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Insights Unveiled: Exploring the World Within Our Newsletter

Lions Clubs – Champions of International Volunteering
In a world facing mounting humanitarian crises, the role of volunteer organizations has never been more critical. Among these, Lions Clubs International stands out as a beacon of selfless service and global solidarity. With over 1.4 million members in more than 200 countries, Lions are making a profound impact through projects focused on health, disaster relief, education, and environmental sustainability.

What makes the Lions unique is their unwavering commitment to grassroots action paired with global vision. Whether it's providing vision screenings in rural villages, responding to natural disasters, or leading childhood cancer initiatives, Lions serve wherever the need is greatest. Their ability to mobilize quickly and collaborate across borders underscores their strength as an international volunteer force.

Moreover, the Lions embody the spirit of "We Serve" not just through charity, but by empowering communities. Their projects often prioritize long-term solutions, training locals and ensuring sustainability.

In a time when compassion must transcend borders, the Lions are a shining example of how volunteerism can unite humanity. They remind us that real change doesn't always require grand gestures — just willing hearts, joined hands, and the courage to serve beyond self. The world needs more Lions



DG Radha's Message

**DG Radha K. Kaphle
Dallas Everest**

April 2025

Greetings Fellow Lions and Leos,

As we enter April, I reflect on the incredible journey we've shared this Lion year. Together, we've achieved numerous milestones, and our progress fills me with immense pride. March, in particular, was a month brimming with activities, accomplishments, and fellowship. Your unwavering dedication continues to inspire our district, and now, we look forward to the exciting opportunities that lie ahead. Let's continue to work toward the goals we've set and make the remainder of the Lion year one of triumph and success.

Completed Events and Accomplishments

1. **Charter Night Celebration (March 23, 2025):**

A special thank you goes out to **International 2nd Vice President Mark S. Lyon, PID Ernesto "TJ" Tejerina**, and **Council Chair Terrell Thompson and Lion Tina Thopson** for attending our **Joint Charter Night celebration** on March 23, 2025, at the Hilton Garden Inn, Irving. We celebrated the chartering of four new clubs, marking a significant milestone in the growth and expansion of District 2-X1. I appreciate all who participated and supported the event to make it a success.

2. **Build Beds for Kids Project (March 22, 2025):**

A huge thank you to **PCC John Landrum** and **PCC John Eads** for leading the **Build Beds for Kids Project** in Waxahachie. It was a beautiful day of service, and I am so grateful for the volunteers who contributed their time and resources to make this project a success. This is a prime example of Lionism in action, and I am proud of our collective efforts.

3. **4th Cabinet Meeting (March 15th, 2025):**

A sincere thank you to the **Duncanville Lions Club** for sponsoring and hosting our **4th Cabinet Meeting**. Their generosity in providing the venue, their volunteers, and their enthusiastic participation made this meeting a tremendous success. The discussions were engaging, and it was a joy to see our Lions working together for the benefit of the district.

District Convention (April 25-26, 2025)

Our **District Convention** is just around the corner, and it promises to be an exciting and memorable event! The convention will include a variety of activities that celebrate our achievements and look ahead to future successes.

At the **District Convention**, we will honor the achievements of Lions and Leos for their dedication and service throughout the year. There will also be **fun activities and entertainment**, providing a chance to relax and bond with fellow Lions. **Elections** for key positions will take place, and we'll recognize a member with the **Grassroots Lions Award** for exceptional service.

This convention will be a fantastic opportunity for all Lions and Leos to engage, celebrate, and look ahead.

Goals and targets:

- **Membership Growth and Retention**

I am thrilled to report that we've welcomed **520 new members**, resulting in a net growth of **264 members**. However, we still have work to do, as **19 clubs** are facing negative growth and **15 clubs** have zero growth. Let's keep up the momentum and focus on retention and new member recruitment to ensure we continue to build a vibrant district.

Let's continue working toward our highest goals in the **CA-1 area**. We are on track to achieve the highest membership and service goals, and I am confident that with your hard work, we can reach new heights. I encourage all clubs to be an integral part of this effort and help our district shine even brighter.

