



# Rochester Lions Club

Home Club of Leader Dogs for the Blind  
[www.rochesterlionsclub.org](http://www.rochesterlionsclub.org)

April 2006  
**NEWSLETTER**

## We Serve

### **NEW OFFICERS; As of June 30, 2006:**

Sherry McBroom.....	President
Celia Domalewski.....	Immediate Past President
Jim Williams.....	First Vice President
Herb Mann.....	Second Vice President
Ralph Vitale.....	Third Vice President
Arnold Sell.....	Secretary
John Cadieux.....	Treasurer
Glenn Sattelmeier.....	Lion Tamer
Larry Cole.....	Membership Chairman
David McKenzie.....	Membership Seat 1
Dale Burke.....	Membership Seat 2
Don Westphal.....	Tail Twister
John Benczik.....	Board of Directors
Bryan Wright.....	Board of Directors

**APRIL MEETINGS;**  
**April 3... "Date Night"**  
**Western theme:**

**April 17<sup>th</sup>**  
**Theme: Water Toys**  
**(as in April showers)**

**Deadline April 12**  
for Michigan District 11  
Convention in Traverse City.

**WHITE CANE WEEK Coming in April!**  
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**Our thanks to Lois the Little School Bus**  
for her demonstration at our March 6<sup>th</sup>  
meeting, and for bringing along Bob Kidle,  
Colene Meyers, Louise Flores and and  
Breanna Allen.

**MEMORIAL:**

\$100 has been donated in memory of  
Past District Governor Tony Coccia.

**A NOTE FROM LEE...**

One way to evaluate the stability of a service club is to look at its individual members history towards financial obligations. Most human organizations fit the traditional 80-20 norms. 80 percent pay their obligations on time and 20 percent pay later, or whatever.

As of March 6, 2006, one hundred percent of the members of our club were paid in full. I think this says a lot about our commitment and about who we are. This club is vibrant in its activities and accomplishes its goals.

Isn't it great to belong to such a successful club?

**Lee Musson**

*(Please call me (248-652-4608) if you cannot be at a meeting.*

**WELCOME  
NEW MEMBER:**

Christopher "Chris" Elkins  
Wife's name Grace

726 Rutgers  
Rochester Hills 48309  
248-652-7106

*Sponsored by Lion Connie Shelton  
Co-Sponsor David McKenzie*

# WHITE CANE WEEK

## WHITE CANE WEEK ALERT

### WHEN:

White Cane Week is from Friday, April 28 through Sunday, May 7, 2006.

### OBJECTIVE:

Collect large sums of money for Leader Dog School for the Blind. To exceed last year's \$20,625, we need serious member participation. Please work as much as you can.

### LOGISTICS:

**Obtain Equipment:** Equipment (Metal White Canes, Blue tags, Rochester Lions Club Business Cards, Vests, White Cane and Bucket, coin wrappers, site posters, stickers, etc.) will be available at the April 17 Lions Club Meeting at River Crest, from Al Lucas at his home (248-651-0474) and at White Cane Headquarters (Kroger-Dequindre) during White Cane Week.

**White Cane Headquarters:** Headquarters will be located at Kroger-Dequindre from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. during White Cane Week. Please call Al Lucas before you appear at Headquarters to confirm his presence. Equipment will be available at this location for your use during White Cane Week and you should return equipment at this location during the week if your solicitation commitments for the week are completed.

**Solicitation Site Captains:** Site Captains are responsible for working their sites as much as possible and obtaining solicitors for the site when they cannot work. Please volunteer your time. Sign up at our meetings or call the following Solicitation Site Captains.

<u>Site Location</u>	<u>Captain</u>	<u>Telephone</u>
Livernois & Walton	Lynn Miller	248-652-2896
University & Rochester	Dennis Scott	248-651-4155
	Dave McKenzie	248-860-6586
Farmer Jack-Tienken	Stu Clemens	248-656-2045
Kroger-Livernois	David & Mary Beane	248-652-6375
Kroger-Adams	Jim Madson	248-651-6562
The Food Emporium	Lauren Stenroos	248-656-4932
	Bernie Ris	248-475-2206
Kroger-Dequindre	Al Lucas	248-651-0474
Post Office	Arnold Sell	248-375-9293

These Site Captains will be calling all club members one week prior to April 28 to request your help.

# April 28 to May 7<sup>th</sup> ...

**Sign-Up Sheets:** The sign-up sheets are in the possession of Al Lucas and are circulated during Lions meetings prior to White Cane Week for the purpose of providing members the opportunity to volunteer. The work shifts are morning (9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.) and afternoon (2:00 p.m. to 7:00p.m.). **However, feel free to work whenever your schedule permits.** Just show up at White Cane Headquarters and you will be given an assignment or call Al Lucas or any of the Site Captains for an assignment.

**Interaction with the Public:** If you haven't tried soliciting, you should. Most of the public are friendly and generous. Of course, we must also be pleasant and courteous when we collect funds for the best charity in town – Leader Dogs for the Blind. Following are some guidelines.

- Smile at the public.
- Greet every potential donor. Say “Good Morning”, “Good Afternoon”, “Great Day”, “How are you?” etc. Make eye contact.
- Follow your greeting with a request to “Help Leader Dogs For the Blind”, “Help the Blind” etc.
- Thank the donor.

**What to Do with Collected Funds:** Rochester Lions Club solicitors are requested to do the following upon completion of your planned solicitation schedule.

- Count collected money.
- Write a personal check for the total amount collected made payable to “**Rochester Lions Club Charities Inc.**” and give the check to Al Lucas.
- Inform Al Lucas in writing with date, site locations, shift (hours worked) and the amount of money collected.

**Equipment Return:** All equipment must be returned to Al Lucas following completion of White Cane Week. Please return all equipment to Al at scheduled club meetings, at White Cane Headquarters during White Cane Week or at his home (248-651-0474).

## **PARTICIPATION AWARDS:**

Process is the same as last year. Individuals that collect \$500 or more are eligible to receive a gift from Leader Dogs for the Blind. Chairman Al will order the gifts and distribute the gifts at an appropriate Lions Club meeting.

Thank you for your help and cooperation.

Al Lucas, Chairman  
3-15-06

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS...

**APRIL 3<sup>RD</sup> and 17<sup>TH</sup>.** Regular meetings

**APRIL 10<sup>TH</sup>.** Board meeting

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**MAY 1<sup>ST</sup> and 13<sup>TH</sup>.** Regular meetings.

**MAY 8<sup>TH</sup>.** Board meeting.

**MAY 12 and 13:** Multiple District Convention  
in Traverse City.

**MAY 20;** Leader Dogs Bowling Tournament.  
Starts at 11 a.m. *The dogs will not be bowling.*  
*There are no shoes available for them.*

**MAY 27-28** Festival of Cars. Heritage Festival.

**JUNE 5 and 19<sup>TH</sup>:** Regular meetings with Board  
meeting on the 12<sup>TH</sup>.

**President's Ball**  
June 19<sup>th</sup> at  
Cherry Creek Golf Club

**JUNE 10 and 11.** Soap Box Derby

**JULY 8 – 15 – 22 – 29**  
Movies in The Moonlight.

**JULY 29<sup>TH</sup>.** Puppy Day



*a Memorial Weekend Celebration*

