



MD27B1 District Cabinet Meeting Minutes

Date: Sunday, August 4, 2024

Location: Eagles Club-Fond du lac

- 1) Call Meeting to Order at 1:00 PM – DG Lion Dave Holschbach
- 2) Pledge of Allegiance – IPDG Lion Greg Kubichka
- 3) Prayer – Chaplin Lion Myra Schneider
- 4) Approval of Agenda – DG Lion Dave Holschbach
Motion by John Steffen, seconded by Tom Wendt – **passed**
- 5) Introduction of Guests – DG Lion Dave Holschbach
Guest PID Wayne Heiman and Lion Cheryl
- 6) Installation of Cabinet – PID Lion Wayne Heimann
His theme was based on “Make your Mark” IP Fabricio’s theme for this year.
- 7) Welcome & Thank You – DG Lion Dave Holschbach
DG Dave thanked everyone for accepting this year’s cabinet positions and supporting him throughout his years. He has a **FANTASTIC** group, thanks for reporting. His theme ‘**ALWAYS there for YOU**’ doesn’t end just because he is District Governor, this continues for life. Marketing will be a major emphasis this year.
- 8) Roll Call – Cabinet Secretary Lion Laurie Sasada (excused) – PDG Lion Gary Silah
Sign-up sheet passed around 24 members in attendance
- 9) Tail Twister Meeting Rules – Lion Terry Erbstoesser
Lion Bonnie filled in for Lion Terry. She is looking forward to being your tailtwister again this year. DG Dave said he liked the idea of incorporating games so hopefully you all enjoy them as well. He also would like to have me monitor the reports, allowing 3 minutes per report, so keep that in mind. We will also continue to do the 50/50 raffles. If anyone has any game ideas, please let her know! Lets have **FUN**
- 10) Secretary’s Report – PDG Lion Gary Silah
 - a. Approval of March 10, 2024, Cabinet Minutes
Motion by Pat, seconded by Bill, to accept as submitted; **passed**
 - b. Approval of May 18, 2024, District Caucus Meeting Minutes
Motion by Scott, seconded by John S to accept as submitted; **passed**
 - c. Correspondences received
Thank You letters received from Dogs to Dogtags and Thedacare for last year’s donations. Also DG Dave thanked Tom for creating the “Notes from Governor Dave” on the website to show memos sent to all Lions.
- 11) Treasurer’s Report – 2023 2024-Treasurer PDG Lion Jerry Post
 - a. 2023-2024 District Financial Report
Motion by Bill, seconded by John as submitted; **passed**
 - b. Audit of 2023-2024 District Financial Books
Books sent to the auditor; report should be ready for the October meeting
 - c. 2024-2025 District Budget – DG Lion Dave Holschbach
Motion by Pat, seconded by Bill, to accept the budget as submitted; **passed**
- 12) Old Business
 - a. New Holstein Grant update Lion Mary Jo Ablor
All the paperwork, including the minutes from the New Holstein Lions Club endorsing the grants have been submitted;
Motion by IPDG Greg, seconded by Bill, to approve all the final disclosure paperwork for the New Holstein grant; **passed**
Coloma Matching Grant MAT24246/27B1
Coloma Community Grant DCG204070/27B1
LCI has placed both grants on hold until the start of the new Lions year. The plans are being revised.
Motion by IPDG Greg, seconded by Pat, to close both grant requests and resubmit; **passed**.
 - b. Van Dyne Medical Locker update – PDG Lion Tom Wendt
Moving ahead at full speed; slab is poured, and primary construction is scheduled to start tomorrow.

c. Other Medical Lockers list on Website (Rosendale, Westfield, Manitowoc)

A list of all the medical lockers in B1 should be on the District Website; 2nd VDG Barb has volunteered to spearhead that project

13) New Business

a. Future District Cabinet Meetings – DG Lion Dave Holschbach

Eagles Club, Fond du lac - Sunday, October 13, 2024, Sunday, January 19, 2025, March 9, 2025

Final at State Convention – May 3, La Crosse

14) District Governor Reports

a. DG Updates & Notes

i. International Updates – DG Lion Dave Holschbach

The parade was FANTASTIC & Beautiful

All resolutions passed. Constitution & Bylaws and Policy make sure we are now upto date.

