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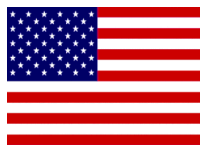
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SEPTEMBER 18 - JUNE 4
 1st & 3rd Tuesdays – 6:30 p.m.
 Butler Blind Association
 322 North Cedar Street
BOARD MEETINGS
 4th Tuesday – 6:30 p.m.
 Butler Blind Association

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 Alameda Park Lions Shelter
BOARD MEETINGS
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JUNE 2019



First Membership Meeting in June: Will be June 4 at the Blind Association, starting at 6:30. This is a family/friend night. If you are going to have dinner; be sure to make your reservation with Lion Connie by Friday, May 31. The cost for dinner and the 3 in-club raffles is \$15; \$25 for a couple. 1VDGE Chip Campbell will be our guest; he will install our 2019-2020 club officers and induct our new members. The Tail Twister has requested that all members wear their club shirt (preferably the blue one) and their name tags.

Second Membership Meeting in June: Will be June 18 at the Butler Lions Shelter, Alameda Park, starting at 6:30. Make your dinner reservations with Lion Connie by Friday, June 14. This will be our first outdoor meeting of the season. The food committee informed us it will be “taco Tuesday”. The Tail Twister advises there will be a mystery greeter!

Club Dinner Reservation Policy: For all regular club meetings, all Lions are asked to make a reservation with Lion Connie by the Friday prior to the meeting. If you make a reservation and do not come to that meeting, you will be responsible for paying for that reservation. Reservation cancellations must be made by the Friday before the meeting. If you come to a meeting without making a reservation; you will have to wait until those who made reservations have gone through the dinner line. If there is extra food, those without reservations will be invited to partake in the dinner. Be sure to pay Lion Tom for your dinner and get your raffle tickets.

June Board Meeting: Will be held on June 25 at the Blind Association, starting at 6:30. All board members are expected to attend; club members are always welcome!

Lion Sue Garris Memorial Raffle: Below is the schedule of Lions who will be providing the raffle item:

June 4:	Saunders/Wood	July 9:	No raffle
June 18:	Cox	July 16:	Winklers

Heart of a Lion awards: Were presented on May 7 to: Caroline Simms, Dr. C.A. Balouris and Tom Taylor. Along with the plaque, we made a \$100 donation to the recipient's charity of choice. Ms. Simms chose the JDRF; Dr. Balouris chose the Butler Blind Association and Mr. Taylor chose the Prospect library.

Slate of Officers 2019-2020 Lions year:

President	Janet Flecken	Service Chairperson	Vacant
1 st Vice President	Connie Ivill	Marketing Chairperson	Sharon Chernick
2 nd Vice President	John Hertzog	1 Year Directors	Kevin Barnhart Derek Myers B.T. Fullerton
3 rd Vice President	Vacant	2 Year Directors	Ruthann Goff Joyce Saunders Bruce Wood
Secretary	Mike Winkler		
Treasurer	Tom Faller		
IPP	PDG Linda Gibala		
Tail Twister	Cathie Cox		
Lion Tamer	Steve Bonnett		
Membership Chair	PDG Don Gibala		

As you can see, there are a two positions that need to be filled. If you are interested in either of them; contact Lion Janet Flecken.

Spring Sausage Sale: We sold over 440 lbs. of sausage and made over \$600. Thanks to Lion George for chairing the sale and thanks to our sausage packers: Lions Ellen, Connie, Carolyn, Janet, PDG Don, John Hertzog, Barry, Art and Wink; and Erin Fullerton (Lions B.T. and Ellen's daughter).

City of Butler bike rodeo: Was held on May 5, at the City's Farmers Market. Approximately 200 bikes were given away to needy youngsters, including 2 new bikes donated by the club. Our club played a significant role in the success of this event. Thanks to Lions Polly, Connie, Betty, Ellen, Bill Hetrick, Joe Smith, Barry, Art, John Houston, B.T., Doug Heltzell, John Hertzog, Bob Ogden and Wink for being a part of the rodeo. There were a lot of happy kids!

Mother's Day rose sale: We sold 81 dozen roses; proceeds were around \$800. Thanks to Lion Barry who led the sale and to those Lions who sold roses.

No Longer Collecting Cell Phones: The Blind Association no longer has a source for used cellphones; consequently, we will no longer collect them.

Adopt-A-Highway: Our second session of 2019 will be held on Saturday, June 22. We will meet at Trinity Lutheran Church at 7:00 a.m.

