



Newsletter

Bluffton Lions Club

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April 2014

2013-2014 Officers & Board Members:

President-Mitch Kingsley; V. Pres-Chad Grieser; V. Pres-Stephanie Larcom; V. Pres-Rachel Webster; Secretary-Elaine Brubaker; Treasurer-Lowell Hostetler; Lion Tamer-Arliss Plaugher; Tail Twister-Greg Aversch; Board Members: 2 yr-Mark Alliman & Phil Zimmerly; 1 yr-Ron Lora & Katherine Keifer; Foundation President-Dick Ramseyer; Editor-Barbara Plaugher

May Birthday:

Chad Grieser	5/8	Stan Clemens	5/11	Tim Closson	5/12
Andrew Rager	5/18	Dick Ramseyer	5/18	Dale Metzger	5/20
Ron Michel	5/22	Stan Naylor	5/29	Bill Croft	5/31

May Anniversary:

Howard Shelly	5/8	Stephanie Larcom	5/10	Luke Young	5/13
Greg Aversch	5/17	Willis Sommer	5/22		

UPCOMING EVENTS:

May 6th – Speaker at the noon meeting will be Tom Langhals, Owner of Colonial Surface Solutions

May 10th - Arts & Crafts Show in Bluffton

May 16-18 - Lions State Convention in Embassy Suites Dublin, Ohio

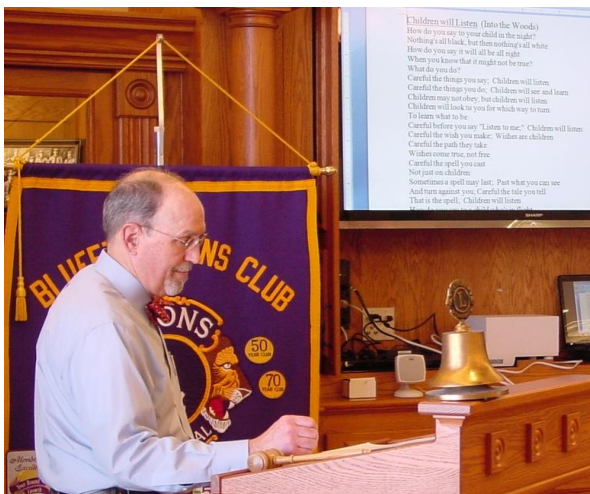
May 20th – Dr. Mark Yoder, Bluffton optometrist, speaking on Disease of the Eye as We Age @ the noon meeting.

May 22nd – Northwest Ohio Lions Eye Care Foundation Meeting @ 6:30 pm Bryan Moose Lodge.

BOARD REPORT:

Treasurer report balance for club is \$4996.85. Packages of sausage left over from pancake breakfast, see Dick Ramseyer.

Programs coming up June 3 is VOSH sorting center evening and June 17 will be a wrap-up of the year. Lions Arliss and Barbara Plaugher will be delegates to the State Convention.



APRIL 1ST MEETING:

At the Lions noon meeting on April 1st the program given was titled, “GAWDY PLUMAGE” featuring local professional music talent & recorded music...presenter Lion Mitch Kingsley was the director, singer & actor in the production...additional major supporting participants were Lion Jerry Szabo, Julia Szabo & Jayne McGarrity.



Found on page 39 of the Lion Magazine, April 2014 issue, you will find a photo of our local Lion Don Hostetler's wife, Joyce . She is shown here while on a VOSH-Ohio mission into Romania with the featured optometrist Greg Hagedorn. Greg joined with the VOSH-Ohio group back in October 2008 and has traveled around the world with many other optometric groups including his own coordinated missions.

APRIL 15TH CITIZEN OF THE YEAR RECOGNITION:



The Bluffton Lions Club's annual Citizen of the year celebration was held at the First Mennonite Church, fellowship hall, Tuesday evening April 15, 2014. The citizen of the year is Lion Richard Ramseyer, MC for the evening was Lion Bill Croft. Roasters for the evening were Fred Steiner, Lions Dick McGarrity, John Rich, Fred Rodabaugh, & Mitch Kingsley.

L to R – Beth Ramseyer, Julia Ramseyer, Rick Ramseyer & Kate Ramseyer, From Cumberland Center, Maine, Lion Dick Ramseyer, Elfrieda Ramseyer & Marty Ramseyer Barnett from Keller, Texas...Children & Grand children visiting Bluffton for the Citizen of the Year celebration.

Congratulations!

SHOPPING SPREE FOR SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS APRIL 19TH:

Lions rallied together to sell Shopping Spree tickets to raise money for our senior scholarships. Those participating were: Lions Brendan Matthews, Bill Croft, Lowell Hostetler, Scott Basinger, Ted Cunningham, Andy Armstrong, Rod McDaniel, Ron Heddings, Andy Rager, Tim Closson, Laura Voth, John Rich, Gary Graham, Morris Groman, Stephanie Larcom, Mike Mennig, Dale Metzger, Tom Edwards, Dick Boehr, Howard Shelly, Steve Yoder, Ed Yeager, Tracy Steele, Dennis Morrison, Katie Kiefer, Mark Alliman, Gene Long, Praveen Vohra, Jim Bemiller, Arliss Plaughter & Barbara Plaughter.



Winner of the Shopping Spree was Ron Lora. He elected to shop and donate the food to two organizations of his choice, Our Daily Bread in Lima and the Bluffton Food Pantry.

LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION UPDATE: HOW BETTER TO GROW \$1 INTO \$4? READ BELOW

To celebrate the World Immunization Week from April 24 – 30, LCIF has launched a 30 day challenge during the month of April to raise \$1 million for the One Shot, One Life: Lions Measles Initiative. This donation will be matched by the family of Abhey and Past District Governor Aruna Oswal to help reach the goal. Also all funds collected by LCIF will be matched by the GAVI Alliance. Donations are Melvin Jones applicable. Help LCIF provide vaccinations to children in need. Please mail your donations to LCIF Coordinator, Barbara Plaughter, 62 Anna Circle, Bluffton, OH 45817. Let's all help to reach the Million Dollar Challenge.

****Since this notice was posted on the District website, \$1,000 has been raised for Measles Initiative that will grow into \$4,000. Lions serve and lions give to help others. WE SERVE.**