“Make Your Mark” IP Fabricio theme – what it means:

- 1) GROW MORE (Mission 1.5)
- 2) Be Stronger Together (Work with & donate to LCIF)
- 3) Take the Next Step (Leadership and Advancement)
- 4) Capture the Community (Service)

ii. Goals - DG Lion Dave Holschbach

27B1 District Goals 2024-2025

Membership Development Goals

- Our team will charter 1 new club with 20 charter members. Potential locations are: Oshkosh, Green Lake, Menasha, Omro, Leo-Chilton, Leo-Kiel. Our clubs will add 160 new members to existing clubs. Our District will not surpass 145 dropped members. Net of +15

Service Development Goals

- The service team is asked to achieve 95% reporting of all service projects. This reporting will include all Leo clubs service projects and achievement for the year of their clubs.

Leadership Development Goals

- Our team will ensure 90% of the zone chairpersons attend zone chairperson training. Our District will confirm 65% of the club officers (presidents, secretary and treasurer) attend a form of club officer training.
- Develop a list of leaders for future positions.

LCIF Development Goals

- Our team will ensure that individual participation in our district increases by 10% and club participation in our district increases by 10%. Our team will ensure that 57 clubs in my district achieve individual member participation.
- The coordinator is asked to share stories of giving throughout the year to cabinet & facebook.

iii. Council of Governors (COG) Meeting news

B1's PDG Tom Wendt was named GLT State Coordinator; PDG Dave Brinkman was named State Policy Coordinator; PDG B.J.

Blahnik was named State Global Membership Team chair. See Wisconsin Lions website for LEADERSHIP LIST.

b. FVDG Update – Lion Roxanne Wendt

Her year as 1st Vice District Governor, has started very busy, informative and exciting. She has had the opportunity to get out and visit a lot of the clubs and join in their activities. Training continues with virtual and in person training with major Gov. elect training this winter at the St. Charles Training Center. She really loves to get involved with clubs and see what they are doing. We are working at 9 other fundraisers this summer and next summer in the district with our Governors to see what they do and how their clubs manage fundraising. In Sept. the VDG's are taking a trip to Leader Dog for the weekend, walking with a Leader Dog, eating in the dark and some other surprises so looking forward to that. Hope to see you all soon! 1st VDG Roxanne she is working with District IT people to develop a new Podcast communications system; she also reminded Cabinet members that Cabinet polo shirts can be ordered through Bee-Seen directly. She was also presented with a new **BLING Pin** from our new District Governor.

c. SVDG Update – Lion Barb Leichtfuss

SVDG Barb is very enthused about what the future brings and moving forward. Training has started.

d. Committee Reports

i. GMT Coordinator – PDG Lion BJ Blahnik (excused)

Action Items: None at this time.

Report Details: I have reviewed the goals for membership set by DG Lion Dave. I will be working with the Zone

Chairs & clubs to help them meet the expected goals. I will be working with MD27 GMT PCC Lion Tammy Rockenbach for anything required at the state level.

ii. GLT Coordinator – PDG Lion Tom Wendt

Global Leadership Team has begun the year very excited with plans for a great year of Leadership from the club level and above. Most Lion Leaders have been installed and ready to lead our organization to Serve wherever needed. The multiple district GLTs continue with monthly zoom meeting, much discussion on training including the 1st and 2nd District Governors prior to the COG meetings. There are just a couple openings for the Servant Leadership Training class coming to La Crosse on August 9 – 11, 2024. Contact PDG Dave Strudthoff (david.strudthoff@gmail.com) or Jo Ann at the state office (md27@wisconsinlions.org) at the University of Lacrosse Campus. A possible ELLI training in the upcoming year so watch for more info.

