



# 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](http://www.rochesterlionsclub.org)

## Club Officers:

### President

Steve Rapotec

### Immediate Past President

Lowell Gladd

### 1st Vice President

Chris De Villing

### 2nd Vice President

VP. Karol Leach

### 3rd Vice President

Jamie Nummer

### Secretary

Arnold Sell

### Treasurer

John Cadieux

### Tail Twister

Jim Leach Sr.

### Lion Tamer

Jim Kemler

### Membership Chairman

Tom Lower

### Directors.

John Benczik  
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John Reamsma  
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## ROCHESTER LIONS CLUB

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Dogs for the Blind

## *Rochester Lions President's Message.*

I appreciate the feedback from our members regarding the change in distributing our newsletter. A common question I heard was, "Why the change?" It's simple, I'm trying to make our website the focal point of communications. It gives our members, as well as, interested non-members a place to go and see what we are doing. I will be providing our webmaster, Lion Larry Cole with updates about our meetings as they occur so members can be aware of what to expect before attending a meeting. At our last 2 meetings, we had around thirty members in attendance. This is normal, especially during the summer months when so many people have vacations and other commitments which take them away from the Rochester area. Consequently, more than half of our members missed our program detailing Michigan agriculture and seeing the recipients of our Doc O'Brien grant and Minbirole Memorial Scholarship. The subjects may not appeal to everyone, but they may have been interesting to some of our missing Lions Club members. With this in mind, I would like your thoughts on another idea I have for communicating our activities. I've been thinking, with the permission of each guest speaker, to record their presentation. Using our You Tube account, Lion Larry Cole would post it with a link on our website. This would give everyone the opportunity to see the guest speaker even if they were unable to attend the meeting. I thought of this based on an experience where a friend needed a service provided by one of our guests who spoke to the club over a year ago. I was able to go into the newsletter archives on our webpage and extract the information. The end result was a satisfied customer and a business who now knows their presentation to The Rochester Lions Clubs was fruitful. Throughout this coming Lion year, I hope to constantly reach out to our community and make them aware of what a great organization we are. In doing so, I'm hopeful we'll attract interest by others of all ages who may never have thought about joining a service club. I'm open to all ideas and ask everyone to feel free to call, email or approach me at our meetings and offer your thoughts on how to attract new members. I'm also proud to have announced that the Leader Dog School, in recognition of our commitment to their capital improvement plan, will allow us to name the Veterinary Office in our honor. It will be the hub of activity at the Leader Dog School and we should all be proud of our efforts in supporting such a great organization.

Steve



A Big Thank You to Lion Roberto for his work on the Newsletter. His hard work and imagination will be missed!  
Lion Kathy will be filling those hard to fill shoes.





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### August Theme— Classic Car

Note: No pictures on cellphones or Ipads are valid. !

Wilson, Bob	Aug. 1
Belferman, Rita	Aug. 5
Janabet, Jerry	Aug. 8
McMinn, Dean	Aug. 11
Reamsma, John	Aug. 20
Williams, Dan	Aug. 24
Marlatt, Ann	Aug. 28
Domalewski, Celia	Aug. 30

### Upcoming Meetings

August 04 - 6pm Picnic, Rochester Municipal Park, Kiwanis Pavillion

August 10 *Rock n Rods*

August 11 - Board meeting at River Crest.

August 18 - Regular meeting River Crest  
Our speaker will be Patrick Kopytek who will speak about D-Day

Your new Zone Chair -At the request of DG Tom Hill, Lion Kathy has accepted the position of Zone Chairman for the 2014/2015 year



**Membership Dues Chairperson:** Responsible for billing and collecting dues for monthly meetings.

This position has been accepted by Lion Connie Shelton. She will begin working with Lion Lee Musson immediately so Lion Lee can retire from this position he has done for so many years, so very well. Thank you to both Lion Lee and Lion Connie.

**Food Wagon Logistics Coordinator:** Responsible for the coordination of getting the food wagon to its needed location and maintaining the condition of food wagon. The person accepting this position will not have to be the one to trailer the unit, they will be responsible with contacting the number of Lions members who have performed this task to ensure one is available for activities such as Movies in the Moonlight and Sidewalk Sales.

**Peace Poster Coordinator:** Responsible for contacting educators in the Rochester area to encourage them to have students participate in the district Peace Poster contest.

**Membership Chairman:** Responsible for developing a membership program which encourages the recruitment of quality new members. Develop a new member orientation process and guidelines for the retention of existing Lions. This is a vital position for our club given our current situation of having more than 95% of the club over the age of 50.



# Movies in the Moonlight



# Honors



Lion Celia receives the donation of a brick at Leader Dog in honor of her Father



Lion Celia presents the Doc O'Brien grant for 2014 to the Meadowbrook Learning Center

**Todd Minbiole Scholarship Award Winner**

Kyle Butler the 2014 recipient of the Rochester Lions Club Todd Minbiole Memorial Scholarship, was honored at the July 21 Rochester Lions Club meeting and presented with a certificate of achievement. Kyle is a graduate of Stony Creek High School in Rochester and will be attending the University of Michigan pursuing a degree in political science with the hopes of having a career in Government. This is the 6<sup>th</sup> year the Rochester Lions Club has presented the scholarship. The scholarship fund was created as a result of the club selling a GMC "Pro-Street" pick-up truck that was donated by the Minbiole family in memory of their son Todd. This \$1000 scholarship is an annual award and available to Rochester, Adams or Stony Creek High School seniors pursuing continuing education in college or a technical / vocational field.

Shown in the picture from left to right is Bill Claussen scholarship committee chairmen, Kyle Butler 2014 scholarship recipient and Steve Rapotec president of the Rochester Lions Club.

**In our thoughts** Dan Williams - Continuing recovery  
Jim Leach Sr. - Recovering from hip surgery

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

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