Butler Master Gardener's Spring Market in Alameda Park: Thanks to Lion Art for chairing our booth. He provided the following report: The 17th annual Garden Market was held Saturday, May 18, at Alameda Park. We had a cool morning with a rain shower, and a steamy afternoon. Thank you to Lions Steve Bonnett, Carolyn Winkler, Bob Ogden, Sharon Chernick, Bruce Wood, Bill Hetrick, Janet Flecken, Barry Flecken, Tom Faller, Mike Winkler and Art. The team managed \$355 in sales, and made some promising contacts with new potential broom and bag buyers.

Dues are Due: Lion Tom is now taking dues for the 2019-2020 Lions year. Annual dues are: \$75 regular membership; \$55 family membership and \$40 life membership. The breakdown of how your dues are distributed is noted below:

2019 - 2020 Dues Breakdown					
Dues	International	State	District	Beacon Lodge	Admin
Regular/Privileged \$75.00 (\$6.25/mo.)	\$43.00	\$16	\$3.50	\$5	\$ 7.50
Family/College Student \$55.00 (\$4.59/mo.)	\$21.50	\$16	\$3.50	\$5	\$9.00
Life \$40.00 (\$3.34/mo.)	0	\$16	\$3.50	\$5	\$15.50

Renovation of the Butler Lions shelter at Alameda Park: Will occur in the fall. The renovations will not affect our scheduled outdoor meetings.

Hot dog stand at Butler Sharp Shopper: Will be Thursday **June 6** through Saturday **June 8**. The stand will be open from 10:00 – 6:00 p.m. What we know from our first year of running the stand is we need **LOTS** of Lions to cover the stand. There are a lot of openings on the sign-up sheet. We need your help to run this stand!

Looking ahead to July:

- July 2 - meeting moved to July 9.
- July 9 – Stuff a Bus event at the YMCA/Emily Brittain. Our Blind Association’s clients social/dinner/bingo.
- July 14 – Potter baseball volleyball tournament at the Butler High School gym and community picnic at the Butler Lions Shelter, Alameda Park.
- July 16 – Membership meeting at Butler Lions Shelter, Alameda Park.
- July 23 – board meeting, Butler Blind Association

Boscov’s Friends Helping Friends (FHF) event: Will be held on Wednesday, October 16, at Boscov’s at the Clearview Mall and all their stores. On that day, store customers who purchased a \$5 shopping pass will receive a 25% discount on all their purchases that day (certain brands and categories of merchandise are not included in this discount offer. The exclusions are clearly described on the pass). Where do you get one of these passes you ask? From the Butler Lions or any other participating non-profit organization. Yes, we will have these passes; they sell for \$5. The nice thing is our club keeps the entire \$5 from the sale of the pass. If we sell 100 passes, we make \$500. Obviously, sell more passes, make more money! Since this FHF event is held on the same day at all the Boscov’s stores, you could sell passes to friends/relatives in Altoona and they could use the pass there or in Beaver County and they could go to the Beaver Valley store. We have ordered tickets; Lion Janet has them.

Trex Company recycling challenge; Round 2: As you know, we met the first challenge; collecting 500 pounds of plastic. We have received our bench and it was donate to the Blind Association. We are now into Round 2 of collecting plastics. There are bins in the Blind Association ready to accept your plastic bags and wrap. Contact Lion Polly if you have any questions or recommendations.

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| - LDPE / HDPE Films | - Pellet Bags |
| - Newspaper Sleeves | - Produce Bags |
| - Bread Bags | - Dry Cleaning Bags |
| - Product Wrap | - Grocery Bags |
| - Cereal Liners | - Case Overwrap |
| - Food Storage Bags | - Packaging Air Pillows |
| - Ice Bags | - Salt Bags |

Welcome to our newest member: William (Bill) Criley has joined our pride. Let's make Lion Bill feel welcome!

International President's Award: Was presented to our President, PDG Linda Gibala at the state convention in May by International President Gudrun Yngvadottir. This prestigious award was given to her for her outstanding service to LCI. We congratulate President PDG Linda on receiving this well-deserved recognition!



Big Butler Fair Booth: Lions Maryann and Adam have proposed that we have a booth at the fair and that they will man it. The fair is June 28 through July 6 and the booth has to be manned from 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m. The district has paid the registration fee. The booth's focus will be on Leader Dogs for the Blind and the PA Lions Sight Conservation and Eye Research Foundation. We will have some of our Lions products and brochures there also. It is the hope that we can get members to come out to the fair and staff the booth; giving some relief to Lions Adam and Maryann. We are not sure if we can get some guest passes so we do not have to pay to get in to help at the booth. Not everything has been worked out yet. Please keep some time open to help with this venture. There should be more information at the next meeting.

