



The Grand Island Lion

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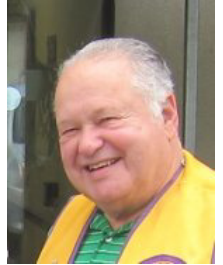
Split Club Jackpot is \$210.00



The Lion who draws the ace of hearts at our general meeting, will win the pot. Lion Anne drew the Jack of hearts at our last meeting.

Dear Members:

Well Fall is here, although we wouldn't know it by the weather. Last week the temperature here was the same as it was in Florida (90 degrees). It was probably the hot weather, which reduced the traffic for "The Taste of Grand Island". I think it was positive for the Grand Island Lions in that we had great membership participation and many people stopped by to ask about our club. Speaking of participation, I am much gratified that when there is something to be done GI Lions step forth to do it. A great example is the number of members who volunteered to work on the loan closet clean out and delivery of items to St. Luke's Mission on Saturday 9/30. A reminder of upcoming events: Next meeting is October 11 with Merritton, our sister Lions Club. We are working on a different meeting place. Members will be notified by e-mail when it is finalized. All members are asked to bring in an item for the traditional raffle at that meeting. On October 25, I would like to present a summary of the SWOT analysis. I would like to thank my fellow Lions for making my presidency a pleasant experience (so far no one has stolen the bell or gavel).



Lion President Henry Lobl

Upcoming Events:



WE SERVE

October 11th
Joint GI Lions –Merritton Lions
Dinner Meeting
Cocktails 6:30 Dinner 7PM
Location TBA

October 17th
Candidates Night
Sponsored by GI Lions
Location TBA

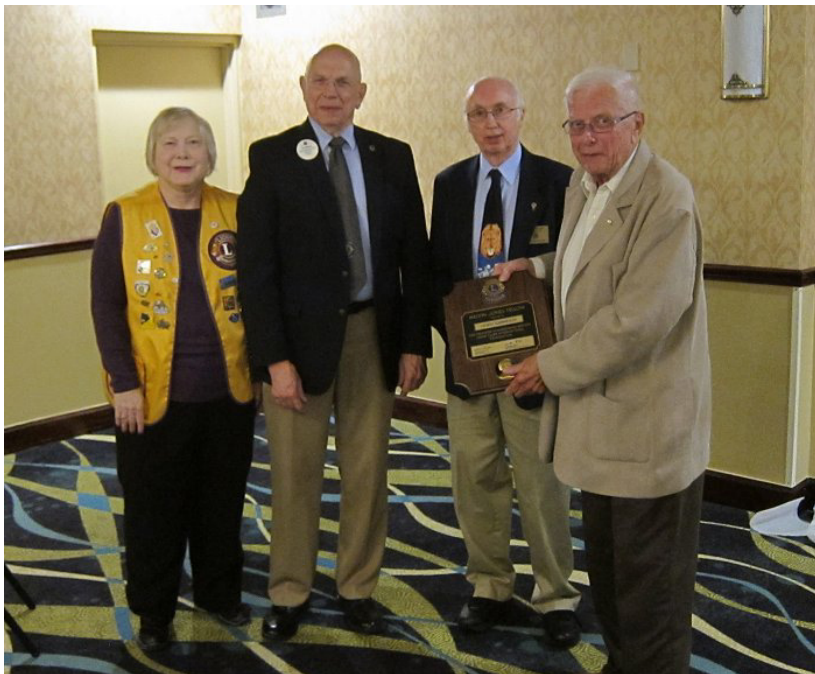
October 25th
Lions General Meeting
Buffalo Launch Club
Cocktails 6:30 Dinner 7PM
Program: SWOT Analysis



On Saturday September 30th the Grand Island Lions packed up excess durable medical equipment from their loan closet and donated it to St. Luke's Mission of Mercy in Buffalo. The Lions donate free of charge to anyone in need, medical equipment such as wheelchairs, walkers, shower seats, commodes, crutches and canes. See the Lions website, www.gilions.com, for contact information. Excess equipment is often shipped out to other communities in need. Pictured with one of two truckloads of equipment, are from the left: Dave Chervinsky, Dan Morabito, Tom Rusert, Anne Fahning, Olivia Corcoran, Norm Hahn, Danielle Rose, Kelley McGarvey, Donna Lavallee, Shelia Ferrentino, and Dick Crawford.



On Wednesday September 13th the Grand Island Lions inducted five new members. Seen above from the left are Lions Jim Rose, Jeanine Justen, Danielle Rose, with sponsor Tom Rusert, and sponsor Tom Witkowski, with Cindy Sharpe. Paul Bassette officiated the ceremony.



On the left Lions Annette Boies-Lobl Tom Witkowski, and Paul Bassette present the Melvin Jones Award to Henry Kammerer. Henry is a long time Rotarian and has been with the Grand Island Neighbors Foundation almost since it was founded close to 40 years ago. Thru his leadership, there have been 1,000's of individuals being helped with needed food and basic necessities of life here on Grand Island The Melvin Jones award is the Lions Club International Foundations highest honor and is given to a lion's member or citizen for outstanding humanitarian service.

