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Official Newsletter of Lions Clubs International District 2-S2

FEBRUARY

2007

CALENDER OF EVENTS

February	1-3	Council of Governors
February	7	Bob Dowden Dinner
March	3	3rd Cabinet Meeting
March	7	PSC meeting
March	10	Texas Lions Leadership
April		Club Elections
April	15	PU-101 Due

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Happy Mardi Gras.....Mardi Gras is about Celebrating.....so let's celebrate!

We made it through the New Year's celebrations and have seven months left to celebrate this Lions Year. So much fun to have and so little time to do it!

First on our agenda is the Bob Dowden Dinner, hosted by the Presidents and Secretaries Council on the 7th of February. This event is held each year by that group as a fund-raiser for the Texas Lions Camp. This year the event will be held at the Holy Cross Lutheran Church at the corner of Wirt Road and Westview in the Spring Branch area.....not too far from where the P&SC meets each month. Tickets are available for \$12 on line at www.golions.us or by calling Treasurer Ron Landers at 713-468-1196 or email rlanders@houston.rr.com. This is always a FUN event with good food, great desserts, silent auction items and live auction items. Last year we raised over \$10,000, which made us one of the largest Districts

in donations to the camp. Wouldn't it be wonderful if we could do that again...especially since the President of the Camp this year is from our District – Lion Barron Cagle.

Second, we are still working hard to bring a prototype newsletter to you. Remember last July we told you about our plans to have a newsletter that we could send to all members in our District. Our reasons were to keep all members informed directly about what is going on in Lionism locally and we would have a recruiting tool we could use to give to non-Lions who might want to join us. Our plan is for that to happen before our Lions year ends in June. Then the next administration can evaluate the benefits.

Third, we are watching to see how the International Family Dues will affect their (International) income base. If there is not a significant reduction, we might be able to reduce State and District dues also. The 16 Governors in our State will be watching for and evaluating the possibility.

Fourth, Chairman PDG James Stewart is putting together a great convention to be held April 20-21. We are trying something new this year....a shorter convention at a lower price with a lot of FUN things planned. You won't want to miss this one!

Until we meet again, please remember to continue to have FUN as Lions. Keep serving your community as you have in the past, and keep being proud to be a Lion. Remember, we are "doing the right things right!"

District Governor Margaret Badaux

2007 is here!! Hope everyone had a very merry Christmas and a happy New Year. As I am writing this we have three days to go for the 2007 Mid Winter Conference. We are really looking forward to this coming weekend. "Monkey See - Monkey Do; Having Fun in 2-S2." By the time you read this it will be over and be considered a big success. We certainly hope all of you have registered and will be in attendance. Let me take this opportunity to thank my team: Lion Eva Thatcher; Lion Susan Escareno; Lion Suzette Jones and Lion Glen Starr without which there would not be a conference. All their help was enormously appreciated. A BIG THANK YOU from the bottom of my heart. Next stop - Council of Governors meeting in Kerrville the first weekend in February and from the looks of it, I'll be in seminars most of that weekend. Until next time

Vice District Governor Art Drouin

ANNOUNCED CANDIDATES FOR LIONS DISTRICT 2-S2

District Governor – 2007-2008

Art Drouin

Cut and Shoot Family Lions Club

Vice District Governor – 2007-2008

Baron Cagle

Houston East End Lions Club

Director – Texas Lions League for Children – 2007-2009

Glen Starr

Conroe Noon Lions Club

Betty Goetzman

Cut a Shoot Family Lions Club

Director – Lions Eye Bank of Texas – 2007-2009

Eddie Thatcher

Cut and Shoot Family Lions Club

Trustee – Lighthouse of Houston – 2007-2009

Mark Roth

Houston Heights Lions Cub

Director - Humanitarian Relief Fund – 2007-2010

No announced Candidate as of January 15

Resolutions of Candidacy must be filed with the Convention Election Committee at least 30 days prior to the District Convention, April 20-21, 2007

Thirteen (13) new Lions were reported in District 2-S2 in December. Lion Pat Mann sponsored Lions **Katherine Jaeger** and **Dean West** into the Baytown Lions Club. Conroe Noon Lions sponsored six (6) new Lions this month. Lion Janis Henry sponsored Lions **Larry Reiland** and **Sara Coots**. Lion Greg Smith sponsored Lion **Doug O'Neal**. Lion **Troy Marler** was sponsored by Lion Dick Giuffre. Lion **Paula Kuhn** was sponsored by Lion Mary Wagers. Lion **Brain Jones** was sponsored by Lion Rick Sproba. Houston Hobby Airport Lions gained the experience of Past District Governor Ernie Robertson who was sponsored by Lion Bob Kuchera. Lions **Marcus** and **Barbara Zamazal** were sponsored into the Liberty Lions Club by Lions Arnold and Rhonda Zamazal. Our newest club, the Riverside Area Lions Club gained two (2) new members, Lions **Connie Habern** and **Dottie Morgan**. Corrections-Pardon our mistakes: Lion Miles Rutherford's new member in November name was misspelled. The correct spelling is Lion **Somadina Iona**.