- **LCIF Contributions**

Our district has raised **\$48,018** towards our goal of **\$60,000** for **Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF)**. I encourage all clubs to make their contributions to LCIF, as it plays a critical role in supporting global humanitarian efforts. Please reach out to our **District LCIF Chair, Manuel Palavicini**, for assistance in making your donations.

- **Service Reporting**

We have impacted **536,306 people**, completed **2,364 service projects**, and logged **87,661 volunteer hours**. This is a remarkable achievement, but let's push for **100% reporting** to ensure all our efforts are documented and recognized. Keep up the fantastic work!

- **Training and Leadership Development**

Thank you to everyone who participated in our recent **officers' and members' training sessions**. If you missed any of our recent training sessions, I encourage you to complete the online training to ensure your club remains eligible for the **Club Excellence Award**. Leadership

development is ongoing, and I am proud of the commitment many of you have shown. Plan to join the training session on June, 2025.

Looking Ahead

As we approach the final months of this Lion year, I urge all clubs to focus on achieving their remaining goals. Whether it's **growing your membership, increasing service reporting, or fulfilling your LCIF contributions**, now is the time to double down on our efforts.

Remember:

- **April 15, 2025:** Deadline for clubs to report new officers on the **Lions Portal**.
- **On May 5th, 2025, please plan to join at the district picnic 2025**

Let's keep the momentum going and make these last months count. Together, we will ensure **District 2-X1** finishes the year strong with continued growth in service, membership, and fellowship.

Yours in Service,

DG Radha K. Kaphle

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Dallas Everest Lions Club

Serve with Passion, Lead with Action



Timalsina's Outlook



Greeting Lions,

As we step into April, I take this opportunity to thank everyone who has been part of this incredible Lions year. March was a month filled with service, leadership, and growth, and I am immensely proud of what we have accomplished together. You and your club's dedication is what makes our district so amazing.

A heartfelt thank you to International 2nd Vice President Mark S. Lyon, PID Ernesto "TJ" Tejerina, Council Chair Terrell Thompson, and Lion Tina Thompson for joining us at our Joint Charter Night celebration on March 23, 2025, at the Hilton Garden Inn in Irving. This special event marked a major milestone with the chartering of four new clubs, reflecting the continued growth and expansion of District 2-X1. I sincerely appreciate everyone who contributed to making this celebration a resounding success. This event marked a significant milestone in our growth, and we anticipate even more clubs joining our ranks soon. Thank you to all who made this celebration a success. Let's keep making our district stronger and stronger.

In addition, our annual District Convention is fast approaching. During the convention, we will celebrate the dedication and service of our Lions and Leos, recognizing their outstanding contributions throughout the year. Attendees can also enjoy fun activities and entertainment, providing a great opportunity to relax and connect with fellow Lions. Additionally, elections for key leadership positions will be held, and we will honor an exceptional member with the prestigious Grassroots Lions Award. This convention is an excellent opportunity for all Lions and Leos to come together, celebrate, and prepare for an even brighter future. Please make sure to register by April 7 so that the program runs as efficiently as possible.

Yours in Lionism,

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Vineyard's Voice

Hello Lion Family!!

Wow what a busy month we had in March. I hope you were able to get out and enjoy the beautiful spring weather, and it's just getting started! I really enjoy getting to come to all the different events we have across the district. I had the honor and privilege of meeting 2nd International Vice-President Mark Lyon at our first ever 4 club charter night hosted by the Dallas Everest Lions Club.

This was a magnificent event with 2IVP Mark Lyon as the keynote speaker. PID TJ Tijerina and CC Terrell Thompson were also guests of honor and spoke to the clubs. It was a packed room.

We also held a build a bed project on Saturday, March 22nd in Waxahachie hosted by the Waxahachie Lions club. Over 150 people came out to help and it was a great day for the 2x1 Lions.

Once again, 2x1 continues to lead the state and CA1 in membership growth and new clubs. We learned at the charter event of a 6th club that will be chartered very soon and look forward this celebration. I'm also aware of talks for more Leo clubs to come on board very soon.

