

# Member Orientation



This Member Orientation is broken out into six sections:

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# Who Lions Are



Lions are men and women dedicated to serving those in need, whether in their own community or around the world.

- Nearly 1.4 million members
- Over 200 countries
- More than 46,000 clubs



# Who Lions Are



**Vision Statement:** To be the global leader in community and humanitarian service.

**Mission Statement:** To empower volunteers to serve their communities, meet humanitarian needs, encourage peace and promote international understanding through Lions clubs.

**Motto:** “We Serve”



# Who are Lions:

## Membership

The benefits of Lions clubs membership are numerous, and include:

- Helping those in need
- Making a difference in your community
- Having an impact on those in need worldwide
- Developing leadership skills
- Enhancing communication skills
- Utilizing planning and organization skills
- Working hands-on to meet community needs
- Meeting new people
- Opportunities to network

# Lions Clubs International



**1917:** Chicago business man, Melvin Jones founded the Lions Clubs Association.

**1920:** The Association becomes International with formation of first club in Canada.

**1925:** Helen Keller Challenges the Lions to become her “Knights of the Blind” in the crusade against blindness.

**1957:** The LEO Club Program is created.

**1968:** The Lions Clubs International Foundation is established (LCIF).

**1987:** Lions Clubs International becomes the first service club to admit women as members.

**1990:** Sight First, a major blindness prevention initiative, is launched

# Lions Clubs International



## ***Name and Logo:***

- The official name of the association is “The International Association of Lions Clubs” or simply “Lions Clubs International.”
- The name Lions was chosen on a secret ballot over several others because the lion stood for strength, courage, fidelity and vital action.
- The Lions logo consists of a gold “L” on a

# Lions Clubs



## ~~International~~ Headquarters:

- Located in Oak Brook Illinois
- Approximately 275 staff members in 11 divisions:

Club Supplies and Distribution, Finance, Conversion

District

Extension

Technical

Public Relations and Communication, LCIF,



Activities

# Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF)

- LCIF grants an average of US\$30 million annually. It provides clubs with the means to build schools, health clinics, vocational rehabilitation, training centers and other projects that address community needs.
- LCIF SightFirst reduces and eliminates blindness worldwide. The program targets the leading causes of preventable blindness which affects millions of people



**Lions Clubs International**  
**FOUNDATION**



# Lions Clubs International



## ***LEADERSHIP:***

LCI provides training and development opportunities for Lions. The Global Leadership Team (GLT) is the driving force behind these programs, including:

- Emerging Lions Leadership Institutes
- Faculty Development Institutes
- Regional Lions Leadership Institutes

# Lions Clubs International



## ***Service Activities:***

- Service activities generally fall into the following categories:
  - Community Services
  - Disaster Preparedness and Relief
  - Environmental Services
  - Health and Wellness
  - International Relations

# Lions Clubs International *Communications:*



- LION Magazine
- E-mail Messages
- Web site

[www.lionsclubs.org](http://www.lionsclubs.org)

- Social Networking
  - Facebook

[www.facebook.com/lionsclubs](http://www.facebook.com/lionsclubs)



# Wisconsin



## Lions

- **Lions of Wisconsin represents the 27th Multiple District of Lions Clubs International (MD27)**
- **Wisconsin consists of 10 sub districts:  
A1, A2, B1, B2, C1, C2, D1, D2, E1, E2**
- **Wisconsin Lions State office is located at the Lions Camp, Rosholt WI**

# Wisconsin



## ~~The~~ **Wisconsin Lions Foundation (WLF):**

It is the charitable non-profit Wisconsin Corporation organized and maintained by the Lions of Wisconsin and is in charge of all statewide service and fund-raising activities. The operation of the Foundation is directed by 21 Directors, two from each of the ten districts and one from the Council of Governors.

### **Wisconsin Lions Foundation Projects:**

- Lions Camp
- Eyeglass Recycling Center
- Community Diabetes Education Project
- Hearing Aid Project

# Wisconsin Lions



## Communication:

- Wisconsin Lions Website: [www.wisconsinlions.org](http://www.wisconsinlions.org)

State office: [lionstat@wi-net.com](mailto:lionstat@wi-net.com)

715-677-4764

- Wisconsin Lions Camp:  
[www.wisconsinlionscamp.com](http://www.wisconsinlionscamp.com)

715-677-4969

- Wisconsin Lions Foundation: [www.wlf.info](http://www.wlf.info)

715-677-4969

- Wisconsin Lions Newspaper:

