

APRIL 2026

ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS MONTH

04/03/2026 – Rosewood
BINGO

04/07/2026 – General
Membership Meeting
(Elections)

04/10-11/2026 – District 2-
X3 Convention Palestine
Texas YMCA

04/14/2026 - KELC Board
Meeting

04/16/2026 – Killeen Food
Care Center

04/18-26/2026 – Week of
Service: Environment

04/18/2026 – KISD Health
and Wellness Event

04/21/2026 – General
Membership Meeting
(Food handler card class)

04/28/2026 – Financial
committee Budget
Meeting 6 p.m. at the den



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KISD Multicultural Festival March 12,2026



New member Induction: Maria Chavira March 17,2026



**Killeen Food Care Center
March 21, 2026**



**Killeen Crawfish Festival
March 28, 2026**



First Meeting of the Month Minutes:

General Meeting Minutes of the Killeen Evening Lions Club

March 3, 2026

On March 3, 2026, President Sharon Jackson-Smith called the meeting to order at 7:15 PM at the Killeen Evening Lion's Den located at 5100 South Trimmier Road Killeen, Texas 76547.

Invocation: Chaplain Beatrice Thompson.

Pledges: Lion Mindy Wilson.

Welcome Guest: None.

Tail Twister: Lion Alyssa McIntosh gave a multiple answer question only few got it correction and paid the Tamer's fine...

Dinner: Lion Beatrice Thompson established dinner service.

Minutes: PDG Lawrence L. Sanchez presented the minutes for February 3, 2026, President Sharon Jackson-Smith accepted the report by acclamation, The report will be archived into the records of the Killeen Evening Lions Club.

Treasurer's Report: No report.

Membership: PDG Lawrence Sanchez reported the Ms. Maria Chavira has turned in her application for membership.

Old Business:

Scholarship: Lion Mindy Wilson reported that the Passion for Service Scholarship has been turned into KISD. Deadline for Scholarship has been set for April 10, 2026. Scholarship Award. Night will be May 5, 2026.

Vision: Lion Mindy Wilson reported the Hay Branch Elementary screening event. PDG Lawrence Sanchez reported on the SPOT Scanner grant is still on the works. He also reported on the new computer program that will only check for acuity.

Lion Melissa Wilson reported that she picked up 220 pairs of glasses for recycling.

Charter Night: President reported on Charter Night and read the thank you card from PCC John Landrum.

Zone C1 Meeting: 2nd VP Jeff Southard reported that the next zone C1 meeting will be on March 14, 2026, at the Killeen Lion's Den at 10:00 AM. Harker Heights Lions Club will be the host club. He also mentioned that Governor Stacey will have a Membership Carnival on March 28, 2026.

Killeen Food Care Center: 2nd VP Jeff Southard reported that the Killeen Food Care Center service project on February 21, 2025. It was also a Park cleanup date right after the Killeen Food Care Center service project. He thanked everyone that attended.

New Business:

Slate of Officers: PDG Lawrence L. Sanchez conducted the first request for nomination for the Slate of Officers 2026-2027. There was only one slot open for the slate of officers, which was the 3rd VP slot. Lion Mindy has been nominated as the 3rd VP on the Slate of Officers.

KISD Health and Well Fair Event: President Sharon Jackson-Smith stated that the club has an opportunity to do a service project at the KISD Health and Wellness Event. The event will be held on April 28, 2026. Discussion on using the trailer or fixing the tent for Vision Screening at the event. President will find out if we can use the trailer at the special event center from the KISD H-W committee.

Crawfish Fest: PDG Lawrence L. Sanchez reported that the submission of the application for a Food Truck Health permit for Bell County has been completed. An application for the permit for the Crawfish Fest has been submitted. The event is scheduled for March 28, 2026, in downtown Killeen. Lion Mindy motioned for a \$100.00 permit fee for the Crawfish Fest be withdrawn from the activity fund. Lion Jeff Southard seconded the motion for the permit to be paid, Motion carried.

Rosewood Bingo: Lion Beatrice Thompson reported that bingo session Will be on March 6, 2026.

KISD Multi-Cultural Event: President Sharon Jackson-Smith reported that KISD Multi-Culture Event on March 12, 2026.

Lion Melissa Wilson and Ketric Wilson volunteer

LCI Convention: PDG Lawrence Sanchez reported on the LCI Dues increase is on the ballot for the vote at the LCI Convention which will be held in Hong Kong China.

2-X3 District Convention: PDG Lawrence Sanchez reported on the district convention will be April 10th and 11th in Palestine TX. The Club must select two delegates and two alternates to attend. The delegates will be President Sharon Jackson Smith and Ketric Wilson. The Alternates are Lion Beatrice Thompson and Lion Melissa Wilson.

Habitat for Humanity: Lion Mindy Wilson reported that Habitat for Humanity will have a trailer for donations of spring-cleaning items.

Correspondence /Calendar/Awards: Texas Lions Museum sent a thank you and the 2025-2026 banner patch. Texas Lions Camp sent the thank you for the donation to the honor of DG Stacey Phillips. Letter from Leader Dog. Went through the calendar.

For the Good of Lionism: Lion Bea Thompson report on PCC Richard "Dick" Robinson is not well. Chaplin had to buy flowers for Robinson's hospital stay. Birthdays for the month of February 2026 were Lion Jami Salter, Lion Louise Wilson, Lion Richard Brownlee, and Lion Gregory Hostettler.

Raffle: Lion Melissa Wilson won the Raffle.

Benediction: Chaplain Lion Beatrice Thompson gave us the benediction.

Adjournment: President adjourned the meeting at 8:47 PM.

