



Grand Prairie Host Lions Club Update

Presidential Message

August 2026

August Birthdays

Adrian Delgadillo	8/6
Sharon Fuentes	8/11
Jill Buchanan	8/19
Debbie Cantrell	8/27
Gerardo Vasquez	8/31



FYI!

****Please note the NEW Days and Times for our family social & board meetings! ****

****Family Socials will now be the 3rd THURSDAY of the month @ 6:30pm @ Outlaws BBQ****

****Board Meetings will be on the 2nd Tuesday of the month @YMCA @ 6:30pm**

****Please always reference the newsletter for all updates ****

Message from our club President Julie Huerta:

STRENGTHEN THE PRIDE

My fellow Grand Prairie Lions,

"As summer draws to a close, our Lions Club continues making a difference through vision care, community service, and support for local students heading back to school. Thank you to every member who helps us live our motto: We Serve."

Serving Our Neighbors During the Summer Heat

As temperatures continue to rise, our Lions Club is committed to helping protect vulnerable members of our community. Last month, we supported local **homeless cooling stations** that provide a safe, air-conditioned environment for individuals experiencing homelessness during periods of extreme heat. Cooling stations offer more than relief from high temperatures. They provide access to drinking water, snacks, information about community resources, and a welcoming space where people can find respite from dangerous weather conditions.

Our club members are assisting by:

- Washing Laundry & Setting up/moving cots etc.
- Volunteering at local cooling centers visiting with our unsheltered friends
- Driving to and from shelter to homeless camps
- Partnering with GPHOO to reach those in need
- Providing 100 homeless meals and donating water

Heat-related illnesses can develop quickly, especially for individuals without reliable shelter. By supporting cooling stations, Lions are helping save lives while demonstrating our commitment to service and compassion.

Lions Provide Vision Screenings at El Mochilón Back-to-School Event

Our Grand Prairie Host Lions Club is proud to participate in the annual El Mochilón Back-to-School Event on August 6th helping local students prepare for a successful school year. As families gather to receive backpacks and school supplies, Lions members provide **free vision screenings** to help identify potential vision concerns that could impact a child's learning and academic performance.

Whether providing vision screenings, supporting students, or helping those seeking relief from the summer heat, every act of service creates hope in our community.

Yours in Lionism,

Julie Huerta

2025-2027 Grand Prairie Host Lions Club President



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"The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others." — Mahatma Gandhi

Information on Upcoming Events:

August 1st – Leo's Award's 10am-1:30pm @ Mike Lewis Park 2410 N. Carrier Pkwy
August 4th – St. Michael's Food Distribution 8:30 am
August 6th – Noon meeting @ Grand Prairie Chamber of Commerce (Lion Orientation)
August 6th – El Mochilon with vision screenings
August 11th - Board Meeting @ YMCA @ 6:30pm
August 12th – International Youth Day
TBD Homeless Meal Prep
August 18th – St. Michael's Food Distribution 8:30 am
August 19th - World Humanitarian Day
August 20th – Family Social @ Outlaw's BBQ @ 6:30 pm
September 1st – St. Michael's Food Distribution 8:30 am
September 3rd - Noon meeting @ Grand Prairie Chamber of Commerce
September 7th – HAPPY LABOR DAY!

Don't Forget to Log Your Hours!

Visit our website at GPHostLionsClub.com

Please reach out to **Sunshine Chair Trudy Gill** 469-261-8951 about any information regarding illness, death, celebrations etc. of one of our Lions or their family.

Any information needing to get to our club such as event flyers can be sent to gphostlionsclub@gmail.com

NEXT MEETING TIMES, DATES AND LOCATIONS

Noon Meeting – Thursday August 6, 2026 @ Grand Prairie Chamber of Commerce

Board Meeting - Tuesday August 11, 2026 @ 6:30 pm @ Grand Prairie YMCA

Family Social - Thursday August 20, 2026 @ Outlaw's BBQ @ 6:30 pm