

**Thoughts from your District Governor ....**

I am so proud to be a Lion in District 2 S-2. You have done so much this year to make our District one of the best in our state.

The Mid-Winter Conference was fantastic!!! For those of you who were unable to attend, you missed a great time. We had twelve different presenters during the morning. We had six in the first hour, and the other six in the second hour. We were having trouble as a committee trying to select the best six for the third hour. The Conference attendees made it easy for us. They requested that ten of the original twelve presentations be repeated in the third hour. My hat goes off to the committee for finding a way to “squeeze” the extra four presentations in the main meeting area. Everyone did a great job. I want to also thank the Houston Heights Lions Club for setting up breakfast. The Cut-n-Shoot Family Lions Club did a great job with lunch. I would also like to thank all of those that worked tirelessly behind the scenes to make this great conference happen. We even had several lovely smiley ladies doing registration. They (Lions PDG Margaret Badeaux, Betty Ezell and Judy Champion) got your day off to a great start because of the quick check in process. All of this was followed up by a tremendous presentation by Trish Wilson. She talked about her “firsts” during this past camping year. I am still trying to visualize what she looked like after climbing the rock wall.

This wonderful conference was followed up by the Bob Dowden Dinner on February 3. Thanks to the Camp Directors, Betty Goetzman and Mark Roth for making this a wonderful occasion. We had plenty to eat. Afterward, PDG Harry Goetzman out did himself with the live auction. There were many items on the silent auction table that attracted many bids. As of this writing, I do not know exactly how much money was raised for the Texas Lions Camp that evening. I am sure we will find out shortly from our Camp Directors. During the evening, there was a miscommunication that prevented Dr. Bradley from making a presentation. He was going to talk about the history of the Bob Dowden Dinner. Dr. Bradley and Mark Roth, I apologize for the miscommunication on this.

During January, we “gave birth” to a new Lions Club. The Houston Midwest Lions Club charter application was sent to LCI. There were applications for twenty-three Lions that accompanied this application. They have tentatively set their charter night for Mach 26<sup>th</sup>. There will be more communication as this time draws nearer.

This past weekend, I attended the third Council of Governors meeting in Kerrville. Many great things are happening throughout the MD-2 (Texas). Our state is almost breakeven on membership. As we progress through the last five months, let every club continue to look for new members. Our District had a great success story during January in Crosby. During my Governor’s visit to their Club in December, I challenged them to recruit new members. During January, with the help of three members of the District and three members of the Crosby Lions Club, there were fourteen new members recruited which doubled the size of their club. Our Membership program works. Let us help your club.

I look forward to working with each of you in the coming months.

**Charles B. “Chuck” Martin**  
District Governor 2009-2010



**CALENDER OF EVENTS**

March	3	PSC Meeting
March	13-14	Texas Leadership Forum
March	28	Beeping Easter Egg Hunt
April 30 - May 1		District 2-S2 Convention
May	14-16	MD-2 Convention, El Paso

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**Thought's from the First Vice District Governor:**

## Help Wanted – Work Available for the Willing & Able

Do you have the twin characteristics of **willing & able**? Can you use your **willing & able** traits to empower other Lions to make a difference? Now hiring qualified individuals with both of these traits - one without the other need not apply. **Willing & able** are the two basic requirements for all applicants; all other skills, accomplishments, and past positions held are secondary.

You will apply your **willing & able** traits to learning, doing, motivating, communicating, and numerous other intangible skills for the world's largest and most prestigious non-governmental, multi-national, community service organization with operations in over 200 countries and geographic areas – **The International Association of Lions Clubs**. We're looking for dedicated Lions who are more than just a member; who are **willing & able** to join the management ranks of a global service network; who are self-starters with excellent attitudes and interpersonal skills.

The successful applicants will have the inclination, desire, time, resources, aptitude, and be **willing & able** to serve on the District Governor's Cabinet for Lions year 2010 – 2011. Entry level and journeyman positions are available for those who are **willing & able** to contribute more than the ordinary member. Openings will be filled for Team Leaders, Zone Chairs, Region Chair, Cabinet Secretary, Treasurer, and numerous other *working* positions ... sorry, all of the "hood-ornament" positions will be filled by PDGs according to seniority ... (*just kidding!*).

