

News from the Lion's Den

September 2017



Constitution Speaker

Mr. Bill Tofton spoke to us about the U. S. Constitution, and how it came into being. He said the Constitution is just written words, but has helped to build the greatest nation in the world. Its writers were businessmen, not scholars. The Constitution contains 5153 words. It took 55 men 100 days to write it. If they toiled for even 6 hours a day, which means that each word was given 6.4 hours of thought and consideration. The words of the Constitution were very carefully chosen. They mean what they say and say what they mean. Every word was scrutinized very carefully.

Vision Screening at Back Pack Give Away

Members of the Houston Cy-Fair Lions Club helped to do vision screening at the Houston Royal Oaks Back Pack Give Away on Sat. Aug. 5. Over 300 were screened, using 3 cameras within the District. Thanks to Lions Bob and Merrell who headed up this program.

Vision Screening at Fairbanks Library

Lions Julie and Sandy did vision screening on 16 children, with 4 referred for a complete eye

examination. Thanks to Lion Jennifer for setting us up for this important service.

Local Lions Club Wishes to Change Name

Two members of the Alief Lions Club met with the Houston Cy-Fair Lions Club to propose a name change to their club, as there is no longer anyone from Alief in that Club. The two members proposed "Cypress Lions Club", and were seeking our approval, as we are the Houston Cy-Fair Lions Club. Lions Jim Hoffman and Patrick Newman said they were very interested in our KidSight Vision Screening Program, and would like to learn more about it. Our Board of Directors voted to accept the name change of the Alief Lions Club to the Cypress Lions Club.

Concession Stand Remodeling

Under the guidance and tutelage of Lion Bob, the Concession Stand is undergoing major renovations. All equipment and supplies have been moved to the meeting room, walls have been freshly painted, and a new, durable, and easy to clean floor is being installed. During the moving of the Coke machines, it was discovered that we have a major problem with the drainage system in the floor, which needed to be repaired prior to the new floor being resurfaced. Many, many hours have been put in by several Lions to keep this project on tract. It was also discovered that the refrigerator in the kitchen has died, and will need to be replaced. There is still plenty to be done, in scrubbing and cleaning all of the machines from the facility. Many thanks to Lions Bob, Chuck, Merrell, Keith, Mazher, and others for all of their hard work and elbow grease to brighten up our facility.



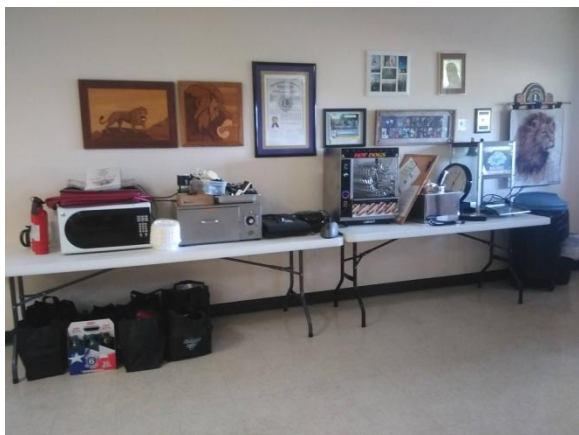
Lions Chuck, Bob, and Mazher continue to dismantle the kitchen prior to painting.



Everything had to be removed from the concession stand for the renovations.



President Keith taping and painting.



Machines and equipment were moved into the meeting room.

County Delivers Dirt

Thanks to Lion Gary Ginn, we received two truckloads of dirt under the big tree in front of the meeting room, to fill in the low area that fills with water after a heavy rain. The County workers even spread the dirt around for us. Thanks so much for Lion Gary and the County Parks workers who made this improvement possible.

Magic Show

The Magic Show will be held Mon. Sept. 18, at 7PM at the Berry Center. ALL Lions are encouraged to sell tickets, as all tickets sold by the membership is 100% profit to us. We will need Lions to attend the performance, to take tickets at the door, sell tickets, greet the public, and promote our Lions Club. Please plan on attending, wearing either your Lions Club vest or the purple Lions Club polo shirt.