Multiple District GLT Report July 2024

Global Leadership Team is looking forward to a new and exciting year, I feel the Leadership branch of the Global Action Team should be the strongest. Strong leadership from the club level, district and state will mean good membership and good service but must begin with good leadership. The multiple district leadership team is planning to continue the monthly Sunday zoom meetings starting in August. Watch for upcoming training including an ELLI possible early spring, a possible Guiding Lion certification and training for all our 1st vice District Governors and 2nd vice District Governors. If you know of someone who would make a future District Governor give them that little push, Like I tell them, if I could do it so can you and it was the greatest experience you will ever have being a Lion. Congratulations to all new Lion Leaders from our local club officers to the new District Governors and thank you for giving me the opportunity to be the Multiple District Global Team Leader. Thanks for All you Do

iii. GST Coordinator – PDG Lion Dave Brinkman

Service Activity Information - Portal

When helpful, service information can be collected in this document and then reported through the Lion Portal. For more information, visit lionsclubs.org/service-reporting. Please send this document to the person responsible for online service reporting for your club or district. Sponsor (**required**) – The Lion or Leo club, district or multiple district: Title (**required**) – A name for this activity: Activity/record type (**required**) – Choose Service Project, Donation, Fundraiser or Meeting: Start date – end date (**required**): Cause (**required** for service projects, donations and fundraisers. Meetings are set automatically.) – Choose Childhood Cancer, Diabetes, Disaster Relief, Environment, Hunger, Vision, Youth or Other Humanitarian Service: Project type (required for service projects and fundraisers. Donations and meetings are set automatically.) – Choose the best fit from the lists that follow. If none applies, enter "Other": Description (**required**) – People served (**required** for service projects) – The number of individuals who benefitted from the activity (more information, see the Measuring Service Impact document): Total volunteers (required for service projects and meetings) – Count members and non-members: Non-Lions participated – Did the volunteers include non-Lions? (yes/no): Non-Lion family members participated – If non-Lions volunteered, were any family members of Lions? (yes/no): Total volunteer hours (required for service projects and meetings) – Include time spent planning and promoting the activity: Currency – If funds were raised or donated,: Total funds raised (required for fundraisers) – If funds were raised, the amount: Total funds donated (required for donations) – If funds were donated, the amount: Organization benefited – If funds were donated, the organization name: Trees planted/cared for – If trees were planted or cared for, the number of trees: Signature activity – Is this a recurring activity that represents your club/district identity or specialization (yes/no): Funded by an LCIF grant – Did LCIF grant support this activity? (yes/no)

iv. District Administrator-Lions Portal – PDG Lion Dave Brinkman

LIONS PORTAL- Special THANK YOU to PDG Dave for getting a officer entered for all 63 clubs by Jul7 10th.

CLUB OFFICER REPORTING – Zone Chairs had hands on PORTAL training Sunday August 4th

Too late after July 1 Club Secretary not in the system, Can't report. District Policy Letter report by May 15

CLUB SERVICE REPORTING

Lions Portal was launched on 15 April. May-June 2024 there were 30 clubs that did not report. July 2024-13 of 63 clubs have PORTAL TRAINING is needed District wide (Zone Chairs) Club Health Assessment Provided Portal Assistance to numerous clubs

v. LCIF Coordinator – Lion Scott Scovronski

Since taking over, I have been trying to learn as I go. I spoke with Lion Mike F. -Neenah Lions about a grant and what they needed to do. I am going to The LCIF Development CA1 Strategy Session Aug 15th-18th. My goals for this year are to increase individual and Club donations to LCIF. My plan is to explain to purpose of LCIF and the projects completed with Grants from LCIF. Community grants available by the end of August. I will be making a lot of club visits as a Partner in Service with 2VDG Lion Barb Leichtfuss so I will be able to speak with a lot of Lions to promote LCIF.

vi. Wisconsin Lions Foundation – WLF Director PDG Fred Gebhart & WLF Director Gary Silah

PDG FRED: We are in the last week of our summer camping season. Update on the District picnic table and bench project We have replaced 52 picnic tables at our Lions Camp along with an addition of benches in the beach area. Thank you letters are going out to all the district clubs, who donated. At the Hustle S'more August 10th there's going to be a Mug Pit challenge, a rope pulling contest between the WLF president and the outgoing WLF president to raise funds for the WLF programs

PDG GARY: First, I would like to thank Governor Dave for giving me the opportunity to serve our District as interim WLF Director. I will do my best to justify the confidence that Dave and the Cabinet have shown in me. I have checked the state events schedule, and I will be volunteering at the Birch-Sturm Golf Outing in July. I am planning to attend the Hustle S'mores event, and of course the WLF Board meeting in August. I should have a detailed report on my progress on the Board for the October cabinet meeting.

