

TEXAS LEO COUNCIL MEETING  
JULY 31-AUGUST 1, 2009

The Texas Leo Council met at 1:00 pm in the Spanish Oak Room at the YO Motel in Kerrville, Texas on July 31, 2009 and was opened by Leo President Aaron Beamon. The invocation was given by Leo Chaplain Morgan Paul. Leo Bobby Gerich led the Pledge of Allegiance and Leo Tamara Lee led the Leo Pledge. Leo Song Leader Rose James led members in singing "I'm a Little Teapot."

State Leo Chair Daisy Butz gave a summary of the First State Leo Conference in Lubbock, Texas on June 5-7, 2009. She stated her favorite moment was seeing Past International President Jimmy Ross dancing at the Leo Dance on Saturday night. Other Leos and Advisors followed with favorite moments of their own. She went on to say that last year was a learning experience for the State Conference and was done the way the Leos wanted and can probably make improvements on it this year.

Leo Advisor Mona Beamon said the Leos might not be aware that they had a service project while in Lubbock. The remaining Rudy's Barbeque from our lunch was donated to the Ronald McDonald House in Lubbock. It was received with surprise and much appreciation.

Leo President Aaron Beamon reported on the International Convention in Minneapolis stating, "Everything was great"...Beach Boys, Colin Powell, Teen Dance, Mall of America, Baseball game and the Parade.

Leo Hillary Cashmer will be unable to fulfill duties as State Leo Secretary. Leo Nina Rosamond of the C-Town Eagle Leo Club from Canton, Texas, was appointed State Leo Secretary. Leo Emily Elfaro of the Killeen Leo Club was appointed Historian and Leo Lorrell Wright of the Gonzales Leo Club would be Webmaster and Public Relations.

State Leo Chair Daisy Butz would like to build a Leo Foundation and wants to present a scholarship annually to a Texas Lions Camp Counselor who is a member of the Texas Leo Council. The Kosse Leo Club will give \$100 toward this scholarship and the Texas Leo Council will also contribute. Plans are to award a scholarship tonight to Leo Nicole Villarreal at the Texas Lions Camp Awards.

Future meetings of the Texas Leo Council are:

1. State Leo Conference in Dallas in November 2009
2. Leo Leadership Forum March 6-7, 2010 in Austin
3. Texas Lions Camp Work Day the first weekend in April 2010 in Kerrville.  
We will also have our Awards Ceremony at this time instead of at the State Conference in Dallas in November 2009.
4. 2010 International Convention in Australia

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State Leo Community projects are:

1. Used clothing, shoes, socks, and school supplies to the Rio Bravo Lions Club in Mexico August 6, 2009
2. Texas Lions Camp Work Day in April 2-4, 2010

Motion made, voted on and passed to move State Leo Conference to the Council of Governors meeting in November 2009 in Dallas.

State Leo Chair Daisy Butz will appear before the Council of Governors today to present a request for the State Leo Council to be included in their budget.

Roxanne Edom and Ynez Schnaiter to be removed from the bank account. Leos Shelby Torres, Bobby Gerich, Nina Rosamond, Aaron Beamon and Lions Mona Beamon, Elizabeth Bumguardner, Carlene Spicer, Jimmy Strickland, are to be added to each of the council's bank accounts.

The Leo Council had a surprise visit from Lions International President Eberhard Wirfs, Past Lions International President Jimmy Ross, and Lions International Director Beverly Stebbins. President Wirfs spoke briefly to the Leo Council with praise and encouraging words for Leo clubs.

State Leo Chair Daisy Butz said that state dues for Leos are \$2.00 per member and are due with Form 72 (officer list) by May 15 or October 1. Money is to be paid to the Texas Leo Council and mailed to Lion Daisy. She also reported that before the Council of Governors can make a decision about the budget, they want a list of expenses on how much was spent at the State Conference in June at Lubbock. The meeting adjourned for the evening to reconvene in the morning.

The State Leo Council met again on August 1<sup>st</sup> at 9:00 am at the Whitten Inn.

Liz Bumgardner, State Leo Co-Chair, reported that all used clothing for the "Truck Load of Love" project would go to Mable's Clinic in Nuevo Progreso, Mexico instead of Rio Bravo. The Rio Bravo Lions Club, Mexico cannot take the used clothing but they can accept school supplies and new items.

The Leos broke into committee groups with their Leo Advisors to plan for the State Conference in Dallas in November and the Awards Night in Kerrville in April. See attached list of committees, committee members and a brief report.

There will be break out sessions at the State Conference in November in Dallas. See attached list. Each session will have about a five-minute power point presentation to be led by the Leos.

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Lion Daisy mentioned that with a telephone call the Kosse Leo Club was added to the local funeral home's list of non-profit organizations for families that would rather money be spent that way instead of purchasing flowers for a loved ones funeral.

Each State Leo officer will be able to be contacted on the internet as [texasleochair@yahoo.com](mailto:texasleochair@yahoo.com), [texasleoco-chair@yahoo.com](mailto:texasleoco-chair@yahoo.com) etc...LeoPresident, LeoTreasurer, Leo Secretary, LeoWebmaster.

Respectfully submitted,  
Nina Rosamond, Secretary