# District 27A2



# ~~Lions~~ *Working Together for a Better*

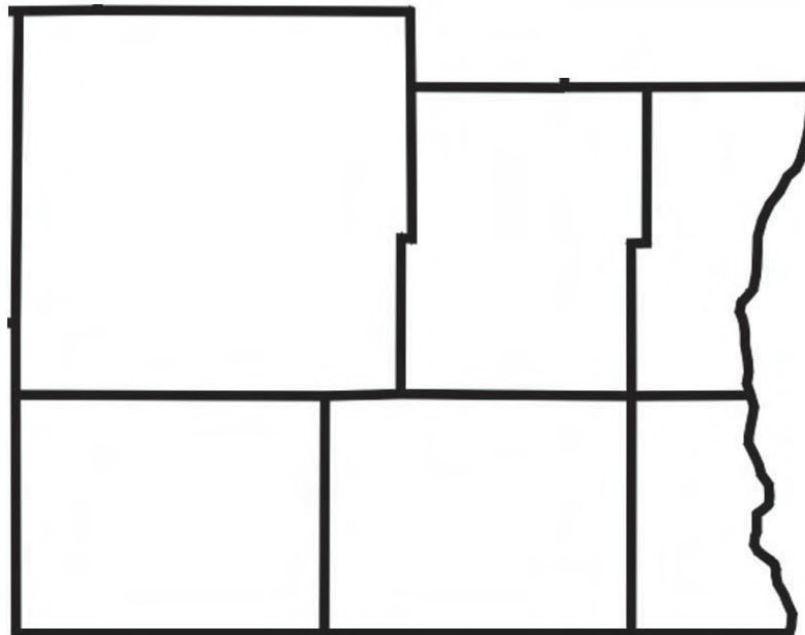
# *World, Community & L*



# District 27A2



**Lions District 27A2 is comprised of 47 Lions Clubs, 9 Lioness Clubs & 5 Leo Clubs with a combined membership of over 1,600 service minded men & women. Our clubs are located in SE WI covering the six counties: Dodge, Washington, Ozaukee & portions of Jefferson, Waukesha & Milwaukee north of Interstate 94.**





# District 27A2



## Lions Clubs:

Allenton, Ashippun, Beaver Dam, Belgium,  
Brownsville, Butler,

Cedarburg, Clyman, Columbus, Delaf èld/Summit,  
Five Corners, Fox

Lake, Fredonia Lions, Fredonia Lion/Lioness,  
Grafton, Hartford,

Hartland, Horicon, Hustisford, Iron Ridge, Ixonia,  
Juneau, Kettle

Moraine, Kewaskum, Lannon, Lebanon, Lomira,  
Mayville, Neosho/

Rubicon, Menomonee Falls, Milwaukee North

# District 27A2 Lions



## District Cabinet Officers & Committee's:

District Governor  
Coordinator

District GLT

Cabinet Secretary/Treasurer  
Coordinator

District GMT

Immediate Past District Governor

District Website

1st Vice District Governor

Hearing

2nd Vice District Governor  
Convention

International

Zone Chairperson-7 Total

Leader Dog

Affiliate District President

Leos

Peace Poster & Environmental Photo Contest

BOLD

Chaplain

Lions Newspaper

# District 27A2 Lions



## **District Convention:**

Starts on the third Friday in February at the Olympia Resort in Oconomowoc

## **Communication:**

District 27A2 Website: [www.md27a2.org](http://www.md27a2.org)

On-line Directory: [www.md27directory.org](http://www.md27directory.org)

Username: wislions

Password: 2serve

# Club Level



## ***Club Officers:***

- President
- Immediate Past President
- Vice President (*could be up to three*)
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Tail Twister
- Lion Tamer
- Directors (*could be up to four*)

# Club Level



## ***Financial Accounts:***

**Administrative:** Money that is raised by Lions from other Lions. Example-Tail Twister funds, hosting a Zone Meeting, in Club raff les, etc..

**Activity:** Money raised from the community.

All money that is raised from the community (Activity Account) gets donated back out to the community and Lions Service Projects, It does not get used to pay Club dues, members meals or in administrative.

\*Must keep separate books for the Administrative & Activity Accounts but they can both run through

# Misc.



## *Dues*

**International: \$43** a year, goes towards The Lion Magazine, International Convention, Liability Insurance, literature, mailings, District Governors Office and General Operations.

**State: \$10.50** a year, for The Lion Newspaper, Office Expenses & Administration, Council Expenses, Insurance, Conventions, GLT & GMT, Merchandise and Pins.

**District 27A2: \$6** a year, for Convention, DG's, VDG's, WLF Directors, CST, GLT & GMT Training, awards and supplies.

# Misc.



## ***Abbreviations/Explanations:***

LCI.....Lions Club International

LCIF.....Lions Club International Foundation

IP.....International President

IPIP.....Immediate Past International President

PIP.....Past International President

1IVP....First International Vice President

2IVP....Second International Vice President

ID.....International Director

IPID.....Immediate Past International Director



PCC.....Past Council Chair  
DG.....District Governor  
IPDG....Immediate Past District Governor  
PDG.....Past District Governor  
DGE.....District Governor Elect  
CST.....Cabinet Secretary/Treasurer  
1VDG...First Vice District Governor  
1VDGE.First Vice District Governor Elect  
2VDG...Second Vice District Governor  
2VDGE.Second Vice District Governor Elect  
ZC.....Zone Chair  
GLT.....Global Leadership Team  
GMT.....Global membership Team  
WLF.....Wisconsin Lions Foundation  
LEBW...Lions Eye Bank of Wisconsin  
BOLD...Blind Outdoor Leisure and Development  
MD.....Multiple District





# A Lions Member Commitment

- \* Give freely of your time and energy whenever possible!
- \* Attend District, Zone, Club Meetings and Functions when possible
- \* Be knowledgeable about the aims and objectives of Lions
- \* Support your International, State, District and Club Officers

All this information can be found  
online at

- [www.lionsclubs.org](http://www.lionsclubs.org) search Member Orientation
- [www.md27a2.org](http://www.md27a2.org) search under District, Documentation, Lions Working Together for a Better World, C Life Resource Guide



***We Serve***