



# GRAND RAPIDS LIONS CLUB

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## JUNE 2023

Welcome to the June edition of the newsletter! As we head into summer - we have Drive for Vision to enjoy - see below for details - see you there!

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

- JUNE 19 - DRIVE FOR VISION
  - LEARN MORE: [DRIVEFORVISION.COM/](https://driveforvision.com/)
- WATCH FOR FUN SUMMER EVENTS!

JUNE   
 *vibes*



# NOTES FROM OUR PRESIDENT: DR GARY ANDERSON



As we approach the end of our Lion year, June 30, 2023, I would like to thank all of our Grand Rapids Lions members for your membership and for your individual contributions to Serve Those in Need in our communities, local, statewide and internationally.

We all have different backgrounds, interests, passions, family history, religious and political beliefs and even diets !

NONE of that gets in the way as we serve those in need because we celebrate all those differences and concentrate on our service and friendships.

As we dive into our traditional “summer break”, you will hear about several social opportunities we are planning for you and your family enjoyments this summer.

Family is always first and as we plan future social and service opportunities, we are planning those so that you may bring family members along and let them have the joy of friendships and making a difference in the lives of those in need.

Please watch your email and PRIDE team notices for future announcements of activities this summer.

Thank you for a GREAT 2022-2023.

TOGETHER WE CAN...*IN SERVICE AND FRIENDSHIP.*

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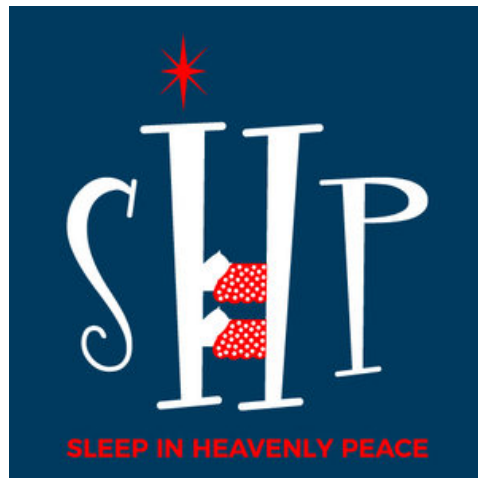
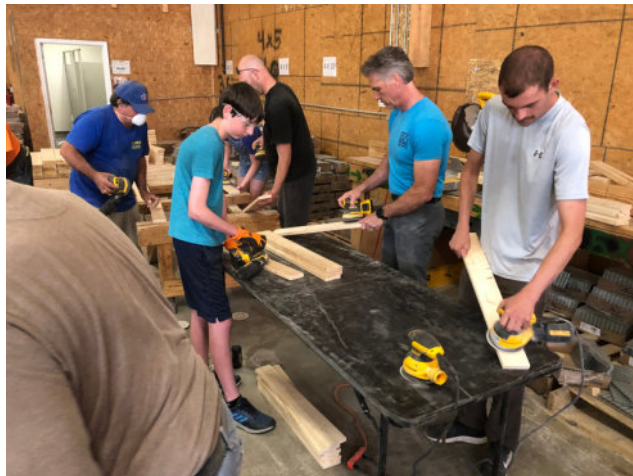
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# JUNE 10 BUILD-A-BED RECAP

Brent Spoelstra provided this update/recap on the June 10th volunteer day: Some photos from the "Build" on June 10 with the Kelloggsville chapter of Sleep in Heavenly Peace. Thirteen GR Lions plus family members spent several of their Saturday morning hours to help build 60 beds for GR area kids. Go Lions!



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# MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

HIGHLIGHTING A MEMBER OF THE GRAND RAPIDS LIONS CLUB



**Name:** Joe Annoreno

**Profession:** Account Executive - Nursa

**Years as a Lion:** 4.5 years

**Spouse/family:**

Brianne (wife), Max (son), Elizabeth (daughter), William (son),  
Goose & Leinie (dogs)

