

## Why a Lions Club vs a Club?

1. Lions have a **support structure** at many levels:
  - International level
    - International Office at Oak Brook, IL
    - International Pres. and Vice-Pres.
    - International Directors – 33
  - State level
    - Stevens Point - State Exec. Sec.
  - District level
    - District Governor oversees 5 I Lions clubs
    - District Cabinet - 56 members
  - Zone level
    - Officers of 5 local clubs meet 3 times per year
    - Zone chairperson presides: new ideas, discuss problems
2. **Liability insurance coverage** covering the public at Lions events. It does not cover the Lions member.  
No charge to the club as it is a part of the semi-annual dues.
3. Club **Officer Training** as well as **Leadership training**  
Pres., Vice-Pres., Sec., Treas., Membership Chair, and Tailtwister  
Held once per year at three locations.
4. **Networking** - meeting people from your community as well as outside your community.  
Aid to business and personal growth.
5. **Respect** - The Lions pin is recognized throughout the world!  
Signifies a person of good morale character, honest with integrity.  
Lions pin denotes you as a member of the family of Lions
6. **Recognition and Awards**  
People respond to a 'pat on the back'  
Lions have numerous awards for membership, service and leadership  
(Pins, plaques, banners and patches are some examples)
7. **Fellowship and Fun** are key ingredients for a healthy and productive club
8. **Organized Programs** – A variety of annual programs and activities are available to Lion Clubs. They include: Peace Poster Contest, Youth Exchange Program (to and from other countries), Public Speakers, Diabetes Screening and Education, Vision Screening, (adult, children, infants), Wisconsin Lions Camp, Hearing Programs, Leader Dog, Eyeglass Recycling, State Bowling Tournament, State Curling Tournament, Pin Trading, Deer Hide Project, etc.
9. Combine all the above and you will have **Continuity and Perpetuation** of the club and the club's goal - **Community and Humanitarian Enhancement!**