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SEPT. 20, 2022 – APR 2023
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

MAY – SEPTEMBER 6, 2022
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Alameda Park Lions Shelter
BOARD MEETINGS
4th Tuesday – 6:30 p.m.
Butler Blind Association



NOVEMBER 2022



November membership meetings: our first meeting will be November 1 at the Butler Blind Association, starting at 6:30. Dinner reservations for this meeting are due to Lion Connie by October 28. District Governor Gaylene Toland will make her official visit to our club. We would like to see a nice turn-out of Lions to show DG Gaylene our support.

Our second meeting will be November 15 at the Blind Association, starting at 6:30. Dinner reservations for this meeting are due to Lion Connie by November 11. Lion Maryann Fleeger will be doing a diabetes awareness program.

Club meeting dinner cost with in-club raffles and reservation policy: The cost of dinner for a club member is \$15 for one or \$25 for a couple. The dinner price includes a ticket for our 3 in-club raffles (Lion Sue Garris Memorial raffle, 50/50 and joker poker). If you are not eating or want an additional raffle ticket, the cost is \$3. That is for the 3 drawings. One ticket enters you in all three raffles.

For all regular club meetings, all Lions are asked to make a reservation with Lion Connie Ivill 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.

Our meals will be buffet style. You are welcome to return for seconds after every one has gone through the line.

November board meeting: is scheduled for November 22, at the Blind Association, starting at 6:30. All club members are welcome to attend.

Sue Garris Memorial Raffle: Contact Lion Wink to sign-up to bring a raffle item. All meetings in 2023 are open.

Nov. 1: Carolyn and Mike Dec.: no raffles
Nov. 15: Betty and Jim

Official provider of Butler Lions apparel: Titler's Special Tees, 201 Kohler Avenue, Lyndora, has our official logo and can provide a variety of shirts and sweat shirts with the logo. The club shirt's color is **ultra marine blue**. However, you can have our logo put on any apparel. Their telephone number is 724-283-0562.

Katie's Kitchen: The meals have resumed at St. Mark's; all dinners at this time are carry-out. In addition to the third Thursday, our club has been asked (at least for now) to assist with the meal on the 2nd Thursday. So, if you are available to assist with either of these dinners, contact Lion Eric to assist at the November 10 dinner and Lion Janet to assist at the November 17 dinner. Thanks to Lions Eric, Prez John, Rhonda and Randy for assisting at the October 13 dinner. 167 meals were distributed. Thanks to Lions Deb and Doug Hayes, Barry, Janet, Suzie and Bill O. and Prez John for assisting at the October 20 dinner. 160 meals were distributed.

Adopt-a-highway: Our last clean-up will be Nov. 5. We will meet at Trinity Lutheran Church at 7:30 a.m.

City Farmers Market: is done for the season. Thanks to Lion Art for all the time he spent there. Also, thanks to Lions Bill and Cindy and Lions Janet and Barry who filled in for Lion Art on occasion.

Fall sausage sale: was quite successful. Our profit was over \$600. Thanks to those Lions that sold and those who packed the sausage. Thank you Lion Janet for the pictures!



← Hot sausage packer, Lion Bill O.

↓ Hot sausage packers (L-R) Lions Bill O., Bob S., Wink And PDG Don



Salt and pepper sausage packers Lions Eric, Maryann and Adam



Sage sausage packers Lions Art, Barry and Suzie



All most done! L-R Lions B.T. (his back), Bob S., Art, Wink, PDG Don, Carolyn , and Bill O



In the cooler! Lions Maryann Eric and Connie

Hot dog stand: at Sharp Shopper was a big success. Sales of hot dogs, products and donations amounted to \$1600!



Lions Janet and Suzie freezing their buns!



A couple of Lions with customers.



Lion Neil!



Prez John cooking the dogs!

Hang Tough stockings: we are again participating in this program. These filled stockings will be given to cancer patients at cancer centers and hospice units. This is from Oct. 10 thru Nov. 7. You can drop off items or filled stockings at the Blind Association. Contact Lion Eric if you have any questions.

Clothing drive: for Suit Yourself/First Impressions, and sponsored by Family Services of Butler Memorial Hospital. Over 14 bags of mens and womens clothing items was collected and delivered.

Christmas tree sale: will begin on Friday, November 25 (day after Thanksgiving). We will pick up the trees that morning. Contact Lion Doug Hayes if you can help with that. Meanwhile, the lot organizer, Lion Barry, will be getting the shelter ready for the trees; contact Lion Barry if you can help with this. We will need tree sellers throughout the sale. Contact either Lion Doug Hayes or Lion Barry to sign-up for a shift or two! In case you don't know, our tree lot is in the picnic shelter at Trinity Lutheran Church.

Christmas parade float: we will be pulling a float in this year's Butler Christmas Parade on Saturday, November 26. The float will be decorated that morning. Contact Lions Maryann or Adam if you can help decorate the float and/or participate in the parade.

Club Christmas party: will be Friday, December 9, at the American Legion, Post 778, Lyndora. More details will be forthcoming. The Christmas party will be the only meeting in December!

Award Night: our annual event was held on October 18. Attendance awards, membership growth awards, Monarch awards and Lion of the Year were presented. Congratulations to all the award recipients. Of special note were 35 year Monarch to Lion Art Black; 50 year Monarch to Lion Bill Hetrick and a 55 year Monarch to Lion George Bonnett; that is a lot of Lions years! Congratulations to our Lion of the Year, Lion Maryann Fleeger. The final award of the night was a Melvin Jones Fellow posthumously presented to Lion Joe Smith.



