

Leos On the rise

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A Note from the District President:

Welcome Back!

Dear Lions and Leos,

It is my great pleasure to welcome you back to another exciting school year, we have much going on. First off, I would like to thank all of you that attended the meeting on August the fourteenth. It was a very convivial and with everyone's input and ideas, very successful. Although we have filled some positions, in the district Leo Cabinet not all of them were filled. We still need a Second Vice-President, Leo Tamer, Tail Twister, Leo/Lion Liaison, Chaplain, Song Leader, Historian/Reporter, and Leo Cabinet Advisory Members (this is two members from each club in the 2-A3 District). Those of you that would like to apply for one of these positions can do so at the meeting on September 25th.

As for upcoming events, attached to this is a district calendar of events. As an important note, I would like to encourage all of you to attend the first district meeting on September 25th at Harlingen High School South from 9a.m. to 2p.m. Also, we are trying to do something new this year within the district: starting a newsletter. The object of this newsletter or Leos On The Rise is to get information flowing from all the Leo Clubs and to recognize all achievements made by the clubs within District 2-A3. To alleviate the work of processing this newsletter monthly, the district Leo cabinet has decided to rotate the task of creating one within the district clubs. For example, the September issue was assigned to the Harlingen South Leo Club and for October, the task will be transferred to Weslaco East. Remember, the idea is to have the whole club pitch in that way the workload isn't placed solely on one person. Not only is *Leos On The Rise* something to keep district news flowing, but it also adds points for your club for the Beacon Contest. I highly encourage all of you to participate, but remember you must have FUN!

If you would like your club and their status or projects that they have done to be included in *Leos On The Rise* please contact the club that is in charge of completing the newsletter for that month with a description of what you want to include and, if possible, pictures along with it. Once again, I want to thank everyone and all the clubs in District 2-A3 for all you have done, are doing, and will do in the future. You all are truly the ones that make the world a better place one step at a time. Good Luck for a successful New Leo Year!

District 2-A3 President, Leo Faith Castillo



Beacon Contest for Leo Clubs:

To coordinate with the District Governor's goals, it was decided at the August planning meeting to sponsor a Beacon Contest for the Leo Clubs in the District. Follow the guidelines in the newsletter and lets see how many clubs and individuals can be

recognized at the District Leo Conference. The points start on August 1. Certificates and prizes will be given for the club and/or individual with the most points in the District.. Good luck to all.



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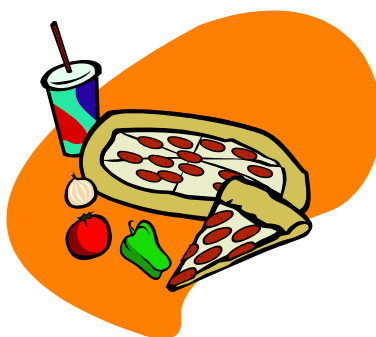
Special points of interest:

- Workshop at Harlingen South High School on Sept. 25
- Calendar of District Leo Events
- Spotlight on Harlingen South Leo Club
- Beacon Contest

Spotlight on Harlingen South Leo Club

The Harlingen South Leo Club is off to a good start. They already have their President: Leo Leo Torres and Secretary: Leo Justin De Leon and will be electing other officers this week as well as discussing this year's projects and fundraisers. On September 7th they are scheduled to sell pizza at their lunch times. Speaking to Justin, he says that "selling pizza is a great way to make money for the club and for people to get a little volunteer time at their school too". Another member, Jillian Ong, says that she "encourages all schools to at least try this idea of fundraising because it's really fun

and its profit is really beneficial to the club". With all that South has to do, they have also volunteered to help with hosting the first district meeting at their campus. Thank you very much Harlingen South Leo Club for volunteering to use your campus and for all that you do!



The Harlingen South Leo club is sponsored by the Harlingen Amigas Lions club and the Harlingen Sunset Lions Club. The Advisor is Lion Joy Arnold. The club was granted the Certificate of Organization in 2005. The club has been well represented at the state and district level and have enjoyed participating in the TLC



Leo District Officers for 2010-11

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James Nikki Rowe Leo Club

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Treasurer: Leo William Garza

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The following positions are still open. They will need to be filled at the Sept. 25 workshop in Harlingen.

