

Lions District 2-X3  
First Cabinet Meeting  
Saturday, July 26, 2008  
Fairfield, Texas

Registration: 8:00 a.m.

L.E.A.D. Board Meeting: 9:00-10:00 a.m.

Presidents and Secretaries Council: 9:00 a.m.

The First Cabinet Meeting was called to order by Lion Tammie "Taz" Martin, President of the Fairfield Lions Club. Prayer was led by Lion James Haney. The Pledge to the United States and Texas flag were led by Lion "Taz" Martin. Lion Terry Sutcliff led the Lions in song. Lion Taz Martin introduced Fairfield Mayor Roy Hill, who welcomed the Lions to Fairfield.

Lion "Taz" introduced District Governor Charles Stout.

DG Charles Stout introduced Lion Jan Bohls. Lion Jan presented Idil Ramanozoglu of Turkey to the Cabinet. Idil was hosted by Lions Jan and Jim Bohls, Groesbeck Lions Club, through the Youth Exchange Program.

Lion Daisy Butz, District Leo Chairman, introduced the Leo District Cabinet.

Leo Tamara Lee, Kosse Leo Club, President

Leo April Gonzales, Kosse Leo Club, Vice President

Rachel Cooper, Troy Leo Club, Secretary/Treasurer

Leo Chairman Butz stated the goals for the Leo District, and talked about the new clubs forming. She then gave a power-point presentation about the Kosse Leo Club.

DG Charles introduced the District 2-X3 Cabinet. The DG presented his personal pin and District pin to each cabinet member.

DG Charles made announcements pertaining to the Newsletter and ads, District Directories, and Guiding Lion Training. DG Charles also stated his Goals for 2007-2008:

Increase community service in communities, advertise, wear the Lions vest; add at least one service project.

Contact District Chairs; give at least five Lions programs this year.

Past International President Jimmy Ross challenged each district to create five new clubs.

DG Charles will bring in the MD-2 State Extension Chair to start new clubs.

Increase Leo Clubs by two.

MD-2 Constitution and By-Laws working on job descriptions for Vice District Governors. Possible re-alignment of duties by LCI Board.  
Remember our Motto: "We Serve", and enjoy it.  
Tail Twister Funds (\$315) donated to the Lone Star Lions Eye Bank.

DG Charles talked about President Al Brandels' theme, "Miracles Through Service". He also discussed 2<sup>nd</sup> International Vice President, Sid Scruggs meaning of LIONS, "Loving Individuals Offering Needed Service".

DG Charles made the following appointments:  
Protocol & Parliamentarian-PCC Richard Robinson  
Sergeant at Arms-Lion Terry Sutcliff  
Timekeeper-PDG Ken Schroeder

Vice District Governor C.C. Sirkel asked that all Lions of District 2-X3, present and in good standing, be allowed to vote. Motion by Lion John Tramp, Second by Lion Bob Kinney. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS: Minutes of the District Convention held April 25-26, 2008 in Belton, Texas were presented, and approved. Motion by Lion Al Waite, Second by PDG Norwood Brenneke. Motion carried. Attachment #1.

PDG Norwood Brennek presented the 2007-2008 Budget Report (Balance Sheet, Profit & Loss Budget Overview, Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual). After discussion, PDG Gilbert Gatlin motioned 2007-2008 Budget be approved; Second by PDG John Southard. Motion carried.  
Attachment #2a, 2b, 2c.

Cabinet Treasurer Lion Glenn Brandt presented the District Contingency Fund Report. The Contingency Fund balance is \$10,235.00 which matured May 28, 2008, and has earned over \$100 since that date. Discussion followed. Attachment #3.

Lion Glenn also presented the State Convention Fund Report that shows a balance of \$44,539.00 as of June 30, 2008. It matures August 28, 2008. Interest rate is 3 ½%. Discussion followed. Lion Glenn asked about the \$500 designated to the Convention Fund yearly. PCC Richard that 2-X3 needed \$50,000 to host the next State Convention. He said that the amount of money in the account, with the interest to be accrued, would be sufficient by the next convention. He recommended that if monies are not deposited to the fund, no further special action is needed as long as this is noted in minutes. Attachment #4.

NEW BUSINESS: Extraco is to renew the Surety Bond when it retires in a few months. PDG Norwood motioned to renew the Bond; Second by PDG Sam Lindsey. Motion carried.

Lion Glenn presented the 2008-2009 District 2-X3 Budget. Much discussion followed concerning the newsletter and its expense, email address'. DG Charles mentioned, this year, the District will need to select a Lion to the Hall of Fame that includes a \$500 fee. PDG Norwood Brenneke motioned the budget be accepted, Second by PDG Ken Schroeder. Attachment #5.

Discussion followed concerning the Account Signatories. Motion was made by PDG Gladys Tramp to include the VDG along with DG Stout, Treasurer Brandt, and Secretary Bohls. Second by Lion Jim Bohls. Motion carried.

