



# Nuda Veritas

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### University Club

### Downtown Grand Rapids

Luncheon Meetings begin at 12:10  
p.m. unless otherwise noted.

### ----- We Serve -----

Monday, November 26, 4:45 pm,  
Bowling League, Northfield Lanes

**Tuesday, November 27, 6:00 –  
8:00 pm, Eyeglasses Recycling  
Project, Jamark Labs**

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

**Tuesday, December 4, Five  
Defensive IT Strategies to  
Prevent an Attack, Denise  
Kolesar**

Saturday, December 8, 7:30 –  
11:00 am, Kids Shopping Event at  
Meijer

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

**Tuesday, December 11, To Be  
Determined**

Friday, December 14, Lions  
Holiday Party, 6:30 – 9:30 pm, Ed  
and Karen Thauer's Home

## **Tuesday, November 27 Eyeglasses Recycling Project 6:00 – 8:00 pm, Jamark Labs No Meeting at Noon at the University Club!**

The glasses have been shipped for the next Vision Mission Trip. So, we will work on recycling glasses for our next trips. It's also the last meeting & recycling session until January, although we will continue processing eyeglasses every Tuesday evening in December, except Christmas. This Eyeglass Recycling Session/Dinner Meeting will be Tuesday, November 27 from 6:00 to 8:00 pm. Dinner will be at 6:00 pm. Please come and bring a guest or a prospective member to our work session to show them how we serve. Everyone is welcome!

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 the entrance are in the front of the building. If you have questions or want more information, please contact **Lion Scott Brady** at [scottbrady2120@gmail.com](mailto:scottbrady2120@gmail.com) or 616-283-0260, or one of the other committee members.

**Note:** The Recycling Center is open every Tuesday from 6:00 – 8:00 pm from September through May.

## **Tuesday, December 4 Five Defensive IT Strategies to Prevent an Attack, Denise Kolesar**

Computer attacks on both the corporate level and the personal level have been an increasing problem over many years. They are primarily intended to steal trade secrets or personal information that others can "profit" from.

Our speaker today, Denise Kolesar from Micro Visions, will present five defensive strategies to prevent an attack. Micro Visions began in 1989 by “Julie Lough’s vision to help businesses in utilizing information (IT) solutions to more effectively run their companies and manage their costs of their total IT solutions.” She had gained significant experience in the corporate world servicing a variety of systems in Fortune 500 company before she combined that experience with her desire to direct her own destiny. Since then, it has gained a solid reputation in providing services throughout West Michigan

### **Meijer – Annual Kids Shopping Day, December 8** ***Volunteer a Few Hours of Your Time!***

On Saturday morning, December 8, 2017, Lions volunteers help children who live in the urban-city in Grand Rapids (Saboath Ministries) or who are visually impaired Lions volunteers help children who live in the urban-city in Grand Rapids (Saboath Ministries) or who are visually impaired (VI) shop for holiday gifts of their families. All the kids qualify based upon financial need.

In order to accommodate the 40 kids, they come in two shifts. VI kids are dropped off at Cascade Meijer by their parents at approximately 7:30 am and are done within an hour or so. Lions drive them home. The kids from Saboath Ministries are pick up there by Lions and brought to Meijer at about 8:30 am. Lions volunteers from our Club and from the Grand Valley Campus Lions Club help the kids shop and transport them. This year, there will be fewer VI kids and more inner-city kids. These kids come with lists of gifts that they would like to buy, but the kids may need a little guidance to stretch the dollars. Usually the event end with everyone gone by about 11:00 am.

It is a good event to show how we, Lions, serve the needs of young people in our community. While the club donates funds for gift cards (along with donations from Cascade Meijer’s Store employees), we have “passed the hat” again this year. You will receive instructions on when to arrive.

This event rewards all who participate. If you have questions or wish to volunteer, please sign up at the meetings or contact Lion Anne Baird ([baird@surfree.com](mailto:baird@surfree.com)) 616-446-9496, Lion Don Jakel ([donalджakel@aol.com](mailto:donalджakel@aol.com)) or Mike Thibodeau ([muthibodeau@gmail.com](mailto:muthibodeau@gmail.com)). Mike is coordinating the volunteers and mapping the routes for taking VI kids’ home.

### **Grand Rapids Lions Holiday Party** ***YOU Are Invited!***

Just in time for the holidays, the Lions will celebrate with our annual Grand Rapids Lions Holiday Party. You should have received your invitation, but if you missed it, here are the crucial details:

Date: Friday, December 14

Time: 6:30 pm – 9:30 pm

Where: Ed & Karen Thauer  
1297 Stoneshire Dr. SE  
Grand Rapids, MI 49546

RSVP By: December 1 to Cheryl Anderson  
(email) [andersoc@gvsu.edu](mailto:andersoc@gvsu.edu)  
(text) 616-443-1995

All Grand Rapids Lions members are free of charge; Cost for non-members is \$25.