Remuneration and benefits commensurate with experience, tenure, and dedicated service--unequaled with any other endeavor you may have pursued! Send your curriculum vitae to [glenstarr@consolidated.net](mailto:glenstarr@consolidated.net) with a brief description that exemplifies your traits of **willing & able**.

Equal opportunity employer for the **willing & able**

**Those who can, do. Those who can do more, volunteer. ~Author Unknown**



**First Vice District Governor Glen Starr**

**Thought's from the Second Vice District Governor:**

Wow!!! They say time really does move fast when you're having fun. Well I want to tell you....I must be having a ball! I can't believe that we are on the downside of our Lions year. We are already past the Mid-Winter Conference and the Bob Dowden Dinner. The third Council of Governors in Kerrville has come and gone. And we had the third Cabinet Meeting this past weekend! I only have one word for the year so far (no, it's not absolutely) and that is OUTSTANDING! OK, maybe two words..... how about "absolutely outstanding"!!!

Governor Chuck and his crew have been doing an outstanding job of keeping our ship on an even course during some tough economic and some troublesome times. We have, at least, two new clubs chartered and more in the works. These are some hard times we are experiencing, not only for businesses and families, but also, for organizations such as ours. To be able to actually grow stronger and larger now says much for our leadership. 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Glen has been working tirelessly to increase our membership and to make our family even stronger. Listen to his ideas for your club if you want your membership to grow. His program has doubled the size of one of our clubs already! And the rest of the Governor's Gang is following suit too.

So be ready to continue to celebrate. Mark your calendar now for the District Convention on April 30 and May1. If you attended the Mid-Winter you know that the convention will be fun. Check out the website and get registered NOW! It's really simple..... go to [www.Lions2S2.org](http://www.Lions2S2.org) and click on news or look down the left side for the convention link and click on that. You will come to the convention registration page which includes links to the Blues Brothers Tribute band (our Friday night entertainment) website, a link to the hotel website (register NOW for our SPECIAL \$79 rate), and a registration form. Look at the form for the unbelievable savings for purchasing the "party pack" which includes all of the fun for one LOW price! You can register online at [www.golions.us](http://www.golions.us) if you like or you can send the form along with a check to the address on the registration form.

We have a lot to celebrate and by the time May rolls around I'm sure we'll have even more to honor and remember. Remember, We Serve! The best way to fight apathy is to be involved! Get yourself and your club involved in Service and watch your family (our family) grow even stronger. Everyone reading this has the heart of a Lion and all we have to do is remember why it is that we became Lions in the first place and keep that thought close to our hearts and we WILL GROW stronger in service and in spirit.

Come out and celebrate at the Convention



**Second Vice District Governor Richard "Rick" Reynolds**

MD2 STATE CONVENTION  
EL PASO, TEXAS  
May 14, 2010

OFFICIAL STATE CONVENTION CALL

THE ANNUAL STATE CONVENTION OF MULTIPLE DISTRICT TWO OF THE STATE OF TEXAS SHALL BE HELD ON THE 14th DAY OF MAY AT EL PASO, TEXAS. EACH CHARTERED CLUB IN THE STATE, IN GOOD STANDING, WITH LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL, STATE, AND DISTRICT DUES PAID TO DATE, ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT THEY ARE ENTITLED TO ONE (1) VOTING DELEGATE AND ONE (1) ALTERNATE FOR EACH TEN (10) MEMBERS OF SAID CLUB, OR MAJOR FRACTION THEREOF, AS SHOWN BY THE RECORDS OF LIONS INTERNATIONAL ON THE FIRST DAY OF THE MONTH LAST PRECEDING THAT MONTH DURING WHICH THE CONVENTION IS HELD. THE MAJOR FRACTION REFERRED TO SHALL BE FIVE (5) OR MORE MEMBERS. ONLY REGISTERED DELEGATES WITH CERTIFIED CREDENTIALS, PRESENT IN PERSON AT ANY MEETING OF THE CONVENTION, SHALL BE ENTITLED TO VOTE. ELIGIBLE DELEGATES ARE MEMBERS WHO HAVE BEEN ENROLLED FOR AT LEAST ONE (1) YEAR AND A DAY IN THE CLUB AS SHOWN BY THE RECORDS OF THE INTERNATIONAL OFFICE AS COUNTED FOR PURPOSES OF CALCULATING DELEGATE ENTITLEMENT. EACH SUCH DELEGATE MAY CAST ONLY ONE (1) VOTE ON EACH QUESTION.

