



Newsletter

Bluffton Lions Club

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March 2026

2025-2026 Officers & Board Members:

President-Jackie Bourassa; V. Pres-Greg Denecker; V. Pres- Dwain Hall; V. Pres-Ed Yeager;
Secretary-Barbara Plaughter; Treasurer-Scott Hoff; Lion Tamer-Mark Bourassa; Tail Twister-Dennis Morrison; Board Members: 1 yr.-Mark Bourassa; 1 yr.- Jerry Szabo; 2 yr.- Brigitte Hoff; 2 yr.- Andrew Armstrong. Editor-Barbara Plaughter

April Birthday:

John Hochstetler

4/1

Don Burris

4/16

April Anniversary:

UPCOMING EVENTS:

April 7th: Club Meeting Town Hall 6:30 PM. Board to meet at 5:45 PM. Speaker is Katy Erford talking on disabilities.

April 11th: Roadside cleanup. Meet at corner of Main St and County line rd 15 at 8:30 AM. Please contact Lion Jackie Bourassa to sign up.

April 15th: McDonald's fundraiser. Proceeds go to the All-Inclusive Playground. See informational sheet in newsletter.

April 17 – 18: District Convention Hilton Garden Inn, Findlay.

April 21st: Citizen of the Year celebration to be held at the Town Hall at 6 PM. Contact Lion Brigitte for reservations.

March 50/50 CHARITY RAFFLE:

\$100 All-Inclusive Playground ticket sold by Lion Corwin Croy
\$50 Gregory Aversch Jr ticket sold by Lion Greg Aversch
\$30 Marcia Gallant ticket sold by Lion Barbara Plaughter
\$20 CJ Kohli ticket sold by Lion Zac Kohli



Board Minutes: Audit of treasure was completed. Members completing this report were Clair Winebar, Patty Navin, Lowell Hostetler and Larry Hoffman.

Planning a Lewis Family McDonald's Fundraiser for April 15th.

Will be needing volunteers for the Festival of Wheels, contact Lion Ed Yeager to participate.

Pancake breakfast with the spring craft show scheduled for May 16th. Lion Greg Denecker is coordinating this project, contact him to help with the project.

The Playground fundraising committee to meet. To begin active fundraising starting April 15th.

Consensus of the board to begin the board meetings 15 minutes earlier beginning next month.

Members receive years of service chevrons: The following members received recognition for their years of service with the Bluffton Lions. They are: Lion Bill Croft with 20 years of service; Lion Jerry Lewis for 35 years of service; and Lion Dick Boehr with 65 years of service. Congratulations!!

March 3rd Meeting:



Chief Jon Kinn was the speaker at our March 3rd evening meeting. The Bluffton Fire Department has 17 volunteer members. They cover the village and part of 2 townships. They had 225 calls in 2025. The EMS is full time with volunteers as needed, and responded to 740 calls in 2025. Funding is 4% income tax levy, also grants.



March 17th Meeting:

The March 17th speaker was Andrew Gutierrez. He is employed by Modgility in Findlay and spoke on Artificial Intelligence. Topics were: Keeping your information safe; Choosing the right tool; Implementation Safeguards; Ongoing monitoring.



Some common tools mentioned are: ChatGPT; Genini; Abacus AI. Many more are available.

Help Build Bluffton's All-Inclusive Playground!

The **Bluffton Lions Foundation** is raising funds to build a new **All-Inclusive Playground** where children of all abilities can play together.

You can help with a simple family meal!

Wednesday, April 15

Bluffton McDonald's Fundraiser

When you place your order using the **McDonald's Mobile App** at the **Bluffton McDonald's**, **20% of your purchase will be donated** to the Bluffton Lions Foundation to support the playground project.

How to Participate:

1. Download or open the **McDonald's Mobile App**
 2. Order from the **Bluffton McDonald's location**
 3. Place your order on **Wednesday, April 15**
 4. Enjoy your meal knowing **20% of your purchase will support the playground**
- order thru the app*

Every mobile order placed that day helps bring our community one step closer to a playground where **everyone can play together.**

Thank you for supporting the children and families in our community!



The poster is yellow and features the McDonald's logo at the top left. Below the logo, it says "BLUFFTON MCDONALD'S", "500 SR 103", and "BLUFFTON OH 45817". The main text reads "DIGITAL Fundraiser" in large letters, with "Fundraiser" in a red script font. Below that, it says "APRIL 15TH, 2026" and "20% OF MOBILE ORDER SALES DONATED TO BLUFFTON LIONS FOUNDATION". Underneath, it lists "How to Place Your Order" with four steps: 1. Download the McDonald's App, 2. Link your Payment, 3. Place your Mobile Order, and 4. Pick up: Curbside, Drive Thru, or Dine-in*. There are two QR codes for downloading the app. On the right side of the poster is a photo of a smiling male employee in a blue uniform and yellow hat, holding a sign that says "McDonald's HAMBURGERS".

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**Delivery orders not included*

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