



AUG 2024

Welcome to August! Join us as "We Serve" together!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- AUGUST 18 DR GARY ANDERSON SWIMS MACKINAC ISLAND!
 - DETAILS ON PAGE 2
- SEPTEMBER 3: LUNCH MEETING DETAILS TO FOLLOW
- SEPTEMBER 5-7: USA/CANADA LIONS LEADERSHIP FORUM
 - SEPTEMBER 5-7 2024 LOUISVILLE, KY
 - EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION DISCOUNTS AND MORE INFO AT:
 - HTTPS://LIONSFORUM.ORG/
- OCTOBER 23: CHERRY HEALTH CELEBRATION
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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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DR GARY ANDERSON IS SWIMMING AROUND MAC ISL!

Sunday, August 18 Join in supporting Swim for Sight as Dr Gary Anderson swims around the entire island of Mackinac! (All 8.2 miles around the island!) All the funds raised will be evenly split between the Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired (Grand Rapids Low Vision Clinic), Lions Project KidSight pre-school vision screening managed by the Lions of Michigan Foundation throughout Michigan and the Vision Programs of Lions Clubs International Foundation which provide vision resources for those in need around the world.

Visit the link below to send Gary support!:



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https://www.eventbrite.com/e/swim-for-sight-registration-908427550257

NUDA VERITAS

CHERRY HEALTH CELEBRATION 2024

Celebrate with Cherry Health!

Join us at Cherry Health Celebration to celebrate the impact of innovative and accessible healthcare. This year's fundraising event will feature the inspiring ways our Clubhouse programs are supporting those on their journey from mental illness to mental wellness—by helping them develop both a sense of community and the ability to live independently. Visit bit:ly/celeb24tix to get your tickets today for Cherry Health Celebration on Wednesday, October 23, from 6-8 p.m. at Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Park.

Proceeds support Cherry Health programs and services that build stronger, healthier communities. Tickets are available until Oct. 9. For more information visit cherryhealth.org/donate/events, or call (616) 965-8254.



MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

HIGHLIGHTING A MEMBER OF THE GRAND RAPIDS LIONS CLUB



Name: Brad Tooker

Profession: I work in Transportation Logistics as a Route

Planner at Cedar Crest Dairy.

Years as a Lion: I have not yet been inducted, but officially

will be inducted this September.

Spouse/family: Wife: Morgan, pets: Louie (puggle), Frankie

(cat), and Cranberry (bunny)

Do you hold positions within the club?

Not yet, however, I am interested in being involved with the

service project committee.

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

BT: I anticipate my favorite memories will involve giving back to the West Michigan community that I have grown to love in the five years I have lived here.

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

BT: Compassion, Community, Commitment

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

BT: I love Monopoly and any good biography.

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

BT: I enjoy anything to do with nature, trying out new breweries, and going on day trips with my wife.

What is a "secret" skill you have no one knows about?

BT: I am somewhat of an Excel Wizard as well as a novice YouTube mechanic.

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

BT: I seldom turn down the chance to travel up to Drummond Island, where my mom lives. A summer cruise along the entirety of Route 66 is at the top of my travel bucket list. I recently discovered an interest in Mediterranean food, especially tabbouleh.



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/lionsevents-calendar



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"Live in the sunshine. Swim in the sea. Drink in the wild air "

-Ralph Waldo Emerson

