



WHAT'S HAPPENING

- Mar 14, 2026**
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4th Cabinet Meeting
- Apr 11, 2026**
Duck Derby Race
- Apr 18-26, 2026**
Environment Service Week
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District Convention
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District Picnic

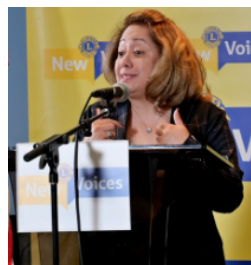
District 2-X1 Hosts Successful New Voices Symposium

Lions District 2-X1 successfully organized the New Voices Symposium at the First United Methodist Church in Coppell on February 28, 2026, bringing together Women Lions, Leos, Young Lions, and dedicated members to promote gender parity, diversity, and inclusion within the Lions community.

More than 100 participants, including several Leos, attended the engaging and dynamic program.



The event featured presentations from Keynote Speaker Rowena Raroque Watters, Councilwoman of the City of Carrollton, along with Lakendra Smalley, Life Coach, and Seneca Hart, Computer Educator.



District leaders including District Governor Kedar Timalisina, Second Vice District Governor Dr. Nia



MacKay, and Past District Governor Fred Conger also attended the event.

The program was coordinated by Lion Alice Decker, Chair of New Voices, a continuing women's leadership and empowerment initiative in District 2-X1 that has been promoted for several years to encourage inclusion, leadership development, and stronger voices within the Lions community.

The initiative, introduced by Lions Clubs International in 2018, continues to inspire leadership opportunities for women and young members.



The program was sponsored by the Coppell Lions Club, Collin Athena Lions Club, DFW Cyber Lions Club, Dallas Everest Lions Club, Dallas Founder Lions Club, and Richardson Host Lions Club, reflecting strong collaboration and commitment to service under the Lions motto, "We Serve."



LIONS RESOURCES

LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL/LIONS PORTAL:

<https://www.lionsclubs.org/>

DISTRICT 2-X1

<https://lionsdistrict2x1.org/>

LIONS LINK NEWSLETTERS:

<https://lionsdistrict2x1.org/link-newsletter/>

DISTRICT DIRECTORY:

<https://lionsdistrict2x1.org/flipbook-directory/>

DISTRICT EVENTS:

<https://lionsdistrict2x1.org/events/>

LIONS CLUBS OF TEXAS (MD-2):

<https://texaslions.org/>

TEXAS LIONS CAMP:

<https://www.lionscamp.com/>

LIONS UNIVERSITY:

<https://lionsuniversity.org/>

LIONS SIGHT AND TISSUE FOUNDATION

<https://lstf.org/>

DISTRICT 2-X1-UPCOMING EVENTS

Date	Time	Event	Venue / Location
March 14, 2026	8:00 AM – 1:00 PM	Build Beds for Kids	North Davis Church of Christ, 1601 N Davis Dr, Arlington, TX 76012
March 21, 2026	8:30 AM – 12:00 PM	4th Cabinet Meeting	Northgate United Methodist Church, 3700 West Northgate Dr, Irving, TX 75062
April 11, 2026	8:30 AM	2-X1 Duck Derby Race	2970 Epic Place, Grand Prairie, TX 75052
April 18–26, 2026	All Week	Environment Service Project (Global Week)	District-wide Lions Clubs
April 24–25, 2026	Apr 24: 3:00 PM onward Apr 25: Until 11:00 PM	District Convention	Hilton Garden Inn, 800 N Main St, Duncanville, TX 75116
May 9, 2026	11:00 AM – 2:00 PM	District Spring Picnic	5400 Windhaven Pkwy, Plano, TX 75093
May 28–30, 2026	All Day	Lions Texas State Convention	Odessa Marriott Hotel & Conference Center, Odessa, TX
June 20, 2026	Time TBD	2-X1 Lions University Officers Training	Venue/Location TBD
July 3–7, 2026	All Day	Lions Clubs International Convention	Hong Kong

Whats happening in District 2-X1:

Read Lions Link and District Facebook Page



TIMALSINA'S OUTLOOK



Dear Lions Leaders,

As we welcome the month of March and the arrival of warmer days, I want to begin by thanking everyone who attended the Voice Symposium. Your presence, participation, and willingness to learn and grow together truly demonstrated the strength of our district. Events like this remind us that leadership thrives when voices are heard, ideas are shared, and Lions support one another in service and fellowship.

March is an important month for service, leadership development, and most importantly, membership retention. While recruiting new members remains essential, retaining the dedicated Lions we already have is the foundation of strong and sustainable clubs. Every Lion should feel valued, engaged, and connected to meaningful service. Invite members to participate in projects, encourage leadership growth, and ensure new members receive orientation and mentorship so they fully understand the impact of Lionism. When members feel included and appreciated, they stay and they inspire others to join.

One of our biggest upcoming service opportunities is the Build the Bed Project taking place on March 14. This impactful service activity directly supports children in need within our communities. We urgently need volunteers from clubs across the district to make this project a success. Please encourage your members and Leos to register and participate. Service projects like this not only change lives but also strengthen club unity and visibility in our

communities. Please also mark your calendars for our 4th Cabinet Meeting on March 21st.

Please note the change in venue location:

**Northgate United Methodist Church
3700 West Northgate Dr.
Irving, TX 75062**

Your participation in cabinet meetings ensures collaboration, shared leadership, and continued progress toward our district goals.

As we move closer to the end of the Lions year, clubs are encouraged to focus on leadership development, officer training preparation, member education through the Lions Learning Center, and support of LCIF. Strong leadership and informed members are key factors in retaining membership and building healthy clubs for the future. Let us use this month to reconnect with our members, invite our communities to learn who Lions are and what we do, and continue serving with purpose and unity. Each Lion plays an essential role in our mission, and together we make a lasting difference.

Thank you for your dedication, your service, and your commitment to Lionism.