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## Looking Back – Grand Rapids Lions Club – January through June 1973

*As we approach our 100th anniversary in 2019, and as the club looks forward, this series of articles looks back on the activities of the club, this time drawing upon Nuda Veritas editions that we have in our archives from January through June 1973. (several editions missing)*

*The Tuesday weekly luncheons continued at the Pantlind Hotel. Here are a few programs:*

- Purcel Petroelje spoke of “Drug Abuse: Game without Winners.”
- Joining the Lions again was Tony Dauksza, to talk about the last leg of his canoeing through the “northwest Passage”.
- Director Paul Dreher talked about the New Grand Rapids Theatre Project to be located on the west bank of the Grand River and the plans to raise the money.
- A slide show presentation about a Mission Trip to Rhodesia was shown by Dr. Robert Whittenberger got the GR Association United of Christ Church.
- Former heroin addict, Thomas Bullock, addressed the club. He is currently the Rehabilitation Director at Project Rehab.
- The Aleutian chain of islands is a part of Alaska that juts out into the ocean and are, “for the most part, rocky, mountainous, treeless and unproductive except for trapping and fishing . . . and the climate features high humidity and constant fog and drizzle with low clouds. “The Aleutian Adventure was presented by Weldon Frankforter, Director of the GR Public Museum.
- The Lions visited the Kent Skills Center the East Beltline for lunch and a tour. It provided a variety of vocational training for students from 32 area high schools.
- “Helping to prepare inmates to accept a responsible and lawful position in the community once they are released” was the topic of a presentation by Charles Larkin. He was the Inmate Rehabilitation Coordinator at the Kent County Jail.
- “Go Green” was the “password” for the traditional GR Lions Club St. Patrick’s Day program. Rev Monsignor Hugh Michael Beahan spoke and was followed songs by tenor Jim Hillary. “Our favorite gal Jean Miller, who’s been playing for us for 29 years, will be the accompanying Hillary. ‘We grew up together,’ said Jean, ‘and I started playing for Jim when he was about 10 years old. He sings some terrific Irish Numbers . . . and it’s a real pleasure to work with him.”
- “Eye” think you will enjoy March 20<sup>th</sup> program by the Michigan Eye Bank, presented by Byington Everett, Board Chair.
- Warren Reynolds, WOTV Sports Director talking about baseball and the season coming up.
- The film, “Way of the Trout” was shown by Dick Simkins about a month before trout season opened.
- Wine Tasting Demonstration by Michigan Wineries was held on April 10. During the luncheon, the representative “will be talking about each wine, its history, blending, and aging process, as well as how the grapes are picked, and selected, the differences between red, white and rose’ wines and which foods they’re best suited for.”
- The film of the 1972 Master’s Golf Tournament was shown on April 24.
- “The Future of Public Education” was the title of a talk given by Phillip Runkel, Superintendent of GR Public Schools.
- Ed Lange, area representative for Leader School for the Blind (in Rochester, MI), spoke to the club.
- Morrie Wertenberger, Director of Labor and Employee Relations at Wolverine World Wide, spoke to the club.
- Kent County Airport Director of Aeronautics, Bob Ross, talked about the \$14,000,000 airport expansion in order “to keep up with the industry and provide the best possible air service.”
- James Brickley, Lieutenant Governor under Governor William Milliken, was the guest speaker on June 5.

- Rebert Anderson, Grand Rapids Chief of Police spoke to the Lions on the Emergency Health Unit.
- At the June 19 meeting, the new Lions Officers will be installed. As Joseph Van Blooys assumed the Board Chairmanship, Kirby Evans became President, the Honorable John Letts 1<sup>st</sup> VP and Ed Arnold 2<sup>nd</sup> VP.

*The Nuda Veritas also had numerous interesting comments, observations, and facts on Lion issues, including:*

- On January 2, 1973, the Newsletter reported that Lions International had “nearly one million members in more than 25,000 clubs in 147 countries” to serve others and “lend a helping hand to make life a little better for unfortunate people throughout the world.”
- The Grand Rapids Lions Club Activities Commission [now called the GRLC Charities] spent just over \$14,000 for its charities.
- The Swart’s Wolves were Team Champions in the fall bowling league with a record of 33-12. Chuck Harris was the individual Champion with an average of 189.
- This and other issues had articles on “Table Talk” which reported interesting conversations among members. However, there are too many stories and facts in each issue to be reported here.
- White Cane Drive was the week of April 23-29.
- The Grandville Lions Club was chartered on May 5,
- Ronda’s Giraffes were the team Champions with a record of 29-13 and an average of 817. Very, very close behind was Hoover’s Tigers with a record of 29-13 and an average of 815. The individual Champion was again, Chuck Harris with an average of 186.14, followed very, very closely by Majewski with an average of 186.11.
- The Grand Rapids Lions Club hosted the Lions State Convention on the weekend of June 1-2. Dr. Joe Lentini and Bob Jonkoff were the Co-chairmen.
- The Spring outing to Sugar Loaf Mountain was on June 14 – 16.
- A campaign run over the first part of the year by Tail Twister, Dan Palmatier, netted \$2,558 from 125 different contributions to help in buying a new generator.

## Other Lion News

**Grand Rapids Lions Club Foundation & Second Century Success Campaign:** The Second Century Success campaign continues. ***We urge you to donate or pledge by the end of December, for any amount – no matter how small - so we reach 100% of member participation.*** Please direct questions about the campaign to Kim Gary at [kimgary55@gmail.com](mailto:kimgary55@gmail.com) or 616-291-5438 (mobile) or to Pat Mullen at: [pmullen@mullencoins.com](mailto:pmullen@mullencoins.com) or 616-272-4402 (mobile).

### Lions’ December Birthdays

Renee Mika	December 1
Kyle Travis	December 4
Edward Kleinfeld	December 6
Raymond Knappe	December 18
Thomas Dandridge	December 21
Aaron Plafkin	December 30



*Happy Birthday!*

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