The Grand Island Lion January 2015

Split Club Jackpot is \$38



Upcoming events:

Wednesday January 28th GI Lions General Meeting Buffalo Launch Club Program: Regina Weise "Friends Feeding Friends" Cocktails 6:30PM Dinner 7PM

BOD meeting to follow

Sunshine



Congratulations to Lion Paul Krupa and his wife Judy on the birth of their first grandchild, Matthew. Happy New Year! I would like to thank Lion Fred and Tammy Ruocco for hosting our annual Christmas Party this year at the Buffalo Launch Club. They always have new unique games and fun, we certainly had the best party going this year at the launch club. The generosity of our club amazes me. We brought monetary gifts for the Grand Island Neighbors Foundation and food and supplies for the SPCA. In addition I was contacted by a Lion in West Seneca. Their club provides food bas-



kets to local veterans in need. Because of the high number of veterans on the list this year they contacted other district 20N clubs to see if they could assist if the veteran resided in their area. In addition to the other charities listed above we collected \$100 for a Grand Island veteran with 3 small children. She is currently living with her parents on Grand Island. I purchased a \$100 in Tops gifts cards and delivered it to her on behalf of the club. This unexpected gift really helped make their Christmas brighter! Thank you very much. With the new year upon us many of our members with travel to sunny Florida to escape the winter. Safe travels, we'll see you in the Spring! Because of this, the club will be meeting only once a month for Jan, Feb and March these meetings will be at the Buffalo Launch Club unless otherwise specified. Please make every effort to attend these meetings, a board meeting will follow. I have heard back from the Grand Island Cooperative Nursery School. they are very interested in having the Screening Eyes Early program come to their school. I will be contacting Paul Peters to see when he is available. I will be sending an email out for our club participation. Thanks again for all you do!



The Grand Island Lions held their annual Christmas Party on December 10th at the Buffalo Launch Club. It had an ugly sweater theme and Lion Fred Ruocco and Wife Tammy provided the entertainment with holiday songs, games and cheer. Gifts were dropped off for the Erie County SPCA and donations were collected for the Neighbors Foundation. One hundred dollars was also collected when the hat was passed for a Grand Island Veteran in need. Pictured lower left: in a "tree" decorating contest from the Lt. are Diana Witkowski, Jane Chervinsky, Lion Dave Chervinsky, Brenda Rimes and Lion Brooks Rimes. Lower Rt: Lion Fred Ruocco framing himself and top picture a collage of memories.

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Meals on Wheels Call for Help!

We are looking for Lions to help out with our Club's commitment to deliver MOW on the following dates:

January 02 Annette and Mary Jo Tom and Paul Krupa

January 16 Route 1 Mary Jo tucker ? Route 2

February 06 Route 1 Mary Jo tucker ? Route 2

February 20 Route 1 Route 2

March 06 Route 1 Mary Jo tucker ? Route 2

If you would be able to help please contact Paul Krupa at 775-5676.



"Who gets meals on wheels?"





Allen Ackerman

Update on Bon Ton fundraiser: We received a check from the store for \$153.70 bringing the project total to \$948.70

Lion Annette

Neighbors Foundation Donation: Lions attending the Christmas Party contributed \$315 to the foundation.

Lion Annette

Thanks to Lions Donna Lavallee, Tom Witkowski, and Annette Boies-Lobl for contributions to this newsletter. The deadline for the February Newsletter is Friday January 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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