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

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| IPP Bob Ogden (9) | Barry Flecken (21) |
| PDG Don Gibala (10) | Prez John Hertzog (28) |
| Rick Bonnett (11) | Janet Flecken (30) |
| Suzie Olszewski (14) | |

CALENDAR

NOVEMBER

- 1: 6:30 membership meeting, Blind Association District Governor's official club visit
- 5: 1:00 District 14-N cabinet meeting #2, Blind Assoc.
- 5: **7:30** Adopt-a-highway, Trinity Lutheran Church
- 6: District 14-N fall rally, Atrium, Prospect
- 6: daylight savings time ends (fall back)
- 8: **Election Day**
- 10: 5:00-6:00 assisting with community dinner at Katie's Kitchen (St. Mark's)
- 11: **Veterans Day**
- 15: 6:30 membership meeting, Blind Association Program: Lion Maryann-diabetes awareness
- 17: 5:00-6:00 assisting with community dinner at Katie's Kitchen (St. Mark's)
- 22: 6:30 Board meeting, Blind Association
- 24: **Happy Thanksgiving!**
- 25: Christmas tree sale begins
- 26: Christmas parade

DECEMBER

- 6: no meeting
- 8: 5:00-6:00 assisting with community dinner at Katie's Kitchen (St. Mark's)
- 9: 5:30 family Christmas party, American Legion Post 778, Lyndora
- 15: 5:00-6:00 assisting with community dinner at Katie's Kitchen (St. Mark's)
- 20: no meeting
- 25: **Merry Christmas!**
- 27: no board meeting

JANUARY 2023

- 1: Happy New Year!!
- 3: 6:30 membership meeting, Blind Association
- 12: 5:00-6:00 assisting with community dinner at Katie's Kitchen (St. Mark's)
- 17: 6:30 membership meeting, Blind Association
- 19: 5:00-6:00 assisting with community dinner at Katie's Kitchen (St. Mark's)
- 24: 6:30 Board meeting, Blind Association

FEBRUARY

- 7: 6:30 membership meeting, Blind Association
- 9: 5:00-6:00 assisting with community dinner at Katie's Kitchen (St. Mark's)
- 11: 1:00 District 14-N cabinet meeting #3, Blind Assoc.
- 14: **Happy Valentine's Day!**
- 16: 5:00-6:00 assisting with community dinner at Katie's Kitchen (St. Mark's)
- 21: 6:30 membership meeting, Blind Association Heart of a Lion presentations, family/friends night
- 28: 6:30 Board meeting, Blind Association

MARCH

- 7: 6:30 membership meeting, Blind Association
- 9: 5:00-6:00 assisting with community dinner at Katie's Kitchen (St. Mark's)
- 11 & 12: community dinners' art gala fundraiser at St. Michael's hall
- 16: 5:00-6:00 assisting with community dinner at Katie's Kitchen (St. Mark's)
- 17: **Happy St. Patrick's Day!**
- 21: 6:30 membership meeting, Blind Association
- 28: 6:30 Board meeting, Blind Association

Other Club Officers:

Director, 1 year: Betty Basalyga
Randy Pilarcik
Bruce Wood
Director, 2 years: Bill Criley
Barry Flecken
PDG Linda Gibala
IPP: Robert Ogden
Membership Chair: Steve Bonnett
Tail Twister: Cathie Cox
Lion Tamer: Carolyn Winkler
Marketing/Communications Chair: Connie Ivill

Service Chair: Eric Cranmer
LCIF Coordinator: Mike Winkler

Presidential Appointments:

Chaplain:
Asst. Treasurer: Richard Schwab
Historian: Derek Myers
Photographer: Rhonda Pilarcik
Web Master: Adam Fleeger

2022-2023 Butler Lions Committees

Budget, Finance & Grants:

Board oversight/chair: T. Faller
PDG D. Gibala
R. Schwab
M. Winkler

Fundraising:

Board oversight/chair: M. Fleeger
A. Fleeger C. Ivill
J. Bindernagel T. Morgan
E. Cranmer R. Ogden
W. Criley R. Shipkowski
W. Hetrick B. Wood

Club Events and Programs:

Board oversight/co-chairs: A. Fleeger & M. Fleeger
C. Ivill Rhonda Pilarcik
C. Winkler M. Winkler

Food:

Board oversight: C. Ivill
Chair: E. Fullerton
B. Basalyga C. Cox
J. Basalyga C. Criley
G. Bonnett A. Eyth
S. Bonnett D. McCandless

Service:

Board oversight/chair: E. Cranmer
C. Ivill B. Basalyga
B. Shipkowski M. Fleeger
A. Fleeger
B. Wood

Public Relations-Club Promotion:

Board oversight/chair: Connie Ivill
A. Fleeger
M. Fleeger
PDG D. Gibala
Rhonda Pilarcik

Vision, Hearing and Diabetes:

Board oversight: B. Wood/chair: S. Colon
J. Bindernagel M. Fleeger (District diabetes
A. Black chair)
T. Faller PDG D. Gibala
B. Flecken M. Winkler

Webmaster:

Board oversight/chair: A. Fleeger
J. Criley C. Ivill
M. Fleeger Rhonda Pilarcik
PDG D. Gibala

Membership/Leadership:

Board oversight/chair: S. Bonnett
W. Criley PDG D. Gibala
A. Fleeger R. Ogden
M. Fleeger R. Shipkowski

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