

## **Newsletter**

## Bluffton Lions Club

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July 2025

2025-2026 Officers & Board Members:

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

<u>August Birthday:</u>					
<b>Lowell Hostetler</b>	8/7	<b>Eugene McCall</b>	8/9	<b>Tom Edwards</b>	8/10
Ron Lora	8/10	Dick Boehr	8/12	Jan Emmert	8/12
Larry Hoffman	8/14	Praveen Vohra	8/21	Mike Minnig	8/29
Joseph Sehlhorst	8/25				
August Anniversar	<u>'y:</u>				
Gene Long	8/13	Scott Basinger	8/15	Mitch Kingsley	8/30

## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

August 5<sup>th</sup>: Club meeting Town Hall @ 6:30 PM. This will be a business meeting. Board meeting prior at 6 PM.

August 14th: North West Ohio Lions Eyecare Foundation zoom meeting 7PM.

August 19<sup>th</sup>: Club meeting Town Hall @ noon. 50/50 Charity Raffle. Speaker will be Village Administrator Jesse Blackburn.

NEW MEMBER BIO: Don Burris graduated from Bluffton High School, lives in Bluffton and has been active with public service in the community. He was employed by Buehrer Group Architecture and Engineering until retirement. He has two daughters and 5 grandchildren. He enjoys woodworking and photography. His plans are to travel, camp and photograph America.

**NEW MEMBER BIO:** Zac Kohli resides in Bluffton with his wife Morgan. They have four children. His education was in finance and business and is a Superior Plus Realtor in Northwest Ohio, previously a banker, business owner and mortgage broker. Hobbies are coaching youth football, flying drones, community volunteering and supporting local nonprofits.

## LIONS CLUB SOCIAL PICNIC:

Tuesday, July 8<sup>th</sup> the Bluffton Lions held their annual picnic at the Buckeye Park, main street entrance. Sixteen members and guests enjoyed the grilled brats and family covered dishes brought to share. Emma Tuttle and Chayse Rodabaugh, 2025 scholarship winners, shared their histories and plans for the future.

<u>Update on Funds raised for the All-Inclusive Playground:</u> Current balance of pledges and donations is nearing the \$150,000 level of the \$300,000 goal. LIONS....we need your support!







**RIDE TO REMEMBER:** 

**Emma Tuttle** 

**Chayse Rodabaugh** 





Saturday, July 12<sup>th</sup> brought 186 participants for the annual Ride to Remember into Bluffton at 7 am. The ride was held in the Village of Bluffton and the surrounding countryside. Funds from this project go to supporting the Bluffton Lions Pathway. Lions assisting with this project are...Dwain Hall, Ed Yeager, Zac Kohli, Andrew Armstrong, Natalie Armstrong, Bill Croft, Lowell Hostetler, Ron Lora, Tracy Steele and Leos.



