

Muskegon Northside Lions Club



THE LIONS TALE

WE SERVE

August

FROM THE DESK OF THE
PRESIDENT

Fellow Northside Lions,
As we head into August, our club has an exciting lineup of social events, service opportunities, and fundraisers. I'm looking forward to seeing many of you at these activities!

We recently received a significant donation from a local company that recognizes the meaningful work our club does in the community. Thank you to everyone whose service helped make that possible.

Upcoming Events

- August 4 - Steak Fry General Meeting
- August 6 - North Muskegon Parade (Lions Float)
- August 8 - Pancake Breakfast
- August 31-September 5 - Northside Lions Russ' Benefit Week (20% of your bill benefits our club) ... SEE NEXT PAGE



UPCOMING
MEETINGS
& EVENTS

**AUG 4- ANNUAL
STEAK DINNER &
GENERAL MEETING @
6:30 PM AT FIRST
LUTHERAN**

**AUG 6 - NORTHSIDE
SPECTACULAR
PARADE**

**AUG 8 - PANCAKE
BREAKFAST**

**AUG 18- GENERAL
MEETING @ 6:30 PM
AT FIRST LUTHERAN;
BOARD MEETING TO
FOLLOW**

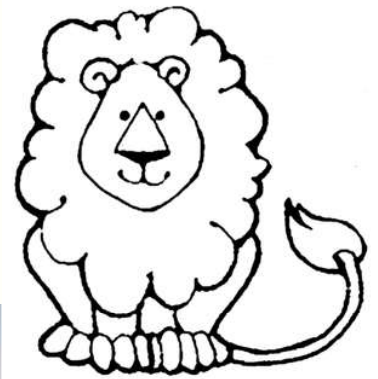
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- **September 3 - Aquastar Sunset Cruise**

Please mark your calendars and plan to join us. Full details and volunteer needs will be shared at the meeting and via our usual channels.

Looking ahead, I've asked the Board to help us examine opportunities for growth and sustainability so the Northside Lions Club continues to thrive for future generations of Lions. Your ideas and participation are always welcome. Thank you for everything you do.

Doug Brown
President, Northside Lions Club



LIONS INTERNATIONAL **NORTHSIDE LIONS** *Social Event!*

Set Sail
WITH THE
NORTHSIDE LIONS!

JOIN US FOR A
Sunset
CRUISE!

THURSDAY
SEPTEMBER 3RD
Sunset Cruise

NORTHSIDE LIONS,
FAMILY & FRIENDS
All are welcome!

VETERANS
SAIL FREE!

EXCLUSIVE NORTHSIDE LIONS DISCOUNT
Use promo code: **LIONSHALFOFF9326** for 50% off your cruise ticket when booking online at
www.aquastarcruises.com

LIMITED TO 30 USES!

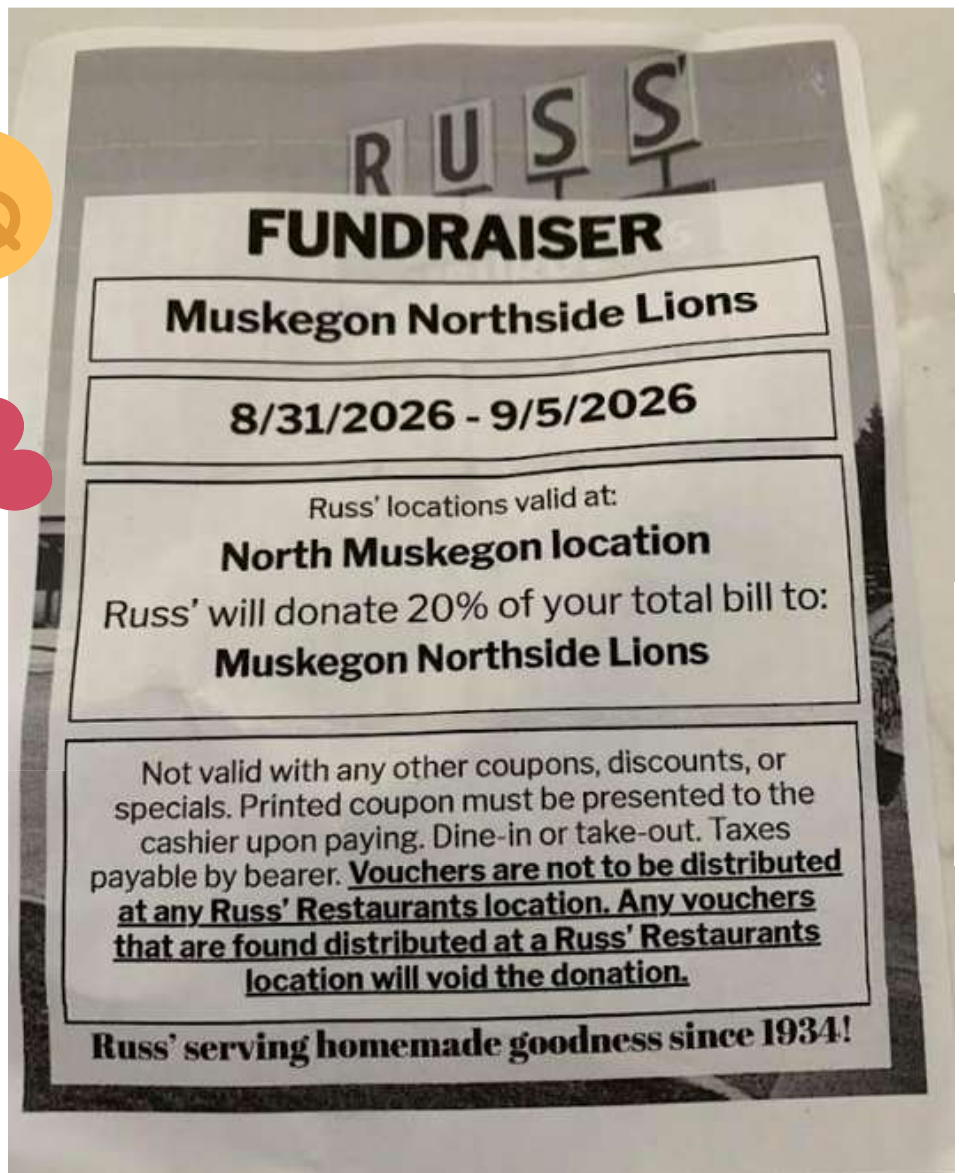
Thank you for the good works you are doing in the community!

