THANK YOU PDG TOM!

2016/2017 PDG

TOM HAYFORD
CONGRATULATIONS for a great year

Well we did it! We came back from -176 in membership at the end of January to finish at +18. While that is the key number for LCI, I am just as proud of all the service and donations we provided throughout the year.

• More club (30) visited the ERC than last year AND introduced a number of non-Lions organizations to join them
• The LOEB received more vision machines with which to conduct more events.
• More members of the district attended the Lions Leadership Forum in Austin than in previous years include in 18 first time attendees from 6 of our zones so as to provide more leadership to the district.
• We increased the number of Texas Lions Camp (TLC) Century Club donors.
• When last reported the district donated more money to the TLC golf tournament than the other districts.
• All of our clubs donated to LCIF.

Lastly, it does no one any good if our new members do not become involved immediately in service, starting in JULY. That service could be as simple as being assigned an eye glass collection site. Please make sure your new members have a sponsor who they help them become involved with the club.

Once again thank you for your support during the 2016-17 year.

IPDG Tom Hayford
WOW!!! Our outgoing DG, aka IPDG, Tom in his last month, JUNE, pulled a rabbit out of the hat. District 2E2 added 152 Lions during the month of June. As a result, District 2E2 had positive membership growth once again for the eight straight year. At the beginning of June we were negative 97 lions. During June, District 2E2 dropped 37 lions, chartered two new clubs with 43 lions and recruited 109 lions (including some reinstates) to end the year with a positive growth of 18 lions. While giving IPDG Tom all due credit, I and IPDG Tom both know that it was the Lions of 2E2 who did the work, who asked their neighbors, associates etc., and who got the new Lions signed up. As I mentioned in our May newsletter we had a lot of work left to do on membership and WOW the Lions of 2E2 got it done. A BIG BIG Thank you to the 2E2 Lions.

So we have wrapped up the 2016-17 Lions year and are kicking off the 2017-18 Lions year, a New Century of Service. Not only District 2E2, but also Texas, MD2, was positive in membership for 2017-18. Further, Lions are growing on a worldwide basis; LCI now has the largest population of all time. This bodes well for the Lions purpose, Service, i.e., more hands more service. We will hear more about focusing on Service with LCI Forward and new service goals over the next few months (200M serviced per year by 2021). The new goals will necessitate even more Lions.

In Preparing for 17-18, we have held Leadership Success Seminars in Burleson 6/3 and Keller 6/17 plus a Membership Team strategy/planning meeting 6/10. Hopefully with these gatherings and ongoing efforts, our Presidents, Secretaries, Membership Chairs, Zone Chairs and Membership Team have a better idea of the goals and expectations for 2017-18. To paraphrase, one of our main goals for the 2017-18 Lions year is increasing our service capacity. Let me translate, we want to increase our membership, i.e., more Lions more service.
With the help of all District 2E2 Lions we expect to work on club rebuilding, club recruiting, club retention, and new club chartering. Note that when we add new Lions, such as 152 in June, we also assume the task of welcoming, orientating and training these new Lions, all pursuant to getting them assimilated, integrated in or involved in their new club, e.g., actively assisting with service projects and feeling some ownership in doing so. If we fail to make the new Lions feel welcome and useful or satisfied we have a good chance of them leaving after a while. We sometimes refer to Lions departing a club as leaving via the back door. To put this in perspective we had well over 400 lions walk out the back door of District 2E2 clubs during the 16-17 Lions year.

At a minimum we have to ask why?? Some instances were unavoidable, passing, moving, etc. but I suspect that most cases were simply that the departing Lion was not satisfied in their Lions club. If we want to shut the back door we must make sure our Lions are somehow getting satisfaction out of being a Lion. I want us to reemphasize the role of Member Ship Chair and help these chairs address ensuring that our members are happy and that we have a membership plan that speaks to retention as well as recruiting. I am running on; but, you can expect to hear more about membership as the year unfolds.

A couple of reminders, please make sure that you file the MMRs and SARs. Also please submit your Secretary Excellence Award forms to me as well as the Club and Presidents Excellence Award forms to IPDG Tom. I hope to see you at our First Gathering and Cabinet Meeting on July 22. We will have training and informative seminars on vision and our entities plus a luncheon where you will hear from IPDG Tom and myself (see 2e2lions.org). I look forward to serving with each of you.

LETS SERVE,
DG Charlie Bethards
Pete’s Notes

Time flies so fast. Looking back at last year’s convention, Marie and I have been on the constant go, but are so proud that we have been part of this district's endeavors to augment the operation and success of Lionism in the district. Its so rewarding to see and be part of a district where its clubs and members not only answered the call to overcome the challenges of meeting the goals set by IP Bob Corlew and DG Tom Hayford, but excelled.

During 2016 - 2017, district 2-E2, club membership numbers surmounted a negative count of ninety-seven (97) and achieved a net increase of eighteen (18) new members. This illustrates the commitment that you have in bringing more hands on board to enhance the Lions efforts to serve our communities and humanity.

