

# LIONS DISTRICT 2-S2

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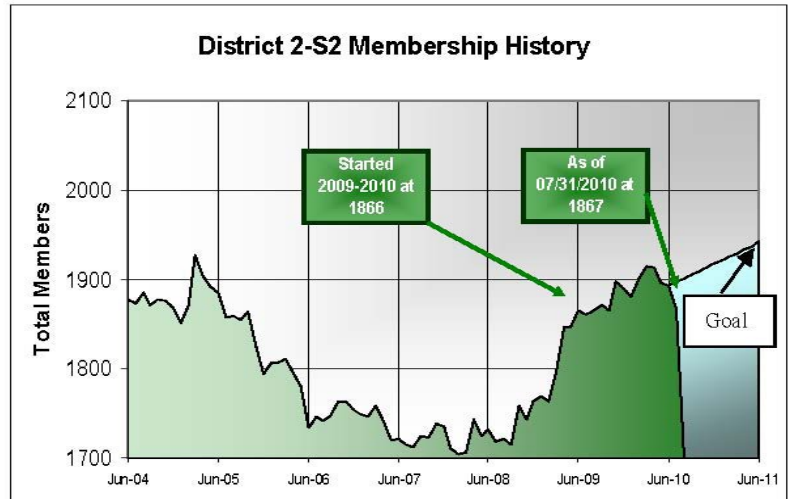
## Thoughts from your District Governor ....

### Focus on Service

Our first Cabinet meeting this year was held on a Wednesday evening and for the most part, I have only heard positive comments about the time and location. I truly appreciate the Lions that have stepped-up to serve our district through their respective Cabinet position. I know each of you have the best interest of Lionism at heart in everything you do.

Service work in your own backyard is the focus of our Association. Let's embrace the four service initiatives this year as expressed by our International President, Sid L. Scruggs, III. The first service initiative for August/September is "Engaging our Youth." Invite Leos and youth in your area to help organize and participate in a service project. Projects may include school or community facility cleanups or a visit to a home for senior citizens or a children's hospital. Allowing youth to develop and lead a service project enables them to learn skills while emphasizing the role of service.

To focus on delivering service also means we have to focus on having members to do the work. Unfortunately, this past July was the worst July in the past five years for District 2-S2 when it came to the number of losses our district experienced – net loss was 26 Lions. Our net gain last year was 27, so we are essentially where we started last year. I'm confident that trend will not continue and I encourage you to invite a worthy individual to share the experience of being a Lion by inviting them to your club.



As I visit Lions Clubs in our district, if you bring a prospective member to the club meeting, I will give you one of the District Governor's lapel pins. Each new member this year also receives a postcard from me and if that Lion will bring the postcard to me at some district event, I will also give a lapel pin to the new member.

Let's have a great year!

**Glen Starr, District Governor 2010-2011**



### CALENDER OF EVENTS

September 1	PSC Meeting
September 23-25	USA/Canada Leadership Forum
October 6	PSC Meeting
October 20	Second Cabinet Meeting
November 3	PSC Meeting

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

### IT'S WHAT WE DO!!!

It's what we do in life that makes us who we are. Not what we say we're going to do or what we dream about doing. It's the little things like helping a friend in need or offering a few words of comfort to a child in distress or even letting a loved one know how important they are to you. Simply doing the RIGHT thing. Living our lives as our Lord intended. That is what determines who we are. You all have heard about "paying it forward". You know, the idea that you help a person and then that person will help another and then that person will help yet another and so on and so on. Eventually it will get back to you! As LIONS, we are all **"Paying it Forward"**.

As LIONS, we are on the forefront of the never ending circle. Wait!!! How can a circle have a front you ask! *Well, everything has to have a starting point, even a circle.* As Lions, we are making that little point that soon grows into that big circle. Our service to others leads others to more service and still others to even more service and so on and so on. Sound familiar? (see paragraph #1) Pretty cool, huh? As much as we love new members and as important as new members are to our organization, not all of those we touch will become Lions. But they will probably remember that we Served and possibly will serve another without even being a Lion or better yet let others know who Served and possibly that person will become a Lion. And so on and so on!!!