vii. **Vision/Special Olympics – WLF Director PDG Lion Fred Gebhart**

Special Olympics: We are hoping to get volunteers for vision screening at the Opening Eyes event at the Oshkosh University (UWO) in April of 2025

Vision Screening: we are preparing schedules for vision screening our community schools Note to highlight that the Appleton Noon Lions are going to surpass the 100,000 mark for vision screening in the Appleton School District this Fall

viii. **Hearing/Eyeglasses – WLF Director Lion Gary Silah**

ix. **Lions Eye Bank of Wisconsin (currently open) no report** Transporter training coming

x. **Constitution & Bylaws/Policies & Procedures – PDG Lion Jerry Post & PDG Lion Gary Silah**

Policy Guideline form was sent to all **FILL IN THE BLANK POLICY FORM**

xi. **Marketing – PCC Lion BJ Blahnik (excused)**

No report at this time.

Marketing Administrator – Lion Kailie Heinz

Lion Kailie Heinz has taken over the cabinet position of Marketing Administrator. With this, she is now running our Districts Facebook page. Our Facebook page is an underused resource when it comes to promoting our clubs' events and fundraisers; along with celebrating all that our clubs do for their communities. Lion Kailie is inviting you to share things with her before, during and after your events so we can acknowledge all the hard work that you are putting into your community. Everything is welcome to be posted.

Some examples are: • Fundraisers • Events • Installation of officers • Zone Meetings • Donation Presentations

If you aren't already, please go "like" and "follow" our Districts page - "Wisconsin Lions B1" Even though Lion Kailie is the one running the Facebook page, she needs your clubs help to make it successful!

If you or your club have any items you would like submitted for the Facebook page or have additional questions, comments or concerns – reach out to your Marketing Administrator Lion Kailie Heinz. (920) 392 – 9557 or kailieheinz@outlook.com

xii. **IT/Technology/Historian/Website – PDG Lion Tom Clausen**

On the Resources page on the state website, there are a couple of links that are password protected. The pages are directories and council minutes. It is encouraged that you spread the password to all Wisconsin Lions so they can be informed of contact information for Lions leadership and council minutes. The password is: **MD27serves**. Your club having an event? Get it posted on our district calendar. Email information to the above email or find it on the calendar page on our district site.

All clubs, submit your 990-N. If you got an email to do that, you don't have to pay. Go to irs.gov. Deadline is Nov. 15 to be on time. Lion Portal. Sales Force is not a website company. It is a data collections company. Trying to get the information out is another story. It will take a while for the bugs to be discovered and fixed. Hopefully, things will get better.

Historian

Remind clubs that they can have a history of their club Charter Night programs and anniversaries saved on our History page. Email a pdf of the program to lionsof27b1@gmail.com. Forget the email? Look on our website. <https://www.wilionsb1.org/>

xiii. **Newspaper Editor – Lion Marilyn Shady**

xiv. **District Convention - Lion Vicky Blahnik ZONE CHAIRS GIVEN CLUB CONVENTION PACKETS-8/4**

Progress is going well. The registration form is up on wisconsinlions.org, packets are ready and at the meeting for the clubs.

Friday afternoon will include 3 training. Transporters training with Lion Adam Crowson LEBW, Spot camera training with PDG Lion Fred Gebhart, and Portal training for the zone chairs, club admins and secretaries from IPID Lion Lee Vrieze. In addition, IPID Lee will also be doing a breakout session on Saturday for anyone interested. **BRING 2 RAFFLE BASKETS per club !!!**

In homage to DG Dave's childhood growing up on a farm Friday night's theme will be farm attire & hoedown. We have a DJ booked and are working on additional entertainment for all. So break out your farm gear or your western wear to show off your dance moves. We are still working on the schedule for during the Day Saturday, but the focus will be, the core projects and programs of Wisconsin Lions. The Saturday night banquet Keynote speaker will be Lion Andrea from Wisconsin lion's camp. **More to come.**

xv. **District Raffle – Lion John Stephen**

I heard from Governor Dave that the raffle tickets would be available for distribution on August 4 at the cabinet meeting. We will hand them out then and I plan to get the rest of the tickets to the other clubs.

xvi. **Elections & Nominations – PDG Lion Gary Colton (excused)**

Elections – at this year's District Convention we will be electing a District Governor, 1st and 2nd Vice District Governor for 2025-2026. We will be electing a WLF Director to serve for a 3 yr. term (2025-2028) and we will be electing a LEBW Director to serve a 3 yr. term (2025-2028). We will be voting on a Peace Poster, a District pin and a Convention site for 2026.

