



27-B1 District Cabinet Agenda
Date: Sunday, March 10th, 2024
Meeting Minutes

Call to Order	DG Greg Kubichka
Pledge of Allegiance	
Prayer	Chaplain Myra Schneider
Motion to Approve Agenda	motion by PDG Tom Wendt, seconded by Laurie Sasada
Guest Introduction	DG Greg Kubichka
Roll Call	CS PDG Gary Silah
Tail Twister	Terry Erbstoesser
Communications	DG Greg Kubichka, CS PDG Gary Silah
Secretary's Report	CS PDG Gary Silah
Treasurer's Report	PDG Jerry Post
Old Business	
Update on Van Dyne Medical Locker	PDG Tom Wendt
Moving forward, talking to two clubs for partners	
Update on Coloma Park Grant	
No update	
New Business:	
Gov Greg as International Director candidate	Gov Greg
<p>Step 1—voting by Cabinet to allow Greg to proceed to a District vote. Motion by John Stephen, seconded by Myra Schneider, to proceed with a secret ballot vote—passed. The secret ballot voting authorized the Cabinet to proceed to the next step. Motion by PDG Tom Wendt, seconded by PDG Fred Gebhardt, to destroy the ballots from the secret vote—passed.</p> <p>Step 2--Delegate information to be provided to third party organizer of over-the-internet voting. This will be accomplished by the committee within the needed timeframe to be included on the State Convention voting,</p>	
Changing the Policy of awarding District Bank	DGE Dave
<p>A committee was named to rewrite the policy for awarding the Bank to a club, currently done at the District Convention. The committee will consist of DGE Dave Holschbach (chair), Scott Scovronski, PDG Jerry Post, PDG Gary Silah, John Stephen.</p>	
Spring Workshops	PDG Tom Wendt
In process.	

Committee Reports

IPDG/District Administrator	IPDG Dave Brinkman
<p>MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES NEW</p> <p>(h) DISCOUNTED MEMBER: A member of this club who pays discounted dues as a result of their family membership status, student status or participation in any other discounted membership program offered by the association who desires to retain membership in this club and meets the qualifications for discounted dues. The membership status shall be verified by the board of directors of this club. A Discounted Member shall be eligible to hold office in district or international meetings but shall pay such dues as the local club may charge, which dues shall include district and international dues. This membership category shall not be included in the club delegate formula calculation.</p> <p>[Above section effective January 1, 2024]</p>	
1st Vice District Governor	Dave Holschbach
<p>CABINET DATES : Due to the layout of our district, I will again have the cabinet meetings in Fond du Lac at the Eagles Club. Thank you FVDE Roxanne for getting the dates confirmed. The cabinet dates are scheduled one week after the COG (Council of Governors) meetings. The dates will all be Sundays with the March meeting an afternoon due to the Eagles Breakfast event. I plan to have an Executive/training meeting prior to lunch and cabinet meeting to follow. Dates are:</p> <p>Sunday August 4th 2024 – October 13th - January 19th 2025 – March 9th (aft)</p> <p>With the new year approaching quickly, I will be working with FVDGE Roxanne and SVDGE Barb to finalize YOUR cabinet, many of you have been contacted. Lion Laurie Sasada has agreed to be next year’s cabinet secretary and Lion Earlene Samz from Manitowoc Lions has agreed to be cabinet treasurer. The biggest challenge has been to develop Zone Chairs which continues to be our districts problem, As DGE, LCI has asked us to again promote membership for Mission 1.5 and to promote 2 of the 8 Global Causes. I have been given preliminary goals for next year, which I need to finalize and submit in May. At that time I will let you know OUR goals for 2024-2025 and how I think we can achieve them.</p> <p>Last week I completed a weeklong training in St Charles, Il. PDG’s are familiar with this. At this training, we met and had a photo op with FVP Fabricio Oliveira from Brazil and work on a project with the Japanese DGE’s. DGE/FVDG training took place Friday March 1 & 2nd along with the quarterly Council of Governors meeting. The incoming DG’s elected PDG John Reil from B2 as our Council Chair to guide us and keep us in line. I was elected council treasurer and chairman for the finance and budget committee. The same position that IPDG Dave Brinkman held. I will also be the council representative for Youth Exchange. Training continues with various zoom meetings with GAT, Group 30, GMA and current DGE/FVDG.</p> <p>District Convention: Held a preliminary meeting to determine the convention committee. The convention chair is Lion Vickie Blahnik. We discussed a preliminary program and of course the HOSPITALITY night. She will be working on contacting Lions for the committee. The theme is ‘BACK TO YOUR ROOTS’ Looking back at where you grew up and developed you standards & moral values. I grew up on a 100 acre family farm with 10 siblings.</p> <p>I plan to add Marketing as a cabinet position, CC BJ Blahnik has agreed to work on marketing material and funding to help clubs know what is available and how to distribute and market themselves. I am also looking for someone who has a marketing background and is very good with all of the social media outlets to help our district and club get exposure. .My goal is to have B1 and all of our clubs the most followed ! We need to let the WORLD know what we do and also ourselves. So often we ourselves do not know what is going on with our own clubs, fundraisers, activities, accomplishments, awards and future events.</p>	
2nd Vice District Governor	Roxanne Wendt
<p>I would like to thank everyone who has made this 2023 -2024 year of being your district 2nd VDG an amazing year to remember.</p> <p>I was able to be a part of a wonderful group of lions getting to zone meeting, club visits and working with DG Greg & at the time 1st VDG Dave. I was able to Accomplished another forum and also going to WALLI and attended all COG trainings. so ready to step up to 1st VDG and hope to make our district proud as we work together as were changing the world as a team.</p> <p>Just to inform everyone on some dates, Wisconsin Lions 2024 State Bowling.</p> <p>Tournament Dates – Starting on March 2 and ending on April 21, 2024, with an option for April 27-29 if needed. No Bowling on Easter weekend, March 20-31.</p> <p>Anyone interested in state Convention? 2024 Lions State Convention – May 16-18, 2024 Madison Marriott West – Middleton. Registration Forms online</p> <p>USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum – Louisville, KY. Early Bird Rates end March 30th, 2024 Registration Forms online.</p>	

