

# **Rochester Lions Club**

Home Club of Leader Dogs for the Blind www.rochesterlionsclub.org

September, 2008 NEWSLETTER

Club Meets 6:30 pm-1st & 3rd Mondays of Each Month at the Rivercres



# President's Message...

Whew! Where has this summer gone? The days are getting shorter and the nights are getting cooler.

Heritage Festival, Movies in the Moonlight and Rockin Rods have been successfully completed. The Camaro car raffle will continue until the winner is announced at Rockin Rods 2009 and will require our full support. Get some raffle tickets from Lion Dennis to sell to your friends and family.

The Memorial Golf Outing in memory of Ken Lowes and Bob Sutton, two special Lions, will be held at Bald Mountain Golf Course on Thursday, September 25<sup>th</sup>. We are in need of golfers, door prizes and silent auction items. Let me know if you can contribute to the day in any way, (including volunteering at the golf course).

I want to thank Lion Dan Williams, our Lion Tamer for getting cases to store our banners. The club banner is original and is different than most club banners in our district. When the parade of banners is held at our district convention, it is apparent how unusual and special our banner is.

There were several Rochester Lions at the dedication ceremony for the Harris Fountain located at the Rochester City Hall. If you remember, our club donated \$500 to help with the restoration and relocation of this historic marker. Lion Herb Mann was the commander of the honor guard and Lion John Benczik took part in the gun salute....both as members of the V.F.W.

Even though we have had an active summer, there are a few more special dates to mark on your calendars. Wednesday, September 10<sup>th</sup> at the Washington Lions Club House, there is a Region meeting. I would like to see us well represented there. Please let me know if you would like to attend. (By 9/3 if possible)... We will be hosting an appreciation luncheon for PID Lion Bill Hansen.....date yet to be announced. And, last, but not least, the Brooksie ½ marathon on October 5<sup>th</sup>.

Several of our members attended the August 19<sup>th</sup> Cabinet meeting in Richmond. Lion Bill Hansen shared information about the new position of 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-District Governor that has been mandated by Lions International. More information will be forthcoming when we are visited by the candidates for this new office.

I hope everyone enjoys whatever summer we have left. Thank you for the privilege of serving you.

Yours in Lionism,

David McKenzie

"A bookstore is one of the only pieces of evidence we have that people are still thinking."

Jerry Seinfeld (1954- )



### **September Meeting Theme**



### **District Events**

Sept 10—Region I & II Meeting Washington Lions Club House Our Club Needs to Be Well Represented! Please RSVP by 9/03 to David McKenzie

Sept 12—Lions Hearing Center of Michigan—2008 Appreciation Dinner for more info contact Phil Wells at (313) 577-5182 or email: pwells@med.wayne.edu

Sept 14—2008 Walk to Cure Diabetes for more info contact PRC Robert Bobee (586) 758-5974 or email: cathywiegand@aol.com

Oct 5—Shelby Lions Annual Charity Car Show—Co-Hosted by the GMC Corvette Set—K of C Fairgrounds in Utica Contact Dave @ 586-784-8725 for more info or to register

Oct 5—Beverly Hills Lions Present:
"That's Entertainment"
Contact Sharon Tischler for more info
at stischler@southfieldtownship.org

## Looking Ahead..



Sept 8—Regular Meeting 6:30pm
Dinner Served Promptly at 7pm
Guest Speaker: District Gov. Connie Shelton

Sept 15—RLC Board Meeting—7 pm Leader Dogs for the Blind

Sept 22—Regular Meeting—6:30 pm Dinner Served at 7 pm Guest Speaker: Mary Lee Kowalczyk Induction: Cindy Lenard

Sept 25—Lowes/Sutton Memorial Golf Outing
Bald Mountain Golf Course
Registration 12 Noon
Shotgun Start @ 1 pm
\$85 per person
Awards/Buffet Dinner at 5 pm
Contact David McKenzie or Bob Reid for more info to register or for sponsorship packages

Oct 5—Brooksie Way Half Marathon
13.1 Mile Marathon Fund Raiser
Rochester Hills
Proceeds Benefitting Leader Dogs and Several Other
Oakland County Charities
RLC Manning Water Station
Contact PID Bill Hansen for more info or to sign up



#### Official Rochester Lions Club Photographer WANTED!

There is an immediate need for an "official" Rochester Lions Club Photographer. Please, "Inquire Within," With the many responsibilities of our other Club officers and directors it is sometimes difficult or near impossible to carry out one's respective responsibilities and still "get the shot." If interested, please contact *Lion Randy Whitmire* at 248-930-6420 or via email: michiganskypilot@earthlink.net

"I don't deserve this award, but I have arthritis and I don't deserve that either."

