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Official Newsletter of Lions Clubs International District 2-S2

AUGUST

2007

CALENDER OF EVENTS

July	28	1st Cabinet Meeting
August	1	PSC Meeting
August	2-4	MD-2 Council of Govenors Kerriville, TX
Sept	6-8	USA/Canada Forum Grand Rapids, Michagan

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INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION HAPPENIN'S THROUGH THE EYES OF OUR DISTRICT GOVERNOR

HELLO 2-S2! Back from another International Convention, which as you know, was held in Chicago, Illinois. This was my first visit to Chicago and I was pleasantly surprised. A very clean and green city with flowers everywhere. Didn't have much time for sightseeing though. Spent a lot of time in classroom activities. Did however get inducted as your District Governor. We actually had a graduation ceremony with cap and gown! We did elect a new International President Mahendra Amarasuriya from Sri Lanka. He is forward thinking and a visionary, which means he will continue to promote and accelerate the changes encouraged by our Immediate Past President, Texan Jimmy Ross. To quote our new president... "I plan to take a new look at the association, bring new approaches and really push the association forward. " He advocates clubs setting their own pace. "if a club wants to have karaoke at their meetings, they should do so... if they want to have their meetings using iPods, they should do so... each club needs to feel free to do what fits their members needs. His theme, "Challenge to Change", acknowledges the challenges facing Lions throughout the world and provides solutions. "Without this internal change, we will no longer be relevant to the 21st century. " This new approach may account for the amendments that were voted on and passed at this convention:

- Revised the composition of the International Board of Directors to reflect the shift in population base of our association. The number of Directors representing the United States of America was reduced to seven.
- Reducing the amount of student dues.
- Reducing audits of International records to once per year (instead of twice).
- Redefining the roles and responsibilities of the District Governor, Vice District Governor, Region Chairs and Zone Chairs in order to focus on membership growth and development.

I will elaborate more fully on these developments and present our plans to implement these changes at our Cabinet Meeting, Saturday, July 28th. These are exciting times for us and with your help and dedication to Lionism we will have success in District 2-S2 this year and have a great time. Let's enjoy it.

Stay tuned for changes as our new President's program is rolled out.

Yours in Lionism

District Governor Art Drouin

GOOD NEWS!!!

All of our District 2-S2 clubs are again
100% to the camp! Thank you for
being in that number!



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Cabinet Meeting

July 28, 2007

8:30 am - 9:00 am

Registration

North Harris County

Community College

2700 W.W. Thorne Drive

WE SERVE

Eye Exams Exams 53

Recycled 341

Donated Hours 1227

Welcome New Lions

Starting the new Lions' year off with a roar, the following Clubs have added new Lions to pack.

CONROE NOON LIONS CLUB

Gabe Schexnider, Jr. sponsored by Lion Scott Holloway; **Joy Glade** sponsored by Lion Larry Reiland; **Lisa Doyle** sponsored by Lion Tracy Irvine; **Judi Fetters** sponsored by Lion Nancy Edgmon; **Jerry Mayrant** sponsored by Lion Robert Adams; **Charlie Ray, Jr** sponsored by Lion CK Ray.....

HOUSTON DOWNTOWN LIONS CLUB

Ray Rutledge sponsored by Lion James Sanchez

HOUSTON EAST END LIONS CLUB

Pura Johnstone sponsored by Lion Karen Cagle

HOUSOTN NORTHWEST LIONS CLUB

Frank Della Sala sponsored by Lion Kay Burke

HUNTSVILLE LIONS CLUB

Brenda Lowery sponsored by Lion Larry Graves; **Harold French** sponsored by Lion Noah Speer; **Tyler Johns** sponsored by Lion Ron Lange

MAGNOLIA LIONS CLUB

Michael Willkins sponsored by Lion Ronald Willkins

PASADENA LIONS CLUB

Tammie Nielsen sponsored by Lion Deborah Salisbury



To all our new Lions, WELCOME and to their sponsors, THANKS A MILLION!

CLUB CLASSIFIEDS

Do you need help working a fund-raiser? Place an ad in “help wanted”. Do you have BBQ pits, building, tents or other items for rent? Place an ad in “for rent”.

Any Club with a classified type ad may advertise their need or project for FREE.

All such information must be submitted to Lion Judy Champion by the 10th of the month. jwalley@flash.net or calling 281 442 9707

Huntsville Lions Club has a wheelchair to donate.

Houston Spring Branch Lions has tents and bar-b-que pits “on wheels” to rent. They also have several articles of medical equipment like a hospital bed, wheelchair, potty chair and walker to offer to anyone who needs them.

Tomball Lions rent a BBQ pit/serving trailer.

Cut ‘n Shoot Family Lions accept donations of “treasured trash” for the semi-annual auction.

Does your Club have something to rent, sell or give away?

Do you need something another Lion might be able to furnish?

