

Lion-O-Gram

SEPTEMBER 2026

09/01/2026 – General
Membership Meeting

09/02-03/2026 –
Reece's Creek Elementary Vision

09/03-05/2026 – USA/Canada
Leadership Forum Memphis, TN

09/04/2026 – Rosewood BINGO

09/05/2026- Boots-Brew-BBQ
Festival

09/08/2026- Pershing Park
Elementary Vison

09/08/2026- KELC Board
Meeting

09/14/26 – Greater Killeen Lions
Foundation

09/15-16/2026 – Killeen
Elementary Vision

09/15/2026 – General
Membership Meeting

09/19/2026 – Killeen Food Care
Center / Park Clean Up

09/22-23/2026 – Joseph Fowler
Elementary Vision



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NAACP Back to School Vision

08/01/2026



CENTEX Mental Health Networking Meeting at CTC

08/02/2026



Central Texas Youth Services – Bari Gamble

08/04/2026



Zone C1 Chairman Lion Robert "Bob" Bower

08/04/2026



Lion Maria Chavira and Lion Gregory Hostetler Membership Cards/Auction

08/04/2026



Killeen Food Care Center

08/15/2026



Texas Lions Camp - Lion Maureen Montez

08/18/26



First Meeting of the Month Minutes:

General Meeting Minutes of the Killeen Evening Lions Club

August 4th, 2026

On August 4, 2026, President Louise Wilson 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: 3rd VP Mindy Wilson.

Welcome Guest: Bari Gamble and Lion Robert "Bob" Bower.

Tail Twister: Lion Alyssa McIntosh asked a multiple-choice question, and most members paid their fines.

Dinner: Lion Beatrice Thompson established dinner service.

Minutes: PDG Lawrence L. Sanchez presented the minutes for July 21, 2026. 3rd VP Mindy Wilson motioned that the minutes be accepted as amended. 1st VP Jeff Southard seconded that motion to accept the minutes as amended. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: No report.

Membership: IPP Sharon Jackson-Smith reported about her adventure at the Mental Health meeting at Central Texas College.

Program: Ms. Bari Gamble presented the Central Texas Youth Services based in Belton Texas.

Zone Chairman: Lion Robert "Bob" Bower introduced himself as the Zone C1 Zone Chair for 2026-2027.

Old Business:

Killeen Food Care Center: 1st VP Jeff Southard reported that the next Killeen Food Care Center service is scheduled for August 15, 2026, and counted the volunteers planning to attend.

NAACP Back to School Bash: IPP Sharon Jackson Smith briefed the club members on the completion of the Vision screening at the Back-to-School bash on August 1, 2026. Thirty-eight individuals were vision screened and nine failed.

Boots-Brew-BBQ Festival: PDG Lawrence Sanchez briefed the club members on the Boots-Brew-BBQ Festival. The festival will be held on September 5th, 2026.

SJC Food Truck Event: PDG Lawrence Sanchez briefed the club members on St Joseph Catholic Church Food Truck Event. The Fundraiser will be October 9, 2026. Right after the fundraiser the concession trailer will be located at Fort Hood Area Habitat for Humanity for the fundraiser on October 10, 2026.

New Business:

Project Playhouse: Lion Mindy stated that the KELC Board of Director have approved \$3500.00 for the Fort Hood Area Habitat for Humanity sponsorship for the Playhouse Project. She also stated that the coordination for the Fort Hood Area Habitat for Humanity Fund raiser has been established, referenced the KELC Concession Trailer.

Vision Training: 3rd VP Vice President Lyon Mindy Wilson reminded the club that there will be a Vision State certification training on August 20, 2026, at 9:00 AM at the American Legion in Temple TX. Secretary has sent registration information.

Killeen Leo Club: PDG Lawrence L. Sanchez briefed the club has been reinstated. Lion Melissa Wilson has a possibility of seven members to be joining the Killeen Leo Club.

Peace Poster Contest: Lion Sylvia S. Sanchez briefed the members about the Peace Poster Contest. She must attend an Art Teacher's meeting at the Chaparral High School at 1:00 PM August 5, 2026.

