



OAK RIDGE LIONS CLUB

December 2024

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Facebook Page: <https://facebook.com/oakridgelions/>

2024-2025 Officers

- President: Bill Truex
- 1st VP: Ron Wilson
- 2nd VP: Gaylan Good
- Secretary: Ron Wilson
- Treasurer: George Smith
- Marketing/PR: Patti Cates
- Service & Membership: Wendy Cain
- LCIF Coord.: Gaylan Good



REMEMBERING LION LARRY LOSH

The Oak Ridge Lions Club celebrates the friendship and life of service that Larry Losh brought. Lion Larry was a Lions member for 40 years! He was the club's long-time Tail-Twister and was passionate about supporting young people through our scholarship program.

Lawrence "Larry" Losh, age 94, went to be with the Lord on Nov 29, 2024. Lawrence loved watching sports, traveling, fellowship, and going to church at Mt. Pisgah. He never knew a stranger and liked telling "dad jokes". Lawrence was a member of the Oak Ridge Lions Club, Prime Timers at Pine Ridge Baptist Church in Harriman, Trinity United Methodist Men, and ASNT where he always stayed connected with his co-workers. Lawrence worked at Y-12 in Oak Ridge for 38 years as well.

The family will be receiving friends at Weatherford Mortuary on Monday, Dec 9, 2024, from 4:30pm until 7:00pm with a service to follow. Interment will be Tuesday, Dec 10, 2024, at Anderson Memorial Garden held at 11:00am.

Right: Lion Larry pictured with two of the club's 2023 scholarship recipients.



DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS



- 1: Patti Cates
- 13: Chris Gilbert
- 19: Ron Wilson



UPCOMING EVENTS

Sign up for projects here: <http://oakridgelions.org/calendar/>

Dec. 6 (Fri)

Dec. 7 (Sat) 2 p.m.

Dec. 8 (Sun) 5 p.m.

Dec. 14 (Sat) 10 a.m.-noon

Dec. 14 (Sat) 6 p.m.

Deadline for Registration for ADA Project Power

Broadway Road Cleanup, Meet at Jackson Square Parking Lot

Club Holiday Party with Family at Shoney's

Unwrapped Toy Donation for the Holiday Bureau

Bryson's Closet Food Drive, 350 N. Illinois Avenue

Oak Ridge Christmas Parade, Staging time between 4 and 5 pm

Don't forget to submit your service activities on the Member Resources page of our website!



MEMBER SPOTLIGHT CHRIS GILBERT



Chris Gilbert is a recent addition to the Oak Ridge Lions Club. While this marks her introduction to the organization, volunteering has been a lifelong passion. As a young person, Chris became an Auxiliary member of the American Legion in Barnegat, New Jersey, where she actively participated in fundraising efforts to support veterans. Over the course of two decades, she assumed various roles within the American Legion, including Secretary and Treasurer.

After her son enrolled in graduate school at the University of Tennessee, Chris relocated to the South. She currently serves as a Financial Business Manager at the University, overseeing budgets and human resources operations.

When not immersed in her professional or volunteer pursuits, Chris enjoys socializing with friends, playing board games, and sharing meals. She also enjoys relaxing at home with her two kitties, Prince and Daenerys. She is eagerly anticipating the arrival of her first grandchild in March 2025.

Chris is enthusiastic about her involvement with the Lions Club and looks forward to contributing to the organization's mission.

SECOND SATURDAY FOOD DRIVE

The Second Saturday food drive for the Brysonn's Closet food bank will be:

Saturday, Dec. 14
10 a.m. to noon
350 N. Illinois Avenue

Workers and food donations are needed! Canned soups and chili continue to be a need—consider canned goods with pop-tops, as some people may not have a can opener.

If you miss Dec. 14th, our next Food Drive date is Jan. 11th!

Oak Ridge Lions Club & Brysonn's Closet
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CANNED ITEMS, READY-TO-SERVE MEALS, DRY GOODS, AND EVEN COLD OR PERISHABLE FOODS ARE APPRECIATED!

Every donation of food can make a difference!
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LIONS LESSON: FINANCES & TAIL-TWISTER

The **Treasurer** is responsible for all club financial matters. Duties include receiving all monies and paying club obligations, maintaining financial records, preparing financial statements and submitting financial reports. Treasurers maintain two separate bank accounts:

- **Administrative**—for club expenses such as dues, postage, copying, member meals, etc. Club fees and dues are used to pay the club's administrative costs.
- **Service**—for charitable activities of the club. *Money raised from the public must never be used to defray administrative expenses.* It can only be used for legitimate community or public needs and service projects (as well as expenses of fundraising, e.g. the net funds raised go in the Service account).

The **Tail Twister** serves to promote harmony, good fellowship and enthusiasm at club meetings through the judicious imposition of fines on members. The Tail Twister may not be fined except by the unanimous vote of all members present.

EASY FUNDRAISING \$\$

As you prepare for holiday baking, snacks, and gifts, please consider our online store of gourmet nuts and chocolates, dried fruits, and more! Every purchase helps the Oak Ridge Lions Club fund local projects that make a positive impacts in our community.

Shop now at: <https://oakridgelions.terrilynn.com/>
Free shipping in the U.S. on orders of \$30 or more, and order:

- Before Dec. 11 to receive in time for Christmas!