



# The Grand Island Lion

March 2018

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## Upcoming Events:

### Wednesday March 14th

Lions General Meeting  
Location BLC  
Speaker: Beverly Kinney  
Solar Energy on Grand Island

### Wednesday April 11th

Location Radisson Inn  
Program: Anne Fahning  
Assessment Review

### Wednesday April 25th

GI/Merritton Joint Meeting  
Merritton Community Centre  
Cocktails 6PM Dinner 6:30PM

### Wednesday May 9th

Location Radisson Inn

### Wednesday May 23rd

Location BLC

### Wednesday June 13th

Installation Dinner  
Location BLC

Well spring is in the air, but you would never know based on our latest weather forecast. VP Shelia tells me the club had a well attended bowling night which was apparently a lot of fun. This was our only meeting in February so I have little to write about. As some of you know, Annette had back surgery Feb. 16, is home, and receiving antibiotics IV three times a day. On February 19 I and Tom W. attended a Region 1 and 2 meeting. All clubs reported on activities. Of note was the fact that vision screening was performed on 800 children in our public and parochial schools and child care centers. Other topics discussed were, 1 The DG would like a list of all eye glass collection locations and the Lion responsible. 2 PDG Carol Perry stated that NYS and the Bermuda Foundation is looking for grant applications for matching funds up to \$5000. Lewiston Lions Club is sponsoring a 5K Run/Walk for diabetes awareness on April 29. This is a fun and worthwhile activity some of us might like to participate in. Monies raised will go toward sending children with Type 1 diabetes to camp badger. This past month we received a member application which will be our seventh new member for this year. I am looking forward to the return of the club's snow birds {I wish I were one this year} and the resumption of the two meetings per month in April. Meanwhile Beverly Kinney, who has done investigation on alternative energy will speak at the March 11 meeting at the BLC. Please those members responsible for phone tree it is important that we have attendance and meal participation members by the weekend before-March 11.  
LP Henry Lobl,



## Sunshine:



Our thoughts and prayers go out to Lion Annette as she recovers from back surgery.



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Lion Anne Fahning of Our Grand Island Lions Club returned to Nicauragua this winter to help the Hopeful Ways Mission. Above are pictures from her trip.



 We Serve	<h1>Spaghetti Dinner</h1> <p>To benefit the Grand Island Lions Club.</p>
<b>When</b>	<b>Monday April 23th 2018</b> <b>from 5 PM to 8 PM</b>
<b>Where</b>	<b>Radisson Inn</b> <b>100 Whitehaven Rd.</b> <b>Grand Island NY 14072</b>
<b>Tickets</b>	<b>\$8 Adults, \$5 Children</b>

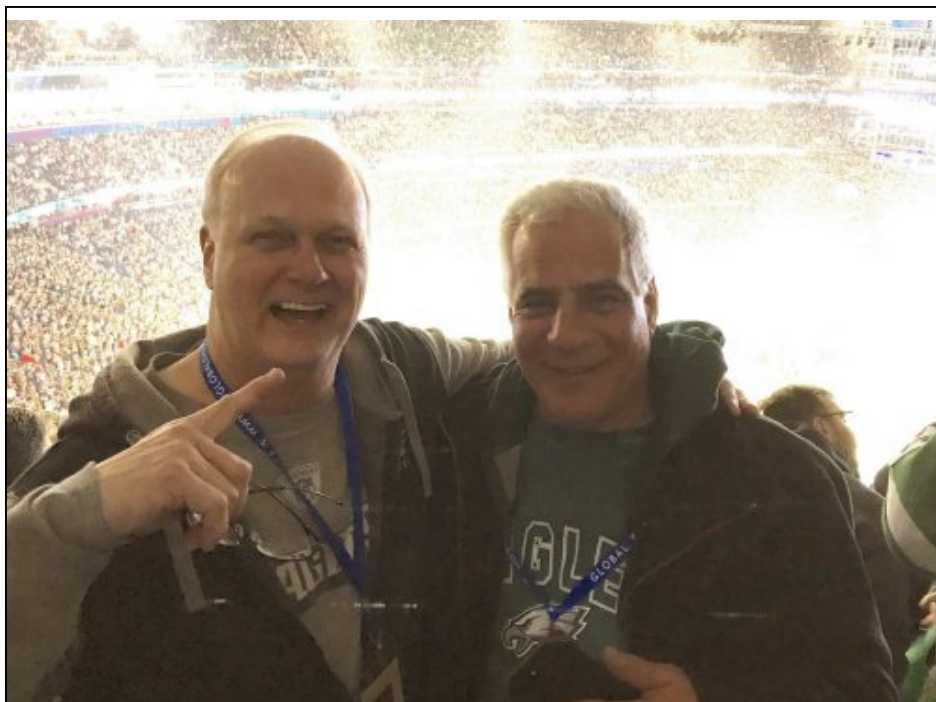
.Once again "Kids Day", The Buffalo News special sale date, is the morning after our Spaghetti Dinner. This year it is Tuesday, April 24th. We only need about 6 volunteers. That way we can stagger the shifts to 1.5 hours each in case the weather is not good. Please consider helping this year. It is such a worthwhile cause. You can either work from 6-7:30 or 7:30 -9. If someone can help me load papers at 5:30 at the Knights of Columbus, I would appreciate it. Contact me at 440-0841 if you can help. Than You. Lion Anne

