

ZONE CHAIR 03 CABINET REPORT

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List highlights of what is new with your area of cabinet service since our meeting on march 30, 2026.

Zone 3 Mpls Ambassador Lions Club- I was able to attend their annual in person meeting. They installed 8 new members, installed new officers, presented a Helen Keller Award to Dr Areaux, and years of service chevrons. One went to Lion Bob Jechorek for 35 years. They went over their immediate upcoming service projects of volunteering at the state fair both in KidSight and the foundation booths, the NAMI walk for mental health, and garden clean up with the Downtown Next Gen Club. They have other activities planned over the year and will serve all our global causes.

St Louis Park Lions Club - they are planning their community corn feed on Tuesday, August 18. They had a back-to-school supply drive for the SLP Emergency Program, STEP. They continue to collect used eyeglasses. They are volunteering at the state fair and have many KidSight screening events planned over the next few months.

Edina Lions Club - They will resume their meetings on September 1. They have been collecting used eyeglasses all summer and are participating in Unity in the Community Back- to -School KidSight event and Special Olympics Bocce Ball event.

Mpls Downtown Next Gen Lion Club - They have had a busy summer selling beer at the Stone Arch Bridge Festival and the Loring Park Art Festival. Some attended a special Park Board event called the Snowball Fight. They will be doing other events with park board in the next few weeks. They spent a good amount of time at their garden at the Father Hennepin Bluff park. They are getting ready for their Lego Pub Crawl to benefit childhood cancer and their Stair Climb in October.

Richfield Lions - I have a visit planned for later this month. They had a dues question, and I referred them to Lion Ross.

Mpls Northside Roaring Lions - I had no response from them.

List what your area of cabinet service is planning this lion year.

I plan to visit each club as well as attend any events they are having.