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

DISTRICT CONVENTION PROGRAM BOOKLET

The Lions District 2-S2 Annual Convention is scheduled for April 20 - 21, 2007. To help defray the cost of the meals and to provide a schedule for the Convention the District produces a Convention Program Booklet. Features of the booklet include the schedule of proceedings, list of Cabinet members, Hall of Fame members, Distinguished Achievement Award Recipients, Convention Committee members and Convention Rules and Guidelines. To cover the cost of the booklet and help to keep the price of the meal tickets to a minimum we sell Advertising for the Booklet.

Each Club is requested to appoint an ad salesperson and sell ads for the Booklet. Advertise coming events for your club, advertise your members businesses, congratulate members for their service and tenure as Lions, brag on your club and members; sell ads to outside businesses, campaign for a fellow Lion running for a District Office. These are just a few of the different types of ads that may be placed.

EACH CLUB IS ENCOURAGED TO SELL OR BUY AT LEAST ONE FULL PAGE OF ADS.

Size and Cost

Full page (8.5x11)	\$100
Half Page (8.5x4.25)	\$75
Quarter Page	\$50
Inside Front Cover	\$150
Inside Back Cover	\$150
Outside Back Cover	\$200 – already reserved

Ad copy does not need to be finished, just legible. Ad copy must be in PDG Ronald Landers' hands no later than April 1, 2007. Send Ad copy and Check to:

PDG Ronald Landers
2015 Crestdale
Houston, Texas 77080-5303

Make checks payable to Lions District 2-S2 Or email him at rlanders@houston.rr.com

CLUB CONTEST RESULTS

AS OF JANUARY 16, 2007

<u>Category 1 (0 to 19)</u>	First Place - Lake Conroe South	Second Place - Houston Space City
<u>Category 2 (20 to 29)</u>	First Place - Houston Cy-Fair	Second Place - Hardin
<u>Category 3 (30 to 70)</u>	First Place - Cut & Shoot Family	Second Place - Houston Spring Branch
<u>Category 4 . (71 & up)</u> Minimum 20,000 points	No winner.as yet.	

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



Around The District



Conroe Noon Lions held their Youth Contests on December 13th and awarded \$2000 in scholarships. They held their Annual Lucky Derby Truck Raffle on December 13th and 20th. And they prepared 35 Christmas Food Baskets for the elderly and shut-in families in their area. Their Annual Christmas Social was held at their December 20th meeting where they had 190 members who joined in for the FUN, food and games. Their Annual Skeet Shoot is scheduled for March 3. On December 29th, they partnered with **Lake Conroe Lions Club** in a vision screening event where 56 people were screened and 39 pairs of glasses were dispensed.

The **Cut 'n Shoot Lions** completed their Youth Contests in December. Their Club Christmas Party was held on December 16th. Club members collected Christmas presents for the Willis ISD Life Skills children and toys for the Grangerland Christmas Store manned and sponsored by the Caney Creek Leo Club.....

The **Hardin Lions Club** will be hosting their Annual Chili Supper on February 24th from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Hardin High School Cafetorium. There will be a blood drive held at the same time. These hard working Lions supplied 19 needy families with meat and groceries for Christmas. They also held their 1st Toy Run and supplied Christmas presents to about 60 children with the help of some local bikers... Mission Greenspoint was the recipient of Christmas assistance from the **Houston Aldine Lions**. They also held a party for the children in their adopted cabin at Boy's and Girl's Country at Lion President Gloria Stansky's home. It was a huge success. This Club is selling pocket calendars for the new year. Don't forget to purchase one... Baseball season will start again in February and the **Houston Cy-Fair Lions** will be feeding the hungry kids, parents and visitors from their Concession Stand near their ball park. This Club just recently completed their new Lions Den and will be dedicating it at their 50th Anniversary Party in the spring. Remember that they rent their new building to others for parties and receptions, pass the word. This club donated food baskets to the needy at Christmas AND Old St. Nick made a surprise visit to their Annual Christmas Party. The **Houston Downtown Lions Club** continues their sale of Entertainment and Gold C Coupon Books as a fund-raiser. They also raise money for their Administrative Fund by having a Soft Sell Raffle at their regular meeting on the third Tuesday of each month. Their Annual Tom Shaw Sportsmanship Awards Luncheon for HISD High and Middle Schools was a big success this year... Have you ever tasted the chocolate covered pecans being sold by the **Houston Heights Lions**. They are yummy! This club also has plain pecans and "e" books for sale. Their Christmas

