

Lions International Youth Exchange Report

Distinct 27-D1 Cabinet Meeting – October 13th, 2019

- **2019 Camp Summary**
 - We hosted 54 youth from 22 countries dispersed statewide. 9 youth were hosting in D1 and sent 7 youth aboard, 4 of whom received \$700 district scholarships. In addition, 3 of the 4 USA campers originated from our district.
- **Youth Exchange Scholarships.**
 - We are currently soliciting scholarship applicants from Leo Clubs, Lions/Lioness member's relations, Campus Lions Clubs and the community at large. Informational brochures and handbooks are available. ANY youth residing in D1 can apply for our District D1 scholarship, provided they have a sponsoring Lions Club.

Fundraising We are currently soliciting funds from our district Lions and Lioness clubs to finance this year's program. Funds collected are used to pay our districts' share of the Youth Exchange camp-related fees; youth exchange scholarships, host family stipends & other direct expenses. All the funds collected are used only for direct youth exchange related costs. There are no indirect fees; all individuals involved in this program are volunteers including camp counselor & all support staff. **To assess funds available for the December 15th scholarship deadline, please consider donating early.**

Finances/Budget

Total cost/meal – **TBD (\$1.60 /meal** in 2018)

Total cost/attendee/day - **TBD (\$27.77 /2018)**

Previous Balance \$3578.80

Donations - \$716 (7 clubs)

Expenses: \$884.79 Host Family Activity Support (Elroy Sparta bike trip, canoe/kayak/paddleboard trip, Madison Mallards game, day trip to Chicago.

TOTAL ACCOUNT BALANCE – \$3410.01

Projected Expenses: ~\$5052

Camp fee - \$1700 (paid by each of the 10 state Lions Districts) ***NO INCREASE!***

Scholarships - \$500 x 5 = \$2500 (the scholarship amount is determined by # of applications & available funds)

Host family support \$800

Table at International Festival \$52.00

In addition, please also review the **essays from the youth that traveled abroad this past summer**, posted as a separate document within the on-line October 13th cabinet reports.

There are currently 2 volunteers on the District 27-D1 youth exchange committee; Terry **Miller** – Pardeeville, and **Ben August** – Token Creek.

It's a pleasure serving on this committee and participating in a program that satisfies the **third objective** of the Lions **"To create and foster a spirit of understanding among peoples of the world"**

Lion Ben August - Youth Exchange Committee Chair