

# Newsletter

# Bluffton Lions Club

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#### October 2024

#### 2024-2025 Officers & Board Members:

President-Jackie Bourassa; V. Pres-John Rich; V. Pres- Dwain Hall; V. Pres-Greg Denecker; Secretary-Barbara Plaugher; Treasurer-Ed Yeager; Lion Tamer-Mark Bourassa; Tail Twister-Dennis Morrison; Board Members: 1 yr.-Tracy Steele; 1 yr.- John Hochstetler; 2 yr.- Mark Bourassa; 2 yr.-Jerry Szabo. Editor-Barbara Plaugher

**November Birthday:** 

Fred Rodabaugh 11/21

**November Anniversary:** 

Praveen Vohra 111/17



#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

November 5<sup>th</sup>: Club meeting 6:30 PM Town Hall. Board to meet at 6:00 PM. REMEMBER TO VOTE

**November 9th:** Cabinet meeting at Bluffton Town Hall 9:30 AM.

**November 14<sup>th</sup>: North West Eye Care Foundation to meet at McComb Methodist Church 6:30 PM.** 

November 19<sup>th</sup>: Club meeting at noon Town Hall. Greg's sandwiches available, please reserve. 50/50 charity raffle. Speaker will be Bob Antibus from Johnny Appleseed Parks.

1000 TREE CHALLENGE. Ohio Lions are challenged to work together to plant 1000 trees by June 2025. PLANT YOUR TREE AND REPORT TO THE SECRETARY.

**November 28th:** Have a Happy Thanksgiving!

November 30<sup>th</sup>: Blaze of Lights. Bluffton Lions will have a spot in the parade. Need candy to distribute to the kids. Please bring a bag of candy to the November club meetings.

**December 3<sup>rd</sup>: Bluffton Lions Christmas Party. MARK YOUR CALENDAR** 



### 50/50 Charity Raffle:

- \$100 Cathy Lattrell ticket sold by Lion Patty Navin
- \$50 Julie Grunewald ticket sold by Lion Mark Bourassa
- \$30 Laura Voth ticket sold by Lion Laura Voth
- \$20 Erin Dudenhefer ticket sold by Lion John Rich

### **ROADSIDE CLEAN-UP:**



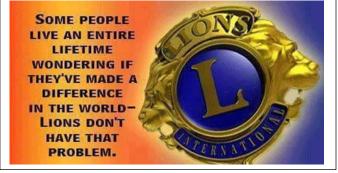


September 28<sup>th</sup> lions helping with roadside clean-up were L to R: President Jackie Bourassa, Mark Bourassa, Cindy Lee, Dwain Hall, Mark Minnig, Clair Winebar and committee chair Andrew Rager (not shown). Other helper not identified.

#### **OCTOBER 1ST MEETING:**



The Bluffton Lions met on October 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:30 PM at the Town Hall for an evening of pizza and fellowship with the lion members and potential new members. The speaker was 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice District Governor Lion Pam Olachia. She spoke on her experiences as a lion, also sharing her history and history of the lion's organization. Lion Olachia recently moved to Ohio and joined the Wapakoneta Lions Club. From this meeting most all potential new members were filling out their applications to become a Bluffton Lion.



#### **COMMUNITY MEAL:**



On October 3<sup>rd</sup> the lions served the community meal at the Bluffton Senior Citizens. 83 meals were served with \$196 collected for the Food Kitchen. Servers LtoR...Lions John Rich, chairman; Dwain Hall, Ron Lora, Mark Bourassa, Ed Yeager, with Dennis Morrison and Barbara Plaugher in the dining room.

## **OCTOBER 15<sup>TH</sup> MEETING:**



Bluffton High School students attended American Legion Buckeye Boys and Girls State in June are from Lto R....Asa Clingerman; Luke Jebsen; Mackay Tuttle; Avery Smith. Also shown is Lion Dennis Morrison to the left and Lion Mike Minnig on the right. Student not available was Adie Hanefeld. These students learn how government is run during their week with this program.



Courtnee Morris, Technology Coordinator for Bluffton Schools was the speaker on Building Your Brain on Artificial Intelligence. An interesting program enjoyed by all.

Service project for Christmas...collecting needed items for the Bluffton Food Pantry.

In need of ...canned meats, cereals, chunky style soups, creamy peanut butter, paper towels, toilet paper, bath and hand soap, lotions and deodorants. Bring an item to the November meetings.