



We Serve

Rochester Lions Club

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

Sept 2003
NEWSLETTER

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Club 2003-04 Calendar attached

“Service is the rent we pay for our time on earth”

Lion Doc O'Brien

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

Sept 8th General Meeting: 6:30 at River Crest; Guest Speaker is Bill Halliday from Earthwatch.

Sept 10th Board Meeting: 7:00 at Leader Dogs

Sept 12th Nite Lite Golf: 7:00 at Rochester Golf Club

Sept 20th Lions Night Out:- Dinner & a play “You’re A Good Man Charlie Brown”

Sept 22nd General Meeting: 6:30 at River Crest

Sept 25th Memorial Golf Outing: Noon at Bald Mountain Golf Course

Oct 11th Past District Gov. Bill’s Appreciation Dinner: 6:30 at Great Oaks Country Club

President Steve’s Message

What a GREAT Lions Club we are! No Really. Forget about the “routine” things we did last month like the general meetings, board of director meeting, weekly cruise nights and Movies in the Moonlight. I’m talking about our Club’s best picnic ever (you remember, the one during the monsoon!) and the Rockin’ Rods car show. These two events exemplify what our Club and Lionism is all about. Through outstanding leadership, commitment, teamwork and a passion to make a difference in other peoples’ lives, these two events were absolutely outstanding. Check out the picnic article and photo gallery later in the newsletter. Lion Dennis expects to top over \$20,000 from this years show. That’s our Club’s biggest one-day fundraiser (ok, so maybe it’s more than one day for Dennis!) Next month, once all the figures are tallied, we will

have a similar write-up and photo gallery for the Rockin’ Rods car show.



For now, here’s one picture that captured the moment. Thank you Lions Celia and Dennis for all your hard work in making them such a success. It’s events like these that make us all proud to say, “I’m a Rochester Lion.”

Although we’ve successfully completed the bulk of our summer-time fund –

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Featured Charity

Madonna University: Deaf and Hearing Impaired
www.madonna.edu

Since it’s inception in 1976, Madonna University’s Office of Disability Resources (O.D.R.) has assisted more than one thousand (1000) students

learning environment for students with disabilities. They are sensitive to the needs of individual students and are also fluent in American Sign Language.



with disabilities. The O.D.R. employs four full-time employees who work as a team to create the best possible

Commitment: Madonna University’s successfully integrated learning environment is the result of mutual cooperation and support from the faculty, staff and administration. The University

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raising, two important events remain, Night Lite Golf and the Memorial Golf Outing. Both of these happen in September and require lots of help. Please touch base with Lion Gene and Lion Sherry if you can help with Nite Lite Golf and Lion John for the Memorial Golf Outing. By the way, they can always use more teams/players; so all you golfers out there... dust off the sticks and go have some fun!

Our Club is hosting Gov. Bill's Appreciation Dinner on Saturday, October 11th at Great Oaks Country Club. Lets be sure to show our appreciation and support for Gov. Bill with a big turnout of Rochester Lions. This is another opportunity to really shine as Rochester Lions. Complete the signup form and get your checks in to Lion Larry Cole PCST.

One last piece of business, we are planning a special "Lions Night Out" on Saturday, September 20th. The evening starts out at the 227 Bistro restaurant in down town Rochester (we have the whole upstairs reserved!). Following dinner, we'll head to the Avon Player Theater for the performance of You're A Good Man Charlie Brown. Complete details and sign-up information can be found later in the newsletter.

Once again, thanks for everyone's exemplary display of volunteerism through this very busy summer. Reiterating Gov. Lewis Moeller's motto and quote from Helen Keller... "Alone we can do so little, together we can do so much."

Sincerely,

Lion President Steve

Featured Charity - Continued

community is committed to providing each student with an opportunity to develop their unique self and share in a fulfilling post-secondary experience. Madonna University welcomes diverse academic communities, one in which people are allowed to discover their own individuality.

Goals:

- To provide students with disabilities access to educational opportunities.*
- To provide an environment for better understanding between disabled and non-disabled people.*
- To provide students with disabilities access to University opportunities for social, leadership, and self-advocacy development.*

Fundraiser News

WHITE CANE



Recently Chairperson Al Lucas provided a final report on White Cane activities for this year.

A new record of \$23,634.99 was collected.

Surpassing last year's record collection by 15%. Thirty-nine members (61%) participated a good effort but not perfect. New members such as Lions Lynn Demsky, Jim Madson, Chris Kowal, and Lee Musson were well represented. Spouses and friends such as Mary Beane and friends, Joyce Murphy, and Sharon Janabet were a big help. And don't forget Molly, Lion Joe Vigliotti's best helper.

