

# **Newsletter** Bluffton Lions Club

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December 2014 2014-2015 Officers & Board Members:

President-Stephanie Larcom; V. Pres-Mitch Kingsley; V. Pres-John Rich; Secretary-Barbara Plaugher; Treasurer-Lowell Hostetler; Lion Tamer-Arliss Plaugher; Tail Twister-Greg Averesch; Board Members: 1 yr-Mark Alliman; 2 yr-Jim Bemiller; Foundation President-Dick Ramseyer; Editor-Barbara Plaugher.

<u>January Birthday:</u>					
<b>Diane Almanon</b>	1/5	<b>Tracy Steele</b>	1/8	Barbara Plaugher	1/11
Greg Denecker	1/14	<b>Don Hostetler</b>	1/14	<b>Ron Headings</b>	1/15
Arliss Plaugher	1/15	<b>James Mehaffie</b>	1/21	Alan Yoder	1/22
<b>Dick McGarrity</b>	1/29				



### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

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January 6<sup>th</sup>: Stan Clemens & Mark Weidner will be speaking on their trip to the Antarticia at the noon meeting.

January 16 – 18: Winter Retreat to be held at Salt Fork State Park lodge.

**January 20<sup>th</sup>:** Lion Ron Headings, VP at Bluffton University, will speak on the development and publications of BU at the club meeting.

### **BOARD REPORT:**

Resignations approved by the board are...Dale Metzger, Dennis Gallant and Richard Bucher. Corrinne Boehr has requested to go to an associate level. Treasurer's report can be viewed on the website. Discussion on upcoming activities. Greg Denecker will be coordinating the pancacke breakfast in January at the school. Fred Rodabaugh will assist with the pancacke breakfast in March with the Senior Citizens. Dennis Morrison is busy pulling the car show together for June. Barbara Plaugher will pull the scholarship committee together for a first meeting in January.

Next year the wine tasting auction will be held on November 4<sup>th</sup> with the recommendation that a percentage of the proceeds are earmarked for club budgeted donations.

A survey "How are Your Ratings" will be mailed out to all members after the first of the year.

## **BLAZE OF LIGHTS NOVEMBER 29<sup>TH</sup>:**

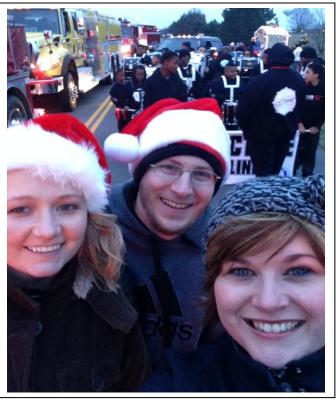
Lions volunteers helping with the chicken bbq sales were Willis Sommer, Judy Augsburger, Dick Ramseyer, Ed Yeager, John Harris, John Rich, Tim Closson, Fred Rodabaugh, Steve Yoder, Ron Lora, Dan Diller, Morris Groman, Mike Minning, Dennis Morrison, Stephanie Larcom, Colleen Lazar, Gene Long, Dough Luginbill, Joe Sehlhorst, Andrew Rager & Elaine Harris. Lions Arliss & PDG Barbara Plaugher drove the Bluffton Lions float truck in the Blaze of Lights parade. Candy From the Bluffton Lions was give out as the Lions float passed the crowd. Grand Marsalls were Lion Ed Yeager & wife.

### \*IF YOUR DUES ARE NOT PAID, PLEASE DO SO DURING DECEMBER, AS THE CLUB HAS ALREADY PAID YOUR INTERNATIONAL DUES IN DECEMBER, AND WILL BE PAYING YOUR STATE DUES IN JANUARY.



Above...Lions Tim Closson, Doug Lugibihl, Fred Rodabaugh & Marilyn Bishop (serving for husband Lion Gary) at the bbq sales.

Selfie of the candy distributors during the parade are L to R...Samantha and Eric Miller (grandaughter & husband of the Plaughers) and President Lion Stephanie Larcom.



## **DECEMBER 2 CHRISTMAS SOCIAL:**

The Bluffton Lions Annual Christmas Party was celebrated Tuesday evening, December 2, 2014, in the fellowship hall at Bluffton First Mennonite Church. A delicious meal was catered by Lion John Harris Henry's Restaurant. The entertainment for the Christmas party was provided by guitarist & humorist



Jim Boedecker, who provided a very lovely evening of music, from folk to classical. The room was filled with conversation and much laughter during Boedecker's performance. A very enjoyable evening for all.

## **HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO ALL!**