**Do you hold positions within the club?**

Director

**What is your favorite thing about being a Lion? OR a favorite memory you would like to share.**

**JA:** Having the ability to take part in the many causes we support.

**What are the top 3 words that come to mind when you think of Lionism?**

**JA:** Service, Passion, Loyalty.

**Name your favorite movie, book, board game or all three:**

**JA:** Hard to narrow down, but I'm really into researching anything involving healthcare innovation.

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

**JA:** Workout, fish, mountain bike, golf - pretty much any outdoor activity.

**What is a "secret" skill you have no one knows about?**

**JA:** No secret skill, unfortunately. Pretty boring.

**Where is your favorite place to travel?**

**What is the top place on your travel bucket list?**

**Favorite meal and/or restaurant?**

**JA:** Favorite place to travel - Hilton Head, Travel bucket list - fishing on the Amazon River, Favorite meal - fried eggplant or rigatoni w/vodka sauce

# LIONS ROAR!: MEMBER UPDATE SECTION

Fellow Lions: Have something new in your life you would like to share? Time to shout it out! 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.

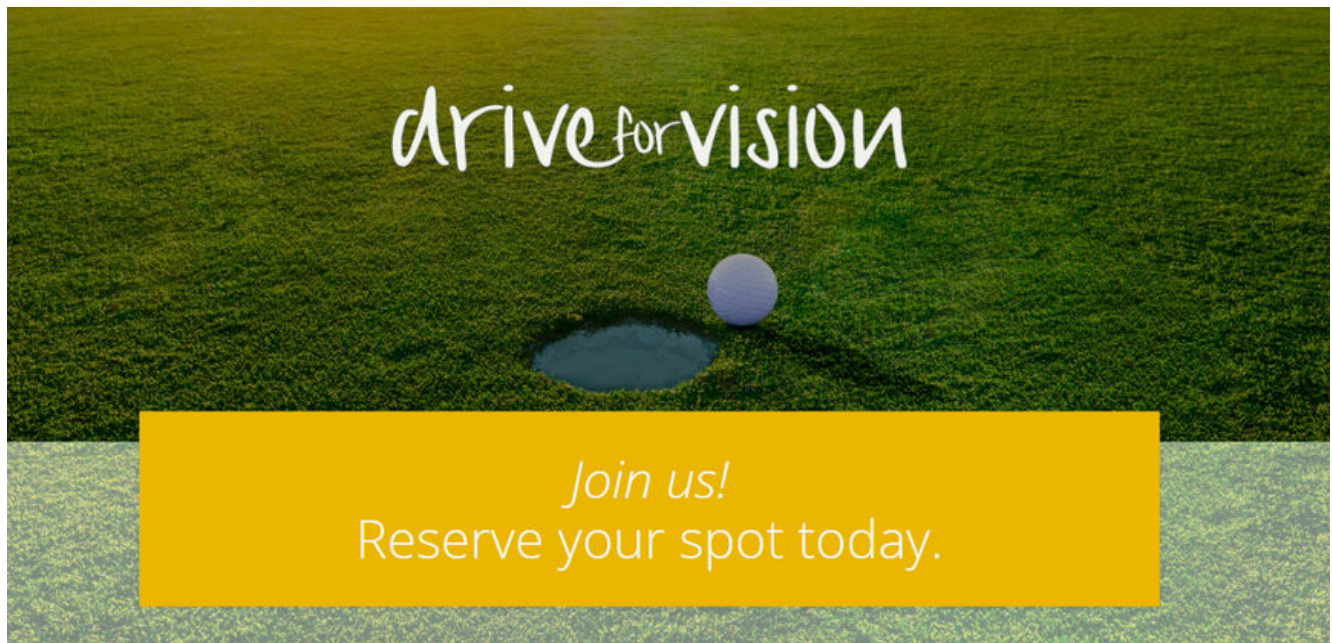


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## DRIVE FOR VISION: JUNE 19 2023

Join us for the Drive For Vision golf outing this year - June 19 2023, 1PM shotgun. Food, fun, and golf in the name of supporting our very deserving organizations! Click the image below or visit: <https://driveforvision.com/event-information>



With your participation, challenges caused by vision loss can be addressed. Your participation will help many people in our community whose lives are improved by the services of the Association for the Blind & Visually Impaired and the Grand Rapids Lions Club Vision Clinic at Cherry Health.

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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 on Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/115990828419557>



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>

“Tell me and I forget. Teach me and I remember.  
Involve me and I learn.”

*-Benjamin Franklin*

# Happy Birthday!

**PAT DROSTE 6/4**

**STEVE MULDER 6/4**

**SHAWN ANDRUS 6/16**

**JAMIE JUNOD 6/16**

**RICK BOLHUIS 6/21**

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