**Yours in Lionism,
Kedar Timalsina
District Governor**

Your Help Needed: Build Beds for Kids

Lions District 2-X1, in partnership with Sleep in Heavenly Peace, will host the Build Beds for Kids service project on March 14, 2026, to support children in need across the DFW area. According to studies by Sleep in Heavenly Peace, nearly 60,000 children in the region sleep without a bed.

The project will bring together hundreds of volunteers to build beds for children in just a few hours. During the previous event on October 11, 2025, about 331 volunteers from District 2-X1, Sleep in Heavenly Peace, and a

few volunteers from District 2-E2 built 100 beds in only three hours. Lions are inviting both members and community volunteers to donate, participate, and help provide a safe and comfortable place for children to sleep, reflecting the Lions' commitment to service and community care.

Date: March 14, 2026

Check -In : 8-9 AM

**Address: North Davis Church of Christ
1601 N Davis Dr, Arlington, TX 76012**

Registration required

EIGHT MONTHS OF SERVICE – TIME TO ACCELERATE OUR MISSION



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As we complete eight months of the Lions Fiscal Year, it is still right time to reflect on what Lions are accomplishing globally, within Districts and Clubs. Around the world, Lions have conducted more than 1,085,893 service activities, serving over 213 million people, with 46.5 million dollars donated to support humanitarian causes as of February 28, 2026. This global impact shows the incredible power of service when Lions unite.

In District 2-X1, our Lions have reported 1,831 service activities, touching the lives of 490,660 people. District 2-X1 has contributed \$50,962 to LCIF and currently has 2,239 members. However, with 64 percent service reporting and 19 clubs yet to report, we know there is still room to grow and strengthen our impact. Membership growth currently stands at -1.38 percent, reminding us that our work is not finished.

Last year, District 2-X1 proudly earned the Jesse Robinson Membership Award as a pioneer in membership growth. The question today is simple: are we still running that same race, or are we slowing down? **With four months remaining, we still have time to act. If every club focuses on inviting four or five new members, or if small groups of Lions commit to bringing in just a few more Lions, or chartering few more clubs, our district can regain the momentum again.**

Nothing is impossible when Lions work together with dedication and purpose. **Let us renew our goals, strengthen our clubs, and move forward with energy. Together, through service and leadership, we can make District 2-X1 even greater.**

Together, we do more.
Together, we make history.

2025-2026 DISTRICT 2-X1 CABINET OFFICERS

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2025-2026 REGION & ZONE CHAIRS

East Region: Joseph Kyle
Central Region: George Joseph
West Region: Rajendra Kunwar

- Zone 1: Mario Lucero
- Zone 2: Sebastian Valiyaparampil
- Zone 3: Venessa Lambright
- Zone 4: Dilip Subedi
- Zone 5: Surya Bhandari
- Zone 6: Meena Chhetry
- Zone 7: Sampurna Ramakrishna
- Zone 8: Debbie Goodwin
- Zone 9: Munesh Kandel
- Zone 10: Valencia Nash
- Zone 11: Larry Eggett
- Zone 12: Kasey Cheshire

For more information see the District 2-X1 Directory

<https://lionsdistrict2x1.org/>

The Leadership



CANDIDATE

John LANDRUM

for International Director

Proven. Passionate. Ready.

- Consistently active Lion for 41+ years (1984-Present)
- Held multiple offices at Club/District/State levels
- Global Action Team leader • Area 1A
- Board Chair for World Services for the Blind (Board member since 2008)
- Recipient of multiple International recognitions
- Four-time Lion of the Year in two clubs
- Past District Governor/Council Chair/State Convention Chair
- Progressive Melvin Jones/Jack Wiech Fellows
- Texas Lions Foundation/Ebb Grindstaff Fellows
- Numerous committee appointments in Texas
- Proud Marine Corps Veteran
- Ellis County Veterans Celebration Treasurer
- Ellis County Marine Corps League Treasurer

Lion John Landrum is well-qualified and more than ready to become your next International Director from Texas.

John & Hilary Landrum



Lions International

Send Money with Zelle

Scan in your banking app to send money to pay

JOHN LANDRUM FOR ID
at lionbillsmo@gmail.com

If you would like to support his campaign, scan the QR code.

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MISSION 1.5

Lead to Serve, Serve to Lead



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VINEYARD'S VOICE

FVDG - GARY VINEYARD

Club Director/Past
President

Midlothian Lions Club
469-471-2133

March 2026



<https://lionsdistrict2x1.org/>

<https://www.facebook.com/p/Midlothian-Lions-Club-100066797362815/>

Hello Lion Family!!

HELLO MARCH AND WARM WEATHER!! I don't know about you all, but I am so glad to have warmer weather now. I'm a native Texan and this body is not used to cold weather. I am certainly looking forward to some fun days in the sun and enjoying the great outdoors with family and friends.

Warm weather means more people, like me, will be out enjoying themselves. This is also true Lions to start getting your service projects for your community lined up. How many of you invite your family or friends to come and help with these projects? Speaking from experience here, I've had more people become members after being involved with one of our service projects because they finally understand what we do.

How many people in your community know you're a Lion? How many people in your community know what Lions do? The answers are staggering! **NOBODY REALLY KNOWS!** Take your own poll and find out. **It's so easy. As you are out just ask a stranger this. "Hi there, you don't know me but I wanted to ask a simple question. Have you ever heard of the Lions club or know what the Lions do?"**

You will be very surprised. My suggestion, if you do this, is make sure you have a pamphlet you can give them and you can share your knowledge easily with them. You are NOT trying to recruit them. You are simply providing information. **When they ask or seem to really engage with you, that's when you tell them about your next service project and/or club meeting. Again, you're not recruiting. You are spreading awareness about the club. Recruiting comes to those who express a real interest in knowing more about us.**

Leadership is the key to every successful club! It is vital that you continue to keep strong leaders on your club's cabinet to lead it every year. When the club is struggling that is when leadership is needed the most. When I first joined my club there was so much to learn. I had great people around me that supported me and taught me. But I also did my own learning to understand as much as I could and where I could make a difference. **Spending your own time learning more about the Lions is a key part in the next step to a leadership role with this organization.**

If you have the desire to lead, educate yourself all you can. Make sure to attend the club functions so you know every aspect of what your club does. Then, attend the district events and get to know the leaders of the district. When I am visiting clubs and district meetings, that's what I look for. Who stands out to me, who's going over and above their role for the day. Those are the potential leaders of the future.

