

Lions District 2-S2



Calendar of Events

Chambers • Harris • Liberty • Montgomery • San Jacinto • Walker • Waller

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| Sep | 4 | Presidents & Secretaries Council
China Bear Restaurant |
| Sep | 10 | Regular Club Dues deadline |
| Sep | 19-21 | USA/Canada Forum
Overland Park, KS |
| Oct | 1 | Deadline to purchase Peace Poster
Kits |
| Oct | 2 | Bob Dowden Memorial Dinner
Shirley Acres - Spring, TX |
| Oct | 10 | World Sight Day |
| Oct | 15 | Campus Club Dues deadline
Int'l White Cane Safety Day |
| Oct 31-Nov 2 | | MD-2 Council of Governors
Longview, TX |
| Nov | 6 | Presidents & Secretaries Council
China Bear Restaurant |
| Nov | 11 | 2nd Cabinet Meeting
China Bear Restaurant |
| Nov | 14 | Lions World Diabetes Day |
| Nov | 15 | IRS Form 990/990EZ/990N due |
| Dec | 31 | Request 100% Charities paid |

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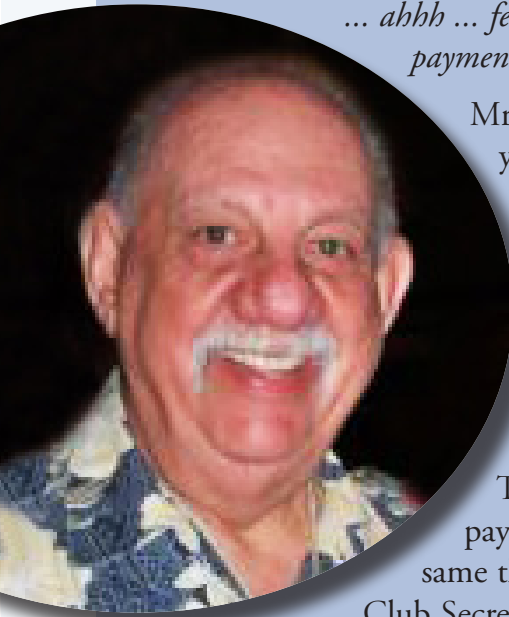


Thoughts from your District Governor ...

2-S2'S New Roar: ***"We can do it!"***

When I started my car lot about 100 years ago, I came up with a slogan and it went something like this: *"The best way to get back on your feet is to miss a payment."*

Now where is he going with this??? Well, I get to read a lot of reports, one being who paid their bills and who did not. So, *"The best way to get the Cabinet Treasurer on your feet, is to miss a payment."*



Mr. Lion President, you are the CEO of your club and you need to check with your Club Treasurer to make sure your bills are paid in a timely manner.

The District cannot pay until you pay. The same thing goes for your Club Secretary. We can't have

an accurate account on membership unless MMR's are on time and activities get reported. Some clubs have never reported activity and I find that hard to believe!!!

So with all that said, let's move on to the "contests". You say "what contests?" The club visitation contest and the membership contest. The club visitation contest is the President and at least 2 other club members making a visit to another club. Of course, the more members that accompany the President, along with more clubs you visit, the more points you earn. There will be

a 1st, 2nd & 3rd place award given for the Clubs with the most points at the District Convention next year. March 2014 is the deadline.



So basically the same thing with membership – we take your June 2013 MMR report for your starting membership and then take your March 2014 MMR for your ending membership and the 1st, 2nd & 3rd place clubs with the most increase in membership will receive an award to be given out at the District Convention.

The contest forms are in the monthly newsletter. Just fill them out and mail or e-mail to me personally.

This is my **"dream"**. Every club stands alone but District 2-S2 is a family and families help each other. Together we can grow all clubs, together we will get clubs helping clubs and make District 2-S2 the greatest District in Texas.

It's never too early to schedule your Governor's visit. Please contact our Cabinet Secretary, Minette Chiu. You can e-mail her at lionminette88@gmail.com or give her a call at 713-208-2380.

"We can do it"

Yours in Lionism,

Eddie Risha
District Governor 2013-2014

" We can do it! "

Thoughts from the 1st Vice District Governor ...

While at the recent Council of Governors and Texas Lions Camp Board meetings in Kerrville, I received an unexpected gift. I had a few spare hours Saturday afternoon and a fellow 1st VDG and I took our wives to Fredericksburg for a short break. While in Fredericksburg, we stopped for some ice cream to help try and combat the heat. While eating our ice cream a woman walked up and said her daughter had something to say to us and asked if that would be ok.



When we said yes, her daughter came up and said, "Thank you for being Lions. I'm going to your camp tomorrow." Apparently they noticed our Lions Camp shirts while they were eating their ice cream and felt compelled to thank us. That thank you was a treat a lot sweeter than the ice cream we were eating. And while my fellow VDG and I were the recipients of the thanks, it was directed at all the Lions of Texas.

Having spent a few days working on the business of Texas Lions, the reason we do this business wasn't first and foremost in my mind. Instead it was filled with balance sheets, meetings, training, votes and other procedural items. Now standing in front of me with a

sweet smile on her face was an instant reminder of why I became a Lion in the first place. It wasn't for any of the business "stuff" that was taking place in Kerrville that weekend. It was for the kids at the Texas Lions Camp, the students my club provides glasses to, the recipient of corneas from the Lions Eye Bank of Texas - Baylor College of Medicine, and for all the other people we help in our work as Lions. The business "stuff" needs to be done, but we should always keep in mind why we are doing it. Thank you Brianna for helping to remind me.

More information about Brianna and her unique way to help find a cure for diabetes can be found at <http://www.knotshots.net/>

Chris Moorman
1st Vice District Governor

Thoughts from the 2nd Vice District Governor ...

