



DUNCANVILLE LIONS TALE

August 2016

Message from the President

The month of July & early August has been somewhat of a blur for me. For those who did not know, my wife was admitted to Baylor hospital on July 3rd due to complications with her pregnancy. She spent a month on bed-rest awaiting the arrival of our daughter.

Needless to say, life was kinda thrown upside down for me as I tried to coordinate childcare for our other two kids, visit & encourage my wife in Dallas, work somewhere in there and perform regular "Mr. Mom" duties. Let's just say, I have a whole new level of respect for my wife & what she does for our family on a daily basis. After a long month of waiting, Eliana Faith Cheshier was born on July 31! I have now accomplished my most important goal as being the first Duncanville Lions' President in the history of the club to welcome a new baby into their family during their term! :)



Eliana Faith Cheshier

In all seriousness, I want to thank the entire club for your prayers & support during the past few weeks. I was extremely excited to bust my wife out of the hospital on August 3rd and get her & the baby back home!!! Also, thanks to First VP Mike Chrietberg for filling in for me in early August! FYI... In between the noon & branch clubs, there have been three newborns this year. Beware...Chubby's may be putting something in the water. :)

Several projects & committees are already working hard behind the scenes in making our centennial year of Lions International a successful & fun one! A few projects in the works include, redesigning the Duncanville Lions website, updating the by-laws, planning the annual Pancake Breakfast, planning a new "White Cane Day" by the Evening Branch & we're already taking pledges for the Las Vegas Night in February!

Enclosed you will also find a few more details on a "Creative Service Project Contest" from our District Governor. Our executive committee is currently soliciting ideas from our entire club for something "outside of the box." Please submit ideas to Lion Kasey at kcheshier78@aol.com

2016-2017 Goals

- ✓ Be the first president to welcome a new baby into their family during their year! ☺
- Have Fun Being a Lion!
- Earn Centennial Service Diamond Award
- Grow membership by 5
- Update By-Laws
- Re-establish monthly newsletter for Lions members
- Update & redesign website
- Gavel-travel 2-3 local clubs
- Support Committee Chairpersons & Special Events
- One New Service Project (Creative Service Project Contest)
- Centennial Legacy Project
- Celebrate 100 Years of Lions Club International

Kasey Cheshier

President, Duncanville Lions Club

Lions Social Outings

Olden Year Musical Museum

Olden Year Musical Museum Tour

\$20 per person, Must have a group of 12+
See Lion Don McBurnett if interested



Sept. 30 - State Fair Parade

**Join other 2X-1 Lions in the
annual opening day parade!**
Downtown Dallas from 12-1pm

Upcoming Events:

Aug 12 - Reg Meeting, Carey Risinger,
Food Operations with the State Fair of Texas

Aug 15 - Evening Branch Meeting

Aug 17 - Board Meeting (6pm at Lions Building)

Aug 19 - Reg Meeting, Dr. Marc Smith,
Duncanville ISD Superintendent

Aug 26 - Reg Meeting, Coach Samples
Duncanville Head Football Coach

Sept 2 - NO MEETING, Labor Day Weekend

Sept 9 - Reg Meeting, Danny Noah & Tim Maiden
Fellowship of Christian Athletes

Sept 10- Dallas Founders Club
100th Celebration - 6pm

Sept 12 -Evening Branch Meeting

Sept 16- Reg Meeting, Jessica James
Duncanville Economic Development



GAVEL TRAVEL TO OAK CLIFF

Five members of the Duncanville Lions did a “gavel travel” to the Oak Cliff Lions Club in July. Great representation from D’Ville & a great program from Mike Wilson, editor of *Dallas Morning News*. It was also confirmed during our visit... We’re still the best club in the region!

Thanks for invite from Lion David Mills
& President Lance!

BUSY FALL SCHEDULE AHEAD... MARK YOUR CALENDAR



Oct. 8th @ 8am - 3rd Annual
Heart of Duncanville 5k

Sept 17 @ 9am - Lions Park Cleanup

Sept 24 @ 6pm - Duncanville Chamber
60th Anniversary Concert & Auction

Oct. 4th @ 4pm - Duncanville PD’s
National Night Out

Oct. 15 - “White Cane Day”
presented by Evening Branch

Oct. 22 - Lions Building Cleanup

** Take Note* - the minnow calling contest at Lakeside
Park has been called off due to the rainy weather.



Las Vegas Night Pledges

- Avoid the last minute hurry-up by pledging early!
- See Cary Efurd to declare your winning pledge amount
- So far we have \$3,850.00 pledged toward our annual February event!



