


CABINET REPORT

January 20, 2019

- LEBW is excited to announce the successful move into our new facility located at, 5003 Tradewinds Parkway, Madison WI. The move started on December 3 and was completed on December 6. We accepted our first tissue transport on Thursday, December 6, 2018, by LEBW Transporter, Floyd Henschel, Beaver Dam Lions Club member. Just a reminder to Transporters to please take advantage of our designated transporter parking on the west side of the building. The spaces are directly in front of the Transporter entrance. On behalf of the management team and staff at LEBW, we wish to express our gratitude and thanks to all the Lions and Lioness who have participated in this achievement. Our success is a direct reflection of your success, and we are all truly grateful for the outstanding opportunities to expand our reach into the community that this facility represents.
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- Plans for the formal dedication and ribbon-cutting ceremony for the new building are underway, dates to be determined. There will be additional events and opportunities throughout the year and will be announcing those opportunities soon.
 - Tours for clubs and groups are available starting in February. Our Community room holds up to 25 people and is available for use by appointment. Stacey Mohr is coordinating tours and community room use and can be contacted at 877.233.2354 ext. 212 or smohr@lebw.org.
 - As LEBW prepares to open our doors and invite the community to our new building, we are in need lots of help. We anticipate heavy traffic of community partners, Lions club members, nonprofit organizations, donor families, transplant recipients, and health care professionals. We are looking for friendly, productive people to help our organization meet the needs of our community and staff at the front desk of our new facility. Hospitality Team volunteers will be responsible for greeting guests, setting up the community room for meetings, helping with basic administrative tasks and more.
 - LEBW is pleased to welcome the following new volunteers and staff members:
 - + LEBW Volunteers:
 - Caroline Staszewski: Hospitality Team/Admin Volunteer, McFarland Lions.
 - Claude Zimmerman: Community Outreach Volunteer, Port Washington Lions, Chair of the Sight and Hearing Committee.
 - Julie Baglama: Hospitality Team/Admin Volunteer, Monona Lioness.
 - Kim Gellings: Community Outreach Volunteer, Mother of a donor, Ryan Gellings.
 - Lisette Andrade: Administrative volunteer (remote).
 - Mike Tiber: Community Outreach Volunteer, Dodgeville Lions, past LEBW BOD President.

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- **Patty Zallar:** Community Outreach Volunteer, Madison Evening Lions, legally blind and sits on the WCBVI board.
- **Ray McInerney:** Community Outreach Volunteer, New Berlin Lions.
- **Steve King:** Community Outreach Volunteer, living kidney donor.
- **Tom Wilson:** Community Outreach Volunteer, Berlin Lions.
- **Vanessa Lopes-Maia:** Hospitality Team/Admin Volunteer, UW Credit Union (staff has required volunteer hours with local nonprofits).

+ **LEBW Staff members:**

- **Brittany Anderson** – Brittany comes to LEBW with over 13 years of Ophthalmology related experience. She is a graduate of the Optometric Technician Program with Madison College and since her graduation in 2005 has worked for SSM Health/Davis Duehr Dean as a Certified Ophthalmic Technician in a Multi-Specialty Float position as well as a mentor for Madison College Optometric Technician Students. Brittany has been a great asset to SSM Health Ophthalmology Clinics working in all eye specialties, ranging from Cornea, Glaucoma, Retina, Pediatrics, Specialty Contact Lenses to Oculoplastics. She enjoys spending her free time with her family, friends and most of all her 7-month-old Goldendoodle, Oakley.



- **Tyce Morgan** – Tyce joins LEBW as a Recovery Technician in the North Central region of Wisconsin. He is a recent graduate of from the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point where he earned his Bachelors of Science in Biochemistry. While at UW-Stevens Point he was an audio/visual Production Technician for the University Program Services department for major campus events. Before joining LEBW, Tyce also worked as a Resident Aide at an Assisted Living facility in Whiting, Wisconsin where his favorite activity was talking, listening to stories and learning from the residents. Being from Central Wisconsin, he has spent five summers working at the Wisconsin Lions Camp. When he isn't working, you can find him at the gym strength training for competitive powerlifting. Tyce is excited to be joining the Recovery Team at LEBW.



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- We are pleased to announce that Monica Covio has been promoted to the position of Director of Clinical Operations. Monica has worked with LEBW for two years, developing our Donor Support Center and was instrumental in orchestrating the information technology and telephony portion of our recent move. Monica came to us from DCI Donor Services in Tennessee where she was a Team Leader. She formerly served as Regional Manager for Recovery Services in San Antonio, Texas. She has eight years of experience in eye, organ and tissue donation.



She is a Certified Tissue Bank Specialist and Certified Eye Bank Technician. She received her Bachelor of Science degree in Biology from the University of Texas, Brownsville and Master of Science degree in Pharmacy from the University of Florida. Among Monica's many accomplishments is a publication in the international medical journal, Neuroscience. With the assistance of our Supervisors, Monica will be overseeing our Donor Support Center, Recovery Services and our Technical Department.

- Artwork at the new facility – Wisconsin Council of the Blind and Visually Impaired has graciously provided us with artwork from 4 artists, all who are either blind or visually impaired. The artwork will be on display until March. We plan on having rotating artwork from local artists year-round, feature all mediums of art, some artists have visual impairments, developmental disabilities or connected with LEBW, Lions, or organ, eye and tissue donation.

Respectfully Submitted
Ronald K. Blawusch, Treasurer