

## Rochester Lions Club

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

**May 2013** 

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



#### **President Message!**

I'm writing this on a rainy Sunday afternoon in April. They say it's supposed to warm up next week. I'll believe it when I see it.

What a busy month we've had in our club. We had our last date night of my term with almost 60 in attendance and what a great time we had. Lion Gail and Colleen, what a fun "unmentionable" show you put on for us.

It was interesting to see how undergarments have evolved over time.

We also had a tour of Leader Dog with our guests from Oakland University Medical School. These great students are interested in Opthamology and were very receptive to learning more about Leader Dog and what Lions International had to offer. We had about 7 students and 10 other interested members of the community take the tour. Thanks to Lion Kathleen Breen for taking her Saturday morning to show us around.

Soon after that, we were involved in serving dinner at the Community House. Thank you everyone who volunteered for all of your hard work. Although I didn't make it, I hear everyone enjoyed the food and program. I know Mary Lee appreciated all of your efforts. Speaking of Mary Lee, she wanted me to pass on a word of thanks to everyone who donated food to the food pantry. The need in this community is greater than we know and the pantry is in short supply of staple items. Let's all try to continue to bring in food to our meetings to stock the shelves of both of our local food pantries.

Moving on to our next event...Friday night was our first wine tasting held at LaSala Banquet Center in cooperation with Papa Joes and Leader Dog. Although we don't have the final numbers in, it looks like we raised in the neighborhood of \$4500-\$5000 for Leader Dog. Not bad for selling some tickets and 4 hours of work. I don't know if this is a onetime event or not. We will have to see if Papa Joes wants us back and if the club wants to commit to this event. Lowell & I want to thank everyone who participated by volunteering and selling tickets. Thanks as well to Lions Bob Treppa, Bill Claussen and Bill Hanson for helping us get our raffle prizes. We also had a bottle of Prince Fielder wine donated as well as a \$500 bottle of Champagne donated anonymously for a live auction. We want to call this event a rousing success.

Finally, we in the midst of White Cane Week. Although we aren't able to have the week at Krogers, we can do the best we can to make this another successful fundraiser. Thank's to Chris DeVilling for all of his hard work organizing this and thanks to the volunteers who are taking their time to collect on behalf of Leader Dog.

Looking forward to May, our car shows, the food wagon and the beginning of our busy season. Hope everyone is ready for this and, especially the warm weather. Sign-up lists will be coming out soon for these events.

Our meeting on May 6 will be a fun meeting as we will be welcoming a Lions club from Essex Canada for a joint meeting. Let's have a good attendance and welcome our fellow Lions from Canada.

As my year is winding down, I want to again thank all of my Rochester Lions friends for volunteering their time and energy to make this club a great organization.

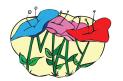
Your Prez, Lion Kathy



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## May Theme!

Flowers!
Note: No pictures on cell phones or Ipads are valid.!



## **Happy Birthday to You!**

Claussen, Bill	May 14
Johnson, Mike	May 16
Lauer JR., Mark	May 13
Lucas, Al	May 12
Meisel, Sharon	May 5
Riley, George	May 20
Wright, Bryan	May 16

#### A few Reminders:

Joint meeting with Lions Club Essex from Canada on May 6th.

Tour at Leader Dog School on May 6th at 5:00PM with the Lion Club Essex.

This is a great chance for the Rochester Lions Club to have some LIONS INTERNATIONAL TIME.

## Special visitor (April 1 13)



Lion Zone Chair John Bingham made his official visit to the Rochester Club. He spoke briefly to our members thanking the club for supporting him. He thanked members like Lions Connie Shelton, Hansen, Jim Leach Sr., David

McKenzie and Lion Kathy Gladd who will be Zone Chair beginning July 1, 2013 for their work at Lions at the district level.

#### "UNMENTIONABLES"



On April 15, Lion Gail Kemler did a presentation that she called...

"Unmentionables".

She was assisted by her friend Colleen Barkham who helped her with a power point / slide presentation

and the display of items that were brought by them to enrich the conference.

### **Upcoming Meetings**

- May 6 Regular Meeting at River Crest "How EMS Responds to Save Lives" by member(s) of the Rochester Fire Department's EMS crew.
- May 13 Board Meeting at Leader Dog. 7:00 PM
- May 20 Regular Meeting at River Crest "Rochester College Its Growth and Its Impact on the Rochester Community" by Rubel Shelly, President of Rochester College.
- <u>Jun 3</u> Regular Meeting at River Crest

## Speaker Guest (April 1 13)



Lion President Kathy Gladd with Eric Segger our speaker of the evening. He informed members of the changes to the tax laws especially concerning Charitable Contributions for 2013. He passed around a summary sheet for members to take home and make notes on. The new tax

laws will make it harder for our charities like, Leader Dog, to get donations. He also informed all that old Life Insurance Policies may possibly be changed for a higher amount of Life Insurance at the same rate.



Richard Nowicke and Jim Adams Sr. became members on April 1 2013. Here with Sponsor Lion David McKenzie and President Kathy Gladd. Lion Jim Leach Sr. and Lion David MCKenzie presided over the installation of our two new members.

If you have any questions about tax law changes or estate planning, we have our own expert in the club, John Cadieux!

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#### At the Convention



← Our Secretary Arnold Sell getting his 100% Secretary Award for the year 2011-2012 from Immediate Past District Governor Bob Bobee at the Governor's Banquet on Saturday night.

Rochester Lions Members at the District 
Memorial Service on Sunday morning.



## Date Night at River Crest April 15<sup>th</sup> 2013































All Service Clubs Dinner on April 17th









Rochester Community House Dinner April 21st











Thanks for contributors of Photographs, stories, etc.



## Thanks note for Rochester Lions Club





#### In our thoughts

Lion Herb Mann had open heart surgery and we need to remember him in our prayers.

If we have forgotten anyone, please let Lion Lowell Gladd know.

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