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# **Newsletter** Bluffton Lions Club

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December 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

January Birthday	<u>:</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>Dick McGarrity</b>	1/29
January Annivers	ary:				

#### UPCOMING EVENTS: December 25<sup>th</sup>: MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!

**December 31<sup>st</sup>:** Dues paid before this date. All names remaining on the roster by Dec. 31 will be charged for 6 months of dues to the Bluffton Lions Club by LCI.

<u>January 7<sup>th</sup>:</u> Club meeting Town Hall at 6:30 PM. Board to meet at 6:00 PM. The program will be presented by the All-Inclusive Playground Committee.

<u>January 21<sup>st</sup>:</u> Club meeting at noon Town Hall. An update of the All-Inclusive Playground Committee. Speaker TBA. 50/50 Charity Raffle drawing with the new tickets. Please have all tickets turned in before this meeting.

#### **December Charity Raffle:**

- \$100 Dick McGarrity ticket sold by Lion Dick McGarrity
- \$100 Max Davies ticket sold by Lion Ed Yeager
- \$100 Norm Reichenbach ticket sold by Lion Ed Yeager
- \$100 Chris Hochstetler ticket sold by Lion John Hochstetler
- \$100 Louise Watkins ticket sold by Lion Bill Watkins
- \$100 Swiss Historical Socity ticket sold by Lion Jan Emmert
- \$100 Linda Benroth ticket sold by Lion Ed Yeager
- \$100 Ed Yeager ticket sold by Lion Ed Yeager
- \$45 Rita Dietrich ticket sold by Lion Corwin Croy

### **Board Report:**

Update on the All-Inclusive Playground. Applications for donations have begun. Programs will be shared with upcoming lion meetings.



Recyclables will no longer include batteries. The club will continue to collect and recycle ink cartridges, hearing aids, phones, eyeglasses and flags.

The Leo club is progressing well with an application for a charter soon. Reports will be coming to the club each month.

Donations were approved: LCIF \$1,000; VOSH \$200; Pilot Dogs \$500; Sight and Hearing \$200; Ohio Foundation \$400; Pediatric Cancer \$200; Diabetes \$250; NorthWest Eyecare Foundation \$250. New member application, Larry Hoffman accepted. Resignation from Don and Dima Snyder accepted.

**BLAZE OF LIGHTS:** Thanks to Lions John Hochstetler and Ed Yeager with wives for their participation in the parade and distributing candy to the kids.

## CHRISTMAS SOCIAL:





The annual **Christmas social** was held at the Town Hall on December 3<sup>rd</sup>. The meal was served by Henri's from Ottawa. Vocal entertainment was provided by 4 gals and 2 guys. Food items were collected for the **Food Pantry and** placed under the Christmas tree. **President Lion Jackie Bourassa** led the social with mixers and a Christmas reading. All those attending had an enjoyable evening.

