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The Peace Poster display in the Grand Island Memorial Library by the Grand Island Lions Club represents the artistic achievements from children ages 11 to 13 from Grand Island and other communities in New York state.

## Lions Peace Posters on display at GI library



Susan Castro 1st Place Mult District 20



Molly Bloom 2nd Place Mult District 20



Hui Yang 3rd Place Mult District 20



The youngsters create their own Peace Posters on a particular theme about peace, and then the posters are judged in competition with many others, based on expression of theme, originality and artistic merit. Winners of the local level go on to compete in the district level of Lions Clubs. The district level winner then competes on a state or multi-district level. Finally, the winner of the state or multi-district level goes on to compete on the international level.

The winning Peace Posters on display in the Grand Island library are the first-, second- and third-place winners from the

Grand Island Lions Club for 2004-05 and the first- and second-place winners from the club for 2005-06.

The first-place winner from Grand Island for 2005-06 is Marshall Cancilla, who also placed third in the state competition. The second place winner from Grand Island is Isaiah Brown. Their theme was "Peace without Borders."

The New York state winners for 2004-05, which are professional reproductions, will stay up permanently, and the Grand Island winners will

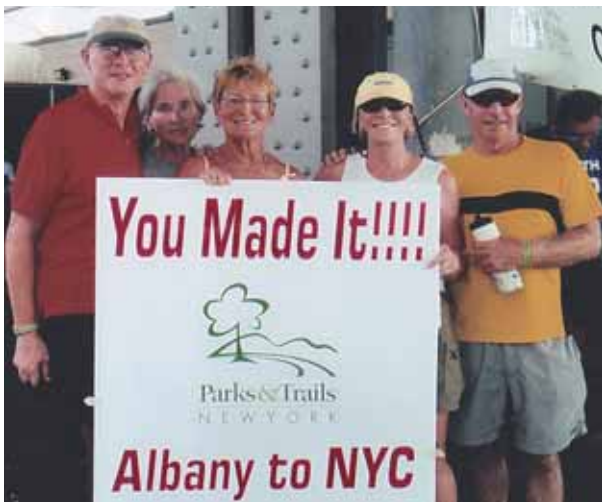
be displayed each year for 12 months.

The Grand Island Lions Club hopes you will visit the display and enjoy the creative artwork the children have done to express their thoughts on peace.



In the Lions Club Peace Poster contest for 2005-06, Grand Island's first-place winner is Marshall Cancilla, and the second-place winner is Isaiah Brown. Cancilla also came in third in the Lions Club's statewide competition. Their posters will be on display for a year at the Grand Island Memorial Library. The winners of the 2004-05 contest are on permanent display in the library. (photos by Barbi Lare)

## Chamberlains pedal through Hudson Valley



The tour ended at the foot of Manhattan, in view of the Statue of Liberty. "Biking is such an exciting way to experience this beautiful country," Chamberlain said. Sharon and Jim Chamberlain of Grand Island recently rode bicycles in the second annual Great Hudson Valley Pedal.

Sharon and Jim Chamberlain of Grand Island recently participated in the second annual Great Hudson Valley Pedal, which took place Aug. 15-20. Also joining the Chamberlains were Shirley Siemba of Tonawanda and Rose and Bruce Thill of Midland, Mich.

This biking event, organized by New York Parks and Trails, took them on a six-day, 200-mile bicycle tour from Albany to New York City through the picturesque and historic Hudson Valley.

More than 150 cyclists from ages 6 to 81 and from 22 states were along on the ride, which featured stops at West Point, the oldest military academy in the United States; the Culinary Institute of America; Roosevelt Mansion; and many other historic sites.

"We experienced some of the most beautiful scenery along the Hudson River, the quaintness of the small, historic towns, the challenge of the terrain, but most of all, the people we met," Sharon Chamberlain said. "It was such a thrill to ride over the George Washington Bridge into New York City," she said.

## Grand Island's Irish dancers

Dancers from McCarthy's School of Irish Dance, 2055-2057 Baseline Road, Grand Island, performed their graceful and energetic dance steps for the crowd on Monday at the annual Youngstown Volunteer Fire Company's annual Field Days. The school, which is having an open house from 2 to 4 p.m. this Sunday, teaches Irish dance to boys and girls who range in age from 4 to 18. The dancers have won trophies and medals in competitions, and perform at many shows, celebrations and parades, including, of course, St. Patrick's Day celebrations. (photo by Larry Austin)



## Signaling safety



The Grand Island Traffic Safety Advisory Board recently had a news conference to announce "Project Alert," the board's award-winning school safety program, and to mark the beginning of construction on the new full traffic signal at the intersection of Baseline and Staley roads. Residents had requested the signal because of increasing rush-hour traffic from industries on Staley Road and because of a number of accidents that occurred at that intersection. The Town Board and the Traffic Safety Advisory Board studied the issue, determined the need and obtained the necessary approvals for the signal. A contract was awarded to the low bidder, Eastwood Industries, to install the signal for a cost of \$72,849.96. Safety board members are Chairman Lawrence Kieffer, Dorothy Bitner, Betty Harris, James Mysliwiec, Christopher Pyc, Gary Tollner and William Vampotic. The Town Board liaison to the safety board, Dick Crawford, said: "The traffic conditions now warrant a traffic light within the criteria of the Vehicle and Traffic Law." (photo by Joe Eberle)