THE PHRASE "MEMBERS" WHO HAVE BEEN ENROLLED FOR AT LEAST ONE (1) YEAR AND A DAY IN THE CLUB IS INTERPRETED TO MEAN THE FOLLOWING:

A TRANSFEREE SHALL BE COUNTED AS A MEMBER FOR THE PURPOSE OF CALCULATING THE DELEGATE ENTITLEMENT OF THE CLUB IF THE TRANSFEREE HAS BEEN A MEMBER OR RECEIVED TRANSFER FOR AT LEAST ONE (1) YEAR AND ONE (1) DAY.

A REINSTATED MEMBER SHALL BE COUNTED AS A MEMBER FOR THE PURPOSE OF CALCULATING THE CLUBS DELEGATE ENTITLEMENT PROVIDED THAT THE REINSTATED MEMBER HAS BEEN A MEMBER FOR AN AGGREGATE PERIOD OF NOT LESS THAT ONE (1) YEAR AND ONE (1) DAY.

A NEWLY CHARTERED CLUB WILL BE ENTITLED TO ONE (1) DELEGATE AND ONE (1) ALTERNATE DELEGATE UNTIL IT HAS BEEN CHARTERED FOR ONE (1) YEAR AND ONE (1) DAY. THEREAFTER, THE DELEGATE QUOTA WILL BE BASED ON THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS ENROLLED IN THE CLUB FOR ONE (1) YEAR AND ONE (1) DAY.

CLUBS BEING RELEASED FROM STATUS QUO WILL HAVE THEIR DELEGATE QUOTA BASED ON THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS ENROLLED IN THE CLUB FOR ONE (1) YEAR AND ONE (1) DAY AT THE TIME OF BEING RELEASED FROM STATUS QUO. HOWEVER, A CLUB BEING RELEASED FROM STATUS QUO WILL BE ENTITLED TO A MINIMUM OF ONE (1) DELEGATE, AND ONE (1) ALTERNATE DELEGATE.

*Don Peppard*  
CC Don Peppard  
MD2 COUNCIL CHAIRMAN

LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL  
DISTRICT 2-S2  
OFFICIAL CALL TO CONVENTION

In accordance with Article IX, Section 2 of the Constitution and Bylaws of Lions District 2-S2, I, Charles Martin, District Governor, do hereby issue the Official Call to Convention for the 92nd Annual Convention of Lions Clubs International District 2-S2. Said Convention will be held at the Hilton Houston Westchase Hotel, Houston, Texas. The dates will be April 30 – May 1, 2010. The purpose of the Convention is to conduct business of Lions District 2-S2. Said business is to include the election of Officers and Directors for the District and its charities.

*Charles B. Martin*

Charles B. Martin  
2009-2010 District Governor  
February 15, 2010



# LIONS CLUB DISTRICT 2-S2 MID-WINTER CONFERENCE JANUARY 19, 2010





It's 1090 miles to Chicago, we got a full tank of gas, half a pack of cigarettes, it's dark, and we're wearing sunglasses

But Jake we ain't going to Chicago!  
We're going to  
Hilton Houston Westchase Hotel  
Houston, Texas

Right, We're on a mission for the Lions...