Nominations – Nomination Forms are needed for **all** of the positions listed above. We do have some Lions with intentions of being a candidate for some of these positions, but more than one is acceptable. Competition is a good thing. Questions? Contact me.

xvii. Pediatric Cancer – IPDG Lion Greg Kubichka

About \$80,000 was raised statewide for the initiative from almost 280 clubs with \$16,000 going to each of the five selected groups (Children's Cancer Family Foundation of NE Wisconsin, Cory's Project, Kisses from Keegan and Friends, Badger Childhood Cancer Network, and the Krause Family Pediatric Cancer Angel Fund). For B1, \$18,032 was raised with 60 of 64 clubs participating. Thank you for your support!! The ten district childhood cancer chairs were impressively impactful and onboard. JoAnn, the state office manager, was also very helpful. The initiative for this year, is up to you and your DG for B1, and if there are state initiatives this coming year. Working with new state chair Terry for ideas. Hopefully, the state Lions will be helpful in some way this coming year. Thanks again. You went the distance!!!

xviii. Pins/Peace Poster – Lion Kailie Heinz (excused)

Peace Poster

For over three decades, Lions clubs around the globe have been sponsoring an art contest in schools and youth groups. Creating peace posters gives children the chance to express their visions of peace and inspire the world through art and creativity.

DETAILS FOR THE 2024-2025 CONTEST

Who: Students ages 11, 12 or 13 as of November 15; Theme: **Peace Without Limits**

For peace to be anything more than a possibility, we need to make it a priority. This year, we're asking our young students to create a poster that speaks to our world's infinite potential for kindness once we commit to pursuing the idea of peace without limits.

CONTEST DEADLINES • 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 8 & 9: 27-B1 District Convention (posters due to be voted on)

If your club is considering sponsoring a Peace Poster – reach out to your Pin and Peace Poster chairperson Lion Kailie Heinz. **She will be placing a bulk order of Peace Poster Kits to cut down on the price of shipping!** DG Dave will pickup while at LCI (920) 392 – 9557 or kailieheinz@outlook.com

Pin Design

Every year at our 27-B1 District Convention we host a pin design contest! The last few years we have had limited entries. I am **challenging each club to create** a pin design, OR MULTIPLE and bring them to our convention.

There is no specific theme required for the pin, it can be anything that represents Lionism! However, the 2025-2026 District Convention will be the 50th anniversary of the convention so if you're looking for some inspiration, that is a great place to start. There is a prize of \$25 for the winning design! District Governor Dave and Lion Laurie Sasada have won this contest too many times! It's time to give them harder competition!! **AW COME ON NOW - DG DAVE**

If you or your club has any additional questions, comments or concerns – reach out to your Pin and Peace Poster chairperson Lion Kailie Heinz. (920) 392 – 9557 or kailieheinz@outlook.com

xix. Leader Dog – Lion Ella Stanelle

Leader Dog reported that they reached their goal of over 2.3 million dollars. District 27-B1, with 51 clubs reporting, donated \$28,295.70. Nine of those clubs donated \$1,000 or more.

Goals for next year: I would like to visit our District clubs; do a table at our convention; help with more reporting among District clubs; and help clubs arrange a Leader Dog speaker for their meetings.

xx. LEO's – Lion Gary Roehrig

New Holstein & Kiel clubs are preparing for next year, waiting for school to start. New officers elected and trained on Roberts Rules of Order.

xxi. Youth Exchange – Lion Pat Shikoski

23 youths from 11 countries will be at Camp Vista on August 11-18. District Governors attending August 15th.

xxii. Restoring Hope Transplant House – SVDG Lion Barb Leichtfuss

I had a conversation with Cindy Herbst this morning, July 22nd. "We are over the top busy". The clients they are working with now are sicker and overall financially poorer. The staff is really putting in long hours to help these people that find themselves in overwhelming situations both health and financialwise. The House is the safest environment they have been in for a long time. They are able to build healthy, supportive relationships with others going through the same challenges. Many of the family caregivers are not only caring for their sick loved one, but also other family members. It's hard for them to find the time to take care of themselves.

