



Rochester Lions Club

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Home Club of Leader Dogs for the Blind
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May 2005
NEWSLETTER

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Thru 2005.....	Larry Cole
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Thru 2006.....	Lee Musson

LION OF THE YEAR

Al Lucas

*"Service is the rent we pay
for our time on earth."*

Lion Doc O'Brien



IN MEMORIAM:

It is with great sadness that we
note the passing of a long-time
member and past President
of the Rochester Lions Club.

Mr. Ronald R. Barnett
on April 3rd, 2005.

*Our condolences to his
wife Marlene and their
family.*

Ron, we miss you!



**MAY MEETINGS
ON THE 2nd and 16th.**

**Theme: Anything with the
word May in it.**

New Dress Code?

See page 2...

President's Message...

Spring is here, snow is still here, rain is here, and we continue to move onward...*(Sounds like the Pony Express).*

By this time our White Cane and Bowling Benefit fundraisers are about completed. I would like to thank Lion Al Lucas and Lion Celia Domalewski and all the Lions who worked so hard to make these events a success.

Our next big events include the Car Cruises and Heritage Festival Car Show. Along with the food wagon, the Heritage Festival Car Show requires a lot of help so this is a great opportunity for our newer members to roll up their sleeves and get involved.

Keep in mind that you can sign up for working these events via the Web Site.

Lion President,

**A VERY SPECIAL THANK YOU
TO THE LION MEMBERS WHO
ARE BRAVING THE "SPRING"
WEATHER COLLECTING FOR
WHITE CANE WEEK**



PLEASE NOTE:

If you cannot attend a meeting, please let Lee Musson or Arnie Sell know by the Friday before or you will be charged for the dinner.



What a party!

The April 18th meeting/dinner/picnic/spring party was a blast! Who says meetings are boring? This well-attended event was an evening to be remembered. *If you missed it, you missed a good one.*



The "**Singing with Dad's**" Barbershop Quartet entertained us with a beautiful blend of harmonious voices. Thank you so much, guys!



Why is this woman laughing?
 Because she has a new hat?
 Because she will soon be President?
 Because she is always cheerful?
Thank you, Celia Domalewski, for organizing the party and for those beautiful invitations!



The "**Better Halves Quartet**"; Diana Sell, Joyce Bates, Carolyn Post and Mary Ann Newton dazzled the crowd with their chapeaus.

Have you heard the one about the two Scots who joined the Lions Club?



"Don't feel so bad, Don. I, for one, think that the bow tie looks real nice with your striped shirt."

Michigan Weather News
 Summer may be postponed or cancelled this year due to a budget cut.

Member Orientation Meeting, April 7th....



We Serve

Did you know....

- ★ That Lion's are the biggest service organization in the world?
- ★ That based on a recent report of Lions clubs worldwide, it is estimated that each year Lions clubs donate approximately \$506 million and 71 million hours, which is *equivalent to 34,000 people working full time for one year!*
- ★ That your local club pledged \$100,000 to Leader Dogs and paid it all in under five years.
- ★ That your local club raised over \$72,000 last fiscal year for charities?

These are just a very few of the things we learned at the Orientation meeting. Special thanks to Lion Lauren Stenroos for organizing it, and the presenters, Lions David McKenzie, Al Lucas, Jim Kemler, Steve Shelton and Arnold Sell.

2005-2006 COMMITTEE SIGN-UP

This is the perfect opportunity to get more involved with fellow Lions who share common interests.

Sign up as soon as you can for next year's committees. We would like to have all the positions filled by the July publication time for the new roster. Most committees require only a small amount of time but play a big role for the club and our charities. Give the list a once-over and call Steve Shelton with your choice.

Thank You.



FOOD WAGON CLEAN-UP DAY

See Celia for details

Administrative & Service Committees:	
All State Band	Newsletter
Attendance & Meals	Nominations & Elections
Constitution and By-Laws	Peace Poster Contest
Convention	Photographer
Christmas Party	Picnic
Diabetes Awareness (New)	Programs & Guest Speakers
Eye Glass & Hearing Aid	Public Relations
Finance (New)	Raffle
Float Construction	Roster
Fund Raising Think Tank (New)	President's Ball
Greeter(s) (New)	Sickness & Welfare
Induction Ceremony	Sight & Hearing Conservation
Invocations	Supplies (Logistics)
Leadership Development (New)	Youth Programs (New)
Membership	Website (New)
Memorial Services (New)	
Fund Raising Projects:	
Canister Collections	Mint Sales
Food Wagon	Nite-Lite Golf
Heritage Festival Car Show	Rock-n-Rods Car Show
Leader Dog Christmas Cards	Soapbox Derby
Memorial Golf Outing	White Cane

CHANGES TO THE ROSTER BOOK:

New E-mail address for Steve Wolken
is Stevewolken@comcast.net

A note from your new Newsletter Editor:

Please mail submissions to Lion Gerry Post, 357 Maywood, Rochester 48307 or call me at 248-652-4197 (home) or 248-420-0532 (cell). Sorry, I do not use E-mail.
Remember, there is no such thing as sending photos and text too early.



