





MD27B1 District Cabinet Minutes

Date: Sunday, Oct. 2, 2022

Location: Eagles Club 515 N Park Avenue Fond du Lac, WI 54935

Virtual: NO Email:

If any Question: Reply to this email – roxanne wendt@hotmail.com or call 920-948-7787

Times:

Open Discussion (Voluntary): In Person Only 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM (In Person Only)

Social & Lunch: Lunch 12:00 PM Meeting 1:00 PM to 3:30 PM

Meeting (In Person Only)

Agenda: 10/2/22

1. Call to Order DG Dave Brinkman @ 1:pm

2. Pledge of Allegiance PDG Tom Wendt

3. **Prayer** Chaplain Lion Myra Schneider Moment of silence

4. **Motion to Approve Agenda** DG Dave Brinkman motion made by PDG Lion Tom

Wendt and 2nd by Lion Scott Scovronski **MOTION**

CARRIED

5. **Roll Call** Was completed by Sec. Lion Roxanne Wendt

There were 30 cabinet members present

along with 4 more guests.

6. **Tail Twister** Lion Kathy Bargenquast Lion Kathy Bargenquast was

dressed for her theme very cute. At district convention for cabinet meeting wear something patriotic or military for

our meeting when we meet the ID.

7. **Communication** DG Dave Brinkman Talked about raffles and who

gave us a raffle license A & B and how our money is

spent. The difference between the two.

8. Secretary's Report CS Lion Roxanne Wendt If anyone would like a cabinet

shirt order directly through Bee Seen. Please send in your reports it sure makes the job so much easier to get out

all you information to share with everyone.

9. **Treasurer's Report** PDG Lion Jerry Post Check book is balanced as of

Yesterday. Thanks to Jerry for helping the checkbook out till it could build up the funds coming in again. Treasurer's

Report Given to everyone. (Report Given)

- **9a District Financial Report a** Motion was made by Lion Gary Silah 2nd by Fred Gebhart **Motion Carried**
- **9b District Audit**, Report was sent by Dave Holschbach and it should be officially closed (Report Sent)

10. Old Business:

a. Memorial Fund idea Going to move to Executive Team bring to Jan. meeting Dave also has raffle tickets to sell. Motion Carried by Fred Gebhart 2nd by Scott Scovronski Motion Carried Who is the Executive Team? DG Dave Brinkman, Treasurer, Secretary, GLT, GST, GMT, 1st Vice DG, 2nd Vice DG.

11. New Business:

- a. District Raffle/ All money to go to charity. 1st a lion filled with all kinds of stuff
 2nd 5 Posters Army, Navy, Air force. Coast Guard, Marines. DG Dave talked on Raffles on a class A & B.
- a. Gary Silah: Important Change to Policy and Procedures Manual
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 Section 3 Convention Compensation
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- a. Registration, Meals, and Rooms for two nights will be paid for the following: 4. Cabinet Secretary-Treasurer (if a combined position) or Cabinet Secretary and Cabinet Treasurer (if a separated position)

Motion Made by PDG BJ 2nd by Dick Karls Motion Carried Discuss in favor of the change by Dave Lee and Dave Holschbach Dave Lee would like to see us take the money out of training & Education fund. Jerry Post against

<u>Take to Executive team to decide where money will come</u> from.

12. Committee Reports

i. IPDG Lion BJ Blahnik

a. Present, added to his 2 grants Purple Octopus over 5000 people have used it. DG BJ on Oct.23 leaving to get his new leader dog. (Report Sent)

ii. 1st Vice District Governor Lion Greg Kubichka

a. Present, for zone chairs get everything up to date with all your meeting dates. Send to the district web site. Had a great experience in Michigan with a leader dog.

iii.

2nd Vice District Governor Lion Dave Holschbach (Report Sent)

a. Present, introduce himself since he missed the first cabinet meeting and report was sent.

iv. GLT Chair PDG Lion Tom Wendt (Report Sent)

a. Present, Mention about a wonderful leader in the lions PDG Dave Lee was inducted into the Appleton High school Hall of Fame.

v. **GST Chair Lion Vincent Treague** (Report Sent)

a. Present, Running a workshop for 27-B1 service chair for 2 hours on Nov. 29 to 30 how to close out your service projects. Check to see how many clubs even have service chairs.

vi. GMT Chair PDG Lion Fred Gebhart

a. Present, keeping membership up 21 clubs in growth and 17 came in at 0. Talked about the club excellent award you can get it even if you stay even and do not gain members just do not lose members. Last year 4 clubs received the club excellent awards.

