

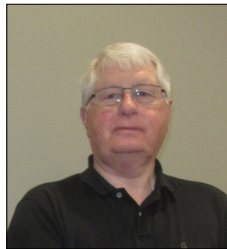
NORTHSIDE LION



October/November 2022

PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

Lion Bill Kelton



We participated in a new annual fundraiser, the Pancake Breakfast, on Saturday, September 24, with other Zone One Lions Clubs. The Downtown Lions Club Building at 200 Plaza Street here in Midland served as the location. Lion Tom Ochs coordinated our Club's efforts in this successful event. Our club members sold and collected more than \$2,000 for tickets and sponsorships, and eight of our members and one spouse participated in preparing and serving the pancakes and food items to the crowd.

595 meals were served between 7:00 AM and 1:00 PM. Other items were also sold including the traditional Lions Club pancake mix. 25% of the pre-event ticket sales money attributable to their sales efforts will go to each club for their ticket sales. The remaining profit raised from the Pancake Breakfast will go to traditional Lions charities and benevolences such as the Texas Lions Camp at Kerrville, Lions Eye Bank in San Angelo, vision screening, and eyeglass recycling programs.

I wish to thank all of our members involved and participating in the Pancake Breakfast, and congratulate Lion Tom Ochs for his efforts. Without this work and effort, the event would not have been a success. We look forward to another Pancake Breakfast next year with our zone committee and zone clubs to build on the success we had this year with the experience and knowledge we acquired.

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OCTOBER & NOVEMBER PROGRAM SCHEDULE

- 10/13 Preparing for Roar with Laughter
- 10/27 Business meeting
- 11/10 DG Carole Ann Brown's official visit
- 11/24 **No meeting. Happy Thanksgiving!**

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP



Erin Richardson and Lions Mark Singh and Dr. Brian Flowers look on as Lions Don Eckerty and John Wojtkun are about to present checks to Dr. Steve Thomas.

Midland Northside Lions Club held our annual scholarship presentation ceremony at Midland College on August 30. Lion Don Eckerty presented a check for \$1,500 to Midland College President Dr. Steve Thomas. This check was for an immediate scholarship to be awarded to a deserving student and it was later awarded to Ivan Valles. Erin Richardson, Director of Institutional Advancement and Scholarships, supervises the selection of the scholarship winner from applications that students have submitted.

Lion John Wojtkun also presented a check for \$2,500 to Dr. Thomas for the Midland Northside Lions Club scholarship endowment at the College. The endowment has grown over about 20 years to about \$40,000. Sometimes, Midland College also awards scholarships from the earnings of this endowment.

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The Pancake Breakfast gave us the opportunity to sell 10 tickets and distribute posters and flyers for our upcoming Roar with Laughter event scheduled for October 15, 2022, at the Hispanic Cultural Center at 1311 East Wadley Avenue, Midland.

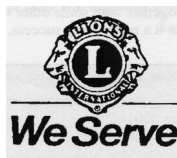
Our Roar with Laughter hilarity revue will include comedy, juggling, , magic, singing and dancing provided by Patsy Allen & Dana Ritter, PID Lion Marshall Cooper, Phil Newell, Chris Crawford, Hispanic Cultural Center dancers, David Hurta, Lion Mark Singh & The Silent Heckler, Bronson Chadwick, Lion Dr. Rob McGuire, and John Wojkun, Jr. Lion Aaron Battles will serve as Emcee. We have one more regularly scheduled meeting before the event. I urge all of our members to take the opportunity we have during the upcoming three weeks to sell Roar with Laughter sponsorships and tickets to insure a successful fundraising event.

Our District Governor, Lion Carole Ann Brown, will make her official visit to our club on Thursday, November 10. We look forward to her visit and her presentation on her desired objectives and goals during her service as District Governor. Please make plans to attend that special meeting.

As always, it is a pleasure to serve you in the Northside Lions Club.

EDITOR’S NOTE

Our 19th annual Roar with Laughter hilarity revue fundraiser is almost here. Thanks to Lion Dan Corrales, CBS7 has been running ads on TV. West Texas Radio Group will be running ads on their three radio stations also. Midland Reporter-Telegram has included the event in their Community Calendar. We have been visiting other Lions clubs, putting up posters and distributing flyers, as well as putting the information on social media. Lion Mike Seerey has posted the information on our website.



PROGRAM CHAIRS

December	Don Eckerty
January	Bill Kelton

GOVERNOR’S MESSAGE

District 2-A1 Governor Lion Carole Ann Brown



Greetings fellow Lions, it is wonderful how much District 2-A1 Lions serve! You truly help our fellow neighbors and strangers with hearts of pure selflessness. I am looking forward to seeing you all in Sonora in October.

The second week in November I will be going to Midland to speak at

some of the clubs in the area, and hopefully volunteering with some of you at TLERC. I would like to encourage each of you to bring in new Lions into your club. This is very important to keep your projects going!

Please think about starting a new Leo Club in Midland area to help your clubs with projects. Leos throughout Texas are learning through Lions, and helping with club projects! This is a win/win situation for Lions and Leos and our future! A Leo Club can be started as a “Community Leo Club” in that it does not have to be started in or through a school system. A Leo Club does have to be kids from 12-17 years and must start with 20 kids.