As I close this message for March, I want to impress you on how important you are to the organization. It takes every one of us to make a difference in our communities and I greatly appreciate your dedication to your club and 2x1 Lions.

As we near the start of my District Governor journey, I get more and more excited. Our trip to Hong Kong in July is booked and counting down the days. Everything is coming together very well with the cabinet, goals and budget.

I look forward to seeing you all at the 4th Cabinet meeting next month and the District Convention in April.

As your District Governor Elect, I am here to listen to your needs and serve you the best way I can. Call me anytime!

WE SERVE!



From Wood to Warmth: District 2-X1's Build Beds for Kids

Our District Project "Build Beds for Kids" must raise an additional \$12,500 minimum for us to be able to pay Sleep In Heavenly Peace (SHP) for 125 beds at \$250 each by March 10, 2026, to be able to build our beds. We have applied for a matching grant with LCIF and anticipate it will be approved. With this matching grant and our Lions and other donations of an additional \$12,500, we would have our necessary \$25,000 for our "Build Day."

Thanks in advance for all your help in providing funds and Lion/Leo/other individual and corporate volunteers for our past and upcoming "Build Day" events. All of you have made this one of the best service events we have in our

This is an opportunity for your Club or local businesses and individuals your Club solicits in your Club's geographical area to participate in providing a bed to DFW children that do not have a bed to sleep in.

Any Club that provides a donation of \$500 for two beds will be recognized at our District Convention and receive a "500 Club - Build Beds for Kids" patch for their Club banner. Donations may be sent to: Waxahachie Lions Club Foundation, P. O. Box 581, Waxahachie, TX 78168-0581.

We ask you to Google search "District 2-X1 Lions" to our District website, click on Events and then click on the Flyer included for the Saturday, March 14 "Build Beds for Kids" event. On that flyer is a QR code to sign up for the Build Day. We ask you to sign up in advance to make sure we have enough "Lion Power" to build our beds. Can we count on a multiple number of Lions, Leos, and friends from your Club to attend? Don't forget, each Lions that attends, your Club Secretary can report Service Hours for your Club.

Oh, we almost forgot. To make it easier for our neighboring District 2-E2 Lions and Lions in the north side of our District to get to our "Build Day", we have a new location for this build at the North Davis Church of Christ, 1601 N. Davis Dr., Arlington, TX 76012.

Lions District 2-X1 Build Beds for Kids Day!

Date: Saturday, March 14, 2026

Time: Registration/Checkin 8-9 am, Build will start at 9:00 am and is expected to last until 1:00 pm

Location: North Davis Church of Christ, 1601 N Davis Dr, Arlington, TX 76012

A joint project of



NO KID SLEEPS ON THE FLOOR IN OUR TOWN!

&



Lions Clubs International
District 2-X1



We need volunteers for Build Beds for Kids Day!

Volunteers from 2-X1, 2-E2, Leos, Lions, Local Companies and Individuals are welcome to attend.

- All materials/tools will be provided
- Personal Protective Equipment is the responsibility of the volunteer.
- No special skills are needed, there is a job for everyone.
- Please be prepared to volunteer from 9:00 am until 1:00 pm or until finished.
- We will have an orientation before work begins and you will have experienced leadership on the project from SHP representatives wearing red shirts.
- Drinks and Snacks will be provided.
- Parking is easy, lots of space.
- Please wear your Lions vest so we can see all the club volunteers represented.
- This service event will be filmed and pictures will be taken.
- This is a Lions Service Project, so keep up with your hours of service and report it to your Club Secretary.



QR Code for registering, will save you time at checkin.

Donations

We need your donations!

Please consider being a 500 club member and donate for two beds at \$250.00 each.

Receive a banner patch for your clubs donation.

Mail checks to:

Waxahachie Lions Club Foundation

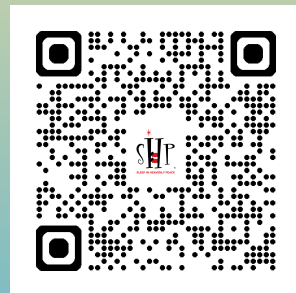
P.O. Box 581

Waxahachie, Texas 78168-0581

Need More information please contact the co-chairs

PCC JOHN EADS TEL. 214-384-9933

PCC JOHN LANDRUM TEL. 214-403-8894



District.

We wish you and yours a VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR!

-PCCS JOHN EADS AND JOHN LANDRUM,
DISTRICT 2-X1 PROJECT CO-CHAIRS

Where: North Davis Church of Christ, 1601 N Davis Dr, Arlington, TX 76012

Nia's News



It's Time for 2-X1!

Council Meeting Highlights

Council Chair Kathy Summers presented an exciting fundraising concept at the 3rd Council Meeting in Kerrville: 'Lions Club Carnival.' This annual event features rides, games, and food, supporting local service projects. It's successful in other districts and may benefit District 2-X1.



Executive Council Meeting Recap

Our final Executive Council virtual meeting went well, though attendance was slightly lower due to religious holidays. With the streamlined reporting policy (one major completed service and one upcoming service), reports were efficient and productive. Thank you to everyone who attended the meeting and shared your club's achievements.

2026–2027 Club Officer Elections

Club should start forming a nomination committee to elect the 2026-2027 officers. Enter elected officers into Lion Portal by April 15. Accurate reporting ensures proper district directory information. Reminder for Club Excellence Award eligibility: a president may not serve more than two terms.

