



The Grand Island Lion

April 2021

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Upcoming Events:

April 14th 2021
Lions General/Board
Meeting Time and lo-
cation TBA



WE SERVE

April 14th: Earth day
cleanup. Details TBA

April 26th: GI Lions
Spaghetti Dinner
Fundraiser.

SAVE THE DATE!

GRAND ISLAND LIONS CLUB



MONDAY, APRIL 26, 2021 5 PM – 8 PM

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HALL
1841 WHITEHAVEN ROAD
GRAND ISLAND, NY**

DRIVE-THROUGH ONLY

**DINNER INCLUDES BREAD & SALAD
\$8.00 ADULTS \$5.00 KIDS 7 & UNDER
WE WILL HAVE OUR POPULAR 50/50
AND A "BASKET-OR-TWO" RAFFLE!**

PRE-ORDERS ONLY!

**SEE OUR FACEBOOK PAGE TO PRE-ORDER:
facebook.com/groups/GILIONSCLUB**

Help us to help others!
We will be collecting non-perishable food items for
The Neighbors Foundation.

Spaghetti dinner artwork courtesy of Put-In-Bay (Ohio) Fire Company



Photo of Lion Kim Pressley sorting used eye-
glasses. Lion Bob Goulding found a Billy-
Fucillo-HUGE box of eyeglasses in his drive-
way. No note was found indicating where
they came from. Anybody have an idea?

Submitted by Lion Tom W.

Don't forget to wear
your magnetic Lion em-
blem. Show the public
you are a Lion. Words of
wisdom: Perseverance
breeds "success"

Lion Bob Goulding





We are excited for the rollout of our first drive-through spaghetti dinner. We have engaged a website called commit change to manage this event. Thanks to Lion Tom W for setting up and managing the site. We expect that many people will want to order their dinners and pay for them online. We will link the event on our Grand Island (NY) Lions Facebook page and ask our members to share it on yours. Please check it out. Attached find a flyer with the dinner information on it. Members selling paper tickets please return to Lion Dick ASAP. We are limiting sales to 300 and have no idea of how much interest there will be on Facebook, so don't wait to contact friends and family. All dinners must be prepaid. We will only do walk in orders if we haven't sold 300 meals. Many thanks to the 12 Lions who have already made a donation to our Basket Raffle. So far we have enough to make the 2 Baskets (**1 lottery tickets and 1 liquor– seen above**) plus \$75 toward hall rental and other expenses. We need more help to make this a ROARING success. Find me at PayPal, Venmo or Zelle or call me at (716)440-0841. Thank you. Lion Anne Fahning

GRAND ISLAND RENOVATIONS COMPLETE!

The keys have officially been handed over to the FJC from our amazing construction team!

The Covid-19 pandemic couldn't stop the determination and excitement for the new FJC Grand Island satellite. Crews were back to work in late summer to complete the head-to-toe update of this home.

Over the next few weeks, the spaces will be furnished, thanks to support from generous sponsors who have adopted rooms, and we look forward to cutting the ribbon and opening our doors in Spring 2021!



(Above): The kitchen received new cabinetry, lighting, flooring and paint.



(Far Left): The original floors were sanded and re-finished, and the stairway railings got a fresh coat of paint.

(Immediate Left): A new set of French doors separate the office space from the downstairs conference and client room.



Inside photos of the first floor of the renovated Family Justice Center in the former parsonage of Trinity United. A crew of nearly twenty volunteers recently participated in constructing all the furniture and lamps to be used in the facility. Grand opening is scheduled for late April.

Thanks to our generous Lion members 125 lbs. of food was donated to the Neighbors Foundation in March. Please feel free to drop off food (895 North Colony Road) or call 704-9644 for pick up.

Lion Tom Rusert

Our club, with such deserved thanks to our Lion predecessors, will be receiving \$1,550.78 as our share of the annual distribution from the former Lions Blind and Charity Fund, now part of the Community Foundation for Greater Buffalo. The funds are designated for charitable purposes only and are based upon our donations and support since October 2020 of organizations such as LCIF, Excalibur, Trinity United food drive, Ray Wheeler Humanitarian Fund, Grand Island Library, Gliding Stars and the Dr. Ann Stadelmeier Hearing Aid Fund. Despite the pandemic around us, we continue to serve making differences in countless lives here and around the world. It's



The club will be hosting a Diaper Drive in May to benefit FeedMore WNY. Due to the loss of tens of thousands of jobs in our area, the need is great for diapers and baby wipes per Catherine Shick who spoke to the club members via Zoom at our March 10th meeting. More details to follow.

Please return your empties to Bottle and Can Retrieval Center 2447 Grand Island Blvd, Grand Island, NY. Just mention that you would like the deposit money to be credited to the Grand Island Lions Club.



Stuart Sports has many styles and colors of polo shirts along with other apparel available. Stop in and peruse their catalogs and request that the Grand Island Lions logo be applied to your selection.



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Lion Tom Rusert

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Anne E. Fahning
Jeanine Justen
Gloria N Wise
Patrick Patterson

Thanks to Lions Tom Rusert, Bob Goulding, Tom Witkowski, Donna Lavalley, and Anne Fahning for contributions to this newsletter. The deadline for the May Newsletter is Tuesday April 27th. If you have material for the newsletter, you can e-mail it to Lion Dave Chervinsky, the editor/publisher:

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