



The Grand Island Lion

May 2008

Meetings for May:

General Meeting May 14h
 Holiday Inn
 Cocktails 6:30 Dinner 7:00PM
 Program: Peace Poster Awards

General Meeting May 28th
 Cocktails 6:30 Dinner 7PM
 Buffalo Launch Club
 Program: TBA



WE SERVE

Upcoming Events:

May 1st Pre Convention Mixer
 7:30-11PM NF Convention CTR.

May 2nd-5th: Lions New York
 State and Bermuda Convention
 Niagara Falls Convention Center

May 17th: Cabinet Recognition
 Dinner. Buffalo Convention Ctr.

May 18th: Cycle for Sight
 Westwood Park, Lancaster NY

May 31st: Merritton Lions Lob-
 sterfest. Merritton Community
 Center.



Photo Screening for pre-schoolers was the topic at our Grand Island Lions' Club meeting on Wednesday April 9th. Lion Jennifer Butkowski (left) addressed Club members encouraging them to participate in the planned Photo Screening at Grand Island High School Wellness Expo on April 26th. Only 20% of kids are screened before they are 5 years old! Using an MTI camera, children ages 1-5 years old will have an opportunity to be checked for problems such as near and far sightedness, lazy eye, astigmatism and cataracts. The earlier these problems are detected, the better they can be dealt with.

On Jan. 19 and 20, the Board of Directors of the New York State and Bermuda Lions "See" program met in Syracuse for organizational discussion, training, and to select Jan. 28, 2008, as the official start of the state-wide See program. On that date Program Headquarters will begin operating at the Ira G. Ross Institute in Buffalo and newly hired Program Administrator, Lion Jennifer Butkowski, will officially open the program's office. The development and approval of this state-wide program is a result of the pilot program undertaken in our district beginning in the year 2003 and ending in 2007. During that time period, over five thousand children were screened for amblyopia. Of that number, 10% were referred, 54% of whom were found to have eye irregularities.

ATTENTION ALL LIONS

The district has decided to run a golf tournament at the Lancaster Country Club on June 16th. 2008. The funds will go towards the monies we committed for the equipment and updating of the equipment at the Lions Diagnostic Center at the Ross Eye Clinic. Sponsors are greatly needed for the tournament. These sponsorships can range from major donations to smaller hole sponsors. Prizes are needed to fill the baskets for the fund raiser. Prizes will be put together to make baskets worth approximately \$ 100.00 each. We will also need golfers. If anyone has a connection with a business or company that has small favors that we could to make golfer gift bags this will also be well appreciated. Items needed would be golf balls, tees, ball markers, hats or any gift such as chips, pretzels or almost anything. We are not looking for monies from your clubs treasury, we are looking for people from your club to approach the businesses in your area for donations. If your club or the business you approach would like to sponsor a hole for example the cost would be \$150.00. This would give them an advertisement on a hole. The cost of golf is \$165.00 per person, this includes golf, cart, lunch, cocktail hour, and a steak dinner. Major sponsorships are available, please see the enclosed brochure for costs and details.

If you have any questions please call Lion Gary Carini at 662-3337 during the day or 649-5747 in the evening. If all else fails my cell phone number is 913-3711.

Sincerely, Lion Gary

**Humor for Lexophiles (Part 2)**

22. In a democracy it's your vote that counts:
in feudalism, it's your Count that votes.
23. A chicken crossing the road: is poultry in motion.
24. If you don't pay your exorcist, you can get repossessed.
25. With her marriage she got a new name and a dress.
26. Show me a piano falling down a mine shaft,
and I'll show you A-Flat miner.
27. When a clock is hungry it goes back four seconds.
28. The guy who fell onto an upholstery machine
was fully recovered.
29. A grenade fell onto a kitchen floor in France,
resulted in Linoleum Blownapart.
30. You are stuck with your debt,
if you can't budge it.
31. Local Area Network in Australia:
LAN down under.
32. He broke into song because he couldn't find
the key.
33. A calendar's days are numbered.
34. A lot of money is tainted:
'taint yours and 'taint mine.
35. A boiled egg is hard to beat.
36. He had a photographic memory which was
never developed.
37. A plateau is a high form of flattery.
38. Those who get too high for their britches,
will be exposed in the end.
39. When you've seen one shopping center,
you've seen a mall.
40. If you jump off a Paris bridge, you are in
Seine.
41. When she saw her first strands of grey hair,
she thought she'd dye.
42. Bakers trade bread recipes on a knead to
know basis.

Lion Norm

Lion Dan Morabito (top) who makes the sauce for our Spaghetti dinner, double checks the serving tables. Below Lion Bill Wind Sr. sells raffle tickets while Lions Diane Dubiel and Anne Fahning look on.

to benefit the

LIONS DIAGNOSTIC CENTER

In the Ira G. Ross Eye Institute



CYCLE FOR SIGHT

non-competitive

Sunday, May 18, 2008

50 mile start 9:00am 25 mile start 10:00am

Westwood Park, 175 Pavement Rd, Lancaster, NY 14086

Cyclist: \$25 Bike Sponsor: \$100 Event Sponsor: \$250

Registration Form:

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ NY, Zip: _____



Mail Donation and Form to:

The Vision Beyond Sight Foundation
PO Box 524, Lancaster, NY 14086



Lion Dick Crawford (who organizes our annual Spaghetti Dinner), and Lion Dave Pelosi serves one of our guests.

Thanks to Lions Dave Chervinsky, Henry and Annette Lobl, Anne Fahning, Norm Hahn and Dick Crawford all of whom contributed to this newsletter. The deadline for the June Newsletter is Friday May 30th.. 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.

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