Dues Reminder – Voting Eligibility

Only clubs in good standing may send delegates to vote. Please remit your club's dues via **Zelle** to 'cabinetreasurer@gmail.com', as soon as you received them. For questions regarding your dues, contact District Treasurer, PCC Joe Montag, at jlmpcc@josephmontag.com.

Support PCC John Landrum – International Director Candidate

The last International Director from our district served in 1952. Please send your full delegate representation to vote on Saturday, April 25, 2026 at 2:00 PM during the District Convention at Hilton Hotel in Duncanville, TX. It's time for our district to step forward again!

Membership Growth – Our Ongoing Priority

We are in need of significant growth across our district. Please continue inviting others to become Lions. Growth happens by invitation. Every new Lion strengthens our impact in the community.

LCIF Alert

We're over 60% of our LCIF goal. Take action now. Consider club contributions, individual member giving, and designating an LCIF day at your next regular meeting. Every dollar counts. Let's work together to reach 100%!

Together, let's lead boldly, grow intentionally, and serve passionately. ❤️

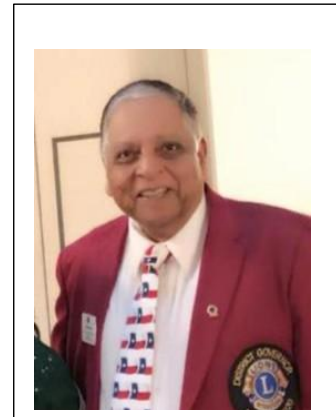
United In Service and Fellowship

GLOBAL MEMBERSHIP APPROACH GMA

District 2-X1, February 28, 2026

Lead to Serve and Serve to Lead: This is the theme our current International President AP Singh is committed to expanding our service to grow our membership. This philosophy is rooted in the idea that service and leadership are inextricably linked, each strengthening the other. This dynamic relationship is best captured by the dual principles of "Lead to Serve and Serve to Lead".

District 2-X1 had a good start this year, having chartered two clubs but we have dropped more members than recruited, resulting in a negative growth. I believe we will accomplish our goal in the next four months.



2-X1 Goals for year 2025-2026.

- Charter New Clubs....2
- Add New Members...364
- Maximum Drops.....306
- Net New Members...+ 58

Service Goals:

Since we have set the bar high in service from last year, our goal this year is to serve 500,000 people and at least 80% reporting their service activities.

LCIF: Raise \$65,000 for our foundation.

Leadership: All Zone Chairs to undergo training.

2-X1 Membership Status: (Feb 28, 2026)

Added members.....	237
Dropped Members.....	271
Gain/Loss.....	-34
Closing Balance.....	2,236

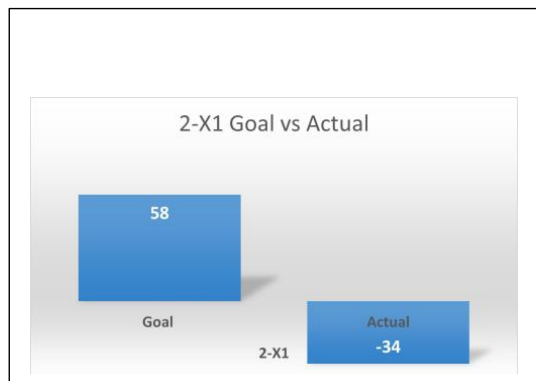
2-X1 has dropped 271 members in July-Feb and added 237 for a net Of --34. See chart. We are seeking a net growth of +106 in the five months to accomplish our goal of +58. It is achievable if we keep our drops to a minimum.

Clubs. 2-X1 has chartered 2 new clubs during the first month. Welcome Dallas Gurkha and Dallas Manakamana. *Congratulations, and welcome to our new charter members.* Need to charter one more club to replace the cancelled Allen Club.

Service: Lions within the district collectively served **over 487,488 people** in eight months. There were 1,771 service activities and 68,023 volunteer hours contributed. Over 63% of clubs have reported on their activities.

Leadership Training: Club Officers training for Zone Chairs, Club President, Secretary and Treasurer was offered in June. Another training session was offered during cabinet meeting.

MD-2 Membership Status
Added members....2,332
Dropped Members...2,225
Closing Balance.....21,805
Net Gain/Loss.....+107



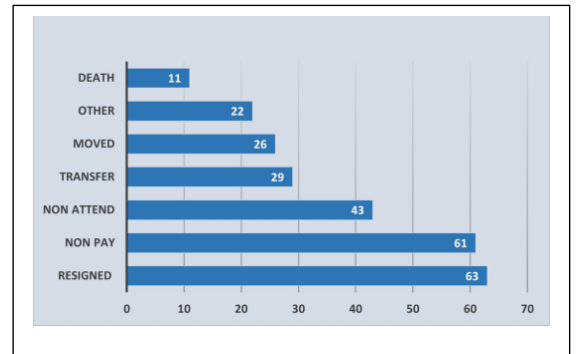
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LCIF Contributions: District 2-X1 has received \$50,162 towards our foundation during this fiscal year.

2-X1 has dropped more members than recruited. We need to make up for these losses. Club Presidents are reminded to use all resources to keep the members and not wait till the last day to drop so many members. This is a reminder to all club President’s to use the GMA process, have your club goals by now and implementing it with a plan of action. Complete your SWOT analysis to identify your strengths and areas that need improvement. It is critical to understand why we are losing members in good standing. If you need assistance please contact me, I will be glad to give a presentation on the GMA process. We need to prepare to minimize more losses during the year end in June. Identify the at risk members and contact them personally. Make arrangements for flexible payment plans for outstanding dues.

Members’ Drop Analysis

The 2-X1 member drop analysis for the period July-Jan (see chart). More members in good standing have been dropped, for non-payment of dues, followed by non- attendance. We can control this. Club Presidents need to work with members having difficulty to pay dues or members not paying because of dissatisfaction with the clubs. Flexible payment schedule has to be considered. Special attention to focus on why members in good standing are leaving. Non- Attendance is not a criterion to drop a member as long as they are paying dues. We are also dropping members who have been Lions for less than 5 years. Club Presidents need to make them feel welcome, engaged and proper orientation.