vii. District Convention Chair PDG Lion Mike DeBaere

a. Present, District Convention planned for Nov. 11th & 12th at the Radisson Hotel in FDL, He is having a military theme in honor of Veteran's Day. We serve our Country, now we serve our community. For those coming on Friday they will offer a special Friday Fish Fry in the dining room. Friday night hospitality which will include music and games. Saturday ID Dianne Pitts giving her keynote address. Awards presentations along with Quinn's Cowboy Hat auction with all proceeds going to Leader Dog. To make reservations call Radisson at 920-923-1440 Rooms are \$109.00 includes coupon for 2 free drinks and breakfast each night. 10% Dining coupon per hotel guest. Have Zone Chairs pass out their convention packets. Old Glory Honor Flight one of the seminars. Get your registrations in.

viii. District Diabetes Lion Chair Lion Jacqueline Abel

a. Present, No Report currently collecting new information.

ix. District Elections and Nominations Chair PDG Lion Gary Colton

a. Present, the deadline for this year's nominations paperwork is 30 days before the start of the convention, which is Oct. 12, 2022 As of today, I have received paperwork for one candidate District Governor, one for 2nd Vice District Governor, one for 1st Vice District Governor and one for WLF Director. The nominations committee will be reviewing all paperwork and forwarding the nominations to the Elections Committee.

x. District Environment Chair Lion Bonnie Hughes

a. Present, Garbage pickup clean the roadsides and parks for the month of Oct. and keep track of your miles and send back to Bonnie. Report Sent

xi. District Hunger Chair Lion Amber Konen

a. Not Present,

xii. District Information/Public Relations/Historian Chair PDG Lion Tom Clausen

a. Present, everything was said.

xiii. District LCI/My Lion Chair DG Dave Brinkman

a. DG Lion David Brinkman has put a lot of effort into keeping reporting up to date and teaching everyone. Anyone needs help he willing to help you out just let him know.

xiv. District LCIF Coordinator Lion Mary Jo Abler

a. Present, her goal is to get the other 13 clubs to donate just something and hope the cabinet and the lions will support her. Report Sent

xv. District Leader Dog PDG Lion Meg Post

a. Present, Report Sent

xvi. District Leo Chair PDG Lion Gary Silah

a. Present, brand new club hoping to come to convention. Report sent

xvii. District Lions Eyebank of Wisconsin Lion Charlie Keifenheim

a. Not present, No Report

xviii. District Newspaper Editor Lion Terry Erbstoesser

a. Not present, No Report

xix. District Peace Poster/Pin Chair Lion Laurie Sasada

a. Not present due to injury, Report Sent

xx. District Pediatric Cancer Chair PDG Lion Dave Lee

a. Present, Request for the cabinet to purchase 100 books at \$1000.00 and the money would go to childhood cancer. Motion made by Meg Post to take it out of the Quest fund 2nd by John Steffen. and report sent

xxi. District Raffle Lion John Stephen

a. Present, Hope everyone got their tickets they are all out now. report sent

xxii. District Restoring Hope Transplant House Lion Barb Leichtfuss

a. Not Present, Sent report

xxiii. District Special Olympics Chair PDG Lion Fred Gebhart

a. Special Olympics was on Sept.17. Had a truck convoy, bean bag toss, and run with the cop.

xxiv. District Vision Chair PDG Lion Fred Gebhart

a. Present, going to get into the Oshkosh schools and having Van Dynes lions help. Nurse from Oshkosh is making out a schedule for us to come in. 600 kids to cover in Oshkosh. Also turned in a bill for paper, ink for his printer for his certification cards he prints out.

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xxv. District Youth Camp & Exchange Chair Lion Patricia Shikoski

a. Present, Hope you enjoyed her letter that was sent. Sent report

xxvi. Wisconsin Lions Mission Lion Pat Knier

a. Present, Sent report

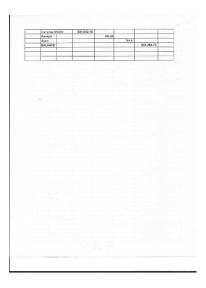
xxvii. Constitution & Bylaws/Policies and Procedures PDG Lion Jerry Post

xxviii. WLF Director/Pride/Hearing Aids/Birch Sturm Lion Dick Karl

a. Present, added new report and he also has eye glass containers with him.
 Sent report

13. Treasurer's Report

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District Audit



15. New Business

Important Change to Policy and Procedures Manual

Written by PDG Gary Silah

As of this current year, the position of Cabinet Secretary-Treasurer has been split into two separate posts. Frankly, as a former 3-time CST, I applaud separating these two difficult and important jobs for our district.

This change, however, does necessitate a change in our policy and procedures manual. Compensation for the rooms at the District Convention is based on the combined position. It is my belief that these provided rooms are not a perk or a gift for the Secretary and Treasurer. They are provided because both of these Lions are needed to be at the convention for the entire time and are a necessary expense for the convention.

Therefore, I am bringing the following modification to the Policy and Procedures Manual before the Cabinet. I believe that this needs to be passed immediately and put into effect before the 2022 District Convention.