## Lions 2010 District 2-S2 Convention

Hilton Houston Westchase Hotel  
9999 Westheimer Rd. Houston, Texas

April 30 - May 1, 2010

### The Texas Blues Brothers Tribute Hospitality Books & Tickets



**HOSPITALITY BOOKS** — includes tickets to ALL events listed below.  
*(No hospitality books sold and No refunds after Monday, April 26th)*

**The Ultimate Party Pack Price** No. \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$99.00 each Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

#### INDIVIDUAL TICKETS:

*(No tickets for individual events will be sold after Wednesday, April 28th)*

#### Friday, April 30, 2010

Party with the Blues Brothers No. \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$45.00 each Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
"Chuck" Wagon Buffet in honor of DG Chuck Martin

#### Saturday, May 1, 2010

Way-to-Early Breakfast No. \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$25.00 each Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

PDG Awards Luncheon No. \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$35.00 each Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Governor's Banquet No. \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$55.00 each Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(Vegetarian: Yes  or No  If not checked it will be assumed it is No )

Names/Individuals: \_\_\_\_\_

Lions Club: \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail completed form with check or money order payable to Lions District 2-S2 to:



PDG Margaret Badeaux  
6819 Oakwood Grove  
Houston, TX 77040-4403  
Phone: 713/856-5549



Register and pay for the convention online at  
[www.golions.us](http://www.golions.us)

Pick up books and tickets at the registration desk at the convention.

**Hilton Houston Westchase Hotel**

**Room Rates \$79 + tax per night (must pay hotel tax).**

**Must be booked by April 19, 2010. 713-974-1000 or 1-800-HILTONS.**

[www.westchase.hilton.com](http://www.westchase.hilton.com)

**(use convention/group word "Lions" when registering with hotel)**

# Lions District 2-S2 2010 Delegate Certification Form

The Following From \_\_\_\_\_ Lions Club plan to attend the 2009 - 2010 District 2-S2 Convention at the Hilton Houston Westchase Hotel on April 30 - May 1, 2010. Please type or print names; make sure they are legible

**Delegates:** Each Lions Club is entitled to one delegate and one alternate for every ten members or major fraction thereof. The District Governor, Past International Directors and Past District Governors who are members of Lions Clubs, in good standing, in the district are entitled to vote in addition to the club's other delegates.

### Delegates

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### PDGs & PIDs

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### Alternate Delegates

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**To be able to Vote the club must not owe more than \$50.  
to Lions Clubs International, or District 2-S2.  
Dues must be paid to date.**

Request for certification of delegates and alternates: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Club President or Club Secretary)

**PLEASE: Mail the completed and signed form NO later than Friday, April 26, 2010.**

Mail to: PDG Ronald G. Landers  
2015 Crestdale  
Houston, TX 77080-5303  
rglanders@comcast.net  
713-827-8130 fax

# DISTRICT CONVENTION PROGRAM BOOKLET

To help defray the cost of the District Convention we sell advertising in the Program Booklet. The Convention Fund is low, the meal and hotel cost are going up each year. Last year we sold just over \$5000 and we need to increase that amount this year to \$6000.

Clubs are asked to do two things to help us meet this level of ad sales.

- Appoint an Ad Sales Chairman for your club and sell ads for the Convention Program Booklet. You can sell ads to members, neighbors, co-workers, business acquaintances, Lions, Non-Lions, campaign for district candidates. Anything that is legal...
- Each club is asked to sell or buy at least one full page ad.

## Ad sizes and Cost:

- Full page: \$100.
- Half page: \$75.
- Quarter page: \$50
- Last inside page: \$125.
- Inside front and back covers: \$150.
- Outside back cover: \$200. – already reserved

Send ad copy to: PDG Ronald Landers,  
2015 Crestdale  
Houston, Texas 77080-5303 or rglanders@comcast.net  
by April 10, 2010.



Especially designed for the visually impaired & blind, ages 0-13

Deer Park Lion's Club  
& "Friends of Laura"

## 11th Annual Beeping

# Easter "Egg"stravaganza Hunt & Carnival

**When:** Sunday, March 28, 2010  
**Time:** 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
**Where:** Lyondell Rec Hall  
**NOTE:** 1300 West Jackson, Pasadena  
**NEW LOCATION** (corner of 225 & Scarsdale)



**Registration:** 1:30 p.m.  
**Volunteers:** 12:45 p.m.

To pre-register or for more information, Contact Lisa Wright @  
281-235-7215 or e-mail lwright@dpisd.org

Games, Petting Zoo, Horseback Riding, Fun and Pictures with the  
Easter Bunny

We will have the Sibling Easter Egg Hunt again this year!