Some members, who could not devote time to the storefronts and streets, contributed personally and we thank them heartily. Thanks to Lion Steve Shelton who helped with business solicitations. We even received a \$500 check from Century 21 Real Estate. Lion John Benzik collected White Cane at the GM Hamtramck plant gate during shift change. Lion Rod Bunia collected in his office building. So you can see there are alternative ways of participating in White Cane. There were some unanticipated incidents (Lion Skip Coatsworth will be seen in a future episode of "Cops") but overall it was a great week. 21 people collected over \$500 and 7 collected over \$1,000 with the top collector being Lion Skip at \$2,258. These persons will be able to receive a souvenir from the Leader dogs Catalog.

A great White Cane year and next year with just a few more Lions participating we will hit \$25,000.

Committee News

All committee members are encouraged to send Lion Gene information about their committees for publishing in the newsletter and sharing with the membership.

CLUB WEBSITE:

Yes it's true, the Rochester Lions Club now has a web presence. We are "out there" for everyone to see and learn about our organization. For those of you with access to the Internet, please take a little time to get familiar with our site. We are always looking for feedback and ideas. Most of the changes since going live, March 1st, have been in the "photo gallery" sections (Our Club, Rock 'n Rods, Soapbox Derby and Nite Lite Golf). Please bring in any photos you may have that you feel shows off our club.

We are also actively looking to find ways to get the word out about our Club and our website. These include adding our web address to such things as... the food wagon, stationary/letterhead, business cards (see sample below), newspaper articles, fundraiser flyers and White Cane thank you cards.

DONATION CANNISTERS:

Lion Ted Kamrath reports that he collected \$460.11 for the month of August. Keep up the good work Ted.

MEMBER CALLING CARDS

	<h2 style="margin: 0;">Rochester Lions Club</h2> <p style="font-size: small; margin: 0;">Home Club of Leader Dogs for the Blind www.rochesterlionsclub.org</p>
<p style="font-size: large; font-weight: bold; margin: 0;"><i>We Serve</i></p>	
<p style="font-weight: bold; margin: 0;">Gene Ferrera</p> <p style="font-size: small; margin: 0;">Past President</p>	<p style="font-size: small; margin: 0;">811 Croydon Rochester Hills, MI 48309 (h) 248-651-4685 (w) 248-651-7242 gferrera@frankrewold.com</p>

Lion Steve Shelton has already made up business cards for all board members. He is now prepared to do the same for any member who requests them.

2003-04 COMMITTEE SIGN-UP

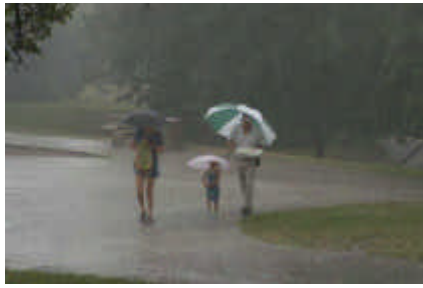
This is the perfect opportunity to get more involved with fellow Lions who share common interests. Sign up soon for next year's committees. Lion Steve plans to have all the committee spots filled in time for the July publishing next years Roster. Most committees require just a small amount of time and effort, but play a significant role for the Club and it's Charities. Select from the following list and give Lion Steve Shelton a call...

Administrative & Service Committees:	
All State Band	Newsletter
Attendance & Meals	Nominations & Elections
Constitution and By-Laws	Peace Poster Contest
Convention	Photographer (New)
Christmas Party	Picnic
Diabetes Awareness (New)	Programs & Guest Speakers
Eye Glass & Hearing Aid	Public Relations
Finance (New)	Raffle
Float Construction	Roster
Fund Raising Think Tank (New)	President's Ball
Greeter(s) (New)	Sickness & Welfare
Induction Ceremony	Sight & Hearing Conservation
Invocations	Supplies (Logistics)
Leadership Development (New)	Youth Programs (New)
Membership	Website (New)
Memorial Services (New)	
Fund Raising Projects:	
Canister Collections	Mint Sales
Food Wagon	Nite-Lite Golf
Heritage Festival Car Show	Rock-n-Rods Car Show
Leader Dog Christmas Cards	Soapbox Derby
Memorial Golf Outing	White Cane



NEW MEMEBER:

WE WELCOME LION MICHAEL THAYER 2886
TALLAHASSEE ROCHESTER HILLS MI 48306
HOME PHONE: 248-601-3522. EMAIL:
OTFD103@AOL.COM



Rochester Lions Club Picnic 2003





Join Us As We Pay Tribute and Honor
IPDG BILL & CAROLE HANSEN
 at their Appreciation Dinner