I also attended the 4th district cabinet meeting, and it was also very eventful. We now have 2 candidates for 2nd vice district governor. Region Chair Nia McKay and club secretary/District diabetes awareness chair Gloria Mathur have been nominated for this role. They are dedicated, service-minded leaders and will serve this role well. Congratulations and I wish them good luck.

The first weekend of March marked the start of Texas Lions Camp clean-up/workdays in Kerrville for this summer's TLC campers. The first weekends in April and May will be workdays at the camp as well. If you would like to schedule a time to visit the camp, please reach out to your TLC coordinator. While I'm on this subject, if your club has a student to send, please get those names approved and sent to TLC as soon as possible to get them registered.

Club retention – This will be a subject of focus for me while in this role. While it may not seem like an issue for individual clubs, I assure you it is, when looking at the overall growth picture of the district. Every club needs to do their part. It's an issue for every club and every district. Ca-1 has been on a downward trend for many years. Please take this seriously as you form your slate of officers.



Vineyard's Voice

. If you don't have a retention committee, please consider creating one, it's that important. EVERY club needs to have a positive membership number by June 30. Please don't wait until June 30 to drop a lot of members, that is no longer an acceptable way of dropping members for 2x1.

District Convention - April 25-26 in Richardson, Tx. Registration is open and will be a great event, honoring our Grass roots lions, several district awards, outgoing DG, incoming DG. We made some changes this year to make the program move a little faster this year.

I am accepting Grass Roots applications through April 5th. There are several clubs who have not turned in their applications. Please do not wait until the deadline. We need the appropriate amount of time to put this together. We have a great banquet planned for these winners. If you have a nominee, please make sure your club shows up in support and celebrate with them, make it fun! The deadline for early registration is March 31th with final deadline of April 7th. Please make sure you have registered so the meals can be planned accordingly.

PLEASE DO NOT WAIT UNTIL THE DAY OF THE CONVENTION TO REGISTER AND PAY; THIS HINDERS THE CAFETERIA FROM HAVING ENOUGH FOOD FOR EVERYONE WHO PLANS TO ATTEND.

The last point I will make is respecting the speakers. They have an important message to share. I have seen loud conversations at tables during a speaker's message. If you must have a conversation, take it outside of the banquet. I will have people stationed in the congregation to monitor this. You will get a warning, if warned again you will be asked to take the conversation outside of the banquet if you're too loud. This is about respecting our speakers time with us.

District Picnic – Sunday May 5, 1-5 pm – Ernie Roberts Park, Desoto, Tx. We need volunteers and club donations to cover the expense or commitment to bring items for the picnic. If you would like to help, please contact me directly at 469-471-2133

It is an honor to serve you! Please contact me if I can be of service.

WE SERVE!

2VDG Gary Vineyard
Club Director/Past President
Midlothian Lions Club

GLOBAL MEMBERSHIP APPROACH GMA

District 2-X1, February 28, 2025

We are on a journey to more service!

District 2-X1 is participating in Global Membership Approach to maximize our membership thereby maximizing our service to the community.

District Governor and his team, the clubs have made membership growth their top priority and all Lions working towards a common goal of achieving Mission 1.5.



District 2-X1 Goals for 2024-2025: Following are the revised district goals:

- Charter 4 new clubs
- Recruit 411 new members
- Drops to be below 181
- Net membership gains 230
- Serve 200,000 needy people in our community

Our Accomplishments:

Clubs:

Clubs: 2-X1 has chartered Five new clubs 1. 'Dallas Bachimalka' Club. 2. Dallas Himalayan Sports and 3. DFW Cyber Club 4. Dallas Everest Women's Club 5. Dallas Himalayan Women's Club

2-X1 Membership Status: (Feb 28, 2025)

Added members.....	451
Dropped Members.....	219
Gain/Loss.....	232
Closing Balance.....	2,100