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All Ads and subscriptions need to be renewed at that time.

August -June, 2007-2008.

The District Newsletter has Two Types of Advertisements.

Type One Ad's.

These Ad's are busines card size 3 1/4 inches by 1 3/4 inches,

They cost **\$100** per ad panel for the year, or **\$25** a month.

This is a Way to say Thanks to a Great Lion or to show your Clubs pride.

Type Two is Full page Ad's

This type of Ad is for Club Fundraisers.

Ad copies must be clean and clear.

Cost of a full page ad is **\$75** a month.

Please note that Resolutions for District Candidates and

District Held Projects are free.

Subscriptions

\$30 for the year.

Make Checks out to Lions District 2-S2

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Around The District



The **Hardin Lions Club** continues to support their community in a big way by helping to form a Boy Scout Group in their area, where one is needed. Of course, this Club also continues to be active in sponsoring several Leo Clubs in their local schools.

Houston Cy Fair Lions Club ran their concession stand at their baseball fields for tournaments in June. They will have their 8th Annual Biking for Sight Ride starting at the Montgomery High School Athletic Complex on Sunday September 30, 2007. These Lions continue to furnish eye exams and glasses to area students and to collect used glasses for recycling. At recent meetings, this Club enjoyed a presentation by Lion Susan Escarino, of the Houston Sports Club, on *“How to Deal with Difficult People”* as well as a speaker from the Houston YMCA who spoke about the different programs offered by the YMCA.

The **Houston Downtown Lions Club** continues their Soft Sell Raffles at the club meeting on the third Tuesday of each month to add to their Administrative funds. This club held their 29th Annual “Good Guys’ Golf Tournament” in June and it was a huge success. Some of their Club meeting programs have included Ron Cook presenting “Is Long Term Care Necessary? Protecting Your Assets”; a presentation by the Houston Metro Transit System on future train service; Donna Lane with an update on the Houston Convention and Tourist Bureau’s activities and “The Butterfly Museum”. They are also firming up their plans for their HISD Sportsmanship Program which is held annually. Many of Downtown Lions joined the Houston Northwest Lions in their Anniversary Party and Officer Installation in late June.

GET READY!..... the **Houston Heights Lions** will be selling Entertainment Books soon. They expect the books to arrive sometime in July. These Lions, with the help of their “junior Lions”, had a successful White Cane Day in June.

The **Houston Greenspoint Lions** continue to rent out and operate their gaming equipment (black-jack, roulette, etc.). This Club has been very generous
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by supplying their equipment to our District for a gaming night at our Annual District Convention. Be sure to pass the word about the availability of this equipment to “outsiders” for fun or fund-raising opportunities.

The **Houston Millennium Lions** held a very successful Health Fair at the Notre Dame Catholic Church during the summer. Many 2-S2 Lions and all of our Charities participated.

The **Houston Spring Branch Lions Club** presented 10 - \$100 Wal-Mart gift cards to the families who were wiped out by a fire at the Spring Pine Apartments. These Lions continue to sponsor bingo and to help work at the CY Fair Lions concessions stand as well as recycle eye glasses, newspapers and aluminum cans.

Humble Noon Lions Club had a successful Magic Show June 4th at the Humble Civic Center with over 300 participants. They will, again, host the Annual Chili Cook Off, October 20th at the Humble Civic Center. Stay tuned for details. Installation of new officers by District Governor Art Drouin was held on the evening of June 12th.


Houston Westbury Lions had a wonderful time at their watermelon and cantaloupe party held at the Texas Lions Camp this summer. They awarded Lion Seth Harwood with a Jack Weich Fellowship and Lions Bernie Rosenblatt and Seymour Sugar with Melvin Jones Fellowships.

The **New Waverly Lions Club** and the Gulf Coast Trades Center are sponsoring a basic computer skills class. The class will be offered to adults and seniors who would like to learn or enhance their basic computer skills. There will be no charge for this training. The class will be held on July 30th, at 6:30 pm, at the Hawthorne Community Center. The center is located at the corner of FM 2693 and Hawthorne Rd. If you would like to attend this training session, please call 936-344-8515. This Club continues to publish an outstanding newsletter with the help of the Gulf Coast Trades Center.

The **Woodlands Lions Club** continues to sell raffle tickets on a \$500,000+ house. Have you seen the ads on TV? The Lions logo is very prominent in the ad, which is very tastefully done. Contact Larry Smith if you would like to purchase a raffle ticket. His number is 281-731-9573.


The **Willis Lions** were very active this year is assisting the Camper Transportation Committee. Several members made several trips to assist in getting 2-S2 campers to camp safely.

