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A Thought to Ponder

***“Far and away, the best prize
life has to offer is to work hard
at work worth doing.”***

Theodore Roosevelt

Labor Day honors those who work hard to create and maintain the essence of our Nation's communities through their individual and collective labor. The first Labor Day parade was held in New York City on September 5, 1882. The holiday was officially recognized as a federal holiday in 1894 by President Grover Cleveland who signed a law passed by Congress making the first Monday in September a national holiday.



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Community **AWARDS NIGHT** *Update*

August 8 marked the celebration of the 45th Anniversary of our Charter and a much deserved recognition of the many individuals and organizations that have contributed to our multiple efforts in support of our community.

The evening was beautifully and seamlessly executed and made all the more poignant by the recent demands and response to the tragic 4th of July floods as the organizers were able to include and thank the many Lions, businesses, organizations and citizens who did so much to assist during the worst of those events.

Our Charter embues us with the responsibility of serving but our service is enhanced by the contributions of the community we serve. It was so evident at our celebration. Please enjoy the picture album and slide show on the next page.



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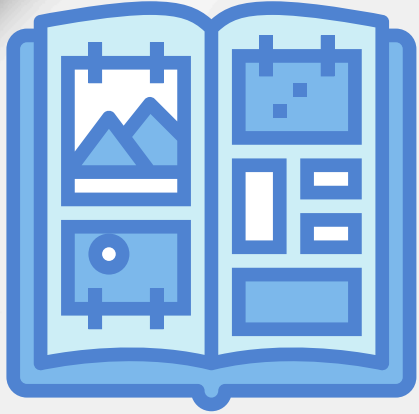
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[Click here for photo album](#)

The food was delicious (Thank you, Alfred) and the vibe was amazing! Many thanks to Rebecca Stone, Norma Owen and Bill Bush, as well as the entire Board of Directors for making our celebration an outstanding expression of humility and gratitude coupled with authentic appreciation for the community we are fortunate enough to serve!



[Click here for slide show
of past presidents](#)



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Congratulate These Exceptional Lions Recipients of Certificates of Recognition

Mike Beal

Bill Bush

Sara Bush

Michael De Sosa

Barry Duncan

Billie Duncan

Brenda Elliott

Mike Elliott

Pat Evans

Anna Johndrow

Don Johndrow

Ken Johnston

Jay Keany

Derek Kemp-LEO

Dennis Kemp

Jeff Noble

Connie Loeschner

Don Loeschner

Chelaine Marion

Cheri Marion

Bob McCarty

Julie McCreary

Patty McDanel

Dave McKittrick

Pamela L. Mills

Dale Mitchell

Jerry Nilsson-Weiskott

Susan Nilsson-Weiskott

Kathy O'Connor

Pat O'Dea-Rosen

Norma Owen

Shad Pellizzari

Elizabeth Perkins

Pete Pile

Eric Provost

Frank Robbins

Jan Robbins

Ted Rosen

Andrea Seger

Chad Seger

Jo Anne Smith

Kevin Smith

Ronald Smith

Rachelle Soper

Rebecca Stone

Kevin Sullivan

Dick Weatherly

Sue Weatherly

Mike Zaydel

Connie Zschoche

Don Zschoche



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The Kindness Matters Award

Each year, Lions Clubs International recognizes just a handful of clubs worldwide with the Kindness Matters Service Award, honoring projects that demonstrate exceptional creativity and impact in support of our global causes. Nominated at the club level, this award challenges Lions and Leos to design service projects that leave a lasting, positive mark on their communities.



Constitutional Area | Continued

Lago Vista Lions Club | Texas, United States | Anita's Loomers

Project overview: Created and distributed loom-knitted hats and comfort items for children facing severe medical challenges, particularly pediatric cancer patients. More than 800 items were made and donated to health care facilities, with additional support provided to Hospice Austin and Texas Lions Camp, expanding the project's reach to various care settings throughout the state.