In March we will begin working on the Basket Raffle for the Spaghetti Dinner. It has become an important part of our event. Raising over !,000 each year. It is important to have a nice variety of baskets, so anything you can donate will help! If you know a business owner, consider asking them for something to donate. No need to contribute an entire basket. I will put together items to complete a basket.

If you are willing to make a few calls to local businesses contact me at 440-0841.

Many hands make light work!

Lion Anne



Here is Richard Louis of Millville, DE who was the third Second Chance bidder who bought our Super Bowl package. He is with his good friend Gary Noce at Super Bowl LII. Pretty darn good seats of the action too!  
Lion Tom Witkowski



Here is some information on the dinner theater production that Kiwanis is sponsoring - the date is Friday April 27 at 7pm at the Beaver Island Clubhouse. If anyone in the Lions Club -or anyone you know is interested in going let me know. I have tickets. \$50 per person - that includes dinner and the show - it's like going to a 'real' wedding! Audience participation and dancing ! And there will be a cash bar...

\*\*\* For info about this event, contact Lion Dick Crawford

Members should continue to bring nonperishable food items to our meetings for benefit of the Neighbors Foundation Food Bank, and used cell phones can be re-purposed by the Erie County Sheriff's domestic violence unit.



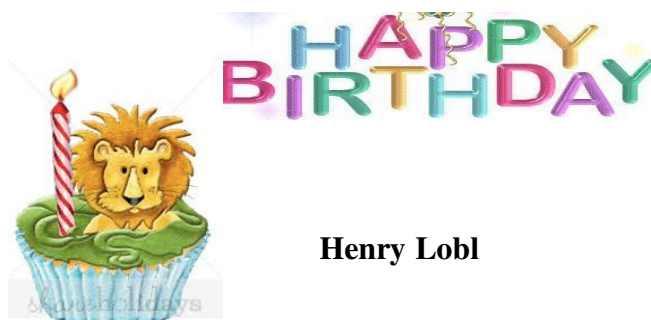
Also Bottle Junction credits our club 6 cents on every deposit can or bottle returned. The advantage of this donation is you do not have to wait. Just tell them to donate the proceeds to the Lions. Our last return from this was \$94.02. Thank you to all who participated.

Lion Tom Rusert

Thanks to Lions Tom Witkowski, Anne Fahning, Henry Lobl, Shelia Ferrentino, Dick Crawford and Tom Rusert for contributions to this newsletter. The deadline for the April Newsletter is Wednesday March 28th. If you have material for the newsletter, you can e-mail it to Lion Dave Chervinsky, the editor/publisher, at: [grandislandiodave@gmail.com](mailto:grandislandiodave@gmail.com).

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