One of my activities is advising Eagle Scout candidates on their Eagle project. Most of the projects have to do with construction of one type or another. Currently I am advising Charlie on his Eagle project. Charlie's project is to replace a porch/deck roof approximately 18' x 18' for a family which has a severely injured daughter. The



daughter was injured in an auto accident and is unable to care for herself. She will never recover. The porch roof is falling down. The family does not have the funds to repair the roof. Further information is that the family owns the house, is Hispanic and Charlie needed an interpreter in order to communicate with the family. The house is missing siding (105 style), has broken windows and needs painting. But the porch roof comes first. What to me is "neat" is that after leaving the home, Charlie and I were discussing the

project. Among his comments was the statement "*something should be done to help repair the rest of the house. When I finish the roof, I want to work on the rest of the house.*" A Scout is "Helpful" (Scout Law). A Scout helps others at all times (Scout Oath). We Serve (Lions' motto). If you would like to be a part of Charlie's project, send me an e-mail with contact information. Have a great day!!

Noah Speer
2nd Vice District Governor

DISTRICT 2-S2 CLUB VISITATION CONTEST

JULY 1, 2013 THRU MARCH 31, 2014

DATE: _____

CLUB NAME: _____

PRESIDENT PLUS 2 OTHER CLUB MEMBERS MUST ATTEND VISITATION TO QUALIFY
PRESIDENT EARNS 100 POINTS, CLUB MEMBERS EARN 25 POINTS EACH

NAME OF CLUB VISITED: _____

DATE OF VISIT: _____

PRESIDENTS NAME:

POINTS EARNED

CLUB MEMBERS NAME:



TOTAL POINTS EARNED FOR THIS VISIT:



DISTRICT S-S2 NEW MEMBER CONTEST

JULY 1, 2013 THRU MARCH 31, 2014

MONTH OF:

CLUB NAME:

NEW MEMBER NAME:

DATE:

SPONSOR NAME:

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Clubs with a net plus (+) in membership at the end of the contest wins.

Example: If you have 15 members on June 30, 2013 and you add 5 new members but drop 2 members by March 31, 2014 so your MMR shows 18 members, you are at a +3.



Attention Club Treasurers

Welcome to the Club Treasurer position, if you are new. This article will give new Treasurers some additional insight into their role and provide a beneficial review for seasoned Treasurers.

A new Treasurer might ask the following questions:

Why does a Club need two bank accounts? Two distinct bank accounts are used to separate the money required for the administrative needs of the club (dues, postage, club lunches, etc.) from charity money raised from the public through fundraiser activities (spaghetti dinner, bingo, etc.). With a separate account for charity/activity money collected from the public, it can be clear and transparent this money is **used for the public's benefit** through the club's community service projects (eyeglasses, scholarships, etc.) or as contributions to other public charities (Texas Lions Camp, Leader Dog, etc.).



How is the Admin account funded? Members pay Club dues, which should include LCI, District, State, and Texas Lions Camp dues PLUS money the club needs for office supplies, postage, or other operational expenses. Tail Twister fines can be placed into the administrative account.

Can money be transferred between accounts? Your Club may agree to transfer money from the administrative account to the fundraising activity account, but never the other way around.

Can money from the fundraising activity account be used to pay dues? Only the Texas Lions Camp dues may be paid from the fundraising activity account, if the Club desires. All other dues must be paid from the administrative account. The fundraising activity account may be used to pay the District Governor's 100% Charitable Contributions.

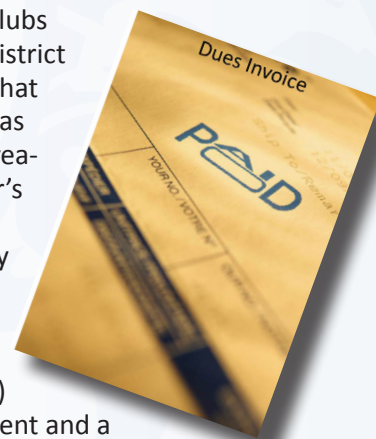
Lions Clubs International lists the following important financial issues that should be addressed as you begin your year:

- **Preparing the Budgets:** Developing the club's administrative and charity/activity budgets is one of the most important responsibilities of the Club Treasurer. He/she works with the Finance Committee and Club President to prepare them. It is important to anticipate revenue and income carefully and prioritize spending needs when developing the budgets, which many clubs do before the

new Lions year. Monitoring revenue and expenses throughout the year will help ensure your Club remains solvent.

- **Handling Banking Issues:** The Club Treasurer and Finance Committee will recommend a banking institution to the Board of Directors, as well as suggest officers for signing and co-signing checks. It is also recommended that a signature card be on file with the bank, limits set regarding the amount of petty cash the club will handle, and a system for reimbursement established. Proper documentation of expenses and approvals by more than one individual is good policy.
- **Establishing Club Dues:** The Club Treasurer, in cooperation with the Finance Committee and upon approval of the Board of Directors, establishes the amount for the annual club members' dues. When determining this amount, consider how much money will be needed to maintain the financial health of the club. The club dues should also include District, State (Multiple District) and International dues. Club dues are typically collected in advance, semiannually or annually. Invoices are usually sent to club members approximately 10 days before the start of the dues-paying period.

So by now Club Treasurers should have received the 1st half dues invoice from Lions Clubs International (LCI) and from District 2-S2. An additional request (that looks almost like an invoice) has also been sent to each Club Treasurer for the District Governor's 100% Charities contributions. The District sends the majority of the invoices via e-mail for cost efficiency (*to the e-mail address on file with LCI, so please make sure it is correct!*)



with a copy to the Club President and a few are mailed via the US postal service. If for any reason the dues invoice has not been received, please contact the District Treasurer at your earliest opportunity. Let's discuss each invoice and request separately.

LCI Dues - pay from Admin Bank Account

The LCI invoice for each Club is sent directly from LCI headquarters in Oakbrook, Illinois. The Club Treasurer sends the dues payment directly to LCI headquarters. The District does not get involved in this process.

District and State Dues - pay from Admin Bank Account (with one exception for Camp dues, if desired)

The invoice from District 2-S2 includes the District, State (MD-2), and Texas Lions Camp dues. The MD-2 State Constitution directs each District in Texas to collect the dues

for the State and the Camp. The District then sends the State and the Camp a check for the dues collected. Dues should be paid to the District from the Club's administrative bank account. However, the Camp dues are allowed to be paid from the Club's charity/activity bank account, if desired. So, the dues invoice from the District could be paid with two separate checks – one from the Admin bank account and one from the Activity bank account. But it is only the Camp dues that are allowed to be paid from a Club's charity/activity account – not any of the other dues. These dues are based upon the clubs official membership record on file with LCI as of June 30 and Dec 31 of each year. Club dues payment must be received by the District by September 10 and March 10 of each year (except Campus Clubs which are Oct 15 and Apr 15) – after these dates, any clubs that have not paid are not in good standing. Note – failure to receive an invoice doesn't waive these due dates. Again, Club Treasurers should check to make sure dues have been paid and if an invoice has not been received, please contact the District Treasurer.

