

NEWSLETTER

JOHN D. BURLIE CLUB PIONEERS

January 2020



Looking Back and Looking Ahead ...

Looking back on 2019, we have done well financially due to the receipt of four corporate pioneer grants. These grants paid the majority of the cost of our four main projects ... Helping Hands, Wooden Race Cars, Special Olympics and Twin Valley Psychiatric Hospital events. We have also increased our spending on Stand Down for homeless veterans. Donations collected at the luncheons help support two food pantries, one in Reynoldsburg and the other in Gahanna.

The number of people attending our luncheons has decreased and we talked about moving the luncheons from MCL in Whitehall. A vote was taken at the December luncheon and we decided to keep it as is, noon on the second Thursday of each month. Please remember that you're allowed to bring family and friends with you to both our luncheons and our events. The dates for the 2020 luncheons are listed later in the newsletter.

We have a highly committed core of volunteers in our club, but many of them are no longer able to continue volunteering at the level they did in the past. We are reaching out to our membership to encourage other Burlie Pioneers (and their family and friends) to offer their time and talents to assist with club projects. It is a wonderful opportunity to help others in need, while socializing with a wonderful group of volunteers.

I will continue to be your president and treasurer for the foreseeable future as no one has come forward to take on the responsibility.

MAY YOU HAVE A HEALTHLY and HAPPY NEW YEAR

Your President JERRY DUNBAR

Our Mission ... Pioneers is a network of volunteers who effect immediate, tangible change in local communities in partnership with their sponsors.

Our Vision ... to be recognized as a world-class leader in volunteerism. To be respected and valued by our members, strategic partners, global community and our industry. We are committed to the diversity and growth of our members and strategic partners in improving the quality of life in our community.

From our leadership:

In case you haven't heard, I completed my first two year term on the Telecom Pioneers corporate board of directors and have been reelected to a second two year term. Our second board member is Chicago area based Fred Salomon.

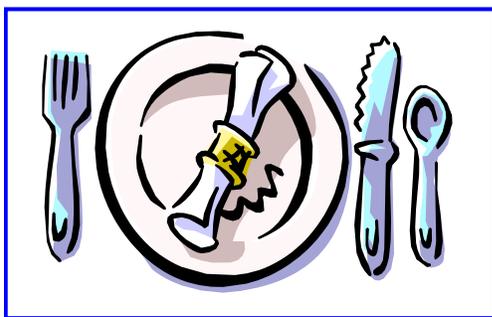
Our next face to face corporate board meeting will be in Dallas in February, with two other face to face meetings in Denver (at Pioneers headquarters) in June, and Nashville at the AT&T Center in October. There are monthly conference calls and monthly meetings for various functions. I am on the Finance committee and Strategic Planning subcommittees associated with the board.

As mentioned in Jerry's notes on the previous page, we were able to win enough grant money to cover most of our costs on our projects for one more year without significantly reducing our available funds.

The New Outlook Pioneers (was affiliated with the Western Electric branch of the Bell System) has 7 chapters with approximately 82,000 members out of a total Pioneering database of under 500,000 members (including family and friends). We have started a large project to close 72 New Outlook clubs and councils which are no longer having events and don't have officers. These members will be merged into a geographic chapter location to maintain access to their monies. We are also looking at merging some of the 7 chapters to free up leadership to create staffing to come up with new projects that can be done individually to encourage interested members to continue to volunteer with the Pioneers.

Pioneering continues to evolve. As information becomes available, I'll be sharing it through emails. If you aren't receiving the reminders of luncheons and have email, send me an email at eahousley@gmail.com and I'll be glad to add you to our mailing list.

Elaine Housley, Director, New Outlook Pioneers



2020 Pioneer Luncheons
Luncheons second Thursdays
January through December

Location: MCL Restaurant Cafeteria
5240 E. Main Street, Whitehall, OH 43213
Meet at 110-Luncheon 12 Noon

January 9	February 13	March 12	April 9	May 14	June 11
July 9	August 13	September 10	October 8	November 12	December 10

We have a private room beginning at 11:30 a.m. Go through the cafeteria line and select your food.

If you don't want a full meal you may order just a drink and/or dessert, salad, etc.

Liver & onion lovers, please note ... we understand liver & onions are a Thursday treat!

*No sign-up required

BRING NON-PERISHABLE FOOD/PAPER PRODUCTS TO OUR LUNCHEONS!

They will be taken to the nearby food banks after each luncheon. Thanks!



Did you know?

One of the requirements for the Pioneers to remain a 501c3 organization is that a minimum of 65% of our funding is used on projects associated with volunteer projects. We very closely monitor our expenditures to insure that our money goes to charitable organizations where our members volunteer. Please share your volunteer hours so we don't lose our status.

If you haven't received information on the 2020 Pioneer discount card recently, your mailing address is not included in the Pioneers database. You can get a card by enrolling as a life member (if you retired from Western Electric, AT&T, Lucent Technologies, or Alcatel as a full time employee) as a New Outlook Pioneer, Crossroads Chapter 135, John Burlie Club. Here's the contact information to enroll or change your information:

Pioneers: 5680 Greenwood Plaza Blvd., Suite 550, Greenwood Village, CO 80111
Phone 303-571-1200 or 800-872-5995
Fax 800-976-1914
Members Resource Center 303-571-9278
Email info@pioneersvolunteer.org



Are YOU volunteering to help in one of our 2020 Pioneer Events?

March 27	Ohio State School for the blind – bringing kids to the Shriner's Circus (late morning)
May 16, 19	Open house at the Reynoldsburg Truro Historical Society, 1485 Jackson Avenue Reynoldsburg, Ohio, 43068, United States
June 26-27	Special Olympics at OSU (Friday night through Saturday afternoon)
July 16	Twin Valley July fest at lunchtime
September 16	Twin Valley picnic at dinnertime
October 20	Veterans stand down
December 9	Twin Valley holiday party at dinnertime

OR ... are you bringing non-perishable food and paper products to the luncheons each month and/or to any of the 2020 events?

OR ... are you making a donation to any one of our events?

OR ... do you see a need that we can help with? Let us know! We want to help!

REMEMBER ... Our Vision is that we be "recognized as a world-class leader in volunteerism!"

YOU

ARE Invited ...

The AT&T Pioneers in Columbus are inviting us to many of their events and also to work any of their projects with Ronald McDonald House, pilot dogs and others. They also sponsor a Spaghetti fundraiser, April 19th!

If you're interested or for more information, contact Linda McCreary, 614-764-2626 or lmccrear@columbus.rr.com or Evelyn Rawls at 614-444-3072 or ejrawls@sbcglobal.net