Conroe Noon Lions Club




1939-2007
“Celebrating 68 years of Community Service”

**Cut And Shoot Family
Lions Club**



**Home of District Governor
Arthur Drouin**

**Houston East End
Lions Club**



**Home of Vice District Governor
Barron Cagle**

The Environment and Eye Glasses

Lion Cliff Heiman has held the Environmental Chairman position for many years. Sadly we lost a good friend and great Lion when we lost Lion Cliff in March of 2007. I know that I always enjoyed and looked forward to the cartoons that he created. When we were in the Coldspring Area Lions Club together, I have been the subject more than once of one of his famous cartoons.

I have some BIG shoes to fill. Lion Cliff was one of a kind and there will never be an Environmental Chairman like him. I was honored when DG Art asked me to take it over.

I did not prepare a cartoon for this months newsletter and there probably won't be one every month, but I will attempt it.



Have you ever thought that our used eyeglass collection program was environmentally friendly? Think about it...most of our eyeglasses are made of plastic and or metal. They do not biodegrade. The collection of used eyeglasses keeps a lot of plastic and metal out of waste sites.

The collection of eyeglasses and passing them on to people that need them we have done two things...

- We have helped our fellow man obtain something that they wouldn't have been able to on their own. Improved eyesight with gently used eyeglasses
- We have been environment friendly by keeping plastics and metals out of land fill sites

Food for thought.....how many of our other projects that we do are environmentally friendly. I don't know the answer, but I'll research it and get back to you with what I find.

Until next month...

Lion Elaine Montgomery

2007 – 2008 District 2-S2 Club Contest

CLUB NAME: _____
 CONTACT PERSON: _____ Telephone _____

ENTHUSIASM		
Contest form submitted	25	
Club meeting attendance at or above 50% of membership	100 Per meeting	
Sponsored a Leo Club	1000	
Published a club newsletter	100	
In possession of the "traveling gavel"	100	
DISTRICT INVOLVEMENT		
Did your club have a Lions program? Describe:	250	
Who attended last month's PSC meeting? President = 50 pts Secretary = 50 pts Other Lions = 25 pts		
Who attended last month's zone meeting? President = 50 pts Secretary = 50 pts Other Lions = 50 pts		
Visited another club (min 3 persons)	150	
TOTAL FOR THIS COLUMN (A)		
Monthly Bonus Point Opportunities		
100% charity payments made		
July - August	300 points	
September	250 points	
October	200 points	
November	150 points	
December	100 points	

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT		
Provided eye exam and/or glasses	50	
Participated in hearing aid collection project	100	
Participated in used eyeglass collection project	100	
Participated in Campbell's soup can label collection project	100	
Club completed a community service project	500	
LIONS CHARITIES INVOLVEMENT		
100% charities contribution	2000	
Additional 100% charities contribution	___ x 100 pts	
100% camp contribution	500	
Additional 100% camp contribution	___ x 500 pts	
Made a visit to the camp	500	
Did your club hold a fundraiser last month? Describe:	100	
TOTAL FOR THIS COLUMN (B)		
Do you qualify for this month's bonus points? Add ___ pts here:		
TOTAL FROM COLUMN A		
GRAND TOTAL OF COLUMN A + COLUMN B + BONUS POINTS		

This form is due to Contest Chairman Lion Bob Kuchera on the first day of the month, September through April. The winning clubs will be announced at convention!

CLUB ACTIVITIES REPORT

PLEASE **PRINT** OR TYPE ALL INFORMATION

CLUB NAME _____

CLUB ACTIVITIES REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF _____

THIS FORM MUST BE SENT IN BEFORE THE 10th OF EACH MONTH.

EITHER BY MAIL, FAX OR E-MAIL TO:

Lion Judy Champions, 2021 Aldine Mail Route #503, Houston TX 77039

F: 281-442-600 jwalley@flash.net

UPCOMING FUNDRAISERS AND EVENTS:

(INCLUDE INFORMATION, DATES AND TIME AND LOCATION) _____

WHAT YOUR CLUB HAS DONE?

(THOSE SPECIAL THINGS)

PROGRAMS:

LIONS CLUBS YOUR MEMBERS VISITED:

(Did your club Obtain the "Big Ugly Traveling Gavel") Y/N _____

USED EYE GLASSES COLLECTED:

EYE EXAMS AND EYE GLASSES DONATED:

TEXAS LIONS CAMPER APPLICATIONS:

TOTAL HOURS GIVEN TOWARDS LIONISM:

(ROUND UP TO FULL HOUR)

PLEASE REMEMBER EITHER PRINT OR TYPE THE INFORMATION,
THERE IS NOW A ON-LINE CAR FORM AT www.lions2s2.org

Next PSC Meeting
August 1, 2007

**** CHINA BEAR ****

15000 I-45 North

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

The President and Secretary Council meeting has been moved. The new location is 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, American and Mexican food.

There are desserts galore and more than one ice cream machine.



2007-2008 OFFICERS

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District Governor

Barron Cagle
Vice District Governor

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Cabinet Secretary

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