It is worth noting that our District has the longest record in the State (since the Camp's inception in 1949) where every Lions Club in the District has made the 100% Contribution to the Camp every year ... none of the other 15 Districts in Texas have this admirable record. In order to keep the Districts books accurate, please send all 100% Charities Contributions to the District Treasurer. Any clubs that wish to contribute 200% (or more) should also send their additional contribution through the District so that the District has record of the contribution. The District Governor requests all 100% Charitable Contributions be made by December 31. Of course, many clubs choose to make other types of contributions to the Camp and other charities through the charity's various gifting programs. Clubs may send the additional gifting program contributions direct or to the District Treasurer with instructions.

Although the 2011 International Board of Directors at their meeting in Seattle, WA removed from the Standard Form Club By-laws the two signature requirement for checks written on club bank accounts in order to be consistent with modern banking capabilities (e.g. online banking), it is still a relevant policy as a safeguard for the Club - and the Club can still require two signatures. In fact, your District still requires two signatures on District checks plus other "check and balance" procedures as a safeguard for your money that is collected. It's good business practice for a Lions Clubs.



Any questions or clarification, please call the District Treasurer PDG Glen Starr at 281-799-4959.

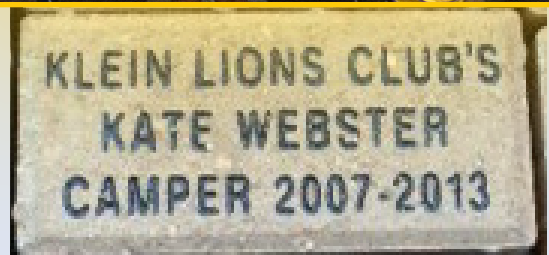


100% Charities Request - pay from Activity Bank Account

The District Governor's 100% Charities Contributions are also collected by the District and money collected is sent to each charity, with a list of Lions Clubs that are contributing and the amount. Clubs can pay these contributions from their charity/activity account. These requests include an amount for the Texas Lions Camp – but remember, this amount for the Camp is separate from the amount collected for dues.

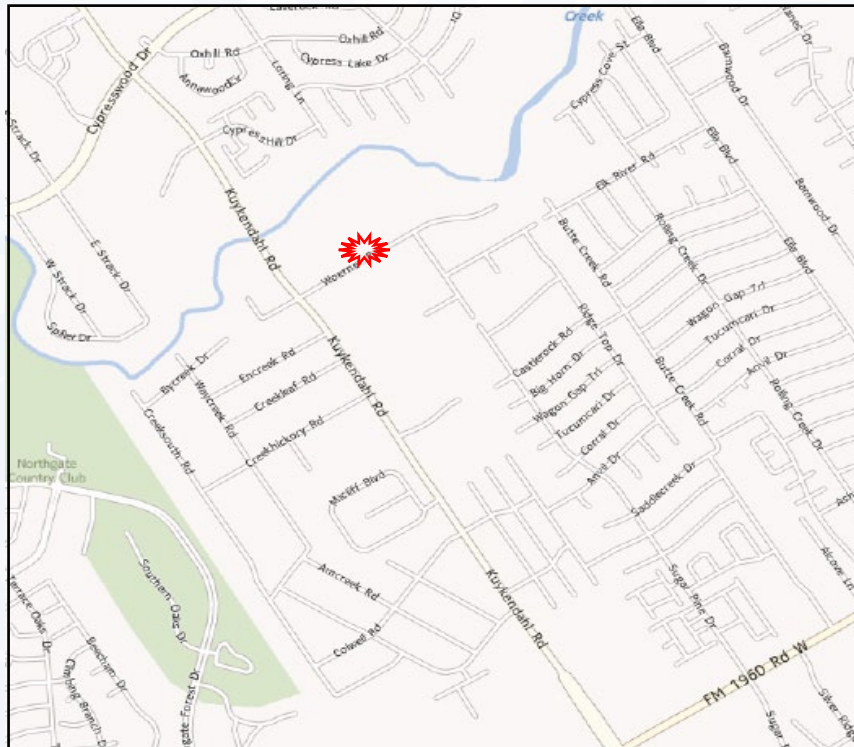
OBITUARY

Klein Lions Club members traveled to the Texas Lions Camp for the Awards Ceremony on August 2 in support of Kate Webster, a camper the Club has sponsored for seven years to the TLC Diabetic session. This was Kate's last year to attend as she has reached the age limit. Kate hopes to return as a Camp Counselor in the future. The Klein Lions Club presented Kate with a Life Membership to TLC plus an Endowment Brick.





Lions District 2-S2
Bob Dowden Dinner
Wednesday October 2, 2013
6:00 p.m.
Tickets \$15.00



Shirley Acres
217 Woerner
Houston, Texas 77090

We need Silent Auction & Live Auction items .
Proceeds to benefit Texas Lions Camp
Directors: Lion Bud Casey 713-598-2457
Lion Ron Chene 281-367-0703

Century Club

Texas Lions Camp • PO Box 290247 • Kerrville, TX • 78029-0247
www.lionscamp.com • (830) 896-8500

The Century Club is an annual opportunity to personally participate in giving to Texas Lions Camp and the programs it has established to provide at no cost a quality summer camp experience for Texas children with physical disabilities, type-1 diabetes and cancer. An individual, couple, family or business can be a Century Club member by giving annually or monthly at whatever level you desire. Choose the level and how you'd like to make your payments whether lump sum or monthly through automatic draft. Automatic bank draft can be set up simply by filling out the information necessary on the form below and including a voided check. All Century Club members will receive an inscribed plaque, patch and a lapel pin. Each year a new medallion for your plaque will arrive once your annual membership renewal is paid. At the end of 10 years membership, a new plaque will arrive along with your eleventh year medallion. Fill out the form below with the level you'd like to start with and send it with your payment to Texas Lions Camp at the address given above. For any other questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

For: _____
(print name exactly as it should appear on plaque)

All monies from Century Club go to the TLC General Fund.