Pictures with the Easter Bunny furnished by  
Photo-Ops owners Rhonda and Roland Johnson

HOUSTON NORTH WEST



**"SPRING CHICKEN" BBQ**  
 ~We will smoking up some delicious chickens!~  
**APRIL 15 & 16th, 2010**  
 These will be whole Chickens, that are halved for your convenience!  
**\$6.00 Per Bird**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Number Of Chickens:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Paid:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Pick and Deliveries will be made on FRIDAY the 16th!**



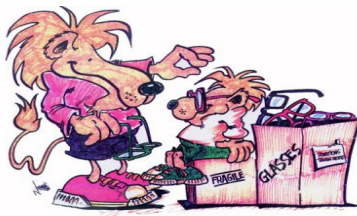
Lions Mints a simple way to raise funds. All you need is a counter top at a local cafe, bar, hardware store or Lions owed businesses.

The District has Peppermint and Wintergreen Mints at \$70 per case. Each case has 30 packs with 16 rolls of mints in each pack. You sale them for a minimum of 25 cents and make \$50 per case.

Some clubs give the mints away at their various fund raisers, such as road blocks or collections in front of stores.

Contact PDG Ronald Landers, 713-468-1196,  
rglanders@comcast.net, to order the mints.





## *Disaster: Opportunity or Responsibility?*

In today's "business speak" nothing is called a problem anymore. Problems are simply looked at as an **"opportunity"** to do something positive to resolve a situation. Being in business for almost 40 years, I always thought that was a load of bunk! Whenever, we were faced with a problem that involved our department, it was our **JOB** to fix it. I think the same must be said for the horrific disaster in Haiti. Everywhere we go today we are being told about the **"opportunities"** we have as citizens, church members, etc. to help & serve the suffering people in Haiti. As Lions, however, this is not an opportunity. If we are truly to be called Lions, it is our **RESPONSIBILITY to SERVE!**

For those of you who have been following along, we planned to talk about the Texas Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center (TLERC) Training Programs this month, but two other topics seem more pressing. First is the earthquake in Haiti. At TLERC, we know there will be an overwhelming need to get eyeglasses to the Haitian people and plans are being developed to get an initial supply of 100,000 pair of recycled glasses into Haiti when the time is right. Currently the need for food, water, clothing, medical supplies, and shelter takes precedence. Any plans to go into Haiti would probably include more than just a mission to put eyeglasses on those in need. Most likely it will be a full-fledged training mission to set up a satellite recycling center, so that the Lions of Haiti can continue to serve when the team has gone home. Anyone interested in training to become part of TLERC's Training Team can contact TLERC's offices (432-683-3611).

So for now, we have to find other ways to serve. Donating to Lions Club International Foundation (LCIF) is one way we can all help. Also with so many people with broken, crushed, or amputated legs, some Midland Downtown Lions saw an immediate need for medical equipment, such as crutches, wheelchairs (non-electric), canes, and walkers. The idea quickly spread across the MD-2 and now all 16 Districts are collecting these items. TLERC and Lions International are working on the ultimate shipment to Haiti, and TLERC will be working with your District Governor on the logistics of assembling this equipment in the most advantageous location to ship. In the meantime, please get the word out to the members of your Club and your community, and then check with your District Leaders, as to how your District plans to proceed.

On a more exciting note, TLERC has finalized its banking arrangement to begin automatic bank drafts in our **"Visionary Knights of the Blind"** individual giving program. We are now trying to get the word out to all of the great Texas Lions, who are the financial lifeblood to all the Texas Lions projects. As we've discussed in past months, TLERC is one of 3 State Lions Projects, but we have no permanent funding from MD-2 Lions. Without regular ongoing funding, no project can hope to grow and likely will struggle just to maintain what it has. That's why this program is so important to the future of TLERC.

All Lions have been challenged by Helen Keller to be "Knights of the Blind". A Visionary is one who recognizes that this fight is never ending. Thus, **Visionary Knights of the Blind** provide perpetual help by gifting **at least \$100/year**. This can be done by an annual personal check or by monthly bank draft (minimum \$10/month). We're talking only 33 cents/day at the minimum.