GLT Chair	PDG Tom Wendt
<p>As we move into our final quarter of our Lions year there has been many accomplishments obtained by our Global Leadership Team.</p> <p>Monthly zoom meetings continue and provide both input and acknowledgment of accomplishments within the Global Leadership Team district leaders.</p> <p>Accomplishments this year:</p> <p>MD 27 now has a total of 27 certified Faculty Development Institute instructors with the addition of graduates from the recent FDI Certification course which gives us a minimum of two instructors in each district.</p> <p>The recent Advanced Lions Leadership Institute Training provided to our 1st Vice Governors qualifies our multiple to be the only multiple in North America with this 100 % training for our incoming Governors.</p> <p>Lions Servant Leadership Instructors Institute, is being organized to take place on August 9 - 11, 2024 watch for further details and candidate description coming soon.</p> <p>Lion Club Officer training, is being developed for possible sessions in May, watch for more info and please pass the information throughout the district.</p> <p>Lastly, I am pleased to announce I applied for MD 27 Global Leadership Team State Leader and after a strenuous interview by the incoming Governors for next year I was selected to head that team.</p> <p>I look forward to seeing you all soon</p> <p>Thanks for All You Do</p>	
GST chair	IPDG Dave Brinkman
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District Convention	Next Year's Chair Victoria Blahnik
New committee already in motion, working with Radisson once again this year.	
Diabetes	PDG Mike DeBaere
Elections and Nominations	PDG Gary Colton
The elections process worked well last year. This year, we will be looking for a new WLF director, and a new Lions Eye Bank director.	
Environment	Bonnie Hughes
<p>This year instead of raffling off a bench at the convention, (clubs now have their own recycling program) so I was thinking of having more information on protecting both bees and butterflies. I've been contacting local garden centers to see if they would consider donating flower seeds that they hadn't sold this past spring to this project. I would like to have displays and free seeds to hand out at our convention this year, more updates at the meeting.</p>	
Hunger	Patricia Shikoski
Information/Public Relations/Historian	PDG Tom Clausen
<p>INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY</p> <p>This year Wayside-Morrison started up an e-clubhouse site.</p> <p>I have been working with Kiel trying to get their site back up since the previous webmaster is unable to log back into the current website.</p> <p>The district calendar events are rather slim as clubs are not interested in putting their events on the calendar. All they must do is email lionsof27b1@gmail.com and give me the details. A lot of the events on the calendar I have obtained by looking at Facebook.</p> <p>The thought of having a district Facebook page is so every Lion does not have to like every club's account. All they should have to do is like the district's account to see what is happening. That means that I or someone with control of the account would have to like every club's site and then share their posts with the district page.</p> <p>I still haven't seen any activity from International to get the new portal up and running. It was supposed to be active last July. I'll bet we won't see it until this July. Maybe we should have a raffle to pick the date it actually goes into service.</p> <p>I posted the new picnic tables on our Facebook page and also sent an email to all clubs. This seemed to work well as we have a surplus of funds. Jerry's idea of donating the balance for a camper scholarship is nice, but it really doesn't mean we are paying for a camper. Sure, we will get a poster from the Birch-Sturm golf outing, but all donations go into the general fund at the foundation and they pay for all the campers no matter what is donated. You are really not paying for a camper, you just think you are. Their checkbook balance just increases by whatever you gave. To earmark the money for tables, that might have a better chance of increasing the amount the camp can spend on improvements. Nobody will get denied a chance to go to camp because we didn't give \$1,000.</p>	

