



GRAND RAPIDS LIONS CLUB

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OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 2022

Fellow Lions - As we wrap up October and look into November - check out the great ways to connect!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **OCTOBER 25 - EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING**
- **NOVEMBER 1 - LUNCH MEETING AT THE UNIVERSITY CLUB DOWNTOWN**
 - 5/3 BLDG (TOP FLOOR) | 111 LYON ST NW | GRAND RAPIDS MI 49503
 - RSVP TO CHERYL BY 12 NOON FRIDAY OCTOBER 28 2022.
- **NOVEMBER 8 - SERVICE PROJECT: VILLAGE WATER FILTERS 2 SHIFTS:**
 - 10 A.M. TO NOON AND 5 P.M. TO 7 P.M.
 - RSVP TO KELLY PHELPS AT KPHELPS1123@GMAIL.COM
- **NOVEMBER 15 - LUNCH MEETING AT THE UNIVERSITY CLUB DOWNTOWN**
 - 5/3 BLDG (TOP FLOOR) | 111 LYON ST NW | GRAND RAPIDS MI 49503
 - RSVP TO CHERYL BY 12 NOON FRIDAY NOVEMBER 11 2022.
- **NOVEMBER 22 - FULL BOARD MEETING**
- **DECEMBER 3 2022: MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR KIDS HOLIDAY SHOPPING**
 - SEE MORE ON PAGE 5
 - CONTACT: ANNE BAIRD | BAIRD@SURFEE.COM | 616-446-9496



NOTES FROM OUR PRESIDENT: DR GARY ANDERSON



Congratulations to our Speaker's Committee for arranging outstanding programs for our Tuesday lunch meetings this year. If you were not at the Tues. Oct. 18 meeting, check out the email link to YOUTUBE for the meeting. Dr Chang from BAMF Health, gave an incredible presentation on the new, revolutionary cancer diagnosis and treatment center. It is the first of it's kind in the world, right here at the Doug Meijer Medical Innovation Building.

Please check your email to sign up for our Christmas Shopping service project, on Sat. Dec. 3, with the visually impaired and under-privileged children. We are helping 40 children buy Christmas presents for their family members. All the children will be driven to Meijer and picked up. We do not have to provide any transportation. We have performed this wonderful project for 30 years. Please consider helping make a positive difference in these young people's lives.

Together We can,

Gary Anderson

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OCTOBER SERVICE PROJECT

MEALS ON WHEELS

Fellow Lions, on October 11 2022 our club service project was to assist at Meals on Wheels. Lion Dr. Sherah Eavey and Lion Kelly Phelps have this to share on the results:

"8 Lions & friends worked for 3 hrs hours (totaling 21 service hours) to pack 400 food boxes for Meals on Wheels to be sent to the hurricane victims. THANK YOU for your service!!!!"

Below are a few pictures Lion Dr Sherah Eavey and Lion Kelly Phelps have shared:



We Serve



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UPDATING YOUR INFORMATION IN THE MEMBER DIRECTORY

Fellow Lions, we have a wonderful resource in our website: www.grandrapidslionsclub.org.

A key component in using this tool is to keep this information up to date with each of our best contact information.

If you are unfamiliar with logging into the website, below is a link to a tutorial video:



If the above link does not work for you, you can view the video here:

https://youtu.be/5gF0n_O9Q9E

APP TO ASSIST BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED

Recently Woodtv8 and Fox17 new stations ran stories on Meijer covering the cost of the mobile app [AIRA](#) (Artificial Intelligent Remote Assistant). This mobile app is designed to help the blind and visually impaired through their daily needs and routines. The demonstration from the Association for Blind and Visually Impaired (ABVI) was hosted at a local Meijer store. To watch the full stories and hear from app users visit these links below:

<https://www.woodtv.com/news/grand-rapids/free-mobile-app-helps-visually-impaired-shop-at-meijer/>

<https://www.fox17online.com/news/local-news/grand-rapids/app-helps-people-with-visual-impairments-overcome-hurdles-at-the-store>



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HOLIDAY SHOPPING

SATURDAY DECEMBER 3 2022

Holiday Shopping - [Volunteers needed for in person shopping on Saturday, December 3 2022.](#)



Recently, Lion, Anne Baird, provided details on this great annual event:

Meijer generously donates a \$15 gift card per child within a total limit of \$1000 for the event. The Grand Rapids Lions Club donates \$85 per child (up to \$3000 for 40 children) to set a budget of \$100 per gift card for children to spend on their family members. "Pass the Hat" donations through collections at Lions luncheons assist in supplementing the cost of having additional children participate. For each \$100 collected, an additional child is able to attend.

- **WHAT:** The first shift is designated for the children with visual impairments and begins PROMPTLY at 7:15 a.m. The second shift begins at 8:30 a.m. for the Base Camp children who arrive with their staff. Wrapping of gifts and amount of time for shopping varies with each individual child, however, past experience has indicated that the event and activities are usually over with between 10:00 – 10:30 a.m.
- **When:** Saturday, Dec 3 2022 at 7:15am - 10:30 am.
- **Where:** Meijer on 28th & I-96 in Cascade.

Anne wrote an excellent full report on this project that you can view here:

<https://www.grandrapidslionsclub.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/10/Meijers-Kids-Holiday-Shopping-Event-Description-2022-1.pdf>

****Looking for at least 25 volunteers – 1 on 1.****

Contact:
Anne Baird
baird@surfree.com
616-446-9496

****Upon reaching out to Anne, Anne will confirm that you are on the list. Volunteers will receive an email 2-3 days prior to the event confirming all the information they need to know.****



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NOVEMBER SERVICE PROJECT: VILLAGE WATER FILTERS

Help solve the global water crisis! We're Building Bucket Filters!

