



Newsletter

Bluffton Lions Club

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July 2022

2022-2023 Officers & Board Members:

President-Jim Bemiller; V.Pres-John Rich; V.Pres-Gene Long; V. Pres-Greg Denecker; Secretary-Barbara Plaughter; Treasurer-Clair Winebar; Lion Tamer-Corwin Croy; Tail Twister-Dennis Morrison; Board Members: 1 yr-Jerry Szabo; 1 yr-Eugene McCall; 2 yr-Tracy Steele ; 2 yr John Hochstetler. Editor-Barbara Plaughter

August Birthday:

Stephanie Larcom	8/4	Lowell Hostetler	8/7	Eugene McCall	8/9
Ron Lora	8/10	Dick Boehr	8/12	Tom Edwards	8/12
Jan Emmert	8/12	Dimale Snyder	8/19	Praveen Vohra	8/21
Joe Sehlhorst	8/25	Nicole Keuneke	8/26	Mike Minnig	8/29

August Anniversary:

Ron Headings	8/8	Gene Long	8/13	Scott Basinger	8/15
Bill Watkins	8/17	Mitch Kingsley	8/30	Dick Ramseyer	8/30

UPCOMING EVENTS:

August 2nd: Club Meeting at noon Town Hall. Induction of 2 new members. District Governor Dave Stockum to attend. Business meeting.

August 9th: Board meeting at 6 PM. Location to be determined.

August 16th: Club Meeting at noon Town Hall. 50/50 charity drawing. Speaker will be Jim Enneking from the Bluffton Chamber of Commerce.

August 18th: Northwest Eye Care Foundation 6:30 PM at Napoleon Lion's Building.

August 30th: Region Meeting 6:30 PM at Dick's Steakhouse in Kalida.

BOARD REPORT:

Treasurer report club balance for 2021-2022 is \$8,254. Foundation balance for donations is \$15,055. A critique of the Festival of Wheels...need to consider location for more cars next year; scouts and high school football team provided much assistance; a meeting in January to coordinate local car clubs with the lions; trophies size and amount to be discussed in January; 50/50 drawing successful.

President Jim discussed community meal cancelled and to be scheduled later. The board's consensus to plan for a pancake/sausage project with the senior citizens in March.

President Jim passed out a survey with results to be shared at the next meetings.

International Director, Ron Keller, has been scheduled to speak at the 90th charter night celebration in March 5, 2024.

Need members for highway pick-up. An email to be distributed to the membership.

RIDE TO REMEMBER:



The Ride to Remember was held on July 16th and had the most successful turn-out ever. 225 riders participated in this event. Lions coordinating this project are...

Lions Bill Croft, Ron Headings, Fred Rodabaugh, John Rich, Ed Yeager, Dick McGarrity and Dennis Morrison. Photos provided by Travis Music.



Lion Barbara Plaughter, as seen with the new International President, Brian Sheehan at the Ohio Lions convention. IP Brian was installed at the International Convention on July 26th. His moto is "Together We Can". ID Sheehan comes from the small town of Bird Island, Minnesota. He is a 4-generation lion's family and has a passion for innovation and teamwork as the keys to creating ambitious solutions to the challenges we face.

ID Brian encourages to make our homes, communities and our world a better place for everyone. We continue to help millions more this year by working as a team and serving like never before.



Ohio's new International Director, Ron Keller, and wife, Kitty, as installed at the Lions International Convention in Montreal, Canada on July 26th. ID Ron hails from Williamsport, which is east of the Columbus area. He is employed by the city of Columbus and has coordinated many events in the city. He is a long-time member of the Williamsport Lions and has worked with many projects, one being the Sweetcorn Festival, a large money-making project for the Lions.