<p>HISTORIAN All district and convention history is up to date. Club history is stagnant. Either nobody is looking at the website or they are just not interested in contributing. Perhaps people don't have scanners so they don't know how to submit their programs of their anniversaries? I think it is just a lack of interest.</p>	
MyLCI/My Lion	IPDG Dave Brinkman
LCIF Coordinator	PDG B.J. Blahnik
Leader Dog	Ella Stanelle
<p>As of February 12, 2024 Leader Dog donations are \$8600.00 with 23 clubs donating. I recently was a zoom meeting with other Leader Dog Chairs and Kelsey from Leader Dog. We were doing some brain storming ways to get the word out. Most found that conventions are the number one way to get information out to clubs. Club visits, emails to each club president and doing a Leader Dog Event. One Event clubs could do is Dollars for Dogs. A club partners with a business. You can get a kit or two from Leader Dog. Or ask your county/city agencies if Leader Dog could send them a kit on resources Leader Dog could help them with reaching their disabled and aging communities. It was a great meeting</p>	
Leo Liaison	Gary Roehrig
<p>Husky Hands and Heart Leo club currently has 28 members+2 for the year. They have been involved in selling Honor Flight pins for a donation to Honor Flight-Fox Valley. They are planning a road-side clean-up for a Spring project. Have been in contact with Kiel Club over missing reports from their Leo Club.</p>	
Lions Eye Bank of Wisconsin	Charlie Keifenheim
Newspaper Editor	Marilyn Shady
<p>I just want to thank everyone for their reports. I had a nice amount of reports to put in the newsletter. I received most of them on time and hoping that the next quarter will be even better. Keep up the good work and thank you.</p>	
Peace Poster/Pin	Laurie Sasada
<p>New Peace Poster Chair for the 2024-2025 Cabinet year will be Lion Kailie Heinz, we have been working together already and she is my daughter so has helped me a bit at conventions so this will not be totally new to her. A new Peace Poster handout has been created. The 2024-2025 Contest <i>Peace Without Limits</i> Students ages 11, 12 or 13 as of November 15 are eligible to participate in the International Peace Poster Contest. Entries not meeting the following deadlines will be disqualified.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. • November 15: Postmark deadline for a club to send one winning poster (per contest sponsored) to the district governor. <p>New Pin Chair for the 2024-2025 Lions year will be Lion Kailie Heinz. She has already been working with me on getting this pin produced. The 2024-2025 pin design was sent to the designer, and we have the proof back along with the pricing (<i>see below</i>) Once the pin proof is approved and the quantity/price is chosen by the Cabinet, we will work with the designer to have the pin produced so it is here by the start of the new Lions year.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 100 Pins @ \$2.55 each + \$17 UPS shipping (Total = \$272) • 200 Pins @ \$2.35 each + \$19 UPS shipping (Total = \$489) • 300 Pins @ \$2.00 each + \$22 UPS shipping (Total = \$622) 	
Pediatric Cancer	PDG Dave Lee
<p>Update note for B1 March cabinet meeting: At the March state council of governors meeting the governors approved a disbursement at the state convention of an even split (20% each) to the five previously approved childhood cancer support groups that cover Wisconsin – this will be done at the state Lions convention in Madison in mid-May. At the end of the Lions fiscal year (June 30th), the funds that have accumulated since the state convention will be disbursed evenly to these five support groups. They are the Childrens Cancer Family Foundation of NE Wisconsin, Cory's Project, Kisses from Keegan and Friends, the Badger Childhood Cancer Network, and the Krause Family Pediatric Cancer Angel Fund. The process will be undertaken to pursue the continuance of the Wisconsin Lions Childhood Cancer Fund initiative for the upcoming year, subject to the approval of the council of governors.</p>	

My report to the council of governors for their March meeting is included below.