As we all know, the cost of food has gone up considerably. But the House makes sure everyone is nourished to keep up their health and strength. Any kind of financial support is always needed. BUT, what Cindy wanted me to stress is how much they all appreciate everything the Lions do for them.

"Everywhere you look, you see what Lions have done for us." They are especially grateful for the emotional support given to them. (She was tearful just talking about it). HOWEVER, she has expressed concern that a Lion member is so busy serving others, she wants to make sure they **take the time to take care of themselves and also make time to spend with their families**. We need to be healthy in order to have the energy and skills needed to help others. Our families need our support, time and love also.

xxiii. Environment – Lion Bonnie Hughes

International president Dr. Patti Hill recently encouraged all clubs to do an environment project this year. I am asking all clubs in 27B1 to pick an environment project, take a picture of your project and write a short summary of the project and then bring your information to our district convention in November. I will have a display board set up. All your projects will be displayed. I feel it would be a great visual way of sharing what your club has done, and most people love looking at pictures. **Project Ideas-** roadside cleanup, recycling plastic or cans, planting trees, composting, planting wildflowers, etc. **FANTASTIC MARKETING PROJECT**

I realize not all clubs are able to come to the convention in November, so I am asking all zone chairmen to notify all the clubs in their zone and have their clubs submit a picture to the zone chair and have the chairs then bring the pictures to the convention. I know all our clubs do a lot for their communities and it would be wonderful to hear what they are all doing and better yet to see what they have done. I am hoping to have a wall full of pictures, so I need all your help! Thank you!

xxiv. Diabetes – PDG Lion Mike DeBaere (excused)

No Report

xxv. Hunger – Lion Sandy Muche

I am Lion Sandy Muche and am the MD27B1 Hunger Chairperson for the 2024-2025 Lions year. I belong to the Van Dyne Lions Club. According to FeedingAmerica.org there are 617,790 people in Wisconsin facing hunger and of them 204,750 are children. This equates to 1 in 10 people and 1 in 6 children. With the Lions' commitment to fight hunger, I would like to see what we can do as a district to lower these numbers.

I will be contacting each zone chair to share with their respective clubs the idea of collecting food for the food banks in their area. When I was a Lioness, we had each member bring a nonperishable food item to our meetings, and that is what we are now doing in our Lion meetings. If you are not able to bring an item or forget one, you are fined \$1.00 which is collected and eventually used to purchase items for a local food pantry. Together as Lions, we hope to ease the problem of hunger in our area.

If you have any questions or suggestions, feel free to contact me at 920-602-2026 or my email: sandmuch@charter.net.

Thank you for this opportunity to serve MD27B1 this year.

ANOTHER FANTASTIC MARKETING IDEA DG Dave

xxvii. **Wisconsin Lions Missions – Lion Pat Knier**

Hello to all of you; I am still trying to iron out the details for our Wisconsin Lions Mission to The Pine Ridge, SD eyeglass mission in October from the 14th to the 18th., 2024. The biggest drawback is slow responses and unresponsive communication from tribal leadership. I also tried to connect with some church pastors to work with them for a site to hold the mission and provide housing for our volunteers working in their area. As I reached out to one of the Pastors, he shared that we likely would not have much of a response in the Oglala, (Southwest area) or the Allen, (Southeast area) because a Christian medical group from Kentucky comes every year during August and does an eyeglass mission then. I found that out last week it was never mentioned by the tribal officials. However, when talking to Mary Ebbs who runs the Families Working Together supply warehouse in the Wamblee area, (Northern area) she had no knowledge of any other group doing eyeglass missions in any part of the reservation. Now my focus is to hold our mission in the Wamblee area, holding the event in the Crazy Horse school, and bring some much needed supplies for Bob and Mary Ebbs at the Families Working Together Warehouse. They will give us housing we will need for about 20 to 25 people. As these details develop, I will try to pass them along.

15) **Zone Chair Reports**

Zone 1 – open -

DG Dave working on Zone Chair. PDG Fred has reserved October 3 and February 6 for meetings.