The District Convention Policy currently reads:

Section 3 Convention Compensations

- a. Registration, Meals, and Rooms for two nights will be paid for the following:
- 4. Cabinet Secretary-Treasurer

I make a motion that this section read:

Section 3 Convention Compensations

- a. Registration, Meals, and Rooms for two nights will be paid for the following:
- 4. Cabinet Secretary-Treasurer (if a combined position) or

Cabinet Secretary and Cabinet Treasurer (if a separated position)

(the highlighted portion is the operative change)

Personally, it is my belief that this position should never be combined again, but that's just me. By the way, in researching this change, I discovered that there are other references to this position in both the Bylaws and the P&P that should be updated as well. But this is something that can wait, and this one must be done immediately to be in place before the convention.

16. Committee Reports

i. IPDG Lion BJ Blahnik

Hello,

My reports are as follows:

Holyland Food Pantry:

Construction of Food Pantry is about 75% complete. Cooler, which was purchased through LCIF Community Grant, should be installed approximately October 12. Scheduled opening date is set for November 1. Will continue updating as I get more details.

Purple Octopus Playground:

Grand opening was August 27. FVDG Lion Greg, SVDG Lion Dave as well as Lion members of the sponsor clubs were in attendance. Approximately 100 people attended the Grand opening. The rubber surfacing worked great as we witnessed a child fall off of the swing and did not get hurt. Display of donor boards, showing Lions support, were great. The Lions are very well promoted for this project. Working with Above & Beyond Children's Museum to track amount of participants utilizing the playground. It is being used every day by many. A lot of praise was given to our organization. Thank you, IPDG Lion BJ

iii. 2nd Vice District Governor Lion Dave Holschbach

It's been quite a change from one position to another and still getting reorganized.

My first official GREEN JACKET appearance was for the ribbon cutting ceremony for the ABOVE and BEYOND CHILDRENS MUSEUM playground. This was a District 27B1 project last year. My second vice district governor training session was held September 30th in Marshfield. Online training for 2nd Vice District Governor has been completed. There are currently 8 other fellow vice district governors with the tenth needing to be elected yet. We zoom meet once a month to discuss planning and questions

So far as 2nd Vice district Governor I have done one club visitation, some club officer installations, new member initiations and a Melvin Jones Fellowship presentation. I have 3 more club visits coming up in October. Trying to coordinate with the other 7 clubs for visits. TOUGH trying to get clubs to respond to my request! Continue working with DG Dave and the Executive Committee with planning for the future and my years to come.

Looking forward to the next step in my LIONS LIFE. I'll be in touch.

iv. GLT Chair PDG Lion Tom Wendt

District 27 B1 October Cabinet meeting. GLT Report

Multiple District GLT monthly zoom meetings continue with reports from all District GLTs in attendance. All District GLTs are finalizing both club officer and zone chair training, which most included President, treasure, Secretary, Club Administrator, and anyone interested in those positions in the future. An interesting point from one other GLT is they now call their training a Workshop rather than training, removes the stigma I've attended training before.

District 27B1 is evaluating our officer training from last May to decide if there night be changes to next year's training such as curriculum, dates/times and venue.

Upcoming training opportunities

ELLI (Emerging Lions Leadership Institute)

October 21, 22, 23, 2022, Lions Camp

27B1 District Convention November 11 & 12, 2022

Fond du Lac.

On a personal note myself and Cabinet Secretary Lion Roxanne attended the USA / Canada Forum in Calgary in early September, which as always was a great leaning and exciting Lion experience.

Lastly please let all your clubs know to contact me with any Leadership questions or experiences

Submitted. 9/25/ 2022 PDG. Thomas Wendt

V. GST Chair Lion Vincent Treaque

GST Report

Met with the service chairs for Diabetes, Environment and Hunger. Discussed their duties and offered my assistance if needed,

Will monitor the service reporting and reach out to clubs that are not reporting. Contacted the clubs that have been inactive for 24 months or more. Plan to surpass the goal of 90% of clubs reporting.

Attended meeting for all GSTs in the state. Discussed holding a training for Service Coordinators so they better understand how to use the reporting tool, the importance of reporting, and discuss planning for service projects. Tentatively scheduling that training for November 29th or 30th. It will be held in the evening in Appleton.

x. District Environment Chairperson Lion Bonnie Hughes

I would like to dedicate the month of October to the cleanup of our community ditches. This was done last year and what a big difference it made in our communities! Not only was it fun to walk with other members but the exercise was good for all of us. I would like someone from each club to record your miles and submit them to me by November 1st. (Jbhughes70@hotmail.com or call me at 9203796507) It will be interesting to see how many miles our District has walked for this effort.

The last report I mentioned collecting plastic bags (grocery, pet food, bird seed, shipping wrapped.) and bringing them to our District Convention in November. If your club doesn't plan on coming to the convention, please get your bags to your District Zone Chairperson. According to the amounts of plastic your club donates your name will go into a drawing for a a beautiful heavy District 27-B1 bench to be placed in their community wherever they choose. Our Van Dyne Club has been doing this for some time now and for every 500# you get this bench. It really is beautiful! Good luck and start collecting!

