

Lions Club of Lago Vista

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A Meditation for the New Year







January 3 Business Meeting



RESERVATION

Our menu is listed below followed by the link that will take you to our website to order. Please remember ORDERS MUST BE MADE BY 5pm this coming Friday, Dec. 30. Cost remains at \$12. Chef Heidi is preparing & Sara & Bill Bush are hosting (thank you!!). Thanks & Happy New Year! Pat

Menu:

Chicken Ranchero
Garlic Parmesan mashed potatoes
Roasted Broccoli and Cauliflower
Brownie
Bottle of water





Happy Birthday, January Lions!

We're betting it will be a great year!



Ann Fry January 1

Gage Hunt January 2

Jay Keany January 3

Chelaine Marion January 3

Bob McCarty January 3

Eric Provost January 20

Paul Roberts January 30





Many club members rallied to Lion Dick Weatherly's call to cook, wrap and give away hot dawgs at this year's city tree lighting with a "new and improved" tree at the City Hall parking lot. The crew boiled, wrapped & gave away 1,200 hot dawgs in 1 1/2 hours!!! The warmer weather and cloudy skies were big factors that brought hundreds of residents out to enjoy festivities and see Santa Clause.

Follow the <u>LINK</u> to view photos from the afternoon & evening.

(Only a few of the many dedicated volunteers are pictured here). Photo credit: John Spoerlien.

Tree Lighting













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Holiday Party

The holiday spirit was alive and well at our well attended Party. Laughter, prizes, great food and music that prompted feet to follow the beat to the dance floor all contributed to a great evening of fellowship and fun. Many thanks to our outstanding Party Committee for a job well done and to Connie Zschoche for sharing her great photos of the evening's revelry.

CLICK HERE PARTY PHOTOS







KidSight Update

This month we did our last scheduled screening for the first half of our fiscal year. Your Certified Screeners did a great job. Thank you, KidSight volunteers for screening 4,576 kids! The average referral rate looks to have ranged from around 10% to a high of 21%, with an average of around 12%. That means that we referred around 550 kids who may have gone untreated and suffered difficulties in school and everyday life.

And I'd like to mention that through an oversight, last month's salute to our screeners omitted Phyllis Jordan. She has been an important addition to our cadre of volunteers, and we apologize for the omission.

In addition, we collected 3,572 eyeglasses from our 17 collection points in 2022. They have all gone to our recycling facility in Midland where they clean them, read the prescription and organize them for donation to beneficial organizations that do visual outreach.

Those 3,572 bring us up to <u>58,728</u> collected since we have been keeping records. If you were to value those at \$100/ pair (and those who wear glasses can tell you they usually pay more), that totals up to over \$5,800,000 in contributions.

I am sure that all Lions will agree that it simply feels good doing good. Merry Christmas!—Don Johndrow







KidSight Iowa

President Lion Gage highlighted how KidSight is important both in our club and in other clubs as well. Please access the article from Iowa University about KidSight in Iowa that he provided.

Wherever there are Lions, there are good people SERVING!

CLICK HERE







Lions Camp Update

Save the dates for the following important Lions Camp dates:

Work day - March 4, 2023 (Not sure what we will be doing yet)
Summer camp event - July 7, 2023, 6:30pm (Awards Night Hosts)

Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year to each and everyone of you Lions.





Lions Join the local Thanksgiving Meal Program





The Lago Vista Lions participated in a local initiative to provide food to our less fortunate neighbors for a Thanksgiving meal and more. This year, over 90 families consisting of over 375 adults and children were provided food right before Thanksgiving. This has grown from 40 families in 2020. Our local Lowes Market displays family meal bags that customers can purchase for donation to the Thanksgiving Meal Program. In addition, financial contributions from St Mary's Church, The Hope Center, & our Lago Vista Lions supplemented the Lowe's bags, including the purchase of turkeys. The Jonestown Community Center provided 41 Thanksgiving meals as well. Eligible recipients are identified by LVISD schools, The Hope Center, St Mary's Church, and the Jonestown Community Center. Each family is contacted to find out the number in the household and food boxes are packed appropriately, giving larger amounts of food to larger families. Donations are stored and distributed at St Mary's church. Each family is informed of the date and time for their pickup. Families without transportation can get the food delivered to their home.

Once again, where there is a need, there is a Lion. Be Lago Vista Lions roar!

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5 de Mayo Golf Tournament

Lion Don Johndrow has posted the latest update of the 2023 Golf Tournament spreadsheet on the website.

CLICK HERE TO GO TO THE GOLF TOURNAMENT
PAGE ON OUR WEBSITE





CALENDAR

Please refer to the calendar on our website **HERE** for updated information

When	What	Where
January 2 @ 3 pm-5pm	BOD Meeting	Zoom
January 3 @ 6 pm	Business Meeting	K-Oaks Clubhouse
January 14 - All day	3 rd District Conference	Kyle, Texas
January 14 - 8 am-10 am	Road Warriors	Fort, Lohman & Dawn Drive
January 17 - 6 pm	Program Meeting	K-Oaks Clubhouse



