



# Newsletter

## Bluffton Lions Club

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July 2018

2018-2019 Officers & Board Members:

President-Christina Walton; V.Pres-Colleen Lazar; V.Pres-Patty Navin; V.Pres-Gene Long; Secretary-Barbara Plaughter; Treasurer-Sawyer Goldsberry; Lion Tamer-Elaine Harris; Tail Twister-Greg Aversch; Board Members: 1 yr-Dan Diller; 1 yr-Robert Stahl; 2 yr-Tracy Steele; 2 yr-Corwin Croy; Immediate Past President-Colleen Lazar; Foundation President-Dick Ramseyer  
Editor-Barbara Plaughter.

August Birthday:

|                  |      |                  |      |               |      |
|------------------|------|------------------|------|---------------|------|
| Stephanie Larcom | 8/4  | Lowell Hostetler | 8/7  | Ron Lora      | 8/10 |
| Dick Boehr       | 8/12 | Tom Edwards      | 8/12 | Jan Emmert    | 8/12 |
| Dimale Snyder    | 8/19 | Praveen Vohra    | 8/21 | Joe Sehlhorst | 8/25 |
| Mike Minnig      | 8/29 |                  |      |               |      |

August Anniversary:

|               |      |                |      |                |      |
|---------------|------|----------------|------|----------------|------|
| Jo/Bill Croft | 8/4  | Gene Long      | 8/13 | Scott Basinger | 8/15 |
| Bill Watkins  | 8/17 | Mitch Kingsley | 8/30 | Dick Ramseyer  | 8/30 |

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

AUGUST 7<sup>TH</sup>: Club business meeting @noon Town Hall. Induction of 3 new members.

AUGUST 8<sup>TH</sup>: NorthWest Eye Care Foundation meeting 6:30 PM Findlay, American Legion.

AUGUST 14<sup>TH</sup>: Board meeting at Maple Crest 6:30 PM.

AUGUST 19<sup>TH</sup>: District Cabinet meeting 2:30 PM at Henrys in Ottawa, OH.

AUGUST 21<sup>ST</sup>: Club meeting @ noon Town Hall. Speaker TBA

### BOARD REPORT: No meeting in July

### JULY 10<sup>TH</sup> PICNIC:

The annual picnic of the Bluffton Lions Club was held at Twin Lakes KOA campground shelterhouse on July 10<sup>th</sup>. Lions attending with their families are: Bill Watkins, Gene Long, Dan Diller, Jim Bemiller, Colleen Lazar, Stephanie Lazar, Elaine Harris, Christina Walton, Don Hostetler and Jan Emmert.

### RIDE TO REMEMBER:

The 4th Annual Bluffton Ride to Remember took cyclists through the Village of Bluffton, Ohio and the surrounding countryside on Saturday, July 14<sup>th</sup>. There were 4 loops with distance from as few as 2 miles or as many as 112! Over 200 bicyclists participated in this year's ride. Lion volunteers were: Ted Cunningham, Bill Croft, Gary Graham, Lowell Hostetler, Denny Morrison, Fred Rodabaugh, Bob Stahl,

**Ben Stahl, Ed Yeager, Elaine Harris, Tracy Steele, Ron Lora, John Rich, Daniel Tinch, Ryan Brauen, Gary Bishop, Dick Ramseyer and Dick MdGarrity.**

**All proceeds go to the Bluffton Lions Foundation Bike and Pedestrian Pathway. Within Bluffton, 4 miles of pathway and the Lions Trailhead Park have been funded. Another 6 miles are in the pathway master plan. 2015 marked the 25th anniversary of Bluffton's first bicycle path. To commemorate this occasion, the Bluffton's Lions Foundation held the first Bluffton Ride to Remember to raise money for a new bicycle path. Based on its success, the Lions Foundation has made it an annual event and it is now one of the Foundation's key fundraising events for additional bike paths. The community is behind their effort with different organizations and individuals contributing to the Ride.**



## **GUDRUN YNGVADOTTIR -- INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT**

**Gundrun Yngvadottir, from Gardabaer, Iceland, was elected to serve as international president at the International Convention held in Las Vegas this month of July.**

**Yngvadottir is a biomedical scientist and has worked in research, education and management. She is a member of the Gardabaejar Eik Lions Club since 1992 and has received numerous awards in recognition of her service.**

**International President Yngvadottir's programs and initiatives will focus around four key elements of Lions international that are important to moving the association forward.**

- 1) Moving membership forward**
- 2) Increasing leadership development**
- 3) Promoting the fellowship of Lions**
- 4) Sharing our stories**

