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Official Newsletter of Lions Clubs International District 2-S2

2007 **JANUARY** 

#### CALENDER OF EVENTS

3 January **PSC** meeting January 20 Mid-Winter Conference Council of Governors February 1-3 February 7 Bob Dowden Dinner March 3 3rd Cabinet Meeting March 7 **PSC** meeting March Texas Lions Leadership 10

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I hope that your holidays were wonderful and safe, and that you were surrounded by family and friends!

Let me begin by saying thank you for being Lions. You do such wonderful things for your community and the world.

It is time now to begin the New Year, 2007, and to complete the last half of our Lions Year (Jul. 2006-June 2007). We have done so many right things right during the first half of the Lions Year. We now have the years ahead to continue our mission of helping our fellow man. Remember that no matter how large or small our club, our contribution to our community matters.

Here is a brief rundown of the things where we need to concentrate our efforts during the coming month:

First, on January 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>, the Westfield High School, **16713 Ella Blvd, Houston**, will be holding a speech and debate tournament and have asked for our Lions help! This is a wonderful time to witness our Leos and future Lions in action. The tournament sponsors will need all of the help they can get, but at least 10 Lions during the hours of 3:30 and 9:00 p.m. on Friday (the 5th) and 8:00 and 6:00 on

Saturday(the 6th). Please contact Mark Swaney with the Spring Houston Lions Club at 218-615-9053 to lend your support. This is a wonderful opportunity to serve our community. And best if all, it will not cost us a dime!

Second, on January 14 at 5:00 p.m. a new club, **The Riverside Area Lions Club**, will be chartered at Archie's Restaurant on the River in Riverside, Texas. This is the first club we have chartered this year and the first one we have chartered in two years. Let's all pitch in to help our new Lions in Riverside be as excited as we are to be Lions. Talk to your club about contributing some of the supplies this club will need; make plans to attend the "big" night (banquet tickets are \$30); and plan to bring auction items to help build their treasury. For more information, please call Lion Judy Cain-Wuensche at 936-594-2650. The sponsoring Lions Club, Huntsville, is donating the banner and a gong and gavel set has also been donated. Check with Lion Judy to get her wish list.

Last but not least, remember the Mid-Winter Conference on January 20. Specifics are contained elsewhere in this newsletter. Vice-District Governor Art Drouin has put a great program together for you. The cost is \$12.00. If you enjoyed last year's Mid-Winter Conference, you will like this one better. You can register on line at www.golions.us or register by mail with Treasurer Ronald Landers, 2015 Crestdale, Houston 77080.

Just a reminder......the **Bob Dowden Dinner**, hosted by the P&S Council will be held on February 7, 2007 It is not too early to plan to attend and bring silent and live auction items. Remember, the proceeds are donated 100% to the Texas Lions Camp.

And, again, remember that Lions are committed to improving the lives of those less fortunate..... in our own communities and around the world. Thank you for being in that number!

Another year is coming to an end and another beginning. Let me take this opportunity to wish all of you and your families the very happiest of holidays and a prosperous New Year.

With the New Year fast approaching, our thoughts are now focused on the Mid-Winter Conference, January 20, 2007. It's not too early to register! Please submit your registration as soon as possible. The **DEADLINE IS JAN. 10.** As a reminder, you can register on line at **www.golions.us** or go to our website **www.lions2s2.org** for the form. It is imparative that we have your registration by January 10 to order food.

#### **MONKEY SEE - MONKEY DO - HAVING FUN IN 2-S2**

**WOW!** Do we have exciting Mid-Winter planned. International Board Appointee PDG Beverly Stebbins from District 2-E2 will open our session. She is a very dynamic and enthusiastic speaker. You don't want to miss her.

Next will be a video starring Sam Glenn in "The Art of Success: The road to greatness starts with attitude". This is one video you don't want to miss! We (3 of us) saw this at the USA/Canada Forum in Ohio and it is fantastic and not what you think it is. **A MUST SEE!** 

Following the video we will have 3 break out sessions - you pick:

- Making a Difference with Service Projects
- Noteworthy Newsletters
- Team Work

Now it's time for lunch with Kathryn Watson's "Relax for Success".

Immediately following the Conference - **<u>DOOR PRIZES</u>**. - At least 7 door prizes valued from \$10.00 to \$50.00 will be given away. Must be present to win.

We strongly encourage Lions to remain to select winners of the Youth Contests

Now doesn't that sound exciting!! I've purposefully left out other fun things that are planned. Can't let you know everything, but I promise it will be an exciting and fun filled time. So, fill out that registration form, send it in with your \$12.00 and get ready for a

#### **GREAT TIME, JANUARY 20, 2007**

#### Vice District Governor Art Drouin

Our District reported 13 new members for the month of November.....

