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Hello all District 9NW Lions Clubs!

Let me introduce myself: my name is **Dawn Rudolph**. I was born and raised in West Michigan and I am Legally Blind. I moved to Iowa February 2020 to work at Hy-Vee.

Growing up, I never used a cane until 2015 when I went to Leader Dogs for the Blind for O&M Training "ORIENTATION & MOBILITY TRAINING" which is a one week training session to get used to using a cane and become more independent in daily travel. A few months later I received a call to go back to Leader Dogs for guide dog training. On July 14, 2015 I was matched with Leader Dog **Lady**, a 19 month old black lab. She was raised at Fort Dodge Correctional Facility by an inmate and sponsored by the Exira Lions Club.

Leader Dog Lady and myself look forward to attending Lions Clubs meetings and conventions. My contact information is up above in the letterhead.

On behalf of Leader Dogs for the Blind I want to thank you for all support and donations, helping people who are blind, visually impaired and deaf/blind become unstoppable and more independent in our daily travels.

Sincerely,

Lion Dawn and Leader Dog Lady Rudolph

Leader Dog Ambassador

9NW Leader Dog Chairperson