



GRAND RAPIDS LIONS CLUB

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WELCOME TO AUGUST!!!!

FURTHER IN THE NEWSLETTER IS THE CALENDAR FOR THE YEAR AS IT STANDS THUS FAR. BELOW ARE THE UPCOMING EVENTS IN SEPTEMBER 😊 MARK YOU 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**
- **SEPTEMBER 8 12-2PM: SERVICE OPPORTUNITY**
 - KIDS FOOD BASKET
 - **RSVP TO KELLY PHELPS: 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**



EYEGLASS 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 - 54th 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:
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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.



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**GRAND RAPIDS
LIONS CLUB**

2025/2026

CALENDAR

WE SERVE.

SEPTEMBER:

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

DECEMBER:

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

JANUARY:

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

MARCH :

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

APRIL:

LUNCH | 1ST 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 | 1ST 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 RESOURCE CENTER

Have you visited the Lions Resource Center online?

This is a great area of the Lions Clubs International website that organizes several great tools with 1 easy click!

Learn about what Lions are doing all around the world.

Click here to experience it:

<https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/member-resource-center>



MEET THE NEW INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT

Lions Clubs International website has a wonderful page dedicated to our new International President.

“International President A.P. Singh, a successful businessman from Kolkata, India, believes true leadership is about serving others, and that leadership and service go hand in hand. With decades of experience as a Lion, President Singh is focused on achieving our MISSION 1.5 goals so we can grow our membership everywhere we serve and increase our impact every time we serve.”



The page also features a video. You can view the page and the video by clicking below:

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



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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>



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>

Curious about eyeglass recycling locations around town?

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

interactive map visit:

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

"Service to others is the rent you pay
for your room here on Earth."

— Muhammad Ali

Happy Birthday!

Kim Gary 8/1
Kristen Plafkin 8/1
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Stephanie Anderson 8/12
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