Zone 2 – Lion Paul Baroun (excused)

Francis Creek: New Welcome sign for town; No new members, lost

Manitowoc: Balloon Glow; Couple of prospects

Maribel: No report

Mishicot: Had a May fry out; Band Lunch Wednesday Aug 28; 2 prospects

Newton: No report

St. Nazianz: No report

Valders: May brat fry 2nd & 4th; Picnic; Aug 1st Truck and Tractor pulls; Aug 2nd Horse pulls and Truck & Tractor pulls and band in evening; Aug 3rd Farm Tractor pulls and Kids entertainment; New President Tanya Finch; 2 new members

Whitelaw: Ball Park Concessions; New club President Sue Brown; No new members or lost

Next zone meeting September 11th, Valders Lions host at OverTime Pub & Grill Zone Project-sell tickets for Manitowoc County Fair

Zone 3 – Lion Lea Thibodeau (excused)

As the new Zone chair, my goal is to re-establish regular Zone meetings and to strive to unite the area, in our mission to meet the needs of our communities and to grow membership. I was introduced to the Sheboygan Noon Lions by Lion Myra Schneider about 8 years ago and served as the Club President for the past two years. With the passing of Lion Dick Karl, I have humbly accepted the position of Zone Chair.

Sheboygan Noon Club awarded two scholarships to high school seniors from Sheboygan North and Sheboygan South. Noon Club is also full steam ahead with preparing for the Wisconsin Lions' Bowling Tournament, which will start in the Spring of 2025. Stay tuned for more information!! Get your teams ready and come join the FUN in Sheboygan at Lakeshore Lanes.

To the other Clubs in our Zone, I apologize for being unable to share information about your Club's activities. This will be corrected by the next Cabinet Meeting, and I will share your activities and accomplishments. I look forward to meeting with all in our Zone, and praise all of you for your commitment to Lionism.

The next Zone Meeting will be hosted by the Sheboygan Noon Club and is scheduled for Monday, September 16th at PJ Campbell's in Plymouth (114 Depot Rd). Social Hour starts at 5:15pm with Dinner to follow at 6:15pm. Cost per person is \$23.50

Zone 4 – open

Lion Lea will work with these clubs by inviting them to her zone meeting.

Zone 5 – Lion Mary Jo Abler

Zone 5 is busy with its usual Service work, fundraising and donating.

End of the year donations were very good. All 5 clubs donated to the special Childhood cancer fund. All donated to LCIF. All supported community projects. My information places the Zone donations at over \$35,000 for the last quarter of the year. I have 4 out of 5 clubs that now have a Club Administrator. The one club that does not have a CA had an issue with the Secretary's computer crashing. If the Club had someone working with the Secretary, the crash would not have been so interruptive. The clubs reported 5,112 hours of service in the last quarter of the year. There were more hours, but reporting data is not consistent yet. More training will help. I do think some of my clubs need a bit more training on entering Service activities. Activities were listed, but hours not always entered. Some clubs are not sure what is reportable and how to fill out information in the new system. After reviewing the online Club membership lists, I see errors and will encourage each

Secretary/CA to review their information and make corrections. Membership is down one. The portal has created data entry problems. Clubs also are having problems, some they may not even know they are supposed to have access to. It is a slow start to the change. Next zone meeting on August 22nd hosted by Winnebago Eastshore at Cabaret in St Cloud-6 pm.

Zone 6 – Lion Sue Lee

Clubs are all active this summer. Many have reported problems with the new Portal.

Zone 7 - Lion Ella Stanelle

She is new as zone chairman and is getting organized, so no report at this time.

