



# Rochester Lions Club



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](http://www.rochesterlionsclub.org)

## Club Officers:

**President**  
**Steve Rapotec**

**Immediate Past President**  
**Lowell Gladd**

**1st Vice President**  
**Chris De Villing**

**2nd Vice President**  
**VP. Karol Leach**

**3rd Vice President**  
**Jamie Nummer**

**Secretary**  
**Arnold Sell**

**Treasurer**  
**John Cadieux**

**Tail Twister**  
**Jim Leach Sr.**

**Lion Tamer**  
**Jim Kemler**

**Membership Chairman**  
**Tom Lower**

**Directors.**  
**John Benczik**  
**Mike Maegawa**  
**John Reamsma**  
**David McKenzie**

**ROCHESTER LIONS CLUB**

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Home Club of Leader  
Dogs for the Blind

## *Rochester Lions President's Message.*

Another month of Rochester Lions club meetings has come to an end. In October, we introduced a little variety to our normal meetings.

The first meeting was a "club" meeting where we talked about how we fit into the overall scheme of Lionism, and about some of the charities we support. There was plenty of good input by all involved. My hope for that meeting was to spur ideas we can use in the future to bolster our current activities, or introduce new ones that can replace the existing activities in the event we are not longer able to support them. The meeting was a great start toward this goal. I hope it doesn't stop there and anyone with new ideas will continue to come forward. There will be additional "club" meetings in the coming months as the future of our club's ability to support our charities depends on our members participating in our fundraisers.

The second meeting took an entirely different "twist". It was designated a Date Night meeting. Our guest speaker for the evening did very little speaking, however. He was Josh Rubietta of the Rochester Ballroom. Josh got more than half of those attending up on the dance floor to teach a few steps of the popular line dances often seen at today's weddings. We even had our 2nd Vice District Governor, Patti Barr, moving to the beat of the music. Speaking with Josh afterward, he expressed how much fun he had showing everyone the moves and how impressed he was with everyone's participation. I hope everyone that took part or simply watched enjoyed themselves as well.

As always, your feedback is very important to me. I want our Lions Club to be known as one with the kind of meeting everyone can enjoy. It is part of my effort to attract new, young members. If you think you have an idea how we can make this happen, again, please let me know. I will be excited to hear from you.

Yours in Lionism,  
Steve



## **Change to Meals and Dues Billing**

**Payment for meals and dues should now be sent to**

**PDG Lion Connie Shelton**

**1360 Wrenwood**

**Troy, MI 48084**

**Email [pdgconnie@outlook.com](mailto:pdgconnie@outlook.com) (new)**

**Please change your online banking to reflect this new address**



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November Theme—  
Turkey Note: No pictures on cellphones or Ipad's are valid. !



Lowell Gladd Nov 21  
Mike Meagher Nov 29

## Upcoming Meetings

November 3 - 6pm Regular Meeting River Crest - Patrick Kopytek will speak on D-Day Zone Chair Lion Kathy, Official Visit.

November 10- Board meeting -Leader Dog

November 17- 6pm Regular Meeting River Crest - **Our guest speaker will be** Patty Oberzet from Penrickton Center



### Peace Poster Coordinator:

Responsible for contacting educators in the Rochester area to encourage them to have students participate in the district Peace Poster contest.



Donations gladly taken at every meeting

**Membership Chairman:** Responsible for developing a membership program which encourages the recruitment of quality new members. Develop a new member orientation process and guidelines for the retention of existing Lions. This is a vital position for our club given our current situation of having more than 95% of the club over the age of 50.

**Just imagine if every Lion asked just one person to join their club**  
The COG/GMT have decided to use Lions Purple and Gold awareness ribbons this year as a way to talk about membership without always having to talk about membership. Every time someone sees a ribbon they should “think” about membership and since EVERYONE will be wearing them they should see them all the time. Every Lion in the state will start out with a Purple Awareness Ribbon they are asked to wear it using their Lions Pin poked through the center to hold it in place. It is a fineable offence (Tail Twister fine) NOT to have it on at a meeting or project since it is now attached to your lions pin. You will wear the purple ribbon until you bring in your first new member for the year and at which point when inducted you pass on your purple ribbon to the new Lion or Lions and you would receive a Gold (Yellow) ribbon.





2nd Vice President Karol at Past District Governor John Kontos' appreciation dinner



President Steve and 2nd Vice District Governor Patti Barr



President Steve and our Dance Instructor on Date Night

Date Night 2014



Dancing with the Stars?





Meet our newest member  
**RYAN DE COOK**  
Married to Meagen  
Ryan is a Financial Advisor at Edward Jones in Rochester  
He is a Triathlete and, at least according to the Web (isn't it wonderful), he enjoys spending weekends in northern Michigan training, fishing, hunting and riding my motorcycles with his wife

**In our thoughts** Dan Williams - Continuing recovery  
Jim Williams & Lee Musson- Health problems

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

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