

**Regular Minutes of the Houston Cy-Fair Lions Club  
Tuesday July 23, 2019 at 7PM at the Lions Den**

**Members: 13**

**Guests: 2**

Vice President Randy opened the meeting promptly, however, it seems he has lost the gavel already. Prayer was given by Lion Paul. Pledges were led by Lion Keith. Guests PDG Eddie Risha and Lion Diana were introduced. Vice President Randy thanked Lion Chuck for the Subway sandwich dinner. Lion Sandy made the tea, and Lion Julie brought dessert.

After the meal, Lion Chuck introduced PDG Eddie Risha, from the Conroe Noon Lions Club, the largest Club in the State, the 2nd largest in the USA and 10<sup>th</sup> largest in the world. Lion Diana Risha is with the Cut and Shoot Family Lions Club.

PDG Eddie thanked us for inviting him, saying “it is always a pleasure to come to this auspicious Lions Club.” He told three lame jokes to warm us up. The MD-2 State Lions Museum and Office is located in Kerrville, TX. Previously, an office was rented out, but things had to be moved out, and artifacts and papers were then stored in the garage of the State Secretary. In 2009, the Council of Governors tried to get permission to build a museum and office at the Texas Lions Camp, but it could not happen. The 2013-2014 Texas Council of Governors purchased a warehouse near the Texas Lions Camp, to serve as a museum and office. The Texas Lions Museum Foundation was named in 2016, and is now a state service project. Renovation of the building happened with the help of Lions throughout the state. The AC/heating system, overhead doors, front door, new flag poles, fencing of the property were all donated by Lions or Clubs or Districts. PDG Eddie is the first President of the Texas Lions Museum Foundation. Work is still ongoing. Eight special cabinets are needed to house artifacts. The Curator is a Lion who is donating her time to the project. Conroe Noon Lions Club has donated money for the signage for the building. \$200 per Club from our District has been requested to continue the build out, which our club donated last fiscal year. Each District Governor in the state appoints a trustee who serves a 3 year term. Special recognition awards such as Past International President Ebb Grindstaff, who just recently passed away, can be purchased for \$500, to which the recipient receives a plaque and special pin. There are \$100 Life Membership certificates that can be purchased as gifts. PDG Eddie urged everyone to visit the museum when in Kerrville. It sits on the loop just before the VA Hospital.

Secretary’s minutes were emailed to all. There were no corrections noted. Motion to accept as written was made by Lion Chuck, seconded by Lion Paul Yackley, and passed.

Treasurer’s report was given. All District 100 % contributions, State, Camp District and International dues have been paid. All members were urged to promptly pay dues.

The Credit Card Machine was having problems. Lion Chuck contacted the representative, and an update was downloaded. Hopefully that will fix the problem.

Lion Julie had no new membership to report. The two persons Lion Chuck has invited were not present, one had to work nights tonight, and the other did not respond.

Lion Brad reported that we will be stuffing the Kids Meals Bags next Tues., July 30 at 7 PM. He thanked everyone who took bags home to decorate. Lion Dorothy reported that Boys and Girls Country took 500 bags to decorate. Lions Brad and Chuck will go shopping after the District Cabinet meeting this Saturday. It was suggested that those with available SUV’s bring them to load and transport the bags the next morning. A coloring sheet will be added to each bag.

Lion Brad discussed the Concession stand. He is working 3 shifts this week. He invited a friend and former fellow Scouter to work with him and hopes he will consider membership. Since baseball will be over next week, he would like members to help close down the stand, making sure everything is properly stored away and/or frozen. He again requests that members from our Club step up and work in the concession stand, rather than paying other organizations to do our work. Lion Chuck reported there are no baseball tournaments scheduled in July and Aug. but he is hoping for weekend games in Sept.

The Celebration of Life for Lion Milly Spencer will be held tomorrow, July 24, at 11 AM at St. Stephen’s United Methodist Church, 2003 W. 43<sup>rd</sup> St. Lions that were available were encouraged to attend. Lion Chuck showed the engraved brick that will be placed by our flagpole in her memory.

Lion Julie reported 1 confirmed room rental and 2 prospective ones. General cleaning and polishing of the floors is to happen this week according to Lion Paul Yackley.

The clothing bin has been removed. Lions Bud and Dorothy had their 3 great grandsons, ages 13, 14, and 15, completely dismantle the building. Since it had not been emptied in about 3 years, articles inside were transferred to the dumpster. A wedding dress in a box was saved and will be taken to Angel's Attic for resale. About 25 pair of used eyeglasses were recovered, along with several rubber stamps that can be used in the Kids Meals project. Lion Julie was available with cages if any critters were found living in the bin, but only wasps, lizards, roaches and ants were found. Thanks to all who helped get this completed.

Lion Bud reported that he has been contacted by the Magic Show folks. A tentative date of Oct. 22 is being considered. A copy of the contract has been requested. Motion to continue negotiations for the Magic Show to be held on Tues. Oct. 22, was made by Lion Brad, seconded by Lion Keith, and passed.

Lion Chuck motioned to change the signatures on our bank accounts, removing Lion Keith, and replacing with Lion Randy. Motion was seconded by Lion John, and passed. Lion Chuck suggested we continue banking with Wells Fargo.

Lion Chuck presented Lion John Peterson with a Melvin Jones Award, explaining this is the highest award given to a Lion by his club. Lion John also received a special pin and a letter of congratulations. Lion Chuck then presented Lion Julie with a Jack Weiche Fellowship Award, explaining that Jack Weiche was the first President of the Texas Lions Camp. She also received a letter and a special pin. Congratulations to these fine Lions on their accomplishments.

The lawn mower has knocked PID Howard's plaque from its pole. Lion Bob just fixed one last week, VP Randy reported that his daughter, Lauren, attended TLC Diabetic Camp last week, and had a wonderful time as usual. He thanks the Club for sponsoring her.

Yesterday three members of the Harris County Appraisal District donated 190 pairs of used eyeglasses they had collected at that facility. The photographer they brought to document the presenting of the glasses said he attended TLC Diabetic Camp, and it was one of the best weeks of his life. Club brochures were given to everyone.

A Thank You was read from Paws for Heroes for our generous donation.

Sat. the District Cabinet meeting will be held in our building from 8:30AM- 1PM. Judge Lincoln from County Commissioners Office is to be the guest speaker. Everyone is invited.

With no further business, Lion Brad dismissed us at 8:25 with a hearty "2 Roars on 3".

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Martin, Secretary