MD-2 Membership Status

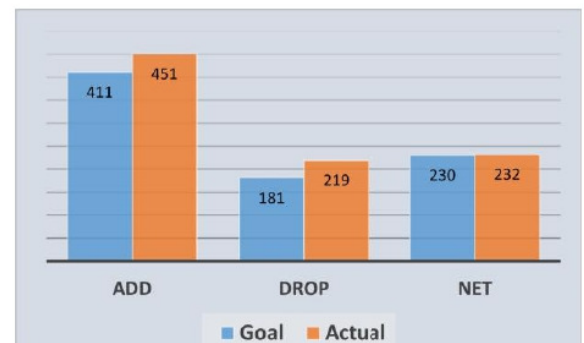
Added members.....	2,370
Dropped Members....	2,153
Closing Balance.....	21,712
Net Gain/Loss.....	+ 217

2-X1 revised goals for this year is to recruit 411 new members with the drops limited to 181 for a net membership increase of 230.

We have already exceeded the revised new member recruitment to 451. The chart shows we must contain the drops. Our net increase is 232 surpassing the revised goal. We have done extremely well in new clubs and member recruitment. Congratulations to District 2-X1 for leading in MD-2 with the highest net growth and in CA-1. And 2nd in CA-1 Following are top five clubs for net membership growth % (Feb 28, 2025)

Dallas Buddha.	55%
Dallas Everest.....	25%
Red Oak.....	23%
Dallas Founder.....	22%
UTD Infinity.....	20%

2-X1 Revised Membership Goal v Actual July-Feb



Moving forward 2-X1 is on track to accomplish and exceed the new revised goals. We still have to

Contain the drops. The clubs need to have a clear strategy and criteria, if faced with dropping a member. Extended periods of non- payment of dues and non-participation in service projects should be the determining factor to drop a member. Several members have left in good standing. Getting in touch with them and addressing any issue would help. 2-X1 has 10 clubs with <10 members. These clubs need help to be rejuvenated. A membership committee meeting was held to increase net membership in the next four months to become 1st in CA-1. Suggest all 11 zones bringing in net 2 members in each zone. Also, retention is the key for growth. 18 clubs with no membership activity through December need to consider holding membership events and increase by one net member.

Service: In the last eight months 2-X1 Lions have served over 464,964 people with 2076 service activities dedicating 77,813 volunteer hours. 97% of the clubs have reported their activities on Lions Portal. District 2-X1 is leading in MD-2 with maximum number of people served in our communities. LCI goal is to serve over a Billion people and every service activity needs to be counted to help achieve that goal.

Leadership Training: Club Officers training for Zone Chairs, Club President, Secretary and Treasurer was offered in June. Club officers training was offered in November. Training was also offered in Mid- Winter Conference in January including New Member Orientation. 67% Club Presidents, 61% Secretary and 50% Treasurers have been trained.

LCIF Contributions: District 2-X1 has collected \$43,676 towards our foundation during this fiscal year. Better club participation is needed to meet our goal.

Let the New Year rejuvenate our Clubs and Membership!

PDG Vinod Mathur
2-X1 and MD-2 GMA Coordinator
Area 1A GMA Leader



Fred's Findings
PDG Fred Conger
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The 2024-2025 **"District 2-X1 Convention"** is set for April 25th and 26th.

There will be informational breakouts about the Lion Portal, how to use the Global Membership Approach in your club, club End of Year to dos, and information about earning LCI's Club Excellence Award. In addition, there is the fun Friday night, Saturday Awards Luncheon, afternoon games and fun, afternoon election voting, a Convention Service Project, and the Saturday evening "Grass Roots Banquet". Registration Forms are available online on the District 2-X1 Web Site www.lionsdistrict2x1.org.

The annual **"District 2-X1 Lions University"** for the 2025-2026 Lion year is scheduled for June 21, 2025. It will be held at the Region 10 Service Center again as this site is awesome for such a training event. Save the date and plan to get your club's incoming President, Secretary, and Treasurer officers there for in-person training. Training for other club officer positions will be held separately on another date

Clubs, I hope that you are working to achieve LCI's Club Excellence Award. Not every club can earn it every year. It isn't easy. But if you can achieve this award, your club is doing great. Note the forms specific requirements and how to submit your club's application to Governor Radha **after July 1, 2025** but before **August 31st** (July's Cabinet meeting works). The 2024-2025 application form is available on our District Web Page.