Submitted by

Lion Bonnie Hughes

Environment Chair

xv. District LCIF Coordinator Lion Mary Jo Abler

Campaign 100

We did it – together!

Campaign 100: LCIF Empowering Service was huge success

More than \$300 million dollars was raised for Campaign 100, donations are still coming in.

Thank you to the clubs and personal donations that made it happen. I have not been able to total our District for the last 4 years. Hopefully by convention I will have those numbers. Because of your support LCIF we can continue to make a difference.

Throughout the campaign, 5,475 clubs worldwide committed to becoming model clubs. Number of club members X \$500.00= Club goal.

There are some clubs that obtained at least Model club statue within our District. Some were offered the time to pledge their final balance.—these clubs were close.

LARSEN-WINCHESTER District 27 B1 Model Club

FAIR WATER District 27 B1 Model Club

OXFORD District 27 B1 Model Club

Appleton Evening Pledge

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50 of our 63 Clubs donated this last Lionistic year, 80% of clubs. Each year since I have Chaired LCIF I have seen a slight increase. I hope it is because I have tried to spread the word about our Foundation.

The 13 clubs that did not donate will likely be contacted. All clubs are asked to support LCIF each year. The amount is not as important as their dedication to our Foundation.

We also had over 40 Lions in our District that gave personal donations. I would like to see that number increase through the next years.

Thank you to the clubs and LIONS who donated to Campaign 100. With these donations and your continued support of LCIF, Lions can continue to serve our communities, our State and a world that is in need.

I encourage fellow Lions that use Facebook to check out Lions Clubs International Foundation Facebook page to find out what our Foundation is doing.

I find 'Global Lions Forum' interesting as it comes up with questions on how clubs do certain things. Many ideas shared. It also talks of new things happening.

Grants have been sent to many counties around Ukraine to fund Humanitarian Services.

Puerto Rico also is getting Humanitarians Grants.

I am certain Florida will also be getting funding, depending on damages from the recent hurricane. Clubs should consider sending funds to assist in this area.

xv. District Leader Dog PDG Lion Meg Post

October 2, 2022 Cabinet Meeting

Leader Dog Report

There is not much to report to date. We had our first quarterly district chair virtual meeting this past week. The Puppy Sponsorship mailing will be sent out to all clubs in mid-October. The meeting focused on Orientation & Mobility. The first quarter update will be available within the next week or two. I will share that information at the convention.

On National Assistance Dog Day, the Gary Sinise Foundation announced a \$350,000 grant to Leader Dogs for the Blind to support our service to veterans, defenders and first responders who are blind or visually impaired with highly skilled guide dogs. 17% of Leader Dog clients are veterans & 1st Responders. As part of the grant, the Gary Sinise Foundation is sponsoring seven Future Leader Dogs. The first two dogs are named Forest (yellow lab) & Jenny (black lab). I will have more information at the district convention at the Leader Dog display table.

Taking the Lead podcasts have been a huge success. You can listen to all twenty-five podcasts via the LD website. The goal of this podcast is to bring awareness of not only the blindness community but also the free services provided by Leader Dog.

Please take time to check out the Leader Dog website. There are client videos, monthly newsletters, club reports and of course the gift shop.

Feel free to contact me with any questions or to schedule a club visit. I would love to introduce your club members to Leader Dog.

Respectfully submitted,

PDG Meg Post

B1 District LD Chair mpost7@tds.net

xvii District Leo Chairperson PDG Lion Gary Silah

Leo Club Chair

Report to the Cabinet 10/2/2022

I have been informed that the Reedsville Lions Club is still hanging on to the Leo club. Both their advisors retired a couple years ago, and so far, they haven't found anyone to take it over. They have now been advised that they should release their charter, because it is against international policy to have a Leo Club without advisors, for liability purposes. I believe that they are starting the process to release it.

The Kiel Leo Club is now officially chartered. I have reached out to them, to arrange a date and time to speak to them and find out if there is anything they need from the district. I am awaiting their response.

xx. District Newspaper Editor Lion Terry Erbstoesser

Editor 27B1 Report Nothing to report

xxi. District Peace Poster/ Pin Lion Laurie Sasada

Peace Poster: 2022-2023 Contest This year's theme is Lead with Compassion

Students ages 11, 12 or 13 as of November 15 are eligible

Kits have been on sale since January 15 and can be purchased through October 1, 2022, from the Club Supplies Sales Department at International Headquarters. Clubs should bring their winning Posters to District Convention, November 11-12 at the Radisson Hotel and Conference Center in Fond du lac. November 15: Postmark deadline for a club to send one winning poster (per contest sponsored) to the district governor.

District 27-B1 2022-2023 Pins

Pins are here and ready for purchase, they are \$3.00 each.

Start planning designs for next year's District pin. (2023-2024) Designs can be sent to Lion Laurie @ sasadalaurie@gmail.com / Laurie Sasada PO Box 33 Fairwater, Wi. 53931 or bring to District Convention in November. All designs will be displayed and voted on at Convention.

