



The Grand Island Lion

July-August 2009



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Left to right: Lion Annette Boies-Lobl, Lion President Henry Lobl and Lion Floyd Doring enjoying the 4th of July parade.

Upcoming events:

July 04,2009 Parade

Lions International Convention
July 6-10 2009
Minneapolis MN

Grand Island Lions "Special Kids Picnic"
July 15th
Buffalo Launch Club

Lancaster Lions Steak Cookout
July 17th

G.I. Members Picnic
July 18,2009
Details to follow

20N Picnic
August 16,2009
Details in this newsletter

G.I. Lions White Cane Days
August 21st and 22nd

Merrittons Labour Day Parade
September 7th

President's Message

I would like to thank you all for giving me the opportunity to be your president for the 2009 - 2010 year. I am particularly grateful for the exemplary board members, committee chairman and active workers in our club. While the Grand Island Lions is a quite successful group with a wide range of activities, there are still opportunities for further successes. I would like to see, during the upcoming year:

1. Better meeting attendance;
2. An increased range of service activities for individuals and groups in our Grand island community;
3. The development of a new member orientation program.

Any ideas you may have particularly with regard to making meetings more interesting and developing new opportunities for service, would be greatly appreciated. All of us, working together, can improve what is already a great club.

Lion President Henry Lobl

Grand Island Lions Club Event Calendar 2009-2010

Event	Chair
2009	
June 23,2009 Organizational Meeting Board of Directors--	Henry Lobl
July 04,2009 Parade	Tom DeCarlo
July 15,2009 Special Kids Picnic	Annette Boies- Lobl
July 18,2009 Couples Picnic	Diane Dubiel Club Rep.
August 16, 2009 20N Picnic	Dick Planavsky
August 22-23 White Cane Days	Fred Ruocco
Merritton Labor Day Parade	Henry Lobl
Meeting 9/09 Organizational	Paul Bassette
Blind and Charity Envelope stuffing ? 9/12 or 9/19	
Meeting 9/23	
Meeting 10/14 Merritton Visit	
Meeting 10/28	
October 31,2009 Sight Night	Tom Witkowski
Meeting 11/11 Diabetes Education-Deb Hoffman	Henry Lobl
?Diabetes and BP Screening	
Meeting 12/09 Christmas Party	Fred and Tammy Ruocco
2010	
Meeting 1/13/10 District Governor Visit	Henry Lobl
Meeting 1/27	
Meeting 2/10/10 Valentines Party	Fred and Tammy Ruocco
Meeting 2/24	
Meeting 3/10	
March 22,2010 SPAGHETTI DINNER	Dick Crawford
Meeting 3/24 Visit to Merritton	
Meeting 4/14	
Meeting 4/28	
Meeting 5/12	
Meeting 5/26 Peace Poster Contest	Paul Bassette
Meeting 6/09 Installation Dinner	Diane Dubiel
Summer 2010- July 04 Parade	
July 21, Special Kids Picnic	
July 24 Couples Picnic	Henry Lobl
August 20-21 White Cane Days	Dick Planavsky

FROM THE IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT

I would like to thank all those who arranged the Installation Dinner on Wednesday, June 10th. It was a special evening for me, as I reflected on my past year as President, and enjoyed your company. I would especially like to thank Lions Dick Crawford, Paul Bassette and Anne Fahning, who ensured a good time was had by everyone. Thanks, too, for the lovely gift; I'll treasure the bracelet watch. It will be a reminder of the "time" spent with all of you!

As I look back, I appreciate so much all that we as Lions have accomplished this past year. A highlight was the 50th anniversary of the Special Children's Picnic. Again, you all stepped forward and made it happen, along with the many volunteers who helped that day.

Another year is about to begin. I look forward to it, and pledge my support to Lion President Henry Lobl as he takes up the task of leading us. May we all continue the tradition of our Club: serving others less fortunate than ourselves.

Thank you, again, for a great year.

Lion Diane Dubiel
Immediate Past President

Thanks to Lions Henry Lobl, Annette Boies-Lobl, Floyd Doring and Diane Dubiel all of whom contributed to this newsletter. The deadline for the September Newsletter is Monday August 31st. If you have material for the newsletter, you can e-mail it to Dave Chervinsky, the editor/publisher, at dschervin@yahoo.com. Please visit our web site: www.gilions.com.

**THE SPLIT CLUB IS NOW
\$130 AND GROWING!**



The split club will resume in September. All you need is a dollar and come to our general meeting for a chance to win!

Special Kids Picnic -Next meeting is 7/07 at 7pm at BLC

We are in the final phases of preparation for the picnic under the able leadership of the following committee; Mike Kelly, Larry Furnia, Dave Chervinsky, Dan Morabito, Pat Patterson, Donna Lavalley, George Casey, Tom Witkowski, Dave Pelosi, Diane and Gerry Dubiel, Dick Planavsky, Henry Lobl. Despite the absence of the Buffalo Public School # 84 the day will still be enjoyed by kids from nine other organizations. Hope to see you there.
Lion Annette Lobl

Annual Lions Picnic 20-N and A-2

**Where: Wheatfield Lions 5 Senses Park
6535 Ward Road
Sanborn, NY 14132**

Date: August 16, 2009

Time: 12:00 Noon until ????

Cost: \$5.00 per member, children under 9 are free

District 20-N will supply Hot Dogs and Hamburgs and condiments

Please bring a family dish to pass

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The wonderful thing about experience is it enables you recognize a mistake when you make it again.



On October 2- 4th The Knights of Columbus will be celebrating their 50th Anniversary. Mark your calendars and look for more information on the coming events!