



Newsletter

Bluffton Lions Club

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September 2026

2026-2027 Officers & Board Members:

President-Jackie Bourassa; V. Pres- Greg Denecker; V. Pres-Ed Yeager; Secretary-Barbara Plaughter; Treasurer-Scott Hoff; Lion Tamer-Mark Bourassa; Tail Twister-Dennis Morrison; Board Members: 1 yr.-Brigitte Hoff; 1 yr.- Andy Armstrong; 2 yr.- Zac Kohli; 2 yr.- Kiley Rutzler. Editor-Barbara Plaughter

October Birthday:

Renee Matthews 10/5

Laura Voth

10/21

October Anniversary:

Ryan Lowry 10/5

Neil Reichenbach

10/16

Ryan Gathard

10/24

UPCOMING EVENTS:

September 14th thru 25th: Eye Screening of school children.

September 26th: Craft Show. Contact Lion Jackie Bourassa to help with this project.

October 3rd: Roadside clean-up. Contact Lion Jackie Bourassa to assist.

October 6th: Club meeting 6:30 PM Town Hall. Trivia Night. Bring your friends and brain power for a fun night at the membership night. Board to meet at 5:45 PM.

October 20th: Club meeting Town Hall noon. 50/50 charity raffle. Lunch by Lion Greg Aversch \$7. Speaker Lion Barbara Plaughter Helping Others to Better Vision.

50/50 Charity Drawing:

\$100 Amy Rich ticket sold by Lion John Rich

\$50 Dick McGarrity ticket sold by Lion Dick McGarrity

\$30 Erin Dudenhefer ticket sold by Lion John Rich

\$20 Ellie Hoffman ticket sold by Lion Larry Hoffman



Board Minutes for August: Upcoming events include the Fall Craft Show on September 26th and roadside clean-up on October 3rd. October membership night will be held Tuesday, October 6h. The community meal will be served by the Leos on November 5th. Interested lions may volunteer.



September 1st Club Meeting:



Speaker for the evening meeting was Noah Babcock, EMS Chief for the Village of Bluffton. He comes to Bluffton with a wealth of experience as a business owner and supervisor at Putnam County EMS. In 2026 the response time for a call was 43 seconds. Runs made were 518. Missed calls 0. EMS now staffed full time. This has improved run times greatly.



September 15th Club Meeting:



Perfect attendance pins for 2025-2026 presented to

Lions Jackie Bourassa, Mark Bourassa, Jan Emmert, Gene Long, Dennis Morrison and Barbara Plaughter (absent) Brigitte Hoff.

Dr. Kose serves as vice-president of Special Projects at Blanchard Valley Health System. He gave an overview of the health care in our area and talked on Cancer Screenings, What you need to know! Cervical, Lung, Breast, Prostate and Colorectal screenings and recommendations for individuals at average risk.

