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Oak Cliff Lions Club Weekly CUB Newsletter

Next Meeting & Program

Wed., Jan. 18 | NOON

Weiss Auditorium | Methodist Hospital
1441 North Beckley Avenue, Dallas
No Reservation Required | Guests Welcome

Dakota Andersen, Musician

Dakota Andersen is a vocalist, multi-instrumentalist, educator, arranger and songwriter based in Denton, Texas. Currently, he is a graduate teaching fellow in the vocal jazz program at the University of North Texas (UNT) where he directs the vocal ensemble Avenue C, teaches a jazz voice class for non-majors and has a small private studio of jazz voice students. In addition, while at UNT, Andersen has sung with the university's first ever Latin Jazz Combo, as the featured vocalist with the Three O'Clock Lab Band on several student projects and recitals and with UNT's premiere vocal jazz ensemble, Jazz Singers.

Although he currently is honing his craft as a jazz vocalist, Andersen's musical interests also lie outside the realm of vocal jazz. During his time as a choral music education student at the University of Northern Iowa (UNI), he took advantage of several opportunities to diversify his skill set. From playing the trumpet in the award-winning Jazz Band One to playing small roles in the opera; from singing as a soloist in Bach cantatas and to playing weekly concerts on the university carillon, Andersen left UNI with a greater sense of musicality that he continues to utilize and improve upon while at UNT. Dakota is a native of Fairfield, Iowa. Upon graduation in May 2023, he plans to teach high school choral music with an emphasis on vocal jazz.



Meeting Recap

In case you missed it...

We had another packed room last week at the club. If you weren't there, you missed an excellent program! The CUB Editor asked some tough questions of DG Lion Wayne Meachum about the program's sordid history and family legacy.

After he could finally take the podium, Brett Shipp didn't disappoint as he gave a mini sermon about the demise of true investigative journalism. He encouraged us to support media outlets like the *Dallas Morning News* to help ensure they can continue to do real reporting. He also shared a recent expose story he did on the death of a DISD teacher that he uncovered scanning audit documents. The family finally has some closure.

We also had a number of guests including Bailey Metzger, Mark Casey, John Dodd's grandson Justin and soon-to-be new member Dena McDonald.



Upcoming Programs



January 18
Dakota Anderson, Musician

January 25
Rob Crain, Attorney

Announcements



First Tuesday Meetings Return!

Join us for our Tuesday night meeting tomorrow!

Yes, we know this is not the first Tuesday of the month. We just can't wait that long!!!

Taco y Vino
213 W 8th St.

5:30 to 7 p.m.

Thank you, Lion Joe McElroy for helping bring these back!



Support LSTF
Enter to Win
2023 Ford
Maverick Pickup

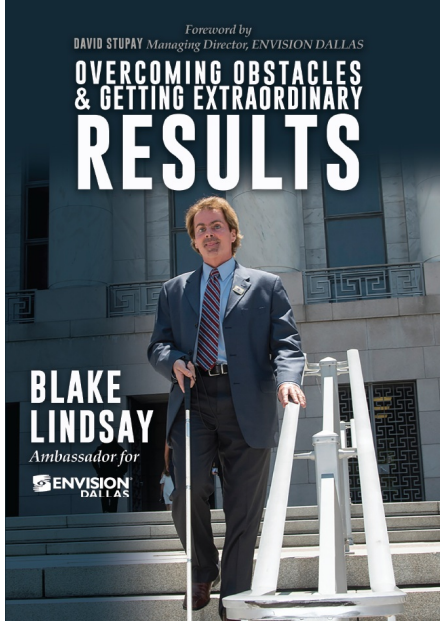


Support LSTF. Win a Truck!

The Lions Sight and Tissue Foundation has been part of District 2X-1 since 1956 with OCLC as one of the founding member clubs. This year LSTF has examined over 2,300 North Texans and we've put glasses on nearly 2,000 of them. But this comes at a cost of fuel, bus maintenance and equipment.

To raise money, LSTF is selling tickets to win a 2023 Ford Maverick Hybrid Pickup Truck. Tickets are \$100 each, and no more than 1,000 tickets will be sold. The winning ticket will be drawn at the Denim & Diamonds Gala in June.

Visit <https://go.eventgroovefundraising.com/lstf> to purchase.



Buy Lion Blake's Book to Support OCLC

Our President Lion Blake Lindsay has released his book *Overcoming Obstacles and Getting Extraordinary Results* this month and has offered to sell discounted copies of the book as a fundraiser for the Oak Cliff Lions Club.

The MSRP of the book is \$19.95, and he will offer copies to OCLC members and guests for \$10 each with \$5.80 going to the OCLC Activity Account to support our charities.

We are honored to have such a generous and inspiring leader this year. To read more about his book and story, visit the link below.

<https://www.blakelindsay.com/blog-archive/overcoming-obstacles-announcement>

Sunshine & Care

Past President Lion Diana Ezzell and her husband David were out with COVID, Lion Tom Strom needs our prayers, and Lion Larry Frazier has been in the hospital, and his beloved wife Lion Kathy has been by his side. Past President Lion John Dodd asked to keep the family of former Farmers Branch Mayor Bob Phelps in your prayers for the grandson that was killed in a car crash recently.

Please send Sunshine & Care updates to [Lion Chaplain Steve Bayless](#).

Birthdays

January

1 James Buerger, Chad West, Maria Romero
8 Dr. Weldon Estes
11 Stoney Greene, Barbara Key
13 Alison Beazley Reese

16 Joe McElroy
17 Dottie Dunnam
19 Jeannie Furlong
20 Alan Schrock-Santana
31 Darla Wisdom

Service Opportunities

Meals on Wheels

9:30 AM - Monday thru Friday

PRIORITY NEED: 1st and/or 5th Mondays

Cliff Temple Baptist Church, 134 W 10th Street. Dallas, TX 75208

For more details and to sign up, email [Lion Teri Bailey](#).

North Dallas Shared Ministries Adult Eye Clinic (2nd Friday)

January date TBD - 8 AM to noon

2875 Merrell Rd. Dallas, TX 75229

Diabetes Awareness and Wellness Now (DAWN) **District 2X-1 Sponsored**

Saturdays, February 11th - 10 AM to 1 PM

Juanita Craft Rec Center, 4500 Spring Ave, Dallas TX 75210

Contact PP Lion Nia MacKay (972) 697-3521

Upcoming Events

Jan. 21 Mid Winter Conference | Richardson

Apr. 14-15 District Convention | Richardson

May 18-20 MD-2 State Texas Lions Convention | Fort Worth | [REGISTRATION LINK](#)

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