Current Clubs Status: 2-X1 currently has 12 clubs with <10 members. They need help from the district to rejuvenate these clubs. We have 35 clubs with no membership activity (zero growth) in the last eight months. Need to conduct membership events.

Mission 1.5: Goal is to increase Global Lion’s Clubs membership to be 1.5 million by June 2027. This is not just a number. We want to increase our service worldwide and need more hands to serve. Our current membership is about 1.38 million. We have about one and half years to achieve that goal.

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


Lions International District 2-X1: 2026 Youth Scholarship Contests

Scholarship opportunities for high school juniors and seniors in health, social impact, and leadership.
 Eligibility: Open to high school juniors and seniors




Diabetes Awareness Essay

Write a 1,500-word essay on managing diabetes and its emotional impact on adolescents.



Drug Awareness Speech


Deliver a 5-to-7-minute speech regarding the impact of weight loss drugs on adolescents.



Outstanding Youth Award

Evaluated on GPA, AI-focused essay, letters of recommendation, and a personal interview.


Rewards and Key Milestones




Awards

\$1,000 First Place Awards
 Each contest awards \$1,000 for 1st place and \$500 for 2nd place.

March 7, 2026: Entry Deadline
 All entries must be submitted to the district by this date.



April 2026: Judging & Presentation
 Zoom judging occurs April 4; winners present at the District Convention on April 25.





FRED'S FINDINGS

PDG/GLT Fred Conger
Coppell Lions Club
fred.conger@verizon.net
March, 2026



Happy St. Patrick's Day District 2-X1 Lions!

Officer training is coming! See item 6 listed below.

Please also note that April 18 th to the 26 th is the third LCI “Week of Service” for this Lion Year. Performing all three “Week of Service” projects in the appropriate designated weeks is a requirement for LCI’s 2025-2026 Club Excellence award. This week deals with an Environment service project. A District service project will be held at the District Convention that will meet satisfy this requirement.

Important items before June 30 th !

1. Recruit new members! And conduct a New Member Orientation in your club. If you want help to do one, call me and I will help your club.
2. Encourage a minimum of 10% of the club’s members to complete any three courses found in the Lions Learning Center (“Learn” inside the Lions Portal). Numerous courses are available, both Lion or management oriented of which any count.
3. Donate to LCIF. For Club Excellence, clubs are required to contribute a minimum of \$20 per member. Also, consider a personal donation which counts toward your own Melvin Jones Fellowship and the club’s donation.
4. Attend the **District 2-X1 District Convention** in Duncanville on April 24th and 25 th . The registration form and instructions are on the district web site www.lionsdistrict2x1.org.
5. Attend the **District 2-X1 Picnic** May 9th Info is also on www.lionsdistrict2x1.org. This is a fun event for all of us to share and have a good time.
6. Attend the **District 2-X1 Lions University**. Saturday, June 20 th - Officer training for your incoming Presidents, First Vice Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers and training for your Membership, Service, LCIF, and Marketing chairs earning credit towards the 2026-2027 LCI Club Excellence Award.

The registration form and flyer for Lions University are on the District 2-X1 home page at <http://lionsdistrict2x1.org>. Scroll to the bottom to locate the files.

Preparing your club’s officers for their term in office is important to the success of your club. So, make sure that your officers are registered and will attend LU.

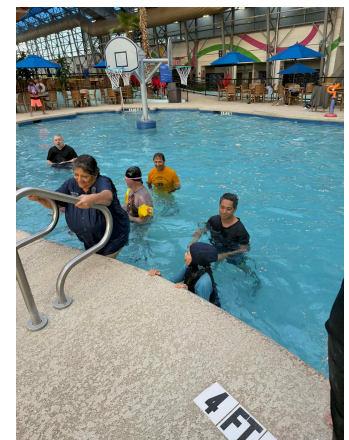
Need training help? Contact me. I am here to help. **We Serve!**

District 2-X1 Hosts Fun Polar Plunge Fundraiser

Lions District 2-X1 organized one of its most exciting and fun fundraising events, the Polar Plunge, on February 28, 2026, at the Epic Water Center in Grand Prairie, Texas. The unique event invited participants to take a brave jump into super cold water early in the morning. Several Lions, their family members, and district leaders joined the



challenge, creating a lively atmosphere of laughter, courage, and fellowship. The event not only raised funds for service activities but also strengthened the spirit of teamwork and fun among Lions and their families.





Coppell Lions Club Hosts 39th Annual Pancake Breakfast

The Coppell Lions Club successfully held its 39th Annual Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser on February 21, 2026, at Smartt Hall, First United Methodist Church in Coppell. About 300 community members attended the event and enjoyed the breakfast gathering.

With tickets priced at only \$5 per person, the club raised thousands of dollars to support its community service and charitable activities. The annual event continues to be one of the club's signature programs, bringing the community together in the spirit of fellowship and service.



DG Kedar Timalisina Visits Forney Lions Club

District Governor Lion Kedar Timalisina visited the Forney Lions Club meeting on February 19, 2026, where he shared updates and encouraged members to continue their dedication to community service and leadership.

During the meeting, Past President Lion Lee and Club President Lion Gregg were honored with the Lions Club Key and Certificate of Recognition for their outstanding contributions and commitment to strengthening the club's service and leadership. The visit highlighted the continued growth, fellowship, and service spirit within the Forney



Sachse Lions Hosts Garden Day for Community Service

On February 28, 2026, the Sachse Lions Club, joined by members of the Wylie Lions Club, the Sachse Garden Club, and local volunteers, participated in Garden Day to prepare the 5 Loaves Ministries Garden for crop planting on March 28, 2026. The harvested vegetables will support families served by the 5 Loaves Pantry, providing fresh and nutritious food for the community.