Donor: _____ **Ship Plaque to:** _____

Address: _____ **Address:** _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____ **City:** _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Email: _____ **Email:** _____

Club Name: _____ **Method of payment:** Check Credit Card

District: _____ **Phone:** _____ Automatic Draft

Support Levels

(please check appropriate choice)

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|---|-------------------------------------|----|-------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bronze Level | _____ Single annual gift of \$100 | or | _____ \$10 monthly automatic draft |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Silver Level | _____ Single annual gift of \$250 | or | _____ \$21 monthly automatic draft |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gold Level | _____ Single annual gift of \$500 | or | _____ \$42 monthly automatic draft |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Diamond Level | _____ Single annual gift of \$1,000 | or | _____ \$84 monthly automatic draft |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ambassador Level | _____ Single annual gift of \$5,000 | or | _____ \$420 monthly automatic draft |

Bank Draft information

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 with this form

The Texas Lions Camp:

I have given order to (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.

Amount of monthly automatic draft: \$ _____ Please sign and date below—use signature(s) required on your account:

X _____ X Date ___/___/___
X _____ X Date ___/___/___

Credit Card Payment information MC Visa Discover Amount: \$ _____

CC#: ___/___/___/___/___/___/___/___/___/___/___/___/___/___/___/___ Exp.Date: ___/___ Yr ___/___/___

Name on Card: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

In Memory
Passings Since Last District Convention

Houston Beltway

Lettie C. Acupan
Nito P. Acupan

Houston Southwest

Lee Roy Lemons

Houston Spring Branch

Clarence W. "Bill" Sullivan
Julius E. Yellott
Evelyn M. Landers
Winston Keith Lawther

Hardin

Henry Nettles

Huffman

Jerry Thomas

*A Lion's "dash"
makes an impact
around the world.*



Eye Stroll For Vision

To Benefit Prevent Blindness Texas

1 Mile to 5K Stroll

Saturday, September 21, 2013

FUN for the ENTIRE FAMILY!

HOUSTON ZOO
6200 Hermann Park Drive
Houston, TX 77030

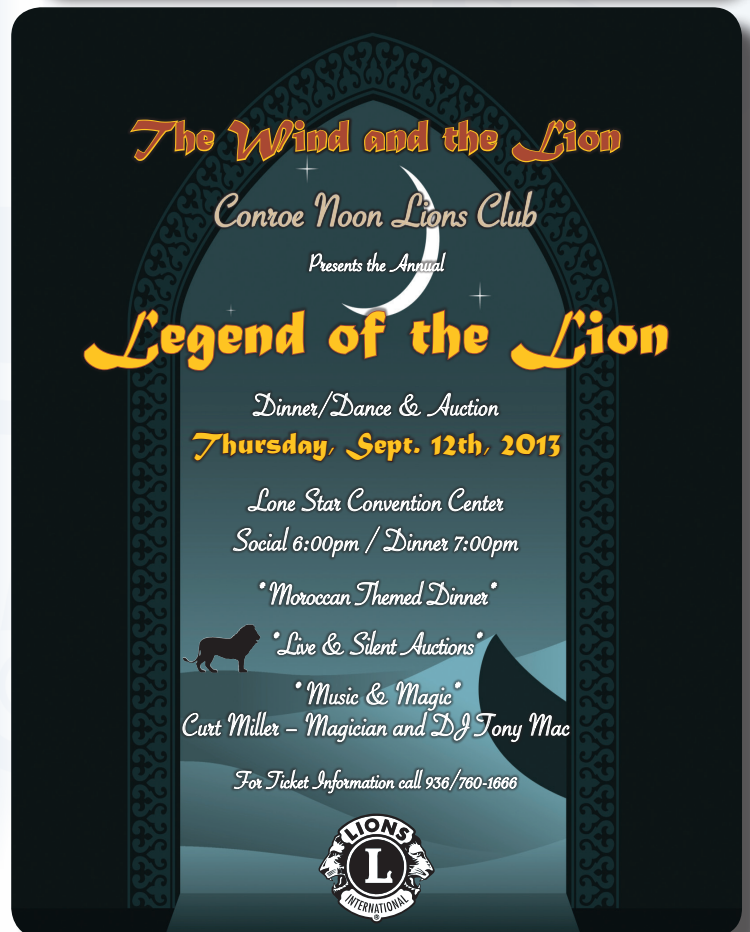
Registration Fee:
\$15 Donation per adult
\$5 Donation for Ages 7-12
Children 6 and under are **FREE**

Registration opens at 7:00 AM
Stroll with the Animals at 8:00 AM

At the event all who register will receive a **FREE** day at the zoo, a **FREE** goodie bag and refreshments!
The first 200 participants to register online will receive a FREE event T-Shirt!!!

 **Prevent Blindness Texas**

To Register:
Online at www.preventblindness.net/eye-stroll
or call Irene Baird at (713) 529-2559, ext. 105 for more info.



The Wind and the Lion

Conroe Noon Lions Club
Presents the Annual

Legend of the Lion

Dinner/Dance & Auction
Thursday, Sept. 12th, 2013


Lone Star Convention Center
Social 6:00pm / Dinner 7:00pm

Moroccan Themed Dinner

Live & Silent Auctions

Music & Magic
Curt Miller - Magician and DJ Tony Mac

For Ticket Information call 936/760-1666



Search the LCI website and see how Crosby Lions Club uses their Facebook page to raise awareness of its volunteer efforts, and increase membership and participation.



The Conroe Noon Lions Club Recycling Center is open:

Monday 2 PM - 5 PM
Tuesday 9 AM - 3 PM

Volunteers to help clean, bag, and categorize used eye glasses are always welcome.

1106 Wilson Rd.
Conroe, TX 77304

(936) 760-1666

Baytown Lions Club 85TH ANNIVERSARY

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September 24, 2013 ~~6:00~~³⁰ pm
Goose Creek Country Club
5000 Country Club Drive
Baytown, Texas 77521

Join us as we celebrate our 85th year of service to the Baytown community.

