

## ZONE 12 – Cabinet Report

TO: Lion Radha Kaphle

FROM: Lion Kasey Cheshier

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### Chair Report / Activities

Zone leadership has maintained consistent communication with all Ellis County clubs during this reporting period. Each club was notified and encouraged to participate in the upcoming Mid-Winter Conference. Clubs were also reminded of the required January Hunger Service Project needed to meet Club Excellence Award criteria, with emphasis placed on timely and accurate service reporting.

In addition, clubs were asked to review and update missing or outdated member email addresses to ensure full receipt of district communications, including the new Constant Contact district newsletter. Several clubs are navigating leadership transitions, membership challenges, or engagement barriers, and zone support continues to be provided as needed. I do recommend support from the District Executive Committee for the Italy Lions Club.

### Club Reports

- **Midlothian Lions** – The club hosted a successful Pancake Breakfast and Pecan Fundraiser in the fall. A major highlight was the December Charter Night for the newly established Leo Community Club, which launched with more than 15 charter student members. The club also made an officer adjustment and appointed a new treasurer, with President Jim Brunson navigating the complexities of the transition effectively. Upcoming service opportunities include a Vision Clinic and a Hunger Relief project in partnership with Manna House. The noon meeting option launched in the fall continues to support strong membership recruitment. Several members plan to attend the Mid-Winter Conference and are actively supporting VDG Gary Vineyard as he prepares to serve the important DG role for the upcoming Lions year.

- **Waxahachie Lions** – Three members plan to attend the Mid-Winter Conference. Upcoming service and fundraising efforts include January food pantry support, a WISD Vision Clinic on January 22 at Coleman Junior High and a Sleep in Heavenly Peace bed build on March 14 in Arlington. Their largest fundraiser of the year (Hachie50 running race) takes place in March and I am planning to participate in the relay.

- **Maypearl Lions** – The club hosted a successful Vision Clinic in late October and a well-attended Pancake Breakfast in early December. President Adele has requested assistance securing programs for January and February meetings. Are there good leads from our district that could visit soon? The club continues to face challenges related to meeting attendance, district engagement, and leadership succession.

- **Italy Lions** – The club is experiencing critical membership challenges, with an anticipated reduction to three members due to an upcoming relocation. Attendance and capacity remain limited, and no service or fundraising events are currently scheduled. Leadership is exploring options including a membership drive or potential club consolidation. The Zone Chair recommends appropriate district support and guidance to assist the club in evaluating next steps.

- **Ennis Host Lions** – The club completed a successful pecan fundraiser to support Spring and Fall Eye Van screenings for students. The club is meeting consistently, with no additional updates reported at this time.

### Financials

All clubs appear to be in good standing with no financial suspensions reported.

### LCIF Contributions

- Midlothian – \$100
- Ennis Host – \$0
- Maypearl – \$100
- Waxahachie – \$2,000
- Italy – \$100

### Zone 12 Membership – Ellis County Club

Zone started year with 186 members. As of January 2026: 178 members total (net -8 year to date). Membership pressure continues in several clubs, particularly Italy and Maypearl, while Midlothian remains stable with ongoing recruitment efforts.

- **Total Members:** 178
- **Net Change:** -8
- **Overall Growth:** -4.30%

### By Club

- **Midlothian** – 51 members
  - YTD: +3 / -2 (net +1)
- **Waxahachie** – 60 members
  - YTD: +2 / -8 (net -6)
- **Ennis Host** – 38 members

- No net change
- **Maypearl** – 24 members
  - YTD: -4
- **Italy** – 5 members
  - No net change