



GRAND RAPIDS LIONS CLUB

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Join us for these upcoming great opportunities!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **FEBRUARY 28 - EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING**
- **MARCH 7 - LUNCH MEETING AT THE UNIVERSITY CLUB DOWNTOWN - 5/3 BLDG (TOP FLOOR) | 111 LYON ST NW | GRAND RAPIDS**
RSVP TO CHERYL BY 12NOON, FRIDAY MARCH 3 2023
- **MARCH 21 - LUNCH MEETING AT THE UNIVERSITY CLUB DOWNTOWN - WEAR GREEN!!! 5/3 BLDG (TOP FLOOR) | 111 LYON ST NW | GRAND RAPIDS**
RSVP TO CHERYL BY 12NOON, FRIDAY MARCH 3 2023
- **MARCH 28 - FULL BOARD MEETING**
- **ON THE HORIZON:**
 - **LIONS OF MI LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE NOV 2-5 2023**



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JOIN US!

WE SERVE!

NOTES FROM OUR PRESIDENT: DR GARY ANDERSON



"Together We Can" is our International President's theme this year and we just experienced that in a huge way. Cheryl, Dr. Adam Carlson and myself just returned from a 12 day mission to Nairobi, Kenya. Together with Lions members from Delaware, Wisconsin, New York, England, France and the Lions of Kenya, we assisted on over 22 service projects for those in need in Kenya.

Some of these projects included planting 1,000 trees in a Lions Park, delivering meals to students in schools, feminine hygiene products to young girls in the slums, braille readers to the Blind School, wheelchairs to the handicapped school and eye exams for almost 3,000 children in the primary schools, the handicapped school and Special Olympic athletes.

The teamwork was incredible and over 20 volunteers that weren't Lions when we started, asked to join after feeling what it is to be a Lion and making a difference for those in need.

We look forward to sharing the stories and pictures from the trip at our club meeting April 4, 2023. The two-day safari at the end of the mission provided some great photos.

"Together We Can"

Gary Anderson

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LIONS MAGAZINE ONLINE

The Lions Clubs International magazine is a phenomenal way to keep up on the global impact of Lions worldwide.

This month's issue covers many ways Lions around the world are impacting their local communities.

While we receive a copy in the mail with each new issue, did you know there is an online component as well?

The online version often has builds on the stories found in the latest edition with videos and links for more articles and events.



YOU CAN EXPLORE THE LATEST EDITION ONLINE HERE: [LION MAGAZINE ONLINE](https://lionmagazine.org)

LIONS OF MI LEADERSHIP LOGO CONTEST

Cheryl Anderson recently shared the following information from the Lions of Michigan Leadership Institute:

The Lions of MI Leadership Institute is excited to announce a Logo Contest for the Institute that is open to all Lions and Leos of the state of Michigan!

Lions of Michigan Leadership Institute Logo Contest. A FABULOUS opportunity for Lions and Leos. Contest rules:

Must include "Lions of Michigan Leadership Institute" or "Michigan Leadership Institute"

- Must include Lion logo or word "Lions"
- Maximum two colors lionsclubs.org has four logo choices. These are the official logos and the only ones that will be accepted.
- Two in two colors - two in black and white. Make your artwork match
- Submission if made by mail MUST be POSTMARKED by 2/28/2023.
- LATE ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED
- **Submission made by e-mail must be dated 2/28/2023 by 11:00pm.**
- Submission in both forms must be submitted to:

Lion Kimberly Thiede
31335 Summer Lane West
Fraser, MI 48026
wingslover16@comcast.net



Any questions please contact Lion Kimberly at the above e-mail or by phone at 586-567-3287.

Judging will be done by the Lions of Michigan Leadership team. The winning entry will receive a free registration to the Leadership Institute. If the winner has already attended Leadership Institute or is a Leo the award will be \$250.00.

Get your creative juices flowing and submit your idea!!!

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MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

HIGHLIGHTING A MEMBER OF THE GRAND RAPIDS LIONS CLUB



Name: Tim Tuthill

Profession: ABVI-President/CEO

Years as a Lion: 2 months.

Do you hold positions within the club?

Member of the Drive for Vision committee and soon to also be assisting with the Blind Dinner Date committee.

What is your favorite thing about being a Lion?

TT: Opportunity to serve others in our community and world.

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

TT: Come experience what we are all about.

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

TT: Spend time with my three sons, Run, Ski, and cook.

UPDATE: GRAND RAPIDS LIONS CLUB FOUNDATION

Lion Lynn Francis and Lion Jeff Kraai have assemble the following brief update on the Grand Rapids Lions Club Foundation:

Our present balance in the fund is about \$1,100,000.

Last year our fund investments lost 17% of its value. (NOTE: the loss was consistent with the overall stock market return.) Over the last five year we have averaged about 5%+ in returns. We have about \$41,000 available for distributions to our charities. Last year we received \$9,000 in contributions from our members. Thank you to those who make annual contributions from their giving budgets.

MEMBER UPDATES:

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.



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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.grandrapidslionsclub.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>

"...at the end, It's Not About What You Have Or Even What You've Accomplished. It's About Who You've Lifted Up, Who You've Made Better.
It's About What You've Given Back."

- Denzel Washington

Happy Birthday!

RANDALL HAMSTRA 2/18

MIKE MURPHY 2/22

DREW WESSELL 2/23

BOB YOUNGER 3/6

TIM TUTHILL 3/9

JAMES BAIRD 3/18

TONY ZOELLNER 3/20

ANN ZOELLNER 3/27



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