<https://lionsdistrict2x1.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/11/Club-Excellence-Award-2024-2025.pdf>

Clubs. It's time to elect your officers for 2025-2026. Elections must be held and the results turned into LCI by your club Secretary **by April 15th**.

If you have not yet completed your 2024-2025 officer training, use the following link and complete the required steps outlined for the appropriate club officer position.

<https://lionsdistrict2x1.org/lions-2-x1-university-files/>. Email me with the results so that I can update my trained Officer database.

Need info about Lions? Need help with the Lions Portal? Need an informational presentation or simply one on one help? Contact me, I will be happy to assist you.

PDG/GLT Fred Conger

"BUILD BEDS for KIDS"

by PCC's John Eads and John Landrum District 2X-1 Project Co Charis

What a beautiful morning it was on Saturday, March 22. A great "Build Day" for our District 2-X1 Project to build 100 beds. This will be our 5th "Bed Build" that we have partnered with Sleep In Heavenly Peace, (a 501(c)(3) charity with some 400 chapters in the U.S), and we have now completed 525 beds with 150 beds delivered to our beloved Texas Lions Camp in Kerrville that serves Texas children with 48 different physical disabilities. This is one of our most revered District projects that began in February 2023, where Lions can provide a needed service, work together and have fun!

Our Lions and volunteers started showing up at 7:00 am. We had our usual volunteer welcome and instructions for the Build at 8:45 am. By the 9 am, the build started, and we had 200+ working at various stages in the four production lines. Our Lions and volunteers were cutting lumber to specifications, sanding, drilling holes, attaching web to slats, assembling parts, branding the SHP logo, dipping finished parts in wood preservative, drying on racks and loading on trailers for storage to await delivery to those homes with children in need of a bed to sleep in. We were done by 1 pm.

We had 31 Lions Clubs present, which included 3 Leo Clubs, 2 Clubs from our neighboring District 2-E2 (Alvarado Lions Club and Robson Ranch Lions Club) and 1 Club from California. The Club with the most volunteers at 22 was DeSoto Lions Club. Coppell Lions Club came in second with 16 volunteers and Kaufman Lions Club had 12 volunteers present. What a great bunch of dedicated volunteers. Some of our 200+ volunteers have been at each of our "Build Days." A special thanks to all volunteers, including Lion Curtis Green, who is also "Boss Green" for SHP in the southern part of the SHP delivery area that includes Dallas County and all the 12+ SHP volunteer crew for the "Build," including their Chapter President, Scott Miller.

As most of you know, each \$250 donated allows us to have a bed that includes the lumber, hardware, mattress, pillow, and bedding. We cannot offer enough thanks for our third partner in this project -- Lions Clubs International Foundation. Want to know why our District leadership wants us to meet our District wide goals for giving to LCIF? Because it comes back to us in the form of grants. For us to build 100 beds, we must raise \$25,000 of which one-half comes from a \$12,500 matching grant from LCIF that we apply for. The other \$12,500 comes from Lion individuals (some non-Lions), Lions Clubs, businesses like H-E-B that give us food snacks, water, etc. (Thank you, H-E-B).

We cannot thank all of you who donated enough for your contributions. Also, a big thank you to Waxahachie Lions Club that has been involved with our "Builds" since inception through their Foundation and providing and manning their concession trailer.

SHP is now beginning to deliver beds to those in need this month and in the coming months. Your Lions Club can be a part of the delivery/assembly team. On April 19, beds will be delivered and assembled at 5 different locations in DeSoto and Cedar Hill. As SHP says, "No Kid Sleeps on the Floor in our Town." Your Club may be contacted to help make these deliveries. This is the ultimate final piece of the experience of not only being involved in building the bed, but delivering and assembling the bed and seeing the smiles on the kids faces that receive them. Don't miss this opportunity!

