



District 2x1 First Cabinet Meeting
District Governor Gary Vineyard
“UNITED...WE SERVE!”

Saturday, July 25, 2026

First United Methodist Church | 800 S. 9th St. Midlothian, Texas 76065

Call to Order- District Governor Gary Vineyard

Attendance: 255 attendees, LION's, LEO's, Friends of Lions and guests

Invocation: District Chaplain PCC John Eads

Pledges & Presentation of Colors: Midlothian High School JROTC

Lion Song: Lion Fred Smith

Introduction: 1VDG Dr. Nia MacKay

Welcome: DG Gary Vineyard

- Introduction of the Cabinet Team, Tail Twisters, Region and Zone Chairs & Lions Club Officer Installation – PCC John Eads, PDG Joe Montag & PCC John Landrum
- Region Chairs:
 - Region 1 – Meena Chhetry,
 - Region 2 – George Joseph,
 - Region 3 – Sampoorana Ramakrishna
 - Region 4 – John Wicker.
 - Zone 1 – Tami Kraus
 - Zone 2 – John Walker
 - Zone 3 – Larry Eggett
 - Zone 4 – Rajesh Adhikari

Zone 5 – Sebastian Valiyaparampil

Zone 6 – Kamal KC

Zone 7 – Mathew Ittoop

Zone 8 – Srijana Baral Zone

Zone 9 – Alina Kamarcharya

Zone 10 – Basanta Panta

Zone 11 -PDG Wayne Meachum

Zone 12 – Jerry Boyd

Zone 13- Valencia Nash

Zone 14 – Kasey Cheshier

- Induction of New Members to the District –

Pin Presentation – DG Gary Vineyard

Awards Presentation – IPDG Kedar Timalina

District LEO Presentation – Leo Coordinators Suresh Basyal & Surya Bhandari

Julie C Hyer Youth Camp Students – 3 international students were presented by Lion Karen Murray

District Goals – DG Gary Vineyard –

- 1) To reach at least 600,000 individuals by the end of the year
- 2) 3 new Lions Clubs and induct 400 new members; Improve drop rate % by 5% from 18%
- 3) Achieve success in Zone Chair Training, 100% participation among all officers
- 4) Raise a minimum of \$70,000 in district donations to LCIF, achieve 8% increase in individual participation and 5% increase in club participation

Business Meeting –

- **Secretary Report** – CS Alice Decker/Tami Kraus – Minutes of District /Cabinet meeting held April 24, 2026 IPDG Kedar Timalina made a motion to accept the minutes, PDG Billy Ketner seconded, the motion passed.
- **Treasurer Report** – PCC Joe Montag presented District 2-X1 Proposed Administrative Fund Budget 2026-2027 – PCC John Eads moved to accept the proposal, PCC John Landrum seconded the motion, the motion passed.
- **Cabinet reports** were submitted and on file:

GLC PDG Fred Conger
GRT PDG Prakash Gautam
GMT Rajendra Kunwar

GMA Champion PDG Vinod Mathur
Gloria Mathur Chair Diabetes Awareness
District 2-X1 Charity Report – IPDG Kedar Timalisina/PDG Keith Murray –
100% participation is the goal for all 77 Lions Clubs in District 2-X1

Nomination Letters for Candidates - 2VDG District 2-X1 Lion Year 2027-2028

- 1) Lion Sampoorna Ramakrishna- Dallas Indian LC
- 2) Lion Thal Raj Panta – Dallas Everest LC
- 3) Lion Rajendra Kunwar – Irving Everest Centennial LC

STATE FAIR PARADE – PDG Darla Wisdom -State Fair parade will be held on OCTOBER 17, 2026. Cost of parades has increased to \$5,000. Club sponsorship is now \$150.00/club. Any Lion float riders must have a club sponsor. Sponsorship Pledge application was passed around.

New Business:

- LIONS ADVOCACY– Lion Surya Bhandari Chairperson
- BUILD A BED – PCC John Eads, PCC John Landrum 7 Curtis green
- TEXAS LIONS CAMP Presentation – Lions Julie Woods & Carma Sullivan
- NEW CLUB RECOGNITION – Dallas Cyber Rescue, Lion Gabriel Bush President
- CONVENTION SURVEY – Lions are encouraged to fill one out and return to Lion Tami Kraus, Convention Chair. This will help prepare for a better experience during the 2027 Convention scheduled for April 23-24, 2027
- DALLAS DA CLIF WYNWOOD – celebrating their 75th Anniversary in Feb/March 2027
- DALLAS MULTICULTURAL LC – donating blankets for Build A Bed Project
- COPPELL LIONS CLUB will have the annual Wine Tasting Fundraiser on October 17, 2027, at Frontiers of Flight Museum
- PEACE Poster Contest -Lion Karen Murray announced the theme is “Learning In Humanity”. Peace Poster Kits are now for sale.

- Midlothian Lions Club
A Special presentation to honor their club past President and now District 2-X1 District Governor
Gary Vineyard – a Melvin Jones Fellowship plaque, a lapel pin and a congratulatory letter for his dedication and commitment to Lionism.

Break Out Sessions:

PDG's
President's & VP's
Region & Zone Chairs
Membership & Marketing
LEOs
Secretary/Treasurer

Tail Twister – Tom Seibert, Karen Murray & Cyndie Bunker

Adjourn – 1:00PM

The District Directory Books were available for pick up before and after the Meeting. Thank you to all the clubs who brought items for the "Back to School Supplies Drive."

Contact and Administrative Information: Please send all reports to Cabinet Secretary Alice Decker @ alicedh50@yahoo.com.

For any inquiries regarding cabinet meetings, please get in touch with 2VDG Joseph Kyle at joekyleusa@gmail.com or contact the DG Team.

Sincere Appreciation to the
Midlothian Lions Club and Waxahachie Lions clubs for
hosting the 2026 – 2027 First Cabinet Meeting of
District 2 – X1.
Special Thanks to Lions Fred and Carol Smith
to make this meeting possible.