

Rochester Lions Club

Home Club of Leader Dogs for the Blind www.rochesterlionsclub.org

February 2011

Club Meets 6:30 pm-1st & 3rd Mondays of Each Month at the River Crest Banquet Facility



President's Message — Frbruary 2011

As the President of the Rochester Lions Club, I want to start off by giving a Very BIG Welcome to our new member. We all want to welcome Margaret (MAGGIE) Madigan into our Club. She lives at 404 Miller Road in Rochester, Mi. 48307. Her phone number is 248-656-0876. Her Cell Phone number is 248-229-0003 and her email is sunnystar1217@sbcglobal.net. Her sponsor is Dennis Scott and we all want to thank them both, Maggie for joining and Dennis for being her sponsor.

What can I say? This last week-end was one, that we did so much work for our Lions Club that it just seems as if it was one of them LOST WEEKENDS. First off, I have to give one BIG-BIG THANKS to Lion Dave McKenzie as he was the Chairman of both projects and we just had him on the run the whole time. I also want to thank each and every one of you that got out of your warm home and went to the Fire & Ice or came down to the Texas Hold-em. We did good on both projects and this is again another project that will give us money that we did not have and we can give more service. Thanks to all of you hard working Lion members. From all reports, we made some \$\$\$ on the two projects.

At our meeting on February 21st, your president will be celebrating my 50th Anniversary as being a Lion Member. This is something that I am very proud of and I will also have 50 years of 100% Attendance. Over the years, I had two special mentors, one was my Dad, Lion Sam Leach (who when he passed away in 2001) had 52 Years of 100% Attendance. The other was PDG Bill Spence and he had around 60 years as a Lion and 100% Attendance. They were both examples that is very hard to live up to as they were both a Lions LION.

When I became a Lion, You had to be a Male and at least 21 years old. The Lions had a club of Women back then that were called The Lions Auxiliary. It was a time that the Lions Club was still the group of men that gave SERVICE to anyone in need.

When I became a Lion Member the District Governor was Julius Clevio and the Immediate Past District Governor was Wallace (DOC) O'Brien. District 11-A2 was made up of three counties and they were Macomb, Oakland, and St Clair. District 11-A2 had a total of three Regions and now we have four. The way that I look at it, is that the tallest District Governor we had in District 11-A2 was Al Van Thomme at 6 foot, 6 inches. The shortest, I think is between Al Kassin and Ron Papa. I think that the Biggest District that we had was Arthur Roberts. We have always had good leadership in District 11-A2.

I have been on the Board of the Lions Club that I was a member for most of the years that I have been a member. I was President three times (Lake Orion, Chesterfield Bay, and Rochester). I have been Secretary for about 27 years and also held other offices on the board and I think that being the Tail Twister was one of the best jobs. I have worked on almost all of the committees and projects in the Lions Clubs.

I have attended all 30 of the District 11-A2 Conventions and around 20-25 of the District 11 conventions. I have attended 24 International Conventions and around 6 of the USA/Canada Forums. I served as Zone Chairman for Governors Harold Geppert and Ron Holler. I served as Deputy District Governor for District Governor Jerry Griffin Sr. in 1981-82. This was a fun time as we took part in the Super Bowl Game Parade that was held in Pontiac as the Super Bowl Game was played at the Silverdome. I served as District 11-A2 Governor in 1985-86 and because of our wonderful District, I was a 100% District Governor.

I have always worked very hard as a Lion Member and worked on all of the projects. I have been VERY LUCKY to have done all of the things that I have and done the service that I have given. I just hope that the Good Lord will allow me to go on with my Lionism. I am and I am Very Proud to be a Lion and Very Proud and Thankful that I am your President this year.





February meeting Symbol



Happy Birthday to You!

The following Lions have birthdays in February

Wishing you a.. Happy Birthday

Arnold Sell Feb 8
Glen Sattelmeier Feb 10

Carlos Gallusser Feb 14

EricBerger Feb 19



The canister collection for January was \$253.00 For 2010 - \$2860.00

The Rochester Community House needs the following items for the needy

- 1. Toothpaste
- 2. Liquid Dish Soap
- 3. Kleenex

Please bring these items to any meeting.

Club Elections

The Nomination of Officers for the Rochester Lions club will be held on March 7th with Election of Officers April 4th.

Any member in good standing can run! Just see Past President Eric or President Jim. See your Lions directory for descriptions and responsibilities of each office.

Upcoming Meetings

- February 7—Regular meeting Speaker Peggy Burleson, the Regional Chair for hearing aid pro grams sponsored by the lions from the Hazel Park Lions Club.
- **February 14**—Board Meeting 7pm at Leader Dog All are invited to attend
- February 21—Regular meeting Official visit of First Vice District Governor, Bob Bobee. Also, Charlie Brown, our new member, is going to reflect on some of his experiences in the Vietnam War that led to his being awarded the Navy Cross, the nation's second highest medal a warded for valor in a combat zone.

2011 Michigan Lions Forum

All Lions, are invited to this year's Michigan Forum. The event allows average Lions to hear from other members around the state. It will be held Saturday, February 19, 2011 at the Ramada Inn in Lansing, Registration forms are available online at www.lionsofmi.com. Cost for the Forum is just \$35 which includes coffee and rolls, lunch, 16 breakout sessions, proceedings book, pin, luncheon entertainment and a chance to win door prizes. Registration begins at 8:00 a.m. Saturday, with the opening session slated for 9:00 a.m. A total of 16 seminars will take place throughout the day.

There is a breakout session on Friday night for those who arrive early. Lions will be able to participate in a round table discussion named Leadership 101, presented by PID Bill Hansen.

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Rochester Lions are TOP DOG





Rochester Lions Melissa and Eric from Leader Dog pass out our pins

Leader Dog President and Rochester Lion Greg Grabowski presents President Jim with our TOP DOG award as the #1 club worldwide





Past District Governor Ron Holler presents awards to his cabinet







Fire

















































Conner holding the District's framed certificate for winning the District Peace Poster Contest

Peace Poster contest District winner Connor Stormer



Conner and his parents holding Conner's poster that won the District Peace Poster Contest and was 2nd in the state



Conner receiving his award for winning the local Peace Poster Contest Sunday, January 16, 2011 5:44 PM

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