



LIONS TALE

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President: John Hertzog
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OCTOBER — MAY
1ST & 3RD Tuesdays - 6:30 p.m.
Butler Blind Association building
322 North Cedar Street

BOARD MEETINGS
4th Tuesday - 6:30 p.m.
Butler Blind Association building

JUNE — SEPTEMBER
1st & 3rd Tuesdays - 6:30 p.m.
Alameda Park Lions Shelter

BOARD MEETINGS
3RD Tuesday following meeting

February 2012

Welcome: To our newest member, Lion Kathy Kerry whose membership was approved by the Board on January 24. Lion Kathy is the lady friend of Lion Bob Baron who is her sponsor.

Lion Clubs International (LCI) Catalog Orders: LCI is offering a special on shipping of orders placed through the catalog in February. The cost of shipping will only be \$2.29 for all orders over \$50. There is no paper catalog anymore; anyone with access to the internet can view the catalog and even place an order if they like. If you are interested in ordering anything contact Lion Wink; he would place one consolidated order. The Club would be billed. You would then need to reimburse the Club by paying the Treasurer the cost of your order.

Dues Increase: At the January Board meeting the Board approved a dues increase starting next Lions year (7-1-12 – 6-30-13). Our current dues, which have not been raised for many years, are no longer enough to support our expenses. The State is raising our dues \$1.50 per member this year and another \$1.50 next year. So, effective July 1, 2012, our yearly dues will be as follows: regular and privileged members will be \$72, an increase of \$12 a year; family members will be \$48, an increase of \$8 a year; and life members will be \$33, an increase of \$8 a year. As you know, we cannot use any funds we raise from the public for Club use. The cost of running the Club is defrayed by our dues, our in Club 50/50 and joker poker, our meals and fines.

January Board Meeting Highlights: At the Board meeting on January 24 the Board approved the following expenditures: (charities) \$1000 to LCIF for our final installment of our \$5000 commitment to Campaign Sight First II; \$1000 to LCIF in support of the Lions measles initiative; \$100 to Leader Dogs for the Blind and \$100 to SVOSH at Southern College of Optometry; (admin) \$100 for District Governor's gift; \$100 for an ad in the State Convention program; \$188 for printing an updated Club pamphlet. The Board also approved the donation of a large print book to the Butler Public Library in the memory of Lion Jim Crowley; and voted to drop the memberships of Dovenspike and Parisi.

Club Pamphlet: Has been updated and a new supply has been printed. They are stored upstairs at the Blind Association. If you need any, help yourself or contact Lion Wink.

Butler Lions Sweetheart Night: Will be our February 21 meeting. All members are encouraged to bring their sweethearts to the meeting. The program that night will be a presentation on the Reality Tour.

Reservation Policy for Special Meetings (i.e. spouse/friend nights, Christmas Party, Club Picnic, etc.): The Board approved the following policy; if you make reservations for a special meeting and do not attend that meeting or cancel your reservation before noon the day before the meeting, you will be charged for the reservation.

Visitation to Slippery Rock Lions Club: Will be February 16. If you are interested in going, you must sign-up by February 12. For those who signed-up, we will meet at the Clearview Mall at 5:15 and carpool from there.

Nominations for Lions Year 2012-2013: The Nominating Committee posts the following slate of officers for the 2012-2013 Lions year. The election of officers will be held on the April 3 meeting. If you are interested in any of these positions and want your name on the ballot, contact Lion Bill Hetrick before April 1.

King: Neil Ashbaugh	Secretary & Scribe: Michael Winkler	1 yr Director: Jennifer Bindernagel
1 st VP: Richard Cox	Treasurer: Thomas Faller	Steven Bonnett
2 nd VP: Arthur Black	Lion Tamer: Robert Noah	Daniel Smith
3 rd VP: Douglas Hayes	Tail Twister: Robert Baron	2 yr Director: Linda Gibala
	Membership Chair: Russell Moore	Barry Flecken
	IPP: John Hertzog	Gary Miller

February Board Meeting: Will be February 28 at the Blind Association starting at 6:30 p.m. All Board members are expected to attend. Non-board members are always welcome.

March 6 Meeting: Will be held at the Blind Association starting at 6:30 p.m. Bill Pitzer will speak to us about long-term care planning.

Riverside Area Lions Club's 50th Anniversary: Will be held at Camp Kon-O-Kwee starting at 5:30 on March 17. The cost for the buffet dinner with desert is \$20. If interested in going sign-up on the sign-up sheet or contact Lion Wink NLT March 6.

Disaster Relief Program of the Butler Chapter of the American Red Cross: The Board was informed that the local Red Cross has a "wish list" for razors and shaving cream which they can provide to individuals who lose their dwelling as a result of a disaster. We are asking all members to please support this effort by bringing these items to the Blind Association either before a meeting or during their business hours. We will run this collection drive through the end of March.

Tree Planting: As you know, our International President Tam has challenged all Lions to plant trees. We have two tree planting events in our future; one is a district project that will be held on May 5 in southern Armstrong County and the other will be at Lion Don McCandless's. The date for planting the trees at Lion Don's will be determined by when his trees are delivered.

Mother's Day Rose Sale: The fundraising committee voted to hold a Mother's Day rose sale again. The cost will be \$16 a dozen picked up at the Blind Association or \$20 if delivered. If more than one dozen roses are delivered to the same address, only the first dozen will be \$20, the others will be \$16 each. Cut off day for rose orders is April 30. The roses will be available on May 11 and/or May 12 (details on this are still being worked out). The final details and sales flyers will be forthcoming.



Happy birthday to the following Lions:

Debbie Hayes	7
Dick Schwab	10
Kim Jarvis	24

CALENDAR

FEBRUARY

- 7:** 6:30 Membership meeting at Blind Association, Zone Chair's visit
- 11:** 1:00 Cabinet Meeting #3 at the Blind Association
- 16:** Visitation to the Slippery Rock Lions Club
- 21:** 6:30 Membership meeting at Blind Association, Sweetheart's Night, program: presentation on the Reality Tour
- 28:** 6:30 Board Meeting at Blind Association

MARCH

- 6:** 6:30 Membership meeting at Blind Association, program: long term care planning
- 7:** Riverside Area Lions 50th Anniversary at Camp Kon-O-Kwee
- 20:** 6:30 Membership meeting at Blind Association, program: mystery guest #3
- 27:** 6:30 Board Meeting at Blind Association

APRIL

- 3:** 6:30 Membership meeting at Blind Association. Election of officers
- 7:** 7am Adopt-A-Highway, North Main Street Church of God
- 14:** 5:30 Spring Convention and party at Camp Kon-O-Kwee
- 17:** 6:30 Membership meeting at Blind Association
- 21:** 1:00 Cabinet meeting #4 at Worthington Community Center
- 24:** 6:30 Board Meeting at Blind Association
- 27-29:** Beacon Lodge work weekend
- 30:** Rose orders due

MAY

- 1:** 6:30 Membership meeting at Blind Association
- 5:** 8-4pm District 14-N tree planting project in southern Armstrong County
- 13:** Mother's Day
- 15:** 6:30 Membership meeting at Blind Association
- 17-20:** PA Lions State Convention, Gettysburg
- 22:** 6:30 Board Meeting at Blind Association

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