



Lions Clubs International
District 2-S2
Greater Houston and Surrounding Areas



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" We are an association made up of a great many diverse individuals, who each constitute a wave of action that combines to form a collection ocean of service." **President, Gudrun Yngvadottir**

KARL'S KAPERS

Great News Lions!

My year as DG is almost over. It is a bittersweet feeling. Bitter because I wanted to do so much more, that I was unable to get done. Sweet because of you, the Lions of 2-S2. I cannot thank you enough for the warm welcome we received from each and every club that Saint Jane and I visited.

Still all in all we had a very good year. We established the district as a 501c3, established a district service project (Goal Ball), took on supplying Texas Children's Hospital an OBI robotic feeder for the handicapped, several HRF projects, visited almost every club, started 2 new clubs, (and have 3 more close to being completed) attended multiple club service projects, and fund raisers, we inducted new members, incarcerated new officers, found multiple gavels stuck in my briefcase, (I think Tony did it) we held online conference calls for the first time ever, took the District directory online to make it and keep it current, started a new webpage, worked with LCIF and the Harvey Task Force to get a 103,000 grant for the Kingwood high school, an 11,000 grant for a pediatric cancer/flood victims family, helped 27 families with reconstruction grants at 3500 each, We held our best ever Bob Dowden fund raiser for the camp (Thank you Lisa and Rick) traveled thousands of miles, attended Councils in Temple, Kerrville, and Waxahachie (where PDG Chuck was elected to the 3rd VP position of the state PDG association, and the youth of 2-S2 took first place in 2 of the 3 state OFY contests), and had a great time doing it all. I owe it all to the 2 people that voted me in. Thank you, Eddie and mom! Thank you to the love of my life Jane who traveled with me all the way. ♡♡♡ (I wonder if she helped Tony with the gavels?)

Jane and I are now preparing to leave for Milan and the international convention where we will usher in Tony Austin as our new DG. I look forward with anticipation to the new heights that we will achieve under Tony's direction. I am proud to be a Lion, and I am even prouder to be from 2-S2.

Blessings to All for all you do **DG Karl**

JUNE 2019

SAVE THE DATES!

Remember to send in the details of your club events and projects so that we can include them in the newsletter!

SEND CONTRIBUTIONS FOR NEWSLETTER BY JULY 8th TO newsletter@lions2s2.org

TONY'S TALES

In just a few days I will begin a journey to Milan in Italy for the International Convention. This is the ultimate governing body of our Association and is held in different areas of the world each year – last year Las Vegas and next year Singapore. I will attend one final day of training and then participate in the Convention proceedings including voting at various times for the International Board, Third Vice President and a variety of resolutions submitted by the Board. On the final day I will be officially installed as District Governor after the vote for the International President has been announced (it's a formality as Vice Presidents move up automatically). I will also walk in the Parade of Nations on the first day. So although the Lions year starts on July 1 I will only officially be District Governor on July 9th.

This is both a beginning and an end for me. It is the end of a pretty rigorous two years of training and practical experience but the beginning of an opportunity to continue in the mold of a host of outstanding District Governors in our District. Without exception they have volunteered their time, expertise and experience to help me during that learning curve.

In particular, I want to recognize DG Karl and Lion Jane who have allowed me to shadow them for the past year as they visited clubs and attended various meetings. We have also spent many hours discussing ideas or solutions for various issues.

I still have few key positions to fill in the District Leadership team but want to thank all of you who have agreed to serve with us. We have a big job ahead of us as we encourage all of our clubs to grow in service and help them overcome any obstacles in their way. But we will certainly have a lot of fun doing it!

Please be sure that you have entered your new club officers in mylci as we will need their details as we start communicating with them in July. Also please like our Facebook page by going to <https://www.facebook.com/2s2lions/> and clicking on the <Follow> button. We will use Facebook extensively to promote our activities to clubs and the public.

Remember our 5 focus activities which I assume will remain the same for the next year.



Thank you for all your work

District Governor-Elect Tony Austin



THANK YOU



Dear Fellow Lions,

Thanks for your commit- “mint” to helping those in need.

Thanks for your encourage- “mint” for helping others be their best.



Thanks for your involve- “mint” in the lives of those less fortunate.



Thanks for your invest- “mint” of your time and energy to make the Lighthouse of Houston a fun and caring place for the multi-care clients to go.

Thanks for making each day an enjoy- “mint” for those you come in contact with.

It takes ALL of us to build a loving caring environ- “mint” where everyone can flourish and grow.



With “love” and “heartfelt” thanks to those of you who helped in one way or another, to make my last two years as Director of The Lighthouse of Houston, such a delight and so joyful for the multi-care clients! They thoroughly enjoyed having us at their Halloween, Christmas, Cinco de Mayo, Mardi Gras, and Go Texan Rodeo parties. Working a booth at The Beeping Easter Egg Hunt was a fun experience too! Please give your support to Steve Simmons and Elaine Montgomery, your 2019-2020 Lighthouse Directors. Be ready to lend a helping hand next year if they ask. You are a true blessing!

ROAR!!! Love, Lion Marla



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