Lions International Youth Exchange Report Distinct 27-D1 Cabinet Meeting – January 21st, 2018

The Lions Youth Exchange Committee has reviewed and accepted <u>7 applications</u> for our District Youth Exchange Scholarship. Our District Scholarship application includes 3 letters of recommendation and the completion of 3 short essays. Consideration is also given <u>ANY</u> applicant as long as they have a <u>sponsoring</u> <u>Lions club</u>. The scholarship amount for 2017-18 is \$725 per individual.

2016 Scholarship Recipients

Name	Country Preferences (1 st choice)	Sponsoring Lions Club
Alea Klopping	Spain	Marshall
Cassidy Schnell	Germany	DeForest
Clarice Riniker	Germany	Hazel Green
Isaac Erschen	Sweden	Hazel Green
Julia Barnes	Germany	Hazel Green
Maeve Kim	Italy	Cottage Grove
Joelle Bohringer	Undecided	Boscobel

Along with outgoing youth, we are currently seeking HOST FAMILIES to participate in the program. Our district is responsible for hosting ~5 international youth. Hosting involves integrating an international youth (age 16-20) into your home for about 4-5 weeks (of which one week the youth spends at our international youth exchange camp in Dundee Wisconsin). Hosting in 2018 is from ~July 15th – August 15th. A list of international youth applicants is available at the Wisconsin Lions International Youth Exchange Program web site http://www.wisconsinlionsyouthexchange.org/YEPlacement.htm. The applications are password protected so please contact me directly (contact info below) and I will guide you to the applications.

2018 Wisconsin Lions International Youth Camp Dates July 29 – August 5.

Finances/Budget

2017/18 Club donations \$3110. 28 clubs

Carryover = **\$5916.68**

Expense = (\$576.37) Madison International Festival Vendor Fee & host family activity support

Account total = \$8450.31

Estimated Expenses:

Scholarships 7 x \$725 = \$5075 District camp fee \$1700 International Festival \$52.70 Host Family Support \$600

Total estimated cost for district 2017-18 27-D1 08-09 International Youth Exchange Program = \$7427.75

Youth Exchange Club Recognition letters & patches will be given out at District Convention 2017

Our district committee has 3 representatives: <u>Dave Peltier, Terry Miller Ben August & Dave Easley</u>
It is a pleasure serving on this committee and participating in a program that satisfies the first objective of the Lions <u>"To create and foster a spirit of understanding among peoples of the world"</u>
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