Members - No charge

Guest - \$40.00 each

Social Time with a cash bar.



Read an excellent article in a local Houston newspaper, "The Leader," about Lions Clubs and other service organizations.


Click here



Jonathan McElvy: No time for blame, just a little more for service

Let's start with a two-question quiz today. First, name the organization that has raised more than \$700 million to fight a disease known as "river blindness." Second question: Name the organization that has raised, and spent, more than \$2.8 billion to all but end polio. We'll get to the answers in a minute, but first [...]

August 15, 2013 • No Comment • Read More

Bob Dowden Dinner (no PSC Meeting)

OCTOBER 2, 2013

** Shirley Acres **

217 Woerner,
Houston, TX 77090
Dinner 6:00 P.M.

NEED LIVE AUCTION ITEMS



NEED SILENT AUCTION ITEMS



And of course Cookies, Pies and Cakes...

Information - Map Flyer



LIONS MINTS PROGRAM

Has come to a close.
The District has 13 cases,
which it will make available to the clubs at
Half price (\$35.00)
at the August and September PSC Meeting.

Please contact
PDG Ronald Landers
at rglanders@comcast.net
or 281-520-915

If our club wishes to purchase
one of the last cases available.



Lions Eye Bank of Texas 60th ANNIVERSARY COOKBOOK

To celebrate 60 years of service to the Texas Gulf Coast, the Lions Eye Bank of Texas is publishing a 60th anniversary cookbook and invite all Lions to share your favorite recipes! We would like for each district to submit at least 60 recipes, that is 10 recipes from each category.

Categories include

- Appetizers
- Soups
- Salads
- Casseroles
- Entrees
- Desserts



Please include with your recipe

- Your name and club,
- A list of ingredients with the exact measurements,
- Instructions for pre-heat,
- Instructions for combining items
- Baking time required.

Please type all recipes. Print area will be 4 inches by 7.5 inches. Please use Ariel 12 point font.

You may e-mail recipes to rglanders@comcast.net or mail them to the Lions Eye Bank of Texas, 6565 Fannin, NC 205, Houston, Texas 77030. All recipes must be received by ~~June 30~~, 2013 to be included in the cookbook!

Extended to August 31



Presidents and Secretaries Council Meeting

China Bear Restaurant

15000 I-45 North

(Exit Airtex both ways - on northbound feeder road)

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

Buffet-style Chinese, American, and Mexican food.
Desserts galore and more than one ice-cream machine.

Come early to eat - meeting starts at 7:00 pm

The September speaker will be Sidney Castillo with the Learning for Life Champions™ program in Houston that provides assistance to students with mental disabilities.

PSC President - Ken Harrison

PSC Secretary - Lynn Harrison

Global Warming - What can we do to Alleviate this problem?

By Stedman Douglas - Environmental Chair

Global warming is a complex issue that involves numerous environmental factors. However, in summary, this is a noticeable rise in the Earth's atmospheric temperature and Ocean seas since the late 19th century. The negative projected continuation of this phenomena is alarming so we have to do something to address this problem.

Why is it a Concern?

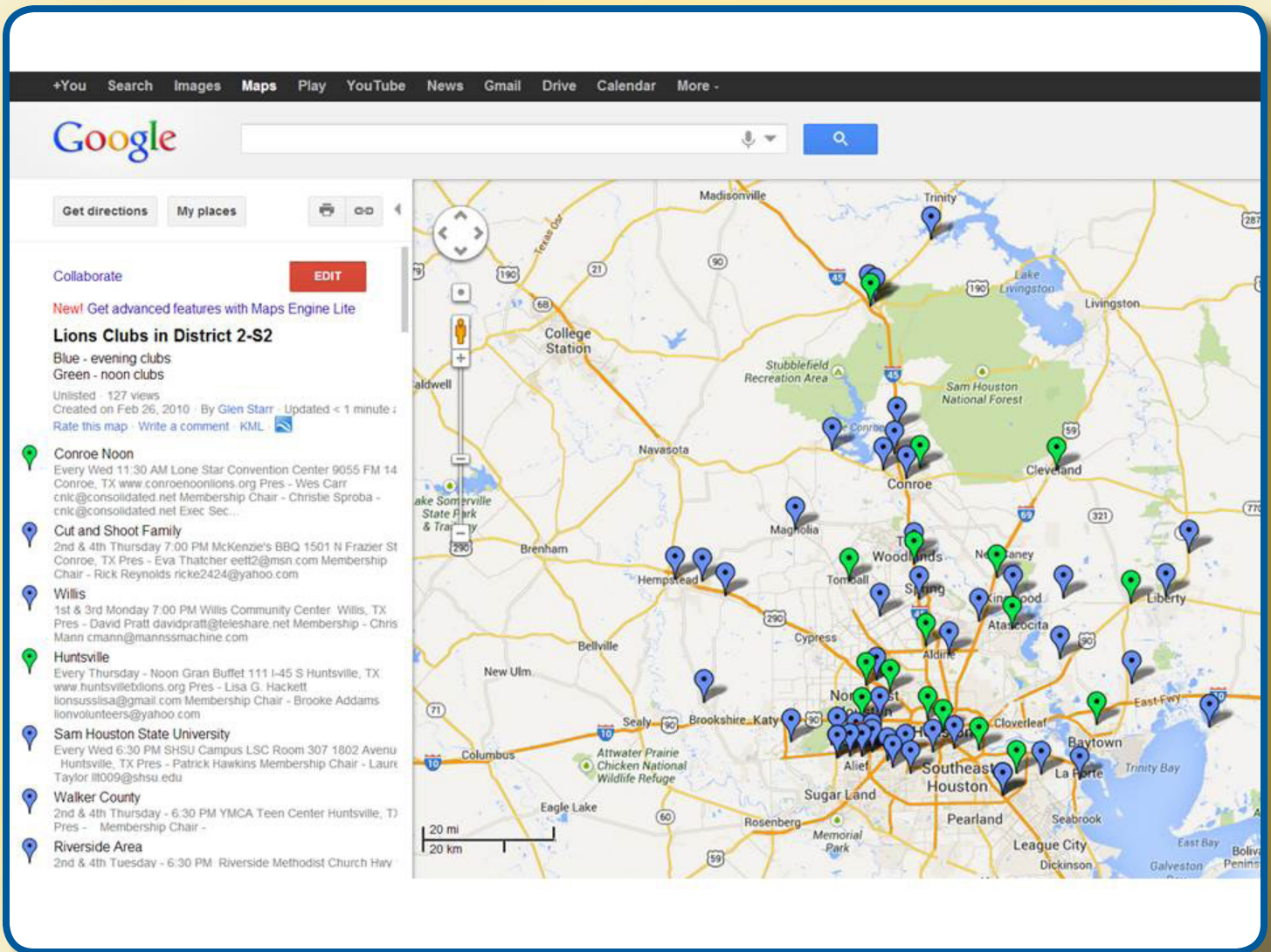
The rapid rise in green house gases is changing the climate faster than how some living things may adapt, new and unpredictable climate poses unique challenges to life form. For example Greenland and Antarctica, which are very cold regions, the ice is melting at an unprecedented rate. This effect is causing a rise in sea level and weather becoming extreme, which result in a

