



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

Club Officers:

President

Chris DeVilling

Immediate Past President

Steve Rapotec

1st Vice President

Karol Leach

2nd Vice President

Brett Antenucci

3rd Vice President

Stephen Vallecorse

Secretary

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Treasurer

John Cadieux

Tail Twister

Jim Leach Sr.

Lion Tamer

Jim Kemler

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Home Club of Leader
Dogs for the Blind

Rochester Lions President's Message.

Our June 15 meeting was the installation banquet. Bill Hansen installed our slate of officers and directors and I think we have a great group. I am especially pleased that 3 of our key positions are filled by new members. We were also pleased to have Bill induct 2 new members, Bob Landon and Ravi Yalamanchi. Welcome to your Lions Club.



Thanks to outgoing president Steve Rapotec for doing a great job this past year. He did an outstanding job of leading our meetings and we picked up 7 new members under his leadership.

I am looking forward to our trip to the Tigers game on July 20. We have 36 people signed up. I am happy to say Gail Kemler will be joining us and it just so happens she also attended the 1935 World Series at the age of 17. The Tigers played the Cubs and won the series.

On a sad note, Lion Jerry Janabet passed away on Thursday June 25 at home. Jerry was the recipient of the Melvin Jones Award and was a Lifetime Member. He was an active member of our club since 1990. Our sympathy goes out to Jerry's family and his wife Sharon.

As we approach the coming year we will be doing our usual line up of fund raisers. The food wagon, Rock-n-Rods, Memorial Golf Outing, Kris Kringle, Fire and Ice, White Cane Week, The 2 Heritage Car Shows and hopefully, The Wine Tasting.

Don't forget our ongoing raffle for the 2016 Mustang. Ticket sales are going well but we are still short of the 700 tickets we need to sell. Try to sell a few more tickets if you can. The drawing will take place at ROCK-n-Rods

We are blessed to have these fundraisers and they were all successful this past year. However, we continue to be challenged in getting enough volunteers for these events. In the coming year I will be putting together a group to look for possible new fundraisers that require less people and make more per person hour. I will also put together a second group to support our Membership Chairman as we work on ways to attract new members.

If any members would like to help with either group please let me know.

Our next fund raising activity will be the setup of the food wagon for the downtown sidewalk sale. The wagon will be on main street in front of the Chase Bank Thursday July 9, Friday July 10 and Saturday July 11. The afternoon of the 11th the wagon will be moved to the Movies in the Moonlight location for the movie that night.

President Chris



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**HAPPY
NEW
YEAR
2015** July Theme-
Celebrating our
New Lions year

Happy Birthday

Irene Lindenthal	2
Don Casanovas	3
Karol Leach	15
Herb Mann Sr.,	15
Kevin Klayo	21
Ronald Lindenthal	23
Tim Brooks	31
Jim Kemler	31

Car Raffle Tickets
Please help us sell the raffle ticket for the 2015 Mustang. This will help us with our commitment to the Leader Dog Kennel Renovation Campaign.



Past International Director Bill Hansen inducts Robert Landon and Ravi Yalamanchi as our newest members. Standing by is sponsor Bob Treppa and Larry Cole standing in for Stu Clemens

Upcoming Meetings/Events

July 3 - 7pm Regular Meeting River Crest - Program is Philip Weitlauf who is with the War Dogs Memorial. He'll be speaking about Military War dogs . Also the Todd Minbiolo scholarship winner Austin Robbins and family will be in attendance

July 10 - 7pm Board meeting - Leader Dog Polk Residence Center - any member is welcome to attend

July 20 - Tigers Ball Game - No meeting at River Crest

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



Todd Minbiolo Scholarship Winner

The student selected for the 2015 Lions Club Todd Minbiolo Memorial Scholarship is Austin Robbins a Stony Creek graduate.

Todd Minbiolo was a young man and car buff who attended the Rochester Lions Car Cruises. He passed away at a very young age and his parents gave Todd's Pro-Street GMC Pick-up to the Rochester Lions who set up a \$1,000 scholarship in his name.



Austin Robbins and Craig and Barbara Minbiolo



President Steve and Lorraine Sattelmeier (wife of Lion Glenn).

Lorraine spoke about her new book focusing on her early life and living on a farm in the Michigan thumb area. Her book is called "Once Upon a Very Very Long Time Ago" and is available at the Rochester Public Library.



Past President Steve presenting Lion Melissa Weisse a check for \$20,000 for the Leader Dog Capital Building Campaign.

2015 Installation Banquet



President Steve passing the baton to new President Chris



Lion Chris giving Lion Jim Madson a special award for raising over \$3300 during White Cane



Lion Chris and Lion of the year Karol Leach

New and Progressive Melvin Jones Recipients



Lion Bill Claussen receiving a Progressive Melvin Jones



Lion Lowell Gladd and Past President Steve becoming our newest Melvin Jones Fellows





Lion Jerry Janabet 1947-2015

Jerry, a cabinet maker by trade, became a Rochester Lion in 1990 and was sponsored by Wallace “Doc” O’Brien. He immediately became active in the club and by serving as President in ‘94-’95. He served as the club Tail Twister several times and was the District Tail Twister for then District Governor Bill Hansen. He also assisted him in his campaign for International Director. He was active until his health prevented him from participating as much as he would have liked.

Jerry was known for his float designs for the Rochester Christmas Parade and also worked on the food wagon.

Jerry became a Melvin Jones Fellow in 1996, was awarded Lion of the year in 1997 and was made a Life Member in 2010.

He is survived by his wife Sharon (a former Lioness) two daughters and two stepsons.

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