



The Grand Island Lion

November 2018

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Upcoming Events:



WE SERVE

November 10th
Lions Health Fair
Trinity Church

November 14th
Lions General Meeting
The Radisson Inn
Cocktails 6:30 Dinner 7PM
Program: Elizabeth O'Donnell
Gliding Stars * Tentative

December 12th
Lions Christmas Party
Date and Location TBA

February 27th 2019
Bowling at Mallwitz Lanes

April 24th 2019
Visit Merritton

April 29th 2019
Spaghetti Dinner

October is zipping by. Soon Thanksgiving will be upon us and it brings thoughts of gratitude for all the wonderful people in our Grand Island Lions Club and all the service organizations around the world. Thank you to all that give so selflessly of their time, treasure and talent to make a better life for those less fortunate. Thank you...2 small words with so much meaning. October was a great month for Lionism. Our Joint Service Club Meeting was a huge success and will lead us to collaborate on a joint project together. Dinner with the Merritton Lions was as usual a great evening breaking bread together. Lots of laughs and comradery. Thank you Merritton Lions for all your support over the years. We have our Health Fair coming up on November 10th at Trinity Church from 11-2. We have lots of vendors coming to support our efforts. Please spread the word and share our flyer. A Lions Toast...Not above you...Not beneath you...But with you! Lion President Shelia



Health & Wellness Fair
When: Saturday, November 10th
Where: Trinity Church, 2100 Whitehaven Rd, Grand Island
Time: 11:00 am – 2:00 pm
Cost: FREE

Sponsored by Grand Island Lions Club



- **Hearing Screening**
- **Eye Screening**
- **Flu Shots/Meds checked - Island Prescription Ctr.**
- **Chiropractic Services**
- **Family Justice Center**
- **"Ask a Dentist"**
- **Fitness / Yoga**
- **Essential Oils / Aroma Therapy**
- **Opioid Task Force / Narcan Training**
- **G.I. Golden Age Center**
- **UNYTS**
- **Nutrition / Weight Loss**
- **Erie County Sheriff Ofc - Domestic Violence Unit**
- **G.I. Fire Department**
- **Mount St. Mary's Hospital**
- **Kids Escaping Drugs**

For additional information, contact Kelly McGarvey @ 491-8510

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Lion Bob Goulding drew the seven of clubs at our last meeting. The pot was \$14 and any ace drawn will win the pot.

2018 – 2019 Directors Meeting Schedule

2018

July 25th - 6:30 at the Howard Hanna Office, 2139 Grand Island Boulevard

August 22nd - 6:30 at the Howard Hanna Office, 2139 Grand Island Boulevard

September 26th

October 24th (Tentative)

November 14th

December 19th - 6:30 at the Howard Hanna Office, 2139 Grand Island Boulevard

2019

January 23rd

February 27th - 6:30 at the Howard Hanna Office, 2139 Grand Island Boulevard

March 27th

April 24th (Tentative)

May 22nd

June 26th Transition - 6:30 at the Howard Hanna Office, 2139 Grand Island Boulevard

Meals on Wheels:

We continue to deliver MOW twice monthly (the first and third Fridays). It takes about 1 hour . If anyone is interested in joining the team please contact Annette at 773-3530

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. Last month we received 175.86! Thank you to all who participated.

Lion Tom Rusert

Lewiston Community Lions is hosting a raffle to raise funds for a community playground for all children of all abilities. The playground will be built in conjunction with the Town and Village of Lewiston. The three prizes are \$5,000, \$2,000, and \$1,000. Drawing will be held May 1, 2019. Tickets are \$50.00 each. The club is also looking for volunteers to help build it starting next spring. For tickets, contact me. If you would like to split the purchase of a ticket with others, that is doable. Contact me about that also.

For more info on the park, contact Lion Lynn Bahringer at 716-807-2409 or via email at bahringer@aol.com. The club's website is www.LewistonCommunityLions.org.

The club has witnessed the success of our community's Miracle League playground and have reached out for assistance in leveraging funds and people-power and LionPower to get the job done. Where there is a need, Lions will be there.

Lion Tom Witkowski
716-909-1862

***THE GRAND FINALE!** Last summer, down on Lake Isabella, located in the high desert, an hour east of Bakersfield, CA, some folks, new to boating, were having a problem. No matter how hard they tried, they couldn't get their brand new 22 foot boat going. It was very sluggish in almost every maneuver, no matter how much power they applied. After about an hour of trying to make it go, they putted into a nearby marina, thinking someone there may be able to tell them what was wrong. A thorough topside check revealed everything in perfect working condition. The engine ran fine, the out-drive went up and down, and the propeller was the correct size and pitch. So, one of the marina guys jumped in the water to check underneath. He came up choking on water, he was laughing so hard. Under the boat, still strapped securely in place, was the trailer!

Lion Dick





On October 24th the Grand Island Lions hosted a joint meeting with their Sister Lions Club of Merritton Ontario. The meeting was held at the Moose Lodge on Grand Island Blvd. Guest speaker was Ontario District A-2 Governor Zoltan Dohar who spoke to both clubs about service to their communities and on an international level. Lion Amber Bell, President of the Merritton Lions Accepted a Certificate of Congratulations presented by Governor Dohar on behalf of her Club's 80th Charter Anniversary. Our Lions inducted two new members into Our Club, Mike Kelly, General Manager of the Fucillo Group on Grand Island and Samantha Miller, Sales Associate at Fucillo. Pictured above are from the left A-2 Governor Zoltan Dohar, Lions Dave Chervinsky, Samantha Miller, Mike Kelly, Dick Crawford and Shelia Ferrentino. Below left are Amber Bell and Governor Dohar while on the right Governor Dohar addresses our Clubs. Pictures courtesy Lion Glenn Connell.





On Wednesday October 10th the Grand Island Lions Hosted a joint service club meeting at the Buffalo Launch Club. Participating Clubs included the Rotary, Kiwanis, Zonta, American Legion, Women of the Moose, and the Grand Island Lions Club. Each club discussed their service projects and activities in the community and talked about joint service projects the clubs could be involved in. Mary Travers Murphy from the Family Justice Center was Keynote Speaker and gave a compelling talk about Domestic Violence and what the Justice Center is doing to combat it. Mary also talked about the satellite Justice Center location at the MOG on Grand Island, and Brian Mohr of the Domestic Violence Unit Erie County Sheriff's Office, and Bill Long from the Anti-Bullying Project added to the discussion. Pictured above left are participants of the joint service clubs meeting; above right Mary Travers with Lion President Shelia Ferrantino and below is Peter Kuszezak of the Knights of Columbus Council 4752 presenting a \$200 check to Grand Island Lions President Shelia Ferrantino for the Lions "Special Kids Picnic." Moneys were collected at the Knights Chicken Barbeque held in July.



Thanks to Lions Annette-Boies Lobl, Shelia Ferrantino, Donna Lavallee, Kelly McGarvey and Tom Rusert for contributions to this newsletter. The deadline for the December Newsletter is Thursday November 29th. If you have material for the newsletter, you can e-mail it to Lion Dave Chervinsky, the editor/publisher, at: grandislandlionsdave@gmail.com.

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HAPPY
BIRTHDAY

Gerald Dubiel