



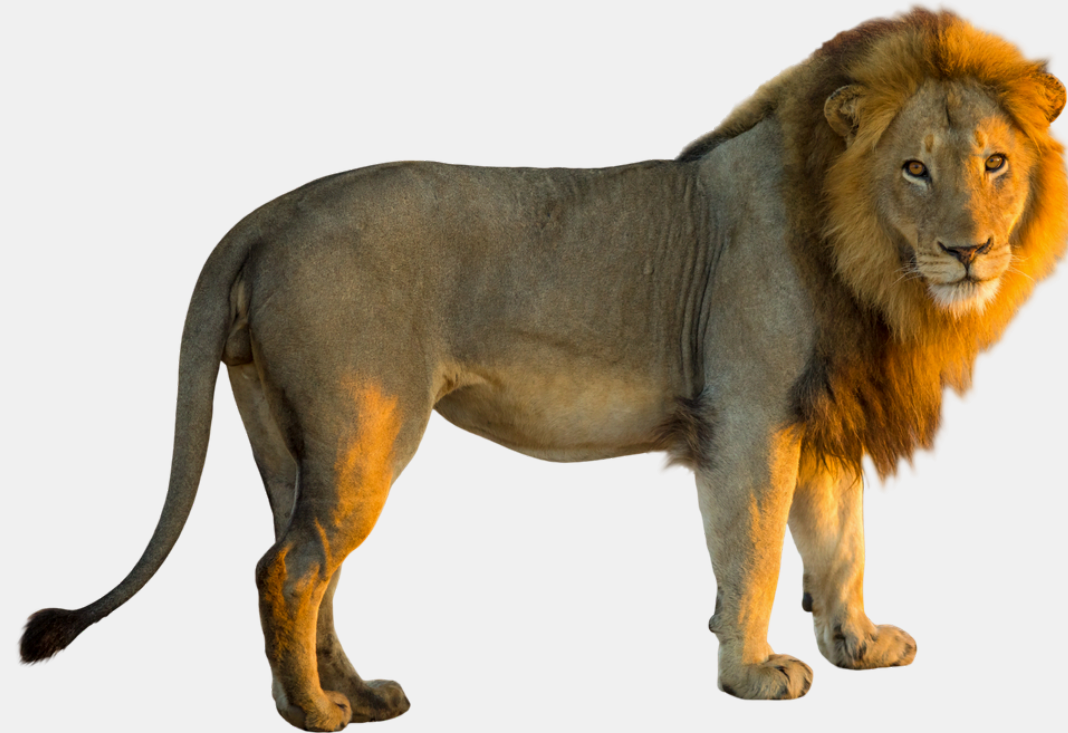
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## June, 2026 Newsletter

# Serving our Club and Our Community with Pride



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## *A Thought to Ponder*

*Change is the end result of all true learning."*

*— Leo Buscaglia*



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## Scholarships Awarded



Another productive school year has come to an end and our Scholarship Committee, under the expert guidance of Pat O’Dea Rosen has completed the difficult but rewarding task of awarding scholarships to the outstanding graduates of the Lago Vista High School.

This year, after careful consideration by the Committee members, Chair Pat O’Dea Rosen, Jan Robbins and Sara Bush, eighteen scholarships valued at \$18,500 were awarded to graduates headed to Universities, Colleges, Community Colleges and Vocational Programs. Congratulations to our hardworking Committee and the graduates.



The back row, from left to right : Aiden Neel, Tripp Henderson, Juan Garcia, Olsen Cratty, Keegan Downs- Middle row: Lucy Rees, James Cullen Parker, Kristen Norris, Mia Kinslow, Marlie Hawkins, Holt Birchard, Joshua Bailey- Front row: Haley Wray, Macy Thompson, Scotlyn Stamos, Saylor Stamos, Ania Saldana, Allisen Shipp



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Aiden Neel



## Local Leo Recognized

District 2-S3 is very proud to announce that our District is home to TWO students who were recognized for their outstanding submissions in the State Opportunities for Youth Contests!!

Aiden Neel, a Senior at Lago Vista High School, placed first in the Outstanding Youth Contest Youth Drug Awareness Speech Contest. Aiden will present his speech at the Texas Lions Opportunities for Youth Luncheon at the Lions State Convention in Odessa on May 30th, 2026.

Also, Mackenzy Roberts, a Senior at Cedar Creek High School, placed second in the recent Outstanding Youth Contest. The contest is judged on an interview, essay, biographical information, community service, leadership experience/participation experience, three letters of recommendation, and a high school transcript. Mackenzy is sponsored by the Bastrop Evening Lions Club. Congratulations!

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# SPIRIT DAY

Roaring thanks to  
**THE BUNKER**  
for another successful  
Spirit Day! April 14 saw  
the tables filled with  
hungry Lions.  
Coffers increased by  
\$240

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The  
Bunker  
Bar & Grill

The Smokin'  
Armadillos, Lions Paul  
Prince, Mark Douglas  
and Arminae McDonald  
kept us all singin' and  
toe tappin' while we  
gleefully contributed to  
the cause!

## Next Spirit Day: Bella Vista Italian Restaurant-June 9-All Day!



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## Grill Team is SIZZLING!

A last minute request from the organizer of the Kid Fest, held on May 2 led to our illustrious Jeff Koble organizing the Grill Team to provide for the needs of the event AND provide a bountiful \$700 for their effort! Thank you, Lion Jeff!