February 15th, 2024

International Childhood Cancer Day

Action Item for Council of Governors at the March meeting: Discuss, propose, and approve an allocation percentage for disbursements of raised funds to the five support groups (previously approved by the COG for the Wisconsin Lions Childhood Cancer Fund initiative) to be presented at the upcoming MD27 State Convention.

Report to Council of Governors from MD27 state childhood cancer chair Lion Dave Lee

(this closely follows a recent email communication to the ten MD27 district childhood cancer chairs)

Happy to be able to say that we are making steady progress, but you could say that we have a long way to go and a short time to get there, since we may be presenting disbursements to the five support groups at the State Convention in May.

Our goal is for 100% of the 505 Wisconsin clubs to make a donation of some amount to this initiative, so that we can say that all 505 Wisconsin clubs are helping families of need in Wisconsin who are dealing with childhood cancer.

Thank you for all the enthusiasm and awareness building from our District Childhood Cancer Chairs and from our District Governors, and Vice DGs!!! Thank you to JoAnn Burk at the state office and to Council Chair BJ for the help and support that you both have provided.

Some observations from the separately attached table that represents donations as of February 8th:

- We have surpassed total donations of \$35,000 with 133 of our 505 clubs making a donation (or several donations)! That's 26 percent of the clubs at this time. That puts us in the 2nd quarter for the percentage of Wisconsin clubs donating up to now.
- A1 is definitely leading the pack with 26 clubs out of 51 clubs making a donation. That's 51% at this point. They have definitely set the pace.
- Appleton Noon in B1 has had more individual member donations than any other club so far with 10 members donating out of 53 members. We have a free Childhood Cancer pin for all individuals donating \$50 or more.
- District A1 is in the upper half for clubs donating, or we could call it the 3rd quarter.
- Districts B1, C2, and D1 are in the 2nd quarter with 25 to 50% of their clubs donating.
- Districts A2, B2, D2, E1, and E2 are in the 1st quarter with up to 25% of their clubs donating so far.
- This is definitely not a race among Districts, but, as your District leaders, you probably are interested in knowing where your District currently stands relative to the others. Hoping that all ten districts can achieve 100% of their clubs donating!

We have found that clubs being aware of this fund initiative is the biggest factor for donations being made. Please encourage your clubs to make a donation. Clubs donating \$100 or more will receive a banner patch at year end. Individual Lions donations are also appreciated – those making donations of \$50 or more will receive an LCI childhood cancer global focus pin.

Please congratulate those clubs in your district that have made donations and encourage the others to make a donation. While we are asking for \$100 or more from each club, we respect that our clubs have differing coffers for how much they can donate.

We appreciate whatever clubs can donate. We have seen a few donations of \$25 or \$50 and we have seen donations over \$1,000. We are averaging about \$250 per club for donations at this time. The majority of the club donations have been for \$100.

As we have said before, our focus is encouraging all 505 Wisconsin clubs to make a donation. It would be great to receive donations by the end of April so that they can be included in the disbursements to the five support groups at the State Convention in May.

February 15 is International Childhood Cancer Day. The average family dealing with childhood cancer loses 40% of their family income as one of the spouses often has to quit their job.

Childhood Cancer is one of the Lions eight global causes – and two other related global causes are Humanitarian Causes and Youth.

Recently we received an email from a Council Chair elect in South Carolina, who is excited about our Childhood Cancer initiative and interested in launching something similar in her state.

It is a good thing that Wisconsin Lions are doing to help families of need who are dealing with Childhood Cancer.

Checks should be made out to 'Wisconsin Lions Childhood Cancer Fund'.

They should be mailed to Childhood Cancer, Wisconsin Lions State Office, 3834 County Road A, Rosholt Wi 54473

Thank you! And asking for your continued help in the months ahead!!

