

# Newsletter

## Bluffton Lions Club

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November 2023

2023-2024 Officers & Board Members:

President-VACANT; V. Pres-John Rich; V. Pres-Gene Long; V. Pres-Greg Denecker; Secretary-Barbara Plaugher; Treasurer-Ed Yeager; Lion Tamer-Gary Graham; Tail Twister-Dennis Morrison; Board Members: 1 yr.-Tracy Steele; 1 yr.- John Hochstetler: 2 yr.- Jan Emmert ; 2 yr.- Jackie Bourassa. Editor-Barbara Plaugher

#### **December Birthday:**

Jerry Lewis 12/1 Gene Long 12/22 Bob Amstutz 12/25

**December Anniversary:** 

Lowell Hostetler 12/21 Ed Yeager 12/27 Brendon Matthews 12/29

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

**December 5th: Board meeting 6 PM at Town Hall.** 

December 12th: CHRISTMAS DINNER at 6 PM Marbeck Center Bluffton University.

Information regarding the dinner is on the last page of this newsletter.

**December 25th: MERRY CHRISTMAS** 

#### **November 50/50 Charity Raffle Winners:**

\$100 Jeff Larson ticket sold by Lion Stephonie Larson

\$50 Angela Polachek ticket sold by Lion Patty Navin

\$30 Mike Biederman ticket sold by Lion Gene Long

\$20 Susan Kaufman ticket sold by Lion Barbara Plaugher



#### **BOARD MINUTES:**

A donation of \$300 to a Bryan Lion to assist in purchasing an eSight was approved by the board. New member applications from Dwain Hall and Mark Bourassa were approved for membership. Peace poster winners were announced. Zone 6 meeting to be held November 15<sup>th</sup> at Kenton Elks. A resignation from Lion Sawyer Goldsberry was accepted by the board. Roadside cleanup completed November 4<sup>th</sup>. Charity Raffle tickets and dues to be distributed.

Lion Jan Emmert's wife, Diana, recently expired. A mass was held on November 11th.

#### **ROADSIDE CLEANUP:**



Roadside cleanup crew seen at left...Lions Andrew Rager, Mike Minnig, Bill Watkins and Jerry Szabo along with a helper. Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup> was the alternate date for our usual October date, due to rain.







Top left are the three Bluffton School Peace Poster Winners...

L to R runner-ups Tessa Tarplee and Georgia Haagen.

The 1st place winner is Samantha Ruller. The 1st place poster will go to the district for judging.

Photo on right...Lion Ed Yeager presenting checks to the winners and to the art teacher.

Below on left is Police Chief Burkholder as the speaker for the day. He presented the women's bicycle that was purchased by the Bluffton Lions for the police department.

### **BLAZE OF LIGHTS:**





November 25<sup>th</sup> the Bluffton Blaze of Lights Lions entrance for the parade. Those participating were Lion Tracy Steele and daughter, Lion Barbara Plaugher and daughter, and Lion Eugene McCall and grandson.

HOW SWEET IT IS TO SERVE!!



Meal includes: pork entree, salad, potato, vegetable, roll, dessert

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PLEASE BRING A WRAPPED WHITE ELEPHANT GIFT \$15 value. Fun, unique, regifted items are welcome

OUR HOLIDAY SERVICE PROJECT WILL SUPPORT THE WHEELHOUSE "BUILD A BIKE" PROGRAM SEE ATTACHED FLYER