

Rochester Lions Club

Home Club of Leader Dogs for the Blind

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 Lowell Gladd

Immediate Past President **Kathy Gladd**

1st Vice President **Steve Rapotec**

2nd Vice President Chris DeVilling

3rd Vice President Karol Leach

> Secretary **Arnold Sell**

Treasurer John Cadieux

Tail Twister Jim Leach Sr.

Lion Tamer Jim Kemler

Membership Chairman **David Bates**

Liaison to Rochester DDA open

ROCHESTER LIONS **CLUB**

P.O. Box 80393 Rochester, MI 48308

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Rochester Lions President's Message.

The District Convention:

The District Convention will be held March 27 thru March 30 in Grand Rapids. See me for more information if you are interested.

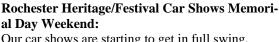
Rochester Top Dog Club:

During the month of March, we will be receiving our Top Dog award from Leader Dog, at one of our regular meetings.

al Day Weekend:

Our car shows are starting to get in full swing.

Please contact Bill Claussen to sign up for help. He will be more than happy to put you to work.



Date Night:

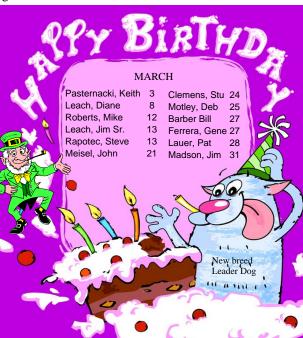
If you are interested in having a date night, during one of our regular meetings, please contact me so we can make this happen. I will need help setting this up, as I work down in Dearborn.

Desert Angel Night:

Sometime in April, we will be having a Desert Angel box party at one of our meetings. Stay tuned for more information regarding this event.

Get To Know You Night:

At our first meeting in March, we will have a Get to Know You Better Night. Please come and get to know some of our members a little better.



Papa Joes Wine and Beer tasting:

I would also like to let the club know that Papa Joes has invited us back for another event at their La Sala facility. The date for this event will be Friday, April 25. We will receive tickets sometime in March. This will give us a little more time, to help plan out and sell out this event. Papa Joes has agreed to put everything in writing, regarding how the proceeds will be divided out. We will need help selling tickets to this event and obtaining silent auction items and selling raffle tickets. I have continually asked when the event tickets will be available.

Please help where you can. Thank you so very much for all that you do!!!!

Your Prez, Lowell.







March Theme

Note: No pictures on cellphones or Ipads are valid.! Happy Saint Patrick's Day!



On Feb 17. Lion Jamie Nummer had Rosie Hawley as a guest and she is considering membership to our club.

Upcoming Meetings

Mar. O3 – Regular meeting at River Crest. – "Getting to Know You" – Your chance to get to know your fellow Rochester Lions a bit better.

Mar. 10 - Board meeting at Leader Dog.

Mar. 17 - Reg. meeting at River Crest.
Speaker of the day will be - Mayor of Rochester, Jeffrey Cuthbertson - "What's New in Rochester - the State of Our City in 2014"

Apr. 07 - Regular meeting at River Crest.





A few Reminders

- District Convention this year will be in Grand Rapids on March 28-30, 2014.
- Elections are coming, be prepared.





Speaker of the day. On February 3rd. Lion Bates introduced the "Desert Angels" group and the main speaker for the evening Louise Downs Blaine, the founder/President of Desert Angel, Inc. Louise went into detail of how the organization came about and why they feel so passionate about helping. She asked our members to go to their web site www.TheDesertAngel.org and learn all about the organization and how you can help. The organization has shipped thousands of "Miracle" boxes

to our troops serving in harm's way in an attempt to tell them that we love them, and are praying for them, and thanking them for securing our freedom. These individuals all serve with no pay and do this as a way to serve and thank our troops for what they are doing. Each member of the group participated in informing us all of what goes on and why they do what they do. A display table was set up with a sample box, each box costs about \$16 to ship and they do about 100 boxes a month. She ended by asking that we send names and addresses of loved ones serving in harm's way







Lion Doc Barr began (left) his introduction of his wife by telling the story of how he became attracted to Lions when he served as Elementary Principal for Rochester Schools and observed people with Dogs and Harnesses on the sidewalk outside his office window.

