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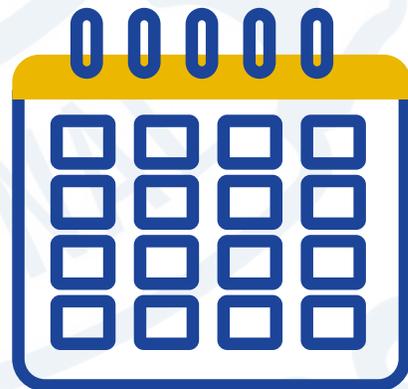


FEBRUARY / MARCH 2026

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THESE GREAT UPCOMING EVENTS!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- FEBRUARY 26: ROCKFORD LIONS CHILI COOKOFF
 - 6-9PM \$5 AT THE DOOR (DONATION)
 - ROCKFORD SPORTSMANS CLUB
 - LEARN MORE HERE: [HTTPS://BIT.LY/4BJ6CHC](https://bit.ly/4BJ6CHC)
- MARCH 3: 12NOON- 1:30PM LUNCH WEAR GREEN 
 - GVSU DOWNTOWN
 - RSVP DEADLINE FOR THIS NEXT MEETING IS TODAY FEB 23 IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND AND DID NOT YET RSVP PLEASE REACH OUT TO CHERYL: ANDERSOC@GVSU.EDU
- MARCH 16: KIDS FOOD BASKET VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
 - 6 TO 730 AT THE KIDS FOOD BASKET
 - 1300 PLYMOUTH NE GRAND RAPIDS MI 49505
 - [HTTPS://KFB.VOLUNTEERHUB.COM/VV2/LP/GRLIONSPHELPS](https://kfb.volunteerhub.com/vv2/lp/grlionsphelps)
- MARCH 24: SOCIAL EVENT: BEER TASTING AT ALLIANCE BEVERAGE
 - 5-6:30PM
 - NOTE FROM THE BEER MASTER: "THIS IS OBERON WEEK WHERE WE START SELLING THIS YEARS BEER UNTIL SEPTEMBER "
 - RSVP TO KIM GARY: KIMLGARY55@GMAIL.COM
- MARCH 27-28 DISTRICT 11C-1 CONVENTION
 - HILTON GARDEN INN
 - 2321 EAST BELTLINE AVE SE, GRAND RAPIDS
 - LEARN MORE HERE: [HTTPS://BIT.LY/3MKQIJF](https://bit.ly/3MKQIJF)



REVIEW THE 2025-2026 CALENDAR

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NOTES FROM OUR PRESIDENT: KYLE TRAVIS



Dear Fellow Lions,

As we look ahead to spring, I want to share some important updates about the upcoming District 11-C1 Convention and this year's district-wide service project. This year's convention will be held Friday, March 27 and Saturday, March 28 at the Hilton Garden Inn on the East Beltline. Additional details and registration information can be found in the newsletter, or via the club emails sent out last week.

Our district-wide service project this year is helping homeless Veterans transition into permanent housing. We are partnering with Community Rebuilders, a highly respected Grand Rapids organization working directly with Veterans in need.

When Veterans move into housing, they often have very little to furnish their new space. Community Rebuilders has expressed a significant need for small kitchen appliances: either new or gently used, clean, and in good working condition. Requested items include:

- Microwaves (high priority)
- Toasters & toaster ovens
- Coffee makers
- Manual or electric can openers
- Pots, pans, and silverware
- Blenders, air fryers, crock pots
- Nonperishable food items

To donate, please bring items to the District Convention on March 27–28. There will be a truck on-site to transport all collected items directly to Community Rebuilders. If you're not able to attend the District Convention, but would still like to donate, you can get the items to myself, or Gary & Cheryl Anderson and we'll make sure they make it on the truck!

Let's come together as Lions to help fill the truck and make a meaningful difference for Veterans starting fresh.

Yours in lionism,

Kyle Travis
 Grand Rapids Lions Club President 2024-2026
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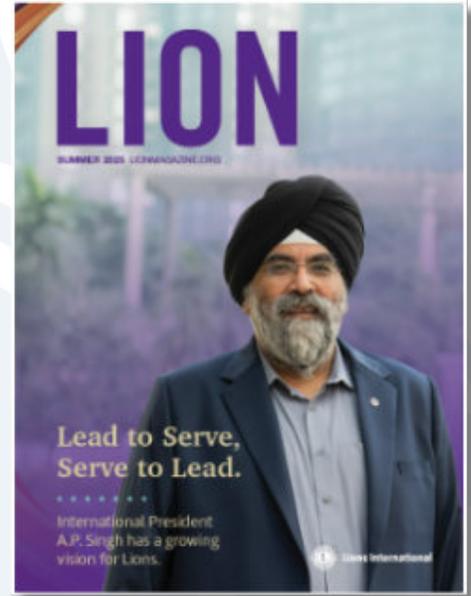
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LIONS MAGAZINE ONLINE

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.lionmagazine.org)

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 | 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

NOVEMBER:

LUNCH | 1ST 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 | 1ST TUESDAY 12:00-1:30PM | GVSU DOWNTOWN
SOCIAL EVENT | HOLIDAY SOCIAL AT BLYTHEFIELD | DECEMBER 13TH

JANUARY:

LUNCH | 1ST TUESDAY 12:00-1:30PM | GVSU DOWNTOWN
SERVICE OPPORTUNITY | VILLAGE WATER FILTERS | JANUARY 13TH 6-8PM

FEBRUARY:

LUNCH | 1ST TUESDAY 12:00-1:30PM | GVSU DOWNTOWN

MARCH :

LUNCH | 1ST TUESDAY 12:00-1:30PM | GVSU DOWNTOWN
SERVICE OPPORTUNITY | KIDS FOOD BASKET | MARCH 16
SOCIAL EVENT | MICHIGAN BEER TASTING AT ALLIANCE BEVERAGE | MARCH 24

APRIL:

LUNCH | 1ST TUESDAY 12:00-1:30PM | GVSU DOWNTOWN
SERVICE OPPORTUNITY | ABVI NEEDS OUR HELP | APRIL 2 2026 10AM-12NOON

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
DRIVE FOR VISION: JUNE 15 2026

JULY/AUGUST:

SOCIAL EVENT | PICNIC AND GOLF OUTING | DATE TBD

* ACTUAL DATES AND TIMES MAY VARY.

LUNCHESES 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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DISTRICT 11-C1 NEWS

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<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>

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To do more for the world than the world does for you
— that is success.

- Henry Ford

Happy Birthday!

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| Mike Murphy 2/22 | Tim Tuthill 3/9 |
| Drew Wessell 2/23 | James Baird 3/18 |
| Bob Younger 3/6 | Tony Zoellner 3/20 |
| Kevin Carlson 3/7 | Ann Zoellner 3/27 |



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