



MD27B1 District Cabinet Minutes

Date: Sunday, January 19, 2025

Location: Eagles Club-Fond du lac

Questions: Reply to this email – dajach@yahoo.com or call – 920-860-6162 or Laurie Sasada sasadalaurie@gmail.com

No specific training or meeting prior to Lunch & social, open at 11:30

Lunch & Social: 12:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Meeting: 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Agenda:

- 1) Call Meeting to Order – DG Dave Holschbach
- 2) Pledge of Allegiance – DG Dave Holschbach
- 3) Prayer – *Lion Pat Knier*
- 4) Moment of Silence for DG Kerrie Molter
- 5) Welcome & Thank You – DG Dave Holschbach
- 6) Video Message from VP AP Singh

Key points form message: Must give clubs support/help in gaining new members, membership is everyone responsibility! Clubs make it enjoyable to be part of your club, this will retain members and gain new members. DG's are challenged to charter a new club in their term. It is not about the #'s, but more members mean that we can serve more people. Leaders, lead by example – sponsor a new club – clubs that have dropped below 20 members, target those clubs. Membership should be discussed at all levels.

- 7) Introduction of Guests – DG Dave Holschbach – *No guests*
- 8) Approval of Updated Agenda – DG Dave Holschbach
Motion made by Lion John Stephen, Seconded by Lion Kailie Heinz - passed
- 9) Roll Call – Cabinet Secretary Lion Laurie Sasada
Sign-up sheet passed around – 31 Lions in attendance
- 10) Tail Twister Meeting Rules – Lion Terry Erbstoesser
Reminder of the 3-minute time limit per report. For this meeting all were to wear red/white/blue, all attending complied.
- 11) Secretary's Report – Cabinet Secretary Lion Laurie Sasada
 - a. Approval of October 4th Cabinet Minutes – Emailed
Motion by PDG Tom Wendt, seconded by Lion Scott Scovronski to accept as submitted; passed
 - b. Approval of November 8-9th District Convention Minutes – Emailed
Motion by Lion Kailie Heinz, seconded by Lion John Stephen to accept as submitted; passed
 - c. Correspondence
Montello Lion Nicolette Russo looking for help in getting her name correctly spelled; DG Dave will investigate
 - d. Video & reporting – PDG Jerry Post
Video "The Push" was viewed. Message; a mother eagle must give her young a push to fly. Need it/Give it!
- 12) Treasurer's Report – Lion Earlene Samz
 - a. 2024-2025 District Financial Report thru December 31, 2024 – **REPORT**
Motion by PD BJ, seconded by Lion Paul Baroun to accept as presented; passed

b. 2024 District Convention financial – **REPORT**

There is money from 2 ads to come in yet, 1stVDG and 2ndVDG are working on. There was a cost for 2 meeting room @ \$400.00/ea. that was to be included per conversation with Joan from the hotel, this was not in writing and at time of convention and were dealing with a different lady. Motion made by Lion John Stephen to accept the report, seconded by Lion Scott Scovronski; passed

13) Old Business

a. Kindness Matters nomination - **REPORT**

b. Van Dyne Medical Locker update – PDG Tom Wendt

The correct name is WestLake Medical Locker. Very busy and very well stocked, shelves are full. Volunteer hours are available for any club to donate their time. Working with other Medical Lockers, if one doesn't have a certain item, maybe another locker does.

c. Other Medical Lockers – Tri City Medical Locker - IPDG Greg Kubichka - **REPORT**

d. Fox Valley Medical Locker – solicitation – Lion Scott Scovronski (**ACTION ITEM**)

***Report.** Motion was made by PDG Tom Wendt, seconded by PDG Jerry Post for Fox Valley Medical Equipment Locker to solicit funds in 27-B1 for a Lions Club International Matching Grant up to \$150,000.00 LCIF Coordinator Scott Scovronski will monitor response. Both 27-B1 and 27-B2 have voted to solicit funds.*

14) New Business

a. Fairwater Lions Club – Markesan Grand River Lions Club

Fairwater Lions Club was reinstated as of 12/16/2024.

b. Youth Exchange Trailer - (**ACTION ITEM**)

***Report** Looking for donations towards the cost of the new trailer. Any funds donated over the cost of the trailer will be earmarked for future costs to the trailer. This is a statewide trailer. There is \$2,123.55 in the account for Youth Exchange and \$1,700.00 is earmarked for the exchange program. Motion was made by PDG BJ Blahnik and seconded by Lion Scott Scovronski to donate \$400.00 of the remaining money to the new trailer; passed*

c. WI Lions State Bowling Tournament – **REPORT**

12 teams paid, 17 reserved - April 5th the DG's will be bowling

d. Banner update – Marilyn Shady

The 2nd banner is being completed at a cost around \$50.00, once this banner is completed the patches will be sewed on.

15) District Governor Reports

a. DG Updates

i. Council of Governors (COG) Meeting Lions University now has a Post Docturate level, State Membership is (92) and District 27B1 is (18). State Peace Poster winner has been selected, Thank You to Rosendale for the district winner.

b. FVDG Update – Lion Roxanne Wendt – **REPORT**

Rooms can be now booked for the 2025 District convention – cost is \$119.00 a room. Will be promoting the Peace Essay Contest during her term.

c. SVDG Update – Lion Barb Leichtfuss

Has been out doing club visits, keeping her mind and eyes open, and has been learning so much!

d. Committee Reports

i. GMT Coordinator – PDG BJ Blahnik

Retention is key! He Is available for Zone Meetings, please reach out.

ii. GLT Coordinator – PDG Tom Wendt -Lions Summit, ELLI, District Workshop - **REPORT**

iii. GST Coordinator – PDG Dave Brinkman

Keep an eye on the Club Health Assessment reports, these will tell you when clubs last reported a service activity. Bring up at Zone meetings the importance of your club reporting.

iv. District Administrator-Lions Portal – PDG Dave Brinkman

Discuss at Zone meetings and club visits what positions are considered “local”. Officers are NOT “local”. Logging of Officers correctly is VERY important. Stress getting your new club officers into the portal early, July 1st is too late! DG Dave and PDG Dave will begin reminding clubs in May to report Club Officers.

v. LCIF Coordinator – Lion Scott Scovronski - **REPORT**

1.State LCIF donation challenge & collection - REPORT

- vi. Wisconsin Lions Foundation– WLF Director PDG Fred Gebhart & WLF Director Gary Silah - **Report**
- vii. Vision/Special Olympics – WLF Director PDG Lion Fred Gebhart - update screenings
- viii. Hearing – Lion Wendy Hartmann
- ix. Lions Eye Bank of Wisconsin – LEBW Director William Fletcher/Member at Large Al Kanugh
- x. Constitution & Bylaws/Policies & Procedures – PDG Jerry Post & PDG Lion Gary Silah (**ACTION ITEM**)
 - 1) **Report District Bank – Motion made by PDG Gary Silah, seconded by Lion Scot Scovronski to accept as presented; passed**
 - 2) *Excess Fund – Tabled for recommendation by DG/1stVDG/2ndVDG*
 - 3) *Reimbursement MD27 State Convention – Motion was made by PDG Mike De Baere, seconded by PDG Tom Wendt to Reimburse two Lions (District Election Chair and District Secretary preferred) to attend MD27 State Convention, Reimbursement to be \$200.00 plus milage per person. Discussion was had. Amendment was made by PDG BJ Blahnik, seconded by Lion Nancy Schumacher to: Reimburse two Lions (District Election Chair and District Secretary preferred) to attend MD27 State Convention, Reimbursement to be one hotel night, one meal and mileage per person per LCI rules of audit. Passed*
 - 4) *Mission – Discussion – Question from PDG BJ Blahnik, before making any motion, is there funding from the state. Tabled for now.*
- xi. Marketing – PCC Lion BJ Blahnik
 - Marketing Administrator – Lion Kailie Heinz - **REPORT**
- xii. IT/Technology/Historian/Website – PDG Tom Clausen – Report - **REPORT**
- xiii. Newspaper Editor – Lion Marilyn Shady - **REPORT**
- xiv. District Convention – summation report DG Dave Holschbach - **REPORT**
 - WI State Lions Convention – District Ad (**ACTION ITEM**)
 - Motion was made by PDG BJ Blahnik, seconded by PDG Tom Wendt to place a full-page ad with QR Code (\$150.00) in the 2025 Wisconsin Lions State Convention Booklet. Passed DG Dave will work with Lion Kailie on the ad.*
- xv. District Raffle – Lion John Stephen - Final report
- xvi. Elections & Nominations – PDG Gary Colton
 - It is not too early for us to start looking for a 2nd Vice District Governor Candidate for nomination at our 50th District Convention. Will need one if not two new members to my Elections/Nominations committees.*
- xvii. Pins/Peace Poster – Lion Kailie Heinz – **REPORT**
 - Adding Peace Essay to this position/chair for next year.*
- xviii. Pediatric Cancer – IPDG Lion Greg Kubichka - **REPORT**
- xix. Leader Dog – Lion Ella Stanelle – **REPORT**
 - 27-B1 is leader in donations – great point to ad to State Convention booklet ad!*
- xx. LEO's – Lion Gary Roehrig - **REPORT**
 - Possible club in Hilbert – Kiel club still on Hold.*
- xxi. Youth Exchange – Lion Pat Shikoski - Youth exchange camp - **REPORT**
- xxii. Restoring Hope Transplant House – SVDG Barb Leichtfuss - **REPORT**
- xxiii. Environment – Lion Bonnie Hughes - **REPORT**
- xxiv. Diabetes – PDG Lion Mike DeBaere
- xxv. Hunger – Sandy Muche - **REPORT**
- xxvi. Wisconsin Lions Missions – Lion Pat Knier - **REPORT**

