



GRAND RAPIDS LIONS CLUB

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Welcome to FIRST edition of the 23-24 GR Lions year!

July begins our new fiscal year and as we take a couple of months to enjoy summer - watch for opportunities to connect and work together to help our community! :)

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **JULY 30 - GR LIONS SUMMER SOCIAL OUTING**
 - **WHERE: SCOTT & MARY'S COTTAGE ON LAKE MICHIGAN**
 - **5961 SCENIC DRIVE | NEW ERA MI 49446**
 - ****BRADY'S COTTAGE PHONE NUMBER IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS IS 231-861-4142 (FYI - NO VERIZON CELL SERVICE IN THAT AREA)**
 - **TIME: 2PM - 7PM | EATING AT 4:30PM**
 - **WHAT TO BRING:**
 - **-YOUR FAMILY, YES KIDS BIG AND SMALL TOO.**
 - **-APPETIZER, SALAD, OR DESSERT**
 - **-OPTIONAL: CHAIR**
 - **-THE COTTAGE IS ON LAKE MICHIGAN SO DRESS ACCORDINGLY**
 - **- BATHING SUIT OR SWEATSHIRT DEPENDING ON THE WEATHER.**
 - **-THE CLUB IS SUPPLYING THE MEAT, LEMONADE, ICED TEA, ADULT BEVERAGES AND WATER ALONG WITH ALL THE PAPER PRODUCTS.**
 - **THERE WILL BE ALL KINDS OF LAWN GAMES TO PLAY!**
 - **RSVP TO SCOTT BRADY WITH NUMBER COMING AND WHAT YOU ARE BRINGING TO SHARE BY SUNDAY, JULY 23, 2023**
 - **SCOTT: SCOTTBRADY2120@GMAIL.COM OR 616-915-9614**
- **SEPTEMBER 21-23, 2023: USA/CANADA LEADERSHIP FORUM**
 - **SEE PAGE 3 FOR LINK AND DETAILS**



NOTES FROM OUR PRESIDENT: DR GARY ANDERSON



Cheryl and I just returned from the Lion’s International Convention in Boston with 10,000 other enthusiastic Lions members from around the world. We marched in the International Parade, with all the Lions dressed in their native garb representing their countries, watched some great musical performers, heard great service testimonies and met many new friends from around the world.

Our new International President, Dr. Patti Hill from Edmonton Canada was inducted. Her theme for the year is “Changing the World”. Our Lion’s motto is always We Serve, but every year our President has a theme. The previous themes were “Kindness Matters”, “Service from the Heart” and “Together We Can”.

You can see the continuity from year to year encouraging our service to mankind, making a difference in the world. That’s what we do as Lions.

Remember to RSVP for our summer picnic July 30, 2023 at the Brady’s on Lake Michigan. 616-915-9614

This is meant for all our Lions and their families. Please bring your partners and families, young and old. Activities for every age, grandchildren to old farts.

IN SERVICE AND FRIENDSHIP,

Gary Anderson
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SPOT SOME PEOPLE YOU KNOW?

International traveling couple PID Dr Gary Anderson and Lion Club Secretary Cheryl Anderson - you can be sure if you are looking at Lions media - they are VERY likely to be spotted! Check out this wonderful video posted by Lions International featuring the Andersons and Dr Adam Carlson with the recent trip to Kenya:



2023 USA/CANADA LIONS LEADERSHIP FORUM

SEPTEMBER 21 - 23, 2023 RENO NEVADA

The USA/Canada Forum is touted as "the largest and best Lions Club Leadership training event in world." With 1000s of Lions in attendance, this fun environment offers over 70 seminars on various leadership topics to assist and develop Lions Clubs in the US and Canada.

Registration information and more at:
<https://lionsforum.org/>



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23-24 INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT, DR. PATTI HILL

Learn more about our new International President, Dr. Patti Hill. Watch this wonderful video on her 32 years of service as a Lion and her commitment to inspire service in us all. Together we can "Be the Change."

WATCH THE VIDEO HERE:
<https://youtu.be/MMMQ8LkaLVI>

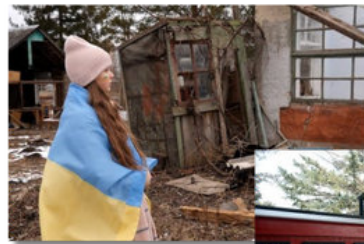
The 2023-2024 Presidential Theme can be read in detail here:

<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/discover-our-clubs/presidential-theme>



LION MAGAZINE ONLINE: LATEST ISSUE

As Lions we are all connected around the world. A great way to learn about the impact of Lions globally is to read through our Lion Magazine. We all receive a copy in the mail - but did you know you can read it online as well - with links to great articles, videos and more? Check it out! <https://www.lionmagazine.org/issue/?issue=202301>



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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.



 Call or Text: 616-951-4663

 Email: JohnRiceOnline@gmail.com

CONGRATULATIONS TO CHERYL ANDERSON!

Cheryl Anderson received The Ambassador of Good Will Award. The Ambassador of Good Will Award is the highest award presented by Lions International. It is the most important and prestigious award presented. Presented at the International Conventional in Boston, by past International President, Douglas X Alexander.

This award is presented to Lions who have distinguished themselves by particularly noteworthy service.



Congratulations!

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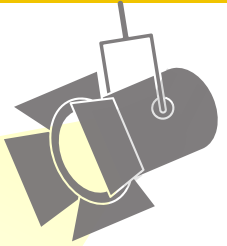
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MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

HIGHLIGHTING A MEMBER OF THE GRAND RAPIDS LIONS CLUB



Name: Ryan Smith

Profession: Financial Advisor Growtrust Partners. Owner

Years as a Lion: 19 years

Spouse/family: Dawn. Kids Abbie 19, Claire 17, Landon 15 and Carter 12. And a little Covid dog, Piper (3)

Do you hold positions within the club?

Past Director

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

RS: Love the respect all Lions have for each other. Whether it's meeting a Lion from another chapter or running into one of our own, there is an instant appreciation and immediate level of respect.

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

RS: Selfless, leadership and servant

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

RS: hmmm tough one. I'm a big one for sports movies even though we usually know the ending. "Miracle" about the 1980 US Olympic hockey is probably my favorite. Books-too many to name a favorite. Board games-I'm a huge cribbage fan.

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

RS: Read, travel, golf, fish, drive the boat for kids water sports and watch my kids play sports.

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

RS: Have a degree in Spanish and was fluent in it at one point in time.

Where is your favorite place to travel? What is the top place on your travel bucket list?

RS: Love vacations to new places. Favorite one to date is Lagos, Portugal.

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>

"The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even touched - they must be felt with the heart."

-Helen Keller

Happy Birthday!

- PAT MULLEN 7/6
- CHERYL ANDERSON 7/9
- MEAGAN BAKER 7/9
- SCOTT BRADY 7/18
- ROBERT SNYDERS 7/18
- RYAN SMITH 7/25
- RICK STEVENS 7/25
- SHAWN EYESTONE 7/29



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