Second Vice President

Leo Tamer Tail Twister

Leo-Lion Liaison Chaplain

Song Leader Historian/reporter

District Cabinet members: need to have two representatives from each club.

Success = good leadership + teamwork

District Leo Leadership Meeting

Harlingen South Leo Club will host a Leadership training workshop on Saturday, September 25, 2010 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Lunch and snacks will be provided. The Agenda for the day will include break out sessions on officer **training, advisor's training, planning** successful projects, and running for a district or state office. There will also be team building activities and an open forum for Leos across the district to

share knowledge and ideas. An Installation ceremony for Local and District Officers will be conducted and an Induction ceremony for all new Leos present for the training will be part of the program.

There will be not be any registration fees for those Leos and Lions that pre-register. Deadline for early registration is Sept. 23. You can



register by email or by mailing a registration form to Lion Liz Bumguardner, Lion Joy Arnold or Leo Faith Castillo. Leo Advisors and sponsoring Lions clubs were emailed and mailed the forms and information about the workshop. Registration at the door is \$5.00 per person so please pre-register.

See you there !!!

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Calendar of events for Leos of 2-a3

Aug.—Sept.: 1st Quarter Service Project — Focus on Youth

Aug. 14, 2010: District Leo Cabinet meeting to set calendar for the year
2:00 p.m. Daisy's Café in Donna, Texas

Sept. 7, 2010 1st Dist. Leo Newsletter Editors = Leo Faith Castillo and the Harlingen South Leo Club.

Sept. 25, 2010 District 2-A3 Leo Leadership workshop, hosted by Harlingen South Leo Club, 9:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

Oct.: 2nd Qtr. Service Project—focus on sight & Leo Membership Growth Month.

Oct. 1, 2010: 2nd Dist. Leo Newsletter Editors = 1st VP Leo Virginia Valadez and Weslaco East Leo club.

Oct. 23, 2010: District 2-A3 Lions 2nd Cabinet Meeting Rockport, Texas time to be announced.

Nov. 1, 2010: 3rd Dist. Leo Newsletter

Editors = Treas. Leo William Garza and the Donna Leo Club.

Nov. 12-14, 2010: Leo State Conference Austin, Texas

Dec. 3rd Qtr. Service Project — Focus on Relieving Hunger.

Dec. 1, 2010: 4th Dist. Leo Newsletter Editors = Dist. Secretary Leo Nayely Gutierrez and James Nikki Rowe Leo Club.

Dec. 5, 2010: International Leo Day

Jan. 5, 2011: 5th Dist. Leo Newsletter Editors = La Joya Leo Club

Jan. 28--29, 2011: Dist. 2-A3 Lions Mid-Winter Conference. Location and time to be announced. Dist. Leo meeting to plan Dist. Leo Conference.

Feb. 1, 2011: 6th Dist. Leo Newsletter Editors: to be announced

Mar. 1, 2011: 7th Dist. Leo Newsletter Editors = Alice Leo club/ deadline for state dues.

April 2011: 4th Qtr. Service Project — Focus on Protecting Our Planet & Leo Awareness Month.

April 1, 2011: 8th Dist. Leo Newsletter Editors = Sharyland Leo Club

April 1-3, 2011: Camp Workday District Leo trip to the TLC. Kerrville, Texas

April 29-May 1, 2011: District Lions Convention Rockport, Texas

May 3, 2011 = 9th Dist. Leo Newsletter Editors: to be announced

May 7, 2011 District 2-A3 Leo Conference. Time and location to be announced.

June 1, 2011: 10th Dist. Leo Newsletter Editors = to be announced.



Leo Beacon Contest

Here is the information for a contest established by DG Todd, with modifications for the Leo Program. The score keeping starts on **August 1st**. Good Luck to all participants, and remember, hard work will surely make your club a winner! All clubs and individuals will be recognized at the District Leo Meeting in May. Rule number 1: Have FUN!

