



SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2021

October = Great speakers & great events! Join us at the University Club on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays each month AND this year we have a NEW addition each month: one of the Saturdays in between the lunches will be a club service project (the 2nd or 3rd Saturday depending on the month.) These are designed to be family friendly events, that will be a great way for us to continue to serve our community while having fun and getting to know each other better.

We have GREAT events coming up!!!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- SEPTEMBER 28: EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
- OCTOBER 5: LUNCH MEETING AT THE UNIVERSITY CLUB, RSVP TO CHERYL ANDERSON BY OCT 1
 - GUEST DAY
 - READ MORE ABOUT THIS ON PAGE 2
- OCTOBER SPECIAL PROJECT
 - MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW VIA EMAIL
- OCTOBER 19: LUNCH MEETING AT THE UNIVERSITY CLUB, RSVP TO CHERYL ANDERSON BY OCT 15
- OCTOBER 26: FULL BOARD MEETING



GUEST DAY AT THE OCTOBER 5 LUNCH MEETING

Fellow Lions, October 5th will be our "guest day" for our club.

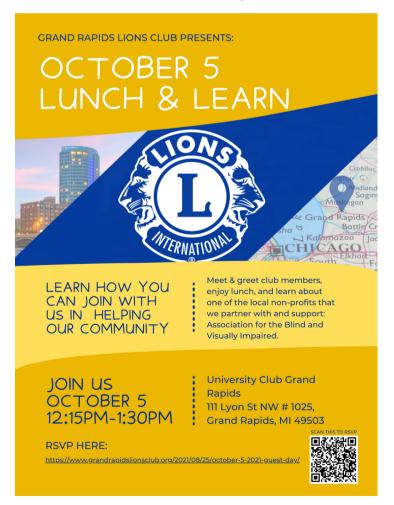
Designed to be based on our traditional lunch meeting - this is a great time to invite guests to join us who might be interested in our club. We will have Marcus Manders, Executive Director of Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired, as our speaker that day - an excellent message for potential members to hear.

What's the best way to invite new members? Just ask!

Here are a few helpful tools designed to help us each jog our brains about those who might enjoy a lunch with us.

- Flyer Oct 5 2021 Guest Day
- Memory Jogger Who do you know? Memory Jogger
- Facebook: two mini promo's on there already just like and share :)
- Facebook Announcement 1: https://fb.watch/84BBULyNF2/
- Facebook Announcement 2: https://fb.watch/84BEUycyFh/

Click either image below for a link to a printable copy of these.



Wheel of Influence

As found in the Lions Clubs International Publication.
"New Member Recruiting Guide for Clubs"



- * May include but is not limited to elected officials, principals, police and fire chiefs and hospital administrators.
- ** May include but is not limited to doctors, accountants, dentists, lawyers and bankers

RECAP OF THE SEPTEMBER SERVICE PROJECT

Club secretary, Lion Cheryl Anderson, put together this great summary of the service project that took place on September 18...

"A big THANK YOU to all who participated in our September service project on 9/18!

A group of 15 met at Johnson park to decorate snack bags to be used by the Ronald McDonald House to fill with snacks for families of sick children who are facing long days at the hospital. Together, we decorated 120 snack bags!

We also collected pull tabs from cans that Ronald McDonald House is able to use to raise funds for their families.

We will continue to collect pull tabs and Lion Bob Winchester has generously offered to transport our collections to Ronald McDonald House. Thank you, Lion Bob!

If you have a family friendly recipe and/or words of encouragement to share with the families of Ronald McDonald House, click on the link below and scroll to the bottom of the page.

*Please ensure that your message is appropriate for all ages, avoids religious phrases, and avoids reference to illness. Use the form in the link to spread some encouragement!"



https://rmhwesternmichigan.org/volunteer/virtual-volunteering/

See more pictures from the event here:

https://www.grandrapidslionsclub.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/October-Special-Service-Project.pdf

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT:

HIGHLIGHTING A MEMBER OF THE GRAND RAPIDS LIONS CLUB



Name: Adam M Carlson

Profession: Optometrist at Anderson Eye Care

Years as a Lion: Officially since 2010, but helped at

numerous Lions events as a young kid. Originally joined Lions through the Muskegon Lions Club and then later

transferred to the Grand Rapids Lions Club.

Spouse/family: Winston, my 3 year old black lab

What positions do you hold in the club?

Director (2021-2024)

Q: What is your favorite thing about being a Lion?

• AC: The vision mission trips. It is the service activity I did with my dad growing up and ultimately what got me interested in becoming an Optometrist.

Q: If you were talking with someone considering being a Lion, what advice would you have to share?

• AC: There is a wide range of activities that you can be a part of, so finding one you are interested in and passionate about is not difficult.

Q: When not at Lions, what do you like to do for fun?

• AC: Spending time with family and friends, duck hunting and fishing.

INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT 2021-2022 THEME



As Lions, we are all members of Lions Clubs International. We are globally connected in our commitment to service. The 2021-2022 International President, Douglas X Alexander, has selected the theme of "Service from the Heart." In his 37 years as a Lion, International President Douglas X Alexander has found "...(i)f we let our passion for service shine through, there is absolutely nothing we can't accomplish together."

The presidential theme webpage goes on to state:

"President Alexander's programs and initiatives will focus on four key priorities for Lions International that are critical to our mission of service.

- 1. Building our capacity to serve
- 2. Supporting our global Foundation, LCIF
- 3. Putting our hearts into our service
- 4. Communicating with our communities and each other"

You can read more about our new international leader and his thoughts behind Service from the heart by visiting: https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/discover-our-clubs/presidential-theme

LIONS: BE IN THE KNOW

DISTRICT 11-C1 NEWS

To find out more about news in our Lions Club District 11-C1 covering Lions in Allegan, Barry, Ionia, Kent, Muskegon, and Ottawa visit:

http://www.lionsdistrictllcl.org/





To find out more about news in our Michigan Lions visit:

http://lionsofmi.com/lions-of-michiganmember/



LIONS INTERNATIONAL

To find out more about news in Lions International visit: https://lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/lions-events-calendar



Curious about eyeglass recycling locations around town?
We have the perfect "site" to restore your sight For an interactive map visit: https://www.grandrapidslionsclub.org/glasses-drop-off/

"No one is useless in this world who lightens the burdens of another."

— Charles Dickens

