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Official Newsletter of Lions Clubs International District 2-S2

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2006

## CALENDER OF EVENTS

November	1	PSC meeting
November	15	Peace Poster Deadline
November	18	2 <sup>nd</sup> Cabinet Meeting
December	1	Lighthouse Shop Trip
December	6	PSC meeting

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## Happy Autumn and Happy Halloween.....

Just think.....**Thanksgiving** is just around the corner and as we enter our fourth month in this Lions Year, we have so very much for which to be thankful! Let's start celebrating Thanksgiving early!

Ninety (90%) percent of our 61 clubs have paid their dues; seventy-five (75%) of our clubs have filed their MMRs, and many of those same clubs have turned in CARs to Lion Terry Landers. In addition to that, many clubs are filing their MMRs on line. To quote Lion Jody Regan from the Liberty Lions, who has been filing his MMRs on line for many, many years....."the new system for filing on line is so much simpler than it used to be. I hope all of our club secretaries will try it—they will like it".

In addition to the good things above, we are maintaining our plus in membership that we started with - as always --- at the beginning of the Lions Year. A plus in membership is always good.....but why? Because it shows

we are enthusiastic about what we are doing as Lions and we are talking about it to our friends.....being enthusiastic always translates to the word that we spread to not only our friends but to the public. When we are enthusiastic, it shows.....and when it shows, people want to join us and be part of the fun! (Remember that people join Lions to do good things, network, make new friends and have FUN....in that order.)

Please keep being enthusiastic about being a Lion, about doing the good things we are doing as Lions, and about the FUN we are having doing the good things. REMEMBER, this is the year we are celebrating our past accomplishments and our future projects!

**GIVE YOURSELVES A PAT ON THE BACK AND KEEP UP THE FANTASTIC WORK!!!**

*District Governor Margaret Badeaux*

My Fellow Lions: I'm back! Last month was spent at the USA/CANADA LEADERSHIP FORUM in Columbus, Ohio. We were blessed with fantastic weather. 59 degrees at night and about 75 degrees during the day for the high. Of course yours truly spent much of the time in seminars. These Forums are the best educational places to learn not only about Lionism but also about Leadership. Some topics: fun with tail twisting, membership initiatives for clubs, public relations, low vision, public speaking, recycling, lead and serve as President or Treasurer - I could go on and on. The hardest part was deciding which seminars to go to! This has been my second Forum in the 24 years I've been in Lionism and will plan to go more often. I would strongly urge each club to consider sending their 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President or incoming President to the Forum each year. I assure you your President's year will be the best year your club has ever had. Of course the Forum is for everyone. The information gained will not only help you in Lionism but also in your business career. Plan to attend next year, which will be held in Grand Rapids, Michigan and usually held the first half of September. I'm limited to space so I'll end with two reminders: (1) Cabinet meeting November 18<sup>th</sup> Baytown hosting; and (2) Mid Winter Conference January 20, 2007. Please mark your calendars. My next stop: San Angelo, TX.

*Vice District Governor Art Drouin*

## The Texas Lions Camp *Century Club* A great way to make a personal commitment!

We all agree that the Texas Lions Camp is a wonderful facility.....one we are all proud of. Have you ever thought of making a personal commitment to ensure that the camp lives on forever?

You can, you know! By joining the *Century Club*. For as little as \$10 a month...about the same as the cost of a cup of coffee each day for one week, you can be a part of an elite group who helps the camp maintain their high standards to those children we serve each year.

Century Club members currently provide \$165,000 per year for Texas Lions Camp operations. All Century Club contributions go to the camp's general fund, which is used to pay for day-to-day operating expenses, such as salaries for counselors and staff, gas, electricity, food for campers, food for horses, building maintenance, etc.

An application form is available on the District 2-S2 web site, [www.lions2s2.org](http://www.lions2s2.org) or from any elected camp director. The form on the web site can be reached by clicking on NEWS. You can also visit the Texas Lions Camp web site, [www.lionscamp.com](http://www.lionscamp.com) for more information about the camp and its programs.

