suddenlink.net](mailto:stblase@suddenlink.net).

Next month we'll talk about our **GR8** new website. **TTYL!**

**Lion Tom Blase, 2-A1 VDG**

TLERC Promotions Director  
(**TTYL** – Talk to you later)





# Italy Lions Club 4<sup>th</sup> Annual BBQ Cook-Off

Sanctioned by: Lone Star BBQ Society

**Upchurch Baseball Fields: 201 E. Dilworth, Italy TX 76651**  
**February 24 –25, 2012**

Kids Cook-off: Friday night...turn in at 8:00 p.m.

Limited Spots Available! Must RSVP

Lions Club providing meat: pork chop

New this year: Cook's Choice \$20 entry fee, 100% payback  
Cook's Choice No Desserts

1/2 Chicken: Pork Spare Ribs: Brisket: Pork Butt

Entry fee \$75 + 1 Cooked Brisket for 1 or all events

Must cook Pork Butt to be considered for Grand Champion  
Grand Champion gets Free Entry to next year's cook-off.

Plate lunches will be \$ 8.00 with drink.

Selling whole & half briskets

Contact Arval Gowin @ 972-567-8662 for pricing

Proceeds to benefit Lions Club Scholarship program & community projects.

**Free breakfast Saturday for all cooks and judges!**

## Registration Form

Head Cook \_\_\_\_\_ Team Name \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ 1/2 Chicken \_\_\_\_\_ Pork Spare Ribs \_\_\_\_\_ Brisket \_\_\_\_\_ Pork Butt \_\_\_\_\_ Jackpot Pinto Beans (\$10)

\_\_\_\_\_ Cook's Choice (\$20)

Entry Fee Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_ Will Pay Upon Arrival \_\_\_\_\_

Mail to: Italy Lions Club, PO Box 26, Italy, TX 76651

# LEADER DOG PROGRAM: ENHANCING LIVES OF PEOPLE

Leader Dogs for the Blind programs enhance the lives of people who are blind, visually impaired and Deaf-blind. Several programs are offered at the Rochester Hills, Michigan campus where clients live during their training. All programs are offered free of charge to the recipient with Leader Dog paying for travel expenses within North America and room and board. All a Lions Club needs to do is arrange to get the participant to the departure airport (DFW locally).

Each year over 235 people from all over the world come to Leader Dog to receive training in the [guide dog program](#)—a life changing event that pairs students with a guide dog, opening doors to independence, safety and self-worth. We also offer training in [orientation and mobility](#) and [GPS](#). For people who are deaf and blind, Leader Dog offers a [Deaf-blind guide dog program](#) that teaches students to utilize sign language and touch to communicate commands and praise to their dogs. This is the only dedicated program of its kind in the United States.

The Consumer Services Department assists graduates with a variety of tasks, such as contacting an instructor for training advice and other issues, purchasing equipment and access issues. In-home follow up is available for graduates on an as-needed basis for problems that cannot be solved without on-site assistance from a Leader Dog representative.

As the Leader Dog program is a District 2-X1 approved charity, we ask for your club's 100% contribution be mailed to Leader Dog Chair Keith Murray, 7720 Lakecrest Circle, Irving 75063. For a program, including a DVD, contact Lion Keith at 972-556-0584 or by email at: [kd.murray@tx.rr.com](mailto:kd.murray@tx.rr.com).





# Lions 2-X1 University

*To empower volunteers to serve their communities,  
meet humanitarian needs, encourage peace  
and promote international understanding through  
Lions Clubs.*

Mid-Winter Conference was exciting for the Global Leadership Team. The GLT has held the announcement in secrecy for so long. The Team could hardly wait to let you know about the University. The University is the first of its kind. The official colors are purple and gold. The University Pin was designed by the team, Lion James DeRouche and the final design by a pin representative who has done a lot of pins for the Governors of 2-X1.

## **MAY 26<sup>th</sup> IS A RED LETTER DATE FOR THE DISTRICT**

Lions, please mark your calendars. Start registering your club officers and members. There are courses for every member of your club:

***Club President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer,  
Leadership/Service/Public Speaking, Strategic Management,  
Membership, Communications, Coach/Mentoring, Writing Skills,  
Time Management, Event Management, District Cabinet  
responsibilities, Athletics (Tail Twister)***

The Tuition is very affordable. Our total tuition cost including fees, books, breakfast, lunch and dinner is \$25.00. You will be hearing more about all the classes and who the faculty is and what they will be teaching. We will also announce what classes you will need to take to receive an official diploma. The schedule will be out sometime in February.

Commencement will be held in the evening at the dinner session. Lions 2-X1 University academics combine a balance of education, strong curriculum and real-life experiences to prepare Lions for success in our work in District 2-X1.