Irving Everest Lions and Leo Club Host Childhood Cancer Awareness Program

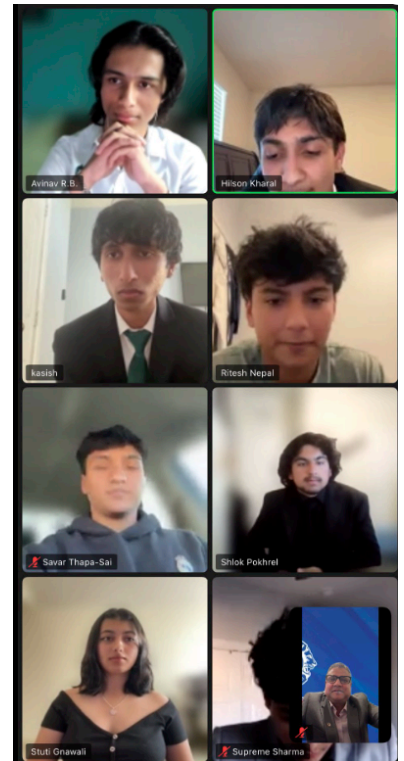
In observance of International Childhood Cancer Day 2026, the Irving Everest Centennial Lions Club, in collaboration with the Irving Everest Leo Club, successfully hosted a virtual awareness program on February 22, 2026, at 5:00 PM. The program focused on raising awareness about childhood cancer, emphasizing the importance of early detection and community support for survivors.

Expert insights were shared by Dr. Alina Basnet, Oncologist and Medical Director at the Guthrie Clinic Renzi Cancer Center, and Dr. Sakar Rijal, Researcher at Cook Children's Healthcare System. Cancer survivor and advocate Dikshya Basyal also shared her inspiring personal journey, offering a message of hope and resilience to participants.

Dallas Everest Hosts Youth Speech Contest

The Dallas Everest Lions Club successfully organized its Club Level Speech Contest on February 22, 2026, on the topic "The Impact of Weight Loss Drugs on Adolescents." Young speakers addressed the complex issue with confidence and thoughtful insights. Hilson Kharal won 1st Place, followed by Supreme Sharma in 2nd Place and Savar Thapa-Sai in 3rd Place. Hilson Kharal and Supreme Sharma will advance to the District Level competition. All 3 participants are from Irving Everest Leo Club.

The event also featured inspiring non-competing speeches by DELC Leo President Kasish Panta and Shlok Pokhrel, along with presentations by Avinav Raj Bista, Sambriddha Regmi, and Stuti Gnawali. Judges Dr. Sandeep Pandey, Naidum Charles, PDG Fred Conger, and Chief Judge Lion Batuk Bista ensured fair evaluations. District leaders and club members attended to encourage the young participants.



District 2-X1 Observes Environment Service Week

As Lions Clubs International President A. P. Singh encourages Lions worldwide to observe Environment Week of Service from April 18–26, Lions District 2-X1 is actively promoting environmental stewardship across the district. In celebration of



Environment

Weeks of Service

April 18-26, 2026

Earth Day on April 22, 2026, the district’s Environment Chair Surya Bhandari is coordinating clubs to organize environmental service activities.

Nearly 30 clubs in the District are participating in projects such as street and park cleanups, often in cooperation with their local cities. Many Clubs are also joining city programs like “Keep City Beautiful” initiatives. Through these efforts, District 2-X1 continues to demonstrate that service is not only about what we build, but also about what we preserve for future generations.



RICHARDSON MIDDAY LIONS CLUB-KNIGHTS OF THE BLIND

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

SATURDAY, APRIL 11, 2026 8:00-10:00 AM



JOIN US FOR ALL YOU CAN EAT
PANCAKES, SCRAMBLED EGGS,
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LET YOUR LENS HIGHLIGHT THE SPIRIT OF SERVICE

Share an impactful photo captured by you during any Lions activity and receive a special GIFT from District 2-X1.

Are DG Kedar and SVDG Nia striking a pose for the camera, or just warming up to cheer the Lions and blind children at the games? During the Sports Extravaganza in Irving, Texas on October 25, 2025, RC Rajendra caught this playful moment while Lion Karen was driving them around to different game spots to encourage everyone in action.



Christy Householter

DISTRICT SERVICE COORDINATOR MESSAGE



DISTRICT 2-X1

WE SERVE

DISTRICT GOALS:
500,000 SERVED: (CURRENTLY AT 482,662)
80% CLUBS REPORT SERVICE (CURRENTLY AT 62%)

MARCH HAPPENINGS



**MARCH 21: 4TH CABINET MEETING: MARCH IS
 "NUTRITION MONTH" FOR FOOD BANKS:
 PLEASE BRING HIGH PROTEIN ITEMS**

UPCOMING.....

**APRIL 24/25: DISTRICT CONVENTION:
 ENVIRONMENTAL SPEAKER, GRANTS AVAILABLE,
 TRASH PICK UP, ELECTRONICS RECYCLING**

**◀MAY 11: DISTRICT PICNIC: ROCK PAINTING,
 TRASH PICK UP, FREE TRASH PICKER-UPPERS!**

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Notice:-

Please send articles, notices, or service-related photos by the **25th of each month** to be included in the next issue.

Clubs or individuals interested in supporting the district or promoting their business can contact us at **newsletter.2x1@gmail.com**.

Our newsletter reaches nearly **7,000 readers** monthly!

**Requirements for Articles/
 News:**

- Send News/Article by 25th of each month.
- PDF or Word documents with Times New Roman Font. Font Size 11.
- Send 1 to 3 pictures related to the article/news separately in the attachment.

**Articles submitted after the 25th may not be included.
 Please submit on time to ensure inclusion.**



Please refer to the District 2-X1 Directory for all current district and leadership information.

[https://lionsdistrict2x1.org/flipbook-directory/Hello District 2-X1 Lions!](https://lionsdistrict2x1.org/flipbook-directory/Hello%20District%202-X1%20Lions!)