party was held at the home of Kaye Horn on December 23rd. Everyone had a great time! They had as their guests at the January 11 meeting, the school nurses who help with their vision program. The **Houston Millennium Lions Club** distributed toys at the Star of Hope Mission In December. They also donated funds and clothing to the typhoon victims in the Philippines. They held their Club Christmas Party on December 17th...it was filled with FUN and fellowship... **Houston Northwest Lions** bought items for the Seafarers Center and wrapped 20 gift boxes which they delivered to them at the Port of Houston. This club also adopted a family for Christmas – a single mother with four children. They delivered clothes, food items and toys to ensure they would have a Merry Christmas. This industrious club continues to collect and clip coupons for military families overseas. You could also see these Lions manning a booth at the Posada at Wal-Mart on December 14, where they handed out Lions flyers.

The **Houston Spring Branch Lions Club** sponsors bingo games each Monday and Tuesday at the VFW Bingo Hall, Long Point and Campbell Road in Houston. To raise additional funds, they held a Christmas Ham and Brisket Sale and sold Entertainment Books. For their Christmas project, they donated, collected and distributed toys through the Fire Department in their area. They also donated funds and food to the Turning Point Homeless Shelter. Life memberships were presented to the SBISD FFA instructors and two members took part in the Christmas Shopping Trip for the clients of the Lighthouse of Houston.

Rainy season and no umbrella??? Contact a **Huffman Lion**. They are selling umbrellas as a fund raiser. They also worked the Jingle Bell Express Run. At Christmas these Lions provided 30 turkeys for needy families in their area and they continue to provide eye care for Huffman students. Plans are in progress for the Humble Bike Ride and this club is one of the sponsors... The **Huntsville Lions Club** Christmas Parade was held on Saturday, December 2nd, then on December 7, Campers Dani Ibanez, Caitlin Wilson and Logan Gilbert presented a program to their club which included two power point slide shows of their experiences at camp this past summer. All the members agreed that this was the best program they have ever had.....

New Waverly Lions Club's next fund raiser will be their Annual Pancake Brunch on January 27 from 9 am to 1 pm. This event will be held at the Public Library's new Community Room and Kitchen. Tickets will be available after January 15 and will also be sold at the door. The cost is only \$5 and there will be door prizes, too!

This Club also has a Flag Program and will begin accepting participants this month. These exceptional Lions held a Christmas Parade. The community participation was awesome. Plan to come visit and participate with them next year. It is a great way to catch the Christmas spirit. This club works hard to help the New Waverly ISD in their efforts to make the Christmas season a happy time for the needy children and families in their area. Our newest Lions Club, the **Riverside Area Lions Club**, held their Charter Night on January 14th. In spite of the weather, they had a wonderful event with lots of new members and guests. Charter President Judy Wuensche did a great job of making everyone who attended feel welcome.

These new Lions are a lively, FUN-loving group; we expect great things to happen in Riverside!**The Woodlands Lions** are very excited about their Peace Poster entry winning not only in our District Competition, but also in the State. Hold your breath the International judging will be done soon. This Club continues to sell raffle tickets on the new ½-million-dollar house in The Woodlands. Tickets are \$100 and all the money raised will be used to build a facility for mentally-challenged adult citizens in the Montgomery County area. What FUN and exciting activities are happening in YOUR CLUB? By filing your Club Activity Report with Lion Terry Landers or Lion Judy Champion, your club, too, can share your latest news with your Fellow Lions!

**14th Annual Texas Lions Camp
Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament**
All proceeds benefit Texas Lions Camp

AUGUST 2, 2007

8:00 a.m. – Shotgun Start

1:00 p.m. – Shotgun Start

Lady Bird Johnson Golf Course
Fredericksburg

Player registration and additional hole sponsor forms are available at www.lionscamp.com
Sign up today!

Masters of Membership

In District 2-S2, we have Lions who are quite experienced and talented at sponsoring new members.

PCC Sir Paul Fletcher

Has sponsored over 150 Lions

PDG Bud McCune

Has sponsored over 70 Lions.

Congratulations to these great, hard working Lions! Let us know how many new Lions you have sponsored.

