

# Newsletter

# **Bluffton Lions Club**

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June 2013 2012-2013 Officers & Board Members:

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

July Birthdays:					
Dave Rodabaugh	7/1	Ted Cunningham	7/5	Elaine Harris	7/6
Scott Basinger	7/8	Jo Croft	7/10	John Rich	7/29
July Anniversaries:	_				
Morris Groman	7/3	Tom Langhals	7/5	<b>Rodney McDaniel</b>	7/9
<b>Rachel Webster</b>	7/10	Matt Jordan	7/12	Jan Emmert	7/14
Gary Bishop	7/16	Fred/Pat Rodabaug	h 7/17	Greg Denecker	7/25
Laura Voth	7/27	_		_	

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

<u>July 2<sup>nd</sup></u> – Bluffton Lions Picnic for Lion's family@ Buckeye Lake Park 6 PM Hamburgers, brats, drink and ice cream will be provided by the new officers. Please bring a covered dish to share.

<u>July 5-9</u> – Lions International Convention Hamburg, Germany

Corvette Charity Raffle Sales continue until October.

August 3<sup>rd</sup> – State Committee Meetings in Columbus 9 am location TBA

#### **Board Report:**

A written review of this past year's activities was submitted by President Barbara, due to her absence. Fourteen Lions have signed up for the roadside cleanup.

Ted Cunningham submitted his application for membership. This was approved by the Board. Webb Insurance will be selling popcorn and cotton candy at the Festival of Wheels and donate the proceeds to Bluffton Lions.

Discussion on the sponsorship of a Leo Club with the Lima-Findlay Center for Autism and Dyslexia was approved. Contact person for the Leo Club will be Lion Tracy Steele.

Dick Boehr requested that the Board consider a working committee to explore working with other organizations to find a permanent facility to serve as the club home.

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

The program at the Bluffton Lions Club, June 4, 2013 meeting was Dr Perry Bush speaking on lecturing down the Unipo: a semester in the Ukraine. Dr Bush a Fulbright Scholar, taught US history course at the University and did extensive traveling through-out the Ukraine. His talk was very informative about the culture, history and people of the Ukraine....accompanying family members included Perry's wife, Elysia, and two of their children, Jackson & Cassidy.





At the June 4, 2013 club meeting Paige Wieman from Cory-Rawson High School & Nathan Bunch from Bluffton High School were guests of the club. Paige & Nathan recipients of \$500 scholarships from the Bluffton Lions Club were invited to share information about themselves and their future plans.



**Installation of new officers for Lions year 2013-2014:** 



## FESTIVAL OF WHEELS – JUNE 14<sup>TH</sup>:





Lions Dan Diller, Barbara Plaugher, Diane Almanon



Lions Jan Emmert, Gene Long

# June 18<sup>th</sup> Meeting:



The June 18, 2013 club meeting was held at the Pandora Methodist Church Eyeglass Sorting Center for VOSH. Members held their meeting with a meal and then volunteered their time to prepare eyeglasses for third-world missions coming up. Teams will be providing care to the underserved in the Ukraine in October and again to Costa Rica in January. On the left are Lions Don Hostetler, Alan Yoder and Morris Groman measuring eyeglasses for strength of lenses. The photo on the right shows Lions Gary Graham, Mark Alliman, Doug Luginbill, Howard Shelly, Arliss Plaugher, Ed Yeager and Bob Harris salvaging metal from unusable frames that will be sold to provide funds to purchase special needed glasses.