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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 5, 2023
1ST & 3RD Tuesdays – 6:30 p.m.
Alameda Park Lions Shelter
BOARD MEETINGS
4th Tuesday – 6:30 p.m.
Butler Blind Association



JUNE 2023



June membership meeting: will be June 6, at 6:30 at Alameda Park. Dinner reservations are due to Lion Connie by Friday, June 2. PDG Linda Gibala will be installing our 2023-2024 officers. We will also be presenting Lion Dan Marshall with the district's Honor Roll of Lions Award.

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Tail Twister: Janet Flecken
Lion Tamer: Carolyn Winkler
Membership chair: vacant
Public relations: Connie Ivill
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PDG Linda Gibala

We will **not** hold a meeting on June 20; we will gather on June 24 for our 100th anniversary celebration.

Butler Lions Club's 100th anniversary celebration: will be June 24 and it will be held at the Tanglewood Senior Center. Lion Rhonda Pilarcik is the chair of this event. The doors open at 4:30 and dinner is at 6:00. The cost is \$35.00, \$17.50 kids 4-11 and free for kids 3 and under. RSVP to Lion Janet Flecken by June 12.

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.

June board meeting: will be held on June 27, at 6:30 at the Butler Blind Association.

Lion Sue Garris Memorial Raffle: Contact Lion Wink to sign-up to bring a raffle item.

June 6 – Angie and Jim
June 20 – no meeting

July 18 – Ellen

Aug. 1 – open
Aug. 15 – Coxes

2023-2024 membership dues are past due: your 2023-2024 Butler Lions Club dues are now past due. Annual Regular Membership dues are \$75 and the Annual Family Membership dues are \$55. Please pay your dues to our Treasurer, Lion Tom Faller. You can either pay them in person or you can mail them (address is noted below). It is preferred that you pay your full year’s dues; however, you can make two payments; half now and the other half is due by December 31, 2023. Please contact Lion Wink if you have any questions. Thanks!

Lions Year 2023-2024: July 1, 2023-June 30, 2024
Checks should be made payable to: Butler Lions Club
Butler Lions Club Address: PO Box 1905, Butler, PA 16003

2023- 2024 Dues Breakdown						
Dues	International	State	District	Beacon Lodge	Admin	
Regular/Privileged \$75.00 (\$6.25/mo.)	\$46.00	\$16	\$3.50	\$5	\$ 4.50	
Family \$55.00 (\$4.59/mo.)	\$23.00	\$16	\$3.50	\$5	\$ 7.50	
Life \$40.00 (\$3.34/mo.)	0	\$16	\$3.50	\$5	\$15.50	

NOTE: 2023-2024 LCI dues increase. Regular member +\$3.00, family member +\$1.50

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 June 8 dinner and Lion Janet to assist at the June 15 dinner. Thanks to Lions Ellen, Prez John, Randy and Rhonda for assisting at the May 11 dinner. 202 meals were distributed. Thanks to Lions Janet, Prez John, Art and Wink for assisting at the May 18 dinner. 258 meals were distributed.

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.

Flower and Food Fest: was held on May 20 at Alameda park. The weather did not cooperate; so, we didn't have a big sale. Thanks to Lion Art for once again chairing this event and to those Lions that came out to help.

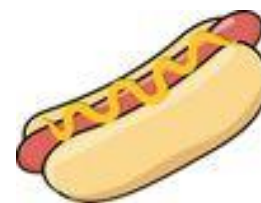
Butler City Farmers Market: began on May 27 and will be every Saturday through the end of October. We are planning to have our booth there regularly. Lion Art will do some set-up; but, we need other Lions to agree to set-up. Contact Lion Art if you can be a "set-up" Lion. Lions to help sell products are also needed!

Hot dog sale: was held May 25-27, 2023. It was a huge success. A grateful thank you to the excellent job by co-chairs Lions Janet and Barry. And a thank you to Sharp Shopper for generously partnering with us again and also to their corpportate office for their very generous \$2,500 donation to our club.

The Lions Flecken report follows:

Thank you to all who served and those who supported our fund raiser. Thank you to the many Lions serving our community with their time, talents and ability to have fun sharing with our partner, Sharp Shopper, for the hot dog sale days.

Lion Tom Faller	Lion Doug Hayes	PDG Don Gibala
Lion Randy Pilarcik	Lion Deb Hayes	Lion David Mershimer
Lion Rhonda Pilarcik	Lion Russ Moore	Lion Kevin Barnhart
Lion Eric Cranmer	Prez John Hertzog	Lion Art Black
Lion Adam Fleeger	Lion Betty Basalyga	
Lion Maryann Fleeger	Lion Jim Basalyga	
Lion Ellen Fullerton	Lion Joan Fulmer and Sonny	
Lion B.T. Fullerton	Lion Derek Myers and daughters	
Lion Mike Winkler	Alexis and Brielle	
Lion Carolyn Winkler	Lion Neil Ashbaugh	
Lion Bob Shipkowski	Lion Bill Oszewski	



Thursday (May 25, 2023)	
Hot Dogs	\$483.00
Brooms/products	\$432.00
Donations	\$ 80.00
Friday (May 26, 2023)	
Hot Dogs	\$470.00
Brooms/products	\$363.00
Donations	\$107.00
Saturday (May 27, 2023)	
Hot Dogs	\$515.00
Brooms/products	\$255.00
Donations	\$ 75.00
Hot Dogs	\$1,468.00
Brooms/products	\$1,050.00
Donations	\$262.00
Sharp Shopper employee coupons	\$176.00
Grand Total	\$2,956.00

(Nick is selling the leftover snacks/chips and will send the club the money at a later date.)

