

# 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 <a href="https://www.rochesterlionsclub.org">www.rochesterlionsclub.org</a>

### **Club Officers:**

President
Chris DeVilling

Immediate Past President Steve Rapotec

1st Vice President Karol Leach

2nd Vice President Brett Antenucci

3rd Vice President Vacant

> Secretary Arnold Sell

Treasurer John Cadieux

Tail Twister Jim Leach Sr.

Lion Tamer Jim Kemler

Membership Chairman Ryan DeCook

Directors.
John Benczik
Connie Shelton
John Reamsma
David McKenzie

#### ROCHESTER LIONS CLUB

P.O. Box 80393 Rochester, MI 48308

Home Club of Leader Dogs for the Blind

## Rochester Lions President's Message.

Our January 18 membership meeting went well. We had 8 guests and some of our members gave short talks on our fund raisers and the charities we support. So far, we have received 3 new applications for membership. Thanks to our Membership Chairman Ryan DeCook and Past International Director, Bill Hansen for organizing the meeting. Also, thanks to PDG Connie



Shelton, Bill Claussen and Dave Mckenzie for their presentations.

Elections will be coming up in mid March, so we need to have a slate of officers ready by late February. The new year starts July 1. We need to fill 2 director's positions or hope the current directors will serve again. We definitely need a 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> vice president. If you are interested in any of these positions please let Arnold Sell know.

Our club has done a great job of serving our community and supporting our charities. To continue to continue our success we need to fill these open leadership positions. Please give it your consideration.

We had a very successful Fire and Ice. The weather was perfect for a winter outing and attendance was good all three days. Thanks to Dave McKenzie for setting it up and all the volunteers that worked at the warming tent and fire ring. We grossed just over \$4000 in sales of s'mores and hot chocolate.

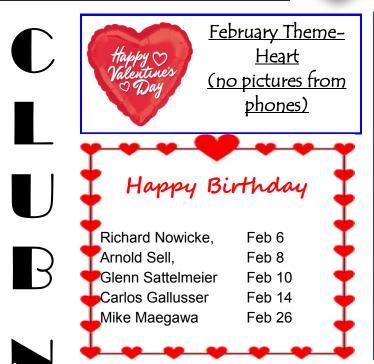
Linda and I will be in Florida February 1 thru March 17 so our very capable First Vice President, Karol Leach, will be running the meetings during that time. Thanks Karol!!!

President Chris

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#### February 2016 Newsletter



## **Upcoming Meetings/Events**

<u>February 1</u> Regular Meeting, 7 pm at River Crest Program

<u>February 8 -</u> 7pm Board meeting – Leader Dog Polk Residence Center – all members are welcome to attend

<u>February 15</u> – 7pm Regular Meeting at River Crest. Program –

April—TBD - Wine Tasting at LaSala

<u>April29 -May 8</u>- White Cane-Also TBD for Kroger

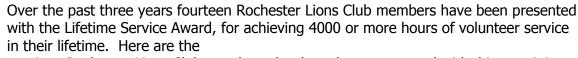
Our food pantries are always in need. Please remember when you go shopping. Food collected at all meetings!

### **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 10, 2016 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 and has begun to collect nominations for the 2015 award, which must be submitted by March 1st. Background information on the award along with the nomination form can be obtained by contacting Bill Claussen via e-mail @ wfclausse@aol.com or by cell phone @ 248-760-4234.



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 McKensie, Lee Musson, Arnold Sell, Dennis Scott, Bob Treppa, Dan Williams Larry Cole, Chris Devilling and Don Westphal.

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



## YEARS OF SERVICE AWARDS









## MEMBERSHIP NIGHT









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### **White Cane Week Update**



Once again because of changes at Kroger our White Cane Fundraiser will be in 2 stages. (if we get approval from Kroger to collect)

Official White Cane dates are April 29 thru May 8 and we have approval to collect at Busch's and Hollywood Market. We will also collect at the Post Office. However, Kroger will only let organizations collect March 18, 19, 20 and April 1, 2, 3 and only one organization can collect on each of the 2 weekends. (I don't know if they have requests from other organizations) I have submitted a request to solicit on all the available dates at Kroger Adams and Kroger Livernois. It will be a while before we know if we have been chosen. We were fortunate last year to get all the dates we requested. If we get approval from Kroger, I will need to get out the sign-up sheets as soon as possible.

In order to collect in the street, we need a permit from the City of Rochester and I have submitted an application. They will be reviewing it at the Feb. 8 City Council Meeting. The police chief has told me there are some safety concerns about collecting in the street so we are having someone from the club attend the meeting. However, it should be noted that the Rochester Firemen have continued to operate the news boy collections in the streets as recent as December.

I will be sending email updates when we hear from Kroger and the City of Rochester.

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