



Newsletter

Bluffton Lions Club

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October 2019

2019-2020 Officers & Board Members:

President-Patty Navin; V.Pres-Stephanie Larcom; V.Pres-Gene Long; V. Pres-Corwin Croy; Secretary-Barbara Plaughter; Treasurer-Clair Winebar; Lion Tamer-Elaine Harris; Tail Twister-Greg Averagesch; Board Members: 2 yr-Dan Diller; 2 yr-Robert Stahl; 1 yr-Tracy Steele; 1 yr-Jim Bemiller; Immediate Past President-Christina Walton; Foundation President-Dick Ramseyer
Editor-Barbara Plaughter.

November Birthday :

Fred Rodabaugh 11/21 Daniel Tinch 11/27

November Anniversary:

Praveen Vohra 11/17 Jesse Blackburn 11/18 Omar Khokhar 11/28

UPCOMING EVENTS:

NOVEMBER 6TH: Dare to Dream Wine Tasting Auction at Crimson Lane, Ada. Contact Lion Patty Navin for tickets.

NOVEMBER 12TH: Board meeting Town Hall 6:30 PM

NOVEMBER 16TH: District Cabinet meeting 9am at Henry's in Ottawa

NOVEMBER 17TH: Northwest Eyecare Foundation 2 PM Waynesfield Lions Club

NOVEMBER 19TH: Club meeting Town Hall @ noon with speaker Lydia Brennemar to give a presentation on Andrew's House.

NOVEMBER 30TH: Blaze of Lights parade. Need volunteers to pass out candy.

DECEMBER 3RD: CHRISTMAS SERVICE PROJECT. Meet at St. John's UCC at 6:30 PM, bring your food items to donate to the Bluffton Food Pantry.

These will be bagged that night for distribution later on. A pizza party will follow.

ROADSIDE CLEAN-UP: Lions members gathered together on Saturday, September 21st to do the semi-annual roadside clean-up. Those participating were Lion Chairman Gene Long, Lowell Hostetler, Ron Lora and John Rich. Cans from the pick-up go for the recycling effort by the club.

EYE SCREENING: Beginning September 23rd and continuing through October 1st, Bluffton Lions screened children's eyes in area facilities. A total of 283 children were screened with 31 children being referred to parents for optometric examinations to follow. Locations of screening took place at the Bluffton School kindergarten, Allen East kindergarten, daycare/pre-school locations of Bluffton Presbyterian Church, Bluffton Catholic Church, Bluffton Child Development Center and Pandora Hilty Home daycare. Lions participating in the screening were Patty Navin, Dennis Morrison, Tanya Best, Dick Boehr, Arliss Plaughter, Jan Emmert, Bob Stahl, Ed Yeager and Barbara Plaughter along with volunteer Jean Cook.



Lion Dick Boehr at Bluffton School eye screening

Winners of 50/50 drawing for October:

\$100 Sawyer Goldsberry with ticket sold by Lion Sawyer Goldsberry

\$50 Barb Martin with ticket sold by Lion Corwin Croy

\$30 Mike Diller with ticket sold by Lion Dan Diller

\$20 Linda Benroth with ticket sold by Lion Barbara Plaugher

OCTOBER 1ST MEETING:



Tonya Meyer, Director of the Senior Citizens, spoke at the noon meeting. The Senior Citizens started in 1968. Tonya is the 5th director, following her mother. They are funded by levy money through the county and fund raising projects. Membership is \$18 with over 600 members currently. They have an annual budget of \$300,000 and besides owning the building, they have purchased the six apartments on the second floor. Area-wide and overseas trips are a big part of their attraction. Cards, dominoes, bowling league, dancing, exercise classes, crafts and much more is available along with seminars are provided.

BOARD REPORT: A donation was voted upon by the board of \$125 to be provided to the Bluffton Child Development Center. A request for glasses was sent to the glasses committee for review. **If your email or other information has been changed, please notify Lion Barbara Plaugher secretary, as she works with the webmaster to keep the membership information up-to-date on the website.**

RECYCLING EFFORTS: Items recycled by the Bluffton Lions are - eye glasses over 1,300; ink cartridges 180+; phones 95; aluminum cans over #100; hearing aides 39 pairs; batteries a huge amount; 400 flags. These are some items collected in the past two months from collection spots in Bluffton and taken to appropriate distribution locations. We appreciate your participation in this service the Bluffton Lions provide for the community.

BIKE PATH CELEBRATION:



Over 75 people joined in with the ribbon cutting celebration for the newest bike and pedestrian path added to Bluffton, Bentley Road Pathway extension. This is another section of the Lions signature project by the Bluffton Lions Club.

OCTOBER 15TH MEETING:



Lion Dennis Morrison with participants to the Ohio American Legion Boys and Girls State. Bluffton Lions assist in sponsoring these high school students to attend. Attending this year were – Raina Runk, Neil Metzger, Zachary Taylor and Angelica Williams.

Speakers for the October 15th meeting were Lion John Rich and wife, Carolyn. They spoke on their recent mission into Nepal.

COMMUNITY MEAL:

The Bluffton Lions served the community meal to 60 participants at the Senior Citizens on October 3rd. Assisting with this project were Lions committee chairman John Rich, Ron Lora, Gene Long, Dan Diller, Corwin Croy and Dennis Morrison. Also serving were wives of these Lions. Donations, for this semi-annual project, were provided by Lion members.