Penn Glade rib dinners: will be the 4th Thursday April through September. They are at the Penn Glade Lions Clubhouse, 140 Church Road, Penn Township; 5-7p.m., \$22 all you can eat. If you bring a donation for the food bank, your name gets in a drawing for a free dinner.
June 22, July 27, August 24, September 28

State Convention:



PDG Linda accepting the 100th year Anniversary award for Butler Lions Club from Lions International President, Brian Sheehan. Congrats Butler Lions Club!

Adopt-a-highway: is scheduled for **June 17, 7:00 am** at Trinity Lutheran Church. Come and help us clean up Main Street. The clean up was scheduled for June 10, but that is the Jeep fest weekend and there's likely to be a lot more traffic.

Big Butler Fair: is June 30 – July 8. We will have a booth there. If you can help at the booth, Contact Lion Maryann .

Our annual Butler Blind Association clients' social/dinner/bingo: will be held on July 11 at the Butler Blind Association, starting at 6:30. We will be hosting the Blind Association clients and treating them to dinner and then, of course, bingo with a few laughs thrown in! We will be looking for some members to provide cookies. Stay tuned for more information. Please plan on attending to meet and greet our friends from the Blind Association!

Fundraising event now going on: Boscov's One Day Passes for 25 percent off most items! October 18, 2023 from 8AM to 11PM, in store only! These passes are \$5.00 each and our CLUB KEEPS the entire \$5.00. This is an easy fundraiser! SELL SELL SELL Contact Lion Connie (724-355-2354) or Lion Maryann for your passes.



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

Mindy Hill (9)
Lance Fox (14)
Connie Minor (16)


Rhonda Pilarcik (26)
Doug Hayes (26)

CALENDAR

JUNE

3: Butler County youth field day, Butler Hunting and Fishing Club
6: 6:30 membership meeting, Butler Lions Shelter
Installation of 2023-2024 officers
8: 5:00-6:00 assisting with community dinner at Katie's Kitchen (St. Mark's)
14: **Flag Day!**
15: 5:00-6:00 assisting with community dinner at Katie's Kitchen (St. Mark's)
17: 7:00 adopt-a-highway, Trinity Lutheran Church
18: Happy Father's Day!
20: no membership meeting
21: **WELCOME SUMMER!**
22: 5-7 rib dinner, Penn Glade Lions clubhouse
24: 4:30 Butler Lions Club's 100th anniversary celebration, Tanglewood Senior Center
27: 6:30 Board meeting, Blind Association
30-July 8: Big Butler Fair

JULY

4: **Happy birthday America!** (no meeting)
1-8: Big Butler Fair
11: 6:30 Blind Association clients social/dinner/bingo, Blind Association
13: 5:00-6:00 assisting with community dinner at Katie's Kitchen (St. Mark's)
16: PA Lions appreciation day, PA Lions Beacon Lodge Camp, Duck Race 
18: 6:30 membership meeting, Butler Lions Shelter
20: 5:00-6:00 assisting with community dinner at Katie's Kitchen (St. Mark's)
25: 6:30 Board meeting, Blind Association
27: 5-7 rib dinner, Penn Glade Lions clubhouse

AUGUST

1: 6:30 membership meeting, Butler Lions Shelter
5: 7:00 adopt-a-highway, Trinity Lutheran Church
10: 5:00-6:00 assisting with community dinner at Katie's Kitchen (St. Mark's)
15: 6:30 annual picnic, Butler Lions Shelter, family And friends night
17: 5:00-6:00 assisting with community dinner at Katie's Kitchen (St. Mark's)
22: 6:30 Board meeting, Blind Association
24: 5-7 rib dinner, Penn Glade Lions clubhouse

SEPTEMBER

4: Labor day
5: 6:30 membership meeting, Butler Lions Shelter
14: 5:00-6:00 assisting with community dinner at Katie's Kitchen (St. Mark's)
19: 6:30 membership meeting, Blind Association
21: 5:00-6:00 assisting with community dinner at Katie's Kitchen (St. Mark's)
26: 6:30 Board meeting, Blind Association
28: 5-7 rib dinner, Penn Glade Lions clubhouse

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

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

Service:

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

Food:

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

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

Public Relations-Club Promotion:

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

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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