Green Today, Better Tomorrow

SAVE THE ENVIRONMENT

Join Us for



Environment

WEEKS OF SERVICE

April 18-26, 2026

Protecting our planet – one act of service at a time



Join your local Lions for a week of environmental service projects to help clean up, plant trees and promote sustainability in our community!

Learn More: www.lionsclubs.org/environment





WHO POSTED ON FEBRUARY?
Please share your club's picture to publish in this page.

Running Across Continents: Lion Bal Joshi's Guinness World Record

US-based Nepali-origin runner Lion Bal Joshi, a charter member of the Dallas Green Lions Club, successfully completed the World Marathon



both Nepal and the United States. His remarkable achievement highlights perseverance, cultural pride, and the spirit of Lionism.

Lions District 2-X1 District Governor Kedar Timalsina and the entire District 2-X1 family congratulate him on this outstanding accomplishment.



Challenge, running 7 marathons on 7 continents in 7 days from January 31 to February 6, 2026.

The journey began in Antarctica and concluded in Miami, USA, covering races in South Africa, Australia, Dubai, Spain, and Brazil. Lion Joshi also set a Guinness World Record by wearing traditional Nepali attire in all seven races, proudly representing

Picture Courtesy: Dallas Green Lions Facebook Post

DISTRICT 2-X1 CONVENTION

Are you ready for the Lions District 2-X1 District Convention? Join us on April 24-25, 2026 and be part of the district's biggest event of the year.

Early registration ends April 1, 2026, so register now and



connect with fellow Lions for learning, leadership, and fellowship.

New Building Project Introduced at TLC Board Meeting

By Lion Ann Ward

2025-26 Chair, Texas Lions Camp Board



The Feb. 7 Texas Lions Camp Board was great! Despite the challenges presented by complying with new regulatory requirements released by the Texas Department of State Health Services on Jan. 30, TLC is preparing to apply for licensure by the end of March. Lions were enthused by seeing the changes in the campus where seven structures have been demolished, and replacements are imminent. The pride in hearing our camp's plans for the future and kicking off the next phase of the Master Plan and a new capital campaign, "That's Gonna Leave a Mark," to finance them was tangible. I could feel the positive energy and excitement in the room!

Ulrich Cabins of Cleburne is on schedule to deliver and erect five cabins by the end of March/early April. Each cabin has 14 bunkbeds, housing 28 campers and staff. These cabins will restore 140 of the 250 beds lost through the demolition of four bunkhouses and two staff housing areas. The really exciting news is that these cabins can be relocated in the future to "Ridgeline," forming the foundation for a third camping node as envisioned in the Master Plan to create four camps on one campus!

Initially, these new pre-fabricated cabins will be placed on the pads from the demolished bunkhouses and other structures, which already have utilities. The cabins are wind-rated to Level 2 (130 mph winds), which will provide safety in severe weather conditions. Ulrich is assisting with code compliance and permitting. Each cabin is being fitted with removable three-quarters wrap-around porches. It's going to be an awesome summer for our campers!

During this campaign, a new utility loop to service the new Ridgeline development will be installed. And, as soon as summer camp ends in August, TLC will be poised to begin construction on bunkhouses 3 and 4, completing the northern quad behind the dining hall, above Eagle Trail. You can learn more about "That's Gonna Leave a Mark" at www.lionscamp.com.

I invite you to come see how TLC is changing and being positioned for the future. I hope Lions from across Texas will come to Kerrville for one of the upcoming Work Days to help prepare for summer camp. I hope to see you in Kerrville March 7, 28 or May 2.

Most importantly, I am asking every Texas Lion to recruit children to attend summer camp. There are thousands of children across Texas who would benefit from attending Texas Lions Camp. My personal goal is that every available slot in every session is filled this summer. Our job as Lions is to make sure eligible children/families are aware of TLC and are encouraged to attend.

Working together, we will have a successful summer camping season. And together, we are "gonna leave a mark" on the children TLC serves!

Thank you for your ongoing support of our Texas Lions Camp!

4th Cabinet Meeting Venue changed

Lions District 2-X1 will hold its 4th District Cabinet Meeting on March 21, 2026, from 8:30 AM to Noon. The venue for the meeting has been changed from Messiah Lutheran Church in Plano to Northgate United Methodist Church, 3700 West Northgate Dr., Irving, TX 75062. Lions and Leos across the district are invited to attend and participate in important district discussions and updates.

The program will feature Jim Rodriguez from The Flag Program as the guest speaker. In recognition of Nutrition Month, the district will organize a non-perishable food drive, encouraging members to bring high-protein canned and dried foods to support local food banks. Participants are also requested to bring broken or unused eyeglasses for recycling as part of the Lions' vision service initiative.

New address: Northgate United Methodist Church, 3700 West Northgate Dr., Irving, TX 75062

DISTRICT 2-X1 CONVENTION



April 24 - 25, 2026



"INCLUSION IN LEADERSHIP
UNITY IN SERVICE"

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EXHIBITOR BOOTHS

Visit Exhibitor Booths Friday evening and Saturday.
Want to have a booth, contact PCC Joe Montag

BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Come & find out more about -

LCIF

TLF

TLC

Lions Museum

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2-X1 Charities

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SAT COOKIE CONTEST

Location

Hilton Garden Inn Dallas/Duncanville
800 North Main St Duncanville Texas 75116
972-283-9777
\$99 + Taxes a night / Includes Breakfast



Hotel Reservations - Deadline April 3, 2026 (no exceptions)
QRC / or call 972-283-9777/ Code Lions Club /Contact PCC Joe Montag

Important Dates

March 31, 2026
Early Reservations
Ends

April 1 - 13, 2026 - Late
Reservations

**NO MEAL
RESERVATIONS
AFTER APRIL 13, 2026**



**Lions Clubs International, District 2-X1
2026 District Convention
April 24-25, 2026**



All attendees must be registered to participate any activity including voting.