Jack Benny



## Happy Birthday to You!

The following Lions have a birthday in September:

John Murphy—Sept 1
Bill Hansen—Sept 7
Larry Cole—Sept 7
George Newton—Sept 8
Rod Bunia—Sept 9
Bill Sefcik—Sept 12
Robert Treppa—Sept 22
Bernie Ris—Sept 28

Wishing each of you...a very Happy Birthday!





# August Meeting Updates....

Thank you again.. to all those who helped to make our Annual Picnic a great success on August 4 (see photos on page 6).

At our August 18 regular meeting Greg Blomstrom was our guest presenter...sharing with us more about his company, Sentimental Journey Productions...which specializes in professional videography services for both business and personal needs. And, coincidentally, Greg also submitted his application for membership in the Rochester Lions Club the same evening. Now, that's dedication folks. We think Greg's skills and ablities will be great assets to our Club. Lion Randy Whitmire is Greg's sponsor.



During the same regular meeting on August 18, Lawrie Pinkham was inducted into our Club. PID Lion Bill Hansen, did the honors with President David McKenzie

and Lion Pinkham's sponsor, Jim Kemler, assisting with the induction and presentation of our newest Lion. A sincere "welcome" to Lion Lawrie Pinkham. We're expecting great things from you, Lawrie!



# Leader Dog Canister Collections

Lion Arnold Sell has collected a total of \$319.50 from the various Leader Dog collection canisters located throughout the Rochester-Rochester Hills area for the period July 25 through August 15, 2008.. Thanks a million, Arnold!



# **New Lions Fund-Raising Project Announced**

After several months of discussions and coordination by Lion David Bates with the Rochester Regional Chamber and the DDA, Rochester Lions Club has received approval to proceed forward with a new fund-raising project. Your lions club will be planning, developing and implementing a "Lions Christmas Tree Decorating Contest" to coincide with the Christmas holiday season in Rochester. The project was announced by Lion Randy Whitmire at the regular meeting held on August 18.

Preliminary details of the project indicate that entrant participants will be limited to "not for profit" organizations located within the Rochester/Rochester Hills areas, including an entry from our own Rochester Lions Club. And, rather than having "personalities" judge the entries it was suggested that tickets be sold to decide the respective winner(s). There will be a nominal entry fee TBA. Possible auctioning of the trees is still a discussion item.

Lion David Malaga has volunteered to chair this committee to lead this project. Sharon Whitmire has volunteered to head up our Club's Christmas tree entry efforts. Lion Jim Williams has already volunteered to assist. Please contact either Lion David Malaga at 248-651-5900 or Sharon Whitmire at 248-930-7020 for more information or to volunteer. While not all details have been worked out yet, it appears that we're gonna have "some kinda fun" on this wonderful holiday effort.



# First Vision Equipment Training Session Scheduled Project Kid Sight

Lion Art Carlson is spearheading our Club's efforts to train a certain number of Rochester Lions on the special vision equipment that will be used to "screen" and identify vision problems in pre-school children in the Rochester/Rochester Hills school districts.

The first training date scheduled is *September 20, 2008 at 9:00 am at the Rochester Hills Public Library, 500 Old Towne Rd., Rochester, MI 48307.* Training will take place in the conference room upstairs (second level).

Please contact Art Carlson at 248-608-9121 or via email: acar552838@aol.com to sign up or for more information



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# Rockin Rods n Rochester 2008 Another Fabulous Show!!

Another "Rockin Rods 'N Rochester" has come and gone. But not before making an unforgettable imprint on our community for both the sheer number of cars entering this year (507) and also for the economic boost this show provided to downtown Rochester. Although we had a little precip...that didn't dampen the spirits of those attending. We should have final numbers to publish in the October Newsletter. Lion Dennis Scott did an outstanding job along with all those who generously volunteered their time to help make the show live up to it's reputation as one of the largest classic car shows in Michigan.