Help Wanted: We are in need of a chair to coordinate a booth at the Butler Fall Festival on September 28 and we are looking for a coordinator for our awards night in October. Contact President PDG Linda if you are willing to take on one of these jobs.

Ivy Jug: The jug that we pass around at most of our meetings resulted in collections of \$220. This money will go to the District along with other clubs that have an ivy jug. Ultimately, this money will be donated to the PA Lions Sight Conservation and Eye Research Foundation. We will take the next two months off and will resume circulating the jug in August.

Assistance to Zelenople Lions: Zelenople horse trading days is July 18-20. The Zelenople Lions have reached out to our club to help them with their sweet potato fries booth. Their membership is down at this point and it will be difficult for them to staff the booth the whole time without some outside assistance. If you would be able to help out; please contact PDG Linda Gibala. She will contact the Zelenople club to coordinate our help.



Happy birthday to the following Lions celebrating a birthday in June:

- Mindy Hill (9)
- Kathy Kerry (13)
- Steve Sutton (13)
- Doug Hayes (26)

CALENDAR

JUNE

- 1:** Butler County Youth Field Day
- 4:** Membership meeting, installation of 2019-2020 Club officers, family/friend night, Blind Association Installation of new officers and induction of new Members by 1VDGE Chip Campbell
- 6-8:** 10-6pm Hot dog stand, Butler Sharp Shopper
- 16:** Happy Father's Day
- 18:** 6:30 Membership meeting, Butler Lions Shelter, Alameda Park, taco Tuesday
- 21:** First day of summer
- 22:** 7:00 Adopt-a-highway, Trinity Lutheran Church
- 25:** 6:30 Board meeting, Blind Association
- 27:** 5-7pm Penn-Glade Lions Club's rib dinner

JULY

- 2:** No meeting, moved to next Tuesday
- 4:** Happy birthday, America!
- 9:** 10-2pm Stuff a bus, YMCA/Emily Brittain
- 9:** 6:30 Blind Assoc. clients social/dinner/bingo, Blind Association
- 14:** Volleyball tournament, Butler High School gym
Potter Baseball thank you picnic, Butler Lions Shelter, Alameda Park
- 14:** PA Lions appreciation day at PA Lions Beacon Lodge camp
- 16:** 6:30 Membership meeting, Butler Lions Shelter, Alameda Park, Christmas in July
- 23:** 6:30 Board meeting, Blind Association
- 25:** 5-7pm Penn-Glade Lions Club's rib dinner

AUGUST

- 6:** 6:30 Membership meeting, Butler Lions Shelter, Alameda Park
- 10:** District 14-N cabinet meeting #1 and passing of the banner, Penn Glade Lions Park
- 20:** 6:30 Membership meeting, Butler Lions Shelter, Alameda Park
- 22:** 5-7pm Penn-Glade Lions Club's rib dinner
- 24:** 7:00 Adopt-a-highway, Trinity Lutheran Church
- 27:** 6:30 Board meeting, Blind Association

SEPTEMBER

- 2:** Labor Day
- 3:** 6:30 Membership meeting, Butler Lions Shelter, Alameda Park
- 17:** 6:30 Membership meeting, Blind Association
- 23:** First day of autumn
- 24:** 6:30 Board meeting, Blind Association
- 26:** 5-7pm Penn-Glade Lions Club's rib dinner
Last rib dinner of the season
- 28:** Butler Fall Festival
- 29:** 9:00 Scoot & Toot 5k run/walk, Alameda Park
Alameda Park September Fest

Other Club Officers:

Director, 2 years: Kevin Barnhart
B.T. Fullerton
Derek Myers

Director, 1 year: Ruthann Goff
Joyce Saunders
Carolyn Winkler

IPP: Barry Flecken

Membership Chair: PDG Don Gibala

Tail Twister: Cathie Cox

Lion Tamer: Steve Bonnett

Marketing/Communications Chair: Sharon Chernick

Service Chair: Polly Goettler

LCIF Coordinator: Mike Winkler

Presidential Appointments:

Chaplain: Kevin Barnhart

Asst. Treasurer: Richard Schwab

Historian: George Bonnett

Photographer:

Mystery Greeter: Cathie Cox

Web Master: John Houston

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