LET'S ENJOY A GREAT EVENING TOGETHER ON THE WATER!

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**Support your club
and have someone
else cook dinner!**



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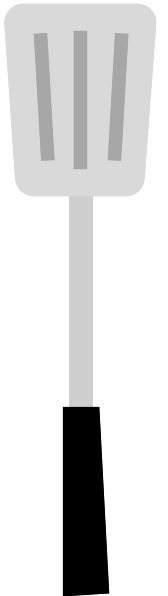
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Pancake Breakfast Candids - July 11 at Walker Park



Photos courtesy Lion Rich Carlson

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Collage of Lions Volunteers at Walker Park - July 11



Photos courtesy Lion Dave Olsen

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**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR MEMBERS
WITH WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES AND CLUB
ANNIVERSARIES!**

**HAPPY WEDDING ANNIVERSARY TO
LIONS RICH CARLSON, JILL JOHNSON,
ANNE AND BOB SCHALOW, AND
BRIAN AND TRACI WERSCHEM.**



MEMBER BIRTHDAYS

**HAPPY CLUB ANNIVERSARY TO THESE
LIONS THIS MONTH:
MIKE BAAUW, JACKIE BALL, LANA
O'LONERGAN, DENISE SABO,
TERRY SABO, & PAT WOODS.**

**AUG 16 LAURA SIKKENG
AUG 19 DARNELL GUNDY-REED
AUG 19 PAUL HOPPA
AUG 22 CINDA COGSWELL
AUG 27 FRANK KROL
AUG 31 JOHN METZ**



**LION RON
HANSEN**

**Photo courtesy of
Lion Rich
Carlson**

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Photos from July 21 Meeting with DG Brian Werschem



Photo credit Lion Denise Sabo

SPOTLIGHT ON LION RAISA



My Mom, Raisa Zolotopupova, were born in March 1941. June 1941 is when Germany started bombing the Soviet Union. My Grandpa was very young, he went to protect the country and died after three months of fighting. My Grandma was alone raising her three Daughters. My Mom was the youngest. It was a hard life for them and lots of other people in Soviet Union.

The first Day my Mom remember is when she saw through the window that people were happy jumping around, hugging each others and throwing their hats in the air. It was a Victory Day, the end of the World War II for Soviet Union. My Mom was 4 years old. They were very poor, working hard and tried to do their best like lots of other people that hard time after the War.

She was always an optimist and never give up during her life. She is very talented. She was the only one in her school who received a gold medal for great knowledge. Math and Chemistry were her favorite subjects and she was very good in them. After she graduated from the University she went to work to the biggest Chemical Plant in Soviet Union. She was working in the laboratory doing some studying and experiments trying to find the best ways of how to protect metals from corrosion.



She loves Ukraine and we went there last year to see our family and friends. We didn't go to our part of Ukraine because it is very dangerous. Our family and friends came to see us in Lutsk which is not far from the border with Poland. When the bus driver saw my Mom's passport, he said "You probably could never imagine that you will have two Wars in your life".

My Mom and her generation are tough. She loves american people and very proud to become a Lion.

Thank you all very much for your support and for making my Mom feel good even if she can't understand you.



Thank you to Lion Lana O'Lonergan for submitting this month's Spotlight on a Lion (at the editor's request)