



# The Grand Island Lion

## July-August 2013

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**The split club is now \$113 and counting...**

Lion President Tom drew the four of Spades at our May 23rd meeting.



**WE SERVE**

### Upcoming events:

July:



**Tuesday July 4th:**

**Independence Day Parade**  
Meet at McMahons Restaurant  
8:30AM

**Wednesday July 17th:**

**Special Kids Picnic**  
**Buffalo Launch Club**  
See inside for details

**Saturday July 27th:**

**Members Picnic**  
**Bob and Anne Fahning's Boat**  
**2186 East River Rd.**  
**Dinner 4 PM**



### Now is Our Time

Summer is here and it's the busy season for the Grand Island Lions. First the 4th of July Parade and then, most importantly, the Special Kids Picnic, right around the corner on Wednesday, July 17th.

This is our single greatest service project to the community. It may even be a primary reason that you joined. If you have not been as active as you'd like to be, here is your opportunity.

Your help is needed. Call Chairperson Annette (773-3530) and she will help you find an assignment.

Come see the children having a great time! I'll see you there.

Lion President-Elect Brooks

**Members Picnic: To be held on July 27th at Bob and Anne Fahning's boat (2186 East River Rd.). Dinner is at 4 PM and we leave the dock around at 5 PM. The Phone tree will be calling members for a count and ask to bring appetizers or dessert. Cost will be \$15 payable at the picnic. Hope to see everyone there!**

### 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade:

Lions We will be meeting in front of McMahon's Restaurant at 8:30AM for the Parade. Dress is chachi pants or shorts and dark blue or black shirt. (Lions shirt or vest always works). The street will close to vehicular traffic at aprox. 8:45AM.

**2013-14 Grand Island Lions Committees**

## COMMITTEE CHAIR MEMBERS

Awards (Melvin Jones & Uplinger)	Paul	
Basket Auction	Anne	Annette, Brooks, Henry, Larry, Sheila, Tom W
Bon Ton Annette (Fall)	Anne, Dave, Henry, Sheila	
Budget	Dick C.	Anne, Brooks, Diane, Henry, Tom W
Christmas Party	Fred & Tammy	
Christmas Tree Sale	Sean/Brian	All members
Club Liaison (cabinet mtg)	Brooks	
Eyeglass requests	Tom W.	Henry, Paul
Eyeglass collections	Corey	
Hearing aid collections	Donna	
Fourth of July Parade	Anne	All members
Installation Dinner	Tom W.	
Lions Directory	Dave	
Loan Closet	Fred	Dick C., Dave
Meals on Wheels	Annette	Anne, Dave, Henry, Mary Jo, Paul, Tom W.
Members Picnic	Tom W.	
Membership	Tom W.	
Newsletter/Website	Dave	
Nominating	Paul, Tom W.	
Peace Poster	Paul	Diane, Donna, Dan
Phone	Mary Jo	
Program	Brooks	
Publicity	Dave	Al, Dick, Henry, Mike
Scholarship	Paul	Brooks, Mark, others
Sight Night	Tom W.	
Sight/Photoscreening	Tom W.	
Spaghetti Dinner	Dick C.	Dan
Special Kids Picnic	Annette	All members
Sunshine	Eduardo, Mike	
Valentine's Day	Brooks & Brenda	
Vision Beyond Sight/Neighbors for Sight	Tom W.	
Wendy's	Annette (Fall)	Anne, Dave, Henry, Mike, Tom W.
White Cane	Henry	All members

Attention: All Incoming Officers, New Lions and all Lions in the District!

**Annual District 20-N Leadership Forum**

St John Vianney School  
2950 Southwestern Boulevard, Orchard Park, NY 14127  
(Behind the Church)

Saturday, August 17<sup>th</sup>, 2013

10:00 AM Registration

11:30 PM Lunch at the school

Training Sessions at Sessions at 10:30 AM & 1:00 PM

**Something for everyone**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> President/ Vice Presidents                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Tail Twisters & Lion Tamers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Zone & Region Chairman                             | <input type="checkbox"/> Lions SEE                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Secretaries  | <input type="checkbox"/> Treasurers                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Guiding Lions                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Identifying NYS and Bermuda Foundation             |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <u>Making</u> your club relevant to your community |  |

Each Club is asked to send a check payable to District 20-N for \$20.00 to assist the West Seneca Lions with food and drinks. We are asking for reservations so that we can be sure to have enough materials and food. Please get your check and the names of those attending to us by August 10<sup>th</sup>.

Lion Joe Biondo, @ (716) 625-6006 or Lion Dave Conley (716) 674-3964  
ADDRESS 4636 Meyer Rd., Pendleton, N. Y. -- 287 Oakbrook Dr., West Seneca, NY 14224  
Name of Club # Attending

Check enclosed for \$20.00 .....

**Grand Island Lions Club Special Kids Picnic**

Wednesday July 17, 2012

Buffalo Launch Club

503 East River Road, Grand Island, New York

**Schedule of Events**

Activities All Day Beginning 10:30 am

Boat Rides

Pony Rides

Kar Rides- Shriners

Clowns

Magicians

Face Painting- All children need to take boat rides before having face painting done.

Popcorn ,soda, water

Sabretooth Visit between 11:00 am – 12:30 pm – when he arrives

Niagara Experience Players 11:30 am

Grand Island Fire Department Visit

Hotdogs and Hamburgers- 11:15am- 1:45 pm



On June 12<sup>th</sup> the Grand Island Lions Club held their annual Installation Dinner at the Grand Island Holliday Inn. In addition to Officers installed, the Club gave out milestone awards for years of service: Tom Rusert (15 years), Fred Ruocco and Tom Witkowski (20 years), Tom DeCarlo, Pat Patterson, and Earl DeGlopper (35 years).

1) Officers pictured at the event are from left to right: Lions Tom Witkowski (Immediate Past President), Paul Bassette (Director), Donna Lavallee (First Vice President, Recording Secretary), Annette Boies-Lobl (Corresponding Secretary), Brooks Rimes (President), Al Ackerman (Lion Tamer), Tom Rusert (Second Vice President), Dave Chervinsky and Anne Fahning (Directors), Fred Ruocco, (Tail Twister), and Dick Crawford (Treasurer). Not present was Norm Hahn (Director). In addition to the slate of officers and directors, the Lions awarded Teresa Hooper with the Lions Club International Foundation Melvin Jones Award. The award is the LCIF's highest honor. Hooper is the Past President of the Miracle League of Grand Island and was the driving force behind the successful completion of the Miracle League Field on the Island.

2) Posing with Teresa Hooper holding her Melvin Jones Award are past Melvin Jones recipients from left: Dave Chervinsky, Al Ackerman, Dick Crawford, Hooper, Tom Witkowski and Paul Bassette.

Thanks to Lions Annette Boies-Lobl, Anne Fahning, Donna Lavallee and Brooks Rimes for contributions to this newsletter. The deadline for the September Newsletter is Saturday August 31st. If you have material for the newsletter, you can e-mail it to Lion Dave Chervinsky, the editor/publisher, at: [grandislandliondave@gmail.com](mailto:grandislandliondave@gmail.com).

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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**



Paul Bassette  
Dan Morabito  
Earl DeGlopper  
Mark Frentzel  
Gary Tucker  
Louis Macro

Donna Lavallee  
Shelia Ferrentino  
Lawrence Furnia