Bob Dowden Dinner

The annual Bob Dowden Dinner, which totally benefits the Texas Lions Camp, will be held Sat. Sept. 30, registration starting at 4:30PM, dinner at 5:45 PM at the HYATT PLACE HOUSTON/THE WOODLANDS, 1909 RESEARCH FOREST DR. SHENANDOAH, TX 77380. HOUSTON CY-FAIR

LIONS CLUB HAS PURCHASED A TABLE FOR 10. PLEASE CONTACT LIONS SANDY (281-550-2798) OR JULIE (713-591-0084) TO CONFIRM YOUR PLACE. TICKETS ARE \$25 PER PERSON.

Hurricane Harvey

Houston and the surrounding area was devastated by this large hurricane. Again, major flooding disrupted lives, including some of our own Lions. Lion Milly again had water in her home, which also flooded during the Tax Day flooding in April 2016. Also affected were Lions Bud and Dorothy, who again are mopping up the water from both their business on Cypress North Houston, and their home. Lion Steve had some water in his kitchen. Many thanks for all who helped with the recovery, delivered supplies to the shelters, or any thing that was done, not only to our own Lions, but to the community.

Upcoming Events

Wed. Sept. 6, PSC meeting, 7PM at China Bear Restaurant off I-45 at Airtex, come enjoy the buffet at 6:30PM. Please bring any items you wish to place in the Silent Auction or Live Auction for the Bob Dowden Dinner later this month. Also please bring non-perishable food for the "Stuff a Car" state project. All of our donations will go to local food banks.

Sat. Sept. 9, "Shop Till You Drop" event at the Berry Center, sponsored by the Cy-Fair Women's Club. Again we will be doing KidSight Vision Screening all day, and will need Lions to man the camera, as well as Lions to encourage parents to get their children's' vision screened at no cost.

Tues. Sept. 12, 7 PM, regular Lions Club meeting. We will host the Handicapped

Campers and their families this evening. Come and hear the stories from the children who attended Texas Lions Camp, and remarks by their parents. The meal will be kid friendly hot dogs.

Sat. Sept. 16, KidSight Vision Screening at John Knox Presbyterian Church, on Gessner, 10AM to 4PM, during their Arts and Crafts show. We need Lions to greet people, and encourage parents to allow their children to be screened. This is a great way to publicize our Lions Club and the wonderful things we do in our community.

Mon. Sept. 18, 7PM, Magic Show at the Berry Center. We need Lions to greet people at the door, sell tickets, take tickets, direct people to the Theater, and promote our Club.

Tues. Sept. 26, 7PM, Lions Club meeting. We will host the Diabetic Campers and their families, and learn about their experiences at Texas Lions Camp.

Sat. Sept. 30, 4:30PM, the Bob Dowden Dinner benefiting the Texas Lions Camp. See previous information.

Sun. Oct. 1, 6AM, Biking for Sight Bike Ride, Montgomery High School Athletic Complex, Hwy. 105 W, Montgomery. We need all Lions to participate in this event. We need Lions to help at registration, direct cyclists at major turns, drive support to help riders who need a lift, put out signs, collect signs, pack the trailer prior to the event, and load everything back into the trailer at the end of the day. Please contact Lion Chuck, (281-685-6322) to pick your favorite job.

Oct. 6-7, Texas Lions Centennial event in Dallas, TX

Tues. Oct. 10, 7PM, regular Lions Club meeting. Guest speaker will be Richard Binckley who will discuss his adventures as a Camper at the Texas Lions Camp during the 1950's.

Sat. Oct. 14, 9AM, District 2-S2 Cabinet meeting, at the Lion's Den.

Tues. Oct. 24, 7PM, regular Lions Club meeting, guest will be Texas Lions Camp Elected Director Lion Lisa Free-Martin from the Magnolia Lions Club.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Happy Birthday to Lion Kim Westerman, on Sept. 2, and to Lion Sandy on Sept. 22.