**Houston Spring Branch
Lions Club**



Home of District Governor
Margaret Badeaux

**Cut And Shoot Family
Lions Club**



Home of Vice District Governor
Arthur Drouin

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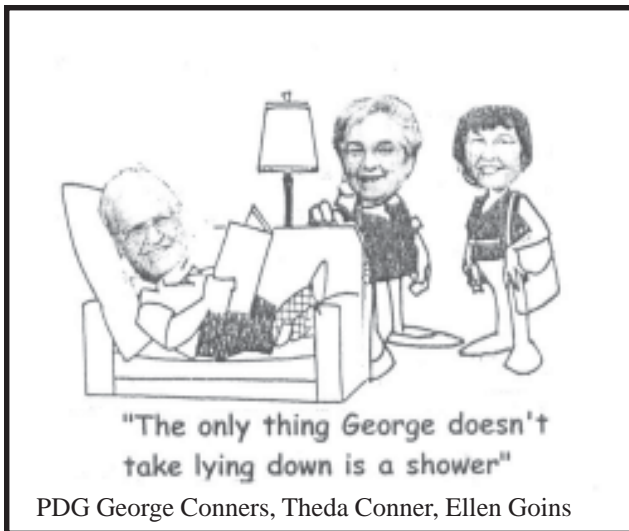
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Our Environmental Chairman Clifton Heiman writes....

VENT FANS



Most people don't realize how important it is to run a bathroom vent fan for healthy indoor air quality and for lower utility bills. Just opening a bathroom window is not as effective.

The key to healthy and efficient operation of a bath vent fan is running it for the proper length of time to adequately remove moisture and odors. If you run it too long it draws excessive heated or cooled air from your house. If you run it too little, mold, fungus and wall material damage may occur.

The fan motor itself does not typically use much electricity. There are several quiet bathroom vent fan

options from which to choose. The quietest designs use a remote fan mounted in the attic so the sound is isolated from the bathroom.

Several ceiling registers can be ducted to the same fan so it can vent the bathtub and toilet areas at the same time. Although the ceiling register, with or without a built-in light, looks like an ordinary vent fan all you hear is the slight "woosh" sound of the air.

Since there is no electricity connected to the ceiling register itself, there is no safety risk in mounting it in a shower stall. An optional lighted register operates on safe 12 volts for use in the shower if needed.

For the best efficiency, special bathroom vent fans are available with automatic controls so they run the proper length of time. These are ideal for the children's bathroom because they generally forget to turn the vent fan off if they use it at all.

Some have built-in night lights. You can select the type of automatic sensor (all have a manual override) you prefer. A motion sensor, a humidity sensor or both can start the fan and light automatically.

The on-time can be adjusted from five to 60 minutes.

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BOB DOWDEN.....BOB DOWDEN.....BOB DOWDEN

Who

What

Why

Have you ever wondered who Bob Dowden was?

Have you ever wondered what Bob Dowden did?

Have you ever wondered why our only camp fundraiser is called the Bob Dowden Dinner?

Here is the story.....

Many years ago, way before my time, Bob Dowden was a Lion. He was also a hunter. He talked with other Lions who were hunters and they came up with an idea to get other Lions who were hunters together to donate their wild game meat to the Lions of District 2-S2. The meat was cooked and sold at the P&SC meeting in February. Thus was born the Bob Dowden Wild Game Dinner that became a fund-raiser for the Texas Lions Camp.

Why was the dinner always held in February? Because it was the end of hunting season when wild game was plentiful.

Through the years, hunting is not as popular, wild game is not as plentiful and Bob Dowden went on to meet his maker. But the dinner has remained.....other food has been substituted, the "wild game" part of the name was dropped, and we continue to hold the event every February.

Now you know the rest of the story.....

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 lieu 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 silent auction) and bringing desserts. Tickets are \$12 per person.

WANT TO USE YOUR CREDIT CARD?

Tickets may be purchased online at www.golions.us 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 \$\$\$\$\$, CHECKBOOKS, CREDIT CARDS will be accepted also!!!! IT IS FOR THE CAMP.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT

PSC PRESIDENT LION ALMA alma@waldengolf.com, 936 520 7987

**Next PSC Meeting
BOB DOWDEN DINNER
FEBRUARY 7, 2007**

**Holy Cross Lutheran Church,
7901 Westview,
Corner of Westview and Wirt Rd.
North of I-10 West.**



Due to construction west bound traffic from 610 should take the first exit after 610 loop(Silber Exit) and procede on the feeder road to Wirt Rd. the Third intersection.



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