# Lions 2-X1 University



## Scholar's Registration Form

**One Day Course (between 8.00 AM and 8.00 PM) at**

Collin County Community College, 2800 East Spring Creek Parkway, Plano, TX 75074

**Saturday, May 26, 2012**

Name: .....  
(First Name) (Last Name)

Address: ..... TX .....  
Street City ZIP Code

Phone: (.....)..... eMail: .....@.....

Member of Lions Club:..... Officer Position if any.....

**Fee:** \$ 25.00 paid **prior** to May 15, 2012  
\$ 40.00 paid **after** May 15, 2012

Checks payable to:  
**DISTRICT 2-X1**

Fee Paid by Cash \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Check # \_\_\_\_\_

**Fee includes:** Registration, Admission, Tuition, Books & Three sumptuous meals of the day

**Mail Registration Form & Fee to: Tommie Worthy**  
**202 FM 55 South**  
**Italy, TX 76651**

Cell: **214-212-9761**  
Home: **972-627-3447**  
Fax: **972-627-3447**  
tommieworthy2@windstream.net

**BREAKFAST:** Croissants, Savory Scones & Sweet Scones, accompanied by a variety of Juices & Coffee Station.

**LUNCH (  Mark your selection):**- Choose one of the three Sandwiches  
 Turkey & Swiss       Ham & Cheddar       Veggie Wrap  
accompanied by Chips, Pickle Spears, Ice Tea and an Assorted Dessert Tray (Cookies & Dessert Bars)

**DINNER (  Mark your selection):**- Choose one:  
 Classic Beef Lasagna       Veggie Lasagna  
w/ Roasted Broccoli & Garlic Bread w/ a Classic Caesar Salad & Ice Tea.

2ND ANNUAL

**DENIM**

*& Diamonds*

annual fundraising banquet  
to benefit

**LIONS SIGHT & TISSUE FOUNDATION, INC.,  
OF DISTRICT 2-X1**

**MARCH 31, 2012**

**THE SOUTHERN CROSS**

**TICKETS \$50 EACH**

**1800 DOWDY FERRY ROAD**

**DALLAS, TEXAS 75217**



Contact Info: PDG Lion Kathy Fletcher  
email: [ktbartdoor@aol.com](mailto:ktbartdoor@aol.com) or  
cell phone: 214-288-4549



# DENIM Diamonds

...and DOLLARS \$\$\$  
for VISION

The Lions Sight and Tissue Foundation has announced the **Second Annual Denim & Diamonds** Fun and Fund-Raiser for the Lions of District 2-X1. You all remember what a great time we had last year and what a benefit it was for the vision services we provide to those in need of eyeglasses and other vision assistance.

Well, this year is going to be even bigger and better. **Mark your calendar!!!** This year's event will be **March 31, 2012**. The location will be the same as last year; **Southern Cross, 1800 Dowdy Ferry Rd., Dallas, Texas 75217**. And, even though it is going to be bigger and better, there is **no price increase**. Just as last year, **tickets are only \$50.00** each.

The Sight and Tissue Foundation continues to **break old records** and **set new records** in the number of people we serve with the **array of vision services** we provide to those in need; from the **thousands of school children** served by the vision clinics delivered by our **vision van** to the adults-in-need whom we serve through **North Dallas Shared Ministries**. You can **be proud of the part you play** in supporting those services and Denim and Diamonds is a perfect opportunity to **continue that support** and **have a great time** doing it.

You can also help the foundation by helping us **recruit sponsors** and by gathering up **silent auction** items and **door prizes** for the event. Sponsors will be greatly rewarded in addition to the **good feeling they will get for helping** the foundation do its good work. Here's how:

## Level of Sponsorship

Diamond - \$2,000

Platinum - \$1,250

Gold - \$1,000

Silver - \$750

Bronze - \$600

## What They Get

Acknowledgment in the program  
reserved seats and tickets

Acknowledgment in the program  
reserved seats and tickets

Acknowledgment in the program  
reserved seats and tickets

Acknowledgment in program  
reserved seats and tickets

Acknowledgment on video loop  
reserved seats and tickets

To find out how to help, and for ticket information, contact a member of the board of the Lions Sight & Tissue Foundation listed in the District Directory or on the foundation's website at [www.lstf.org](http://www.lstf.org).

Put on your blue jeans, your diamond (or rhinestone) studs or earrings, and your boots for scootin', and plan on being a part of this great event and the great services it supports. **Plus, there will be prizes for the best outfit - one for male and one for female**. So, come on'. **Embarrass yourself** and have a good time (and a good excuse) doing it.

