

Lions International Youth Exchange Report

Distinct 27-D1 Cabinet Meeting – January 22th, 2017

The Lions Youth Exchange Committee has reviewed and accepted **6 applications** 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 **ANY** applicant as long as they have a **sponsoring Lions club**. The scholarship amount for 2016-17 is \$1000 per individual.

2016 Scholarship Recipients

Name	Country Preferences (1 st choice)	Sponsoring Lions Club
Joe Guy	Denmark	Cottage Grove
Chloe Riniker	Italy	Hazel Green
Emily Erschen	Finland	Hazel Green
Leonie Tollefson	Japan	Token Creek
Abby Last	Italy	Token Creek
McKenna Cook	undecided	Pardeeville

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 2017 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.

2017 Wisconsin Lions International Youth Camp Dates July 30 – August 6.

Finances/Budget

2016/17 Club donations **\$3496.00**. 29 clubs

Carryover = **\$7005.43**

Expense = **(\$52.70)** Madison International Festival Vendor Fee

Account total = **\$10,448.73**

Estimated Expenses:

Scholarships 6 x \$1000 = \$6000

District camp fee \$1700

International Festival \$52.70

Host Family Support \$500

27-D1 Madison Field Trip Camp Meal Reimbursement - \$200

Total estimated cost for district 2016-17 27-D1 08-09 International Youth Exchange Program = \$8452.70

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

Our district committee has 3 representatives: Dave Peltier, Terry Miller Ben August & Dave Easley

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

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