2022-2023 Pin design was created by Lion Dave Holschbach

xxii. District Pediatric Cancer PDG Lion Dave Lee

For my input on childhood cancer at the meeting, I plan to recommend that the district support purchasing books "My Dog Named Hope", a book about kids dealing with childhood cancer and written by Joe Dean. Some of us have seen Joe Dean (at the time VP of marketing for the MAAC Fund) at A2's convention a few years ago – Joe, John McGlocklin, and Lion SRI teamed together to support the messaging for the flow cytometer challenge.

Joe has 100 of these books and he would be happy to give them to us in return for a \$1,000 contribution to their family trust that designates toward childhood cancer.

I am recommending that B1 obtains these books. They could be distributed, one to each B1 club, for sharing with an area school, nurse, or family dealing with childhood cancer. It would be a cost-effective way for doing something constructive on behalf of one of Lions 5 global causes and impacting all B1 clubs. Distribution could be done via DG/VDG club visits or by giving copies to the zone chairs for distribution. The leftover books could be a supply for other opportunities within the district and for requests by clubs for additional copies. It would be nice if this could be considered for approval at the meeting. Thanks.

Dave Lee

xxiii. District Raffle Lion John Stephen

All clubs should have their raffle tickets. If any club does not have their tickets, please let me know. Also, if any clubs need extra tickets, please let me know and i will see that you get extra tickets. The clubs can turn in their ticket stubs and money to me at the cabinet meeting or bring them to me at the convention. Thank you all for helping to sell tickets. Lion John Stephen

xxv. District Restoring Hope Transplant House Lion Barb Leichtfuss

Restoring Hope Transplant House Report September 26, 2022, 1. The Van Dyne Lions Club has purchased a few items for the house: jigsaw puzzles, books, etc. I will arrange to have them delivered; hopefully by meeting with Cindy Herbst at the house. 2. Cindy is at a fund-raising outing this Monday, so I was not able to talk to her, but she will return my call on Tuesday, the 27th. My main question is whether she wants a display table at the District Convention and if she wants me to set it up, etc. 3. No new concerns or needs have been brought to my attention from the house, so I am assuming everything is going along smoothly. I have included their report from June of 2022. If I learn anything new, I will share it. Respectfully submitted, Lion Barb Leichtfuss Restoring Hope 27B1 Liaison

xxviii. District Youth Camp & Exchange Lion Patricia Shikoski

I've been wanting to travel for a long time, but I have only had a few opportunities to do so. As a kid who grew up in a small, rural town of barely 3,000 people, small trips to other states or a school trip to Washington D.C. can seem like a big deal. However, as someone who also grew up listening to their Dad's stories of all the places he's been to around the world, I dreamed of bigger trips and bigger adventures. The Lions Club gave me my first opportunity to travel out of the United States, and with their help, I was able to spend two and a half wonderful weeks in Poland.

While there, not only was I able to be a full-on tourist, reading every single informational pamphlet and buying an excessive amount of refrigerator magnets, I was also able to become fully immersed in their culture. This opportunity blessed me with being able to stay with three different, wonderful host families. They fed me pierogi and pork chops, taught me about their history, and helped me when I became unbelievably frustrated when I was unable to tell whether the bottled water was carbonated or not. I also easily made friends; and I am not good at meeting new people. I get anxious, weird, and standoff-ish. I'm not even good at talking to my own relatives sometimes, but the people I met while on this trip changed my life and made me feel very welcome. During the Lions Youth Exchange Camp stay in Poland, I met people from around the entire world and made lasting friendships and, kind-of, learned how to sail and tie some knots. During my stay there, I learned about so many different cultures. I bonded with people over simply just describing what an average day for me in the United States is like. I'm not going to lie, I thought it was going to be awkward when we all started talking about our different cultures. I was expecting some fighting about politics and stuff like that; that never happened. Instead, while we were sharing our different cultures and our lives, we learned that we were not so different. We all understood and could empathize, to a certain extent, with everyone's experiences through life. We all had anxieties, we all had weird family members, we all liked playing volleyball, and most importantly, we all had no idea what we were doing when we were sailing.

Never in my life have I ever made friends so easily, and not just a friend you only talk to once a year because you are wishing them a happy birthday over facebook, but actual life-long friends. I made deeper connections with the people I met during this trip, then I did with anyone I spent those four years of highschool with. I became so close with my actual assigned host family I cried when I realized I only had one more day with them. I cried when the mini vacation to the Baltic Sea, where two other host families temporarily adopted me, was over. I bawled my eyes out when I left the Lions Club Camp, and I mean bawled. It was a full-on ugly cry and I have the pictures to prove it. The Lions Club gave me an incredible opportunity this summer, and I will forever be grateful for the entire organization because of what they offered and showed me.



xxix Wisconsin Lions Mission Lion Pat Knier

Wisconsin Lions Mission Cabinet report-9-2-22

*SUMMER MEETING AND PICNIC

WHEN The date is August 28th. The meeting will start at 9:49 AM. Between COVID and the civil strife in Central American countries we have been pretty

much shut down the last 2+ years. We have to continue to explore opportunities and places for eyeglass missions.