Global cause: Childhood cancer

People served: 800+

Number of volunteer hours: 980

Number of volunteers: 44

McKeesport Lions Club | Pennsylvania, United States | Wheelchair Platform at Lions Bandshell

Project overview: Created a wheelchair-accessible park area at the local Lions bandshell, allowing community members with mobility challenges to attend weekly concerts and access restrooms. This project, in memory of a Lion who used a wheelchair, transformed the previous grassy area into a more accessible space, ensuring everyone can enjoy the summer concerts and navigate the park comfortably.

Global cause: Humanitarian

People served: 4+

Number of volunteer hours: 100

Number of volunteers: 31

Tracy Lions Club | Minnesota, United States | Help Tuck Them In

Project overview: Provided beds to children in need, including twin-size beds, mattresses, sheets and handmade quilts, all delivered and set up by Lions. Volunteers crafted the wooden bed frames, ensuring quality assembly. The project, funded through partnerships, grants, and donations, has delivered more than 100 beds and 10 cribs, helping multiple families in need. The project partners with local businesses, agencies, law enforcement, foster care, hospitals and non-Lion volunteers.

Global cause: Youth, humanitarian

People served: 200

Number of volunteer hours: 1,000

Number of volunteers: 50

We are proud to share that our very own Anita's Loomers project has received this prestigious honor! Originally founded by Past President Anita Burke and now led with dedication by Lion Cheri Marion, the project continues to bring comfort to children and adults facing cancer by creating warm, handmade loom hats.

This distinction is especially meaningful, as few clubs achieve it—and recipients are not eligible to apply again until the 2026–27 fiscal year. Our heartfelt thanks go to Lion Rebecca Stone for coordinating and submitting all the necessary documentation to ensure this project was recognized at the international level.

Please see the attached screenshot from the LCI website highlighting this achievement.



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Support the Lions



Sept 7

1-6 pm,

Lago Vista Brewing Company

Live Music, Silent Auction, Bountiful
Brews, with \$1 of every pint sold
donated to the Lions.

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...is firin' up to serve dinner Sept. 2!



Ribs, Brisket, Potato Salad and Cowboy Beans

All for only \$15! Order [HERE](#)



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September 16 Dinner



King Ranch Chicken Casserole

Garden Salad

Texas Chocolate Sheet Cake

Water

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Hosted by Brenda and Mike Elliott

Catered by Chef Becky

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Plan Ahead!!

Take a quick look at our September calendar and you will be blown away by how busy we are and can be. But that's not all! The end of the year promises to be just as full of opportunities to serve the community and have fun at the same time. Here's a little bit of a heads up!

October:

Meet the Candidates Night
National Night Out
Trunk or Treat



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Mark Your Calendars!

Please Note: Our calendar now includes some community events so we can plan more effectively.

Date	Event
September 1	Labor Day! Take it Easy!
September 1	Lions BOD Meeting 4pm- Primrose Room
September 2	Business Meeting-6pm-K-Oaks Clubhouse
September 7	<i>Fund Raising-Lago Vista Brewing Company-Silent Auction-Profit Sharing</i>
September 8 & 9	<i>KidSight Screening Lago Vista Middle School</i>
September 10	<i>KidSight Screening Liberty Hill Elementary School</i>
September 13	Road Warriors-Corner of Dawn and Lohman Ford
September 16	Sound the Alarm- BBQ Team providing food for event
September 16	<i>KidSight Screening-Rancho Sienna Elementary School</i>
September 16	Program Meeting 6pm-K-Oaks Clubhouse-Mike Elliott
September 18	<i>KidSight Screening-Bill Burden Elementary School</i>
September 20	<i>Texas State Archery Championship-Oak Ridge Archery</i>
September 23	<i>KidSight Screening-Liberty Hill Elementary</i>
September 24	<i>KidSight Screening-Lago Vista Intermediate School</i>
September 25	<i>KidSight Screening-Terra Rosa Elementary</i>
September 27	Jonestown Street Fair
September 30	<i>KidSight Screening-Louine Nobel Elementary School</i>

If you have a planned event please forward it to LionAnnaTX@gmail.com with Calendar Item in the subject line. We are working to avoid conflicts.

This edition of our newsletter has been proofread by Lions Norma Owen, Dale Mitchell and Don Johndrow



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