The Bear Creek Lions Club welcomed Lion Linda Fett........ Conroe Noon gained 3 new members as Lion Karl Johnson sponsored Lion Silvia Mishler, Lion Virginia Clement sponsored Lion Vena Carlisle and Lion Tim Cox sponsored Lion Ester Gonzales....... Lion Miles Rutherford sponsored Lion Somadina Lion into the Houston Southwest Lions Club....... Huffman Lions Club's Lion Miles Dyess sponsored Lions Joel and Jadenda Prochaska....... Huntsville Lions were joined by Lion Guye Allen, sponsored by Lion Kent Lucas....... Lion Vern Broz sponsored Lion Henry Luecke into the Panorama Lions Club....... Willis Lions Club grew by four. Lion Ray Ready sponsored Lion Melvin Erickson and Lion Tim Patton. Lion Chris Mann sponsored Lion Tobin Todd and Lion Patricia Sterns sponsored Lion Jeryy Sterns.

To all of our new Lions, "WELCOME" and to their sponsors, "THANK YOU".



You are cordially invited to attend the Charter Night celebration of The Riverside Area Lions Club Sunday, January 14th, 2007, at 5:00 p.m.

Location: Archie's Restaurant on the River

(On Highway 19, between Riverside and Trinity, 2.1 miles past the traffic signal at

FM980 in Riverside)

Banquet Tickets: \$30\*

(Mail ticket orders to P. O. Box 5, Riverside, Texas

77367. No ticket sales at the banquet.)

Auction Items will be very much appreciated.

For information call: 936-594-2650 or 713-725-1250. or email: Judy.Cain-Wuensche@fwuensche.net

\*wine and beer cash bar

## CLUB CONTEST RESULTS

AS OF DECEMBER 16, 2006

<u>Category 1 (0 to 19)</u> First Place - Lake Conroe South Second Place - Houston Space City

Category 2 (20 to 29) First Place - Houston Cy-Fair Second Place - Houston East End

Category 3 (30 to 70) First Place - Cut & Shoot Family Second Place - Houston Spring Branch

Category 4. (71 & up) No winner.as yet.

Minimum 20,000 points

Club category is determined by number of memebers in club as of July 2006 As reported to Lions Clubs International



## Around The District



Lake Conroe Lions together with Conroe Noon **Lions** held a Vision Screening on Saturday, December 2nd...... The **Conroe Noon Lions** held their Christmas Social on Wednesday, December 20th at the Convention Center. Christmas Food Basket were delivered on that same day. This Club's Annual Blood Drive was held November 27th through December 1st at the Conroe Blood Center and they held a Vision Screening Training session on 11/29 and a New Member Orientation on 11/30...... The Cut 'n Shoot Family Lions **Club** held their Fall Auction on November 12, 2006 benefiting club charities. They continue their scrap iron drive and held a Diabetic Essay Contest. On December 7, 2006 they will hold an Outstanding Youth Contest and host a Christmas Party on December 21, 2006........ Need a great place to hold your next event? Contact the **Houston Cy Fair Lions Club**. They are renting their NEW Lions Den for events. This Club will be 50-years old this year and they are planning a big anniversary party..... The **Hardin Lions Club** helped Santa Claus take pictures at the local WalMart. The money raised will help Lions charities and the Children's Miracle Network. This club joined with a local Bikers club to stage their 1st Annual Toy Drive. Their mission was to collect toys for the underprivileged children in Hardin ISD. Thus far, enough toys have been collected for 65 children. Also, food baskets will be delivered to 10 families in the Hardin community and 7 families in the Hull-Daisetta community. A hot dog/chili supper is being planned for the Bikers who helped with the Toy Project...... Have a hectic schedule? The **Hous**ton Aldine Lions are selling calendars to help you keep the new year on track. This project is to raise funds for Campaign First II. They have received a Topaz Award from CSFII. Mission Greenspoint received their aid for Thanksgiving baskets and four children from the Constable's office program were adopted for Christmas...... Don't forget that the **Houston Heights Lions** are still selling pecans (mmmmm...delicious) and e-books. Their pancake breakfast on December 2nd was a great success (and tasty, too!). The Governor was the fry cook at this event, in charge of cooking bacon, sausage and eggs......The Houston Millennium Lions Club participated in a Healthcare Program at the Holy Family Community Center in November and will be helping feed the needy and distributing gifts with the Star of Hope in December......