District Raffle	John Stephen
Restoring Hope Transplant House	Barb Leichtfuss
<p>Our cleaning date for the Restoring Hope Transplant House is scheduled for Saturday, April 20th, beginning at 10:00 am. Earlier will not work as it would interfere with their breakfast. Anyone is welcome to help, but we have to be very cautious health-wise as the residents are immuno-suppressed. Cindy Herbst, the director, would prefer us to be COVID vaccinated, but if you are not, there is outside work to do also. We will also wear masks just to be on the safe side.</p> <p>Also, if you work closely with a lot of people, please be extra cautious. They have all of the cleaning supplies needed, but again, their vacuums are used A LOT and one may have to be replaced.</p> <p>I will need to know a head count, as they will graciously make sure we are fed a lunch. Transportation will be on your own; we will meet there and then get to work!</p>	
Special Olympics	PDG Fred Gebhart
<p>This year will feature a new Opening Eyes event. Unfortunately, Oshkosh will be unable to host the event this coming year. Whitewater has agreed to host.</p>	
Vision	PDG Fred Gebhart
<p>98,000 screenings completed so far this year. Here in B1, we are working on getting into Fond du Lac County daycare facilities. And our own PDG Fred was once again given an award for Best District screening numbers.</p>	
Youth Exchange	Patricia Shikoski
<p>Youth Exchange is currently taking applications for this year's camp at Vista. Dates are August 11 thru the 18th.</p>	
Wisconsin Lions Mission	Pat Knier
<p>Planning meeting; We had a Winter Lions Mission meeting and training session at Chippewa Falls on January 6th 2024 in the Jim Falls Lions clubhouse. Each of the member planning to participate in any of the missions were required to experience all of the phases of the mission clinic.</p> <p>Dominican Republic Mission; We are just finishing up our eyeglass project in San Pedro de Macoris , Dominican Republic. Most of the 29 volunteers are leaving today, and Miriam and I will depart on Sunday. The closing banquet was last night.</p> <p>There were again issues involved in getting the eyeglasses through customs, with the glasses having arrived in country on November 15, 2023. We had just 1 doctor in our group, but Mr. Dependable Dr. Alan Ehrhardt at 90 years old, did a fantastic job. The San Pedro Lions were great hosts and helpful on site.</p> <p>It was an overall successful project, but because of the eyeglass/ customs issue, we were able to serve less people than we would have liked. But the 2,800 people that we did fit showed great appreciation for our Wisconsin Lions Mission group and left with a smile! The DR lions are requesting our presence for a project in their capitol city of Santo Domingo for 2025.</p> <p>Tom Bredesen DR Project Director</p> <p>Pine Ridge SD Reservation; Another mission is in the planning stages for the Pine Ridge SD Indian Reservation. Communication and responses have been delayed many times, but we have a tentative date planned for October 14th to the 18th, 2024. We will also plan to bring needed supplies to the <i>Families Working Together</i> warehouse that supplies many needs to the people of that area. I am presently waiting for a Zoom link to one of their tribal councils to present our hopes for their permission and target locations for the mission.</p>	
WLF Director/Eye Glass Recycling	PDG Fred Gebhart
<p>We now have two eyeglass prescription readers at the camp, but space is limited. They may need to build a new building at the camp for the recycling center.</p>	
WLF Director/Pride/Hearing /Birch Sturm	Dick Karl
<p><u>Birch-Sturm Memorial/Lions Pride Endowment Funds</u></p> <p><u>LPEF</u> will be holding its annual shoot on June 8th and is looking for a great turnout.</p> <p><u>BSMF</u> report from President Conrad Dreyer:</p> <p>Investment were at \$7,713,976 as of 12/8/2023 Camp improvements mostly completed and paid, with the exception of \$40,000 being held for projects to be completed in spring of 2024. The 2024 budget was reviewed & approved by the Board of Directors. Our investment advisor, David Miller from Cetera Investments and his family made a donation to the Wisconsin LIONS Foundation in honor of WLF Executive Director, Evet Hartvig for her outstanding work supporting WLF and BSMF.</p> <p><u>Diabetes Awareness</u></p> <p>Diabetes Alert Day is March 26th, 2024. Online order forms now available o WLF web site.</p> <p>Since July 1, 63,923 pieces of material have been ordered.</p> <p><i>Year One Type One</i> book popularity continues to increase. Orders are on hold till our shipment of 800 additional books arrives. The author is currently working on a 3rd book.</p>	

Strides at State Convention – There will be a Strides Walk at State Convention. We will have a packet with the book and Diabetes Awareness Order form to all registrants of the walk. The strides walk will be a Read-Along for the *Year One Type One* book. Pages of the book will be at certain stations. Participants can fill out a sheet and could win one of four \$50 gift gas cards. Presentation of the gift gas cards would be at the WLF Annual Meeting. The Strides Walk would be on Friday Since the WLF Annual Meeting is on Saturday morning. Krug Law Office will be donating two additional cards.