I am looking forward to meeting the exchange students going to Europe in the summer of 2023! Thank you so much, Lion Mark Singh, for being our Youth Exchange District Director, you have a wonderful Texas Lions Legacy for our Lions Youth!

Stay safe and open your club to new Lions! What is YOUR Texas Lions Legacy?

Save the Dates

- October 14-15 District Meeting, Sonora
- November 4-5 Council of Governor Meeting, New Braunfels
- January 13-14 Mid-Winter Conference, San Angelo Pearl on the Concho (Social 6 pm Friday). This is 1st weekend of Rodeo so book early!
- March 31st (social) - April 1, 2023 District Convention, San Angelo Pearl on the Concho.
- May 18-20, 2023 Texas State Lions Convention, Ft. Worth, Texas.
- July 7-11, 2023 Lions International Convention, Boston, Massachusetts

CLUB NEWS



Dr. Damon Kennedy, shown with Program Chairman Lion John Wojtkun, was our speaker on August 11. Dr. Kennedy is Dean and VP of Instructional Services at Midland College. He spoke about the Pre-K Academy . The club agreed to contribute \$200. The club also agreed to contribute 200% to Lions charities, amounting to \$768 for the year.

At the business meeting on August 25, Lion Tom Ochs gave a detailed report on plans for the Pancake Breakfast. The club agreed to contribute \$255 to the Midland West Side Lions Club for their clay shoot and \$1,000 to the Texas Lions Camp, honoring Lion Bill Kelton with a Jack Wiech Fellowship.



Paul and Jane Brown, shown with Program Chairman Lion Dan Corrales, were our speakers on September 8. They spoke about Live on Stage, a group that puts on five concerts a year at the Wagner Noel facility. The club agreed to contribute \$200. The rest of the meeting was spent discussing the Pancake Breakfast and Roar with Laughter.

At the business meeting on September 22, the club heard a report on the Pancake Breakfast from Lion Tom Ochs and made final plans for the event; continued planning for Roar with Laughter; dropped Dr. Tom Ready as a member at his request; designated Lion Aaron Battles to organize our Christmas dinner at Gerardo’s Casita at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 8; and agreed to sponsor two students to go to Europe on the Lions International Youth Exchange program next summer. Lion Don Eckerty reported that St. Ann’s, Goddard, Bowie, Trinity and Bynum schools are all working on the Peace Poster contest.

NORTHSIDE SCRAPBOOK



In the picture above, Lion John Wojtkun poses with two Midland College students, Mark Barriga and Ivan Valles, who attended our club meeting on September 8. Mark had also come to our desk at the Chaps Connect club fair on August 31. He is a business major who is also taking some medical technology classes. Ivan is the recipient of the Midland Northside Lions Club scholarship this year. He is taking courses preliminary to doing Mechanical Engineering. He is a graduate of Trinity School and he spent a year at Angelo State University before enrolling at Midland College.

SMILE

An American tourist was boasting about how they will send men to the moon again. Jack said, “We Irish are planning to send a man to the sun.” The tourist said, “That’s ridiculous. He’d be burnt to a cinder.” Jack replied, “We’ve thought of that. That’s why we’re sending him in the night.”

A woman explained to her son that his voice would change as he grew up. “Great,” said the boy, “I hope I get a French accent.”

Little Johnny was discussing his new teacher. He said, “She’s mean, but she’s fair.” “How’s that?” asked his mother. He replied, “ She’s mean to everyone.”

The preacher said to the congregation, “I want everyone who wants to go to heaven to stand up.” Everyone stood up, except for one old man in the front pew. The preacher repeated what he had said but the old man remained seated. The preacher said, “Brother James, I said, ‘Everyone who wants to go to heaven, stand up!’” The old man said, “Sorry, I thought you were getting together a group to go now, and I am not ready.”

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WORDS OF WIT AND WISDOM

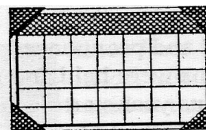
A compulsion is a highbrow term for a temptation we're not trying too hard to resist.
 Hugh Allen

Mishaps are like knives, that either serve us or cut us, as we grasp them by the blade or the handle.
 James Russell Lowell

Men kick friendship around like a football, but it doesn't seem to crack. Women treat it like glass and it goes to pieces.
 Anne Morrow Lindbergh

I am different from Washington: I have a higher, grander standard of principle. Washington could not lie. I can lie, but I won't.
 Mark Twain

MARK YOUR CALENDAR



Saturday, October 15
 Second District 2-A1 cabinet meeting
 Sonora, TX

Saturday, October 15, 7:30 p.m.
 19th annual *Roar with Laughter* hilarity revue
 Hispanic Cultural Center, 1311 E. Wadley

Thursday, December 8, 7:00 p.m.
 Northside Lions Christmas Dinner
 Gerardo's Casita

Saturday, January 14, 2023
 Third District 2-A1 (Mid-winter) cabinet meeting
 San Angelo at Pearl on the Concho Hotel

Saturday, April 29, 2023, 7 to 10 a.m.
 30th annual *WE SERVE Breakfast*
 Midland Park Mall food court



Happy Halloween!

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Midland Northside Lions Club meets on the second and fourth (except in June, November and December) Thursdays of the month at 7:00 a.m. **in the Rotary Community Room in the Cowden Dining Hall at Midland College, 3600 N. Garfield, Midland, TX 79705.**