



# The Grand Island Lion

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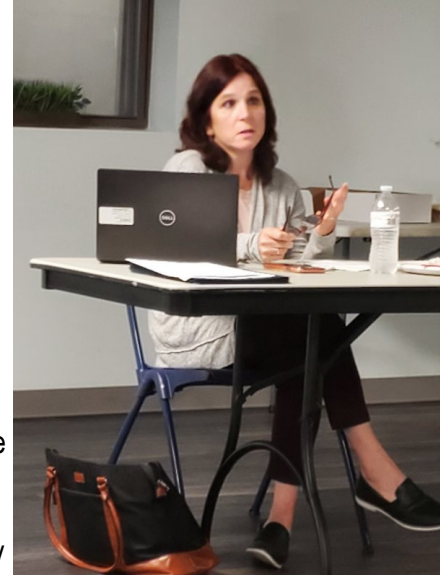


### Upcoming Events:

**October 13th 2021**  
**G.I. Lions General Meeting**  
**Mallwitz Lanes**  
**Meeting Time 6:30PM**  
**Bowling to follow**

**October 27th 2021**  
**Lions General and BOD Meetings**  
**G.I. Recreation Ctr. Whitehaven Rd.**  
**Dinner 6:30PM**  
**Program TBA**

The guest speaker at our Lions September 22nd meeting was Dr. Laurene Tumiel-Berhalter who is an Associate Professor & Director of Community Translational Research in the Dept. of Family Medicine at the Jacobs School of Medicine & Biomedical Sciences. She is a co-investigator on the Environmental Health Study for WNY and leads the Community Engagement team. They are in a 10-year study regarding the effects of the Tonawanda Coke Plant to the surrounding areas and to create a well-informed community. There is an epidemiological study that will report health affects in the area and a soil sampling study looking at the spread of toxins in the area surrounding Tonawanda Coke. Preliminary results are expected to be reported in the near future.



**Dr. Laurene Tumiel-Berhalter**

### 50/50



Lion Paul Bassette Picked a Gold nugget at our September 22nd meeting and won \$19 in the pot! Lion Paul donated his winnings to the Neighbors Foundation. Pictured above, Lion Treasurer Tom Witkowski assists our guest speaker select the winner.

Below is a link that allows you to review and vote for potential grants from the Tonawanda coke settlement. Please click the link <https://tonawanda.wishpondpages.com> and vote for a project in both Tier 1 and Tier 2.

**Lion Dick Crawford**



Lions Gathered at the Community Center on Whitehaven Rd for our September 22nd meeting. Check out upcoming events for similar meetings.

**Thank You**

Dear Grand Island Lions Club,  
 Thank you very much for the financial support of Visually Impaired Advancement. And thank you for the support you provide to visually impaired and blind people you serve as part of your mission. Sincerely,  
 Linn Rafelsen  
 Board of Trustees

Five surgeons are discussing what type of person makes the best patient to operate on. The first surgeon, from Belfast City Hospital, says, "I like to see accountants on my operating table because when you open them up, everything inside is numbered."



The second, from Antrim Area Hospital, responds, "Yeah, but you should try electricians! Everything inside them is colour coded."

The third surgeon, from Royal Belfast Hospital, says, "No, I really think librarians are the best! Everything inside them is in alphabetical order."

The fourth surgeon, from Musgrave Park Hospital "You know, I like construction workers...Those guys always understand when you have a few parts left over."

But the fifth surgeon, from Ulster Hospital, Dundonald, shut them all up when he observed: 'You're all wrong. Politicians are the easiest to operate on.

There's no guts, no heart, no balls, no brains, and no spine... Plus, the head and the behind are interchangeable.'

Submitted by Lion Dick



Don't forget to wear your magnetic Lion emblem. Show the public you are a Lion. Words of wisdom: Perseverance breeds "success"

Lion Bob Goulding



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.**



Also donations for the Neighbors Foundation can be brought to each meeting or dropped off to me at 895 North Colony Road.

Lion Tom Rusert



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It's just a short drive to Lewiston: Stuart Sports 486 Center St. Lewiston, NY (716-754-4895) <http://www.stuartsportsinc.com/>

Lion Tom Rusert



Thanks to Lions Tom Rusert, Bob Goulding, Dick Crawford, Kelly McGarvey, Donna Lavalley and Shelia Ferrentino for contributions to this newsletter. The deadline for the October Newsletter is Friday October 29th. If you have material for the newsletter, you can e-mail it to Lion Dave Chervinsky, the editor/publisher: [grandislandiondave@gmail.com](mailto:grandislandiondave@gmail.com).

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