### Our Annual Picnic-What a Blast!

We saw a good turnout (approx 100) for our Annual Picnic on Aug 4. I wanted to especially send a big "thank you" to all those who help make this annual event a huge success. John Bencizk, Dennis Amato, Jerry & Sharon Janabe, Jim & Mary Madson, Gail Kemler, David McKenzie, Sherry McBroom, Bernie Ris, Dan Williams, Jim Williams. And, a very special "thank you" to Mike Gendich for bringing the Club's FoodMobile (beverages and ice cream) AND again spear-heading the fabulous games and fun for the kids and their respective families. A good time was had by all...







Recipe: Cedar-Plank Salmon

A "Heart Healthy Choice"

#### What you'll need:

2 tsp lemon pepper

- 1 tsp granulated garlic
- 1 tsp dry tarragon
- 1 tsp dry basil
- 1 Tbsp paprika
- 1 Tbsp kosher salt
- 2 Tsp brown sugar
- 2 skinless salmon fillets (6 oz each) Wild Caught Atlantic Salmon if possible.
- 1 lemon
- 1. Blend all ingredients except the fish and lemon in a mixing bowl. Transfer, label, wrap tightly, and store at room temperature until needed.
- 2. Sprinkle both sides of the salmon evenly with the dry rub and then press the seasonings into the flesh. Refrigerate, uncovered, for at least 2 hours and up to 12 hours before cooking. Grill on BBQ over "indirect" heat or oven bake (preheated to 425F) on plank for approx 10-15 minutes max or until "golden brown." An excellent dish for those warm summer nights on the patio...

Health & Nutrition



Get your "sticks" out and ready for another fabulous and entertaining annual golf outing. This year, again, our tournament will be held at the Bald Mountain Golf Course in Lake Orion. We certainly had a great time last year. Please pass this flyer along to your friends and business colleagues....so they can have some fun enjoying some great golf and food while helping to support our many worthy charities—See you all on the golf course!

# Rochester Lions Memorial Golf Outing



## **Annual Fund Raiser**

In Memory of 2 Special Lions:

## Ken Lowes & Bob Sutton

### Prizes Awarded For:

- \$500 Hole-in-One Prizé
- Lowest Score (Men & Ladies)
- Longest Drive (Men & Ladies)
- Straightest Drive (Men & Ladies)
- Closest to Pin (Men & Ladies)
- Skins Game (optional)
- 50/50 Cash Raffle
- Door Prizes
- Mulligans (optional) \$5

#### What

18 Hole Scramble, Cart, Buffet Dinner Many Prizes Players of all levels (men and ladies) Prizes for higher handicap teams too Silent Auction

#### Donation\*\*

\$85 per golfer / 4 person scramble Proceeds benefit LEADER DOGS FOR THE BLIND and other LIONS' CHARITIES.

#### When

Thursday, September 25, 2008 Registration - 12:00 Noon Shotgun Start -1:00 PM

Mark Your Calendar!

#### Where

Bald Mountain Golf Course 3350 Kern/Road Lake Orion, MI 48360 248-373-1110

### Hoje Sponsorships Available

Information: Dave McKenzie or Bob Reid

> 248-860-6586 dmckenzie271@yahoo.com 248-853-9292 rreid54321@comcast.net

Send check & registration early • Teams limited

Registration Form Individual players welcome • Will be assigned to teams

Player 1:			Phone:
Player 1: Addr:	City:	Zip:	Email:
Player 2:			Phone:
Addr:	City:	Zip:	Email:
Player 3: Addr:			Phone:
	City:	Zip:	Email:
Player 4: Addr:			Phone:
Addr:	City:	Zip:	Email:

Make checks payable to: Rochester Lions Club Charities, Inc. (a 501(C)3 non-profit organization)



David McKenzie Mail To: 1321 Potomac Drive Rochester Hills, MI 48306





# ...have a GREAT Day!!!

Life is short!
Break the rules! Forgive quickly! Kiss Slowly!
Love Truly. Laugh uncontrollably...

And never regret anything that made you smile.

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