He went on to introduce his wife Patti who is running for 2nd VD Governor of District 11-A2 this year at the March Convention. Lion Patti works for the Farmington Public Schools now and has been a Lion for 26

years serving as President of Novi Lions 2 terms and many other service and District offices. Lion Patti has a passion for "Lionism" which began working with her dad on White Cane. She served as Region 1 Chair 2006-2007 and Region Zone 2 Chair 2005-2006. She ended by thanking the Rochester Lions Club for their \$1,000 donation to the Michigan Eye Bank and asking for our vote.





Speaker of the day. On February 17th. Lion Bates introduced Lion Deb Motley who is currently Manager of Outreach and Bookmobile Services for the Rochester Library. Lion Deb joined our club 8-19-13 and her sponsor is Lion Bates. Lion Motley has a Bachelor of Art degree from U of M in Community Mental Health and a Master's degree in Human Services management from Brandeis University. After 20 years she went back to Wayne State University for a Master's Degree in Library and information sciences. She came to the Rochester Hills Public Library November 20, 2012 as Manager of Outreach and Bookmobile Services.

She went on to explain how the Bookmobile serves young and old and really extends the Library service. Music Dvd's, Book Dvd's, large print books are a few of the ways this extended service works. Lion Motley actually drives the Bookmobile to Day Care centers, Nursery Schools, the OPC and other community areas as needed. She went on to tell about the area in the Library for visually impaired people where special computers are available. She ended stating that printed books are still very popular even though other computer devices have become popular.

Activities of February

District 11 A2 Region 1 meeting. Held on February 6, 2014 at Leader Dogs for the Blind.



Registration table with W-WL Lions D. Nauman, D. Kuechle, & E. DeCourcy

> Lion RC Ray Froling & Lion Beth Slade from Leader Dogs



!!!!! Attention

IMPORTANT MEETING- Please attend. Club Elections will be held on March 17.

It's time to elect our new slate of officers. If you wish to be part of this very important part of our club, please contact Past President Kathy.

We are in need of a Third Vice President.

I appreciate all of the work that everyone does. If you have a talent for leadership, your help would be appreciated and is needed. Workers are the backbone of the club but it's leaders are important and necessary to make the decisions and organize the events that make us successful.

Lion Kathy

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Lions Jim Leach on far left with Miami Lions President Harry McGee and Lion Karol Leach on the far right are all at a Miami Lions Meeting In case you wonder were Lions from the Rochester Lions Club in there? Yes they were at the meeting except the graphic reporter (# 1 contributor to this Newsletter) who was having a great time at the sunny Florida.

(I know I'll be fined)







IRWIN NALITT (Father of Rochester Lions member, Lioness Celia Domalewski)

Born in Bayonne, he resided in Manhattan, NY, before moving to Monroe Township in 1982.

Prior to retiring in 1981, Mr. Nalitt was the Data Processing Manager for 12 years, and then Sales Department Administrator for 12 years for Simplicity Patterns in New York City.

Seven years after his retirement, Mr. Nalitt was first elected a Monroe Township Councilman in 1988, serving six consecutive terms until December 2011, including 3 terms as Council President. Having served on countless boards and committees in Monroe, he was the Council Liaison to the Monroe Twp. Office on Aging, Past President of the Monroe Twp. Democratic Club, Treasurer of the Monroe Township Democratic Organization, President of the Concordia Civic Association since its inception in 1983, and was also a Trustee of the Monroe Twp. Public Library. In 2010, he was inducted

into the Elected Officials Hall of Fame by the NJ League of Municipalities.

A member of Congregation Etz Chaim/Monroe Twp. Jewish Center, he was also a member of the Concordia Chapters of B'Nai Brith and Deborah, as well as the Concordia Bowling League and Golf Club, all in Monroe Twp.

Mr. Nalitt and family were longtime volunteers at the Monroe Twp. Public Library. In 2004, a Children's Playground at the Library was dedicated and named after the Nalitts to honor their volunteer efforts. In 2011 he was named Public Official of The Year by the Libraries of Middlesex County.

He died Tuesday, February 18, 2014 at home after a long illness. He was 96. (Information from Sentinel and nj.com)

In our thoughts Lion Bernie Ris is recovering from Heart Bypass Surgery .

If we have forgotten anyone, please let Lions Lowell Gladd & Steve Rapotec know.

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