



Newsletter

Bluffton Lions Club

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August 2017

2017-2018 Officers & Board Members:

President-Colleen Lazar; V.Pres-Greg Denecker; V.Pres-Patty Navin; V.Pres-Gene Long; Secretary-Barbara Plaughter; Treasurer-Lowell Hostetler; Lion Tamer-Elaine Harris; Tail Twister-Greg Aversch; Board Members: 1 yr-Christina Walton; 1 yr-Mitch Kingsley; 2 yr-Dan Diller; 2 yr-Robert Stahl; Immediate Past President-Stephanie Larcom; Foundation President-Dick Ramseyer
Editor-Barbara Plaughter.

September Birthday:

Gary Bishop	9/2	Jerry Szabo	9/4	Dan Diller	9/5
John Harris	9/8	Brendon Matthews	9/22	Greg Aversch	9/28
Ed Yeager	9/28	Jeff Joseph	9/29		

September Anniversary:

Bob Amstutz	9/2	Dan Diller	9/5	Alan Yoder	9/17
Mark Alliman	9/23	John Harris	9/29		

UPCOMING EVENTS:

August 27th: District Cabinet meeting to be held 3 PM at Henry's in Ottawa.

September 5th: Bluffton Lions meeting Town Hall at noon. Speaker for the day is Connie Kruse from the Bluffton Town and Country Flowers.

At 4:PM a ribbon cutting and dedication celebration will be held for the Lions Way Parkview Path. Enter Parkview Subdivision at Main or Jackson Street. This is a part of the Bluffton Lions legacy project reported through LCI.

September 10th: Handle Bars bike ride thru town. Lions serving lunch at the middle school. Contact Lion Greg Denecker to help.

September 11 thru 19th: Sure sight eye screening of area schools and day cares.

September 12th: Lions board meeting Maple Crest 6:30 PM.

September 19th: Bluffton Lions meeting Town Hall at noon. Dr. Bill Kose from Findlay will talk on the Prescription drug ballot issue. Please plan to attend. If you plan to bring a guest, please notify Lion Barbara Plaughter to assure a meal.

September 21-23: USA/Canada Forum to be held in Portland, OR.

BOARD REPORTS:

New board members welcomed-Lions Patty Navin, Dan Diller and Bob Stahl. Quarterly financial statements for club and foundation will be emailed to all members. New budget was approved. The Handle Bars bike club will be in Bluffton September 10th with the club serving meals. Dare to Dream Wine Tasting Auction will print 175 tickets for the event. Committees for the new Lions year will be reviewed and posted on the website. The community meal will be held in October and March. Ride to Remember Bike Ride had 215 riders this year. Festival of Wheels Car Show looking for a coordinator. Lions Way Bentley Path will begin construction in late summer or early fall 2018.

AUGUST 1ST MEETING:

The August 1st meeting of the Bluffton Lions was held as a business meeting. Plans for the upcoming year with project and service was discussed. Awards were presented to club members who have attended 22 or more club meetings and/or helped with projects. These are left to right:



Lions Colleen Lazar, Elaine Harris, Don Hostetler, Dick Ramseyer, Christina Walton, Gene Long, Barbara Plaughter and Arliss Plaughter. Absent was Lion John Rich.



AUGUST 15TH:

The second club meeting for August featured Phil Talavene as the speaker from Bluffton University talking on all athletics at the university. He emphasized that many students pick a school depending upon what athletics are offered.

Four high school students who had attended the American Legion Buckeye Boys and Girls State program presented their thoughts on the experiences they had during the program. Lion Dennis Morrison has helped with this project. They are left to right: Kaden Reneker, Lion Morrison, Alyssa Casmier, Karis Wilson & Christian Groman.



CONDOLENCES TO LION GREG AVERESCH FOR THE DEATH OF HIS BROTHER.