



# Newsletter

## Bluffton Lions Club

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September 2021

2021-2022 Officers & Board Members:

President-Patty Navin; V.Pres-Stephanie Larcom; V.Pres-Gene Long; V. Pres-Corwin Croy; Secretary-Barbara Plaugher; Treasurer-Clair Winebar; Lion Tamer-Corwin Croy; Tail Twister-Greg Aversch; Board Members: 1 yr-Jim Bemiller; 1 yr-Jan Emmert; 2 yr-Dan Diller; 2 yr Greg Denecker.

Foundation President-Dick Ramseyer

Editor-Barbara Plaugher

October Birthday:

Gary Graham	10/7	Laura Voth	10/21	Bill Watkins	10/27
Tanya Best	10/30				

October Anniversary:

Jerry Lewis	10/3	Ryan Lowry	10/5	Dennis Morrison	10/7
Neil Reichenbach	10/16	Dick Boehr	10/28		

### UPCOMING EVENTS:



SEPTEMBER 27<sup>TH</sup>: Last day of the two-weeks eye screening.

OCTOBER 5<sup>TH</sup>: Club meeting Town Hall at noon. Speaker Tyler Black from Johnny Appleseed Park District.

OCTOBER 9<sup>TH</sup>: Roadside clean-up 8:30 am meet at corner of road 15 and Main st. See Lions Dan Diller or Gene Long to help with this project.

OCTOBER 12<sup>TH</sup>: Board meeting 6 PM by zoom.

OCTOBER 19<sup>TH</sup>: Club meeting Town Hall at noon. Speaker Katherine Bauman from City Mission in Findlay. 50/50 charity raffle drawing.

OCTOBER 20<sup>TH</sup>: 101<sup>ST</sup> CHARTER NIGHT for LIMA HOST LIONS. 6:30 PM Old Barn out Back, Lima.

### BOARD REPORT:

Festival of Wheels net profit \$6,342.16. Ride to Remember net profit \$9,285.97. Roadside cleanp scheduled for October 9<sup>th</sup>. Eye screening begun for two schools and four day cares. Preparations being made for the Blaze of Lights parade.

### SEPTEMBER 50/50 charity raffle:

\$100 Cain Keuneke ticket sold by Lion Nicki Keuneke	\$50 Amy Rich ticket sold by Lion John Rich
\$30 Jerry Lewis ticket sold by Lion Jerry Lewis	\$20 Dan Dillet ticket sold by Lion Dan Diller

## **SEPTEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup> MEETING:**



Gretchen Staley, master gardener, spoke on the history of this program which was an outreach from OSU Extension. Allen county has 52 master gardeners. A new class was recently started with 6 members. The Children's Garden in Lima is maintained by the Master Gardeners with a butterfly release scheduled for Sept 12<sup>th</sup>.



## **PATHWAY COUNT:**

Fall 2021 volunteers for the pathway count include Lions Jesse Blackburn, Dick Boehr, Bill Croft, Corwin Croy, Greg Denecker, Jan Emmert, Gary Graham, Ron Headings, Don Hostetler, Lowell Hostetler, Mitch Kingsley, Stephanie Larcom, Gene Long, Dennis Morrison, Patty Navin, Ron Lora, Dick McGarrity, Andrew Rager, Neil Reichenbach, John Rich, Dick Ramseyer, Fred Rodabaugh, Bob Stahl, Bill Watkins and Ed Yeager.

The Bluffton Lions Foundation and Bluffton Lions Club work in partnership with the Village of Bluffton to develop the Bluffton pathway system. With additions of new paths along State Route 103 and Allen-Hancock County Road and others, the Bluffton pathway system is serving the entire community.

## **SEPTEMBER 21<sup>ST</sup> MEETING:**

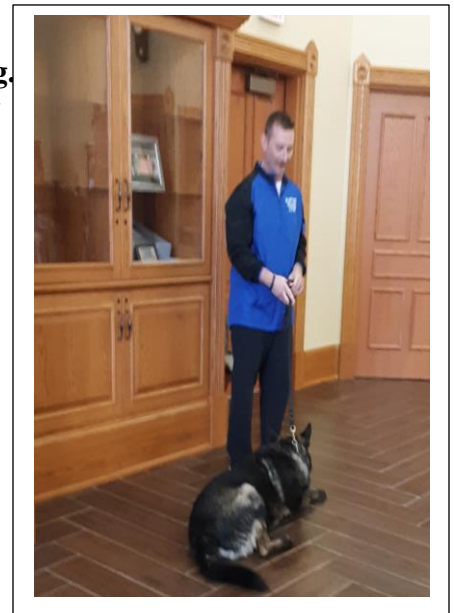
Sgt Hostetler with his dog, Kato, was the speaker at the Sept 21<sup>st</sup> meeting. German Shepard came from Germany with expenses paid by community donations. This is the first canine unit for Bluffton Police Dept and is certified both state and national.

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor Deb Crawford attended the noon meeting.

## **EYE SCREENING:**



Bluffton lions are currently conducting their annual eye 2-week screening. This includes Bluffton School and Allen East School, Hilty Day Care, Catholic Church Day Care and Presbyterian Church Pre-school. Lions participating are Ed Yeager, Jan Emmert, Dick Boehr, Barbara Plaucher and Don Hostetler's wife, Joyce. Children screened to date are 198.



## **FESTIVAL OF WHEELS:**



August 28<sup>th</sup> 119 cars crowded Bluffton streets for the rescheduled Festival of Wheels which was well attended. A bicycle built for two was raffled off along with other door prizes. Lions volunteering to park cars and assist with registration are: Dan Diller, coordinator; Dennis Morrison, Bill Watkins, Neil Reichenbach, Mitch Kingsley, Tracy Steele, Dick Ramseyer, Lowell Hostetler, Don Hostetler, Ed Yeager, Clair Winebar, Corwin Croy, Gene Long, Fred Rodabaugh, Jesse Blackburn, Barbara Plaughter, Greg Denecker, Stephanie Larcom and John Hochstetler.

## **USA/CANADA FORUM:**



Lion Barbara Plaughter meets International President, Douglas Alexander. He speaks of “Kindness Matters” and “Service from the Heart”. Small things you do as Lions are as important as the big things. He is encouraging membership, as more hands are available to provide service. Happy members do not leave. And to be successful you need passion in what you do. Communication and fun are important in Lions. LCIF Campaign 100 is now at \$225 million towards the goal of \$300 million as of 9/11/21. Besides the many disasters, these funds go to vision, hunger, environment, pediatric cancer and diabetes.