Zone 8 – Lion Nancy Schumacher

She is also a new as zone chairman and is getting organized. WELCOME

Van Dyne Lions - Van Dyne's Smalltown Event (picnic, parade and car show) will be held at the Van Dyne Lions Park on Sunday, August 18. Our theme is "Serving Better Together." Membership - We had 2 new Lions join in June. Scholarships - 3 Lion Scholarships for \$1000 were awarded at the awards banquet. Medical Equipment Facility - The Van Dyne Lions Club in conjunction with the Fond du Lac Evening Lions Club is constructing a new facility to house medical equipment as discussed previously. The project is endorsed by Larson Winchester Lions Medical Equipment Locker and the Fox Valley Medical Equipment Locker. Fond du Lac County Fair - The Van Dyne Lions, St. Peter and Winnebago Eastshore Lions shared a booth at the Fair. Free vision screening was offered as well as information on how to join a Lions Organization. **PERFECT EXAMPLE OF WORKING TOGETHER.....FANTASTIC**

Eldorado Lions are hosting their signature event, the Eldorado Community Picnic and Parade. This event helps raise funds to serve others in their community, county and to make Lions project contributions. Budget about \$11,000 each year to fund projects in service areas: Vision, Hunger, Environment, Humanitarian relief, Diabetes, Youth, Special Needs and Elder care, just to name a few.

Pickett Lions gave out 4 \$750.00 scholarships and built 3 wheel chair ramps and are working on a fourth. Golf outing in June with a great turn out. The food trailer was at the Pickett Steam Show in June. The big event for summer is Summer Ride May 15th and the party is August 17th.

Brandon - No report

Ripon - No report

Rosendale - No report

Zone Meeting TBD hosted by Brandon Lions

Zone 9 – Lion Laurie Sasada (excused)

Markesan: No report

Grand River Lions: September 21st Brat Stand at Crossroads in Green Lake. Spring and summer roadside cleanup. Collecting plastic. August 1-4 will have a booth at the Green Lake Co Fair & doing vision screening. Installing 3 new members at the Zone Meeting on August 22nd which they are hosting. Club has also created a club pin for their new Charter.

Kingston: No report

Princeton: August 31, 2024, at Princeton Flea Market Booth; October 12, 2024, Spaghetti Dinner \$12 all you can eat (4:00-7:00 pm) VFW Post 138, North Farmer Street; Trick or Treat on Water Street – Friday, October 25th (hand out candy & hot dogs) ;

Princeton Lions 75th Anniversary in November (planning)

Berlin: No report

Neshkoro: August 10th holding a brat fry at Piggly Wiggly in Wautoma; August 24 Classic Car Show and Lawn Mower Racing. 2nd Monday in September we will be holding a Senior Dinner.

Next Zone Meeting will be on October 1st Hosted by the Berlin Lions.

a. Zone 10 – Lion Bill Fletcher

Oxford Lions were awarded a MODEL Club award. CONGRATS for your contributions.

Westfield Lions is hosting DG Dave on Thursday.

b. Zone 11 – Lion Pat Karasek

The six clubs of Zone 11 are doing well. Each club has had a loss of membership, the majority attributed to deaths. The roll out of the Portal was challenging. Officers are all sworn in for the 2024-2025 year. Lists are all updated. Next Zone Meeting is September 16th, hosted by Poy Sippi. District Governor Dave is speaker on Community Service.

Goals: Consistent use of the Lions Club Exit Interview. Retention is critical. Getting membership interested in using the Portal.

Activities: Scholarship presentations completed. June/July are big months for activities and all clubs held fund raising events. Poy Sippi Days, Wild Rose Party on the Pond, Coloma Chicken Chew, Red Granite Bingo Glow. Was great to see Lions Clubs together to help each other.

Community: Food Pantry Drive, playground and park improvements, tree planting and multiple examples of the clubs help with donations in their communities.

- c. NOTE TO WHOEVER SETS UP THE ROOM: Flags are arranged from left to right, and in the following order: American Flag, Wisconsin Flag, Lions Flag
- d. Thank you, IPDG Greg, for your excellent leadership last year.

16) Other Business

Comments & Questions – Everyone

THANK YOU PDG Fred for properly arranging the flags. NOTE: Flags are arranged on speakers right, nearest to speaker Lions flag, Wisconsin Flag and farthest American Flag

17) Next Meeting – Sunday, October 13, 2024, Eagles Club Fond du lac

18) DG Dave asked for any ideas for the 11am – 12pm session, 1 suggestion District Convention, **OPEN** for more ideas.

19) Meeting Adjourned – **Motion** by John, and unanimously seconded by everyone in the room; **passed** at 3:31 p.m.

THE WORD FOR THE YEAR IS.....**FANTASTIC** You all are **FANTASTIC**, what you do is **FANTASTIC**
Thanks....Dave