16) Zone Chair Reports

- a. Zone 1 – open – PDG Fred Gebhart
 - Next Zone meeting February 6th*
- b. Zone 2 – Lion Paul Baroun
 - Report turned in at cabinet meeting, see attached.*
- c. Zone 3 – Lion Lea Thibodeau - **REPORT**
- d. Zone 4 - Lion Lea Thibodeau - **REPORT**
- e. Zone 5 – Lion Mary Jo Abler - **REPORT**
- f. Zone 6 – Lion Sue Lee - **REPORT**

- g.** Zone 7 - Lion Ella Stanelle - **REPORT**
- h.** Zone 8 – Lion Nancy Schumacher - **REPORT**
- i.** Zone 9 – Lion Laurie Sasada - **REPORT**
- j.** Zone 10 – Lion Bill Fletcher
- k.** Zone 11 – Lion Pat Karasek - **REPORT**

17) Other Business

Two members of the Eagles club announced they would like to continue to work with the 27-B1 Cabinet to have our meetings in their facility. Please contact them with the dates of our meetings.

Dan Scheer is the contact. 920-979-9743 dannoscheer@gmail.com

18) Comments & Questions – Everyone Next Meeting – Sunday, March 9, 2025, Eagles Club Fond du lac

19) Meeting Adjourned – *Motion made by Lion John Stephen, seconded by Lion Kailie Heinz – passed unanimously 4:24 pm*

Submitted 1/27/2025

Lion Laurie Sasada – Cabinet Secretary

LIONS OF DISTRICT 27 B 1							
2024 - 2025 BUDGET							
• as approved Cabinet Meeting 811M2024							
							31-Dec-24
			Total Budget	% of Total Budget	% Budget Amount	Actual Amount	total
						variance	
Receipts							
2023-2024 Cabinet Brought Forward			0.00	100%	0.00	0.00	0.00
Interest			50.00	100%	50.00	877.16	877.16
Tail Twister			350.00	100%	350.00	401.50	401.50
Dues: District Account	(4.50 X 1835)		8,257.50	50%	4,128.75	4,104.00	(24.75)
State Account	(10.50 X 1835)		19,267.50	50%	9,633.75	9,577.71	(56.04)
State Family Discount	(5.25 X 185)		(971.25)	50%	(485.63)	(449.73)	35.90
State Bonding	(10.86 X 63)		675.36	100%	675.36	684.18	8.82
District Training Funct	(1.50 X 1835)		2,752.50	50%	1,376.25	1,368.00	(8.25)
District Pins	(3.00 X 200)		600.00	50%	300.00	238.00	(62.00)
District Raffle	(5.00 X 13000)		6,500.00	100%	6,500.00	3,475.00	(3,025.00)
District Convention (ind Dues funding)			17,587.50	100%	17,587.50	16,067.07	(1,520.43)
Other Auctions etc.			200.00	100%	200.00	0.00	(200.00)
Miscellaneous			180.89	50%	90.45	100.00	9.56
TOTAL RECEIPTS			55,450.00		40,406.43	36,442.89	(\$3,963.54)
Expenditures							
State Dues			18,296.25	50%	9,148.13	9,127.98	20.15
State Bonding			675.36	100%	675.36	684.18	(8.82)
Office			300.00	85%	255.00	473.87	(218.87)
District Governor			1,100.00	0%	0.00	0.00	0.00
Vice District Governor			450.00	0%	0.00	0.00	0.00
2nd Vice Distfict Governor			450.00	0%	0.00	0.00	0.00
Zone Chairmen	(9@125.00)		1,125.00	0%	0.00	0.00	0.00
District Chairmen	(20@75.00)		1,500.00	0%	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cabinet Seaeafy/T reasurer			700.00	0%	0.00	0.00	0.00
WLF Chairmen	(2@400.00)		800.00	0%	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cabinet Meeting Dinners	(4@350.00)		1,400.00	50%	700.00	535.50	164.50
Appreciation Awards			500.00	0%	0.00	0.00	0.00
GMT/GLT/GST/District Admin	(4@ 200.00)		800.00	0%	0.00	0.00	0.00
Eye Bank Director			200.00	0%	0.00	0.00	0.00
*** Training and Education	(1835@ 1.50)		2,752.50	50%	1,376.25	1,000.00	376.25
District Pins			450.00	100%	450.00	500.00	(50.00)
Marketing			600.00	50%	300.00	0.00	300.00
Raffle Printing			150.00	100%	150.00	157.20	(7.20)
District Raffle donation			3,000.00	25%	750.00	811.00	(61.00)
Miscellaneous - webs☺			300.00	100%	300.00	389.00	(89.00)
District Raffle			3,250.00	100%	3,250.00	1,737.50	1,512.50
District Convention			17,563.80	100%	17,563.80	14,498.29	3,065.51
District Raffle License			51.00	100%	51.00	0.00	51.00
LCI Donatioo-Tailtwister			0.00	0%	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES			56,413.91		34,969.54	29,914.52	\$5,055.02
EXCESS for remainder of year			(963.91)		5,436.90	6,528.37	1,091.48
EXCESS from 2023-2024 year			10,193.48			0.00	10,193.48
OPERATIONS BALANCE							\$16,721.85
UNDESIGNATED BALANCE							\$34,378.88
CHECKBOOK BALANCE							\$51,100.73

LIONS of DISTRICT 27 B1					
Non Budgeted Funds as of December 31, 2024					
CHILDHOOD CANCER			RECEIVED	SPENT	BALANCE
	Carryover 6/30/24	\$484.89			
			344.91		
	Spent			0.00	\$829.80
FUTURE CONVENTION DOWNPAYMENTS					
	Carryover 6/30/24	\$1,500.00			
	Receipts		0.00		
	Spent			1,000.00	\$500.00
YOUTH EXCHANGE & OUTREACH					
	Carryover 6/30/24	\$1,773.55			
	Receipts		350.00		
	Spent			0.00	\$2,123.55
B1 HEARING					
	Carryover 6/30/24	\$2,335.00			
	Receipts		625.00		
	Spent			2,335.00	\$625.00
BIRCH STURM/RAY HEMPEL					
	Carryover 6/30/24	\$775.00			
	Receipts		2,025.00		
	Spent			1,000.00	\$1,800.00
WISCONSIN LIONS MISSION					
	Carryover 6/30/24	\$4,027.69			
	Receipts		375.00		
	Spent			1,822.48	\$2,580.21
EMERGENCY FUND					
	Carryover 6/30/24	\$2,057.45			
	Receipts		25.00		
	Spent			0.00	\$2,082.45
DIABETES-FOUNDATION					
	Carryover 6/30/24	\$5,626.65			
	Receipts		800.00		
	Spent			0.00	\$6,426.65
LCI GRANT					
	Carryover 6/30/24	\$0.00			
	Receipts		22,805.00		
	Spent			22,805.00	\$0.00
VISION SCREENING					
	Carryover 6/30/24	\$11,587.76			
	Receipts		0.00		
	Spent			723.49	\$10,864.27
DISTRICT TRAINING FUNDS					
	Carryover 6/30/24	\$6,046.95			
	Receipts		0.00		
	Spent			0.00	\$6,046.95
SPECIAL VISION DEVICES					
	Carryover 6/30/24	\$500.00			
	Receipts		0.00		
	Spent			0.00	\$500.00
CAMP PICNIC TABLES					
	Carryover 6/30/24	\$0.00			
	Receipts		0.00		
	Spent			0.00	\$0.00
TOTAL UNDESIGNATED FUNDS					
	Carryover 6/30/21	\$36,714.94			
	Receipts		27,349.91		
	Spent			29,685.97	
	BALANCE				\$34,378.88

WISCONSIN MISSIONS

After talking with Lion Pat Knier at our District convention about funds for Wisconsin Missions, there are few Lions that don't know or understand what they can be used for and how to request funds. So as a start for a policy, I present the following guidelines to request funds.

TITLE: Wisconsin Missions

AUTHORS: Lion Pat Knier, PDG Jerry Post

DATE: January 1, 2025

PURPOSE: Guidelines to request funds

REASON: No guidelines exist

RESOLVE: For individuals that travel for Wisconsin Missions, funds are available for the following items.

- 1.) Gas for all vehicles used for the mission shall be paid.
- 2.) Any rental that pertains to the mission shall be paid. (Trailer, Truck etc.)
- 3.) Use of another Lions club or individuals' trailer, a donation of \$200 shall be donated for wear in the use of the trailer. (Tires, brakes, lights, inside and outside, hitch, equalizers or other parts of the trailer.)
- 4.) Funds shall not be used for hotels, food, or mileage as that would deplete the funds quickly.
- 5.) Can be used for emergency disaster relief. (Food, clothing, water and medications.)

