



#### **MAY 2024**

Join us as "We Serve" together!

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- MAY 16-18TH MULTIPLE DISCTRICT CONVENTION
  - MULTI DISTRICT CONVENTION: LEARN MORE HERE:
    - https://www.lionsofmi.com/index.php/mdiiconvention-24
- MAY 20 6-7:30PM VOLUNTEERING AT CHILDREN'S FOOD BASKET
  - REGISTRATION LINK:
    - HTTP://GRLIONSEAVEY.KFB.VOLUNTEERHUB.COM/
  - ANY QUESTIONS, CONTACT SHERAH EAVEY SHERAH@EAVEY.COM
- MAY 21 LUNCH MEETING!
  - LUNCH MEETING HOLIDAY INN DOWNTOWN
  - ADDRESS: 310 PEARL ST NW, GRAND RAPIDS, MI 49504
  - RSVP TO CHERYL BY 12 NOON, FRIDAY, MAY 17 2024
  - NOTE: IF YOU RSVP AND THEN NEED TO CANCEL, SUNDAY NIGHT IS
     THE LATEST TO CANCEL & THE CLUB WILL NOT GET CHARGED
- MAY 28- FULL BOARD MEETING
- JUNE 8 9:00AM-1:00PM BUILD A BED VOLUNTEERING:
  - SIGN UP HERE:
    - HTTPS://VOLUNTEER.SHPBEDS.ORG/REGISTRATIONS/Q4CGTMQLG1?
- JUNE 11 ANNUAL MEETING AT WATERMARK DETAILS TO FOLLOW
- JUNE 17 DRIVE FOR VISION CHARITY GOLF OUTING
  - SIGN UP HERE: DRIVEFORVISION.COM
- JULY 18 THURSDAY 6PM: SUMMER PICNIC CASCADE TOWNSHIP PARK -
  - **OUTPUT** MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW

#### NOTES FROM OUR PRESIDENT: DR GARY ANDERSON



A big thank you to Rob Lalley and Lynn Francis for buying 10 raffle tickets each for the Lions of Michigan big fundraising raffle. We will let you know if any of us, or the club is a big winner in any of the drawings. Drawing May 18. Grand prize of \$5,000 will pay for a lot of golf!!

Please consider the last few service opportunities on the schedule. **Children's Food Basket** on May 20, 6:00-7:30pm and **Build a Bed on June 8** in Kellogsville. 2 great opportunities to bring a guest and let them experience the JOY of service. See the sign up emails and info in the newsletter.

Also, please plan to attend our **GR Lions Annual Dinner** on June 11, 2024 at Watermark. We will review our Lions year, install our new leadership, recognize some very deserving Lions with awards and have a great social time together. Please rsvp when you receive the email invitation.

**Drive for Vision** in our new "streamlined" format is on Monday June 17 at the new morning time. Get a foursome together and let's continue to raise much needed funds for all our so deserving projects.

Finally, Thursday July 18 will be our **GR Lions Summer Picnic** at Cascade Township Park. Starting at 6:00pm, plan on bringing the whole family, kids and grandkids included. There will be food, fellowship and fun for all.

Please plan on attending our last Tuesday lunch of the Lion year on Tuesday May 21. We will have a great presentation on the new **Downtown Amphitheater Project**.

Lots of great Lions stuff going on. Hope to see you all there.





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Gary Anderson
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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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# **RESERVE YOUR SPOT! DRIVE FOR VISION JUNE 17**

Reservations are now available for the Grand Rapids Lions Club Drive for Vision 2.0 June 17 2024, Quail Ridge Ada MI.

Sponsorship and participation options can be viewed online at: driveforvision.com



# 2024 USA/CANADA LIONS LEADERSHIP FORUM

The USA/Canada Forum is touted as "the largest and best Lions Club Leadership training event in world." With 1000s of Lions in attendance, this fun environment offers over 70 seminars on various leadership topics to assist and develop Lions Clubs in the US and Canada. September 5-7 2024 Louisville, KY Early Bird registration discounts and more info at: https://lionsforum.org/



### **MEMBER SPOTLIGHT**

HIGHLIGHTING A MEMBER OF THE GRAND RAPIDS LIONS CLUB



Name: James (Jamie) Junod

Profession: Financial Advisor, Retired

Years as a Lion: Since 1986

Spouse/family: Lion Gail Junod

Do you hold positions within the club?

Tail twister, past President, past Director.



What is your favorite thing about being a Lion? OR a favorite memory you would like to share.

**JJ:** The many friend I have made. Vision mission trips.

What are the top 3 words that come to mind when you think of Lionism?

**JJ:** Service. Friendship's. Vision

Name your favorite movie, book, board game or all three:

**JJ:** Singing in the rain

When not at Lions, what do you like to do for fun?

**JJ:** Golf, read. Spend time at our cottage

Where is your favorite place to travel? What is the top place on your travel bucket list?

**JJ:** We have enjoyed Europe and plan to do more. Portugal is the current next choice.



# 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: <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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"Our rewards in life will always be in direct ratio to our service."

- Earl Nightingale