Hearing

We received 43 applications and ordered 27 hearing aids. Current Starkey balance is \$26,253.67. Discussion was held regarding the history of the Hearing Project, how to promote it and how it is funded. It was suggested to contact the ADRC to get the project more visibility.

After putting in the donations for B1’s hearing account for the month of February the updated balance is \$51,005.66.

List of donors from B1:

- St. Nazianz Lions - \$150 Fond Du Lac Evening Lions - \$1000
- Francis Creek Lions - \$375 Coloma Lions - \$100
- Larson-Winchester - \$350 Pickett Lions - \$100

The Districts Hearing Chair meeting held on 10/5/23 with WLF Project Director Keith Mueller and 6 District Chairs came to a consensus to change the **WLF HEARING AID PROJECT PROTOCOL**

Constitution & Bylaws	PDG Jerry Post
Looking at a change that will allow more input from the 2nd Vice District Governor as far as the location of the convention for that year.	
Policies and Procedures	IPDG Dave Brinkman

ZONE CHAIR REPORTS

Zone 1 Chair	Peggy Loose
Zone 2 Chair	Paul Baroun
<p>Next Zone meeting will be in May (tentative date May 20) Hosted by St. Nazianz lions Club at Meats Opera Haus 204 S 4th Ave St. Nazianz, WI 54232. More info when date is hard set.</p> <p>Francis Creek Lions Club: 1 new member, Rose sale, Brat fry first weekend in June, New sign Project Manitowoc Lions Club: Brat Fry May – June, \$500.00 Donation to CP will be in person. (Big thumbs up)</p> <p>Maribel Lions Club: Village Rumage sale Brat Fry April end of month, Picnic June 22-23, Base Ball Starts in May.</p> <p>Mishicot Lions Club: 2 new members, May 11 Village Rumage sale</p> <p>Newton Lions club: Brat Fry May 27 Memorial Day, 60/40 Raffel on Thursday. 50/50 Raffel on Thursday.</p> <p>St Nazianz Lions Club: 3 new members + prospects, Fun Night May 4th Saturday</p> <p>Valders Lions Club: Easter egg hunt March 30, 2024, in park, Village Rumage sale May 2-4 and Brat fry May 2-4, Valders Picnic Aug 2-4, Truck and Tractor pulls, Horse pull Sunday car show and Entertainment.</p> <p>Whitelaw lions Club: 2 Prospects, Rose sale</p> <p>I Thank all the Club for responding to a short phone conversation.</p>	
Zone 3 Chair	Kenneth Brandt
Zone 4 Chair	
Zone 5 Chair	Mary Jo Abler
Zone 6 Chair	Sue Lee
<p>Third Zone Meeting, January 29, 2024, Hosted by the Larsen-Winchester Lions at Off the Wolf Supper Club in Winneconne; Focus on Leadership</p> <p>In Attendance - 22 Lions, 4 of 5 Zone Clubs represented - Larsen-Winchester, Appleton Evening, Appleton Noon and Butte des Morts Lions clubs, 1VDGE Roxanne Wendt, PDG Tom Wendt B1 GLT Chair and PDG Dave Lee, MD27 Childhood Cancer Chair.</p> <p>Presenters</p> <p>PDG Dave Lee’s update on the Childhood Cancer initiative - goal is to get all clubs to donate \$100 (or more or less); clubs donating at least \$100 will receive a Childhood Cancer patch. Individuals are encouraged to donate also and will receive a CC pin if their donation is \$50 or more. As of January 29, total donated is \$35,000 with 125 clubs participating (about 1/4 of all Wisconsin clubs). Five charitable organizations have been approved by the COG for distribution of funds, hopefully to happen at the state convention.</p>	

1VDGE Roxanne Wendt spoke of the value of her ongoing training with the Lions. She has been making club and zone meeting visits and is looking forward to her year of service as District Governor. Roxanne's District Convention in 2025 will be the District's 50th Anniversary Convention. It will be held in Oshkosh and she is planning a special celebration and is hoping to see a great turnout.