January 11th, 2025 Council of Governors Meeting

MD27 GST Report

First off, some really exciting news! The Appleton Noon Lions Club was selected to receive one of the 2023-2024 Kindness Matters Service Awards from Lions International! This was NOT a solo effort. There are 11 clubs involved in the Fox Valley Medical Equipment Loan Locker project. They are; Appleton Noon, Appleton Evening, Freedom, Grand Chute, Greenville Men's, Greenville Women's, Heart of the Valley, Kaukauna, Larson/Winchester, Neenah, and Sherwood. Congratulations to all of the clubs involved!!!

Reporting of service on the Lion Portal. As of November 30th, there were 138 clubs in Wisconsin that had not reported any service in 2024. Of these, I was able to post a comment on 95 of their Facebook pages. My comment was something to the effect of "Fantastic! What a great service project/fundraiser! Thanks for all that your club does for your community. Don't forget to log this as service on the new Lions Portal. -PDG Pat Furey, MD27 GST Coordinator." Of the 95 posts, 10 clubs responded by reporting service! Of those ten clubs, 5 of them had not reported service for over 2 years!

While we are making some progress, the real work needs to start at home. Some of the clubs represented here today have not reported any service for 2024. We need each of you to go back to your club and ask your President and/or Secretary "When was the last time our club reported service." Each one of you in this room, has the ability to create a service entry in the new Lion Portal. But only your club president, secretary, service chair or club administrator have the ability to post the final report.

Lions Tri-City Medical Locker

New Holstein Lions, Chilton Lions, Kiel Lions are coming together to start a new location for a Medical Locker in New Holstein.

Mission Statement

To ensure that individuals and families in need of durable medical equipment in the tri-city area have access to safe, clean, repurposed equipment by loaning it to them at no cost.

A new 501 C3 is being formed. We have 13 board members, phone 920898TCML (8265). We can use an existing building. Working on building shelves and preparing a list of volunteers and 5 Manager positions to help with the day-to-day operations. When we have enough volunteers, we will be able to know what days we are able to open. We are looking for Spring 2025 around March. We have signage on order, forms coming for waivers and stickers for the equipment.

We are working on Personal Care items, contacts and donations to purchase needed items.

Please like and follow Facebook page- "**Lions Tri City Medical locker**". Or share the sign-up sheet

**FOX VALLEY LIONS MEDICAL EQUIPMENT LOAN LOCKER BUILDING
REQUEST TO SOLICIT FUNDS IN 27 B2
FOR A LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL (LCIF) MATCHING GRANT
(Up to \$150,000)**

Background:

1. A zoom meeting was held on Monday January 6, 2025. The following information was shared.
2. The Fox Valley Lions Medical Equipment Loan Locker is a non-profit organization that offers access to medical equipment without charge to residents of the Fox Valley communities (but no one is turned away). The locker is a collection of new and used medical equipment and supplies housed in their leased building at 312 W Northland Ave, Appleton, WI 54914. The equipment is housed in one place that can be loaned out at no charge to those who have a need.
3. How does it work? People simply show up during the hours the loan locker is open and check out the equipment they need for as long as they need it. It is a loan. There is no charge and minimal paperwork is involved. When they no longer need the equipment, they return it to the locker. Donations (equipment and cash) are always welcome and are used to replace worn equipment and fund the operation. Typical items loaned out, in order of volume include: 4-wheel walker, wheel chairs (all sizes), shower chairs, toilet riser, commode, bathtub transfer benches, bed rails, travelchairs, toilet rails, lift chairs, knee scooters, hospital beds and a number of miscellaneous items.
4. Supporting the Fox Valley Medical Equipment Loan Locker, named in memory of MJ Tassoul, a long time Lion and former Valley business owner are the following Lions Clubs: from 27 B1-Appleton Evening, Appleton Noon, Neenah, Sherwood, Larsen-Winchester and from 27 B2 - -Freedom, Grand Chute, Greenville Lions, Greenville Lioness Lions, Heart of the Valley, Kaukauna. The FVLML is lead by a Board of Directors and Elected Officers.
5. The FVLML currently leases the building on Northland Ave. This is a 3,000 square foot space. They have a 3-year lease now with a 2-year option. The current landlord is elderly with medical issues. His will bequeath the property to another non-profit who will sell it for cash. The locker gets about 40 clients per day, when open. The parking lot is crowded then. The building inside and aisles are crowded when open and when equipment is pulled out to be looked at. The locker will need another location. The locker serves a vital need, PEOPLE HELPING PEOPLE. Just since its August 2023 opening through October 2024, 3100 clients have been served. Checking out other vacant buildings- -the lease cost is twice as much as current rental costs.
6. A Building Committee has found a new location on a site that hosts several other non-profit organizations, such as United Way, Leavens, St. Joseph Food Pantry and 211. Two parcels of land, totaling three quarters of an acre are available. This location is well within a radius of a large number of Appleton residents, i.e. convenient. (by the old Shopko, Piggly Wiggly, across from the UW-Fox Valley).

7. The Locker fulfills a much-needed service. The lease will end. Rental costs for other buildings is much larger. More parking room is needed. More room is needed to drop off medical equipment. A larger waiting area is needed. The Building Committee has investigated a new site, lay-out and cost of a new building. With collaboration and cooperation, the cost of a \$2.3 million 7,000 square foot building can be funded. Sources of funding are being explored by seasoned fundraisers, with connections in the Fox Valley.
8. This is a Lions Medical Equipment Loan Locker. LCIF Matching Grants can be an integral part of this funding. The maximum amount of LCIF Matching Grants have recently been raised from \$100,000 to \$150,000.
9. Action Item: Permission is being requested to solicit funds from 27 B2 Lions Clubs and Lions for a \$150,000 Matching Grant.
10. This would be \$150,000 grant from LCIF with \$150,000 from 27 B2. Now, the first \$75,000 of our \$150,000 can come from another organization or non-profit in the Fox Valley from other sources . A Lion is willing to donate matching 50% of the \$75,000 balance (the most that an individual Lion can donate towards our match portion). This means that 27 B2 would be responsible to raise the \$37,500 balance.
11. Note: District 27 B1 is asking the B1 cabinet for the same. This means a total of \$600,000 could come from Lions Clubs donations & other sources, together with the Matching Grants. And yes, two matching grants can be requested for the same project due to geographic location.
12. Timeline: Our goal is to have each district submit a matching grant application to LCIF by May 1, 2025 deadline in time for the lead time for the LCIF Board of Trustees August 2025 meeting. We do not have to have our \$37,500 in our bank account by May 1st. Once the grant is approved, the grant dollars from LCIF are not released until the Lions matching dollars are accumulated and verified. Ground-breaking for the new building is anticipated for the Spring of 2026.
13. Questions?
14. January 6 Zoom Meeting participants:

Coordinator PCC BJ Blahnik	
B2 1 st VDG Mike Milbach	B2 LCIF Coordinator PID Wayne Heiman
B1 DG Dave Holschbach	B1 1 st VDG Roxanne Wendt
B1 LCIF District Coordinator Scott Scovronski	B2 DG Mae Enz excused
Sue Jungen	John Franger

Report/request submitted by: Lion Wayne Heiman
 N7866 West River Road
 Manawa, WI 54949 ph (920)538-2738
heiman_wayne@live.com

Send donations to:

Re: trailer
From: Ray Tweedale (tweedale@charter.net)
To: dajach@yahoo.com
Cc: shikoski@yahoo.com
Date: Saturday, December 21, 2024 at 02:58 PM CST
DG Lion Dave,

We purchased new trailer at \$5,185. So far have received funds amounting to \$4,000. (3 districts A1, A2 and D1)

Any extra funds we get will be earmarked for any future fees associated with the trailer.

Best wishes to you and yours and Merry Christmas!

Lion Ray Tweedale
MD27 - WISCONSIN, USA YCE Chair
Youth Camp & Exchange INCOMING Chair
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Camp Vista - One Week, One Camp, One World
<http://www.wisconsinlionsyouthexchange.org>
August 10 - August 17, 2025

----- Original Message -----

From "Dave Holschbach" <dajach@yahoo.com>
To "Ray Tweedale" <tweedale@charter.net>
Date 12/21/2024 2:51:40 PM
Subject trailer

Lion Ray:

Where do you stand on donations to pay for the Youth Exchange trailer ?

I don't have a cabinet meeting until January 19th and want to give an update to everyone.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

DG Dave



Roofing material complete
Leaks badly. Est. \$2000 to
Due to leaks, severe mold

Size is 8 ft wide
by 14 ft long
3000 lbs empty
3500 lbs full

Windows leak and
susceptible to breakage

1968 TRAILBLAZER CAMPER
gutted and used for storage

74th ANNUAL WISCONSIN STATE LIONS/LEOS
 BOWLING TOURNAMENT
 Experience the Lions Bowling Tournament

Commaraderie! old friends! Make new friends! Enter a raffle! Bowl! Have fun!