Saturday, October 11th, 2003

Great Oaks Country Club
 Cocktails 6:30 p.m. ? Dinner 7:30 p.m.
 \$30.00 per person (cash bar)



Number Attending _____ @ \$30 Total \$_____

Please send check made payable to **Rochester Lions Club** to:

PCST Larry Cole • 6606 Yarborough • Shelby Twp., MI 48316-3473

Please RSVP by Sept 29th, 2003 ? (No tickets will be sold at the door)

Rochester Lions Night Out
 Saturday, September 20th

Dinner at 227 Bistro:

5 p.m. in the upstairs dinning room

Menu items (served with house or Caesar salad, bread and coffee & tea):

<i>Chicken Piccata with herbed linguine</i>	\$16.95
<i>Broiled Salmon with rice and vegetable</i>	\$16.95
<i>Beef Tenderloin with vegetable and potatoe</i>	\$21.95
<i>Prime Rib with vegetable and potatoe</i>	\$23.95
<i>(***Cash bar with Separate Checks***)</i>	

Avon Players Theater: "You're A Good Man Charlie Brown":

8 p.m. play starts

Tickets \$14 (a block of 44 have already been purchased)

Number Attending Theatre _____ @ \$14 Total \$_____

Please send check made payable to **Steve Shelton** to:

Steve Shelton • 323 Northwood • Rochester., MI 48307

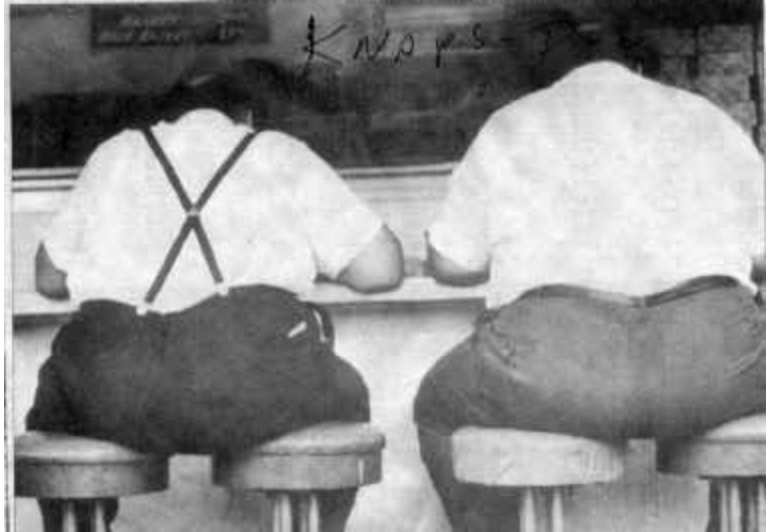
Please RSVP by Sept 13th ? (Limited to 44, sign-up early)

Fun Stuff!

KDS News:

If you're anything like me, when driving by the donut shop in the mornings between 9:30 and 10:30, you glance in the window to see which of our KDS Members are inside. "Butt," have you ever thought what the view is like from the inside? ☺

Thanks Lion Joe V. for sharing this picture. He actually has this picture posted inside the donut shop.



Club Officers:

President: Steve Shelton
I. Past President: Bill Sefcik
1st Vice President: Gary Senical
2nd Vice President: Celia Domalewski
3rd Vice President: Sherry McBroom

Secretary: Arnold Sell
Treasurer: John Cadieux
Tail Twister: David Beane
Lion Tamer: Lynn Miller
Membership: Jim Kemler

Board of Dir. '05: George Newton
Board of Dir. '05: Larry Cole
Board of Dir. '04: David Bates
Board of Dir. '04: Al Lucas

Lions Club – Den Keeping

- **Attendance** - If you can not attend a general membership meeting, contact Lion Lee Musson no later than the Friday prior to avoid incurring dinner charges:
 - voice: (248) 652-4608
 - email: Lee@Musson.net
- **Sick & Welfare** - If you know of a Lion or close family member, who is in need of a get well or condolence message or flowers, contact Lion VP Celia Domalewski (248) 651-
- **Newsletter Material** - Send items you want published in the newsletter to Lion Gene Ferrera:
 - voice: (248) 651-4685
 - fax: (248) 651-5174
 - email: gferrera@frankrewold.com
 - mail: 811 Croydon Rd
 Rochester Hills, MI 48309
- **Roster Changes** - Changes to your mailing address, phone number, email address, etc. should be forwarded to Lion Secretary Arnie Sell (248) 375-9293.
- **Business Cards** - Members wishing to have personalized Lions Business Cards made should contact Lion VP Steve Shelton (248) 652-8443
- **Hats** - New "Rochester Lions Club" hats are available from Lion