



# GRAND RAPIDS LIONS CLUB

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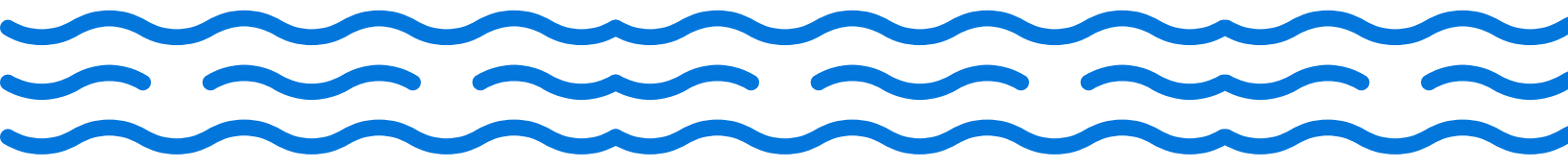
## JULY/AUGUST 2025

WELCOME TO SECOND VOLUME IN OUR "SUMMER" EDITION OF THE NEWSLETTER!

FURTHER IN THE NEWSLETTER IS THE CALENDAR FOR THE YEAR AS IT STANDS THUS FAR. BELOW ARE THE UPCOMING EVENTS IN SEPTEMBER 😊 MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **SEPTEMBER 2: 12NOON- 1:30PM LUNCH**
  - GVSU DOWNTOWN
  - RSVP TO CHERYL 1 WEEK BEFORE:
  - [CLICK BELOW TO RSVP BY AUGUST 26](#)
  - [ANDERSOC@GVSU.EDU](mailto:ANDERSOC@GVSU.EDU)
- **SEPTEMBER 8 12-2PM: SERVICE OPPORTUNITY**
  - KIDS FOOD BASKET
  - RSVP TO KELLY PHELPS: [KPHELPS1123@GMAIL.COM](mailto:KPHELPS1123@GMAIL.COM)  
OR CALL/TEXT: 616-260-9108
- **SEPTEMBER 16 4-6PM: SOCIAL EVENT**
  - NEW HOLLAND BREWERY| GRAB A BREW AND GAB
  - RSVP DETAILS TO FOLLOW



## EYEGLOSS PICK UP HELP NEEDED

Lion Brad Tooker is helping to coordinate the eyeglass pickup at various locations around the city.

These glasses are CRITICAL to the success of the eyeglass recycling program and the primary source for the eyeglasses used in our mission trips.

Once a month the locations accepting donations need the eyeglasses collected. Several Lions have graciously volunteered to assist, but there are a few locations that are in need of assistance.

- Walmart - 54<sup>th</sup> St SW
- Premier Family Eyecare 6748 Kalamazoo Ave
- RX Optical 6143 Kalamazoo Ave
- Caledonia Vision Center 9809 Cherry Valley Ave SE
- Signature Eyecare 6290 Jupiter Ave NE #A

NOTE: These sites would only need a pick-up about once a month 😊

Please reach out to Brad Tooker:  
bradtoker1@gmail.com | (989) 640-6473



## 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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# 2025/2026

## CALENDAR

### WE SERVE.

#### SEPTEMBER:

LUNCH | 1<sup>ST</sup> TUESDAY 12:00-1:30PM | GVSU DOWNTOWN  
SERVICE OPPORTUNITY | KIDS FOOD BASKET SEPTEMBER 8 12-2PM  
SOCIAL EVENT | GRAB A BREW AND GAB NEW HOLLAND BREWERY | SEPT 16 4-6 PM

#### OCTOBER:

LUNCH | 1<sup>ST</sup> TUESDAY 12:00-1:30PM | GVSU DOWNTOWN  
SERVICE OPPORTUNITY | ROCKFORD EYEGLASS RECYCLING HELP NEEDED | DATE TBD  
SOCIAL EVENT: BOWLING IN LATE OCT AT NORTHFIELD LANES ON A DATE TO BE CLEARED WITH THE ALLEY

#### NOVEMBER:

LUNCH | 1<sup>ST</sup> TUESDAY 12:00-1:30PM | GVSU DOWNTOWN  
SERVICE OPPORTUNITY | NOVEMBER 18 2025 5-7PM | ABVI NEEDS OUR HELP

#### DECEMBER:

LUNCH | 1<sup>ST</sup> TUESDAY 12:00-1:30PM | GVSU DOWNTOWN  
SERVICE OPPORTUNITY | KIDS HOLIDAY SHOPPING | DECEMBER 6  
SOCIAL EVENT | HOLIDAY SOCIAL AT BLYTHEFIELD | DECEMBER 6

#### JANUARY:

LUNCH | 1<sup>ST</sup> TUESDAY 12:00-1:30PM | GVSU DOWNTOWN  
SERVICE OPPORTUNITY | VILLAGE WATER FILTERS | DATE TBD  
SOCIAL EVENT | GRIFFS OR RISE GAME | DATE TBD BASED ON GAME DAYS

#### FEBRUARY:

LUNCH | 1<sup>ST</sup> TUESDAY 12:00-1:30PM | GVSU DOWNTOWN  
SERVICE OPPORTUNITY | KIDS FOOD BASKET | DATE TBD

#### MARCH :

LUNCH | 1<sup>ST</sup> TUESDAY 12:00-1:30PM | GVSU DOWNTOWN  
SERVICE OPPORTUNITY | VILLAGE WATER FILTERS | DATE TBD  
SOCIAL EVENT | CULINARY PRESENTATION AT GRCC | DATE TBD

#### APRIL:

LUNCH | 1<sup>ST</sup> TUESDAY 12:00-1:30PM | GVSU DOWNTOWN  
SERVICE OPPORTUNITY | ABVI NEEDS OUR HELP | APRIL 2 2026 10AM-12NOON  
SOCIAL EVENT | MICHIGAN BEER TASTING WITH ALLIANCE BEVERAGE | DATE TBD

#### MAY:

LUNCH | 1<sup>ST</sup> TUESDAY 12:00-1:30PM | GVSU DOWNTOWN  
SERVICE OPPORTUNITY | ROCKFORD EYEGLASS RECYCLING HELP NEEDED | DATE TBD

#### JUNE:

ANNUAL DINNER | AWARDS / OFFICER INSTALLATION | DATE TBD

#### JULY/AUGUST:

SOCIAL EVENT | PICNIC AND GOLF OUTING | DATE TBD

\* ACTUAL DATES AND TIMES MAY VARY.

LUNCHES WILL BE BILLED WHEN ATTENDED OR CAN BE BILLED ANNUALLY - YOUR CHOICE.

SOME SOCIAL EVENTS BEYOND THE ANNUAL DINNER AND HOLIDAY SOCIAL YOU CAN CHOOSE TO BUY YOUR OWN DRINK/FOOD ETC.

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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 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://www.lionsclubs.org/en/lions-magazine-online)

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- Online videos from all over the world. Always updated and on a variety of topics this site offers free presentation to Lions members:
  - <https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/lions-video-center>

- **Lions Clubs International Blog:**

- Here you can find the latest global stories featuring Lions from around the world helping others:
  - <https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/blog>

- **Lions Magazine Digital Version:**

- The full magazine with videos and in depth articles - all right online - plus you can read past issues! :
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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:

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## 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.grandrapidlionsclub.org/glasses-drop-off/>

"Those who are happiest  
are those who do the most for others."

— Booker T. Washington

# Happy Birthday!

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Steve Oberlin 7/2

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Pat Mullen 7/6

Cheryl Anderson 7/9

Meagan Baker 7/9

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