B1 GLT PDG Tom Wendt spoke of upcoming elections and the opportunity for newly elected club officers to attend training sessions provided by the district. The sessions will be held as workshops and will have valuable information for all members not just club officers. Planning is underway to hold the workshops in St. Nazianz and Ripon again.

PDG Tom also spoke of the plans that are underway for Van Dyne Lions along with 10 other clubs from the southern end of the district to develop a medical loan locker. Van Dyne has an 18 acre park and a large meeting building. They will use some of the land to build a 24x60 ft. structure to house the locker and will apply for an LCIF grant to help with the project. They hope to partner with local schools and use the skills of students from shop classes to help with the build. A discussion with Larsen-Winchester Lions and Appleton Noon and Evening Lions about their medical locker experiences followed Tom's remarks. The participating clubs will be sharing advice and supplies when appropriate.

Club Updates

Appleton Evening - Great news from Appleton Evening - **100% of their members are now Melvin Jones Fellows.** Lion Jim Christman and Lion Chuck Mompier displayed a large banner presented to the club by LCIF for this outstanding achievement! **Congratulations Appleton Evening Lions!**

Appleton Noon - the club has moved their weekly meeting to a new location, Holiday's on North Richmond and members are dealing with increased costs; proceeds of \$14,000 from the Senior Expowas distributed among 16 different local non profits at the annual eggnog party in December; vision screening continues with more than 11,000 screened this year so far; rose sales have begun and candy sales continue; January was eye tissue transport month.

Butte des Morts - planning carpfest; held their annual Christmas party for the kids

Larsen-Winchester - Medical Loan Locker and ramp building activity remain robust; Pancake Breakfast was a success; Trex benches; scholarships for local students; bb court and nearby pavilion and highway cleanup.

Fox Valley Medical Loan Locker Update - Carol Jansen gave update - most frequently loaned equipment were shower chairs, 4 wheeled walkers and all sizes of wheel chairs with used market value of loaned items of \$163,550; open 39 days (Wednesdays and Saturdays) with a total of 806 clients served, averaging about 20 clients each open day with a high of 30 and low of 10; 2034 volunteer hrs in 2.8 mos.

Sharing My Views on Leadership - as PID Douglas Alexander's theme was *Service From the Heart*, we should approach leadership with heart also. There should be collaboration, kindness and empathy, respect and appreciation for all members and their input and ideas. Give credit where credit is due and share in both challenges and successes.

The Takeaway - a big thank you to Larsen-Winchester for hosting a great Zone Meeting with a good turnout and a great meal at Off the Wolf in Winneconne. Good discussion and a great exchange of ideas especially about medical loan lockers.

Next Zone Meeting - tentatively to be hosted by Butte des Morts on April 10, 2024 (to be confirmed)

Zone 7 Chair	Josh Blatz
Zone 8 Chair	Scott Scovronski
Next zone meeting April 30th at Van Dyne Clubhouse	
Zone 9 Chair	Laurie Sasada
<p>Next Zone meeting will be April 24th, 2024 Hosted by the Kingston Lions Club – more information to come. Markesan Lion Club – Working on upcoming event – June Dairy Days Kingston Lions Club – Had a Pork Chop Dinner on January 28th, and their Cash Bash Neshkoro Lions Club – Fisheree on January 13th, installed a new member, Active with transporting for the Eye Bank Princeton Lions Club – No Report Fairwater Lions Club – as of December 31st closed up club Grand River Lions Club – Pork Chop Dinner/Bake Sale on February 10th, Pizza Sales/making completed on February 24th, Several Vision Screenings for local schools, Easter Egg Hunt will be on March 30th in Fairwater. Berlin Lions Club - No Report</p>	
Zone 10 Chair	Bill Fletcher
Zone 11 Chair	Pat Karasck

OTHER BUSINESS

District Awards from last year	IPDG Dave Brinkman
Current A2 District Governor Bery Freeman presented the following awards for excellent leadership in B1, the following individuals were recognized: PDG Tom Wendt, PDG Fred Gebhardt, PDG Meg Post, PDG Jerry Post, PDG Dave Lee	
Donation to the Eagles Club	DG Greg
Motion by DG Greg, seconded by Bonnie Hughes, to donate \$200 to the Eagles Club in appreciation for the fine hosting they have done for all the cabinet meetings this year—passed.	
Meeting adjourned at approximately 5:10 p.m.	