#### REPORTS:

Opportunities for Youth: Lion Richard Surface introduced Coordinators for the Contests:

- Diabetic Essay-Lion Martin Heese
- Drug Awareness Speech-Lion James Haney
- Outstanding Youth-Lion Mike Hoel
- Peace Poster-Lion Ray Harper

Lion Richard stated that a minimum of six participants for each contest will be needed, or the contest will not be held. Entry fee's are the responsibility of the sponsoring Lions Club. The Contests' information will be updated, with topics, on the MD-2 website shortly. Attachment #6.

Campaign SightFirst II Chairman PCC Richard Robinson stated the goal of \$150M started in June, 2005 has surpassed \$200M, to \$204M. Texas Lions raised \$2.1M. District 2-X3 raised \$150,000. District 2-X3 Top Ten Clubs: Killeen Evening Lions, Killeen Noon Lions, Temple Founder Lions, Palestine Noon Lions, Groesbeck Lions, Belton Lions, Copperas Cove Lions, Corsicana Sunset, Corsicana Noon Lions, Chandler Lions, with Honorable Mention to Fairfield Lions for dedicating more funds to SFII. Model Club, Killeen Evening Lions, raised double the funds. Lion Jackie Conlon raised \$69,914 in her area. Donations can still be made to SFII.

LUNCH: Prayer by Lion James Haney. Mayor Roy Hill gave the Fairfield Lions report, listing the clubs many service projects, fundraisers, and the Lions impact in their community.

DG Charles introduced IPDG John Hopkins for a recap of 2007-2008. He recognized Membership Chairman of clubs that had membership increases last year. Efficiency Club winners were recognized. Waco Founder Lions won for Large Clubs. The Medium Club winner was Killeen Evening Lions. Temple Breakfast Lions won the Small Club award.

DG Charles mentioned that funds were being raised for the Michael Holt scholarship. Leo Mike is the only Leo working as a counselor at the Texas Lions Camp.

## REPORTS CONTINUE:

Texas Lions Camp Directors Lion Diane Waite and Lion Eddie Hambrick reported one year ago 58% of District Clubs received programs; this year programs increased to 71% of clubs. Goal of the Directors is to be 100% of clubs to be 100% to TLC.

Lions World Services for the Blind in Little Rock, Arkansas is a school for legally, totally blind students. Lion Johnnie Tramp reports that 30 clubs are 100% clubs. He explained the cost of each student and the training time involved.

Lone Star Lions Eye Bank Report given by LSLEB President Lion Alex Kachura. He stated the EB was struggling because of increased regulations and expenses, and a decrease in tissue donations. Goals include a fundraiser in 2009.

L.E.A.D. President Lion John Gear explained grants given to area Sheriff Departments supporting the D.A.R.E. Program. L.E.A.D. Financial Report from Lion John Householder, Treasurer, handed out. Lion Carolyn Havercamp stated the L.E.A.D. essay topic is being researched, and asked that participating clubs work with teachers to include this project in their Lesson Plans. Attachment #7.

Lion Al Waite, Leader Dog Chairman, stated this was a good year. All clubs will be 100%, 2007-2008, since one of the Killeen clubs has a "Split Club": money raised is donated back to LD, and is used to make the DG 100%. Call for programs. DVD's available.

PDG Gladys Tramp, Texas Lions Foundation, reported of 52 clubs, 31 clubs were 100%. Discussion followed. PDG Gladys thanked the 12 clubs that attended the Leadership Training in Killeen in June. More training will be in Palestine September 8, 2008 for Presidents and Secretaries.

Texas Lions Eyeglass Recycling Chair, Lion Ron Bovda, reported there are 17 recycling centers in LCI, with seven being in the USA. MD-2 collected over 914,000, and sent out over 200,000 to be used. LCI has collected over 20M glasses, and it costs less than 8 cents a pair to recycle used glasses. The TLERC received a LCIF grant, for a pilot program, that allows Lions clubs to purchase glasses through the TLERC at a much reduced rate. Lion Ron informed Lions about the training in Manor, this August, for mission trips to measure for eye exams.

LCIF-no report.

## Other Cabinet Reports:

Lion Bill Buckner, White Cane Chairman, stated orders should be placed soon, as prices will increase for supplies shortly.

TLC Director Lion Diane stated clubs can go back, paying for years their club was not 100% to the camp.

PDG Sam Lindsey, TLC Board, stated this coming year is the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Texas Lions Camp. The celebration will be held the Friday evening of the February, 2009 TLC Meeting, at the Inn of the Hills Hotel.

Lion Ken Schroeder, USA/Canada Forum Chairman, stated the forum will be in Canada September 18-20, 2008. In 2009, the Forum will be in Memphis, Tennessee.

VDG C.C. pointed out that Waco Founder is the oldest club in existence. He stated Lions need to buy a brick for the Eye Bank, or Leader Dog. The TLC Harry Wickersham Golf Tournament needs Hole Sponsors at \$100.

DG Charles presented his personal pin to Lion President "Taz" Martin of the Fairfield Lions Club. Lion Ann Gatlin reported that 100 Lions attended the meeting.

The Cabinet Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

*Lion Jan Bohls*

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Cabinet Secretary