

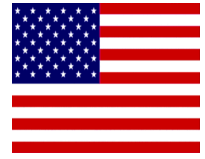


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SEPT. 20, 2022 – APR 2023
1st & 3rd Tuesdays – 6:30 p.m.
Butler Blind Association
322 North Cedar Street
BOARD MEETINGS
4th Tuesday – 6:30 p.m.
Butler Blind Association

MAY – SEPTEMBER 6, 2022
1ST & 3RD Tuesdays – 6:30 p.m.
Alameda Park Lions Shelter
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FEBRUARY 2023



February membership meetings: our first meeting in February will be held on February 7, 6:30 at the Blind Association. Dinner reservations are due to Lion Connie by Friday, February 3. Not sure if we will have a program; maybe CCR.

Our second meeting of February will be February 21, 6:30 at the Blind Association. Dinner reservations are due to Lion Connie by Friday, February 17. This meeting we will be presenting the Heart of a Lion award to local citizens. This is a family/friends night. Please plan on attending to show our support for the recipients.

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 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.

February board meeting: will be held on February 28, 6:30 at the Blind Association.

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

Feb. 7 – Lion Rhonda
Feb. 14 – PDG Linda

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: (St. Mark's) all dinners 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 February 9th dinner and Lion Janet to assist at the February 16th dinner. Thanks to Lions Eric, Prez John, Rhonda and Randy for assisting at the January 12 dinner. 152 meals were distributed. Thanks to Lions Janet, Deb, Prez John, Rhonda, Randy and Ellen for assisting at the January 19 dinner. 160 meals were distributed. Thanks to Prez John for helping out on January 5 as well!

Board vacancy: Lion Bruce Wood has a scheduling conflict which makes it necessary for him to resign his 1 year director position. The board is looking to fill this vacancy for the rest of this Lions year (June 30, 2023). If you are interested in filling this vacancy, please contact President John Hertzog.

2023-2024 club officers: it is that time again to establish the slate of club officers for the upcoming Lions year. 1stVP Adam Fleeger is looking to fill several positions, including 3rdVP, membership chair, 3-2 year directors to mention a few. Please let Lion Adam know if you are interested in serving on next year's board.

Moniteau Leo Club: is being sponsored by the Butler Lions Club. The club is located at Moniteau High School in West Sunbury. There are currently 15 Leo members in the club. The Leos have already held a project on January 19. The Butler Lions Club supported the newly established Moniteau Leo Club, attending the Bocce Match for Unified Sports on January 19, 2023. Unified Sports, is a part of the Special Olympics. The event paired special education and regular education students together to emphasize the importance of acceptance and inclusion of everyone. A special shout out to the students and teachers as they came together to show a strong sense of community. Thank you to the Leo Club for reaching out to help with this event. Lions and Leo's SERVING and supporting each other and our neighborhoods. BRAVO!



L-R, back row: Lions Eric and Art
Middle row: Lions Carolyn, Wink and Bill O.
Bottom row: Prez John, PDG Don, Lions Adam and Maryann with grandson Abram
PDG Linda is behind the camera

Child abuse clearances: all club members are advised to obtain their clearances if they plan on being involved in club activities that involve youths. If your clearances are over 5 years old or you don't have one, you can do it online at: <https://www.dhs.pa.gov/keepkidssafe/Pages/default.aspx> (click on clearances). You can also copy and paste the link in your browser. Any questions, contact President John.

New Castle Lions Club's 100th anniversary celebration is scheduled for:

When: Saturday, February 25, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.

Where: Medure's (The Villa)

2500 New Butler Road

New Castle, PA

Cost: \$45.00 per person

Checks payable to: New Castle Lions Club

Menu: Hors D' Oeuvres, stuffed chicken breast, roasted prime rib, roasted red skin potatoes, green bean almondine, sauteed corn, salad

If you are going, let Lion Wink know by February 15.

Butler Lions Club's 100th anniversary celebration: is being worked on. The date will be June 24 and it will be held at the Tanglewood Senior Center. Obviously, there are a lot of details to work out. Lion Rhonda Pilarcik is the chair of this event.

Glass jars: The 100th Anniversary Committee is seeking GLASS quart jars-mason, pickles, mayo etc. Please drop them off at the Blind Association or call Lion Rhonda if needed.

Beaver Falls Lions spaghetti dinner fundraiser: will be held February 26, 1-7 pm, at Lighthouse for the Blind, 720 Third Ave., New Brighton, PA 15066. Eat in or take out; adults \$12; kids 3-12 \$6, under 3 free.

Summit Township Elementary School backpack program: we will be collecting food items for this program through March 7. The flyer is included. Bring your items to the Blind Association.

PA State Convention: the 100th PA Lions Clubs State Convention will be held on May 18 through May 21 at the Kovalchick Convention and Athletic Complex, 711 Pratt Drive, Indiana, PA 15705. Refer to the recent issue of the "Pride" state newsletter for more information on the convention. This link should get you there. (or copy and paste in your browser)

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

Tyler Morgan (1)

Kevin Barnhart (4)

Deb Hayes (7)

Dick Schwab (10)

Bob Shipkowski (11)

Connie Ivill (14)

Ruthann Goff (20)

Kim Jarvis (24)

CALENDAR

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 Soup and sandwich dinner. (all proceeds will go Towards our 100th celebration)
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

APRIL

4: 6:30 membership meeting, Blind Association Election of 2023-2024 officers
9: Happy Easter
13: 5:00-6:00 assisting with community dinner at Katie's Kitchen (St. Mark's)
15: 4:00 District 14-N spring convention, Shakespeare's
18: 6:30 membership meeting, Blind Association
20: 5:00-6:00 assisting with community dinner at Katie's Kitchen (St. Mark's)
22: 7:00 adopt-a-highway #1, Trinity Lutheran Church
25: 6:30 Board meeting, Blind Association
28-30: PA Lions Beacon Lodge work weekend

MAY

2: 6:30 membership meeting, **Butler Lions Shelter, Alameda Park**
11: 5:00-6:00 assisting with community dinner at Katie's Kitchen (St. Mark's)
14: Happy Mother's Day!
16: 6:30 membership meeting, **Butler Lions Shelter**
18: 5:00-6:00 assisting with community dinner at Katie's Kitchen (St. Mark's)
18: 5:30-8:30 Mingle on Main, Saxonburg
18-21: PA Lions State Convention, IUP
23: 6:30 Board meeting, Blind Association
27: 1:00 District 14-N cabinet meeting #4, Blind Assoc.
29: **Memorial Day**

JUNE

6: 6:30 membership meeting, location TBA Installation of 2023-2024 officers
8: 5:00-6:00 assisting with community dinner at Katie's Kitchen (St. Mark's)
10: 7:00 adopt-a-highway #2, Trinity Lutheran Church
15: 5:00-6:00 assisting with community dinner at Katie's Kitchen (St. Mark's)
15: 5:30-8:30 Mingle on Main, Saxonburg
18: Happy Father's Day!
20: 6:30 membership meeting, Butler Lions Shelter
24: Butler Lions Club's 100th anniversary Celebration, Tanglewood Senior Center
27: 6:30 Board meeting, Blind Association

Other Club Officers:

Director, 1 year: Betty Basalyga
Randy Pilarcik
Vacant

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

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

Public Relations-Club Promotion:

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

Membership/Leadership:

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

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

Service:

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

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

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