## **DISTRICT GOVERNOR JODI BURMESTER**

Thank you all for stepping up to serve on the 27-D1 Cabinet this year! You have each taken on specific duties/responsibilities/goals that, if completed, will make for a successful year for our clubs and the District.

The Exec Team has been hard at work defining/implementing a number of initiatives; a partial recap is below. The Team meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month, either face to face or via conference call. An <u>execteam@lions27d1.org</u> email has been established to facilitate communications. The emails go to: DG, VDGs, Global Membership Team (GMT) Coordinator, Global Leadership Team (GLT) Coordinator & the Cabinet Secretary. If you have a request for the Exec Team, please email it to DG Jodi or <u>execteam@lions27d1.org</u>.

Efforts to lay the groundwork for success began last Lion year with the complete redesign of our Club Officer Training Program. Feedback from those who attended the April sessions was positive, with attendees giving the session a 4.11 out of 5 overall rating.

Club Visits Being Split Between the DG & VDGs - The roll out of the DG & VDGs each supporting/conducting official club visits is just beginning. DG Jodi is supporting Regions 5 & 6. VDG John is supporting Regions 3 & 4. VDG Conrad is supporting Regions 1 & 2.

## Communications

- 1. Regular Communications to all Club Officers every Club officer listed in MyLCI will receive 2 emails a month from the District.
  - a. Around the  $5^{th}$  of the Month a GMT// GLT update
  - b. 3<sup>rd</sup> Week of the Month a message from the DG
- 2. New Member Newsletter PR Chair Krisann Holthaus will be coordinating a quarterly newsletter that will be emailed to all members with 3 or less years of service. The goal is to help connect these new members to the organization while informing them of initiatives, trainings, etc of interest to them.

**Recognition** - Finding ways to give our members a pat on the back for a job well-done is vital to a positive member experience. If you know of a Lion who goes above & beyond in their service, send me their name, along with a brief explanation of what they are doing/did & I will mail them a personal note thanking them for their service.

**Council of Governors Update** – The Council of Governors (COG) met at the Wisconsin Lions Camp on Saturday, July 29<sup>th</sup>. Aside from hearing reports from various Committees, the COG appointed the State Committee Chairs, approved a budget & established pricing for both the 2017-18 MD27 Directory (\$10) & State Pin (\$2.25).

Those Lions wishing to order a State Directory or State Pin, should contact State Office Manager Kathy Gruna at md27stateoffice@wisconsinlions.org or 715-677-4764..

Lion Dale & I are honored for the opportunity to serve as District Governor for the best District in the State! Thank you for all you do & don't hesitate to contact me with any questions, suggestions or concerns.