

# 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

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# Rochester Lions President's Message.

Rochester Fire and Ice:

Thanks so much for all of the hours that people put in to make this a success. A special thanks to Dave Mc Kenzie for organizing this wonderful event. It is so exciting to see the smiles that we bring to the community when we reach out like this.

Lions of Michigan Forum and The District Convention: The Lions of Michigan Forum is February 14 and February 15. This will be held in Lansing. The District Convention will be held March 27 thru March 30 in Grand Rapids. Both of these events are worth coming to because you will learn more



about your district and state initiatives and Lions in general. See me for more information if you are interested.

#### Rochester Top Dog Club:

During the month of February, we will be receiving our Top Dog award from Leader Dog, at one of our regular meetings.

Rochester Heritage Car Shows:

Our car shows are starting to get in full swing. Please contact Bill Clawson to sign up for help. He will be more than happy to put you to work.

#### March Date Night:

I would like to see if there is interest in organizing a date night for March 17th. If so, please contact me so we can make this happen. I will need help setting this up, as I work down in Dearborn.



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 will be Friday, April 25. We will receive tickets by the end of February. 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. We will need help selling tickets to this event and 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.

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<u>February Theme</u>

Note: No pictures on cellphones or Ipads are valid. ! Happy Valentine's day !



Lion President Lowell called Lion Arnold Sell to the Podium and presented him with 100 % Secretary Club Excellen ce Award. In picture Arnold Sell, Immediate Past Presi dent & Zone Chairperson Kathy

# Upcoming Meetings

Feb. O3 – Regular meeting at River Crest. – Speaker of the day Louise Downs, President and Founder of Desert Angel, Inc. and Christine Karras "Why Our American Troops in Afghanistan Need Our Help"

Feb. 10 – Board meeting at Leader Dog. Feb. 17 – Reg. meeting at River Crest. – Speaker of the day will be Deb Motley, Manager of Outreach & Bookmobile Services – RHPL "How the Rochester Hills Public Library Serves the Public with its Outreach and Bookmobile Services" Feb 24– Board meeting at Leader Dog.

Mar. 03 – Regular meeting at River Crest.

• Friday April 25<sup>th</sup> Papa Joes wine tasting.

A few Reminders

- District Convention this year will be in Grand Rapids on March 28-30, 2014.
- February 6, 2013 District 11 A2 Region 1 meeting to be held at Leader Dogs for the Blind.



**Speaker of the day.** On January 20<sup>th</sup>. Lion Bates introduced our speaker Laura Buus giving details on her previous and current background. Laura is a International Specialist working for the IRS out of a Detroit office. She began by telling the history of the IRS and distributed copies of the first 1040 Income Tax form which stated "As provided by Act of Congress, approved October 3, 1913". She also distributed a sheet entitled "Your Rights as a Taxpayer". The first income tax was collected in 1862 for the Civil War and stopped after that ended. She went into detail on some specific topics and answered

question from the club members. She asked us who said "In this world nothing can be said to be certain, except death and taxes", answer was not Joe Black, it was Benjamin Franklin. Also she said "Taxes are what we pay for a civilized society".





## Special Guest. January 20 2014.

Lion Ray Froling our Region Chairman from the Wixom Walled Lake Lions Club came to the podium and thanked our club for supporting him in his bid for RC. He commented that our Club Newsletter was one of the best written he has seen. He reminded members of the February 6, 2013 District 11 A2 Region 1 meeting to be held at Leader Dogs for the Blind School. He went on to comment on the February 14-15 Michigan Lions Forum meeting to be held in Lansing and the March 27-30, 2014 Lions District 11-A2 convention to be held in Grand Rapids this year.



## "2012-2013 Club Excellence Award"

Lion Lowell called Lion Kathy Gladd IPP to the podium and read a letter from Lions International congratulating her as Past President and awarding her the "2012-2013 Club Excellence Award" presented to clubs with a long list of accomplishments



## Club Visitors: Paul Newton, son

Paul Newton, son of Lion George Newton attended the meeting on Jan 20 2014.

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## February 2014 Newsletter

# **Activities of January**

Rochester Hills 2014 Fire & Ice Festival was held on January 24, 25 and 26. The Rochester Lions Club participated with the warming Tent and the fire pit so people could get a little warm and burn a lot of marshmallows.



Inside view of the warming Tent (obviously). Also we had students from Adams High School who helped us to sell hot chocolate and "s'mores".



On the fire Pit we were visited by young students from the Everest Collegiate High School & Academy in Clarkston MI. They show us a different way to cook a s'more (left). Big Thanks to all members who helped in this activity and also to the Adams High School students the help us.

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#### **President's Volunteer Service Award**

The presentation ceremony for the Presidents Volunteer Service Award, which was created to honor the hundreds of thousands of people across America that have volunteered hundreds, if not thousands of volunteer hours over their lifetime will be held on Sunday April 27, 2014 at Crown of Life Lutheran Church in Rochester Hills. Crown of Life Lutheran Church is a Certifying Organization (CO) in the Rochester area for this award. Crown of Life has begun to collect nominations for the award, which must be submitted by March 1<sup>st</sup>, and have posted information on the award along with a nomination form on the Crown of Life web site. The background information and the pdf nomination form can be accessed and downloaded @ www.crownoflifechurch.org.



Over the past two years eleven Rochester Lions Club members have been presented with the Lifetime Service Award, for achieving 4000 or more hours of volunteer service in their lifetime. Here are the previous Rochester Lions Club members that have been presented with this prestigious award, David Bates, Bill Claussen, Celia Domalewski, Gail J Kemler, Jim Leach Sr, David McKenzie, Lee Musson, Arnold Sell, Dennis Scott, Bob Treppa and Dan Williams.

Please take this opportunity to help us honor the volunteer works of additional Rochester Lions or individuals and families by nominating worthy people you may know.

#### In our thoughts

If we have forgotten anyone, please let Lions Lowell Gladd & Steve Rapotec know.

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