We are beginning to raise funds for another 100 beds that we will build on Saturday, October 11. Mark your calendars. Please send your bed donations as soon as you can so we can meet the deadline for another matching grant with LCIF. Mail donations to Waxahachie Lions Club Foundation, P. O. Box 581, Waxahachie, TX 75168-0581.



Rajendra Kunwar
Irving Everest Cent. Lions Club

April 15 is the deadline for Lion Year for new Leadership 2025-2026. As I am referring to the leadership, I want to dive deeper into it. Leadership is more than a title. It is a mindset, a responsibility, and a vital skill that shapes our homes, workplaces, and communities. In today's dynamic world, effective leadership drives change, fosters collaboration, and builds stronger teams. Lions District 2X1 recognizes this need and offers a powerful platform for its members to develop, practice, and elevate leadership at every level.

Engaging in Lions activities is a gateway to personal and organizational growth. Having some goals and focusing on them will help everyone grow through engagement. When club leaders attend or delegate others to participate in district events, service projects, and leadership programs, it enhances both the club's visibility and overall effectiveness. Active participation in activities is essential for both individual growth and club development. The district provides a well-structured annual calendar that encourages consistent engagement, leadership accountability, and strategic alignment.

The Executive Committee DG Team meets monthly to maintain focus on district priorities, while Executive Council Meetings, held three times a year and led by the Second Vice District Governor, are designed for especially for Club Presidents, Secretaries, and Zone Chairs to collaborate, exchange ideas. Participating in quarterly Cabinet Meetings support decision making and goal setting, while the Mid-Winter Conference in January and the District Convention in April or May provide opportunities for recognition, fellowship, and leadership inspiration. Region meetings, Zone Meetings, conducted three times a year with focuses on Service, Membership, and Leadership, serve as vital platforms for education, motivation, and networking.

Additionally, District 2X1 is closely aligned with global Lions strategies, supported by dedicated teams such as GLT-Global Leadership Team, GST-Global Service Team, GMT-Global Membership Team, GET-Global Extension Team, GAT-Global Action Team, GMA- Global Membership Approach. These teams offer specialized pathways for involvement based on members' skills and interests. With limitless leadership opportunities across 55+ specialized sub-teams, service teams, and the Cabinet Team in the District, your growth potential mirrors the value you bring; the more you invest in your reflection, the more it shines back involvement in key global leadership programs helps members build essential skills, strengthen club performance, and further the Lions mission.

Strong club leadership begins with structured internal operations. Regular Club Meetings, Officer Meetings, and Board of Directors Meetings are essential for transparency and teamwork. Key officers including the President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Membership Chair are required to attend District Lions University training to remain effective in their roles.

Grow Through Engagement

Rajendra Kunwar
 Irving Everest Cent. Lions Club



Engaging in Multiple District activities, USA Canada Lions Leadership Forum known as Lion University, and even attending an annual International Convention may enhance your knowledge and skills. There are a lot of tools and kits available from Lions Clubs International, an organization with 107 years of experience.

In order to maximize their impact, true leaders delegate strategically, empower their teams, and foster a sense of ownership among their teams. There is no doubt that presence shows commitment, but it is the development of others that builds legacy. Getting involved in Lions meetings, trainings, and leadership programs ensures that Lions sharpen their skills while also strengthening their clubs at the same time. We gain growth by taking initiative, by improving communication, and by learning on a continuous basis. Every event is a chance for you to grow, and every role gives you an opportunity to take the lead. There is more to us than just fostering leadership; we are also fostering changemakers who combine vision, integrity, and service to move society forward in meaningful ways.

The best thing Club Leaders can do is create an annual calendar that aligns seamlessly with the District's schedule. By considering each member's interests and availability, assign roles strategically to ensure active participation in District, Region, Zone, and Club events. By carefully allocating responsibilities, every member can contribute meaningfully to a few projects throughout the year, thereby improving the efficiency and impact of the club. Leadership does not belong only to the President or the Secretary. It is a collective duty, where collaboration and shared accountability drive progress in the true spirit of the Lions' motto, "We Serve."

