

Newsletter

Bluffton Lions Club

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March 2014

2013-2014 Officers & Board Members:

President-Mitch Kingsley; V. Pres-Chad Grieser; V. Pres-Stephanie Larcom; V. Pres-Rachel Webster; Secretary-Elaine Brubaker; Treasurer-Lowell Hostetler; Lion Tamer-Arliss Plaugher; Tail Twister-Greg Averesch; Board Members: 2 yr-Mark Alliman & Phil Zimmerly; 1 yr-Ron Lora & Katherine Keifer; Foundation President-Dick Ramseyer; Editor-Barbara Plaugher

April Birthdays:

Bob Harris Don Snyder Jim Bemiller 4/26 4/12 4/16

April Anniversary:

Charles Amstutz 4/11 **Diane Almanon** 4/22

UPCOMING EVENTS:

March 28 – 29 - First week-end to sell Shopping Spree tickets at the Community Market

March 29th - Pancake/Sausage Meal with the Senior Citizens begins at 7 am.

April 1st - Mitch Kingsley, Bluffton Lion's President will present the program April 3rd - Lions serve Community Meal @ Senior Citizens

April 5th – District Training for new officers @ Holgate 9 am til noon.

April 15th – "Citizen of the Year" evening program 6:30 PM at the First Mennonite Church.

April 19th - Shopping Spree at the Community Market. Proceeds go to the scholarship fund.

May 16-18 - Lions State Convention in Dublin, Ohio

BOARD REPORT:

Treasurer's report to transfer \$1,500 from the club treasure to the foundation.

Programs for the remaining Lions year have been filled.

Awards received for the club at the District Convention... Humanitarian Award, Service Award and First Place in the Governor's Contest for clubs with members of 35 and up.

Discussion on the projects for this coming year. The club officers will select a person and committee for each project for this coming year.

OFFICERS FOR THIS COMING YEAR 2014-2015:

President... Stephanie Larcom; VP Growth...Mitch Kingsley; VP Programs...Jerry Szabo; Secretary...Barbara Plaugher; Treasurer...Lowell Hostetler; Lion Tamer...Arliss Plaugher; Tail Twister...Greg Averesch; News Editor...Barbara Plaugher; Immediate Past President...Mitch Kingsley; Board Member 2 yr...Jim Bemiller & Katherine Keifer; Board Member 1 yr...Mark Alliman & Phil Zimmerly.



MARCH 4TH MEETING:

Marty Williman is the Education Manager with the Alzheimer's Association Northwest Ohio Chapter. At the Tuesday, March 4, 2014 Bluffton Lions Club meeting she gave a presentation about her work with the Alzheimer's Association...she provides information and support to residents of Hancock and surrounding counties through care consultation, 24 hour helpline, early-stage programs, speaker's bureau, family and professional education programs and advocacy. Williman can be contacted by phone at (419) 425-5409 or e-mail at mwilliman@alz.org

MARCH 18TH MEETING:



The presenter of the program at the Bluffton Lions March 18th meeting was Lion Doug Luginbill, Director of **Resource Development and Community** at Mennonite Home & church relations at Mennonite Home communities of Ohio. Doug is in his fifth year with the organization, graduated from Pandora-Gilboa High school and Bluffton University with a degree in religion & sociology. He received his Master of **Divinity degree from Anabaptist** Mennonite Biblical Seminary. Lion **Doug discussed the Mennonite** Memorial Home; Home Health, Maple Crest, Willow Ridge and the Hilty Home.

Dick Ramseyer (left) and Katherine Kreuchauf of The Community Foundation show an enlarged check for \$61,600. The Foundation provided a grant in that amount to the Bluffton Bike and Pedestrian Pathway Board.