March 15 – April 13

Sponsored by: Sheboygan Noon Lions

Lakeshore Lanes - 2519 Business Dr, Sheboygan, WI

Reserved Entries are Due March 1, 2025. After March 1st Entries will be a First Come First Served Basis.
 Entries close on April 12th. All reservations will be based on lane availability

All bowlers must be Lions or Leos in good standing.

PREFERRED DATE & TIME
 Enter choices based on your travel plans.
 Clubs greater than 50 mi from Sheboygan
 will be given highest priority.

CHECK-IN TIME:
 1 hour before shift.

Make checks out to:
 Sheboygan Noon Lions
 c/o Lion Mike Stubler
 419 Michigan Ave
 Oostburg, WI 53070
 or
 use email to pay via PayPal

**New two division format with
 updated handicap system**

Divisions based on bowler's average
 Singles - 175 and under / Over 175
 Doubles - Combined average of 350 / under over 350
 Team - Combined average of 700 / under and aver 700

Handicap is 90% of 235

BOWLING / SQUAD TIME RELATED QUESTIONS

<https://wisconsinlions.com/bowling>

Sheboygan Noon Lions Club c/o Lion Mike Stubler
 419 Michigan Ave Oostburg, WI 53070
 (920) 889-1852
 bowling.coach.mike@gmail.com

<https://www.wilionsb1.org/sheboygan-noon>

The Wisconsin Lions State Bowling Tournament is held annually on a rotating basis throughout the Districts of MD27. The tournament is open only to Lions and Leos in good standing. Applications must be completed with all the requested information including the LCI member number. The Wisconsin Lions State Bowling Tournament is a handicap tournament using the formula of 90% of the bowlers established average off of 235. See entry blank for appropriate established average to be used. Team captains are responsible for reporting correct bowler's averages. Failure to record correct averages will disqualify scores. When determining average we will defer to USBC rule 319 for Lions (317 for Leos) for guidance. Champions will be determined by total pinfall with handicap. 100% of prize money will be awarded on at least a 1:7 ratio.

OFFICE USE ONLY	
ENTRY NO.	
T	TEAM DATE
M	DOUBLES & SINGLES DATE

The Sheboygan Noon Lions

Present the
74th Annual Wisconsin State
Lions Bowling Tournament
Sheboygan 2025

OFFICE USE ONLY				
Team	Doubles	Singles	All Events	TOTAL
Lane	Scratch Doubles	Lanes	Scratch	Scratch Options TOTAL

BOWLERS ELIGIBLE TO BOWL ONLY ONCE IN EACH EVENT

TEAM NAME					
PRINT PLEASE PRINT FULL NAME AS APPEARS ON USBC CARD NO LINE-UP CHANGES ON SITE IN ANY EVENT.					
		LAST YEARS HIGHEST AVERAGE	USBC ID NUMBER	LCI #	Lion Average
1	FULL NAME				
	HOME ADDRESS				
	CITY/STATE				
	ZIP CODE				
2	FULL NAME				
	HOME ADDRESS				
	CITY/STATE				
	ZIP CODE				
3	FULL NAME				
	HOME ADDRESS				
	CITY/STATE				
	ZIP CODE				
4	FULL NAME				
	HOME ADDRESS				
	CITY/STATE				
	ZIP CODE				

Requested Dates	
Team Date	_____
Double & Singles Date	_____
List two alternative dates:	
1.	_____
2.	_____

March 15th to
April 13th, 2025

↑ EVERY BOWLER MUST FURNISH COMPLETE ADDRESS AND ID NUMBER ↓

TEAM CAPTAIN	EMAIL
HOME ADDRESS	
CITY, STATE, ZIP	DAYTIME PHONE

Single & Double Events		Entry Calculator	
SETS OF DOUBLES & SINGLES (MUST HAVE TWO BOWLERS FOR EACH SET) BOWLERS MUST BOWL BOTH DOUBLES AND SINGLES			
		HANDICAP	
		_____ Team @ \$120 = _____	
		_____ Doubles @ \$60 = _____	
		_____ Singles @ \$30 = _____	
		_____ All Events @ \$ 5 = _____	
		GRAND TOTAL _____	

Event Fee = \$30	
Prize Money	\$7.50
Bowling Fee	\$14.00
Admin Fee	\$6.00
Lion State Fee	\$2.50

Averages to be used are the higher of; Last year's USBC league average, This year's league average where 21 games have been bowled, Lions tournament average, or Non-sanctioned league average. Bowlers without an established average will use the default average. Men will bowl with a 150 average and ladies with a 125. If this year's average or a non-sanctioned average is entered, the bowling center and league name must be provided in above spaces

Mail check and Entry Blank to:
Sheboygan Noon Lions c/o Mike Stubler

419 Michigan Ave Oostburg WI 53070

Email entry blank and PayPal to bowling.coach.mike@gmail.com

★ All Events ★
Lakeshore Lanes
2519 S Business Dr.
Sheboygan WI 53081

District Governor Elect 27B1 Cabinet Report

January 12, 2025

How time flies, hard to believe we are ½ way through our Lion's year and in less than 6 months I will be your District Governor.

As training continues for me, pre-COG meeting training quarterly, I'll be going to St. Charles IL. Feb. 10th to 14th, I will be attending the Lions Summit Feb. 14th-16th I can't help but get excited about my upcoming year, including my selection of cabinet members, thanks to all who have agreed to step up.

Upcoming training and Lion events:

District training, May 10th, centrally located at the Eagles of FDL. something for all Lions.

Wis. State Convention May 1st – May 3, Lacrosse Wi.

International Convention, July 13th -17th Orlando Fl. Great opportunity to attend an International Convention

Lastly our District 27B1 Convention Nov. 14 & 15, 2025, theme "Smiles are Contagious", Friday night "Lions Rock & Roll" Sock Hop, Oshkosh Marriot Waterfront Hotel. Highlight this year, our 50th anniversary of District 27B1 Conventions, we will be honoring all past B1 District Governors. Also, many interesting speakers and seminars. Watch for more information to be posted.

Your District Governor Elect

Roxanne Wendt

December 29, 2024

Multiple District GLT Report

Hoping everyone had a wonderful Joyous Holiday and are well rested and ready to Lead into the new year with enthusiasm and new fresh ideas.

After the Holiday break and festivities, the Multiple GAT Team and the Multiple GLT Team have scheduled some great training opportunities that should be beneficial for all Lions.

First scheduled is the Wisconsin Lions Summit – Recruit, Retain, Extend February 14 – 16, 2025 to be held in Marshfield Wi. a unique opportunity to assist Lions in recruiting and retaining members. One of the most frequent concerns for all clubs is the declining number of members, how to keep members and how to keep them involved. The Summit will offer ideas and training on how to orientate, educate and involve your members.

If you're a newer Lion or a Lion who has been a member and is contemplating getting more active the ELLI Emerging Lion Leadership Institute has been rescheduled and is now scheduled for May 17-19, 2025, at the Lions Camp in Rosholt.

The Multiple GLT will be resuming our monthly zoom meetings, next zoom will be January 26, 2025.

Time to start planning those club officer training sessions, remember those members who would make great officers but were never asked or explained what they need to know.

MGLT/PDG Tom Wendt



WISCONSIN LIONS SUMMIT

Recruit, Retain, Extend

February 14-16, 2025

Registration Deadline is February 1, 2025

Registration Information

Full Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Club Name & District: _____ Member ID: _____

_____ \$50 All weekend includes: Lions Summit Friday night Hospitality, Saturday Summit
and Sunday Guiding Lion Certified Training

_____ \$25 Guiding Lion Certified Training Sunday Only

Registration fees include: Snacks/Beverages/Meals and training materials. Registration DOES NOT include Hotel Rooms. Hotel Reservations can be made individually by calling the Hotel Marshfield, 2700 S. Central Ave, Marshfield, WI 54449 at 715-387-2700. Mention "LIONS" for discounted rate. Hotel reservations includes Breakfast at Hotel.

Topics Covered

Recruiting - How to recruit individuals, you will also learn how to have successful Open House AI and how to use it to recruit members and how to market your clubs

Orientation - What every new member needs to know

Mentoring - You can be the reason for someone to stay a Lion

Guiding Lions - Not just for new clubs

Service Journey - Members join to serve

Women in Lions - The untapped potential

Recognition and Awards - A simple thank you may keep a member

Membership Satisfaction - Find the passion

Communication - To be affective you may need to use several different medias including your ears.

Please send completed Registration Form along with payment to:
Wisconsin Lions State Office
attention: JoAnn Burk
3834 County Rd A
Rosholt, WI 54473



District 27B1 Lion's Workshop

Whether you're a brand-new member
or have been a Lion Forever

Something for everyone, meet other Lions, find out what other clubs do for service projects, fund raisers and how they Serve!

