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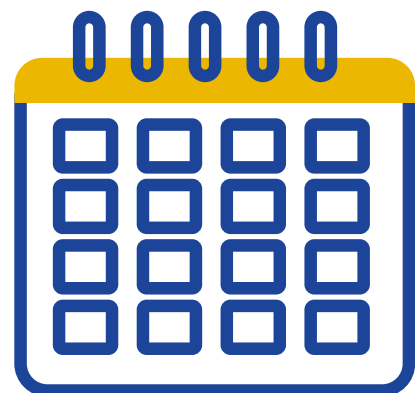
MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE THESE GREAT UPCOMING EVENTS!

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **OCTOBER 14TH SERVICE PROJECT - 9-11 AM MEALS ON WHEELS IN GRANDVILLE \*\*RSVP TODAY\*\***
  - LOCATION: MEALS ON WHEELS WESTERN MICHIGAN
  - 2900 WILSON AVE SW SUITE 500 GRANDVILLE
  - PLEASE RSVP TO SHERAH EAVEY VIA TEXT 616-322-4668  
NO LATER THAN 10/13
- **OCTOBER 28: BOARD MEETING**
- **NOVEMBER 4: 12NOON- 1:30PM LUNCH**
  - GVSU DOWNTOWN
  - RSVP TO CHERYL 1 WEEK BEFORE:
    - CLICK BELOW TO RSVP BY OCTOBER 28 12 NOON
    - [ANDERSOC@GVSU.EDU](mailto:ANDERSOC@GVSU.EDU)
- **ON THE HORIZON:**
  - SOCIAL EVENT: BOWLING AT NORTHFIELD LANES
    - DATE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW VIA EMAIL :)



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# TREASURER'S REPORT

## FY 2025 Treasurer's Report

You have a new Lions Club Treasurer in Don Jakel. The transition went very well thanks to Drew Wessell our Treasurer for the past two years. Drew set up some great systems and accounts to automate some of our activity like consolidating bank accounts in one institution, mobile bank deposits, on-line billpay and Quickbooks On-Line.

We have two entities, a General Fund to pay for administrative and operating expenses of the club which is funded by our annual dues and a Charities Fund to fundraise and make donations to the charities our Board of Directors determine to support. That way almost 100% of the funds we raise go to our charities with only very minor administrative costs.

We also have two foundations which provide annual grants back to our Charities Fund to enable us to donate more to our charities. Our Endowment Account at the Grand Rapids Community Foundation had a balance at June 30 of \$1,319,530. Our Flex Fund Foundation was started in 2024 to give us more flexibility when making grants to charities. That fund had a balance of \$20,333 at June 30.

Our Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2025. The General Fund received dues of \$34,344, sponsorships of \$2,500, raffle proceeds and other income of \$4,269 for total income of \$41,113. Expenses were meals costs of \$13,408, stipends to Secretary, Editor and Treasurer of \$9,813, Lions International and District Dues of \$7,822, Social event costs of \$8,388 and other expense of \$3,764. That resulted in a net loss of \$2,086. The Fund Balance at June 30 was \$3,328.

The Charities Fund Received White Cane donations of \$14,403, Drive for Vision net proceeds of \$9,671, Grants from GR Community Foundation of \$48,325, and other income of \$13,128 for total income of \$85,527. Donations were \$59,025 and administrative expense was \$1,253. That resulted in net income of \$25,249. The Charities Fund Balance at June 30 was \$62,560. Of that amount, \$30,408 was donated in September 2025 to our main charities with the following split: ABVI (45%), Cherry Health (45%) and our Flex Fund Foundation (10%).

I am available to any member who wishes additional information about our finances.

The Club's business address is Grand Rapids Lions Club, 5110 28<sup>th</sup> Street SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49512. My email address is [treasurer@grandrapidslions.org](mailto:treasurer@grandrapidslions.org) and my phone number is (616) 240-6031.

Respectfully Submitted,



Don Jakel

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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

#### NOVEMBER:

LUNCH | 1<sup>ST</sup> TUESDAY 12:00-1:30PM | GVSU DOWNTOWN  
SERVICE OPPORTUNITY | NOVEMBER 18 2025 5-7PM | ABVI NEEDS OUR HELP  
SOCIAL EVENT: BOWLING AT NORTHFIELD LANES ON A DATE TO BE CLEARED WITH THE ALLEY

#### 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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— John Wooden



# Happy Birthday!

**Keith Crittendon 10/2**  
**Anne Baird 10/15**  
**Jason Brown 10/19**



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