Our goal is 200 members by June 30. That's only 12-13/District. We hope your newsletter editor was able to include the form in this newsletter. If not, it can also be found on the State Website. Make as many copies as you want to pass around. Please help us get this form out to your club. This is our State Lions project, so it **IS** our **RESPONSIBILITY** to make sure TLERC can continue **TO SERVE!**





# Sight: What Better Gift?

## Club Gifts to TLERC

**Focus Club** – Almost from our inception, Lions Clubs have been challenged to fight blindness. A “Focus Club” is one focused on providing the gift of vision to those in need, by supporting TLERC with at least a **\$3 per member** gift.

## Individual Gifts to TLERC

**Visionary Knights of the Blind** – All Lions have been challenged by Helen Keller to be “Knights of the Blind”. A “Visionary” recognizes that this fight is never ending. Thus, Visionary Knights of the Blind provide perpetual help by gifting at least **\$100/year**. This can be done by personal check or bank draft (minimum \$10/month).

**The PDG O. Ike Fitzgerald Gold Vision Fellowship** – A **\$1,000 or greater** gift recognizing PDG Ike’s passion and determination for almost 20 years in taking TLERC from vision to reality.

**The Lion George Miles Silver Vision Fellowship** – A **\$500** gift recognizing the hard work of Lion George Miles in setting up and running the TLERC recycling warehouse.

**The Doctor Norman S. Gould Bronze Vision Fellowship** – A **\$250** gift recognizing Lion Gould’s tireless effort and dedication for almost 20 years in developing the optometric programs of TLERC.

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# TLERC

Texas Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center

For Donations Mail To: 401 N. Colorado, Suite 100 Midland, TX 79701

[tlerc@attglobal.net](mailto:tlerc@attglobal.net) 432-683-3611

## *Visionary Knights of the Blind*

*Visionary "Knights of the Blind" are a special breed of "CAT", meeting the plea of Helen Keller by recognizing that her challenge to Lions is never ending. Such Visionaries understand that our financial support must be ongoing.*

Donor Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone, Cell, Pager: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Lions Club Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_

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## *Visionary Knights of the Blind – Payment Options*

1. **Recurring Annual Payments** – Please select the annual level you wish to donate and send your check to the address above. A reminder letter will be sent to you each year on the anniversary of your enrollment as a Visionary Knight of the Blind.

\$100 (minimum)  \$150  \$250  \$500  \$\_\_\_\_\_ (other annual amount)

2. **Monthly Bank Draft** – Please select the monthly amount you wish TLERC to draft monthly from your bank account. Drafts will be on the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month (or the 1<sup>st</sup> business day thereafter). Then follow the instructions below by completing and signing the form and attaching a voided check. Please return this form to the address above.

\$10  \$15  \$25  \$50  \$\_\_\_\_\_ (other monthly amount)

### Instructions for Monthly Automatic Draft:

1) Enter amount of monthly automatic draft below 2) Sign and date all lines marked with an 'X' 3) **Attach a VOIDED check to this form**

To The Texas Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center:

I have given order to (print name of your Financial Institution): \_\_\_\_\_ to honor for you as they become due, on my monthly drafts and charge same to my account with this financial institution. This authorization will remain in effect until revoked by me in writing.

Enter amount of monthly automatic draft selected above: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (minimum \$10)

Please sign and date below – use signature(s) required on your account:

X \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_  
(second signature only if 2 signatures required on check)

## Clean Energy the Order of the Day

Across the world, the need of the hour is to use renewable energy. Green energy is the energy from natural resources such as rain, wind, tides, sunlight, and geothermal heat. Non renewable energy sources are being diminished at a rapid rate, which makes it imperative to use the energy that is in abundance, that is, solar and wind. Not only are these two sources plenty, but they will drastically reduce the effect of environmental pollution.

Fossil fuels produce emissions that pollute the air we breathe and change the climate patterns over the long term. The use of fossil fuels in electricity production is a leading cause of these global climate changes and air quality problems. On the other hand, clean energy technologies produce no emissions, with the exception of biomass which still produces significantly fewer emissions than fossil fuels. As a result, increased use of clean energy benefits the global environment and local human health.