CAUSE AN EFFECT



Make dinner a selfless act by joining us for a fundraiser to support Niagara University Lions Club. Come in to the Chipotle at 1785 Military Road in Niagara Falls on Tuesday, October 17th between 5:00pm and 9:00pm. Bring in this flyer, show it on your smartphone or tell the cashier you're supporting the cause to make sure that 50% of the proceeds will be donated to Niagara

University Lions Club.



If placing an order online during your fundraiser, please note you must choose the pay in-store option and inform our cashier of your participation before paying. Gift card purchases during fundraisers do not count towards total donated sales, but purchases made with an existing gift card will count.

HOLD THE DATE For our 2nd Cabinet Meeting/Conference



When: **Saturday November 4, 2017**

Registration 9-10 AM
Meeting/Conference 10 AM – 12 Noon
Buffet Lunch 12 Noon (Details to follow)

Where: Grapevine Banquet Center
333 Dick Road
Depew, New York 14043



Featured Speaker
Current International Director
Lion N. Alan Lundgren
Member Gilbert Lions Club
Scottsdale, Arizona



Director Lundgren is known as a "fun loving, dedicated, well informed Lion" to whom "you can warm up right away."



Family Justice Center
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Also speaking
Mary Travers Murphy
Executive Director
Family Justice Center



Learn about the agency DG Sharon is highlighting this year.

All Lions are cordially invited to attend the November 4, 2017 cabinet meeting/district convention featuring International Director L. Alan Lundgren who hails from the Gilbert Lions Club in Scottsdale, Arizona. International directors are the dedicated Lions who are elected by all of us to steer our great organization to do even greater service. These are the go-to people who listen and consider you thoughts and suggestions about Lions. I am sure he would love to meet you at the meeting.

Also speaking is Mary Travers Murphy who is the Executive Director of the Family Justice Center. DG Sharon Battaglia availed herself of the center's services for abused spouses when her own life took a dark and dangerous road when she fled from her first marriage. DG Sharon can't praise enough the center's services.

The convention also features various vendors and Lions-supported charities that are always happy to answer your questions and inform you of the good works they do. Plus you meet our district leaders and a pride of Lions who enjoy sharing knowledge and experiences. Although there will be lunch, it is optional with details will be forthcoming soon. So mark in the date on your calendars and make a point of attending the district convention on November 4th.

Lion Tom Witkowski
716-909-1862



Lion President Henry Lobl and Lion Donna Lavalley man the Lions booth at the Taste of Grand Island on Saturday September 23rd.



The Grand Island Lions Club presented Certificates of Recognition to Dunkin Donuts, Tim Hortons and Tops Markets for their on-going support of the Lions Club Picnic for kids with special needs. Pictured with Henry Lobl, Lions Club President and Annette Lobl, Picnic Chairman, are: Morgan Gillboy, Manager of Dunkin Donuts; Eric Steward, Manager of Tim Hortons; and Mike Maio, Manager of Tops Markets.

Lions,

If you are interested in a new Grand Island Lions Polo shirt please indicate size (IE:XL-M for men's, Sm-W for women's), color, long or short sleeve and get it to me by the first October meeting. The name column will be what appears on your shirt. I'll put in the order with Stuart Sports after our next meeting. If you are interested in other colors or styles please contact Stuart Sports 486 Center St. Lewiston, NY (716-754-4895) on your own. They have our GI Lions Logo on file. Just trying to keep it simple.

Lion Tom Rusert

Lions Shirts – Stuart Sports

Prices	SHORT SLEEVE Sm-XL \$23.92 2XL \$26.00	LONG SLEEVE Sm-XL \$27.04 2XL			
\$29.12					
Name	Size	Short Sleeve White	Long Sleeve White	Short Sleeve Black	Long Sleeve Black
Sleeve Black	Paid				

SUPER BOWL LII RAFFLE



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FEBRUARY 4, 2018

FIRST PRIZE "Complete Super Bowl Package"

- 2 Upper level tickets to the game with transportation.
 - 3 night deluxe accommodations.
- Round trip airfare from anywhere in the continental U.S.
- Free carfare to the game as well complimentary breakfasts, welcome gifts, on site concierge services and much, much more!

DRAWING TO BE HELD ON JANUARY 13, 2018

Second Prize: \$2000.00 Third Prize: \$1000.00
Fourth Prize & Fifth Prize: \$500.00
Sixth thru Eleventh Prizes: \$250.00

SPECIAL SIX TICKETS \$100! **COST: ONLY \$20.00 PER TICKET**



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All proceeds to benefit Brandel-Murphy Youth Foundation
 Make checks payable to: Brandel-Murphy Youth Foundation, PO Box 913, RVC, NY 11571
 We are a 501c3 organization. Contributions are deductible to the extent allowed by law.



Sabrina Wilson (left) and Jody Zimmerman from Elderwood of Grand Island were our guest speakers at our September 27th meeting. They updated us on current trends in elder care and described the renovations at the facility including the revamped second floor, dedicated to residents in need of memory care.

Thanks to Lions Tom Witkowski, Henry Lobl, Tom Rusert and Donna Lavallee for contributions to this newsletter. The deadline for the November Newsletter is Friday October 27th. If you have material for the newsletter, you can e-mail it to Lion Dave Chervinsky, the editor/publisher, at: grandislandiodave@gmail.com.

Visit us at: www.gilions.com.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Annette Boies-Lobl