May 10, 2025

Eagles of Fond du Lac - 515 N. Park Fond du Lac, WI

Registration -Welcome – Refreshments 9:00 AM

DGE Roxanne Wendt / 1st VDGE Barb Leichtfuss / 2nd VDGE Laurie Sasada

Time	Session	Topic	Description	Instructor
9:30-10:00	Welcome		Agenda Introductions	DGE Roxanne Wendt
	State of District B1			DG Dave Holschbach
10:00-11:00	1	Treasures	Bookkeeping Audits	PDG Jerry Post PDG Meg Post
10:00-11:00	2	President	Duties as President Conducting a Meeting	MGLT/ PDG Tom Wendt
11:00-11:15	Break			
11:15-12:00	3	Secretaries	Reporting Keeping records	PDG Jerry Post PDG Meg Post
11:15-12:00	4	Vice President Club Board	Duties Responsibilities	MGLT/PDG Tom Wendt
12:00-1:00	Lunch	LCIF	Promoting LCIF In Your Club	Lion Scott Scovronski
1:00-1:45	5	Lions Portal	Using the Portal	
1:00 – 2:00	6	Zone Chairs	Responsibilities Expectations	DGE Roxanne 1 st VDGE Barb 2 nd VDGE Laurie

Contacts: MGLT/PDG Tom Wendt trwendt@hotmail.com - 920-517-2724

DGE Roxanne Wendt roxanne_wendt@hotmail.com 920-948-7787

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EMERGING LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE
Wisconsin Lions Camp, Rosholt, WI
May 16-18, 2025

CANDIDATE'S INFORMATION FORM

Application Submission Deadline Date: April 1, 2025

Please type or print and use additional sheets if needed.

District Number _____ Membership Number _____
First/Given Name _____ Last/Family Name _____
Current Lions Title _____ Highest Lions Office Held _____

I confirm that I am capable of understanding and actively participating (reading, writing and speaking fluently) in the language selected above.

Email* _____

***Required information for all institute correspondence – PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY**

State/Province _____ Country _____ Gender Male Female Non-binary

Lions Club Name _____ Club Number _____ Month and Year Joined _____

Have you served as Club President before? Yes No If yes, club name and date _____

Lions Leadership Institutes Previously attended (locations & dates) if any _____

Offices held within current Lions Club _____

Committee positions held within current Lions Club _____

Previous Lions Clubs of which you have been a member _____

Offices held within previous Lions Clubs _____

Committee positions held within previous Lions Clubs _____

Why is this institute of interest to you? _____

Lions Clubs International MD27 is not responsible for personal costs, including but not limited to, those associated with the following: illness, unanticipated or other personal events, lost or stolen property of participants. Participants are requested to carry medical insurance information in the event they require medical services.

Candidate Signature _____ Date _____

January 6, 2025

LCIF District Coordinator Report

I have attended several Zone meetings and club meetings where I discussed the importance of donating to LCIF. I shared with people the fact that the district has received a lot more in Grants than what we have donated in over the years.

I will be making a big push for the KISS THE FISH fund raiser over the next several months.

I will be doing more Zone meetings and Club Visits with 1st VDGE Barb Leichtfuss, and she is kind enough to give me time to talk about LICF.

Lion Scott Scovronski

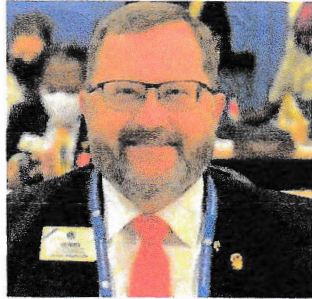
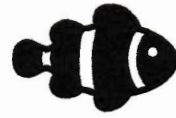
LCIF District Coordinator

920-420-4800

Scott.Scovronski@Yahoo.com



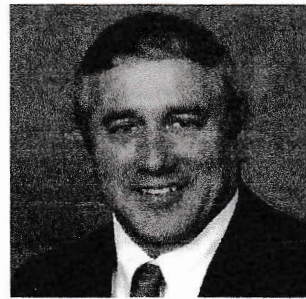
MD27 2024-2025 LCIF Fundraiser
Who Do You Want to See Kiss the Fish



**IPID Lee
Vrieze**



**PID Connie
LeCleir-Meyer**



**PID Mark
Hintzmann**



**PID Art
Marson**



**PID Wayne
Heiman**



**PID Ron
Duffe**



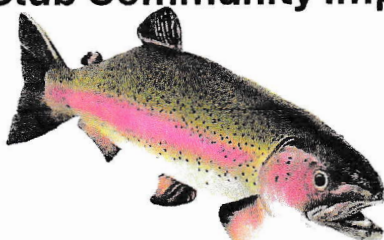
**PID Peter
Cerniglia**



**PID Phil
Ingwell**

For each \$10 donation to LCIF, which (I)PID gets to Kiss the Fish at State Convention. Voting ends at 11:30AM, Saturday, May 18, 2025

Continued support to LCIF needed for Grants - Disaster, SightFirst, Matching, Diabetes, Lions Quest, Hunger, Childhood Cancer, District/Club Community Impact, Designated



REPORT TO THE CABINET
Meeting of January 19, 2024
By Wisconsin Lions Director PDG Gary Silah

The Board Meeting of December 14th was interesting, if somewhat long. We did approve the budget for next year, which was up because of the inflation, and because of the new building and staff changes for next year. However, with new sources of revenue, including the camp facilities rentals and the new Disk Golf Course that is now completed, we have a balanced budget for the next year.

Among the more challenging problems for the upcoming year is the retirement of executive director PDG Evett Hartwig. Evett has been our ED for a significant time. It was decided by the Board to hire the new ED as of July 1st of 2025. This will give Evett six months to show her replacement everything there is to know about the operation. While the double salary will put a slight strain on the budget, the benefits of that training period will extend far beyond the cost. This was overwhelmingly approved by the board.

We will also be discussing over the next few months some changes in the WLF Policy and Procedures. These are designed to bring our policies in line with the new policies and procedures now in effect in the International policies. We expect these to be simple and straightforward, mostly changes in wording to align with such changes as women as Lions members and other modernization changes.

The Nominating Committee made their selection for next year's officers. They were approved.

Zone Chairs, please add me to your list of speakers for upcoming zone meetings. There are several interesting things happening in the WLF, and a presentation by myself or Fred may encourage some of your clubs to increase their donations to WLF and the Camp.

REPORT TO THE CABINET
Meeting of August 4th, 2024
By Policy and Procedures Chair PDG Gary Silah

The Policy and Procedures committee was asked by our District Governor to review the Bidding on the District Bank Policy. It was the Governor's concern, shared by the Immediate Past District Governor, that there were too many concerns and inequities of this policy, expressed by several clubs in the District, to continue following it without some modifications.

I assembled and met with a committee to analyze the problems expressed about this Policy. I had come up with some modifications to address these problems.

What I discovered, however, was that the committee believed that these concerns were correct and unsolvable, as each modification I suggested led to even more problems and concerns.

Therefore, it was the unanimous vote of the committee that a motion be made at the January 19th Cabinet meeting as follows: **The current Bidding on the District Bank Policy be rescinded. A final bidding on the Bank, at the 2025 District Convention, will turn the Bank over to the single party who submits the highest bid, and the final disposition of the Bank will be at the winning party's discretion.**

I so make the above motion.

TITLE:

Training funds

AUTHOR:

PDGs Meg and Jerry Post

DATE OF ORIGIN:

December 23, 2024

PURPOSE:

Increase training funds reimbursement for attendees

REASON:

Help pay for registration to get more Lions to attend training

RESOLVE:

Change: For MD27 leadership programs such as Communicate Like a Leader, Lions Leadership training and other programs offered by MD27 or District 27-B1 the amount shall be no more than \$100 per person.

Change to no more than \$150, or enough to cover the registration fee.

F. Excess funds -Lion Dave mentioned that we have an excess funds carryover from previous years. PDG Gary Colton made a motion the district take 10% of the previous year's excess carry over and make a donation, with the stipulation that every year to review and decide where to donate the funds, the 2nd was by Lion Gary Silah. MOTION CARRIED Motion made by Lion Jack Johnson with the 2nd by Lion Sherm Hamilton that this year's donation go to the District Hearing fund. MOTION CARRIED.

Marketing

Our Facebook page continues to grow and attract more attention. To maintain this momentum, it's crucial that we continue posting high-quality content. Please keep sending any relevant material to:

Kailie Heinz
27-B1 Marketing Administrator
(920) 392-9557
kailieheinz@outlook.com

IT / Historian Report

January 19, 2025

PDG Tom Clausen, Chairman

The addition of club websites, Facebook pages and club history pages have found its limit. It is rare to have a club decide to participate in these projects. We all must talk these items up to clubs that don't have them. Links to instructions can be found on various pages on our website to get clubs started, or they can contact me directly by filling out the contact us form on our district website.

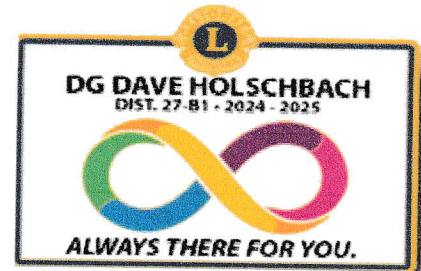
Newspaper Editor

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Thanks to all that gave me articles to put in the newsletter. Also, thanks for all the beautiful pictures to go with those articles. This year I will need them by the following dates to be able to edit them and get them in on time.