Won't you join in supporting our Texas Lions Camp that provides a life-changing experience to 1500 handicapped and diabetic children each year at no cost to them or their parents?

### *Welcome New Lions*

Lion William Herndon of the Baytown Lions Club sponsored **Earlene Bramlett** into Lionism this month. Brookshire-Pattison Lion William Kitzman sponsored **Donald Matthews** into their club. **William Douglas** was sponsored into the Cleveland Lions Club by Lion John Wuensche. Houston Heights Lions gained **Christopher Law**, sponsored by Lion Arthur Hernandez. The Westchase Club, a branch of the Houston Southwest Lions Club continues to grow. Lion Elsie Smith sponsored **John Huang, Katherine Cheng-Arif** and **Ryan Arif**. The Houston Millennium Lions has grown by ten members... Lion Victoria Juguea sponsored **Diana Catalan, Minette Chiu, Wayne Fritz** and **Marissa Molino**; **Mae Dimaliwat, Manuel Tandoc** and **Archie Zalun** were sponsored by Lion Loloy Reyes; **Jeff Navarro** and **Jojo Ruelos** were sponsored by Lion Mady Crisostomo; and **Arlita Pang** was sponsored by Lion Eme Nisan. The Huffman Lions welcomed **Tammy Rivers**, sponsored by Lion Christine Jordan. The Katy Lions Club welcomed new members, **Mike Gibson** and **Barbara Vissers**.

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

It is not too early to start making plans to attend the Mid-Winter Conference on Saturday, January 20, 2007

It will be held at the North Harris-Montgomery County College campus on W. W. Thorne off of Aldine Westfield near the Sam Houston Toll Road. (This location is in the dead-center of our District.)

Vice-District Governor Art Drouin is working hard to make this a memorable Mid-Winter Conference. Visit [www.golions.us](http://www.golions.us) for details.

## BRAGGIN' ON OUR L E O S.....



We now have 16 Leo Clubs in District 2-S2.... something we can brag about!!!

We are attempting to set up a process to find out what our Leos are doing. What we have heard so far is amazing!

The Bellaire Leo Club is being chartered in October. The Bellaire Lions have worked very hard putting this club together. The President and Vice-President of this club are cousins and they are the granddaughters of our own PDG Larry Greenfield. Do you think he had anything to do with getting this new club started?

The Cut & Shoot Lions sponsor two Leo Clubs....the Caney Creek Leos and the Cut & Shoot Leos. The Caney Creek Club began their new school year with 70 students.

The Huffman Leo Club was chartered in September. With the help of Lion Christine Jordan, the Club is off to a good start.

The Magnolia Leo Club is an awesome bunch! They recently completed a Habitat for Humanity house that was started and abandoned by another group. That is wonderful! In addition to that, they have planted and are maintaining a community garden for the Senior Center. Seniors in their community can gather and enjoy fresh vegetables from the garden; they are not only eating healthier but they are also saving money.

The Woodlands Leo Club sponsored a Furr Ball Bowling Event to benefit the kittys at the Humane Society. It was a huge success.

Please help us publicize the many accomplishments of the Leo Clubs in District 2-S2. We are proud of them and all Lions in our District need to know what these great "kids" are doing.

We would also like to develop a current list of Leo Clubs with their Presidents, Secretaries, School Sponsors, Advisors and Lions Sponsors. Please help us by emailing, calling or mailing your information to Cabinet Secretary, Lion Judy Champion. Also, please continue to write about the Leos in your CAR reports.

### MMRs and CARs

A quick reminder to all of our hard-working Club Secretaries:

To lighten your workload, you can file your Monthly Membership Reports online with Lions Clubs International. The webpage address is [www.lionsclubs.org](http://www.lionsclubs.org). Click on English and in the left column will be a box showing MMRs, etc. Follow the steps.....it is quick and easy.