**Houston Spring Branch Lions Club** held their Ham and Brisket Sale on Friday, December 15. If you have never had one of their hams or briskets, you are missing something special. They are collecting toys for the needy of Spring Branch...... The Huffman Lions Club participated in the Community Christmas Open House at the I.T. May Community Center. Refreshments were provided and served by the Huffman Lions and entertainment was provided by the Huffman and Humble school systems. Of course Santa was there.....Before the event, both, the Lions and Leos participated in the annual Christmas tree decorating project at the I.T. May Community Center. Their Club held their Christmas party on December 12. There was a White Elephant gift exchange following dinner. The Huffman Lions and Leos teamed up to deliver Christmas bears to patients/residents of the Rosemont Assisted Living Home in Atascocita. and they both participated in the Huffman Fun Festival on November 4, selling such items as raffle tickets, knives, umbrellas, sausage on a stick. The event was a huge success with both groups selling out of just about everything...... The **Huntsville Lions Club** held their 35th Annual Christmas Parade on December 2nd. Wait——— something was different this year. For the first time, the Lions District 2-S2 Governor was in the parade. The floats were beautiful and fun was had by all......... **Katy Lions** chartered a bus to take handicapped students to the Winter Wonderland at the local high school.......... Waller Lions Club works a concession stand at the local Holiday parade. They, also, will be feeding a group of carolers after their night of spreading cheer.....The **Hous**ton Northwest Lions continue to support our servicemen and their families with their coupon collection program...... The **Spring Houston Lions** are busy planning their decorations for their rest stop for the Humble Bike Ride..... A BIG congratulations to the **Alief Noon Club** who are successfully restructuring and revitalizing their club..... The Anahuac Lions recently approved a Melvin Jones for one of their members..... shhhhh, it is a big surprise.....The **Baytown Lions** did a bang-up job of hosting the last Cabinet Meeting. They sent the money left over after expenses to the Lions Eye Bank...... Houston Memorial **Lions** is still waiting for someone to claim the "Big Ugly Traveling Gavel".

The **Klein Lions** held a wonderful Christmas Party. During the party, they voted to help a deserving family with a cash gift so that their Christmas could be merry. The **Pasadena Lions** recently assisted a blind citizen in their community in receiving a Leader Dog. The **Spring Old Town Lions** recently held a very successful spaghetti supper.



The **Hardin Middle School Leos** have been very active in the community for the 2006-2007 school year. This Club began the year helping the Hardin Lions Club with a garage sale and with selling tickets to various events. They also helped the Lions at the annual pancake supper. They helped to deliver drinks and also help flip pancakes. Recently 22 members of this club assisted with the Lighthouse Shopping Trip sponsored by District. The experience was a fun and educational trip. Students were very astonished by the trouble many of the shoppers had with daily activities. Some members also went to help members of the Hardin Lions club with the Santa booth at WalMart to benefit he club and the Children's Miracle Network.

Some members have been selected to participate in service awards that are offered in the community which include an Excellence in Education award program and the Prudential Service scholarships. These awards are designed to help shape young leaders. Some activities that the club has participated in to increase funds include hosting a Halloween Dance and selling items at these dances. Club members have been very active this year and hope to continue to help the community for many years to come...... The **Huffman Leos** assisted the Houston Community Christian Center with their annual Jingle Bell Express Christmas toy and food distribution program on December 5, 6 and 7th. at First United Methodist in Bellaire. They also teamed up with Huffman Lions to deliver Christmas bears to patients/residents of the Rosemont Assisted Living Home in Atascocita. This great group of youths participated with their Lions Club in the Huffman Fun Festival and in the annual Christmas tree decorating.....The **Awty International School Leos** had fun wrapping Christmas presents for the students they adopted at Ridgecrest Elementary School. This club has been assisting MEDICAL BRIDGES since their inception and they helped with sorting supplies on Saturday, December 16.

## Houston Spring Branch Lions Club



Home of District Governor Margaret Badeaux

## **Conroe Noon Lions Club**



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# Cut And Shoot Family Lions Club



Home of Vice District Governor
Arthur Drouin

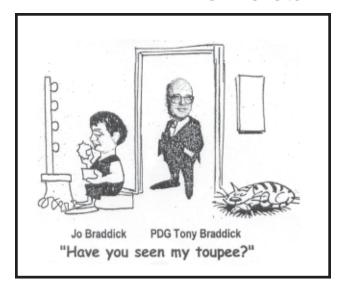
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## Our Environmental Chairman Clifton Heiman writes....

## **CHOOSE TO REUSE**



"Good to see the toupee being reused, however, I suggest the cat move before the bone bender sees him

"Reuse" provides a wealth of insight and inspiration about how each of us can ensure that the things we buy have the longest possible lives before they are ultimately recycled.

Reuse is nothing new. What is new is the need to reuse. Few of us think twice about renting videotapes, borrowing books from the library, patronizing antique stores and flea markets, donating used clothing to charities or putting yesterday's paper under the pet food bowl. These seem like ordinary activities and we would probably be surprised to learn that they come under the heading "Reuse"—the second environmental strategy of the well-known three R's: Reduce, Reuse and Recycle.

