



# The Grand Island Lion

## November 2022

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### Upcoming Events:

#### Lions Meetings for 2022:

Nov 9th  
Moose Lodge 6:30PM  
District Gov. visit  
Food will be catered



Dec 14th  
GI Lions Christmas Party  
BLC cocktails 6PM Dinner 7PM

Lions,

The district fall conference will be held on Saturday November 5<sup>th</sup> at J's White Elephant, 1404 Abbott Road, Lackawanna, NY. Registration at 9:00am, meeting begins at 10:00am. Lunch will follow the meeting, \$20.00 per person. This meeting is open to all club members.

At our last meeting we picked the club's winning Peace poster drawings. Middle school aged young adults put together their drawing based on "Originality, artistic merit, and expression of theme "Lead with compassion". 50 students participated in this program run by Lion Paul Bassette, and Grand Island Art teacher Drew Dulak. Our long-standing club's success with this program is attributed to Lion Paul's direction and Mr. Dulak's commitment every year of promoting and working with his students to compete. We honor six students every year, the first-place winner goes on to represent our club in the next round of competition at the district 20N level.

At our next general meeting we will induct two new members Jenny Bagen and Susan Standora. Our District Governor Michael Yost will be making his official visit to our club on November 9<sup>th</sup> at the Moose Lodge #180 and will be officiating the induction of our new members. Please make every attempt to join us.



### SUNSHINE:

Please keep Lions Paul Bassette, Tom Butler and Bob Goulding in your thoughts and prayers.



**WE SERVE**



Without community service, we would not have a strong quality of life. It's important to the person who serves as well as the recipient. It's the way in which we ourselves grow and develop.



Lion Dick



**Singles Champ  
Lion President Dick Crawford**



**Team Champs Sarah and  
Lion Tom Witkowski**



**PIS Peggy Rusert, President  
Dick and Lion Jim Ryan**



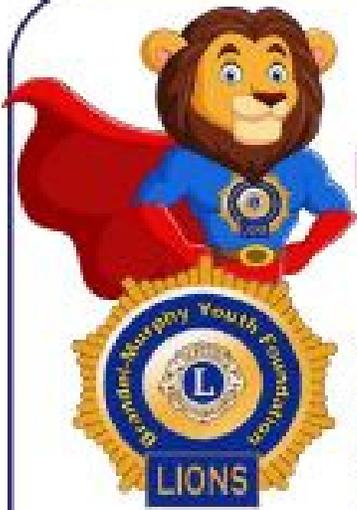
**New Lions  
Sue Standora (l.)  
and Jenny Bagen**



**"AX" ME: WHERE DID GRAND ISLAND LIONS MEET?**

For their first October meeting, the Grand Island Lions met at a unique island venue called Grand Throw House, a place where one can throw axes and knives to relax or compete in a clean and friendly atmosphere. After a brief meeting and a delicious pot luck meal, GTH employee Sarah set out to teach participating Lions the art of chucking axes and knives at wall-mounted targets. Single and team competitions quickly arose making it a fun and enjoyable meeting. It was a great way to introduce our newest Lions Sue and Jenny to the fun side of our club.

Lion Tom Witkowski



# Super Hero Raffle

Be A Super Hero For Children In Need

Drawing will be held Super Bowl Sunday, February 12, 2023

Grand Prize - \$5,000



- 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize: \$ 2,000
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize: \$ 1,000
- 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Prizes: \$ 500
- 6<sup>th</sup> thru 9<sup>th</sup> Prizes: \$ 250

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 We are a 501(c)(3) organization. Contributions are deductible to the extent allowed by law.



Save the date!  
July 16, 2023

V.I.P.  
Visually Impaired  
Picnic



Five Senses Nature Park  
Home of Town of Wheatfield Lions  
6535 Ward Road, Wheatfield, NY



Food, Games and Fun planned for all!

*You and your club are welcomed to be a part of it!*

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HAPPY  
BIRTHDAY



James Ryan  
Thomas Digati

Thanks to Lions Tom Rusert, Donna Lavallee, Tom Witkowski and Dick Crawford for contributions to this newsletter. The deadline for the December Newsletter is Friday November 25th. If you have material for the newsletter, you can e-mail it to Lion Dave Chervinsky, the editor/publisher at:

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Mary Clancy goes up to Father O'Grady after his Sunday morning service, and she's in tears. He says, "So what's bothering you, Mary my dear?" She says, "Oh, Father, I've got terrible news. My husband passed away last night." The priest says, "Oh, Mary, that's terrible. Tell me, Mary, did he have any last requests?" She says, "That he did, Father." The priest says, "What did he ask, Mary?" She says He said, 'Please Mary, put down that damn gun!'

A drunk staggers into a Catholic Church, enters a confessional booth, sits down but says nothing. The Priest coughs a few times to get his attention but the drunk continues to sit there. Finally, the Priest pounds three times on the wall. The drunk mumbles, "ain't no use knockin, there's no paper on this side either."

Submitted by Lion Dave

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.**

**Lion Tom Rusert**

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Lion Tom Rusert