If you are filing on line for the first time and need assistance, contact your Team Leader or the Cabinet Secretary, Judy Champion, at 281-442-9707. It is their job and their pleasure to help you.

If you are filing your MMRs by mail to Lions International with the three part form that was sent to you in your Secretary's Packet, please send the District Governor's copy to the Cabinet Secretary at 2021 Aldine Mail Route #503, Houston, TX 777039.

This past month, 70% of our clubs filed their MMRs on line by the end of the first week of the next month. A big pat on the back and a huge THANK YOU to all of you from Lions International and District 2-S2.

All of the exciting news found in "News 'round the District" is taken from Club Activity Reports (CARs). So, in addition to earning points in the District's Club Contest each month, good news you share in your CAR can be enjoyed with other Clubs in our District.

**SECRETARIES: Again, thank you for all you are doing for District 2-S2.**

*Pats on the back all around.....*

*60% of our clubs have paid their 100% charities already this year.  
Thank you very much!*

*Margaret Badeaux, District Governor  
PDG Ron Landers, District Treasurer*



## *Around The District*



The **Conroe Noon Lions** will be sponsoring Free Vision Screening with the Eye Bank Trailer on Saturday, October 28, at the Southside Baptist Church, 600 Frasier, Conroe. This screening will be offered to low income/qualifying adults. A new member induction was held in September which added nine new Conroe Noon Lions.

The **Cut & Shoot Family Lions** are a busy group. This month they had a Scrap Metal Drive benefiting Club charities; manned Trade Day Concessions at the Montgomery Co. Fair; and volunteered for Administaff's Tour of Champions Golf Tournament. They will be manning the Vision Screening Trailer for Conroe Noon's Free Vision Screening as well as at a Health Fair in St. Augustine.

The **Hempstead Lions Club** will hold a "Stuffed BBQ Baked Potato Fundraiser from 11:00 AM until sold out on October 21<sup>st</sup>. They invite you all to visit them in their "neck of the woods" to enjoy a stuffed potato with butter, cheese, sour cream and chopped BBQ brisket for only \$5.00. This club also puts out flags on all major holidays as well as September 30 for the start of the Waller County Fair and Parade.

The **Houston Copperfield Lions** will sponsor a golf tournament on November 3 at Longwood Golf Club. Come out and support this project...there will be great prizes and a lot of FUN.

The **Houston Cy-Fair Lions** are in the final, final stages of completing their new meeting building/concession stand. They will be moving in at the end of this month. Everyone is invited to visit their new home....it is beautiful. Of course, you are welcome to rent it for your special occasions, too. Fall baseball is in full swing and business is good at their baseball fields and temporary concession stand. A recent program at a regular meeting was one they shared with campers they sponsored at our Texas Lions Camp. The campers shared their camping experiences and showed them their photos and displayed the crafts they made at camp.

The **Houston Heights Lions Club** held a White Cane Day Road Block on 19<sup>th</sup> Street in the Heights....and don't forget to get your tickets for the Pancake Breakfast they are having on December 2<sup>nd</sup>. The pancakes are always delicious....a wonderful way to kickoff the Christmas season. It will take place at Grace Methodist Church, Heights Blvd. @ 13<sup>th</sup> street from 7:30 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. You will have a chance to buy some of their wonderful pecans there, also.

REMEMBER that the Lions of **Houston Downtown, Houston Heights, Houston Memorial, Houston Space City** and **Houston Spring Branch** are selling Entertainment Books.

The **Houston Downtown Lions Club** kicked off their 67<sup>th</sup> Annual Tom Shaw Sportsmanship Awards OCTOBER 2006 — page 4

Program. Also, they continue to fill their coffers with a monthly soft sell drawing.

Congratulations to Lion Homer Roades of the **Houston Space City Lions Club**, who was awarded a Jack Wiech Fellowship recently. Camp President Lion Barron Cagle was on hand for the presentation.