challenge for agriculture and other industries.

What can we do to help?

1. Carpooling - reduces carbon monoxide emission
2. Reducing electricity consumption - can you unplug those appliances and turn off those lights when not in use?
3. Taking the public passenger buses, do more walks, riding your bikes more often than driving will reduces the greenhouse gas emission.
4. Watch what you buy. Some sprays and other household items are not environmental friendly.
5. Fellow LIONS and friends let us reduce, reuse, and recycle.

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A map can be found on Google Maps showing the location of Lions Clubs in District 2-S2 plus meeting information and contact information for the President and Membership Chair. The URL for the map is <http://goo.gl/maps/h02dD>. You can zoom in on the map and see the meeting location and get directions. Any ideas for a new Lions Club, contact Global Membership Chair PDG Art Drouin.



Congratulations to our District's newest Lions Club, Kingwood Lions Club - chartered on June 12, 2013. Sponsoring Lions Club is Houston Heights. Charter Night Banquet is scheduled for September 12, 2013, 7:00 PM at Sorrento Ristorante, 23842 Hwy 59 N in Kingwood. Guiding Lions are IPDG Paul Eads and Lion Winnie Mae Eads. Contact IPDG Paul and/or Lion Winnie Mae with auction item donations. Speaker is Immediate Past Int'l Director Lion Joe Al Picone from Brenham, TX.

Gavel sponsored by - Lion Dick Giuffre w/ Conroe Noon
 Gong sponsored by - Liberty Lions Club
 Banner sponsored by - Conroe Noon Lions Club
 Flags sponsored by - Conroe Noon Lions Club

Send club donations and \$30/person attending (indicating name and club) to: Kingwood Lions Club, 23819 Hwy 59 N, Kingwood TX 77339. Silent auction. Everyone invited.

Do You Remember These?

*Saturday morning serials
chapters 1 through 15,
Fly paper, penny loafers,
Lucky Strike Green.
Flat tops, sock hops,
Studebaker, Pepsi please,
Ahh, do you remember these?*

... lyrics by the Statler Brothers

The following is a list of Lions Clubs previously in District 2-S2 that have been cancelled (list is not necessarily complete). If anybody has any history, trivia, or stories about any of these clubs, please send the information to PDG Glen Starr. It would be nice to have the historical information archived and maybe even published one day.

Alief Noon	Houston Citizens Band	Houston Northwest Noon	Montgomery Dobbins
Almeda	Houston Copperfield	Houston Pan American	New Waverly
Bay Area	Houston Couples	Houston Port Houston	Oak Ridge Area
Baytown Evening	Houston Cypress	Houston River Oaks	Pasadena Suburban
Bear Creek Area	Houston Cypress Creek	Houston Sharpstown Noon	San Jacinto County
Channelview	Houston El Camino Real	Houston South Central	Shepherd
Coldspring Area	Houston Gulfgate	Houston Texas Medical Center	South Houston
Conroe River Plantation	Houston Highland Village	Houston The Magic Circle	Spring Klein
Crosby & Highlands	Houston I-10 East	Houston Timbergrove	Spring Louetta
Crosby East Lake Houston	Houston Korean	Houston Uptown	Spring Old Town
Dayton	Houston Lindale	Houston Vietnam	Tomball Rising Stars
Galena Park	Houston Lone Star	Houston Westchase	Tri City Beach
Hempstead Prairie View	Houston NASA Area	Hull Daisetta	Waller-Prairie View-Hempstead
Houston Bayou City	Houston North Shore	Katy Suburban	Willis Lake Conroe North
Houston Cambodian American	Houston North Side	Montgomery County Hispanic	











Media Release

On August 3rd and August 17th, 2013 from 8 am – 3:00pm, **Houston Royal Oaks Lions Club** along with the **Houston Credit Unions Association, PlazAmericas and Northwest Mall** and in partnership with **TELEMUNDO** and **KTJM La Raza 98.5 & 103.3 FM** will be hosting the “5th Annual Back to School Drive, Health Fair and Business Expo” for 2013 which is considered the largest community service event of the year. The event will distribute backpacks full of school supplies, uniforms and other items. This is a big undertaking that requires a collaboration of several organizations whose mission and vision is to help the community regardless of race, religion, color, sex, sexual orientation, national origin, age or ethnicity. This is in response to “**No child left behind**” initiative. Several individuals and companies heard the plea and with the combined effort this project became a reality. With the help of **Houston Independent School District (HISD)** more than 20 schools were chosen with approximately 7000 students and approximately to over 4000 families will benefit this event.

Adjoining the event is a **Health Fair** that will distribute preventative information and free medical check-up that will give families an opportunity to speak with several healthcare providers and a **Business Expo** that will allow business owners to promote their products and services. To complete the package, a fun fair will be provided for children that will include face painting, snow cones, popcorn, dancing, moon walks, entertainments and more.