A leader cannot be everywhere at once, but by delegating tasks and sharing responsibilities, they develop leadership within the team and create a ripple effect of growth. So why not start now? Plan ahead, empower others, bring your ideas to the table, and help build a better world together.

How Club can get Club Excellence Awards

Criteria	Club Excellence Award Requirements	5 Star Club Excellence Award Requirements
Membership	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Achieved a net growth of two members or 10% or more members (whichever is greater) or chartered a new Lions club, in the current Lions year 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increased membership by 20% (minimum of five (5) members for small clubs) Submitted annual membership report
Service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Started a new service project — consider one of our global causes Participated in and listed three service activities that were reported to Lions Inter- 	Submitted annual service report
LCIF Contribution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contributed to LCIF an amount equal to or greater than the club's membership total multiplied by US \$10 	Donated a minimum of US \$20 per member or US \$1,000 (whichever is less)
Marketing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Published its service activities through local media and social media 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Published its service activities through local media and social media
Leadership and Organizational Excellence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Club is in good standing (not in status quo or financial suspension: district dues paid and no unpaid balance with Lions International greater than US\$50 outstanding 90 days or more) Reported club officers to Lions International Key officers participated in club officer training District Multiple District International Webinars Lions Learning Center	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Club is in good standing (not in status quo or financial suspension: district dues paid and no unpaid balance with Lions International greater than US\$50 outstanding 90 days or more) Reported club officers to Lions International Key officers participated in club officer training District Multiple District International Webinars Lions Learning Center

32nd Annual Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament

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July 31, 2025

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**James Avery Artisan Jewelry
provides \$50,000 Challenge Grant
Named Title Sponsor for
32nd Annual Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament**

Kerrville, Texas - James Avery Artisan Jewelry has issued a \$50,000 challenge-matching grant to honor and support children with special medical conditions and their families attending Summer Camp 2025. Every gift designated for the 32nd Annual Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament will be matched dollar for dollar up to \$50,000. With this challenge, the company has been named the Title Sponsor for the 2025 Golf tournament.

"Texas Lions Camp (TLC) is thrilled that James Avery Artisan Jewelry has agreed to provide a cornerstone grant and invest in our mission in 2025 by offering this exciting challenge opportunity," said TLC President & CEO, Stephen S. Mabry.

James Avery's Chief Executive Officer John McCullough stated, "Our founder James Avery believed 'giving is what it's all about.' We continue that philosophy today because of his commitment and because it is just the right thing to do. For seven decades, we have forged partnerships with charitable organizations that reflect our core values and enrich lives, which helps make our communities better places to live. James Avery is proud to be involved with the Texas Lions Camp where TLC has introduced more than 84,000 children to the 'CAN DO' philosophy and encouraged them to reach for new horizons and celebrate exciting, first-time experiences for the past 75 years. We are proud to encourage donors across Texas to partner with us in supporting the beauty that Texas Lions Camp offers to children and their families through this unique and educational summer camp experience."

About James Avery Artisan Jewelry®

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Harry Wickersham 32nd Annual Golf Tournament

For 32 years, Texas Lions Camp (TLC) has sponsored an annual golf tournament to help support camp operations. The history of this golf tournament and the Lions that helped make it become a reality may be found on our website (<https://lionscamp.com/Wickersham.html>). The event now raises more than \$175,000 annually and has cumulatively produced more than \$2.1 million over the past 31 years. Special thanks to all who have helped make this fund-raiser such a success. The 32nd Annual Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament will be held on Thursday, July 31, 2025, and will be hosted once again by the Fredericksburg Lions Club at Lady Bird Johnson Golf Course in Fredericksburg, Texas.

Learn about Texas Lions Camp, Inc.

Those who are interested in learning more about and/or contributing to the work of Texas Lions Camp are invited to visit www.lionscamp.com or by emailing Milton L. Dare at milton.dare@texaslions.camp. If preferred, you may call 830-896-8500 for more information.