Family Friendly! Ages 4-104 are welcome.

2 Shifts: 10 a.m. to noon and 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

This low-cost filter is easy to assemble, last 10 years and changes lives by improving health, education and income with every glass.

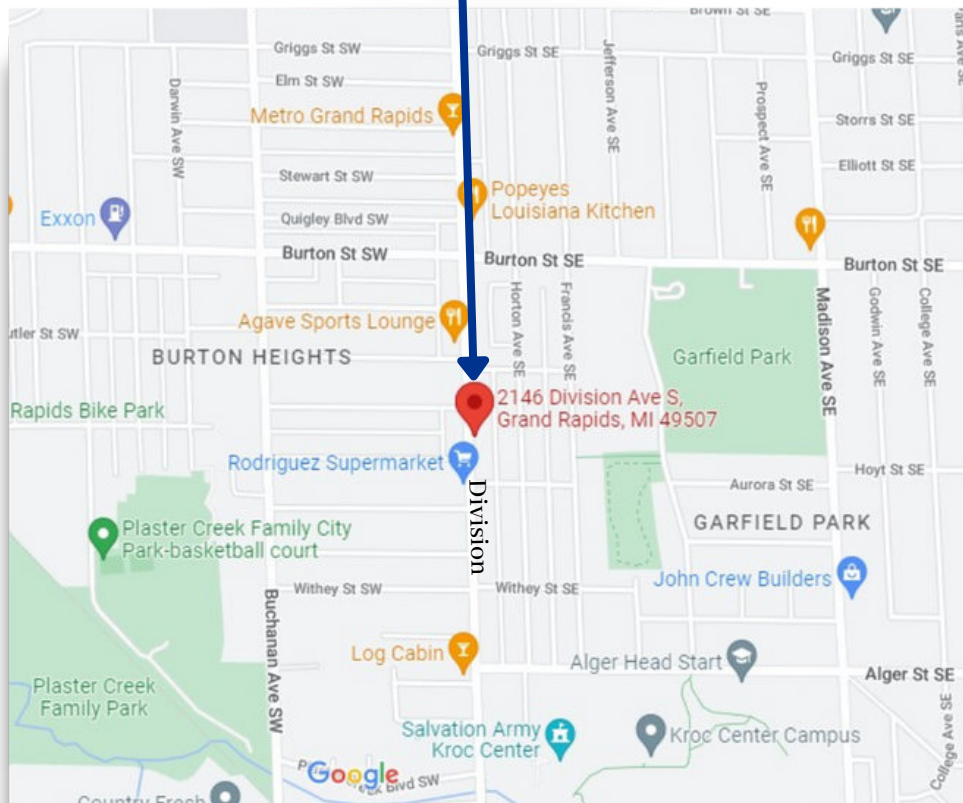
****WEAR COMFORTABLE CLOSE-TOED SHOES****

To RSVP please reach out to Kelly Phelps at: kphelps1123@gmail.com



VILLAGE WATER FILTERS

A Non Profit Corporation Providing Low-Cost Filters



LOCATION:
CONNECT BUILDING
2146 DIVISION AVE S
GRAND RAPIDS, MI 49507



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MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

HIGHLIGHTING A MEMBER OF THE GRAND RAPIDS LIONS CLUB



Name: Shawn Andrus

Profession: Optometrist, Director of Vision
Services at Cherry Health

Years as a Lion: Less than 1 year

What is your favorite thing about being a Lion?

SA: I have always found great satisfaction in improving the well being for those around me. Being a Lion provides me the opportunities to have a positive impact in my community.

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

SA: While I am relatively new to being a Lion, my only advice would be to give it a try and don't be afraid.

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

SA: I love exploring the great outdoors with my wife and four daughters!

MEMBER UPDATES:

- Lion Jason Brown has purchased the Winter Insurance Agency.
 - Jason's new contact info is:
 - Web: www.winterins.net
 - Email: jason@winterins.net
 - Phone: 616-754-7177

Fellow Lions: Have something new in your life you would like to share? We are looking to be sure that if you have something you would like the Grand Rapids Lions Club family to know about - please let us know. Examples might be:

- New additions (kids, grandkids, marriages,) Business Happenings: Did you buy or sell a business? Retire? Start a new company? Awards, Career Updates, Illness or reason you need some extra support - we are here for you!!! Reach out and we can place in an upcoming newsletter.



Call or Text: 616-951-4663



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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.lionsdistrict11c1.org/>



Curious about eyeglass recycling locations around town?

We have the perfect "site" to restore your sight For an

interactive map visit:

<https://www.grandrapidlionsclub.org/glasses-drop-off/>

STATE LION NEWS

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

<http://lionsofmi.com/>



LIONS INTERNATIONAL



To find out more about news in Lions International visit:

<https://lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/lions-events-calendar>

“Service to others is the rent you pay
for your room here on earth.”

— Muhammad Ali

Happy Birthday!

KEITH CRITTENDON 10/2

ART PALMER 10/6

KATHY O'BEE 10/10

DAN CRANE 10/13

ANNE BAIRD 10/15

JASON BROWN 10/19

BRENT SPOELSTRA 11/3

LYNN FRANCIS 11/4

BOYD GRISWOLD 11/9

THADDEUS PHELPS 11/9

ERIK ANDERSON 11/10

RICK WALKER 11/14

RAY WEIDENFELLER 11/29



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