Correspondence /Calendar/Awards: No correspondence received. President went through calendar. She passed out the membership card for Lion Maria Chaveria, and Gregory Hostellier. Gregory Hostellier was also awarded his ten-year chevron.

For the Good of Lionism: Lion Bea Thompson provided an update on PCC Richards Robinson and announced that Lion Mellissa Wilson has a birthday this month. Club members sang "Happy Birthday" to her.

Auction: Auction was held at the meeting. Lion Bea brought a Bottle of wine, dove chocolates, and Pretzels. Boss Lion was the winner of the basket for \$25.00. Boss Lion will bring Brownies for auction next month.

Raffle: Boss Lion won the Raffle.

Benediction: Chaplain Lion Beatrice Thompson gave us the benediction.

Adjournment: President adjourned the meeting at 8:32 PM.

Second Meeting of the Month Notes:

General Meeting Minutes of the Killeen Evening Lions Club

August 18th, 2026

On August 18, 2026, President Louise Wilson 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: 2nd VP Ketric Wilson.

Welcome Guest: Lion Maureen Montez, Nora Reyes, Monica Larrangar, and William Karleson.

Tail Twister: Lion Alyssa McIntosh asked a multiple-choice question, and most members paid their fines.

Dinner: Lion Beatrice Thompson established dinner service.

Minutes: PDG Lawrence L. Sanchez presented the minutes for August 4, 2026. 3rd VP Mindy Wilson motioned that the minutes be accepted as amended. PDG John Southard seconded that motion to accept the minutes as amended. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: PDG Lawrence Sanchez presented the Treasurer's Report for August 2026. Boss Lion Accepted the report by acclamation and will be achieved into the records of KELC.

Membership: IPP Sharon Jackson-Smith encouraged to continue to invite potential members to meetings.

Program: Lion Maureen Montez the 2 -X3Texas Lions Camp Director made a presentation for the Texas Lions Camp.

Old Business:

Rosewood BINGO: Lion Bea Thompson reported on August 7, 2026, Rosewood Bingo service project. She had nine residences from Rosewood attend the Bingo Event. She also had seven Club volunteers.

Killeen Food Care Center: 1st VP Jeff Southard reported on August 15, 2026, service project for the KFCC. There were eleven volunteers to stock shelves and empty out refrigerator. He thanked all the attendees.

Vision Training: 3rd VP Vice President Lyon Mindy Wilson reminded the club that there will be a Vision State certification training on August 20, 2026, at 9:00 AM at the American Legion in Temple TX.

Killeen Leo Club: Leo Advisor Lion Melissa Wilson reported that the Killeen Leo Club will have an Informational meeting on August 30, 2026, at the Killeen Lion's Den from 3:00 PM until 5:00 PM.

Boots-Brew-BBQ Festival: PDG Lawrence Sanchez briefed the club members on the Boots-Brew-BBQ Festival. The festival will be held on September 5th, 2026. PDG Lawrence Sanchez needed someone to make an approval to pay Luis Acosta \$125.00 for his maintenance of the Air Condition on the Concession Trailer on August 12, 2026. 3rd VP Mindy Wilson motioned to pay \$125.00 to Luis Acosta for the maintenance done to the Concession Trailer. Lion Bea Thompson seconded the motion to pay Luis Acosta the \$125.00. Motion carried.

New Business:

Killeen Food Care Center: 1st VP Jeff Southard reported that the next Killeen Food Care Center service project will be on September 19, 2026.

Vision Screening: Lion Melissa Wilson announced all the Elementary schools that are scheduled to have us do their Vision Screening. She also coordinated the members that should be helping her with those schools scheduled. She reports that Lion Kirsten Ellerbrock and herself went to all locations where the club has Eyeglass Recycle Boxes and collected Two hundred forty-three pairs of eyeglasses.

GKLF Meeting: 3rd VP Mindy Wilson reported that the next foundation meeting will be on September 14, 2026. She also communicated the status of the Boys and Girls Club Woody Unit.