By the last week in the following months January, March, May, July, September, and November.

I look forward to a new year



2024 DISTRICT 27 B1 CONVENTION WRAP UP

- 49th Annual Convention of District 27-B1 at the Radisson - Fond du Lac
- International Director Anthony Paradiso from Rockville Center, New York
- 188 total attended, (14 veterans, 7- 1st timers and 6 Leos) previous year was 182 total attended (19 veterans, 11- 1st timers)
- Convention theme : Back to Your Roots – a celebration of how you were raised to be the Lion you are. Hospitality was a farm/western theme.
- Friday evening featured 3 training seminars, Lion Adam Crowson-certified transporter training, PDG Fred Gebhart – SPOT camera training and PID Lee Vrieze-Lion Portal
- Flag presentation, remembrance ceremony, nominations for offices, along with presentations from Dogs to Dogs, Wisconsin Missions - Pine Ridge Reservation mission, WLF, Birch-Sturm and Pride Endowment Fund and Youth Exchange
- Birch-Sturm Fellowship was awarded to IPDG Greg Kubichka by the clubs of the district.
- 3 Presidential Certificates of Appreciation were awarded to PCC BJ Blahnik, Kailie Heinz and the Van Dyne Lions Club for building a new medical locker on their club grounds.
- The Wisconsin Lions Foundation presented the Sherwood Lions with a plaque for their outstanding donation this past year.
- The Van Dyne Lions and Markesan Grand River Lions conducted the 50/50 raffles and shared in the profits. \$1622 collected for district
- PDG Len Quinn's cowboy hat was auctioned, high bid Ripon Lions Club for \$625. Proceeds to Leader Dogs for the Blind. The Lion Bank was awarded to the Cleveland Lions for donating \$6,250 to numerous Lions Projects.
- 14 different Lions programs received checks from clubs

- Seminars were given by the medical locker clubs in Van Dyne, Larsen-Winchester and Appleton, Leo seminar, Eye Bank, LCIF, awards, Lions Portal and Restoring Hope Transplant House and a seminar on using AI to help Lions to start or revitalize clubs.
- 51 buckets for the raffle generating \$ 1705
- 20 ads generation \$ 1750
- 26 vendor tables
- Meal counts Lunch 164 Dinner 87 includes complimentary meals
- 40 clubs purchased district raffle tickets disbursing \$ 1,737.5 to 6 winners
- 72 members certified, 67 actually voted
- Voting results are as follows.

District Governor Elect, Roxanne Wendt, Van Dyne Lions
First Vice District Governor Elect, Barb Leichtfuss, Van Dyne Lions
Second Vice District Governor Elect, Laurie Sasada, Grand River s
WLF Director, PDG BJ Blahnik, Town of Sheboygan Lions
Lions Eye Bank-Wisconsin Director, PDG Greg Kubichka, Chilton
#4 from Rosendale Middle School won the [Peace Poster](#) Contest.
Best Western Premiere in Oshkosh for the 2025 district convention.
2026 convention site will return to the Radisson in Fond du Lac.

EVALUATIONS & FINANCIAL - SEPARATE REPORTS



Wisconsin Lions State Convention MAY 1-3, 2025 La Crosse



Lions as
Servant Leaders



- THURSDAY GOLF TOURNAMENT
- FRIDAY: SERVANT LEADERSHIP CERTIFICATION
- CLUB INCORPORATION
- KEYNOTE by DR RICHARD KYTE
- BOURBON TASTING
- FRIDAY HOSPITALITY
- SATURDAY: PIP JUDGE BRIAN STEVENSON
- AWARDS AND RECOGNITION
- KENTUCKY DERBY WATCHING PARTY
- WHICH PID WILL " KISS THE FISH"
- GOVERNOR'S HONOR BANQUET
- SUNDAY: EXPLORE LA CROSSE

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**2025 STATE LIONS CONVENTION – LA CROSSE
MAY 1 – 3, 2025 – LA CROSSE CENTER
REGISTRATION FORM**

There is a \$5 late registration fee after April 15.

CLUB NAME: _____ DISTRICT: _____

1. NAME: _____ TITLE: _____

LION: _____ GUEST: _____ LEO: _____ PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

Registration: \$25 _____ Fri lunch: \$27 _____ Sat Lunch: \$27 _____ Sat Banquet: \$45 _____ Pin: \$4 _____

FOOD ALLERGY/DIETARY RESTRICTIONS: _____

2. NAME: _____ TITLE: _____

LION: _____ GUEST: _____ LEO: _____ PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

Registration: \$25 _____ Fri lunch: \$27 _____ Sat Lunch: \$27 _____ Sat Banquet: \$45 _____ Pin: \$4 _____

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FOOD ALLERGY/DIETARY RESTRICTIONS: _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$ _____ MAIL TO: La Crosse Lions, P. O. Box 1531, La Crosse, WI 54602



2025 Wisconsin Lions Convention
 Advertising & Sponsorship Form
 Hosted by the La Crosse Lions Charities
 (a 501.c.3 charitable corporation)



Business/Organization Name: _____

Contact Person: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

DEADLINE: March 31, 2025

Return this form with payment to: La Crosse Lions Charities, P.O. Box 1531, La Crosse, WI, 54601

Print Ads:

___ Back Cover (one available) - \$300
 Full page color (4.5" wide X 7.5" high)

___ Inside Front/Back Cover (two) - \$250
 Full page color (4.5" x 7.5")

___ 2 Page Ad Spread - \$200
 (10" wide x 7.5" high)

___ Full Page Ad - \$150
 ((4.5" wide x 7.5" high)

___ Half Page Ad - \$100
 (4.5" wide x 3.5" high)

___ Quarter Page Ad (2" wide by 3.5" high) - \$75

Sponsorships:

___ Listing Sponsorship - \$30
 *Name and contact information
 listed in program book.

___ Donation for Raffles
 * We are seeking raffle donations.
 Baskets or individual items.
 * You may include a business card
 with the donation.
 * Raffle donations needed by April 15

ARTWORK: Please email all ad artwork in a PDF file to: Lion Dave Wignes
 (wiggied0718@gmail.com). Please put ad artwork in the Subject Line. All payments and artwork
 need to be received by March 31, 2025. Make checks payable to La Crosse Lions Charities.

Thank you for your support!

Leader Dog

January 19 Cabinet Meeting

As of December 12, 2024—23 clubs have donated to Leader Dog with a total of \$10,585.00. District 27-B1 is the greatest!

Listening to the Leader Dog Podcast, “Taking the Lead”, they reflected on the past year. Their social media has grown. Their website is easier to follow. The Leader Dog Ambassador has shared his story across the country. And he has joined the Lions Club. The marketing team are currently raising a puppy and help clients that come to the center by walking with them and motivating them. Their goals for 2025 are expanding donations, services, and a call out for more volunteers. Look over the website. There is so much information there.

Respectfully Submitted

Lion Ella Stanelle

Leader dog Chair

Ellastanelle7@gmail.com

Pin and Peace Poster

There were 5 entries in this year's Peace Poster contest at the District Convention. The winning poster, created by Bailey Tesch and sponsored by the Rosendale Lions Club, has been sent to the camp for state voting. The runner-up was designed by Morgan Schuler, sponsored by the Kiel Lions Club, and the third-place poster was created by Monica Binder, sponsored by the New Holstein Lions Club. Checks have been mailed to all winners.

The 2025-2026 Contest Theme is

"Together As One"

January 15: Kits go on sale from the Club Supplies Sales Department at International Headquarters.

October 1: Deadline to purchase kits from the Club Supplies Sales Department at International Headquarters.

There were 7 entries for the 2025–2026 pin design. The winning design was submitted by DG Dave Holshbach

27B1 Childhood Cancer Initiative

Ryan Stephen, a senior at South High, was diagnosed with stage four testicular cancer and is currently undergoing treatment.

Beginning in mid-August Ryan had not been feeling well and had been to the walk-in clinic a couple times. On Thursday, August 22nd he went in for the third time to do various tests to figure out what was going on, as they had originally thought it was a virus.

“It’s very difficult for him and his family right now, but we’re all here and I hope that he can see that and feel that” added fellow cheerleader, Natalie Huerta.

North High beat South 49-6, but in the end, it was a win-win for everyone, especially Ryan’s family.

“We’re just staying positive,” said Ryan’s cousin and childhood best friend, Bryce Ten Pas. “We appreciate everyone throughout the community reaching out. Anything they can do always helps.”



<https://www.tmj4.com/news/sheboygan-county/sheboygan-high-school-rivals-turn-ed-allies-in-support-of-student-with-cancer>

There was \$37 collected at Nov District Convention and sent in to help. They have since raised \$8,725 of the \$10,000 they are looking for. If you can help, please follow the link below.

Thank you

Greg Kubichka

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Childhood Cancer Chair 27b1

<https://www.gofundme.com/f/help-ryan-overcome-cancer-and-regain-strength>

Leo Chairperson Report

January 19 Cabinet Meeting

New Holstein Husky Hands and Heart Leo Club just completed a bingo event in conjunction with the Hew Holstein Chamber of Commerce.

