



Rochester Lions Club

Home Club of Leader Dogs for the Blind



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October 15, 2025

Dear Rochester Lions.

The Rochester Lions Board voted to donate \$3500 towards central air conditioning in the Lions Warming Shelter in the Rochester Community Park. Originally built by the Rochester Lions members in 1959, the building's purpose was to be the warming shelter for the pond ice skaters.

Last year the pond only had ice for two days. This past summer Rochester Lion Carlos Gallusser noted that RARA children's programs were occurring in the Lions Warming Shelter during 90-degree days. Lion Carlos asked if the Rochester Lions would consider providing window air conditioning for the building. I contacted Marcy Moriwaki, Rochester Deputy Finance Director, and asked if the Rochester Lions could help with providing air conditioning for Lions Warming Shelter. The city set the criteria and elicited bids for the air conditioning system. The total was approximately \$7200. The board chose to meet the city halfway and the city accepted our offer of assistance. The building will now be available for year-round use and Lions Shelter signage will be prominent. The goal is to strengthen our partnership with the city. This will be important not only in securing our events but also in recognition of the Rochester Lions' contributions to the greater community. If we are to survive, we need to increase our marketing beyond our membership.

President Lion Fred Dolehanty



Above: President Fred Dolehanty present the \$3.500 check to Rochester City Finance Director for the warming center upgrade.

Below: Lion Carlos Gallusser, President Fred Dolehanty, City DPW staff, Lion Don Westphal, Finance Director Marcy Moriwaki, and Lion Paul Clark.





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Fred Dolehanty

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Community Partnership in Action!

It's always great when our community partners work hand in hand with the City. Today, the Rochester Lions Club generously donated \$3,500 toward installing air conditioning at the Lions Shelter in Rochester Municipal Park.

A huge thank-you to this amazing group of dedicated volunteers for their continued support and commitment to our community — we appreciate you! ❤️ 🦁 🌬️



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Rochester Lions Club meets the 3rd Mondays of each month.

5:30 p.m.—social hour, cash bar

6:00 p.m.—dinner and meeting

Next meeting is October 20, 2025 at The Silver Shamrocks
4505 Collins Road
Rochester, Michigan 48306

Rochester Lions calendar is on the website. www.rochesterlionsclub.org

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October birthdays

Ryan DeCook	10/6
Mary Ellen Dawson	10/6
Paul Clark	10/9
Ken Bilodeau	10/10
Bruce MacGregor	10/13
Jerry Michaux	10/13

November birthdays

Connie Shelton	11/3
Lowell Gladd	11/21

December birthdays

Peter Duz	12/11
Kamala Felarca	12/26
Kathy Gladd	12/29



September—regular Lions Club meeting. There were two speakers.

Above is PDG Jim Pettinato informing the Club members of happening in District 11A-2. There have been a few Clubs in the District that have disbanded. All Clubs need to look at different approaches to find new members and share successful activities with other Clubs.

The Rochester Lions Club had an informational tent at the Leader Dog puppy days in September. Puppy Days is an event that Leader Dog puts on for Puppy Raisers from all over the country. The event includes informational classes and has dog supply related vendors

Below is the Rochester Lions Club tent manned by Lion Jean Mardeusz, Lion Marion Treece, Lion Denise Burns, and Lion John Beers.





Second speaker at the September meeting was Deb Silver. Deb is The owner of The Silver Shamrocks. Deb welcomed the Club and gave information about her background and her business. Deb is requesting that a dinner count be turned in the Monday before a meeting so that the meal can be planned. The regular meeting and presentation will start at 6:00 p.m. with a social hour starting at 5:30 p.m. There is a cash bar at the social hour.

The Rochester Lions Club were contributors to the Lions 11A-2 Detroit walk to support research for a cure of Type 1 Diabetes in October. The Club donated \$2,513 in private and charity funds The Lions Clubs 11A-2 team raised a total of \$11,215.

The Rochester Lions held the annual Memorial Golf outing in September. The weather was great and sixty golfers enjoy A round of golf and a dinner while raising money for the Rochester Lions charities.



Above is the golf Outing registration table manned by Lions and volunteers.



Below is Lion Don Westphal working the Hole in One hole. Lion Don was selling Mulligans to the golfers to have a do over shot.

On October 5th, the Rochester Lions cooked pancakes at the Rochester Neighborhood House Scare Away Hunger 5k run and walk. The weather was great for the 300+ runners/ walkers. The Lions cooked approximately 350 pancakes and supplied 10 gallons of orange juice.



Schedule—Upcoming meetings

October 6th Board meeting
Community House
7 p.m.

October 20nd Regular meeting
Silver Shamrocks
4505 Collins Road
Rochester, Michigan
5:30 social
6:00 meeting

November 3rd Board meeting
Community House
7 p.m.

November 17th Regular meeting
Silver Shamrocks
4505 Collins Road
Rochester, Michigan
5:30 social
6:00 meeting

December 6th Christmas dinner
Community House
(Tentative)

**Upcoming Fundraising Events
Everyone's Help is Needed**

November 12th Making Smores
First Congregational
Church
1315 N Pine St.
6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

November 17—22 Donated food
Processing at food
Pantry.
10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Daily. Contact Lion
Bruce if you can
Help a few hours.
A night shift can be
made if there is an
interest.

December 4th Leader Dog kickoff
dinner.

December 5 & 6 Kris Kringle market
Walnut in Rochester

December 7th Rochester Christmas
Parade. Potential
Float,

January 17—18 Rochester Frost
Festival