



## **AUGUST/SEPT 2025**

AS WE WRAP UP AUGUST AND HEAD INTO SEPTEMBER, WE KICK OFF OUR LIONS YEAR IN FULL SWING! BELOW ARE THE UPCOMING EVENTS, RSVP AND MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

TOMORROW

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- SEPTEMBER 2: : 12NOON- 1:30PM LUNCH
  - **OUTPUT**
  - RSVP TO CHERYL 1 WEEK BEFORE:
  - CLICK BELOW TO RSVP BY AUGUST 26
  - ANDERSOC@GVSU.EDU
- SEPTEMBER 8 12-2PM: SERVICE OPPORTUNITY
  - **o KIDS FOOD BASKET**
  - RSVP TO KELLY PHELPS: <u>KPHELPS1123@GMAIL.COM</u>
    OR CALL/TEXT: 616-260-9108
- SEPTEMBER 16 4-6PM: SOCIAL EVENT
  - NEW HOLLAND BREWERY GRAB A BREW AND GAB
  - RSVP DETAILS TO FOLLOW
- OCTOBER 2:
  - **OUTTO STATE OF STATE** 
    - 1115 NORTHLAND DRIVEE NE, ROCKFORD 49341
    - MORE INFORMATION WILL BE FORTH COMING.





### **NOTES FROM OUR PRESIDENT: KYLE TRAVIS**



Fellow Lions,

Cooler weather, 'back-to-school' and football season are upon us.... this can only mean one thing, it's LIONS time!

I look forward to kicking off the 2025-26 Lions year with you in less than two weeks!

September 2<sup>nd</sup> at GVSU Downtown, we will be hosting our first lunch meeting, with guest speaker Jon Lehrer – the new carillonneur at GVSU. You can learn more here:

https://www.gvsu.edu/gvnext/2025/gvsu-names-new-carillonneur-for-iconic-towers.htm

September also marks the start of our new & improved club calendar. After gathering information from our members, we heard loud and clear the desire for more service and social opportunities. These committees have been hard at work behind the scenes to make this happen. In addition to our lunch meeting, this month will also feature a service opportunity at Kids Food Basket on September 8<sup>th</sup>, and a social gathering at New Holland Brewery on September 16<sup>th</sup>.

I look forward to seeing many of you at these great events!

In lionism,



Kyle fravis

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# **PROJECTS NIGHT: OCT 2**

Have you ever wanted to learn about the various Lions projects around the district or state?

Here is your opportunity to learn in just 6 minutes, yes, like speed dating but this is speed learning about any or all the district/state projects in one place.

There is a dinner (cash bar) and silent auction too. It will again be held at the Rockford Sportsman's Club:

1115 Northland Drivee NE, Rockford 49341

\*More information will be forth coming.\*



# MEET THE NEW INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT

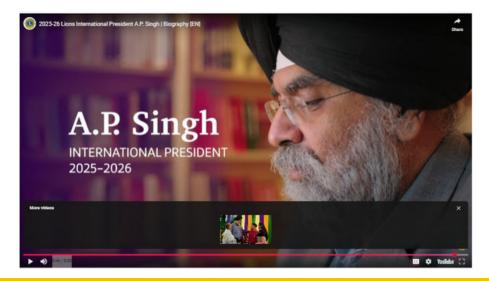
Lions Clubs International website has a wonderful page dedicated to our new International President.

"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





# JOIN US 2025/2025

#### 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 OPPORTUNTTY | 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 OPPORTUNTTY 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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## **STATE LION NEWS**

To find out more about news in our Michigan Lions visit: <a href="http://lionsofmi.com/">http://lionsofmi.com/</a>



# LIONS INTERNATIONAL ®

To find out more about news in Lions International visit: <a href="https://lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/lions-events-calendar">https://lionsclubs.org/en/resources-for-members/lions-events-calendar</a>



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

— Muhammad Ali