A number of countries have been moving away from using non renewable energy sources. Last year, China surpassed competitors such as Denmark, Germany, Spain and the United States to become the world's largest maker of wind turbines and is poised to increase even further this year. In the United States, power companies frequently face a choice between buying renewable energy equipment and continuing to operate fossil-fuel fired power plants that have already been built and paid for.

These efforts to dominate renewable energy technologies raise the belief that the West may someday trade its reliance on oil from the Mideast for a dependence on solar panels, wind turbines and other gears manufactured in China. Let us not fall in that trap.

Clean energy technologies also rely on renewable fuel sources, like the sun, wind, and replenish-able forest products. Using these resources in place of fossil fuels and nuclear energy reduces the depletion of natural resources and the creation of both toxic and non-toxic wastes.

Stedman Douglas  
Environmental Chairperson



## SUGAR IN YOUR GAS TANK???

You know you wouldn't put sugar in the gas tank of your car. Your car needs energy to run efficiently so why not feed your body with the same consideration? We go dashing along throwing just about anything into our system—a donut here, a bagel there, gee I feel tired, better eat a candy bar. A "normal" body can't prosper on this and it is especially true if you are diabetic. Understanding diabetes really isn't that difficult. The person lacks the necessary insulin to convert food to fuel and results in abnormally high levels of glucose in the circulating blood. If not monitored and controlled, the body will surely be headed "to the shop" for evaluation and maintenance.

If you don't know if you have ever been checked for diabetes, see your doctor. A simple blood test can be done. Once the results are completed, you can better understand what your risks are. If it turns out that you are diabetic, there are several options. You may be told to start with just modification of your diet—limiting calories and concentrated sweets combined with monitoring your own glucose with the "finger-stick". Depending on several factors, you may require oral medication alone or in combination with injection of insulin. Your physician will become your partner in guiding your choices of treatment. You will be the one that is in control in determining your diet choices and ultimately how well your blood glucose is controlled.

Judy Wuensche  
Diabetes Chairperson

**NINTH ANNUAL TEXAS LIONS LEADERSHIP FORUM**  
**and**  
**LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL REGIONAL LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE**  
**Hilton Austin Airport**  
**March 13 (start 11:30 a.m) and 14 (end 2:15 p.m.), 2010**

**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: \_\_\_\_\_ Lion  Yes  No  
 Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_  
 2<sup>nd</sup> registrant  
 Name: \_\_\_\_\_ 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**  
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Registration before 1/30/10 # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$50.00 = \_\_\_\_\_  
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**No registration after March 1, 2010 or at the site**

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**The first 100 Lions registering, who have never been elected to a position of Vice Governor or higher, will have their March 13th lodging paid by the Institute.**

Even those must make, and guarantee, their reservations with the Hilton Austin Airport.  
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- Each registrant: select six sessions
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Dear Lions,

I am sure that everyone remembers where they were one month ago when news of the devastating 7.0 earthquake in Haiti broke. The past month has truly demonstrated the great need for the humanitarian service of our Foundation. After the earthquake struck the Caribbean nation of Haiti, LCIF and Lions worldwide immediately responded. Through the generosity of multiple districts, districts, clubs and individuals, more than US\$2 million has been mobilized in the past month to ensure immediate needs are being met and long-term reconstruction is a top priority.

I challenge Lions worldwide to join me in our efforts to rebuild the lives, families and communities impacted by the earthquake in Haiti. One of Lions' greatest strengths is the support we give to our fellow members in times of need. When disasters strike, LCIF and Lions from around the world are there to support one another.

By [making a donation](#) to LCIF, you are providing hope to the people of Haiti. We invite all Lions to donate and thank those who have already contributed. Together, we will continue to serve those in the greatest need.