Hotel rooms are **\$ 99.00 plus tax** including breakfast. Use QR Code or Call the Hilton Garden Inn direct at **972-283-9777** and tell the agent the registration code is **Lions Club**, you are booking a room for the Lions Convention April 24 and 25, 2026. **Deadline Room Reservations is April 03, 2026.**

Hotel Address: **Hilton Garden Inn by Hilton, 800 North Main St., Duncanville, TX 75116.**



Please indicate the type of meal you would prefer. Vegetarian(all meals)

Lion or Guest	Club Name	Name	N O M E A L S	V E G E T A R I A N	FRIDAY DINNER	SAT LUNCHEON	SAT BANQUET	TOTAL
	Early Registration	Before April 01, 2026 per meal			50.00	35.00	50.00	
	Late Registration	After April 01, 2026 per meal			65.00	50.00	65.00	
	NO MEAL RESERVATIONS	AFTER APRIL 13, 2026						

Checks Payable to District 2-X1. **Reservations will not be accepted without payment.**

ZELLE: cabinetreasurer@gmail.com or

Mail this form and check payments the PCC Joseph Montag, P. O. Box 110431, Carrollton, TX 75011-0431.



**Lions Clubs International, District 2-X1
2026 District Convention
April 24-25, 2026**



Tentative Schedule

Friday April 24

- 03:00 PM - Registration and exhibitors setup
- 04:00 PM - 05:30 PM Registration—Convention & Voting
- 05:15 PM - Banquet doors open
- 05:30 PM - 06:30 PM Reception
- 06:30 PM - 08:30 PM Dinner & Entertainment
- 08:30 PM - Midnight Hospitality Room

Saturday April 25 - Morning

- 07:00 AM - 02:00 PM Registration – Convention & Voting
- 08:30 AM - 09:45 AM Business Meeting & Nominations
- 09:45 AM - 10:45 AM Breakout Sessions
Charity Information Sessions
- 11:00 AM - 11:50 AM Memorial Service
- 11:50 AM - Luncheon Doors open

Saturday April 25 - Afternoon and Evening

- 11:50 AM - Luncheon Doors open
- 12:00 PM - 01:45 PM Lunch and Awards
- 02:00 PM - 03:15 PM Voting
- 02:30 PM - 04:30 PM Breakout Sessions
Charity Information Sessions
- 04:00 PM - 05:15 PM Hospitality Room
- 05:15 PM - Banquet doors open
- 05:15 PM - Reception
- 05:45 PM - 08:30 PM Governor & Grass Roots Banquet
- 08:30 PM - Midnight Hospitality Room

MEALS

Friday Dinner:

- Carving Station with Turkey and Sirloin
- Macaroni and Cheese Station
- Salad Bar

Chef's Choice Dessert

Saturday Plated Lunch:

- Vegetarian Soup
- House Salad with Spring Greens, Fresh Berries, Feta Cheese, and Candied Pecans served with Balsamic Vinaigrette
- Garden Pasta Salad
- Chicken Salad
- Butter Croissants
- Chef's Choice Dessert

Vegetarian: House Salad and Pasta Salad, Egg Salad

Saturday Plated Dinner:

- Garden Salad
- Chicken with Lemon Butter Sauce
- Scalloped Potatoes
- Roasted Vegetable Medley

Chef's Choice Dessert

Vegetarian: Quinoa Pilaf Stuffed Bell Pepper

TIME FOR FUN

SAVE THE DATE

District Spring Picnic

Saturday, May 9, 2026 Time: 11 AM to 2 PM

Windhaven Meadow Park
5400 Windhaven Pkwy, Plano, TX 75093



INCLUSION IN LEADERSHIP
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DG KEDAR TIMALSINA
2025-2026



All Lions, Leos, and their families and friends are
Join us for a fun-filled afternoon with fellowship, music, service,
and friendly competitions as we come together to celebrate
Lion spirit and community.

Picnic Program:

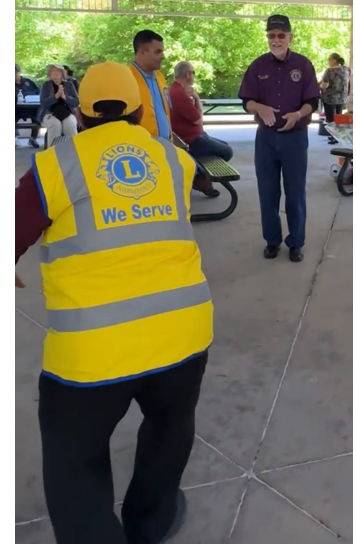


- Live band "The Oakcrest" leads by PDG Fred Conger
- Friendly sport competitions and games:
- cornhole, bingo and Lions Quiz with prizes

Sponsorship opportunities available. Support the mission while gaining visibility across the district.



Registration is Required →

For more information, contact **SVDG Nia MacKay** at nia.mackay@icloud.com
or **RC Rajendra Kunwar** at jendra972@gmail.com EEU@gmail.com

Club Excellence Award

2025 – 2026 Criteria (At a Glance)

<p>Membership</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Add 2+ new members or grow by 20% ▶ OR Sponsor a new club <p>Service</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Report 4+ service activities ▶ 3 must align with international weeks of service 	<p>Leadership</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Report officers in Lion Portal by May 15 ▶ 2+ officers (including president) complete training ▶ 10% of members complete 3+ online courses ▶ Club president not serving more than 2 consecutive terms <p>Donations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Give to LCIF: \$20 x club's June 30 member count
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When posting club activities on Facebook related to District 2-X1, please tag **@Lions District 2-X1** in your page or profile posts. This will ensure your activities appear on the District Facebook page and make it easier to recognize and share your club's service.

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.

NEWSLETTER

All Newsletter materials must be submitted by the 25th of each month to be included in the upcoming edition.
Email to: newsletter.2x1@gmail.com

Don't Miss the DEADLINE