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Let's keep it up and remember that 2x1 Lion members that recruit 5 or 10 members have been recognized each quarter at our 2x1 cabinet meetings and the next recognition will be at our upcoming 2x1 District Convention. Let's go, Let's grow! Reminder: If you have a Lion member in your club that is eligible and our district has been remiss in recognizing them, please make sure to notify GMT chair Lion Esmeralda Rodriguez at Lionesme01@gmail.com asap in order to have enough plaques ordered. Please designate if it is 5 or 10 member plaque recognition. Please continue to Just Ask prospective Lion members to join us. Please be proactive in sharing our lions family with others in your sphere of influence to serve in the community!

I feel super excited with our upcoming **District Convention** happening soon-I am hoping each of you plans to be there to see me before I head out to my hometown of San Benito on May 7th! I know it will be an opportunity for great fellowship, food and lots of fun! As you all know, our district convention is an amazing time to come together as a lions family to celebrate all the great achievements of LEOS and Lions with LCIF donations, membership, and service! There will be lots of **activities and entertainment to enjoy the comraderie and remember that important elections will be taking place. Please make sure your club is up to date with payment of dues to Lions International, MD2 and our 2x1 District and your club has delegates selected.**

I am especially looking forward to the recognition dinner of club members with the Grassroots Lions Award for exceptional service from each club that takes the time to submit the pertinent information to SVDG Gary Vineyard. I know our Lions and Leos diligently and tirelessly give of their time, talents and treasure, however, it is vital to our organization to take time to recognize the volunteer efforts of our fellow Lions and Leos!

*Our district has been doing extremely well with our goals and targets this year!

Membership Growth:

***520 new members.**

***264 members net Growth.**

However it is important that we not get complacent! We have lots of work to do with rebuilding clubs and engaging Lion members:

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Retention:

*19 clubs are facing negative growth.

*15 clubs have zero growth.

Our 2x1 is currently #1 in MD2 and #2 in CA1 area with membership percentage even though we have more members! We need to continue to build on our Foundation of Success to earn the Jesse Robinson Membership Cup this year!

We need each club to recruit at least 2 new members before June 30th! I encourage all clubs to include this in their membership goals from now until June 30th! Let's make it happen - We are Better & Stronger Together!

I have been asked how I have been able to recruit 180+ new members as a Lion. The answer is simple: I just Ask anyone I see that is willing to serve their community! I ask anyone, anytime and anywhere with all persons I interact with on a daily basis because I want to share the joy that I have received in serving others and to enjoy the great fellowship!

Reminder of Training and Leadership Development:

2x1 District 3rd Membership Round Table Summit

9 am to noon

Seareinas Event Center, 1017 Ft. Worth St. Suite 300

Grand Prairie, Texas

Upcoming fun events:

Come join us!

<https://mavs.spinzo.com/?group=lions-clubs-international-foundation->

<https://www.facebook.com/events/3095684700597318/>



**Grand Prairie Host Family Lions Club
Grand Prairie Host Lions Club
& DFW Cyber Lions Club**



AUTISM AWARENESS DAY

Date: Sunday, April 6th, 2025

12:00 to 2:00

@PlayGrand Adventures

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Lions Code of Ethics

TO SHOW my faith in the worthiness of my vocation by industrious application to the end that I may merit a reputation for quality of service.

TO SEEK success and demand all fair remuneration or profit as my just due, but to accept no profit or success at the price of my own self-respect lost because of unfair advantage taken or because of questionable acts on my part.

TO REMEMBER that in building up my business it is not necessary to tear down another's; to be loyal to my clients or customers and true to myself.

WHENEVER a doubt arises as to the right or ethics of my position or action towards others, to resolve such doubt against myself.

TO HOLD friendship as an end and not a means. To hold that true friendship exists not on account of the service performed by one to another, but that true friendship demands nothing but accepts service in the spirit in which it is given.

ALWAYS to bear in mind my obligations as a citizen to my nation, my state and my community, and to give them my unswerving loyalty in word, act and deed. To give them freely of my time, labor and means.

TO AID others by giving my sympathy to those in distress, my aid to the weak, my substance to the needy.

TO BE CAREFUL with my criticism and liberal with my praise, to build up and not destroy.