The Club accepted 2 new members from the Chilton School District.

They are continuing with their plastic collection and have secured enough plastic to be awarded another bench, with delivery in March or April.

They are also working on the Trees initiative with the Winnebago East Shore and New Holstein Lions Club for a spring distribution.

They are continuing to sell Honor Flight badges to support the Honor Flights in the Fox Valley.

To date, have not received any further inquiry about a possible Leo Club in the Hilbert area.

Respectfully submitted.

Gary Roehrig-27 B-1 Leo Chairperson

Youth Exchange

Camp is scheduled from August 10-17, and we have begun accepting applications for exchange students...we can accommodate 30 youths.

The exciting news is that we were able to find a brand-new trailer to carry all our camp supplies. The trailer was made 10-4-2024 and we paid \$4,915 (got 2% when asked if they could help a Lion's Project). After taxes, the bill was \$5,135. The best part is that the trailer is under 3000 lbs. so there are no title/plate or annual registration fees. We only need to cover insurance. At this point, A1 has pledged \$1,500 and A2 has pledged \$1,000 toward the trailer. We are looking for more pledges currently. Once the trailer is paid off any extra donations will be put toward insurance, locks and repairs!

Thank you!

Pat Shikoski

Restoring Hope Transplant House

I have nothing new to report on RHTH We collected canned tuna and chicken as well as household paper products at the Council of Governors meeting on the 10-11 of January

Please continue to support them with money, gift cards, etc. and non-perishable food items

Thank you for your service

Environment

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Last year I concentrated on getting all clubs in our district to choose a project for the environment. Take pictures. Send them to me or bring them to the convention, put them on display and share with other clubs. What each club was doing. I was disappointed in the number of clubs That chose to do this. I don't know if it pays to do it this year again or not, I also concentrated on how good bees are to our environment. I had free recipes and free packets of flower seeds and a lot of information on bees on my environment table for people to take Across the flower seeds went very well this year I would like to concentrate on helping the monarch butterflies I have collected milkweed seeds to be pressed into homemade paper to hand out at the convention for people to plant .

I would like feedback from the cabinet on any suggestions they may have?

Environment chair

Lie Bonnie Hughes

HUNGER REPORT

At the 27B1 District Convention in November, many food items were donated by the attendees. These items were divided up between the Fond du Lac and Oshkosh Food Pantries and delivered.

The ADRC (Aging & Disability Resource Center) of Fond du Lac County at 50 North Portland Street lists 19 food pantries in the Fond du Lac and surrounding area. This agency is a valuable resource for anyone needing help in our area in a variety of circumstances.

More hunger information:

- 2 billion people are without regular access to safe, nutritious, and sufficient food
- 45% of deaths among children under 5 years of age are linked to undernutrition
- 2 in 3 countries report women experience food insecurity more than men
- 30% of food is lost or wasted globally each year

ACTION ITEMS:

- Support your local food bank by donating time, equipment, or food
- Volunteer with a group to harvest unpicked fruits and vegetables at farms and orchards.
- Support LCIF so grants can be distributed where needed

Submitted by:

Lion Sandy Muche,
District 27B1 Hunger Chair

Cabinet Report-Wisconsin Lions Missions

The date for our Winter meeting and training session is January 11, 2025. The meeting will start at 9:49 am. The meeting will be held at the Lions Camp, Rosholt, WI upstairs in the eyeglass processing center.

Dominican Republic Mission: The DR mission is scheduled for March 5-13, 2025, in the Capital City of Santo Domingo. The 12,000 pairs of eyeglasses are already there. 30 people have indicated their interest in being a part of this mission. As there are several folks signed up who are new to these missions, the training meeting in January is important to give those individuals an idea of the various tasks done by volunteers. Participants are currently in the process of scheduling their flights for the March 5 arrival date and need to send me their airline and flight number, along with arrival and departure times.

Guatemala Eyeglass Mission: The Minnesota Lions Missions trip to Guatemala (assisted by the Wisconsin Lions Missions) took place on November 9th through the 16th in San Lucas Milpas Altas in the Sacatepéquez region of Guatemala. A total of 25 volunteers from both states collaborated with the New Century Lions of Guatemala City and the Sacatepéquez Lions to perform an eyeglass mission that took care of nearly 1800 people. Along with the eyeglass services, the local Lions had stations for blood pressure and blood glucose screening.

Minnesota Optometrist, Dr. James Molde along with other Guatemalan eye professionals made numerous cataract surgery referrals for the cataract surgery team when they return to San Raymundo, Guatemala in May, 2025. Two of our mission volunteers, JoAnn Burk, who is the Wisconsin Lions State Office Manager in Rosholt, and Marcia Hagen, APNP also participate in the cataract surgery missions in Guatemala.

Minnesota Lions Mission to Guatemala Coordinators, Dan and Nancy Goltz, along with all of the Minnesota volunteers (and a handful of Wisconsin Lions) did a wonderful job of establishing a very successful and sustainable mission project.

Pine Ridge Indian Reservation Mission: On October eleventh we headed West to Lions Camp for the recycling center with a rented trailer packed full of donated items to pick up the 5000 pairs of eyeglasses for the mission. We continued the rest of the day and spent that night in Kimball, SD. The next day we arrived at **Wanblee, SD** where we unloaded our trailer at a warehouse called Families Working Together, (FWT) which is a non-profit gathering center where tribal families can get needed goods at no charge. We brought them blankets, cooking pots and pans, dinner ware, warm coats and clothing, wheelchairs, walkers, and 1500 pounds of cracker sticks all donated by our local St. Vincent de Paul store and the Salvatorian Mission Warehouse. On Sunday, October 13th, we returned the

trailer to the rental place and waited for the rest of our group to arrive. That evening we gathered for a meal and a brief meeting to discuss the plans for the next day.

On Monday the 14 members of our group went to Wanblee to set things up in the Crazy Horse School gym. The school was closed that day because of the Indigenous People's Holiday, but we were able to serve 106 people, mostly adults. When we returned on Tuesday, we were able to observe the students' prayer service as they started their day. We served 206 that day as we tested class after class came to us. On Wednesday we planned to finish by noon and served 46 people for a total of 358.

At noon we packed things up and moved to **Martin, SD** for our mission there. The tribal officials were planning to have us setup at their Tribal C.A.P building but that was not adequate for our needs. We then rented the city's Legion Hall which was a much better place. We were able to test and fit 74 people that afternoon.

I found out that there was a large public school in that city. So, we were able to arrange for 2 of our people to go there and conduct a vision screening for 200 elementary school children and 92 middle school children. All children tested that received a referral slip, (90 of them) were given a note to give to their parents inviting them to bring their child to the Legion Hall where we would fit them with glasses. But because of the short notice there were only 11 students who came for glasses.

We tested and served 74 people on Thursday, and 53 by noon on Friday. We were able to test and serve a total of 862 people in one way or another. This may not sound like a successful mission when compared to some of our other missions that have done that many in a day or two. However, the confidence we instilled in those people and the inroads we were able to establish for the future are priceless. There are 9 tribes in the South Dakota area with many miles in between and I believe we have endless opportunity for future missions there.

Zones Three and Four: Cabinet Report for January 19, 2025

My goal is to attend a scheduled meeting for each of the Clubs in Zones Three and Four, within the next three months. All Clubs reported continued service and fundraising at the Zone Meeting held in September. All but one Club attended. I will also continue to search for a suitable candidate to serve as Zone Chair for Zone 4.

Sheboygan Noon Club continues to prepare for the State Bowling Tournament. Get your teams entered and come have FUN.

The next Zone Meeting is scheduled for January 20, 2025, sponsored by the Town of Sheboygan Club. Meeting to be held at Town and Country Golf Club, in Sheboygan.. Social Hour 5:15pm with meeting to follow at 6:15pm. RSVP by January 15, 2025

Respectfully Submitted by,
Lion Lea Thibodeau

27 B1 Zone 5 Report 1/19/2025
Mary Jo Abler Chair

Zone 5 is the best Zone! They meet monthly, usually Business and Dinner meetings each month. I think that by meeting 2x a month, all members have a chance to interact with their club members. Each club is active within their communities and supports the Lions' causes.

My goal as Zone chair has been to get the clubs to understand and do their entries into LCI Portal monthly. My Zone has been good with their reporting, but some clubs do not always report monthly.

We use an Excel spreadsheet to help them understand what should be reported. Exchanging their entries I hope gives them ideas on what can be used. It also helps me to see, compare and understand what should be entered. I checked that both LCI and my spreadsheet match. The Reporting is getting very good.

I have some clubs that feel they should not have to enter monthly. One club does not share their Fundraising amounts, but they are recording with LCI. I can assure them the donated amounts or income from fundraisers will not be shared. I have another club that did not enter Fundraisers nor hours or profit. Everything else seems good, meetings and activities. We will work on that.

What is entered in the Portal is a monthly picture from their club. Hours volunteered to serve their communities, funds raised, and amounts donated are all a part of the monthly picture.