The new Lions financial year is upon us, as new club officers and board members are installed; it is time to make concrete plans for the upcoming new year. Assess the needs of the community and our charities within the district, the multiple district and our Lions Club Foundation. Make plans on how best to support these various needs and consider selecting early on chairs to head up your proposed projects.
I cannot list all the entities in order of need and importance, but I do urge you to support our Texas Lions Camp in Kerrville. This is our “Crown Jewel” of Texas. Over 1500 children with physical handicaps and Type 1 diabetes, attend each year free of any expense to the parents. All is paid for by the Lions of Texas. Through the years, more than 68,000 children have experienced the exhilaration of the camp. It is always a challenge to meet the operational cash flow of the camp operation, which is $2.8 million for the camping season. Please review the website at www.lionscamp.org. The Lions of Texas are training these kids in the self-confidence skills and positive attitudes in themselves and others. They are Texas' future; let us serve to make it possible.

The leadership of our organization is in the process of looking ahead to new challenges, especially in continuing our efforts to expand our membership, build new clubs and work on assisting clubs requiring a helping hand in rebuilding. Keep in mind, it is easier to keep members, than to recruit new members.

I encourage the clubs to participate in the upcoming training seminars and attend district functions, such as cabinet meetings and conventions. The time and placed will be communicated in the short future, via E-Mails and newsletters.

Let’s keep an eye on the prize, let us serve together, have fun in carrying out our projects, and build a lasting relationship with one another.

“LET'S SERVE”
IST VDG Pete Koschelew
2017/2018
2nd VDG
VINCE ROSEN
INVITE A NEW MEMBER!

Be recognized as a...

Centennial Sponsor

Sponsor a new member and be immediately recognized as a Centennial Sponsor to receive a *Limited Edition* pin and certificate.

HELP CHARTER A NEW CLUB!

Be recognized as a...

Centennial Club Organizer

Help organize a new club and be immediately recognized as a Centennial Club Organizer to receive a *Limited Edition* pin and certificate.
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2016/2017 SERVICE

People Served: 269,626
Activities: 1181
Lion Hours: 29,737
Funds Donated: $252,231
Lions: 6153
Eyeglasses collected: 17,717
Funds Raised: 326,937

WHERE THERE'S A NEED
THERE'S A LION
SINCE 1917
2016-17 100% Clubs
Thank You for Your Support

**Pantego (600%)**
**Arlington Greater (500%)**
Gainesville (200%)
Northeast Tarrant (200%)
McKinney Morning Pride (200%)
**Fort Worth Southwest (200%)**
Pottsboro (200%)
Colleyville (200%)

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Northeast Tarrant Lions had a workday at the 2E2 Eyeglass Recycling Center and processed 500 sets of glasses.

They have also sponsored 3 children to attend the Texas Lions Camp.

The club also provided glasses for an elder.

NT collected and delivered bedding to the HEB Clothes Closet.

Azle Lions Club collected 2,128 pounds of recyclable electronic items.

Fort Worth Handley Meadow Brook Club sponsored 30 kids to attend the Texas Lions Camp.

Crowley Club provided $350 for 5 students to attend special camp providing advanced learning opportunities.

They also gave $272 to a domestic violence victim.
• Denton Triangle donated funds to feed the homeless in Denton and collected 265 pairs of glasses.
• They also donated comfort bags to children being treated at the Health Services of North Texas.
• River Oaks stands ready to assist the City in the event a member of the community requires assistance.
• They also support Girl Scout Troops.
• Greater Arlington donated $1,000 to the Miracle League and donated $750 to buy guitars for Vets with PTSS.
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• Greater Bartonville collected food for the Denton Community Food Bank.
- **Cleburne** delivers Meals on Wheels to the elderly in Cleburne and they also collected 265 pairs of glasses.

- **Lewisville** dropped off and processed 1900 glasses to the ERC.

- **Sherman Noon** had a fundraiser concession stand Thursday evenings in June.

- **Sherman Noon** held their 20th Annual Golf Tournament to raise funds for charitable projects.

- **Grapevine Lions** provided burgers and hot dogs to kids during the Grapevine PD summer camp.

- **Northeast Richland** cooked burgers for kids during the “Hanging with the Heat” PD and FD summer camp.

- **Lake Cities** assisted in the “Home in One” contest with the LCEF golf tournament.
• **Denton** hosted a fish fry and sold over 50 plates of food.

• **Denton Hi Noon** operated a food concession at the “End of School Family Health Awareness” and served 458 participants.

• **Roanoke Club** works at the ERC monthly.

• **Benbrook** participated in Block party for the community.

• **Keller Lions** donated $2,000 towards Texas Lions Camp children’s transportation.

• **Sanger** will place over 260 flags on Flag Day in Sanger.