Date & Location: August 3rd : Northwest Mall August 17th : PlazaAmericas Mall
Service Hours: 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

For Details and Information about the event, please contact the following:

- Nelvin Joseph Adriatico - Event Chairman @ nelvin@adriaticogroup.com
- Theresa Gutierrez - Overall Coordinator @ thegutiz@aol.com
- Joshua Mares - Marketing & Vendor Coordinator @ joshuacmares@outlook.com
- Peter Hernandez - Volunteer Coordinator @ hernandezpl@msn.com

The “5th Annual Back to School, Health Fair and Business Expo” is made possible by the following Partners:

































Overland Park, Kansas September 19-21, 2013

USA/CANADA
LIONS
LEADERSHIP FORUM

Follow the
Leadership
Road to your **Dreams**



Overland Park - Above and Beyond, By Design

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An Inspirational Champion ... Still Swinging For Life's Fences!

Our Thursday Evening Speaker, Ed Hearn fulfilled his childhood dream as a member of the World Champion New York Mets in 1986. The following year with the Kansas City Royals, he was set to make those big "million dollar bank deposits" today's professional athletes are accustomed to, when suddenly, a serious shoulder injury brought a premature end to a very promising and brilliant career.

Less than six months after his baseball career ended, he was diagnosed with three potentially life threatening health conditions. Once a strong, vibrant professional athlete, he was reduced to a man who could barely care for himself. Ed hung on, though, and used these physical challenges to make the most incredible comeback of his life. To read more [click here](#)



Dayna Steele, Serial Entrepreneur

Our Friday Luncheon Speaker, Dayna Steele is a success speaker, business author, serial entrepreneur, and a social media evangelist as well as a Hall of Fame radio personality, FastCompany.com Expert Perspective blogger, business advisor, and nationally recognized media personality. She is the author of 101 Ways to Rock Your World: Everyday Activities for Success Every Day and Rock to the Top: What I Learned about Success from the World's Greatest Rock Stars.

On a stage speaking to and inspiring people since she was a teenager, Dayna shows individuals and companies how to succeed using her Rock Star Principles of Success. To read more [click here](#)

Patrick Henry Hughes, Musician, Student and Public Speaker

Our Saturday Evening Speaker/Performer, Patrick Henry Hughes is a remarkable young man who was born without eyes and without the ability to fully straighten his arms and legs, making him unable to walk. Additionally, two steel rods were surgically attached to Patrick's spine to correct scoliosis.

Despite circumstances that may seem overwhelming, Patrick has overcome these physical issues to excel as a musician, student, performer and public speaker. Patrick started playing the piano at the age of only nine months, and also plays the trumpet and sings. He even participated in the University of Louisville Marching Band for five seasons with help from his father, Patrick John Hughes, who tirelessly maneuvered his wheel chair through the formations with the other 220+ members of the Cardinal Marching Band. To read more [click here](#)



Club Service Activities

Conroe Noon held vision screenings for 110 children at a local church and another screening for children and senior citizens at the Lone Star Family Health Center. Source - CNLC

Crosby put out 50 flags for 4th of July observance, met with school nurses for the upcoming school year, and collected used eye glasses. Source - LCI Service Activities

Houston Northwest will continue with the food drive in October. The club sponsors food drives in several schools in the Spring Branch area in October. The food is collected at the schools and donated to the Food Pantry at Fair Haven United Methodist Church. The Food Pantry gives food to over 60,000 people each year. It is one of the largest pantries in Houston. Submitted by Kay Burke.

Hardin helped an elderly couple with



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temporary shelter after they lost their home to a fire. The Club also made a donation to the Liberty County 4-H Mounted Drill Team. Source - LCI Service Activities

Houston East End provides monthly funding for a young lady to receive

equestrian therapy through the SIRE program. Source - LCI Service Activities

Liberty set out approximately 1100 flags for the 4th of July. Source - LCI Service Activities

Panorama participated in the 4th of July

parade. Source - LCI Service Activities

The Woodlands participated in a 4th of July parade and provided 22 backpacks for school children. Source - LCI Service Activities

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Peace Poster Contest

An Annual Art Contest for Kids

Each year, Lions clubs around the world proudly sponsor the Lions International Peace Poster Contest in local schools and youth groups. This art contest for kids encourages young people worldwide to express their visions of peace. For 25 years, more than eight million children from nearly 100 countries have participated in the contest.

The theme of the 2013-14 Peace Poster Contest is “Our World, Our Future.” Students, ages 11, 12 or 13 on November 15, are eligible to participate.

Promoting the Arts

Each year’s art contest for kids consists of an original theme incorporating peace. Participants use a variety of mediums, including charcoal, crayon, pencil and paint, to express the theme. The works created are unique and express the young artists’ life experiences and culture.

“Children Know Peace”
2012-2013 Grand Prize Winner

Spreading Peace and International Understanding

Twenty-four international Peace Poster entries are selected each year, representing the work of approximately 400,000 young participants worldwide. Posters are shared globally via the Internet, the media and exhibits around the world.

Peace Poster Contest Judging

Each poster is judged on originality, artistic merit and expression of the theme.

Posters advance through several judging levels: local, district, multiple district and international. At the international level, judges from the art, peace, youth, education and media communities select one grand prize winner and 23 merit award winners.

Peace Poster Contest Awards

International winners will be notified on or before February 1.

One international grand prize winner will receive US\$5,000 and a trip to a special award ceremony with the sponsoring club president and two family members at Lions Day with the United Nations (subject to change).

Each of the 23 merit award winners will receive a cash award of US\$500 and a certificate of achievement.

26th Annual Lions International Peace Poster Contest

Our World, Our Future



Sponsor a Lions International Peace Poster Contest and join clubs worldwide in sharing children's visions of peace with your community.

How the Contest Works

Only a Lions club can sponsor the contest in a local school or organized youth group. The contest is open to students 11-13 on November 15, 2013. Participating students are asked to create posters visually depicting the contest theme, "Our World, Our Future."

One winner for each contest sponsored by a club is chosen to advance to the district governor for judging. On the district level, one winner is selected to go on to the multiple district competition and from there one winner is forwarded to International Headquarters for the final judging. Entries are judged at all levels on originality, artistic merit and portrayal of theme.

During the final judging, 23 merit award winners and one grand prize winner are chosen to represent the many entries submitted from around the world.