**Ask friends to join
the Lions Club!**

Evening Branch News

Did you know that Lions played an important role in the usage of the white cane for the blind? In 1964 President Lyndon B. Johnson said this, "The white cane in our society has become one of the symbols of a blind person's ability to come and go on his own. Its use has promoted courtesy and special consideration to the blind on our streets and highways. To make our people more fully aware of the meaning of the white cane and of the need for motorists to exercise special care for the blind persons who carry it Congress, by a joint resolution approved as of October 6, 1964, has authorized the President to proclaim October 15 of each year as White Cane Safety Day."

The Branch Evening Lions are gearing up for our first Annual "White Cane Day" event in October. Stay tuned for more details.

As always, you are welcome & encouraged to visit our club meetings! I'd like to take this opportunity to invite all of you to our next meeting on Sept. 12 at 7:15pm.



Carmen Ramirez-Partlow - President, Duncanville Evening Branch

WELCOME ABOARD

NEW MEMBER!!
Preston Witherspoon

DALLAS FOUNDER LIONS CLUB

Join Us In Celebration!

1916

2016



100 Years of Service

September 10, 2016

RECEPTION 6PM DINNER 6:30PM

DoubleTree Hilton

4099 VALLEY VIEW LN DALLAS, TX 75244
FOR DISCOUNTED ROOM RESERVATIONS,
CALL 972.385.9000

Ticket Info

\$65 INCLUDES PARKING, DINNER, DANCING AND
INTERNATIONAL GUEST SPEAKER

Business Dress Preferred



RSVP BY 08/31/2016 TO 214.288.4549
KTBARTDOOR@AOL.COM OR RSVP CARD

August Birthdays

Dan Jespersen - August 5
Kasey Cheshier - August 10
Pat Virzi - August 13
Cary Efurd - August 27

**Please let us know if your name is not listed and your birthday is this month. We'll update our list.

Club Anniversaries

Bobby Cutler-Hill - 18 Years
Bob Harrison - 13 Years
Larry Easley - 9 years
Alfred Ray - 9 Years

Prayer Requests

- Lion Don McBurnett
- Jeff Cathey
- Entire Duncanville ISD Staff on the start of a new schoolyear!

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DISTRICT 2X-1 News



District Governor Bill Smothermon has challenged each club to think outside the box & come up with a creative service project this year!

See details to the left.

A few ideas have already been submitted, but we want to hear from you. Please submit ideas to either Lion Kasey (Noon) or Lion Carmen (Evening).

District Creative Service Project Contest

Objectives:

Clubs do more projects.
Clubs think "outside the box" in developing projects.
Clubs work together to do something new and different.

Award:

At each Cabinet meeting the Club(s) submitting the most creative project will receive a \$100 toward their administrative fund. At District Convention the Club(s) with the most creative project will receive \$250 for their administrative fund.

Criteria:

Must be a project completed between July 1, 2016 and April 22, 2017.
At least of 50% Club participation or 25 Lions, whichever is smaller.
Must fulfill at least one of the Centennial Challenge events.
Can be done by a single Club or multiple Clubs working together.
Must be a service project, not a fundraiser.
Fulfill a community need.

Judging:

By an independent panel of Lions from outside District 2-X1



LCI waives Entrance Fee or Charter Fee

Lions Clubs International continues to waive Charter Member Fees (\$30) or new member Entrance Fees (\$25) for qualifying veterans.

Eligible persons for this veteran program include Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines and Coast Guard personnel who are retired or were honorably discharged from these services. National Guard and Reserve personnel who were called to active duty for other than training (persons may still be enlisted in these services), and other personnel the U.S. services consider a veteran, are also eligible.

The Club Secretary or District Governor may submit a specific certification form (available at LCI) to LCI while reporting the charter or new membership of these veterans. The fee waiver will be processed as a credit by LCI on the Lions club billing statement.

Clubs are encouraged to sponsor or defray the dues (club, district/multiple district, and/or international dues) for any veteran needing financial assistance.