



## LEBW Transporter Stats

- LEBW Transporters logged 2,847 transports throughout the entire state of Wisconsin during the 2023-24 Lions year. Of the Lions Clubs in MD27, 417 of the 504 clubs are involved in the transporter program. Of the 417 clubs in the program, 315 had transports in the 2023-24 year. Thank you Lions for your ongoing support and dedication to this program.

## Certified Transporter Training

- The Lions Eye Bank of Wisconsin is pleased to announce a new training and certification program for transporters scheduled to start during the 2024-25 Lions year. LEBW Transporters are responsible for moving our most precious cargo throughout the state of Wisconsin which is subject to rules and regulations related to the transport of human tissue. We have developed a workshop that will help better educate transporters and continue to ensure the safe and proper delivery of cornea tissue.

LEBW is working to make training dates/times as convenient as possible for our volunteers. Training sessions will be announced soon. They will be available virtually through Zoom, in person at transporter meetings, on the Friday afternoon of district conventions or by scheduling a training with Lion Adam Crowson, Communications and Outreach Manager. Adam can be reached by phone at 608-709-8197 or by email at [acrowson@lebw.org](mailto:acrowson@lebw.org).

**Are we required to be certified to transport?** It is essential for compliance purposes that all transporters become Certified Lions Volunteer Transporters. You will receive a certificate upon completion of the workshop and be recognized for this achievement.

**New Volunteer Position: Transport Instructor/Regional Coordinator:** To fully support our new training program, LEBW is seeking 12 volunteers to serve in the prestigious role of transport instructors/regional coordinators. These very special volunteer positions will facilitate transporter training and the recertification training workshops in your region of Wisconsin and help communicate timely updates to dispatchers and transporters in your area.



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As an instructor, you will work with Lion Adam Crowson, Communications and Outreach Manager to learn about the Lions Eye Bank of Wisconsin, its transporter program, and how to instruct and train transporters and dispatchers. (e.g. train the trainer). Instructors are required to attend a half-day workshop at the Lions Eye Bank of Wisconsin to become certified as instructors/trainers.

## Upcoming Events

### Youth Exchange Visit

- LEBW is very excited to have the Lions Youth Exchange visit the eye bank on Aug. 14.

### Council of Governors Visit

- LEBW is looking forward to the 2024-25 MD27 Council of Governors visit on Aug. 22. District Governors will get a full tour of LEBW and discuss their district goals for the 2024-25 Lions year.

### Saving Sight: The Journey of the Gift of Sight

Dr. Tolulope Oyedun, LEBW's Director of Clinical and Technical Services will be the guest speakers at the University of Wisconsin Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences lecture series. The presentation will be 6:30 p.m. Aug. 22 at the Health Sciences Learning Center on the UW Hospital campus at 750 Highland Ave., Madison, WI 53075.

### World Eye Bank Symposium 2024 and Asia Cornea Society

In September 2024, Dr. Tolulope Oyedun, LEBW's Director of Clinical and Technical Services, will be a presenter at the World Eye Bank Symposium in Jakarta, Indonesia and then present at the 9<sup>th</sup> Biennial Scientific Meeting of the Asia Cornea Society immediately after the symposium.

### Annual Meeting Updates

- Each fiscal year, all ten districts in Wisconsin have established goals for financial contributions given to LEBW. District Governors participate by encouraging clubs within their district to make contributions throughout the year. If the district meets their goal, the District Governor is presented with either a Knight or Gift of Sight Fellowship Award.

In the 2023-24 Lions year, all 10 district governors from MD27 met their Knight of Sight goals for the second consecutive year. This is the second time all district governors met their Knight of Sight goals.

Congratulations to the following districts and District Governors:

1. A1, Tal Janowitz – Knight of Sight Fellowship
2. A2, Brenda Rumppe – Knight of Sight Fellowship
3. B1, Greg Kubichka – Knight of Sight Fellowship
4. B2, Shirley Dahlke – Knight of Sight Fellowship
5. C1, Patty Hollis – Knight of Sight Fellowship
6. C2, Don Meeder – Knight of Sight Fellowship
7. D1, Jeff Winkler – Knight of Sight Fellowship
8. D2, Anita Kelley – Knight of Sight Fellowship
9. E1, Dennis Sykora – Knight of Sight Fellowship
10. E2, Jay Nesseth – Knight of Sight Fellowship



# LEBW Council of Governors Report

## Board of Directors

- LEBW would like to thank our retiring board of directors PDG Bob Henning (C1), PDG Bob Klockow (A2) and Dr. Michale Shapiro for serving on our board. Special thanks to outgoing board chair Erica Singley (D1) for a wonderful year. We are pleased to welcome PDG Dan Montaine (A2), Lion Al Kanugh (B1) and Council Representative DG James Dimock (E2) to this year's board of directors.
  
- 2024-25 LEBW's Board of Directors
  1. PDG Don Drew, Board Chair – A1
  2. Erica Singley, Past Board Chair – D1
  3. PDG Marcia Hagen, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair – At Large
  4. PDG Judy Hatz, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair – C2
  5. PDG Greg Pryor, Secretary – At Large
  6. Ron Blawusch, Treasurer – At Large
  7. DG James Dimock – Council Representative
  8. PDG Dan Montaine – A2
  9. Charles Keifenheim – B1
  10. PCC Dean Haas – B2
  11. PDG Sue Habrat – C1
  12. Clark Pettersen – D2
  13. PDG Larry Bradley – E1
  14. Gerry Ries – E2
  15. Dr. Evan Warner, Medical Director
  16. Dr. Meisha Raven, Associate Medical Director
  17. Dr. T. Michael Nork, Medical Appointee
  18. Al Kanugh, At Large
  19. PDG Rick Daluge – Presidential Appointee
  20. PDG Gary Brummeyer – Presidential Appointee
  21. PDG Jeff Winkler – Presidential Appointee