• **McKinney Morning Pride** held their annual Golf Tournament and auction fundraiser to support our Eye Care commitment to providing glasses and exams to people over the age of 18 who do not have the means
UPCOMING EVENTS:

JULY 24, 2017
JC HYER NIGHT AT RANGERS GAME

Julien C Hyer Lions Youth Camp
Come join us, meet the International Youth Exchange Campers and enjoy a night of Rangers Baseball!

CONTACT:
Danny Fletcher
214-662-4540
heavybelly2@aol.com

Number of Tickets & Payment due by July 10th
Tickets will be mailed/delivered by July 21st
1st Cabinet Meeting
District 2E2
Saturday July 22, 2017
Let’s Serve
Compass Center
4201 Pool Road, Grapevine TX
Hosted by Colleyville Lions Club

Morning

- Leadership Training
  9:00 - 10:15 Secretary/Treasurer
  10:20 - 11:15 President
  11:20 - 11:50 Membership Chair

- Morning Seminars
  1. Room A 9:00 – 9:55 Entity Spotlight (LOEB, ERC, Sports Extravaganza)
  2. Room A 10:00 – 10:55 Vision Care Information
  3. Room B 9:00-9:55 Membership, GMT Team MTG
  4. Room B 10:00-10:55 Women and Family in Lions
  5. Room X 9:00-9:55 LCI update: Global Action Team, LCI Forward, New Service Platform
  6. Room X 10:00-10:55 Zone Chair meeting with DG team
  7. Room X 11:00-11:55 PDG MTG

$ 10.00 Lunch Noon to 1:30
Speakers at Lunch IPDG, TLF and LCIF District Trustee

Afternoon
2pm to end: Cabinet meeting

RSVP for Lunch by July 15th.
$10.00 cash or check will be collected at the door.

RSVP to Nancy by Call, Text, or Email
817-999-4834 or njbethards@gmail.com
so that we have a head count for lunch.
# Texas Centennial Celebration Registration Form

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## PACKAGE
- Includes registration for each registrant listed above; official name badge and souvenir medallion; official Texas Centennial Celebration Program, and admissions for:

a) "Celebrating The Past" Banquet at Hyatt Regency North Dallas: Friday night October 6, 2017 (Dress: Business attire)
b) "Legacy Lions Fellowship" Breakfast at Hyatt Regency North Dallas: Saturday October 7, 2017 (Dress code: Your choice)
c) "A Night In The Old West" Gala & Dinner at EDDIE DEEN’S RANCH, Downtown Dallas: Saturday October 7, 2017 (Preferred Dress: 'Texan')
d) Group transportation by shuttle bus from Hyatt Regency North Dallas to Eddie Deen’s Ranch Downtown Dallas for Saturday Gala & Dinner, and back to Hyatt Regency North Dallas Hotel at dinner.

## Registration Fees

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a) Full payment of the complete package is required with this Form. Split-package is not available.
b) September 1, 2017. Deadline for name-change or to receive a refund for cancellation of registration submitted in writing. Applicable refunds (after deducting $20 as admin fee) will be processed soon after the event.

## Hotel Room Reservation
- Hyatt Regency North Dallas
  
  701 East Campbell Road, Richardson, TX-75081 - Phone: 972-619-1234
  Room Reservation Link: [https://aws.passkey.com/event/13513050/owner/1459738/home](https://aws.passkey.com/event/13513050/owner/1459738/home)

- Make your room reservations directly using the above link. Provide us the Hotel Confirmation # below.
- SPECIAL RATE of $79 per night for hotel room.
- Special needs, if any, should be requested to and arranged for in advance with Hyatt Regency Hotel.
- Only a limited number of rooms available at this special rate to be reserved on first-come, first-served basis.

**Mail Form & check to:**
- Bill Smothermon (DG 2016-17)
  14850 Quorum Dr. # 210, Dallas, TX 75254
  - Cell: 972-571-0806
  - lionbillsmo@gmail.com

**Make check payable to:**
- MD2 Centennial Celebration

**Hotel Room Confirmation #**
Picture the Future of PEACE

IMAGINE
600,000 children sharing their visions of peace

INSPIRE
Youth to showcase their talent

CREATE
Stronger ties in your community

Don’t miss your opportunity to sponsor the 30th annual Lions International Peace Poster Contest!

Give kids in your community a creative way to express their visions of The Future of Peace, the theme for the 2017-18 Peace Poster Contest. Order your Peace Poster Kit to play a key role in engaging our youth and promoting peace around the world. Get complete contest details at lionsclubs.org.

The Future of Peace begins with you and your club.

Order your Peace Poster Kit today!

“Order Now!”

Now is the time to order your International Peace Poster Kit in preparation for the upcoming school year.

All entries need to be to District Governor Charlie by 15 November.
DG Charlie kicks off his club visits with the Ft. Worth Founder Club

To submit an item for the newsletter, email Lion Laura Chapin laurahchapin@aol.com