Zone 5 logged over 3,200 hours of community service and donated over \$16,600 in donations within the last 3 months of the year. Included were District Convention donations along with Thanksgiving meals, Christmas cheer, Hurricane assistance, School Districts supported, Food Pantry support, and other general community support in many other ways. I am amazed at what is reported. Mass serving, individual family support, it goes on. We serve people.

Kiel and New Holstein are working with Chilton Lions to establish a Medical Locker. The Lions Tri City Medical Locker is coming together. LTCML is in New Holstein on Milwaukee Dr./Hwy 57 south. The front of the Salvatorian building. Though not officially open, the Locker is already helping people with items that are being requested. Part of the relationship with the Salvatorian Center will be helping them with an occasional unloading of trailers of goods donated to them.

International encourages clubs to work together on projects. These are 2 Zones working together to provide a community need. I am sure there will be more to come on this joint venture.

27B1 Zone 6 Report - Zone Chair Lion Sue Lee

Second Zone Meeting, Nov 19, 2024, Hosted by the Appleton Noon Lions at The 10th Frame, Appleton In Attendance - 20 Lions, 4 of 5 Zone Clubs represented - Butte des Morts, Appleton Evening, Appleton Noon and Larsen-Winchester, **Presenters—Lion Scott Scovronski, 27 B1 LCIF Chair, Lion Dawn Fisher and Lion Sue Jungen**, representatives from the **Fox Valley Medical Loan Locker**.

Lion Scott gave an update on LCIF emphasizing the importance of donating and talking about how the money comes back to us. Each club should have an LCIF representative. Typically the Immediate Past President serves in this role. Several clubs in our district have recently received grants for projects they have undertaken, including the opening of the Medical Loan Locker in Van Dyne. Lion Scott also talked to us about the Disabled American Veterans of Wisconsin. He is the Executive Committee Person for the 4th District. DAV is dedicated to empowering American disabled veterans to lead high-Quality lives with respect and dignity. A valuable discussion followed about what life is like for many disabled veterans. Not all disabilities are visible and many vets deal with PTSD. The vets in the group, including Lion Scott, shared stories of their experiences. We thank Scott for sharing his story and his leadership role in the DAV.

Lion Dawn Fisher and Lion Sue Jungen presented a slide show on the future plans for the Fox Valley Medical Loan Locker. They are quickly outgrowing their present rented facility and have purchased land for \$2.00 to eventually build a new space. It is located off of Midway Rd in Menasha near St. Joe's Food Project and United Way offices. It is a highly ambitious plan and fundraising will soon be underway.

Club Updates

All clubs continue to be active with projects. Since the focus of this zone meeting was Membership, attendees shared their thoughts on recruiting new members. It was generally agreed that including non-Lions in your service projects often leads to new members. It was generally felt that is important to include new members in your club's activities and get their input.

Lion Sue Fredrickson from Larsen-Winchester is looking for help from other clubs for her community garden project. See details below and please contact her if you would like to help.

The Takeaway - A big thank you to Appleton Noon Lions for hosting the second Zone Meeting of the year. A special thank you to Lion Scott Scovronski for attending and LCIF and DAV info with our Zone 6 Lions. And thank you to Lions Dawn and Sue J. for the FV Medical Loan Locker update. It was a great informational meeting and as always the clubs of Zone 6 continue to do good things.

Next Zone Meeting - TBD

Respectfully submitted, January 5, 2025
Zone Chair Lion Sue Lee

*Because the Neenah club had not been represented at the first two zone meetings, I visited their club during their regular meeting on Tuesday, December 10. I shared what is going on in the district and presented them with the Childhood Cancer patch they had earned. I also had a chance to see what is happening in their club. The good news is they have three new members and were actively planning service activities. Secretary Lion Colleen has not reported service activities lately but agreed to get back to doing it. I urged her to contact me if she needs help or has questions and I can put her in touch with someone who can help.

**Lion Sue Fredrickson, Larsen-Winchester Lions, Master Gardener

Community Garden Service Project growing food for area food pantries

Garden is located ~ 1 mile south of Oinks on 76

They have a rototiller and capability to water plants

Needs help - sharing the cost of seeds and planting and harvesting

For more info contact Sue Fredrickson — smfdigger@gmail.com

Zone 7 Report. January 14, 2025

Our last zone meeting was November 18th with the Pickett Lions as the host. It was a great time and the food was wonderful. A good turnout. The next meeting will be hosted by the Fond du Lac Evening Lions on Feb. 20th.

Campbellsport- No Report

Eden- report at the zone meeting. They have had several brat fry's and a steak fry. They send Christmas cards to the shut-ins. Donations to the Boy Scouts and gave out Scholarships.

Fond du Lac Evening-They have been busy volunteering at the Westlake Medical Locker. Several transport of eye tissue and two members helped do Children Vision Screening. And presented one of three scholarships at their January meeting.

Oakfield-Lions helped at the Red Cross Blood Drive. Donations to Badger State Boys and Badger State Girls. Transport of eye tissue and community donations for Christmas.

Respectfully Submitted
Lion Ella Stanelle
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Cabinet Report submitted by Lion Nancy Schumacher, Zone Chair

Brandon-no report

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- Pancake breakfast
- Reverse Christmas Parade
- Village decorating

Picket

- December - the Lions will be helping the community center serve breakfast
- Donating time for the Celebration of Lights
- Working on Scholarships
- Meals are paid for at the community center for Christmas and Thanksgiving
- Christmas gifts are given to two families of need
- Heat is paid for a couple of months to Restore Hope House
- Collecting deer hides for camp

Ripon

- Bell ringing for Salvation Army
- Dickens Christmas - provide hot chocolate and candy canes
- Christmas cards to the Nursing Home
- Leader Dog, Dog Tag, Food Pantry and LCIF donations
- Working on Scholarships

Van Dyne - poinsettia with the auxiliary

- Breakfast with Santa
- Park decorations are up as well as those in the village
- Pizza sale in February
- NFDL Cub Scouts request use of club house - looking to exchange volunteering from Scouts
- International Presidents Certificate of Appreciation Award present by ID at convention

Rosendale- Donations will be made to Shop with a Cop

- Support and assist with Trick or Treating - 550 candy bars given out
- Donate Christmas Decorations to the Community
- Christmas help for those in need
- Christmas for Vets- Donation to Veteran Home in King
- Donation to Disaster Relief
- Peace Poster from school students - won at district
- Assist most needy families
- Shop with a cop

Zone 9 – Zone Chair Lion Laurie Sasada

Next Zone meeting will be held on March 16th, hosted by the Fairwater Lions Club.

Details are still being planned. We are going to try a Sunday afternoon meeting to see if this will bring more to the meetings. I am reaching out to clubs to see their thoughts before finalizing these plans.

Kingston Lions: Working on club membership

Winter months are slower but have their monthly Cash Bash going

Berlin Lions: Very busy this holiday season with their Holiday Cheese Sale

Berlin Holiday Parade and Lights in the Park

Neshkoro: Held their 50th Annual Lions Fisheree – January 11th

Annual Lions Toy Drive

Princeton: Spaghetti Dinner

Trick-or-Treating (hot dogs and treats)

Holiday Parade

Markesan: Rebuilding going on within the club. DG Dave along with PDG BJ and myself had several meetings with the club to work thru some issues within the club, with several members/officers resigning from the club, DG Dave and I continue to help remaining members with rebuilding of the club.

Fairwater: Reinstated on December 16th, 2024. Currently have 11 members. The first meeting was on January 6th, working on getting bank accounts open, and members came to the meeting with ideas for fundraisers and service projects. Have scheduled 2 brat stands at Crossroads this summer.

I have recruited Lion Dylan Prill, who is now a member of the Fairwater Lions Club to take over as Zone Chair for the 2025-2026 Lions year. I could see in Dylan the interest in where Lions could take him, so I asked!! Encouraged him to come to our convention, he helped us sell raffle tickets and he then agreed to become Zone Chair. Dylan will be helping with the next Zone meeting, and I will continue to work with him into the new Lions year. He will be a great asset to the Cabinet.

27-B1 Zone 11 Cabinet Report January 2025

Unfortunately, we were not able to hold our January 2025 Zone Meeting, the next Zone Meeting for May 2025, will be hosted by Wild Rose Lions Club.

All six clubs held multiple events leading up to Thanksgiving and Christmas, many focused on hunger, both individual families and the local food pantries, and children/ Santa events.

The majority are now in the thick of winter Fisheries.'

Many clubs held thank you events for their communities to acknowledge and show appreciation.

Everyone is starting to plan their signature summer events:

Chicken Chew 2025, Wild Rose Days, Poy Sippi Car Show, Red Granite Glow Bingo, Bunny Hops and Easter Egg hunts.

As well as our bread-and-butter stuff like Bingo, Rummage Sales, and Brat Frys!

Poy Sippi has voted to sell their building and have a buyer. Wild Rose is in the process of forming a non-profit corporation, hoping to receive grants for club expansion, partially to house DME.

Plainfield is making progress on their community Splash Pad; a huge undertaking and their electronic signage is doing well.

Love that Coloma is organizing a Blood Drive! We should make this a challenge to all clubs!

All clubs note recruitment and retention as a number 1 priority.

Thank You

Pat Karasek

27-B1 Zone 11, Chairperson