

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:

President
Chris DeVilling

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ROCHESTER LIONS CLUB

P.O. Box 80393 Rochester, MI 48308

Home Club of Leader Dogs for the Blind

Rochester Lions President's Message.

Good news District 11- A2 is the number one Top Dog District in the world for 2014-2015 and our club is number one Top Dog in 11-A2.

As reported by Lion Jim Leach our club donated \$27,472.51 of the total of \$196,855.18 donated to Leader Dogs by all Lion and Lioness clubs in 11-A2 in 2014-2015.



Thanks to a great effort by our club members we continue to SERVE our community well.

November and December will be a busy time and a fun time for our club and we have 3 important events coming up.

The Christmas Party will be December 7 at 6:30 at River Crest. Invitations will be sent out

Kris Kringle will be held on December 4 & 5 at 4th & Main. We will have a warming tent and a fire ring. Volunteers are needed. Contact Dave McKenzie or Bill Santa Claussen.

Don Westphal is gearing up for the Christmas Float. The parade will be Sunday December 6. This years theme is "Sounds of Christmas" and our float will feature singing Minions. Construction will begin at the Leader Dogs garage Nov. 20 at 7:00 PM. Volunteers are needed to help Don build another first place float.

Deb Motley has done a great job of scheduling our speakers this year. The November 2 speaker will be Perry Busse, golf professional at the Oakland University Golf Courses. The speaker November 16 will be Katherine Burns, co chair of the Film Society of Rochester. The Society is trying to bring a movie theater to downtown Rochester. Hope to see you all at these meetings. Feel free to bring a guest.

WE DID IT AGAIN!

The report is out now and again District 11-A2 came out as the top giver to Leader Dogs For The Blind in the World. District 11-A2 is very proud of this fact that we are the "TOP DOG DISTRICT".

AND

THE ROCHESTER LIONS CLUB IS ONCE AGAIN THE TOP DOG CLUB!

All of you contributed your hard work to get us there and you should be **PROUD TO BE A ROCHESTER LION!**





Upcoming Meetings/Events

November 2 Regular Meeting, 7 pm at River Crest Program – Golf Pro Perry Busse

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

November 16 - 7pm Regular Meeting at River Crest. Program - Katharine Burns, Theater Project of Rochester

November 19-December 6 - Work on the float for the Christmas parade - Leader Dog Garage. Entrance located at the rear of the new kennel

<u>December 4 & 5</u> - Kris Kringle-Downtown Rochester

You hear about LCIF at our meetings. Do you know what LCIF does?

Every day, Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) works to fulfill our mission: "To support the efforts of Lions clubs and partners in serving communities locally and globally, giving hope and impacting lives through humanitarian service projects and grants."

Since our founding in 1968 we have strived to sustain Lions' humanitarian service goals throughout the world, awarding over 12,000 grants totaling more than US\$900 million, in the four key areas of sight, youth, disaster relief and other humanitarian efforts.

We give sight. LCIF is providing vision for those in need all over the world by combating eye diseases, creating infrastructure to improve eye care delivery, increasing the number of trained eye care professionals and making vision care more equitable and sustainable.

We support youth. All young people deserve to have an education, feel cared for and experience healthy development so they can have the chance to achieve their dreams. Through our positive youth development program, Lions Quest, LCIF is helping children learn to work together, make positive decisions and serve their communities. The Foundation also supports youth through constructing schools, youth centers and vocational training centers.

<u>We provide disaster relief</u>. Lions are often some of the first to arrive at a disaster to provide relief, and Foundation support is right there with them. We help devastated communities survive after disasters and bring hope by assisting in long-term efforts of rebuilding of homes and lives.

We address humanitarian needs. From working to combat global health issues such as measles and diabetes to empowering those with disabilities to lead more independent and fulfilling lives, LCIF is dedicated to a range of humanitarian service projects. The Foundation continues to develop and expand programs that meet emerging needs worldwide.







Remembering Our Lost LIONS











1st VP Karol with our donation to Past DG Tom Hill at his appreciation dinner



Pres Chris with our speaker from RARA



1st VP Karol giving our donation to Pentrckton Center





Christmas parade time is approaching and am excited to be preparing for our entry in the 'Sounds Of Christmas" themed event on December 6th. Our entry will feature MINIONS singing their version of Christmas Songs, you won't understand the words, but will recognize the tunes. The many minions on the float will give our lady elves an opportunity to appropriately dress them this year. Kate Cole already has some ideas. So here's the schedule:

- ⇒ On November 19th someone needs to see that the trailer is moved into the Leader dog garage.
- ⇒ November: Evenings of the 20th and 23rd at 7:00 start the project (elf helpers needed, no experience necessary, just show up and take orders!)
- ⇒ Morning of Saturday the 21st, 8:30, coffee and donuts provided (need someone to be in charge of this) We will need a driver and vehicle to pull the float in the parade and a spotter to ride with it.

 Marchers in lions vest are always welcome to walk along side. those of you who can commit to any of these days can send me an email.

Lion Don

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