

# MERRY CHRISTMAS



## The Grand Island Lion

December 2008



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### Events for December:

Merry Christmas

**December 10th Christmas Party**  
Holiday Inn  
Cocktails 6PM Dinner 7PM

**December 25th Merry Christmas**

THE SPLIT  
CLUB IS NOW  
\$88 AND GROWING



### Upcoming events:

**Christmas Party December 10th**  
Holiday Inn-Grand Island

**Advisory Committee Meeting**  
January 13,  
2009 Brauer's Restaurant,  
6612 Campbell Boulevard,  
Pendleton. NY  
Fellowship at 6 pm, meeting at 6:30 pm

**January 20th Hands Across the Border**

**Merrittons 70th anniversary**  
February 21st

**March 28th 20N Cabinet Meeting**

**Spaghetti Dinner March 30th**



Tom Witkowski of the Grand Island Lions Club presents Cheyenne Covey a special recognition award for once again collecting over 400 pairs of eyeglasses. Sight Night was held at Tops on Grand Island on Halloween night. Cheyenne had contacted optician's offices and distributed flyers announcing that she would be collecting during trick or treat hours. This ambitious young lady attended dinner with her mother as guests of the Lions. She is an inspiration to the community and the Club is grateful to all who donated their time collecting glasses and hearing aids at this annual event.

Grand Island Lions are a proud member of Region 2, Zone 1, that includes Pendleton, Wheatfield, and the Tonawanda's Lions Clubs. The Pendleton Pride is hosting a Region 2 Advisory Committee Meeting on Tuesday, January 13, 2009 at Brauer's Restaurant, 6612 Campbell Boulevard, in Pendleton. Fellowship at 6 pm, meeting at 6:30 pm. The other clubs in our region are the Zone 2 clubs of Kenmore, Amherst, Williamsville, and Sheridan Drive.

Just what is an ACM? It is a casual meeting where Lions of all clubs in the region get together for an evening of fellowship and to share ideas that can help strengthen all clubs no matter the size or current financial condition. It is a time for discussing projects that may interest other clubs to perform without "reinventing the wheel."

Though club Presidents and Secretaries of each club are members of the District Governor's Advisory Committee, grassroots Lions are always encouraged to attend to share the abundant knowledge that ties us all together, that keeps us motivated and always on the alert to serve more and to serve efficiently with whatever means are available to us.

Please mark your calendars for this meeting. Revitalize your Lions' spirit! Share your light! You won't regret it!

Sincerely yours in service,  
Lion Tom Witkowski

**Grand Island Lions Club  
Christmas Party  
Wednesday December 10<sup>th</sup> 2008  
Holiday Inn Grand Island NY  
Cocktails 6PM Dinner 7PM  
\$25 per person**



**Menu**

**Tossed Salad  
House Rolls and Butter**

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**Stuffed Sole  
Chicken Cordon Bleu  
Roasted Prime Rib of Beef**

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**Oven Roasted Potatoes  
Fresh Seasonal Vegetables**

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**Chef's Choice of Assorted Delectables  
Coffee, Tea and Decaffeinated Coffee**

**Attention all Lions: Lions Club Vests**

The following is information about Lions Club vests. We'd like to place an order for anyone wanting to purchase one. We hope to get a minimum of 12 to avoid the service charge. Please notify Lion Anne Fahning (773-1900 or [afahning@realtyusa.com](mailto:afahning@realtyusa.com)) if you'd like a vest. We will bill you as soon as the order is placed.

(full vest with pockets)

A138 A70 (bolero style )

Sm, Med , Lg	\$34.95	\$22.50
Xl, XXL	\$39.95	\$27.50
Custom Lg.	\$48.95	\$35.50

Service charge	1-5 vests	\$40 per order
	6-11 vests	\$20 per order
	12 or more-no service fee	

The vests are gold. We can mix styles.

Design on vest:  
"Grand Island Lions" \$3.75  
First name \$4.00 each vest  
Letters sown on



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## Grand Island Lions Membership

As membership chairman I would like to challenge every member to sponsor a new member to our club this year. Again there will be a voluntary contest with the winner receiving the Golden Rule of Membership award plus any monies from the contest entrants. There is a slight rule modification from last years contest. If you are in the contest and sign up a new member you may elect to have your \$5.00 returned. If one chooses to withdraw their five bucks they will be out of the running for the contest prize. The entrant who brings in the most new, former or transferred members wins. Ties will split any money in the pot. Regardless of the contest please encourage membership in our club. Talk to your family, friends, neighbors, co-workers, etc. to see if they would take pride in saying "We Serve".

Lion Tom Rusert



**WE SERVE**

A man in Jacksonville calls his son in San Diego the day before Christmas and says, 'I hate to ruin your day, but I have to tell you that your mother and I are divorcing; forty-five years of misery is enough.

'Pop, what are you talking about?' the son screams. We can't stand the sight of each other any longer,' the father says. 'We're sick of each other, and I'm sick of talking about this, so you call your sister in Denver and tell her.'

Frantic, the son calls his sister, who explodes on the phone. 'Like heck they're getting divorced,' she shouts, 'I'll take care of this.'

She calls Jacksonville immediately, and screams at her father, 'You are NOT getting divorced. Don't do a single thing until I get there. I'm calling my brother back, and we'll both be there tomorrow. Until then, don't do a thing, DO YOU HEAR ME?' and hangs up.

The old man hangs up his phone and turns to his wife. 'Okay,' he says, 'they're coming for Christmas and paying their own way.'



Thanks to Lions Anne Fahning,, Dick Crawford, Paul Bassette, Tom Rusert and Tom Witkowski all of whom contributed to this newsletter. The deadline for the January Newsletter is Thursday January 1st. If you have material for the newsletter, you can e-mail it to Dave Chervinsky, the editor/publisher, at [dschervin@yahoo.com](mailto:dschervin@yahoo.com).

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