Best regards,  
Al Brandel  
LCIF Chairperson

## Words of Thanks for Lions' Relief in Haiti

*"It has been a day of blessings in that around 9 a.m. the Lions arrived to tell me our soccer areas have been chosen to receive their aid, which includes well formed tents, hot kitchen area, school in a box, dental and eye care. It is a real shot in the arm for us, as I had begun to accept that our neighborhood would have to move to one of the huge tent areas in order to obtain shelter and food. Since writing this, the initial boxes from the Lions club have arrived. I am glad the neighbors will soon have tents, hot food and everything else promised."*

Sister Mary Finnick,  
Grey Nuns of the Sacred Heart, Haiti

## Funds Provide Shelter, Food, Water to Victims

Lions provided immediate needs, including water, food and medical supplies on January 22. These supplies were distributed by Haitian Lions and Leos to a hospital and orphanage. LCIF partnered with the Lions of Sweden to provide 200 large tents to house those who are now homeless as well as relief workers. Haitian Lions have established three tent cities in Delmas, Blanchard and Carrefour-Feuille, neighborhoods located in Port-au-Prince. Each tent city can accommodate 300 families or 1,200 people. Lions are focusing their immediate relief efforts to support and maintain these tent cities.

## Relief Efforts Furthered by Leveraging Funds

To further relief efforts in Haiti, LCIF is reaching out to organizations in both Haiti and around the world. The International Organization of Migration has offered to provide supplies and assistance to Lions camps. LCIF is also partnering with the shipping company, Maersk, and the World Food Program, to ship tents donated by Lions of Sweden and food donated by the World Food Program, to Haiti free of charge. Additionally, the Foundation is in final discussions to partner with USAID and Catholic Relief Services.

## Individual Donations Strengthen Relief Efforts

Lions worldwide are supporting relief efforts by donating to the Haiti Earthquake Relief fund. A number individual Lions have made significant contributions of US\$10,000 or more to demonstrate their commitment to helping rebuild Haiti.

- Aruna Oswal, India, US\$25,000
- Kanaksingh Babla, Kenya, US\$10,000
- Alexis Gomes, Congo, US\$10,000
- Susan Lanier, Alabama, USA, US\$10,000

To view a full listing of Lions, clubs, districts and multiple districts providing generous support to LCIF's Haiti Earthquake Relief fund, visit the [Lions respond page on-line](#)

## Long-term Reconstruction Plans

Lions leadership and local Lions are developing a long-term plan for reconstruction, and a committee made up of Lions from the area was established to oversee relief efforts. A return trip is planned for February 24 to continue planning and deliver additional supplies.

Currently, Lions are focused on immediate needs, such as shelter, food and water. But initial reports from the Lions of Haiti for long-term reconstruction focus on building a school and an ophthalmic clinic. This is similar to what Lions have been done for reconstruction following other catastrophes.



**2010-2011 Announced Candidates**

2010-2011 District Governor	Glen Starr	Conroe Noon Lions Club	*
2010-2011 First Vice District Governor	Rick Reynolds	Cut and Shoot Family Lions Club	*
2010-2011 Second Vice District Governor	Paul Eads	Houston Hieghts Lions Club	*
2010-2012 Director Texas Lions Camp	Chris Moorman	Liberty Lions Club	*
2010-2012 Director Lions Eye Bank of Texas	Arlita C. Pang PCC Joesph Bocklage	Houston Millinium Lions Club Humble Noon Lions Club	* *
2010-2012 Director Lighthouse of Houston			
2010-2013 Director Humanitarian Relief Fund	Wes Carr	Conroe Noon	*

\*RESOLUTIONS OF CANDIDACY HAS BEEN SUBMITTED,  
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2010-2011



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Used eyeglasses collected \_\_\_?\_\_\_

Hours given towards Lionism \_\_\_?\_\_\_

# CLUB CLASSIFIEDS

Any Club with a classified type ad may advertise their need or project for FREE. All such information must be submitted to PDG Margaret Badeaux by the 10th of the month.

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TO DO THY WILL,  
LORD MAKE US STRONG.  
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## Conroe Noon Lions Club



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Second Vice District Governor  
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**Next PSC Meeting**  
**MARCH 3, 2010**  
**\*\* CHINA BEAR \*\***

**15000 I-45 North**

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

The President and Secretary Council  
meeting is held at the  
**CHINA BEAR RESTAURANT**  
located at 15000 I-45 North  
On the northbound feeder road,  
exit Airtex, both ways.

The cost for the buffet is \$13.00 per person,  
including tax and gratuity.

The food is buffet-style, of Chinese,  
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There are desserts galore  
and more than one Ice Cream Machine.



***We Serve***

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District Governor

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