

# Newsletter

# **Bluffton Lions Club**

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September 2012 2012-2013 Officers & Board Members:

President-Barbara Plaugher; V. Pres-Tom Edwards; V. Pres-Elaine Harris; V. Pres-Don Hostetler; Secretary-Howard Shelly: Treasurer-Lowell Hostetler: Lion Tamer-Arliss Plaugher: Tail Twister-Greg Averesch; Past Pres-Vanessa Greer; Board Members: 2 yr-Katie Keifer & Dale Metzger; 1 yr-Elaine Brubaker & Mark Alliman; Editor-Barbara Plaugher

October Birthdays:	
Matthew Jordan 10/4	Gary Graham 10/7
Phil Weisenbarger 10/8	Laura Voth 10/21
Bill Watkins 10/27	Steven Yoder 10/29
October Anniversaries:	
Jerry Lewis 10/3	Dennis Morrison 10/7
Neil Reichenbach 10/16	Phil Zimmerly 10/22
Arliss & Barbara Plaugher 10/26	Chad Grieser 10/31

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

October 2<sup>nd</sup> – Lion Doug Luginbill speaker with a tour of MHCO Green Houses across the road from Maple Crest.

<u>October 13<sup>th</sup></u> – State Lions Committees meet in Columbus <u>October 16<sup>th</sup></u> – Lion Dick Ramseyer and sponsors with the Corvette Raffle wrap-up **October TBA** - Peace Poster Contest judging

#### **Board Reports:**

Review of standing committees with reports given on their activities. Getting ready for the chicken-barb-q and parade for the Blaze of Lights.

Discussion on membership retention and making calls to those not attending club meetings. New requisition form provided for expense requests. This will be posted on the website or contact Lowell

Hostetler for this form.

Volunteer projects discussed to comply with Lions purpose, to serve the youth, vision, environment and provide food to those in need. Looking for a way to get youth involvement with the Lions. Exploring how to provide food for those in need.

Peace poster judging and recognizing our youth winners for their participation at Nov 6<sup>th</sup> meeting. Assistance needed for our secretary to carry out the computer issues to LCI and assist with billing. The nominating committee will be seeking a corresponding secretary.

Christmas party set for December 4<sup>th</sup> with Henry's catering the meal.

Cotton candy machine to be at the fall festival down town. Need volunteers, call Elaine Harris.



### September 4<sup>th</sup> Meeting:

At the September 4, 2012 Bluffton Lions club meeting, Darrell Groman gave a presentation titled," History Comes Alive...with little – known facts...about sea Captain James Riley and Riley Creek". Dr. Groman, a local optometrist, has a passion for local history and gave a very interesting talk about Captains James Riley's world-wide adventures and his involvement as a surveyor in the history of Bluffton, Ohio

## September 7<sup>th</sup> volunteer project:

Volunteers from the Bluffton Lions club on Friday afternoon, September 7, 2012 help the parent teacher's organization of the Center for Autism & Dyslexia, Lima, Ohio assemble picnic tables from kits for the school. Lions Dick Ramseyer, Barbara Plaugher, Arliss Plaugher & Tracy Steele with the help of students & Brittney Steele (daughter of Lion Tracy Steele) assembled the seat on a picnic table. This was a project where Bluffton Lions were ask to help and members of club volunteered their time and talent to be of assistance...the Lions motto of, WE SERVE, is a vital part the Bluffton Lions Club.





Sure Sight Eye Screening at Bluffton & Allen East Schools week of Sept. 10<sup>th</sup> :



Lion Howard Shelly doing the wellness exam. Other Lions were Vanessa Greer, Elaine Harris & Barbara Plaugher.



Lions Tom Edwards & Ed Yeager with the Sure Sight Eye Screening equipment.



Lion Arliss Plaugher using the stereopsis equipment. A total of 149 children screened with 15 referred for eye care.