



# Nuda Veritas

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

**University Club**  
**Downtown Grand Rapids**  
Meetings begin at 12:15 p.m.  
unless otherwise noted.

----- **We Serve** -----

Monday, September 22, Bowling League, Northfield Lanes, 4:45 pm

**Tuesday, September 23, VI Field Trip – Chicago Experiences, Jana Kim & Noah Kurkjian**

Monday, September 29, Bowling League, Northfield Lanes, 4:45 pm

**Tuesday, September 30, 6:00 pm, Jamark Labs, Eyeglass Recycling Work Session & Dinner**

Monday, October 3, Bowling League, Northfield Lanes, 4:45 pm

**Tuesday, October 4, To Be Announced**

Monday, October 10, Bowling League, Northfield Lanes, 4:45 pm

## Tuesday, September 23 VI Field Trip – Chicago Experience Lion Jana Kim & Noah Kurkjian

Imagine taking a trip to Chicago by bus. Then imagine taking a trip to Chicago by bus if you were blind and visually impaired when you were in a student in high school. That is what 17 Kent County high school students did last April 17. Fifteen adult chaperones, including school staff and parent volunteers accompanied the students.

The students boarded a Holiday Coach bus at 7:00 in the morning, with the first stop at Union Station in downtown Chicago. The Director of Disability Services for METRA met them to talk about the station and took them aboard an empty car and explained the features of the train.



After Union Station, they took the bus to the Museum of Science and Industry. The museum had prepared box lunches for lunch. After lunch, the group was divided into 3 groups led by museum staff for about an hour. After that, the students were free to explore on their own, paired with a staff member or volunteers. After exploring, the group boarded the bus and arrived at the KISD Complex about 8:00 pm.

The Grand Rapids Lions Club has supported these field trips for several years to provide experiences for blind and visually impaired youth usually don't have. More expensive trips, like this one, are alternated with less expensive field trips locally. Until 2013, the Grand Rapids Public Schools coordinated these field trips, before the responsibility was moved to the KISD. Lion Jana Kim, an educator, coordinates these field trips – a huge task.

**Tuesday, September 30**  
**Eyeglasses Recycling Project & Dinner,**  
**6:00 – 8:00 pm, Jamark Labs**  
**No Meeting at Noon at the University Club!**

The Eyeglass Recycling Session/Dinner Meeting will be Tuesday, September 30 from 6:00 to 8:00 pm. All Lions, spouses and guests are encouraged to participate. There are still many, many boxes of eyeglasses to process. Let's have a good showing for the first dinner/work session of the year!

The Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center is at Jamark Labs at 4282 Brockton SE, Suite D, Grand Rapids. It is approximately 1/2 mile east of Broadmore Avenue, about 1 block north of 44th street at the first traffic light and on the east side of Brockton. It is the northern-most suite in a series of connected businesses. Parking and entrances are available in the front of the building. If you have questions or want more information, please contact **Lion Brent Spoelstra** at [bespoelstra@yahoo.com](mailto:bespoelstra@yahoo.com) or 616-283-0260, or one of the other committee members.

*Note: The Recycling Center will be open on every Tuesday from 6:00 – 8:00 pm.*

**West Michigan Lions Clubs Projects Night**  
**Thursday, October 16, 6:00 pm**

The 23<sup>rd</sup> West Michigan Lions Clubs Projects Night will be on Thursday night, October 16, 2014 at English Hills Terrance, 5179 West River Drive, Comstock Park 49231. A social hour begins at 6:00 pm, followed by a buffet-style dinner at 7:00 pm and the program. You should be on your way home by 9:00 pm. The host clubs for the event are the Rockford Lions Club and the Lyon/Muir Lions Club. This event represents the coming together of many Lions Clubs from the west side of Michigan to celebrate the Lions goal of service and for many clubs to present of donations for Lion State and Regional Projects who serve visually impaired people.

During the social hour, attendees can visit and talk with representatives for some of the Lions' statewide and District 11C1 projects:

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| * ABVI                         | * Michigan Eye-Bank  |
| * All State Band               | * Paw's with a Cause |
| * Leader Dogs for the Blind    | * Sight Seer Radio.  |
| * Lions of Michigan Foundation |                      |

There will also be presentations on Leader Dogs for the Blind, Lions off Michigan Foundation and the Michigan Eye-Bank. It's a great time to learn about the causes the Lions of Michigan support. Because the Grand Rapids Lions Club presents their donations to our charities throughout the year, our President sometimes reports this fact rather than handing our specific checks.

You are invited to attend! It is a good event to learn about the causes our club supports. Your Lions Club will cover the \$11.00 cost for anyone who wants to attend and your Board has committed to filling a table of 10 members --- at least! As the largest Lions Club in this area, we need to be well represented! If you want to attend, please contact Craig Nobbelin at 616-458-0471 or [c.nobbelin@yahoo.com](mailto:c.nobbelin@yahoo.com) no later than Friday, October 10.

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