*PINE RIDGE INDIAN RESERVATION While we have not yet been successful getting another eyeglass mission there we have taken three loads of things to the Families Working Together Foundation located on the reservation. The Bill Taubman and Rudy Kessler each pulled a trailer load out there in December and the Kesslers went out again in June.

*Our EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM reached out to the LIONS OF KENTUCKY to see if we could help the victims of the December 10th tornado. Lion Pat Knier first brought up the idea and ultimately worked with the clubs in his zone to collect a trailer load of needed items. We sent out a communication statewide and had a very good response. Many clubs and individuals responded with financial assistance as well as donations of items needed. We collected about \$10,000 to support the mission. In late April we left for Mayfield, KY with the Lions trailer full. We connected with Lion Knier in Mayfield where both trailers were unloaded at a large distribution center. They were excited about all the things unloaded. *Past International Director Eugenio Roman and I have been planning an eyeglass mission to the Dominican Republic. He and his wife have a team of people who have worked out the logistics to conduct a mission in Higuey, Dominican Republic from Sunday, February 5th until Sunday, February 12, 2023.

xxxii WLF Director/Pride/Hearing aids/Birch Sturm Lion Dick Karl

B1 District Cabinet Report

10/2/22

WLF Director Lion Dick

Wisconsin Lions Birch-Sturm Memorial Fund

Statements of Activities Year End 12/31/2021

Total Revenues & other Support 292,549

Total Expenses 23,950

Change in Net Assets from Operations 268,599

Non-Operating Activities

Gain (Loss) on Investments 835,041

Change in Net Assets 1,103,640

Net Assets – Beginning 7,382,157

Net Assets - Ending 8,485,797

Statements of Financial Position Year End 12/31/2021

Assets

Cash 75,150

Investments 8.412.320

Total Assets 8,487,470

Total Liabilities and Net Assets 8,487,470

Statements of Cash Flow Year End 12/31/2021

Cash Flow from Operating Activities

Change in Net Assets 1,105,295

Adjustments to Reconcile Change in Net assets

To Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities

Interest & Dividends Reinvested (277,073)

Net Loss (Gain) on Investments (835,041)

Fees Paid from Investments 68,609

Change in Operating Liabilities

Accounts Payable (1,701)

Total Adjustments (1,045,206)

Net Cash Flows from Operating Activities 60,089

Cash Flows from Investing Activities

Net Cash Flows from Investing Activities (80,051)

Net Change in Cash (19,112)

Cash – Beginning 95,112

Cash – Ending 75,150

NOTE: B1 had 50 Birch - Sturm Fellowships Awarded; 8 as Progressive

in 2021. That is more than 4 times the next highest district total.

CONGRATULATIONS B1 LIONS THANK FOR YOUR DONATIONS

Lions Pride Endowment Fund

14th Lions Pride Clay Shoot @ Milford Hills Hunt Club on June 11th was a success with 149 shooters & netting \$37,890. Mark your calendars for $6/10\ 2023$ for the 15th Shoot.

LPEF website has been updated & refreshed. Foundation had presence at 9 of the 10 District Conventions as well as the 2022 State Convention. Where WLF (Past) President Darrel Banks was presented Ray Hempel Fellowship and a check for WLF of \$100,000.

Though the \$10 million dollar goal has been reached the LPEF is not going away. The fund balance as of August 25th was \$9,691,025. There is still a need to keep donations coming to the fund.

Hearing Aide Assistance

I have processed 4 applications for hearing aid assistance.

Wisconsin Lions Foundation Diabetes Awareness The 2nd Children's Diabetes Book is being promoted Sept./Oct. on Face Book & Constant Contact Mailings. Clubs will be allowed 10 books each beginning in November. Will have 10 books at meeting for ZC to promote at zone meetings.

The board is reviewing a number of promotional fliers, pamphlets & brochures to find the best for release in 2023.

Resource Development/Public Relations

Reviewing 4 Committee Policies for update. BIRCH – STURM GOLF OUTING netted \$30,090.73 with 134 Golfers. HUSTLE S'MORES netted \$8,202.47. DEER HIDE COLLECTION will be receiving a check from the buyer for \$80,588.50.

Will be coming out soon

Camp Operations/Property

Summer Camp Recap

One week of camping was canceled due to covid affecting staff & campers. The Who's Who List will be coming out soon. 2023 schedule is posted and Thursday night departure will continue next year. Andrea is looking into internship for future staffer is presently checking with a few colleges & universities. Off season bookings for 2022 are at \$135,000 and as of August the 2023 they are at \$65,000.

