



# The Grand Island Lion

## July-August 2012

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The split club is now  
\$31 and counting...



LIONS: Join us for the Town of Grand Island 4th of July Parade. We meet at the Stay to Play Nursery School, 1875 Grand Island BLVD. between Webb Rd and McMahons. The town is asking that we be in place by 8:30AM. Come out and support your club!



**WE SERVE**



Hello Lions!

I trust this summer brings you enough time to relax and enjoy family and friends and all the fun things we all like to do over the summer. As you probably know by now, I pulled a surprise on everyone at our Installation Dinner by not showing up. My bride stole me away for a few days to Jordan, Ontario

where we enjoyed our 19th wedding anniversary which coincided with the dates around our celebration. A facial and a massage capped a wonderful time of shopping and dining, and much needed rest. Thank you all for your understanding!

I'd like to start by thanking Lion Anne for the wonderful job she did for our past Lions' year. With the support of our members, I can readily hope for an equally great year. Congratulations to our newest "Melvin", Lion Dave Chervinsky - such an awesome and well-deserved honor! Also, our newest "Uplingers", Lions Annette Lobl and Dick Crawford. Again, jobs well done!

I am so looking forward to this year as your President. I will propose ideas to increase our presence in our community at our next board meeting to be held at Diana's and my home, Wednesday evening, July 25, at 6:30 PM. My address is 57 Fieldstone Drive on the island. Pending passage, I will present them in emails and our newsletter to all of you. I trust you will find them challenging and pleasurable. Many hands make light work and I hope I can count on all of you to support these projects that will help our citizens become healthier and more knowledgeable and more involved with our mission of service. I ask that if you have ideas or suggestions for improving our club, to email or phone them to me for review and discussion.

Lions, I salute you! Thank you for your well wishes and your awesome support!

Sincerely yours in service,  
Lion Tom Witkowski

### Upcoming events:

#### July:

**Wednesday July 4th:  
4th of July Parade  
8:40AM at 1875 G.I. BLVD**

**Wednesday July 18th  
Special Kids Picnic  
Buffalo Launch Club**

**Members Picnic  
Saturday July 21st  
Pres. Fahning Boat  
2186 E. River Rd.  
Time TBA**

#### August:

**Fri-Sat August 18-19th  
White Cane Drive**

#### September:

**Saturday September 3rd  
Merritton's Labor Day Parade**

**White Cane Days are August 24- Friday and Saturday August 25. Please keep two hours of your time to collect. I realize that this is a busy time of year but we need as many volunteers as possible to make this project a success.**

**Lion Henry**

**Member Highlight**

**President . Tom Witkowski**

**Lion Tom has been involved with Lionism since 1993 when he joined the Lancaster Cub. He held a number of positions there including President. He was an affiliate member on Grand island before transferring to our club in May 2007. He has been the Chair of Journey for Sight for 5 + years He has been Zone Chair. He is the club's liaison for District affairs bringing back information and policy and procedures We welcome Tom as he takes on additional duties as president and look forward to an exciting year.**

**Lion Annette**

Thanks to Lions Annette Boies-Lobl, Henry Lobl, Donna Lavalley, Tom Witkowski, and Anne Fahning for contributions to this newsletter. The deadline for the September Newsletter is Friday August 31st. If you have material for the newsletter, you can e-mail it to Lion Dave Chervinsky, the editor/publisher, at dschervin@yahoo.com.

**Please visit our web site:**

**[www.gilions.com](http://www.gilions.com)**

**Special Kids Picnic Meeting  
All Chairmen and Key Players  
are asked to attend a meeting at  
the Buffalo Launch Club at 6:30  
pm on Tuesday July 10 2012.  
Lion Annette**



**Annual Couples ( picnic) Cruise**

**Saturday July 21st**

**2186 E River Rd, Grand Island**

**Bob and Anne Fahnings house**

**4pm cocktails**

**5pm dinner**

**6pm-9pm cruise**

**Please RSVP by July 7th**

**Anne 743-6279 or [afahning@realtyusa.com](mailto:afahning@realtyusa.com).**

**\$15 per person**

**We would like each member like to bring a snack or dessert to  
complete our meal**



**Hope to see you there!**



The Grand Island Lions Inducted their 2012-13 President Lion Tom Witkowski at their Board of Directors Meeting on June 26th aboard Past President Anne Fahnings Boat. Pictured on the bow are Lions Al Ackerman (Lion Tamer), Anne Fahning (Past President), Annette Boies-Lobl (Corresponding Secretary), Donna Lavallee (Recording Secretary), Tom Witkowski (President) Henry Lobl (Director), Dave Chervinsky (Director), Tom Rusert (3rd Vice President), Shelia Ferrentino (Director) and Brooks Rimes (1st Vice President). Not present were Fred Ruocco (Tail Twister), Norm Hahn (Director), and Dick Crawford (Treasurer).



**Grand Island Lions President Tom and Diana Witkowski**

### Punography

I changed my i Pod name to Titanic. It's syncing now.

When chemists die, they barium.

Jokes about German sausage are the wurst.

I know a guy who's addicted to brake fluid. He says he can stop any time.

I stayed up all night to see where the sun went. Than it dawned on me.

This girl said she recognized me from the vegetarian club, but I'd never met herbivore.

I'm reading a book about anti-gravity . I can't put it down.

I did a theatrical performance about puns. It was a play on words.

They told me I had type A blood, but it was a Type-O.

A dyslexic man walks into a bra.

I didn't like my beard at first. Then it grew on me.

Did you hear about the cross eyed teacher who lost her job because she couldn't control her pupils?

When you get a bladder infection, urine trouble.

What does a clock do when it's hungry? It goes back four seconds.

I wondered why the baseball was getting bigger.

Then it hit me!

Broken pencils are pointless.

I tried to catch some fog. I mist.

What do you call a dinosaur with a extensive vocabulary? A thesaurus.

England has no kidney bank, but it does have a Liverpool .

I used to be a banker, but then I lost interest.

I dropped out of communism class because of lousy Marx.

I got a job at a bakery because I kneaded dough.

Haunted French pancakes give me the crepes.

Velcro - what a rip off!

Cartoonist found dead in home. Details are sketchy.

I used to think I was indecisive, but now I'm not so sure.

Be kind to your dentist. He has fillings, too.

Sorry, I couldn't help but plant this corn.

Lion Dave :)