Awards

Artists of posters advancing to the final international judging are recognized as follows:

- **International Grand Prize Winner** receives a trip to the award ceremony at Lions Day with the United Nations (subject to change). At the ceremony he/she will receive a cash award of US\$5,000 (or local equivalent) and an engraved plaque. Two family members (one being the winner's parent or legal guardian) and the sponsoring Lions club president or a club member (as designated by the club president) will accompany the winner to the award ceremony. The award ceremony is scheduled for March 2014.
- **23 Merit Award Winners** each receive a cash award of US\$500 (or local equivalent) and a certificate of achievement.

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How to Enter

Lions clubs must order a Peace Poster Contest kit from the Club Supplies Sales Department at International Headquarters. Available in all 11 official languages, it costs US\$10.95, plus shipping, handling and applicable taxes. Each kit contains everything your club needs to sponsor one* school or organized, sponsored youth group:

- **Official Club Contest Guide & Rules**
- **Official School or Youth Group Contest Guide & Rules**
- **Participant Flyer** may be duplicated and given to each participating student to take home
- **Sticker** to place on back of winning poster
- **Certificates** for contest winner and school or youth group

*Clubs can sponsor more than one contest in either the same or multiple school(s) and/or youth group(s) by purchasing more than one kit. Clubs will send one poster per each contest sponsored to the next level of judging.



The Lions International Essay Contest entry form is included in this kit and on the LCI website.

Kits are available January 15 – October 1, 2013.
Purchase your kit early to allow adequate time for shipment and contest planning.



To order the Peace Poster Contest kit (PPK-1) submit the form below, order through the online Lions Store (Item search: Peace Poster Kit) or call Club Supplies at (630) 571-5466 or (800) 710-7822 (U.S., Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands and Canada only).

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Follow Your Dream

"If you can dream it, you can do it." -Walt Disney_

Martin Luther King did not say, "I have a goal." Or "I have an aim."
The most powerful words in his famous speech were "I have a dream".

A dream embraces our most cherished longings. It embodies our very identity. We often won't feel fulfilled as human beings until we realize our dreams.

The innovative and gifted Danish architect Jorn Utzon had a dream – to build a structure that would be renowned not only for its aesthetic design, but also one that would define its surroundings while defying the principles of modern architecture. In 1957 he got his chance. His design for the Sydney Opera House was selected from over 200 entries. There were many naysayers, and more than a few famous architects who said it couldn't be done.

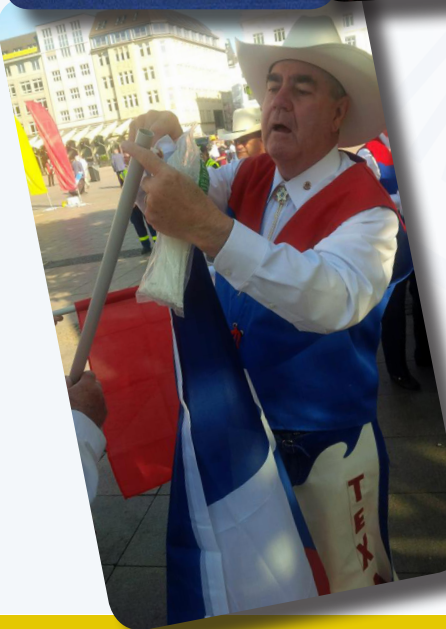
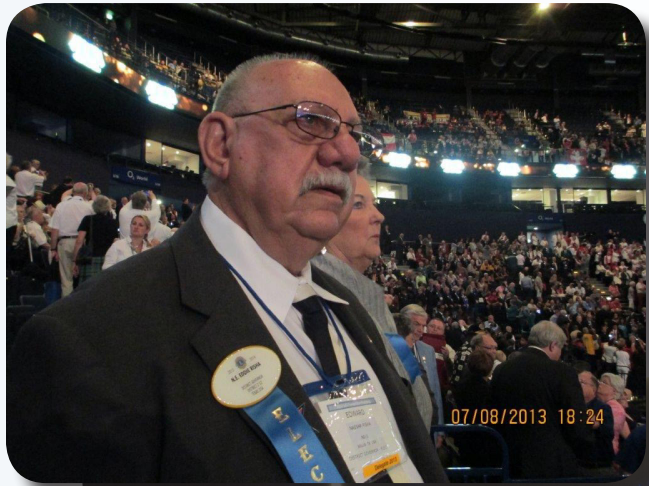
Work began in earnest in March 1959. Through both trial and tribulation, the opera house shell began to take shape. Finally, after 14 years, the opera house opened to the public in 1973. Today, it stands as a world-wide symbol for Sydney, and Utzon's dream lives on as both an architectural marvel and a perfect example of "if you can dream it, you can achieve it."

We all have hopes and dreams. We all go through times in our lives when we come up with ideas of things that we would like to accomplish in the years ahead. It's a natural human tendency to come up with an ideal that we would like to fulfill in our future.

Everyone should have a dream – a vision – a goal, and something as unique as our very DNA. The challenge is really twofold: first identify your dream, and then work to achieve your dream, for there is nothing more disheartening than a dream unfulfilled.

**It's never too late to find your dream.
Have you found yours?**

96th Int'l Convention - Hamburg, Germany



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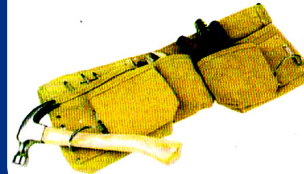
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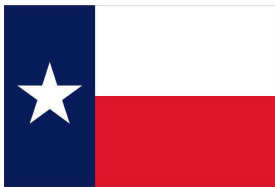
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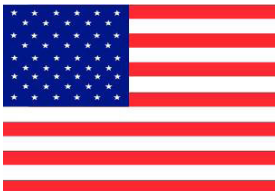
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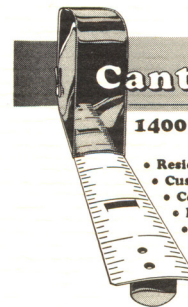


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- Had fun and fellowship.
- Asked someone to join my club this week.
- Performed community service.
- Developed leadership skills in self and others.
- Planned a new or continuing project.
- Reached out to the youth.
- Promoted good government and good citizenship.

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