Buildings Update

Partial roof replacement on the Memorial Building – Sept. Duplexes 7 & 8 will be resided this fall & next spring. AC unit in Cabin 6 was replaced. Ice Machine in Kitchen replaced. Solar Panels installed on Cabin 1.

Grounds Update

5 security cameras to be installed – Sept. Totem Pole was fixed and painted in July. Lake Loop trail to begin work – Sept. The Board approve the purchase of a used dump truck (with new tires) & low milage for \$8,000

WLF Hearing Aid Program

MD 27-B1 Hearing Chairperson

Dick Karl

The Wisconsin Lions Foundation Hearing Aid Program's intent is to help Wisconsin's financially needy individuals with hearing impairments who cannot afford to purchase or repair a hearing aid and do not qualify for any other existing state funded assistance programs. Other programs you should encourage them to try first are: Medicaid (Title 19), their local Department of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR), GAMP, Katie Beckett Program (contact your local Department of Health and Human Services), and Badger Care Plus.

People in need of assistance should fill out an application which can be obtained from the WLF office. An applicant's finical eligibility is carefully reviewed by the District Hearing Chairperson and is either approved or denied. The number of eligible people you can assist depends completely on the amount of funds you have available in your District.

The Hearing Program is a very worthy cause and is <u>Funded Solely</u> through the <u>collection and salvage</u> of used hearing aids and through donations from your District, Zones, and local Lion & Leo Clubs. I encourage that you have raised. Checks should be sent to the WLF and should be made <u>payable</u> to <u>Wisconsin Lions Foundation</u> with a notation in the memo – 27-B1 Hearing Program. That will assure your donation will get to the right place.

I also encourage All Lion & Leo Clubs to start collecting use d hearing aids. Some suggested places to ask are local churches, pharmacies, funeral homes, nursing homes, and Doctors/Audiologists/Hearing Instruments Specialists' offices. Designate a person(s) from your club to distribute canisters – small plastic buckets – (with their name and Club and contact info on it) who will pick up the donated hearing aids. You can get canisters from WLF in Rosholt or contact me. You can also encourage the general public in your community to donate their unwanted or unused/used hearing aids to this program via posters or newspaper ads.

I am available to speak at your zone or club meeting to help provide you with more information on this program and to answer any questions you may have. I am also available to come and speak as your WLF Director on other foundation programs. Contact me Dick Karl at rkacacia75@gmail.com or 920-912-1786.

For applications for financial assistance please contact us by writing, calling, faxing, or e-mail

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Trainings / Dates to Remember

1. **USA/Canada Forum** Reno, NV Sept. 21-23, 2023

State Convention May 11-13, 2023, Stevens Point, WI

3. **International Convention** in Boston July 7 - 11, 2023.

4. District/State Events

District Bowling

5. **State Bowling** 72nd Annual Wisconsin Lions Bowling Tournament February 27- April 22, 2023, Hosted by The Menomonie

Lions

6. District Bean Bag Tournament?

7. **Pride Shoot** June 10,2023

8. State Curling Medford Jan. 7-9

16. Zone Chair Reports:

a. Zone 1 Lion Wes Grube

b. Zone 2 Lion Staate Hayward Having his 1st zone meeting 3rd week in Oct.

c. Zone 3 Lion Mike Roberts Zone meeting later this month Oct 17th,

d. Zone 4 Lion Bill Singer

e. Zone 5 Lion Pat Knier (Report Sent)

f. Zone 6 Lion Vincent Treague (Report Sent) Zone meeting in Oct. medical

equipment locker has been supported motion made by PDG Jerry post and 2nd

by IPDG BJ Blahnik

g. Zone 7 Lion Josh Blatz

h. Zone 8 Lion Barb Leichtfuss (Report Sent) i. Zone 9 Lion Scott Scovronski (Report Sent)

j. Zone 10 Lion Bill Fletcher

k Zone 11 Lion Dave Prezkurat (Report Sent) Poy Sippi has 5 new members

Zone Chairs

Zone 5 Chair Lion Pat Knier

Lions Cabinet Zone report

We have our first Zone Meeting for this Lion Year on October 3rd starting at 6PM hosted by the New Holstein club at the Altona.

I do not have club reports back yet for 3 of my clubs but this is what I have so far from 2 of them.

KIEL; donations; Donated \$1,905.00 to Kiel Boy Scouts recharter fee.

\$646.95 for Gas & Trailer.

\$100.00 Saint Vincent De Paul.

\$100.00 Christian Thrift store.

\$1,263.00 Mayfield Lions Club - Kentucky relief book sales.

\$250.00 Schleswig 4-Hn Club.

\$500.00 Linda Wasmer – Second Half Scholarship.

\$250.00 WES Conservation Club – Youth Outdoor Day.

1,053.00 Anchor Lanes – Parade Candy

\$1.000.00 KASD - 5 th Grade Trip.

\$250.00 Pat Nett – Golf outing.