The purpose of Choose to Reuse is to help make reuse activities even more widespread. For individuals this may mean routinely selecting rechargeable batteries; cloth napkins; bringing a reusable shopping bag to the store; buying pre-owned sporting goods; or taking time to convey used items to new owners. Likewise businesses can become more intentional about reuse by engaging in such practices as utilizing recharged printer cartridges, double-sided printing, two-way envelopes, refurbished office furniture and used trade show exhibits; taking advantage of waste exchanges; and conveying material to schools and nonprofit agencies.

There are two types of reuse: primary and secondary. Primary reuse is the reutilization of an item for the same purpose - like re-treading a tire. Secondary reuse involves employing an item again for a different purpose—for example, grinding the tire and incorporating it into a road-surfacing compound.

Reuse is accomplished through many different methods: purchasing durable goods, buying and selling in the used market, borrowing, renting, subscribing to a business waste exchange and making or receiving charitable transfers. It is also achieved by attending to maintenance and repair as well as designing in relation to reuse.





#### BOB DOWDEN TICKETS NOW ON SALE

Dinner Date February 7, 2007. Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 7901 Westview, Corner of Westview and Wirt. North of I-10 West.

The Bob Dowden Memorial Dinner is held each year, in leiu of the regular Presidents and Secretaries Council Meeting in February, as a District wide fundraiser for the Texas Lions Camp. Let's ALL join together to support our camp by attending this FUN dinner, donating auction items (live auction and slient auction) and bringing desserts. Tickets are \$12 per person. WANT A BARGAIN? Puchase tickets at the January PSC Meeting and buy your tickets for \$11.00 or purchase an e-ticket by emailing Lion Rick Reynolds (<u>ricke2424@yahoo.com</u>) before January 3rd and get the same \$11. ticket. After January 3rd, e-tickets may be purchased for \$12. each. WANT TO USE YOUR CREDIT CARD? Tickets may be purchased online at <u>www.golions.us</u> for \$12 each We look forward to seeing all 61 clubs at this dinner in support of our wonderful campers.

WE NEED AUCTION ITEMS

PLEASE, PLEASE GET OUT AND SOLICIT QUALITY GOODS AND SERVICES TO AUCTION AT THE BOB DOWDEN DINNER. USE YOUR IMAGINATION..... WE ALL HAVE FRIENDS AND BUSINESS ASSOCIATES WHO WOULD BE MORE THAN WILLING TO MAKE A DONATION TO OUR CAMP. REMEMBER, ALL OF THE \$\$\$\$\$ FROM THE BOB DOWDEN AUCTION GOES TO THE CAMP.

ANYTHING GOES -TRAVEL CERTIFICATES, HOTEL STAYS, SPORTS MEMORABILIA, APPLIANCES, BIG SCREEN T.VS, JUST ABOUT ANYTHING OF VALUE OF WHICH YOU CAN THINK ..EVEN A CAR!

AND THEN, WE NEED ALL LIONS TO ATTEND THE DINNER FOR AN EVENING OF FUN AND FELLOWSHIP AND BE SURE TO BRING YOUR \$\$\$\$\$\$ AND CHECKBOOKS! IT IS FOR THE CAMP.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT PSC PRESIDENT LION ALMA alma@waldengolf.com, 936 520 7987

### A Volunteer Opportunity.....

Here is an opportunity for Lions to......

- Help in our community
- Show our support for our youngsters
- · Do what Lions do best; and
- Have fun!!!

The Westfield High School will be hosting a Speech and Debate Tournament and need help to judge, tally votes and other things.

Volunteers are needed Friday, January 5, between the hours of 3:30 and 9:00 p.m. and Saturday, January 6, 2007 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Volunteers can stay the whole time or just for a few hours. Each session/round of debate during the hours stated last approximately 1 to 1.5 hours. Volunteers are not required to have any speech or pubic speaking experience. At least 10 volunteers are needed at all times.

A speech tournament is similar to a track meet—small groups of students (approximately 6-8) competing in various speaking or performance events.

Westfield High School is located at 16713 Ella Boulevard, Houston, TX 77090 (I-45 North, exit FM 1960. Turn left under the freeway. Travel west on FM 1960 approximately five miles to Ella Boulevard. Turn left on Ella. School is ¼ mile down on the right side of the road.).

Please contact Mark Swaney, Spring Houston Lions Club, at 281-615-9053. Don't miss this opportunity to fulfill our motto, "**We Serve**".

# Next PSC Meeting JANUARY 3, 2007

Ryan's Steakhouse 5601 W. 34th Street

Dinner 6:30 P.M. Meeting 7:00 P.M.





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