



Newsletter

Bluffton Lions Club

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July 2023

2023-2024 Officers & Board Members:

President-VACANT; V. Pres-John Rich; V. Pres-Gene Long; V. Pres-Greg Denecker; Secretary-Barbara Plaughter; Treasurer-Ed Yeager; Lion Tamer-Gary Graham; Tail Twister-Dennis Morrison; Board Members: 1 yr.-Tracy Steele; 1 yr.- John Hochstetler; 2 yr.- Jan Emmert ; 2 yr.- Ron Headings. Editor-Barbara Plaughter

August Birthday:

Stephanie Larcom	8/4	Lowell Hostetler	8/7	Eugene McCall	8/9
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	Nicole Keuneke	8/26	Mike Minnig	8/29

August Anniversary:

Gene Long	8/13	Bill Watkins	8/17	Scott Basinger	8/15
Mitch Kingsley	8/30	Dick Ramseyer	8/30		

UPCOMING EVENTS:

August 8th: Club board meeting at 6:00 PM at the Town Hall - followed by **the Club regular meeting starting at 6:30 PM at the Town Hall.** Business update meeting with plans for upcoming lions year, critique of Festival of Wheels and Ride to Remember. **Please bring a name of a potential new lion member to this meeting!**

August 10th: Northwest Eyecare Foundation to meet at McComb 6:30 PM.

August 15th: Club meeting 12 noon at the Town Hall. 50/50 charity raffle drawing. Speaker TBA.

August 27th: Cabinet meeting 2 PM at Waynesfield Lions den.

JULY BOARD REPORT:

A proposed budget was accepted by the board. District, state and International dues will be raising; however, the club will maintain the same dues of \$90/year. The 90th Charter Night will be on March 5th with International Director Ron Keller as our speaker.

We will schedule a critique for the Festival of Wheels. Food for the meetings is being investigated.

Our schedule for meetings will change to...1st Tuesday at 6:30 PM and 3rd Tuesday at noon. The Board will meet prior to the club meeting on the 1st Tuesday. Due to a conflict for August, the club meeting will be held on the second Tuesday at 6:30 PM.

RIDE TO REMEMBER:

On July 15th, 205 riders took to the road for the 9th annual Ride to Remember. Funds from this endeavor goes to the Pathway Projects. The route covers the following villages...Ada, Benton Ridge, Bluffton, Gilboa, Lafayette, Mt. Cory, Ottawa, Pandora and Rawson. Even the down pour couldn't stop them! Lions helping with this project are Bill Croft, Andrew Rager, Dennis Morrison, Greg Denecker, Mike Minnig, Brendon Matthews, Fred Rodabaugh, Gary Graham, Dick Boehr, Ron Headings, Mitch Kingsley and Ryan Lowry.



Bluffton Police with new bicycle donated to the department by the Bluffton Lions Club.



Riders including Lion Mitch Kingsley on the high rider bike as they prepared for the Ride to Remember.



Sponsors, the Lion Tracy Steele family, gathering at the Ride to Remember in memory of son, Taylor. Taylor's trike is shown in the photo.