Second Meeting of the Month Notes:

General Meeting Minutes of the Killeen Evening Lions Club March 17,2026

On March 17, 2026, President Sharon Jackson-Smith called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM at the Killeen Evening Lion's Den located at 5100 South Trimmier Road Killeen, Texas 76547.

Invocation: Chaplain Beatrice Thompson.

Pledges: Lion Angelica Acosta.

Welcome Guest: Mr. Charles Hanner, Brandi Hanner, Benter Abeka, Annie Luval, Tom Lungaho, and Ritz Browne.

Tail Twister: PDG Lawrence Sanchez fined anyone that was not wearing green, and any Lion that did not have their membership card.

Dinner: Lion Beatrice Thompson established dinner service.

Induction of New Member: PDG John Southard conducted the Induction ceremony of Lion Maria Chavira, to include her sponsor PDG Lawrence L. Sanchez.

Minutes: PDG Lawrence L. Sanchez presented the minutes for March 3, 2026. PDG John Southard motioned to accept the minutes as presented. Lion Angelica Acosta seconded the motion to accept the minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: PDG Lawrence Sanchez presented the treasurer's Report for March 2026. President Sharon Jackson-Smith accepted the report by acclamation, The report will be archived into the records of the Killeen Evening Lions Club.

Membership: PDG Lawrence Sanchez encourages membership to bring family and friends to our club meeting.

Old Business:

Slate of Officers: President Sharon Jackson-Smith conducted the second request for nomination for the Slate of Officers 2026-2027. PDG John Southard motioned that the Nominations for 2026-2027 be closed. PDG Lawrence Sanchez seconded the motion to close the nominations for 2026-2027. Motion carried.

Crawfish Fest: PDG Lawrence L. Sanchez reported that the event is scheduled for March 28, 2026, in downtown Killeen. Setup the trailer at 9:00 AM and be ready by 11:30 AM. Event will start at 12:00 PM until 6:00 PM

Rosewood Bingo: Lion Beatrice Thompson reported that bingo session was held on March 6, 2026. She thanked the four volunteers that help at the bingo session. There were nine residents that attended the bingo session.

Zone C1 Meeting: 2nd VP Jeff Southard reported on the 3rd Zone C1 meeting on March 14, 2026. Three clubs attended the meeting at Killeen Lion's Den at 10:00 AM. Harker Heights Lions Club was the host club.

Killeen Food Care Center: 2nd VP Jeff Southard reminded that the Killeen Food Care Center service project on February 21, 2025.

KISD Multi-Cultural Event: Lion Melissa Wilson reported that KISD Multi-Culture Event on March 12, 2026. Lion Melissa Wilson and Ketric Wilson were the volunteers. They both set up a booth and presented the Killeen Evening Lions Club at the event. There were approximately forty-six family members. Certificate was issued to the Killeen Evening Lions Club for the participation at the event.

Scholarship: Lion Mindy Wilson had no report.

Vision: Lion Melissa Wilson reported that she picked up 239 pairs of glasses for recycling for the month of March 2026.

KISD Health and Well Fair Event: President Sharon Jackson-Smith reported that she contacted KISD for the event on April 28, 2026. She mentions using the trailer or fixing the tent for Vision Screening at the event. President will find out if they event space have electrical socket for the vision printer.

New Business:

PDG Richard Robinson: PCC Richard Robinson reported on his health situation and his love and desire to stay with the club. He is to decide whether he will stay in the club.

Membership Carnival: He also mentioned that Governor Stacey will have a Membership Carnival on March 26, 2026. The event will start at 6:30 at Killeen Lion's Den. DG would like us to have volunteers and set up a table for our club at event.

Bingo License: PDG Lawrence Sanchez reported on the changes to our Bingo License because of new management. Lion Mindy Wilson motioned to place our Bingo license on administrative hold effective April 1, 2026, until the new unit (TBD) located at 704 Edwards Drive, Harker Heights Texas 76548 opens. PDG John Southard seconded the motion to approve. Motion carried.

Correspondence /Calendar/Awards: President went through the calendar. Killeen Evening Lions Club was given a Certificate of Appreciation for participation at the KISD Multicultural Event.

For the Good of Lionism: President Sharon Jackson-Smith paid tribute to a Past Texas Lions Camp Chair of the Board by reading Lion Susan Wallace obituary. She also mentioned PDG Richard Surface Memorial Service.

Raffle: 2nd VP Jeff Southard won the Raffle.

Benediction: Chaplain Lion Beatrice Thompson gave us the benediction.

Adjournment: President adjourned the meeting at 8:32 PM

*Lion-O-Gram
Publisher Louise
Wilson*



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KELC Secretary



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Lead to Serve, Serve to Lead with International President A.P. Singh

From the very beginning, Lions have welcomed everyone with a heart to serve — and that spirit shines especially bright when we engage younger generations. Young people bring fresh ideas, new energy and a passion for service that help keep our organization strong, relevant and growing.

To carry our mission into the next 100 years and beyond, we must continue inviting dynamic, service-minded people to stand alongside us.

Lions have a unique opportunity to grow alongside Leos through meaningful mentoring — including *reverse mentoring*, where young people inspire us with fresh ideas, new technologies like AI and service that speaks to their generation. By strengthening the journey from Alpha Leo to Omega Leo to Leo-Lion, and by building more family-friendly clubs, we open the door for younger neighbors, friends and families to join us in a lifetime of service.

The future of Lions is not ahead of us — it is already here, in the hands of the young. Together, across generations, we can continue to serve our communities — and the world — with purpose, compassion and love.

Together in service,

A.P. Singh
International President



Meeting Every 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the Month at 7:00 PM
Location: 5100 S. Trimmier Road, Killeen Texas 76547



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