MMR and Service Activity Report

The Job's not done until the paperwork is done. File these reports by the last day of the month and get points. Please send these reports to Lion Liz Bumgardner. Forms to shortcut the reports are on the next page and will be given out at

the Sept. workshop.
New Member and Dropped Member

New members bring fresh ideas and are just plain fun. Get points for



adding New Members but be careful, you lose points if you drop any member. Your monthly report will show the data. (Form 72 with an attached membership list starts this count (originally due in May but will be accepted through Sept. to start the count. Monthly reports will determine new gains or losses)

Interclub Visitation "Gravel Travel"

Here is a way to have fun and get points at the same time. Get a minimum of three of your club members and drop **in on another Club's meeting or a Lion's Club meeting**. Not only will three members get together, but they will also see how the the the other clubs function. They may have an idea your club could **try. Get the other Club's President or Secretary to sign a statement that three of your members visited their club meeting along with the names and the date visited. Then, send it to the Lion Liz no later than the 10th of the following month to get the points. The only limit to clubs is each club visited can only be counted once.**

District Leo Newsletter

Here is a way to get the news out.

Nothing fancy required, just three main elements. All clubs will be included in this. Every month a club will be designated to write the newsletter for that **month. It doesn't have to be long, a minimum of one page is fine and all that will be included is news that other clubs have sent to the club that is doing it that month. Every newsletter must be finished no later than the 5th of every month. Once finished, send it to Lion Liz to get the credit for your club. The newsletter will be posted on the Lions District Website for all to see.**

Club Participation at Zone and District Meetings

One person is all that is required. The more the merrier but and each individual gets the points. Have someone represent your club at the three Zone Meetings and three District Meetings to get points. Zone chairs will complete a list of attendees and the Host Club at the District meetings will keep tabs there. Your club will receive the points if they are represented by one or many at the meetings.

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The best way to have a strong organization is to help build it. Become active in the District Leo Cabinet — It exists to help you, your club and your community.

Lion Liz Bumguardner

Visit the District Lions Website to view this monthly newsletter.
www.lions2a3.com



Report forms

For Copies of report forms please contact Lion Liz through email: liz.bumguardner@gmail.com or by mail service at 8520 Axis Dr. Austin, Texas 78749 or by home phone 512-292-8777 or cell 512-203-5972

Forms will also be available at the September workshop.

Forms:

- District 2-A3 Leo Beacon Contest scorecard
- District Leo Monthly Membership Report Form
- Monthly Leo Project/Activity Report Form
- Form 72—Leo Club Officers and Membership Report Form
- Sample Leo Financial Report forms

Beacon article continued.

State Dues

Pay them by the due date and get the points. Current State dues will be billed in January. The due date will be on the invoice. A club must have a good payment in order to sponsor a state candidate or have voting rights at the state level.

Have a Quarterly Service Project following the International Themes

This is the easiest part of the contest since many clubs plan projects around these themes just make your projects fall in the correct month for the points. For August /September have a project either involving Youth or Service for Youth. In October have a project for Vision, December or January a project to relieve Hunger and wrap it up in April with an Environmental project. Submit a report to the Lion Liz no later than the 10th day of the following month, for April no later than the 29th to get credit. You get points for each project completed.

BONUS POINTS!

Miss some points? No worries, here is a way to make them up. You do not have to do the Bonus Points, but if you do, they will add to the total!

Attendance at the Texas Lion's Camp Workday in April

For these points to count, a club must attend the Texas Lion's Camp work day with a minimum of six people. There, you must also get the signature of one of the camp workers saying that you did indeed attend. Then, send it to Lion Liz, no later than ten days after the trip.

Attendance at the State Leo Meeting in Austin

To acquire these points is very simple. A minimum of two people from your club must attend the state Leo meeting. **There, you must get Lion Daisy of Lion Liz's signature to show attendance and participation.** Then, no later than ten days from the date attended, you must submit the record to Lion Liz.

This contest is valid only for District 2-A3 Leo Club members. Participating clubs must be willing to have FUN. The club with the most points will be announced at the District Leo Conference in May. Points will be tabulated by the District Chair, Lion Liz Bumguardner

