

Rochester Lions Club

Home Club of Leader Dogs for the Blind www.rochesterlionsclub.org October 2011

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





Because of everyone's hard work and dedication, the Rochester Lions Club is once again the **TOP DOG** donating a total of \$22,153.73 for the Lion Year 2010-2011. Pat yourselves on the back and gear up for another fantastic year!

Where do our donations go?



About the Kapten PLUS

Leader Dogs for the Blind believes that everyone has the right to travel independently—to go here, there, everywhere they desire. But without the benefit of street signs or printed maps [admit it; you still use them] to help get them where they want to go, people who are blind often rely on others to help with directions. The game changed when GPS became accessible to people without sight. Leader Dog jumped on the location technology bandwagon [heck, we pushed the bandwagon] by providing pedestrian GPS devices and training to our clients. But with big price tags of \$2,040 for 1st generation technology and \$925 for 2nd, these

devices were out of reach for many people and the cost limited how many we could give to our clients for free. Smart phone GPS applications weren't an option for us due to limited accessibility and service fees that could easily run \$1,000 a year.

In our relentless pursuit of putting GPS in the hands of people who are blind, we're changing the game again with the Kapten PLUS. This device is 74% smaller than previous devices, is more user friendly, has voice recognition and comes with a smaller price tag of only \$295. It's the next step in the evolution of location technology.

(taken from the Leader Dogs website)



October meeting Symbol



Club News

Happy Birthday to You!

The following Lions have birthdays in October

Lee Musson October 1
Terry Marries October 2
Dale Burke October 9
Ken Bilodeau October 10
Jim Williams October 10
Sherry McBroom October 14
Charlie Brown October 19
Neal Winnie October 26



We will be collecting nonperishable food and personal hygiene items for Rochester Community House at all meetings. Here is a partial list of needed items: Shampoo,

detergent (dish & laundry), Kleenex, toilet paper, cans of meal items, spaghetti, ravioli etc..peanut butter, cookies, canned fruit, cereal, soup & veggies.

Lions Lowell and Kathy will also take donations to purchase Meijer gift cards for Community House. Meijer will match these donations so double your dollar!

The canister collection for September was \$234.00

Upcoming Meetings

- October 3 Regular Meeting Zone Chair Lion Celia, Official Visit Heather Carmona Exec. Director of the Woodward Ave. Action Assoc."The History of Woodward Ave."
- October 10 Board Meeting
- October 17 Regular Meeting Region Chair Lion David McKenzie, Official Visit Dan and Jim Williams "Reflections on Living in Rochester as a Boy" (with some references from the recently published book Rochester and Rochester Hills)
- November 7 Regular Meeting 3rd VDG John Kontos, Official Visit
- November 14 Board Meeting at Leader Dog
- November 21 Regular Meeting





September Region II Zone 1 meeting hosted by Rochester Lions



District Governor Lion Bob Bobee



First Vice District Governor Lion Jim Pettinato



Zone Chair Lion Celia Domalewski



Past District Governor and new Rochester Lion Connie Shelton



Past District Governor and current Past President Lion Jim Leach Sr.

Do you know what our District Officers do? Region Chairperson Lion David McKenzie

The region chairperson is subject to the supervision and direction of the district governor and shall be the chief administrative officer in the region, when the position is utilized during the district governor's term. Specific responsibilities of the region chairperson include:

- 1. Further the purposes of this association
- 2. Play an active role in membership development, including the organization of new clubs and the strengthening of clubs in the district
- 3. Play an active role in leadership development at the club level
- 4. Visit a regular meeting of each club in the region at least once while in office and report findings to the district governor
- 5. Visit a regular board of directors meeting of each

- club in the region at least once while in office and report findings to the district governor
- 6. Endeavor to have every club in the region operating under a duly adopted club constitution and by-laws
- 7. Promote representation at international and district (sub- and multiple) conventions by at least the full quota of delegates to which clubs in the region are entitled
- 8. Carry out such official visitations to club meetings and charter nights as assigned by the district governor
- 9. Perform such other functions and acts as may be required by the International Board of Directors through the Region Chairperson Manual and other directives or by the district governor





Annual Kick-Off Dinner

Friday, October 21, 2011

The Annual Kick-Off Dinner is a gathering of friends and supporters of Penrickton Center for Blind Children. Program features an annual update on the work of Penrickton Center, a musical/visual presentation, a personal story told by one of our parents and the "Parade Of Checks" at the end of the evening. There will also be guest entertainment, silent auction, raffles, and door prizes.

To Order Tickets: Telephone: (734) 946-7500 Email: mail@penrickton.com

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