So what **we** do in life makes **us** LIONS! That's who we are! WE SERVE! Let's all continue that great tradition that began in 1917 and watch the circle grow! As International President Scruggs said, "If we could get 1.3 million Lions to recommit to service it would make a huge impact on the needs of people around the world." Let's start with the 1,867 LIONS in District 2-S2. Let us be the starting point for the newest circle of hope. **Let us be the brightest light in the "Beacon of Hope" that is Lionism.** Let us each make an impact on one who will make and impact on another who will make an impact on still another and so on and so on. (See paragraph one) "Service to the Community" is the spark that will ignite the brightest beacon the world has ever seen. One spark becomes two and two sparks becomes four and four becomes eight and well.....so on and so on!!! Imagine 1.3 million sparks of service lighting up the world!

So begin NOW. Start some Service to Your Community (previously known as "community service") and become a spark in your own club that will ignite another Lion and another Lion and make your club glow (and grow) which will spark another club and another and another which will set District 2-S2 ablaze as the starting point for the State of Texas and on and on. August is the month to focus on our youth and what better way is there to serve than to hold out the beacon and guide our youth into our "Circle of Hope"! Think of service projects that will touch a young Lion Cub in such a way that he or she will pass the beacon along to another young Lion To Be and another and so on and so on. And so on and so on and so on and so on.....!

It's what we do in life that makes us who we are. **WE ARE LIONS!!!**

Thank all of you for allowing me to Serve YOU!



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

### **GOT PINS?**

Do you have a bunch of pins just sitting around cluttering up the house and gathering dust? Is your Spouse threatening to put them out on the curb with the trash? Have you wanted to part ways with the pins but just didn't know what to do with them? You sure didn't want to just throw them away and thought there was something worthwhile you could do with your old pins.

Well here's your solution! The Texas Lions Pin Traders will take your unwanted pins and turn them into a contribution to the Texas Lions Camp in Kerrville. They will accept any Lions pins you would like to donate and will sell all the pins received. All the proceeds received from the donated pins will be forwarded to the Camp to help them continue to offer their services to the physically challenged children of Texas Free of Charge. If you are interested in donating pins or would like more information concerning this project please contact:

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

WOW wasn't the August P&S meeting fantastic??? In all the years that I've been going, I have never seen so many present. There were Lions from the front to the back of the room. Mark Roth did a great job going over the descriptions of each of the offices. He has some other great ideas on a leadership presentation. I hope everyone there comes again this coming month because we will have Mattress Mac giving a presentation.

We are almost finished with our survey of our district clubs. I sent each club president an email asking that he/she reply "weak", "OK", or "Strong". So far this is what it looks like. Of 40 clubs responding, 13 said "weak" 13 said "OK" and 14 said "Stong". This means of those clubs, 32.5% are weak, 32.5% are OK and 35% are strong.

Winnie Mae and I just got back from Kerrville for the MD2 Council of Governors meeting. What a fun time we had! The first thing to happen was the 1<sup>st</sup> VDG Council honored the 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG Council by giving a BBQ in the park. Winnie Mae and I hosted the Hospitality Room for the 2<sup>nd</sup> VDG... I went out and purchased a lot of adult beverages, but everyone had soft drinks or beer... SO.. those beverages will go to our next Council of Governors to be held in Corpus Christi this November. Then they will go back to Kerrville for February and then on to Beaumont. At least those beverages will be well travelled.

What a great bunch of people in our Council. This was the first chance we had to get to know each other and get to know a little about their clubs. I had no idea that Dumas had such a large membership. I think he said they are the 5<sup>th</sup> largest in the USA. (not sure)... They have a BIG fund raiser each year called the Dogie Days. They dig a huge ditch or pit. Fill it with Oak... set it on fire. When the fire ends and there is only charcoal, they put on briskets marinated with secret sauce, wrapped in paper and wrapped in foil. They then cover it all with metal sheets and cover that with soil. The next day it is uncovered to sell at the carnival. We also learned of several really good community projects that may be of interest to 2-S2.

That's all for now... I'll be filling you in on other things as the year progresses.



## **Second Vice District Governor Paul Eads**

### **P S C Meeting**

Please come to the Presidents and Secretaries Council (P S C) meeting  
September 1, 2010  
7:00 pm

**CHINA BEAR RESTAURANT**  
located at 15000 I-45 North  
On the northbound feeder road

Don't forget, Mattress Mac will be our speaker  
This will be a fun and informative meeting.  
All Presidents and Secretaries will receive post card reminders.  
Bring your post card for a drawing for a prize. You must bring your card.

