



The Grand Island Lion

April 2025

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Wednesday April 9th:
Joint Grand Island/Merritton Lions Meeting.
Merritton Community Centre
Dinner at 6:30PM

Wednesday April 23rd
Joint Lions/Zonata/Rotary/Kiwanis Meeting
Buffalo Launch Club
Dinner at 7PM

April 28th:
GI Lions Spaghetti Dinner
Elldens Grill and Banquet
201 Whitehaven Rd
Grand Island NY
(See the Flyer on P3)

Wednesday May 8th
Lions General meeting
Guest speaker: Lions 20N District Governor
Site TBD

As we embrace the spring season, let us unite with renewed vigor and dedication to our community and our planet. April is a month brimming with opportunities for service, fellowship, and growth, and I am excited to share the upcoming events and activities that will inspire us all.

Mark your calendars for April 28th, when we will host our Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser. This event is crucial for raising funds that support our Kid's Picnic. It promises to be an evening filled with delicious food, delightful company, and a shared sense of purpose. Your attendance and support are invaluable to the success of this fundraiser.

We have two special meetings this month. The first will be in Merritton on April 9th, where we will visit with our twin club in Canada. The second meeting will take place at the Buffalo Launch Club with the Rotary, Zonta, and maybe Kiwanis on April 23rd. They are hosting a program on human trafficking. This joint meeting is an excellent opportunity to foster collaboration and build stronger ties with our fellow service organizations. More details on both meeting will follow.

And remember April also hosts Earth Day. There are environmental service projects that allow us to give back to our beautiful planet. These are perfect opportunities to demonstrate our commitment to sustainability and environmental stewardship. Your participation will make a significant impact, and together, we can contribute to a cleaner, greener world.

On the last Saturday of April, the global Lions community celebrates Worldwide Induction Day. This is a special occasion to welcome new members into our fold and expand our reach and influence. Keep asking your friends, neighbors, and relatives to join us in service.

Let us approach these events with enthusiasm and a spirit of camaraderie. Each of these activities is a chance for us to make a positive difference and exemplify the core values of the Grand Island Lion Club.



Lion President Jim



Our Deep condolences to Lion Susan Standora on the loss of her Son-in-Law, Aaron.

56th ANNUAL GRAND ISLAND LIONS CLUB



MONDAY, APRIL 28, 2025 5 PM – 8 PM

**ELLDEN'S GRILL AND BANQUET
201 WHITEHAVEN ROAD
GRAND ISLAND, NY**

DINNER INCLUDES MEATBALLS, BREAD & SALAD

\$12.00 ADULTS \$5.00 KIDS 7 & UNDER

EAT IN OR TAKE OUT

BAKED GOODS SALE, CASH BAR

WE WILL HAVE OUR POPULAR 50/50

AND BASKET RAFFLES

WE ARE ACCEPTING PRE-ORDERS!

SEE OUR FACEBOOK PAGE TO PRE-ORDER:

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or CALL LION DICK CRAWFORD AT 716-818-6992

Help us to help others!

**We will be collecting non-perishable food items and diapers for
The Neighbors Foundation.**

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

District 20N Cabinet Meeting



Saturday, May 10th

**Orchard Park
Presbyterian Church
4369 South Buffalo St
Orchard Park**

9 AM Registration

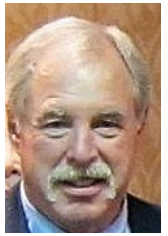
**District Training Sessions will also be held –
Cost will be per Club**

**Email CS John Bernard with names of attending
Lions**

Jpbernard6760@gmail.com

**All Lions are welcome Please
bring a guest**

Please return your empties to Bottle and Can Retrieval Center 2447 Grand Island Blvd, Grand Island, **Grand Island Can and Bottle Retrieval Center** is now tracking our donations when items are left for them to credit our account.



Donations for the Neighbors Foundation are on the upswing so please continue to bring any of the listed items to our meetings or drop off Tops gift cards, food items and checks/cash to me and I will deliver to them. They are also in need of diapers, toiletries and personal care items.

Thank you, Lion Tom Rusert

Grand Island Lions Service Projects for February:

- 2/21/2025 Kids Eye Screening
- 2/27/2025 Monthly Newsletter
- 2/28/2025 MOW
- 2/28/2025 Loan Closet



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Lion Tom Rusert

Thanks to Lions Tom Rusert, Jim Ryan, Tom Witkowski, Anne Fahning, and Dick Crawford for contributions to this newsletter. The deadline for the May Newsletter is Friday April 25th. If you have material for the newsletter, you can e-mail it to Lion Dave Chervinsky, the editor/publisher at: grandislandliondave@gmail.com.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Anne E. Fahning
Jeanine Justen
Deborah Hays
Patrick Patterson