Lion Ted Kamrath
reports that \$495.05 was collected from change canisters in area stores for the month of April 2005.
536 pairs of eyeglasses were collected!
Thank you, Ted!



**GOOD NEWS ON LION'S
TSUNAMI RELIEF EFFORTS**

From: Dr. Tae Sup Lee, LCIF Chairperson [tlee@lionsclubs.org]
Sent: Tuesday, April 12, 2005 9:25 AM
To: lmoeller@ameritech.net
Subject: LCIF Update from LCIF Chair Dr. Lee regarding the Tsunami

I have good news to share about our tsunami relief efforts. LCIF is quickly moving ahead with rebuilding plans. The LCIF Executive Committee in April approved spending US\$1.25 million for each of the four main countries affected by the disaster—Indonesia, Sri Lanka, Thailand and India. LCIF staff and myself are currently reviewing the specific rebuilding plans proposed by committees of leading Lions in these countries. The Lions are working in coordination with government agencies and other relief groups.

Lions in South and Southeast Asia propose to construct inexpensive but sturdy and comfortable homes as well as primary schools and high schools, health clinics, hospitals, water wells and child welfare centers. Lions also will provide psychological treatment and physical rehabilitation both for children and adults. We will inform you of the exact details of these plans as they are developed.

The board will allocate additional funds in the near future. Lions have donated US\$6 million to LCIF for tsunami relief so far. LCIF has committed an additional US\$2.5 million from its reserves. Lions' districts also have pledged large sums not yet received. So LCIF anticipates eventually allocating at least US\$10 million for tsunami relief and reconstruction.

The donations have come from Lions from all over the world, from individuals, clubs and districts, from members new to Lionism and from longstanding Lions. Lions from District 380 (China) donated US\$54,284. Lions from Multiple District 108 (Italy) contributed US\$592,000. The Lions Club of Bankstown in Australia, despite having only 14 members, were so moved by the tragedy that they donated nearly US\$39,000 for tsunami relief. Space does not permit me to list all of the larger donors but please visit our [Web site](http://www.lions-tsunami.org/special_contributions.shtm) for a more complete listing.

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Donations to tsunami relief made prior to April 1 were eligible for Melvin Jones Fellowship recognition. The donation had to fully provide for an MJF through a US\$1,000 donation. The Melvin Jones Fellow did *not* have to be named prior to April 1.

Lions have responded to the tsunami with amazing generosity. Once again, as Lions we have realized how the desire to serve binds us together and how much we can accomplish when we unite worldwide behind a common cause. You have my heartfelt appreciation and respect for your generosity and selfless dedication to service.

Sincerely,

Dr. Tae-Sup Lee,
LCIF Chairperson

4/19/2005

AND FURTHERMORE...Coming Events:

2005 Mustang GT Raffle – ongoing from now to September – Lion Dennis Scott will have details for us about ticket sales and how we can help. This project will be instrumental in kicking off fundraising for our commitment to funding the “Rochester Lions Park”.

Leader Dog Bowling Benefit – Sunday, May 1, 12:00Noon at Classic Lanes – Lion Celia will have further information on this event. Please consider bowling and/or helping that day at the lanes.

Festival of Cars – Saturday, May 28th & Sunday, May 29th – Rochester Park – Contact Lion Steve Wolken to help with the car show and Lion Celia to help in the food wagon.

Soap Box Derby – Saturday, June 11th & Sunday, June 12th – contact Lion Steve Shelton to volunteer to help with the race and Lion Celia to help in the food wagon.

Puppy Day – Saturday, June 18th at Bloomer Park – details to follow. Volunteers will be needed to man the food wagon.

Car Cruises – Sundays in Rochester, Mondays at Parisian – May through September – Lion Dennis Scott spearheads these events with assistance from Lions Eric Bothwell, Ted Reynolds and Skip Coatsworth. There is definitely a great opportunity for members to get involved in this project. It is an opportunity of high visibility for our club. These events also raise money for our treasury!

President’s Ball – Monday, June 20th – at The Wyndgate Golf Club – details to follow.

Club property – We are making an effort to locate club property so we can consolidate the items and perhaps find one place to store them. Please notify Lion Sherry McBroom who will coordinate the effort.

Event Calendar – A more definitive calendar of events will be forthcoming shortly.

Additional dates to remember as opportunities to help in the food wagon.....

July 9th	Movies in the Moonlight
July 14th-16th	Sidewalk Sales
July 16th	Movies in the Moonlight
July 12th	Movies in the Moonlight

Rockin Rods – Sunday, August 14th – Lion Dennis Scott chairs this major event and needs the cooperation of a great number of volunteers to make it work. The food wagon will also need manpower that day.

Memorial Golf Outing – September – date and details tba.

Rochester Lions Annual Picnic Monday, August 1, 2005 – Jim Williams 248 651-1845

District 11-A2 Campout September 8th and 9th. Contact James Bone at 586 774-6034