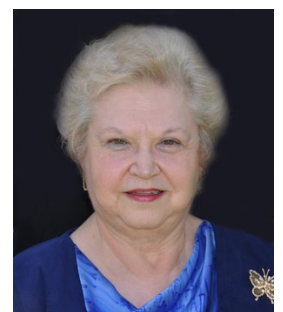
Presidents and Secretaries will also receive e-mail reminders for the  
September 1, meeting. Please bring guests so we will have an overflow crowd.

Please bring handouts for the tables telling us about your projects.  
If you will bring these to me, I'll get them in the newsletter for you.  
Please give as much notice as possible.

REMEMBER POST CARD AND FLYER SHEETS AND GUESTS.  
SEE YOU SOON, LION WINNIE MAE EADS.



**"Mattress Mac"  
Jim McIngvale**



## What can I do to preserve the environment?

One of the greatest challenges of our time seems to be the ability to build and nurture sustainable communities; one that is design in such a way that one's ways of life, industries, economics, physical structures, and technologies do not interfere with nature's natural ability to sustain and preserve life. The environment has continuously been compromised through the reduction of biological diversity and the general health of the environment. Weather the process is natural or accelerated or caused by human activities, irreparably compromised could means the end of human existence. It is imperative for us to take action. It might seems to be a mammoth task but using the power of lionism and the resources that we have, to empower the communities especially the youths will create that beacon of hope in accomplishing this job.

### How to achieve this goal

First let us be aware that our choices and actions have repercussions on the environment (positive or negative). Let us not limit ourselves to the grand actions but more so let us start with small positive changes in our life style. Just to name a few, simple choices such as recycling papers instead of throwing them away, segregating wastes properly, turning off appliances while not been in use, burn energy on your bike instead of taking the family car can translate into a big difference for our environment if done regularly by a by vast number of people.

Now let us look at some of the grand actions

- Plant a garden or a tree in the community
- Set up a recycling system in the community
- Make a bird feeder in public place
- Adopt an acre of a park or a mile of a roadside to clean up
- Create a habitat for wild life
- Organize environmental club in school
- Start a butterfly garden at a community center or senior home
- Sponsor an environmental slogan or speech competition in school



For more information and ideas on projects you may visit  
<http://Lancaster.unl.edu/4h/serviceideas.shtml>

**Finally keep your eyes on the prize.**

### Beacon of Hope

Attention all Lions, The President's International Theme "A Beacon of Hope" is brought to life through this inspiring video program. This video is an excellent choice for club meetings and to share with prospective members.

The video file is available for download from our website, <http://www.lions2s2.org/NEWS.html>



A Beacon Of Hope

Video file is large, (65.7mb).

Right click logo, and "save target as" to your desktop, then open with Media Player

# LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL

Sydney, Australia, June 28, 2010 – Lions Clubs International Foundation announces a new partnership program with the Bausch + Lomb Early Vision Institute. The partnership program was formally launched at the Lions Clubs International Convention in Sydney, Australia during the first plenary session on Wednesday, June 30. Representatives from the Bausch + Lomb Early Vision Institute joined the Lions Clubs International Executive Officers in announcing the new partnership program aimed at treating pediatric cataract.

The Pediatric Cataract Initiative will seek out and fund innovative, replicable programs to prevent and treat cataract in infants and children and promote early childhood vision screenings. Bausch + Lomb is contributing US\$350,000 in the pilot year to launch the partnership program. The Pediatric Cataract Initiative will utilize the resources of both organizations to identify, fund and promote innovative methods of overcoming this challenge for the long-term benefit of children, their families and their communities.

“Lions Clubs International Foundation remains committed to saving the sight of millions of people worldwide,” said Al Brandel, Chairperson, Lions Clubs International Foundation.

“We’re excited about the prospects of the Pediatric Cataract Initiative and this new partnership with the Bausch + Lomb Early Vision Institute.”

Pediatric cataract is a clouding of the eye’s natural lens in children. Left untreated, it quickly becomes a critical cause of childhood vision loss and blindness. This new partnership program will help treat and prevent pediatric cataract.