It is worth mentioning, that May 2 was the District Convention in Round Rock, the Sports Vision Screening at the LV High School AND the Kid Fest event. Because we are Lions and because we take our motto of WE SERVE very much to heart all events were covered with a smile and great results for all involved.



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# Ant Free Picnic!

## June 16 at K-Oaks

No ants and plenty of airconditioning! Now that's what I call a perfect picnic!

As is our tradition, this will be a fabulous pot luck celebration of a year of magnificent achievements and of great things to come. Get with Billie Duncan - [EMAIL HER BY CLICKING HERE](#) to participate in planning or to sign up for providing that DELICIOUS dish you are known for!



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## More SIZZLING!



Both the Grill Team and the BBQ team sometimes take a lot of ribbing (pun intended) for the amount of wait time that the grilling/smoking process takes. Pictures such as the one on the left can lead to a lot of “hard at work or hardly working” jokes.

BUT, while it will not be denied that one can hear the occasional “pssss” of a beer can flip tab, there is a lot of hard work involved. Take the recent Memorial Day St. Louis Style Rib event. Those delicious ribs had to be 1) Purchased 2) Seasoned and prepped 3) Grilled to perfection with just the right temperature and smoke density 4) Wrapped 5) Vacuum sealed 6) Released to the drooling population that was wise enough to order! Thank you, Grill Team...Lions Jeff Koble, Kevin Sullivan, Eric Provost and Doug Allen!



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## More Grillin'

When is a sausage not a sausage? When the Lago Vista Players commission our Grill Team to provide the Bangers for their quasi British meal of bangers and mash...appropriate for their recent production of *Calendar Girls*, which takes place in the small village of Knapely, Yorkshire, England. (By the way, included in the cast were calendar girls Lions Brenda Elliott and Anna Johndrow.)

The team swung into action, once again, and provided close to 400 perfectly grilled sausages...uh, sorry, bangers for the meal. The Players also provided a healthy little check in appreciation for the collaboration!



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## JUNE BIRTHDAYS

Norma Owen	June 3
Shirley Swahn	June 15
Pat O'Dea-Rosen	June 23
Dale Mitchel	June 25



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## Lions Camp - July 22 How to Serve

Our Club will be in charge of the refreshment stand on July 22 starting at 8:30 am. Service should be completed by 11:00 am. Want to be enriched by one of the best things the Lions do? Sign up with Dennis Kemp!



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## What's the State of YOUR Estate?



Our guest speaker at our May 19 meeting was attorney Elizabeth Null, a partner at Clayton, Ramirez and Null. Her presentation focused, with chilling accuracy, on the importance of having the appropriate documents in place in the event of the demise of a partner, family member or oneself to avoid delays in medical treatment, access to funds to cover needed expenses and to provide calm and confidence to those involved in providing care, solace and legal responsibilities.

Ms. Null provided multiple examples of the consequences of not knowing how the legal system works in Texas and the many misconceptions that the layman suffers under, assuming that the last will and testament of an individual will take care of financial responsibilities. She advised all of us to look at estate planning as a means to protect our loved ones from undue stress and liability, not just as a financial planning process.



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**Lion Barry Duncan**

## Thank You Lion Barry

Past President Jeff Koble paid a heartfelt tribute to one of our most dedicated but understated members, Lion Barry Duncan. Jeff recognized the invaluable contributions that Barry has diligently offered the club working in the background to provide welding needs for our smoker, building anything we can dream up, providing support to the BBQ team and always with a pleasant demeanor and quiet calm.

Our club is fortunate to have many selfless members who spend countless hours providing service to our community. Barry is not alone in this characteristic, but he embodies what so many of us take for granted. Thank you Barry for reminding us that service is what makes us LIONS!



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The flyer is for Spirit Day on June 9th. It features the Lions Club of Lago Vista logo at the top left, with the text 'IN SUPPORT OF THE LIONS CLUB OF LAGO VISTA HUNGER INITIATIVE'. The main title 'Spirit Day!' is written in large, colorful, cursive letters. Below it, a green banner says 'JUNE 9' and another banner says 'DINE OUT. GIVE BACK. FEED KIDS.'. The restaurant's logo 'Bella Vista' is shown with a small illustration of a table setting. The address '7708 Lohman Ford Lowes Shopping Center' is listed. A large green box contains the text 'BELLA VISTA ITALIAN RESTAURANT WILL DONATE A GENEROUS PERCENTAGE OF ALL SALES ON PREMISE \* TAKE OUT \* FOOD & BEVERAGE'. A handwritten-style note says 'Thank you for making a difference!' with a red heart. Below that, it says 'Proceeds fund the Lions Club of Lago Vista Hunger Initiative which helps to feed school children who qualify for the free food program at LVISD when school is out of session.'. At the bottom, there is a Facebook icon and the text 'JOIN US ON FACEBOOK! Search for Lions Club of Lago Vista Hunger Initiative'.

Our next Spirit Day is June 9 at Bella Vista Italian Restaurant. Be sure to save the date, and be extra hungry when you arrive with a contingent of hungry friends, neighbors and family! Bella Vista will donate a generous percentage of sales (be sure to mention you are there because of the Lions) to our Hunger Initiative.

And here is an great: Click [HERE](#) to open an email template, write FLYER in the subject and we'll send you a PDF of this flyer. Download it and attach it to emails you send to friends, post it on Facebook and Instagram. post it in your office or ask to put it up at businesses you frequent. And if you see it on Facebook, SHARE, SHARE, SHARE!



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## Calendar of Events



Click on the calendar and you will be magically transported to our website calendar...up to date events listed at your fingertips!

Click the calendar



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