—Submitted by PDG Wayne Meachum



2<sup>nd</sup> Annual

Lions Sight & Tissue  
Foundation

**DENIM**  
*Diamonds*

Saturday, March 31, 2012 at 6:30 p.m.

1800 Dowdy Ferry Rd.

Dallas, Texas 75217

Sponsorship, Silent Auction, and Door Prize Form

**All Sponsors & Personal Donors of \$250 or more will receive recognition at the Gala and in the Printed Program**

√ Make your Check Mark Below for your choice of Sponsorship Level, etc.

**Diamond Sponsor, \$2000**

- Two reserved tables (16)
  - Audio/Visual/Sign/Program booklet recognition
- Table sign identification at the banquet

**Platinum Sponsor, \$1,250**

- One reserved table (8)
  - Audio/Visual/Sign/Program booklet recognition
- Table sign identification at the banquet

**Gold Sponsor, \$1000**

- One reserved table (6)
  - Audio/Visual/Sign/ Program booklet recognition
- Table sign identification at the banquet

**Silver Sponsor, \$750**

- One reserved table (4)
  - Audio/Visual/Sign/ Program booklet recognition
- Table sign identification at the banquet

**Bronze Sponsor – \$ 600**

- One reserved table (2)

**Yes, I want to support the LS&TF with my personal donation of:**

\$1,700 to cover the cost of eye exams and glasses for 50 children

\$ 850 to cover the cost of eye exams and glasses for 25 children

I choose to make a general donation to LS&TF of \$\_\_\_\_\_.

I will be attending the Gala and will be using all my tickets from my donation or sponsorship level.

I am unable to attend and do not wish to use my tickets.

I prefer to remain anonymous and not be listed.

**Advertisement in the Souvenir Program**

\$ 400 Back Page

\$ 300 Inside Front or Inside Back

\$ 200 Full page ad

\$ 100 Half page ad

\$ 35 Business Card



2<sup>nd</sup> Annual

Lions Sight & Tissue  
Foundation

**DENIM**  
*Diamonds*

Company/Organization/Lions Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Donation of Door Prizes and Silent Auction Items are encourage and appreciated by the Lions Sight & Tissue Foundation Board of Directors.

*To pick up your door prize donation or your Silent Auction Item, contact:*

**Lion Randy Rather**

**Phone: 903-268-3357**

**Email: rgrather@yahoo.com**

Payments should be made payable to:

Lions Sight & Tissue Foundation of District 2-X1, a 501 (c) (3) charity.

*Please return this form by fax to (972)564-5116 or e-mail to*

*[julia@selectbrokerageservices.com](mailto:julia@selectbrokerageservices.com)*

*and if you have any questions, please contact PDG Lion Julia Johnson, Board of Directors, at:*

*16492 CR 221, Forney, Texas 75126*

*Phone: (214) 957-2507*

**Deadline for completed form and payment is Saturday, March 24, 2012.**



# DISTRICT 2-XI NEW MEMBER ROUND-UP!

## ***Allen***

Bill McCachern

## ***Carrollton Evening***

Bob Makowski

## ***Cedar Hill***

Roger Welch

## ***Dallas Founder***

John Stanley

## ***Dallas Oak Cliff***

Karen Blessen

## ***Duncanville Noon***

Pat Virzi

## ***Ennis Host***

Mary Blackmon

Robert Burrus

David Hopkins

Benjamin Tuttle

## ***Hutchins***

Marlon Brooks

Cynthia Mickens

Jeff Smith

## ***Mesquite Host***

Beth Dittman

## ***Richardson Midday***

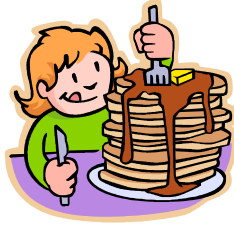
Kari Gould

## ***West Plano***

Nicholas Gibson



# **COPPELL LIONS CLUB PANCAKE BREAKFAST**



**Austin Elementary  
161 S. Moore St. Coppell, TX 75019  
February 4, 2012  
7:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon  
Adults \$5.00  
Seniors \$4.00  
Children \$3.00**

## **Texas Lions Leadership Forum Info**

### **ATTENTION all Lions:**

The 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Texas Lions Leadership Forum will be held in Austin on March 3 & 4 this year. It is an excellent opportunity to hear about Lionism from experienced presenters. This event is held each year as a joint effort of the Texas Lions (MD2) and LCI as a Regional Leadership Forum. The Forum starts at 11:30 a.m. on Saturday (3/3) with Opening / ceremonies and lunch. Then there are 3 sessions you can attend (pick from a long list). Dinner has an International Speaker. Sunday morning has time for another 3 sessions and ends with the wrap-up session and lunch so you can leave by 2:15. **All this for only \$75!** Your club may offer some assistance.

