



The Grand Island Lion

September 2016

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Split Club Jackpot is \$138.50

Lion Fred drew the four of diamonds at our last meeting. The Lion who draws the ace of hearts will win the pot.

Upcoming Events:

Wednesday September 14th

General Membership Meeting
Cocktails 6:30 Dinner 7PM
Radisson Inn
Program: Organizational

Wednesday September 28th

General Membership Meeting
Cocktails 6:30 Dinner 7PM
Buffalo Launch Club
Program: TBA
BOD Meeting to follow

Wednesday October 12th

Joint Grand Island/Merrittton Meeting
Niagara Sailing Club
3619 East River Rd.
Cocktails 6:30 Dinner 7PM

Wednesday October 26th

Lions 60th Anniversary Dinner
Buffalo Launch Club
Cocktails 6PM Dinner 7PM
Program: District Governor Visit
New Member Induction

Lions,

As the warmth of summer continues to bring us an abundance of sunshine the board of directors has met and approved a budget, planned our 60th Anniversary meeting, 2016/2017 meeting calendar and a most successful White cane sale. Congratulations to chairman Norm Hahn and those that participated.



Our 2016/2017 year begins with our first meeting on September 14th at the Radisson Inn, 7pm dinner.

We will participate in the Taste of Grand Island this year with a booth and pre-sell Bon-Ton coupon books and popcorn. All Lions are encouraged to participate with signing up for a block of 2 or 3 hours.

I look forward to seeing you at our meeting on the 14th of September.

Lion President Dick



Save the Date
Lions Club 60th Anniversary Dinner
Wednesday, October 26, 2016 6PM
Buffalo Launch Club



WE SERVE

Continuing our efforts to assist the Grand Island Neighbors Foundation non-perishable food items will be collected at every club meeting. Used cell phones are also needed for Erie County Sheriff Deputy Joe Chudoba's domestic violence assistance program.

Thanks,

Immediate Past President
Lion Tom Rusert

"Special Kids Picnic" 2016

On July 20th 2016 the Grand Island NY Lions Club held their 58th annual "Special Kids Picnic" on the grounds of the Buffalo Launch Club. More than one thousand children with special needs, from all over Western New York, and their caregivers were treated to a day of fun that included pony rides, boat rides, Shriner Mini Kar rides, face painting and entertainment by Step in Time Baton Dancers. The Grand Island Fire Company had two vehicles on display. Sabretooth from the Buffalo Sabres, the Grand Island Lions Mascot, and Pringles the Clown, milled through the crowd and engaged the children. Lunch included hot dogs, hamburgers, soda and popcorn. Lion Annette Boies-Lobl, Picnic Chairman, gave credit to the many volunteers who helped our club carry this out. Volunteers included Lions from other clubs in District 20-N and from our sister Club of Merritton Ontario in District A-2, Canada as well as members of the Knights of Columbus, the Grand Island High School Football Team, Kenmore Boy Scout Troop 104 and the Schnettler Face Painters. Special thanks goes to the Brandel Murphy Youth Foundation for the picnic funding grant of \$2000, to the Buffalo Launch Club for donating their facilities, to the boat captains and Collins Marine who donated their boats and time including the Excalibur handicap accessible boat and to Tops Markets, Tim Horton's and Dunkin Donuts for their donations.



Lion Annette Boies-Lobl poses with Lions Club President Dick Crawford during our 58th Special Kids Picnic" held on the grounds of the Buffalo Launch Club. Lion Annette has single handedly chaired the picnic for the past ten years while Lion Dick has been an active member of Our Club for 27 years and is the first member to repeat as President.



A summer review in pictures. From upper left and clockwise: Our Club participation in the Grand Island Independence day Parade, Members Picnic on the Fahnings Boat, Donation of durable medical equipment to St Luke's Mission and Lions Kelly and Shelia collecting for the "White Cane" Fundraiser.





Lions A2/20N Picnic

This years picnic will be on the New York side of the river. Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, and other food will be provided, feel free to bring a dish to pass around. Games for all to enjoy!
RSVP by September 7

Where: 5 Senses Park
6535 Ward Rd Sanborn, Town of Wheatfield

Time: 12:00 noon

Date: Saturday September 10, 2016

RSVP: PDG Bob Shively 716-207-2896



HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Mary Jo Tucker
Thomas DiJohn
Brooks Rimes

Lions Vests/Shirts

Vests can be purchase form the Lions Website. <https://www2.lionsclubs.org/p-255-gold-vest.aspx> the lettering seems high in price. in the book. Stuarts store in Lewiston can do the lettering.

Lion Annette

Stuart Sports located in Lewiston NY specializes in computerized embroidery and screen printing for teams uniforms and corporate apparel. They do not sell Lions vests but will embroider and sew patches on vests provided by customers. If members are in need of polo shirts mention the Grand Island Lions as they have record of our logo and layout.

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9:00 AM - 6:00 PM



Lion Tom Rusert

Thanks to Lions Tom Rusert, Dick Crawford, Annette Boies-Lobl and Donna Lavallee for contributions to this newsletter. The deadline for the October Newsletter is Friday September 30th. If you have material for the newsletter, you can e-mail it to Lion Dave Chervinsky, the editor/publisher, at:

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