

# Rochester Lions Club

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"Service is the rent we pay for our time on earth" Lion Doc O'Brien

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

Mar 7th – Regular General Membership dinner and meeting – Program will be presented by Mr Hal Commerson, Director of Health & Wellness at OPC 6:30 PM at the River Crest. Theme - green

Mar 9<sup>th</sup> - Board Meeting tentative schedule

Mar 21<sup>st</sup>- Regular General Membership dinner and meeting – Election of Officers for 2005-2006. 6:30 PM at the River Crest. Theme - egg

## Happy St Patrick's Day



It's March and that means it's time for the annual Rochester Area Service Clubs InterClub **Dinner Meeting. The good news** is we're not the sponsors this vear. We'll take a show of hands at the March 7th General **Membership Meeting of who'll** be attending or you can contact Lion VP Celia at 248-6765-6929 before the 16th. As always the Interclub Meeting will be at **Great Oaks Country Club and it** will start with a social hour at 6:00 PM on Wednesday March 16th. Cost is \$25 per person. We like to at least have a full table at this event to show our clubs' strength. It is the one time each year we get to hear what other Rochester service clubs are doing.

You may recall Lion PDG Bill Klingensmith's recent visit to our club describing the forthcoming sixth annual Hearing Mission to Mexico. Lion Bill will be leaving for Madero, Mexico with the other members of the mission on March 11<sup>th</sup>. To provide hearing aids to those in need. They still need more used or new hearing aids hearing aids. You may remember Lion Bill saying that last year they used all but two of the seven hundred they brought with them. If you have access to one or one hundred hearing aids contact Lion Bill at ph. 248 689-8770.

write all the addresses on the envelopes for the August car show. Somebody out there show him where the "mail merge wizard" is.

2005-2006	Officer Nominations		
Position	Nominee	Current Office	
President:	Celia Domalewski	1st VP	
1st VP:	Sherry McBroom	2nd VP	
2nd VP:	Jim Williams	3rd VP	
3rd VP:	Herb Mann		
Immediate Past Pres.:	Gary Senical	President	
Sa amatam v	Arnold Sell	(incumbent)	
Secretary:		(incumbent)	
Treasurer:	John Cadieux	(incumbent)	
Tail Twister (1 posit:	Dennis Amato		
	Don Westphal		
Lion Tamer			
(1 position):	Art Carlson		
	Ralph Vitale		
Board of Director			
(2 positions):	Stu Clemens		
	Jim Kemler		
	Jon Macks		
	Dave McKenzie		
	Berrnie Ris		
	Bryan Wright		
Membership			
Chairperson:	Lauren Stenroos	(incumbent)	
Membership seat 1:	Larry Cole		
Membership seat 2:	Dave McKenzie		

## ELECTION DAY – AT THE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MONDAY MARCH 21<sup>ST</sup>

From the desk of
Lion Chairman Al Lucas:

### WHITE CANE WEEK

"Rochester Lions, White Cane Week is scheduled for April 22 through May 1, 2005. Please mark your calendars. Preparation has started; equipment has been ordered and received, liability insurance has been obtained and two Rochester Lions attended the Feb 17, 2005 Lion Forum in Lansing. Thank you Celia Domalewski and Dave McKenzie.

The following is to keep your informed:

- Sign-up sheets available at the 3/7, 3/21, 4/4 and 4/18 Rochester Lion meetings. Please volunteer for this great cause.
- Publicity in local papers planned for late March and early April.
- White Cane equipment distributed to club members at the 4/18 Lions Club meeting.
- "White Cane Alert" instruction sheet will be distributed with the April Lion Bulletin.

Please, your support and participation in this project is requested and appreciated. The amount of income gathered is directly related to club participation. Please call your White Cane Chairman at 248-651-0474 is you have questions.



We need volunteers to sell Mustang raffle tickets at scheduled events. Some upcoming locations include

- Autorama at Cobo Hall March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, & 5<sup>th</sup>
- Leader Dogs Bowling Benefit at Classic lanes May 1<sup>st</sup>
- Festival of cars at Rochester Downtown Park May 28<sup>th</sup>
   & 29<sup>th</sup>

Contact Lion Dennis Scott if you can help out. We need to sell 600 tickets before the drawing in September.

LION TED KAMRATH REPORTS THAT FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY \$401.70 WAS COLLECTED FROM THE CHANGE CANISTERS IN AREA STORES AND 250 PAIRS OF USED EYE GLASSES WERE RECEIVED OR COLLECTED.

## WE WELCOME OUR NEWEST MEMBER

LION KEVIN GRIGGS 3080 28 MILE ROAD WASHINGTON MI 48084

PHONE: 248-656-7791 MARRIED TO: ELIZABETH SPONSORED BY: LION DALE BURKE

Did you know that the true name of Lions Clubs International is:

"The International
Association of Lions Clubs

#### From Lisa Tann, Executive Director, Lion Project Kidsight (ph. 313-745-4701 E-mail: Kidsight@yahoo.com):

Participation in Project Kidsight is spreading all through-out the state, and we are screening so many children. Now, I want to invite you to an opportunity to be trained on using the MTI Photoscreener cameras so your club can participate. As you know, the object of this project is to perform vision screening of pre-school children carried out by trained Michigan Lion volunteers and using Photoscreening technology. Please share this letter with your club.

The goal of vision screening is to detect poor vision or risk factors that interfere with normal visual development. It is known that early diagnosis and treatment yield better visual outcomes. The prevalence of amblyopia or (lazy eye) is estimated to be 2% to 5% in children: however, only 20% of preschool-aged children, and even fewer younger children are screened for this condition. As Lions, we can have a big impact on our communities by offering screening.

The next camera training in District 11A2 will be on Saturday, March 19, 2005, at 10AM. It is being hosted by the Frazer Lions Club and will be held in their club house at 34540 Utica Rd, Fraser. We will be training on how to use the MTI Photoscreener Camera and how to go into the community and screen the largest number of children. This training is mandatory if you want to run a successful screening and make the biggest impact. Please RSVP to me so we can have an accurate count.