

Rochester Lions Club

Home Club of Leader Dogs for the Blind

Club Meets 6:30 pm-1st & 3rd Mondays of Each Month at the River Crest Banquet Facility corner of Avon and Livernois www.rochesterlionsclub.org

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ROCHESTER LIONS CLUB

P.O. Box 80393 Rochester, MI 48308

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Rochester Lions President's Message.

On Nov 4th, we will receive the Official visit of District Governor John Kontos.

Rochester Lions Christmas Party:

It is hard to believe that next month is December. Please remember that the Christmas party is on December 2. Make sure that you get your reservations in as soon as possible, so we can give River Crest an accurate count.



Rochester Christmas Parade Float:

Also during the month of November, we will need volunteers to help build the Christmas parade float. Please contact Chris Deviling or Don Westphal to sign-up, or you can sign-up during one of the meetings in November. The parade itself will be on December 8th, from 2:00 until 4:00 PM.

Rochester Kris Kringle:

On December 6 from 4 PM until 10 PM and on the 7th from Noon until 10 PM will be Kris Kringle in downtown Rochester, please sign up to be a helper for Santa and for selling hot chocolate, coffee, s'mores and helping out with the fire pit.

John Kontos:

Our district Governor, John Kontos, will be at our November 4 meeting. Let's try and fill up River Crest, in support of our Governor.

Papa Joes Wine and Beer tasting:

I would also like to let the club know that Papa Joes has invited us back for another event at their La Sala facility. The date for this event was supposed to be on November 8 but has now been moved out to April, due to time constraints. This will give us much more time, to help plan out



and sell out this event. Papa Joes has agreed to put everything in writing, regarding how the proceeds will be divided out. Once we have a firm date in April, I will let everyone know. We will need help selling tickets to this event, obtaining silent auction items and selling raffle tickets. Please help where you can.

Thank you so very much for all that you do!!!!

Your Prez, Lowell.

Rochester Lions Club





<u>November Themes</u>

1st meeting 2nd meeting Note: No pictures on cellphones or Ipads are valid. !



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On Oct 21 we had the official visit of district 11-A2 2nd Vice Distric Governor Jim Leach Jr.

He addressed our club and thanked his father, Lion Jim Leach Sr. for encouraging him to be an active Lion and his mentor. He thanked our club

for their work as Lions.

Upcoming Meetings

November 4 – Regular Meeting at River Crest – Will have Official visit of District Governor John Kontos. <u>November 11 –</u> Board meeting at Leader Dog. <u>November 18 –</u> Speaker of the day will be Rose Govic from the OPC – her presentation is entitled "A Simple Act of Kindness" - Regular Meeting at River Crest.

<u>Dec 2–</u> Christmas Party at River Crest.

A few Reminders

Lions Hearing Center of Michigan. Invites you to the 9th Annual dinner dance on November 9th at the Royalty House in Warren.

There are two different themes for this month. Tail Twister Jim Leach Sr, informed us that it will be a different theme for each meeting !!!! . <u>Watch out !! or enjoy the fine.</u>

Lion McKenzie reminded members that we will be busy the next two months with the Kris Kringle Market (Dec 6 from 4:00 to 10:00 PM & Dec 7 from Noon to 10:00 PM), construction of the Float for the Christmas Parade (All November), the parade will be on Dec 8th from 2:00 to 4:00 PM and the Club Christmas Party on December 2, 2013@ 6:00 PM at Rivercrest.





On October 7, Lion Bates introduced our speaker Theresa Brune who spoke about the important project we all face of simplifying our lives by organizing our paperwork, items we all have in our home and all the boxes of things we are saving. Simplify It, LLC is an organization for home and businesses. Their slogan is "Simplify It" and turns your mess into a Success". They will work with you to develop an effective system that fits your needs. Theresa gave many examples of how to organize and decide what to keep and what to get rid of. She can be reached at 248-417-4312 or Theresa@SimplifyitLLC.com or on the web at www.SimplifyItLLC.com.

Theresa Brune and Rochester Lions President Lowell Gladd

On October 21, Gina and Michael Spehn talked about the New Day Foundation and the book they have written jointly "The Color of Rain". They used a slide presentation, spoke to our group and answered questions. This couple married two years after each lost their spouses due to the death of each spouse. When they got married they had five children under the age of nine. Their speech centered on what each went through when the spouse died and how they joined the two families. The book they wrote "The Color of Rain", it was written from their experiences



and what was in their hearts. The book was on the best seller list and they appeared on the Today Show. A movie has now been made by the Hallmark Movie Channel and will come out in 2014. Their New Day Foundation was created to help families with young children through situations like they went through.

(Picture Gina and Michael Spehn with Rochester Lions President Lowell Gladd.)

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Activities of October





Rochester Lions Activities.

On October 18th, The Rochester Lions 3rd Vice President Karol Leach presented the Rochester Lions Club Donation check to the Penrickton Center for the Blind and Handicapped Children during their Annual Kick-Off Dinner. The Center took in over \$210,000 during this evening in checks from different sponsoring organizations.

In the Picture on the right, we see Rochester Lions 3rd Vice President Karol Leach giving an appreciation gift to Immediate Past District Governor Jim Pettinato at his dinner on October 19th.



He thanked our Club for the gesture and for all the work we do and the support we always gave him.



October 21st meeting at River Crest

Lion President Lowell Gladd called Lion David Bates to the podium and presented him with a Key Membership Award pin from Lions International for sponsoring two new members to the Rochester Lions Club.



Santa paying the fine !.

Rochester Lions Bill Claussen informed us that he is an Official Certified Santa Claus graduated from the Charles W. Howard Santa School in Midland MI. Also mentioned that he received the official Santa's Book were he keeps register of gifts and notes on behaviors from everybody and invited us to be good so we don't get added to the "black list".

Our Tail Twister Jim Leach Sr. in defense of all (probably because his kid was there), decided to fine Santa for threatening us. Needless ta say he became # 1 on Santa's black list, and although tail twister wife Karol somehow managed to give the 50/50 raffle winning number to Santa, we don't know if he was removed from the list !. The Tail **LION** Twister may not have a very good Christmas this year. We will know by Dec the **NEWS** 25th. So, stay tuned on January Newsletter for the conclusion of this story.!! **Page 3**



Thank You.

On September 16, 2013 the Rochester Lions Club received a check from Lion Keith Pasternacki, "In Honor of my Dad, please accept this check for \$1,000 to support the important programs which the Rochester Lions do so very well". Mr. Ernest Pasternacki passed away on August 24, 2013.

Lion David Padilla Sr. passed away on September 23, 2013. The family suggested memorials to the Rochester Lions Club. The club now has received \$1,015.00.

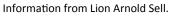
Thank you Lion Keith Pasternacki and the Family of Lion David Padilla.

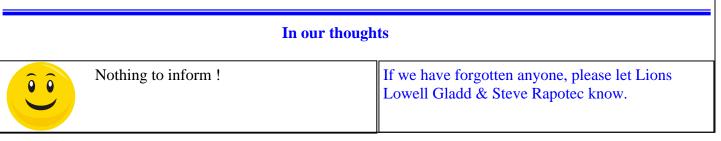




Ernest Pasternacki

Lion David Padilla





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