“Too many newborns afflicted with pediatric cataract have a lifetime of vision loss and blindness ahead of them – an untenable prospect to today’s world,” said Paul Sartori, corporate vice president, Bausch + Lomb. “With more funding and attention placed on research, prevention and treatment, we’ll be making an impact in the lives of children worldwide.”

The rate of pediatric cataract in Australia and other developed nations is one to four children per 100,000 births. However, in underserved countries, the rate can be 10 times greater. As such, during its first year, the Initiative will primarily focus on aiding children within China, where an estimated 40,000 children suffer from pediatric cataract.

For additional information, visit [www.PediatricCataract.org](http://www.PediatricCataract.org).

PDG Art Drouin  
LCIF Coordinator, District 2-S2



Dear Lions:

Young people who volunteer become adults who serve. Through the Lions Young Leaders in Service Awards, your Lions club encourages youth in the philosophy and habit of service to the community. In support of President Scruggs’ theme, Lions Clubs International is offering two additional awards through the Young Leaders in Service Awards program this fiscal year 2010-11:

- **Young Leaders in Service Outstanding Achievement Award** - A certificate will be given to the ten youth who have completed the most service hours during the 2010-11 fiscal year. Only those youth who have received a silver or gold seal certificate during the 2010-11 fiscal year are eligible for consideration of this award.
- **Young Leaders in Service Top Ten District Award** - A certificate will be given to the top ten districts who have submitted the most Young Leaders in Service Awards during the 2010-11 fiscal year. Please note that this award is available to single districts and sub-districts of multiple districts.

Learn more about the [Young Leaders in Service Awards Program](#). We have several tools to help you get started. You can download a [brochure](#), [fact sheet](#) and [guide](#).

Bring “A Beacon of Hope” to light and encourage youth in your community to serve!

Kind regards,  
Youth Programs Department

# Visit One of Our Web Sites

Which have been recently updated

[www.lions2s2.org](http://www.lions2s2.org)

CAR Form

Hall of Fame Form

PDG Distinguished Achievement Award Form

HRF request Form

[www.texaslions.org](http://www.texaslions.org)

State Convention Registration

[www.usacanadalionsforum.org](http://www.usacanadalionsforum.org)

USA/Canada registration

[www.lionsclubs.org](http://www.lionsclubs.org)

LCI Convention Registration



34rd Annual  
USA/Canada

Lions Leadership Forum  
September 23 - 25, 2010  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Registration Form on line  
in PDF Format at

<https://usacanadalionsforum.org/registration.html>

The **Conroe Noon Lions Club**  
is proud of its shining **STARR!**

**\*\*Congratulations\*\***



**District Governor  
Glen Starr  
2010-2011**

**Lions Mints a simple way to raise funds.**

**Peppermint and Wintergreen Mints  
Each case has 30 packs with 16 rolls  
of mints in each pack.**

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

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**WE SERVE**

District 2-S2 reported

Eye exams and eye glasses donated

Campbell Soup Labels

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.

mbado@prodigy.net or calling 713-856-5549

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**WHERE LIONS MEET  
BE PRESENT LORD.  
TO WELD OUR HEARTS IN  
ONE ACCORD.  
TO DO THY WILL,  
LORD MAKE US STRONG.  
TO AID THE WEAK AND  
RIGHT THE WRONG.**



**Houston Memorial Lions Club  
Serving Our Community  
Meets at the IHOP on Katy Frwy  
2nd & 4th Wednesdays, at Noon  
Join Us For A Fun Time  
713-827-1609**



**"Honor the Texas flag;  
I Pledge Allegiance to thee,  
Texas, One State under God,  
One and Indivisible."**

(Face the Texas flag with your right hand over your heart.)

## Conroe Noon Lions Club



*1939 - Celebrating 71 years of Community Service - 2010*

## Cut & Shoot Family Lions Club



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

## Conroe Noon Lions Club



**District Governor  
Glen Starr**

## Houston Heights Lions Club



**Second Vice District Governor  
Paul Eads**

**Next PSC Meeting**  
**SEPTEMBER 1, 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

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.



***We Serve***

**2010-2011 OFFICERS**

**Glen Starr**  
District Governor

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

**Paul Eads**  
Second Vice District Governor

**Lyn Harrison**  
Cabinet Secretary

**Larry Smith**  
Cabinet Treasurer

**Terry S. Landers**  
Newsletter Editor/WebMaster