\$500.00 Kennedy Kutzer – 2 nd Half Scholarship

\$1,000.00 Jason Klauck 1 st & Damp; 2 nd Half Scholarship.

\$50.00 Dist. 27-B1 Birch Sturm - IPDG Fellowship

Membership gain/loss 0 New Holstein; Service-SERVICE: HOURS

Tissue Transports (X11) 33

Grocery bag collection & take to Festival Foods for banding. 50

Leo Club advisor 19

Tissue Transport Dispatcher 10 Grill Food for Firefighters Picnic 35

Vision Screening 18

Filled Lions Playland sandbox with sand - 3.5 tons 4

FUNDRAISERS: HOURS

Brat Fry 5/14 63
Golf outing 6/13 70
Airport breakfast 7/24 60
DONATIONS: AMOUNT
(2) High School Scholarships

LCIF

NH Firefighters

Brothertown Fishing Club

Towards an award for IPDG BJ Blanik NH Chamber of Commerce golf outing

NH Booster Club

NH Leo Club - towards banner

NH School District (1) Elem. School club, (1) MidNH School District (1) Elem. School club, (1) Middle School club & (1) HS club.

MEMBERSHIP:

52 Gain/Loss 0

Zone 6 chair Lion Vincent Treaque

Have held 3 meetings for club Presidents and Vice-Presidents. Discussed the areas where clubs are succeeding and areas that need attention. A comment by all clubs has been membership.

Have schedule visits at all clubs. Intend to review the role of the zone chair, the purpose of the Presidents Meetings and the Zone Meeting and provide support for any projects or events they are holding.

Am assisting in organizing a satellite Medical Equipment Locker o supplement what is provided by the Larsen Winchester Club. A committee has been established with representatives from the clubs. Plan is to invite clubs from District 27B2 that are in close proximity to also become involved. We are scheduling club visits to present the idea and solicit their support.

Zone 8 Chair Lion Barb Leichtfuss

27B1 Zone 8 Report September 2022 We had a zone meeting on September 21, 2022 sponsored by the Rosendale Lions. ALL 6 CLUBS WERE IN ATTENDANCE! Speakers were DG David Brinkman (Service), Lion Mary Jo Abler (LCIF) and Lion Roxanne Wendt who announced that she will be running for 2nd Vice District Governor. Lion Michael DeBaere discussed the Peace Poster. PDG Tom Wendt discussed GLT and reviewed the Club Excellence Award. Lion Bonnie Hughes, Environment chairman, designated October as roadway cleanup month. All clubs should report their hours spent on this project to zone chair, Lion Barb Leichtfuss. All 6 clubs have paid their dues for this year! The clubs were reminded to complete their monthly membership reports and any activities their clubs perform. I attended the Rosendale Chicken BBQ and Ripon's general meeting in July and also installed new officers in the Rosendale and Pickett Lions' Clubs. All of the convention packets were delivered to the clubs. If any clubs needed their convention tickets or raffle prizes taken to the convention, they should contact Lion Barb Leichtfuss.

Respectfully submitted, Lion Barb Leichtfuss Zone 8 Chairman

Zone 9 Chair Lion Scott Scovronski

Over the last few months, I have visited two of my clubs. First was a dinner meeting with the Neshkoro Lions club it was a great time talking with everyone. I then went to the picnic and car show they had. The rain put a damper on the car show and lawnmower races but did not dampen the Lions spirits. It was a great afternoon.

The second club I visited was the Berlin Lions. What an awesome group of people. Had a great time talking with all of them and answering questions they had.

My first Zone meeting will be November 1st at the Berlin Lions.

Lion Scott Scovronski

Zone 11 Lion Dave Prezkurat

had their first zone meeting on September 6, 2022, District Governor Dave Brinkman was the Speaker. There 56 Lions present representing Five of the six clubs in our zone.

Many of the clubs gave out scholarships, had brat fries, bingo, helped distribute food for the food pantry over the summer. Now are starting to think about fisheries and other winter projects.

Coloma celebrated their clubs 50th anniversary.

Wild Rose celebrated their clubs 70th anniversary.

Several clubs have gotten new members.

Dave Przekurat, Zone11 Chairman

17. Other Business

- a. Comments Bring Plastic to the convention to get your name in for the Bench.
- b. District Polo Shirts can be ordered just call Bee Seen
- c. Donation to the Eagles of \$200.00 for the use of the club house for all our meeting. A motion was made by PDG Tom Wendt and 2nd by Vince Treague
- 18. You are requested to attend our Cabinet Meetings
 (Nov. 11 at the Radisson with ID, Jan. 29, March 12, and State Convention).
- 19. **Meeting Adjournment -** Motion made by PDG Tom Wendt 2nd by Lion Mary Jo Abler at 3:35 pm to adjourn the meeting. **MOTION CARRIED NEXT MEETING** Friday, Nov. 11, 2022, at the Radisson FDL with the ID

Respectfully submitted Dist. Sec. Roxanne Wendt 10/6/2022