



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:

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Chris DeVilling

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ROCHESTER LIONS CLUB

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Home Club of Leader
 Dogs for the Blind

Rochester Lions President's Message.

We need new members
 Last year we donated a total of \$75,000 to 18 charities and we usually have 12 fund raisers a year. This is an outstanding accomplishment by our club and over the years we have taken pride in how we serve the charities we support.

However, there is a 600 pound gorilla in our midst. We are losing productive members at an alarming rate due to passing away, health problems, moving to another location, burn out etc. These are all natural occurrences. The problem is we are not replacing these people and our current successes are resting on the shoulders of fewer and fewer people who face a risk of burn out. We could be forced to drop projects for lack of people to run them.

1. We can try to find fund raisers that require less effort and less people to raise the same amount. We have done this to a degree with our Car Raffle and Wine Tasting.
2. We can bring in new members. The problem is this is not happening at a fast enough rate. Last year we had 6 new members but lost 5. This year we have 2 new members so far but have lost 2. If we want to continue as the strong club we need to add a lot of new people.
3. We need every member to step up and try to find people interested in giving back and encourage them to join us. We all know that young people today are faced with more choices on how to spend their time and in many cases both spouses work and that is part of the problem we can't control. However, it would seem a good source would be recent retirees looking for a way to give back. In any case we need to step up our efforts or slowly fade away. Please do what you can to keep our club viable.





Upcoming Meetings/Events

April 29-May 8 White Cane week

May 2 Regular Meeting, 7 pm at River Crest

May 9- 7pm Board meeting - Leader Dog Polk Residence Center - all members are welcome to attend

May 16 - 7pm Regular Meeting at River Crest.

Car shows May 28-29 2016



Your help is needed!
Sign up early and often at the next meeting
Many hands make light work

Wine Tasting update:

There hasn't been a date set for this year's wine tasting although they are looking at a summer date. Lions Lowell & Kathy are working diligently with Papa Joes to finalize this event.

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