If you are among the first 100 Lions to register, not having been a governor, your room is free. The Forum is held at the Austin Airport Hilton where parking is free. It is about a 4 hour drive from Dallas (depending where you live, of course) and you may be able to car pool to share the costs – and maybe a room. You can see the list of potential sessions on the registration form. Contact District Forum Chair Lion Keith Murray with questions at 972-556-0584 or [kd.murray@tx.rr.com](mailto:kd.murray@tx.rr.com). The Forum registration form can be found on the next page.

**TWELFTH ANNUAL TEXAS LIONS LEADERSHIP FORUM**

and

**LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL REGIONAL LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE**

Hilton Austin Airport

March 3 (start 11:30 a.m) and 4 (end 2:15 p.m.), 2012

**REGISTRATION**

**All who attend must register**

**Registration must be for the event package. It is not possible to register for individual meal functions.**

Note: Please include 2<sup>nd</sup> registrant only if the mailing address is the same. If not, please use a separate form.

1<sup>st</sup> registrant

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Member # \_\_\_\_\_ Lion  Yes  No

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

2<sup>nd</sup> registrant

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Member # \_\_\_\_\_ Lion  Yes  No

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip code: \_\_\_\_\_

Club: \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_

Highest Lion office held (1<sup>st</sup>) \_\_\_\_\_

Highest Lion office held (2<sup>nd</sup>) \_\_\_\_\_

If rooming with another person at the Hilton, in whose name is the reservation? \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks to: Texas Lions Leadership Forum

Mail to: Frances Cherry Phone: 915-584-0130

6216 Caprock Cell: 915-494-4425

El Paso, TX 79912 pdgscherrys@yahoo.com

Registration before 1/29/12 # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$50.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

Registration after 1/29/12 # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$75.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

No registration after February 19 or at the site

Reserve your lodging directly with:

Hilton Austin Airport Hotel

9515 New Airport Dr. (at Bergstrom Intl Airport)

Austin, TX 78719

Telephone: 800 - 584 - 5091

Rate: \$99.00 per night, single or double. The

reservation deadline at this rate is February 10.

Reserve and guarantee your room now.

The first 100 Lions registering, who have never been elected to a position of Vice Governor or higher, will have their March 3rd lodging paid by the Institute.

Even those must make, and guarantee, their reservations with the Hilton Austin Airport Hotel.

A charge will be made to the credit card of those not attending who do not cancel lodging.

Each registrant: select six sessions

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- Global Leadership Team
- Global Membership Team
- Club Excellence Process
- Mentoring
- Club Success
- LCI Website
- International service programs
- Structure & Organization
- LCI, MD history
- Public speaking
- Sharing best practices / Local Community Service
- Diversity & inclusion
- Zone Chairperson support
- Goal setting by teamwork
- Future vice governors
- Club meeting management
- Lion fundamentals
- Motivating club members
- Personal mission statements
- Lions Clubs Int'l Foundation
- Texas Lions Foundation
- World Services for the Blind
- Leaderdogs for the Blind
- Texas Lions Camp
- Texas Lions Eyeglass Recycling
- Leos-Organization & service



**Wine Tasting**

You are invited to join us for an exploration of the wonderful and often mysterious world of wine.

The evening will include:  
 Tasting 6 different wines, Fruit and cheese and a Silent auction

Friday, February 17, 2012  
 From 7 - 9 p.m.  
 At the Pioneer Event Center  
 1025 W. Pioneer Parkway  
 Grand Prairie, TX 75051

Tickets are \$20 call 972-251-0251 or email [creativecarmen@yahoo.com](mailto:creativecarmen@yahoo.com)

Proceeds benefit  
 Grand Prairie Community Lions Club charity projects

## Newly Formed LEO Cabinet Assembled at Mid-Winter Conference

On Saturday, January 14, the LEOs of our District attending Mid-Winter Conference formed the LEO District Cabinet. Pictured below are the first officers of the Cabinet (from left to right) President Michael High; Vice President Cody Yates; Treasurer Clayton Haughey and Secretary Jesse Tietz. Michael and Cody are from the Waxahachie LEO Club and Clayton and Jesse are from the Forney LEO Club. Other LEO members in the District will have the opportunity to serve on the Cabinet. Information will be sent to the LEO Club Advisors and/or Lions Club Presidents with LEO Clubs.

If your Lions Club does not have LEO Club, please consider sponsoring one. The LEOs are a great asset to the Lions. If you would like information or have questions about forming a LEO Club, please contact Lion Linda Bryant, District LEO Chair, at [linda.bryant72@gmail.com](mailto:linda.bryant72@gmail.com), 214-202-9467 (cell) or 972-564-9418 (home).



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