The **Houston Spring Branch Lions** will again be selling delicious smoked hams and briskets in December (in time for your Christmas parties). They will share the date with you in November....in time for you to place your order.

The **Huffman Lions** have been busy, busy, busy. Their projects include umbrella sales, shopping spree raffle, hamburger sale, and a pumpkin patch event. On November 4 they will hold a Fun Festival at the Copeland School from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

By the time you read this, the **Humble Noon Lions** will have held their Chili Cookoff and Car show. The District Counterfeit Cookers consisting of Governor Margaret, VDG Art, Cabinet Secretary Judy Champion and Zone Coordinator Rick Reynolds were there with their chili pot. Ask one of them why they are called the Counterfeit Cookers.

The **Lake Conroe Lions** will be helping with the Elves & More bicycle run on October 21 and with the Los Compadras Golf Tournament in November. This club helped fund a sprinkler system at the Leo Memorial in their area.

The **Liberty Lions** hosted the Governor at one of their fund-raisers, "Friday Night High School Football at their Concession Stand". A lot of fun was had and a lot of money was raised.

The **Pasadena Lions Club** just completed their Walk 4 Sight event that is held each year for elementary school students. What a sight to behold....1100+ first through fifth graders walking two miles and having FUN! These students have a hand in helping raise funds for their fellow students who need financial help to get glasses. The entire amount raised is spent on the Pasadena club's eyeglass program. A win-win for everyone!

The Lions of **Spring-Houston** helped with transportation, ticket sales and other chores associated with the Ameritech Golf Tournament held at Augusta Pines Country Club in October. Stay tuned for their Christmas fund-raiser.

The **Woodlands Lions Club** held the groundbreaking for their custom home that will be raffled to benefit New Danville, A Special Place for Special People. The house is valued at \$560,000 and raffle tickets are \$100. New Danville is a planned community for adults with mental challenges. This club will also be participating in The Woodlands 29<sup>th</sup> Wildflower Festival on October 28<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Cochran's Crossing Shopping Center.



The Big Ugly Traveling Gavel is making its rounds. Shown is Secretary Carolyn Watts of the Houston Memorial Club claiming the Big Ugly Traveling Gavel from Houston Spring Branch Lion Betty Ezell and President Julius Yellott.

So far, the gavel has been claimed by: THE WOODLANDS LIONS CLUB, CUT AND SHOOT FAMILY LIONS CLUB, CONROE NOON LIONS CLUB, SPRING OLD TOWN LIONS CLUB, HOUSTON SPRING BRANCH LIONS CLUB, HOUSTON MEMORIAL LIONS CLUB..

Join the fun.....and get points in the Club Contest at the same time!



**THE SHOPPING TRIP FOR THE LIGHTHOUSE IS SCHEDULED FOR FRIDAY DECEMBER 1, 2006. ANY LION OR LEOS THAT WOULD LIKE TO HELP SHOULD MEET AT LUBY'S CAFETERIA IN DEERBROOK MALL AT 10:30 am. DEERBROOK IS LOCATED IN HUMBLE ON HWY. 59 AND 1960. THANKS, ANN MAXWELL LIGHTHOUSE DIRECTOR 2006-2008**

## Houston Spring Branch Lions Club



Home of District Governor  
Margaret Badeaux

## Cut And Shoot Family Lions Club



Home of Vice District Governor  
Arthur Drouin

## Conroe Noon Lions Club



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*Our Environmental Chairman Clifton Heiman writes....*

## **PROTECT YOUR WALLET AND THE WORLD**



**Governor Margaret Badeuax    Secretary Judy Champion**

Choosing the right appliances offers the kind of payoff Americans love: You save money and the planet in one stroke. By buying (and using) smart, the typical US household can reduce energy bills by about \$600 a year—and decrease annual carbon dioxide output by about 30%. But sadly, that old guide to earth-friendly machines, the Energy Star, isn't shining so brightly these days.