Correspondence /Calendar/Awards: Boss Lion reported on the correspondence received from Leader Dog. President went through calendar.

For the Good of Lionism: Lion Bea Thompson provided an update on PCC Richards Robinson.

Auction: Auction was held at the meeting. Boss Lion brought two diverse kinds of Brownies for auction. The Milk Chocolate Brownies went to Monica Larranaga for \$17.00. The Cherry Brownies went to PDG Lawrence Sanchez for \$15.00. PDG Will be cooking a stack of BBQ pork ribs for auction next month.

Raffle: 1st VP Jeff Southard won the Raffle

Benediction: Chaplain Lion Beatrice Thompson gave us the benediction.

Adjournment: President adjourned the meeting at 8:42 PM

*Lion-O-Gram
Publisher Louise
Wilson*



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KELC Secretary





A message from:

Patricia Vannett

Past International Director

GAT Constitutional Area I Leader

Lions of CA1,

Leaders of Constitutional Area I, this Lion year begins with both urgency and opportunity. *MISSION 1.5* enters its final year—and Constitutional Area I's success will depend on how intentionally we serve, how boldly we invite and how consistently we lead together.

Across the United States, our communities are changing. Expectations are shifting. People are searching for purpose, connection and impact. Lions can meet that moment — but only if we return to what has always made us strong: meaningful service that inspires others to join us.

This year, our shared theme is **Nurturing Growth Together**. It is not a slogan — it is a strategy. And it is anchored in the four priorities that guide Lions worldwide and define our path forward in CA I:

1. Get back to our roots by focusing on meaningful service.

District Governor Teams and Global Service Team leaders: this is your year to elevate service visibility and relevance. Zone chairs: this is your year to help clubs rediscover their identity through hands-on, community-centered projects. When service is strong, membership follows. When service is visible, communities respond. When service is meaningful, Lions stay.

MISSION 1.5 grows through service — not spreadsheets.

2. Plant seeds of growth by inviting new members.

Global Membership and Global Extension Teams: your work as the engine of *MISSION 1.5*. Growth is not about chasing numbers — it's about creating belonging. Every new Lion represents a future leader, a future idea, a future act of service that changes someone's life. Every cause and every community deserves Lions.

District Governor Teams: set the tone. Zone chairs: model the invitation. Club officers: make the welcome warm, intentional and personal.

Growth happens when people see Lions doing something that matters.

3. Let leadership shine by advocating for others.

Global Leadership Teams: this is your moment to build leaders who lift others. Leadership in CA I must be visible, confident and compassionate. It must be rooted in mentorship, advocacy and accountability.

District governors and council chairpersons: empower your teams. Vice district governors: be engaged today and search for future team leaders now. Zone chairs: champion your clubs. Every leader in CA I has the responsibility to help someone else rise.

When leadership shines, clubs stabilize. When leaders advocate, communities transform.

4. **Support LCIF and let it support you.**

LCIF is our global foundation — but for CA I, it is also a local multiplier. Grants strengthen service. Grants stabilize clubs. Grants help districts deliver impact that inspires membership.

Encourage giving. Encourage applying. LCIF is not separate from *MISSION 1.5* — it is one of its strongest tools.

A Unified CA I Commitment

MISSION 1.5's final year is not a countdown — it is a call to finish strong. CA I has the talent, the heart and the leadership to do it.

This year, let's commit to:

- **Service that is visible, needed and meaningful**
- **Growth that is intentional, personal and sustainable**
- **Leadership that advocates, mentors and empowers**
- **LCIF support that strengthens every district's impact**

District and Multiple District Global Action Teams — your collaboration is the differencemaker. Your unity is the multiplier. Your leadership is the spark.

Together, we will nurture growth. Together, we will strengthen CA I. Together, we will finish *MISSION 1.5* with pride, purpose and momentum.

Let's make this Lion year unforgettable — for our clubs, our communities and the future of Constitutional Area I.

In Service and Friendship,

Lion Pat



Meeting Every 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the Month at 7:00 PM
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