Appliances earn the label by beating the government's energy consumption targets. But the sticker can be misleading. One problem is that each appliance design has its own yardstick. The weird

result: A refrigerator with a freezer on the side can bear the Energy Star if it's more efficient than other side-by-side units. But fridges with a freezer on top—which actually use less energy than the best side-by-sides—can earn a star only if they outdo other top mounts. That's not to say the label is useless. Among similar products, the one with the Energy Star will use less energy than one without it. You can use the Federal Trade Commission's Energy Guide—that bright yellow tag on many appliances—to get an estimate of annual energy consumption.

### **Dryers**

Although the Energy Star and Energy Guide don't cover dryers, you can cut energy use by about 10% by switching to a machine with temperature-moisture sensing controls.

**Choose Gas** if you have the option, select a gas dryer instead of an electric model. Although the purchase price is apt to be about \$50 higher, dryers that use gas will cut your drying bill by about 25%.

**Get sensitized** Scan marketing materials for a moisture sensor inside the drum instead of the exhaust. You'll save about 15% in operating costs.

### **COME ONE, COME ALL.....**

**The Second Cabinet meeting will be held at Grace Methodist Church, 304 North Pruett Street, Baytown, TX on Saturday, November 18, 8:00 a.m.**

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME.....CABINET MEMBERS, PRESIDENTS, SECRETARIES, AND CLUB MEMBERS!**

**For reservations: send \$15 per person, along with your name, address, telephone number, email address, and club affiliation to Lion Pat Mann, 1403 Idaho Street, Baytown, TX 77520. Make checks payable to Baytown Lions Club. Deadline is Nov. 13.**

### **PARLIAMENTARY POINTS TO PONDER.....**

**It is not necessary to have a motion to approve the minutes of a meeting. After calling for corrections; i.e., "are there any corrections to the minutes?" The Chair announces: "If not, they stand approved as read."**



**RECYCLE  
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One of the many good things we Lions do is gather old eyeglasses for recycling. We do a good job and with a little more effort, we could do an even better job. As you know, our District delivers our old eyeglasses to the Telephone Pioneers in the Heights and Lion Pete McIntosh with the Houston Downtown Lions Club is our new Chairman. The Heights facility receives about 30,000 pairs of old glasses each year from us; but they need more. Multiply that amount by three.....it is free, it is easy and it is a great way to get the Lions name out there.

*don't want to spend the money on boxes from LCI?*

*Ask PDG Harry Goetzman for a white bucket, download a Lions logo from the Website, attach it to the bucket and place it in a high-traffic area!*

*It works and it is FUN!*

## CLUB CONTEST RESULTS

AS OF OCTOBER 16, 2006

<b><u>Category 1 (1 - 19)</u></b>	<b>1st Place Lake Conroe South</b>	<b>2nd Place Houston Aldine</b>
<b><u>Category 2 (21 - 29)</u></b>	<b>1st Place Houston Sports</b>	<b>2nd Place Houston Memorial</b>
<b><u>Category 3 (30 - 68)</u></b>	<b>1st Place Cut &amp; Shoot Family</b>	<b>2nd Place Houston Downtown</b>
<b><u>Category 4 (90 and up) (20,000 points Minimum) No winner yet</u></b>		

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

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AFMIELKE@HOUSTON.RR.COM OR 713-728-0599

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DESERT: CHOCOLATE DECADENCE OR TRES LECHES

**PLEASE RSVP BY 26 OCTOBER 2006**

**Next PSC Meeting**  
**NOVEMBER 1, 2006**  
**Ryan's Steakhouse**  
**5601 W. 34th Street**

**Dinner 6:30 P.M. Meeting 7:00 P.M.**

*Scavenger Hunt*  
*Posters are Due with photographs*  
*Wall Display*



***We Serve***

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Vice District Governor

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