



OAK RIDGE LIONS CLUB

November 2024

Website: <http://oakridgelions.org/>

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



VISIT OUR CLUB WEBSITE! OAKRIDGELIONS.ORG

You will find information about our Lions Club, Club Projects, Diabetes Awareness, Fundraisers, Calendar of Activities, and Member Resources. **The Member Resources page is new.** From this page, you can download images for each monthly Food Drive promotion and submit service activities to be reported to Lions International. Other information will be added.

Member Resources

1 – [Check the Schedule of Activities!](#)

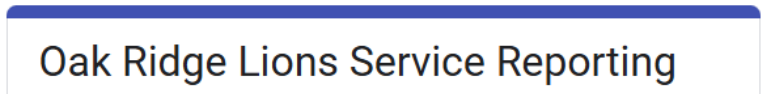
2 – **Download images to share on social media**

Second Saturday Food Drive -Add your own message to encourage people to donate. Also, don't forget to share the posts from the Oak Ridge Lions Club Facebook account or other members. Hover over the link and click "Save As" to use:

- [November 9, 2024 Image](#)
- [December 14, 2024 Image](#)

3 – **Submit Service Activities**

Please use this form to submit your service activities so they can be reported to Lions International!



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS



21: Bonnie Fried
25: Scott Gillenwaters



UPCOMING EVENTS

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

Nov. 7 (Thur) 9-11 a.m.
Nov. 9 (Sat) 10 a.m.-noon
Nov. 12 (Tue) 6 p.m.
Nov. 26 (Tue) 6 p.m.

Vision Screening at St. Mary's School
Brysonn's Closet Food Drive, 350 N. Illinois Avenue
Club Business Meeting on Zoom
Club Meeting at Shoney's and on Zoom with Program

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.

Broadway Road Cleanup, Meet at Jackson Square Parking Lot
Club Holiday Party at Shoney's
Brysonn's Closet Food Drive, 350 N. Illinois Avenue
Oak Ridge Christmas Parade, Staging time TBD



MEMBER SPOTLIGHT PATTI CATES



Patti Cates is a second-generation member of the Oak Ridge Lions Club. Patti’s father is our President Bill Truex. Patti became a Lions Club member in April 1991, joining the Oak Ridge Century Lions Club as the second female member. That club merged with the current club.

Patti was inactive for a time but is now as active as her schedule allows. She enjoys serving as the Marketing Communications Director for the club. Story ideas are always welcome. She also enjoys serving with other members and her dad.

She graduated from Carson-Newman College (now University) with a BA in Communications. Patti worked as a reporter for The Courier-News, then as a technical writer for Department of Energy contractors in Oak Ridge. Then, Patti and her late husband, Kirk, had Ian. After that, Patti worked with Kirk in the family business, Faith Christian Ministries and Academy.

Ready for a career change, Patti started at Roane State Community College in August 2024. She will earn an Associate of Applied Science degree in Nuclear Technology. This is a brand-new program, started due to demand in the nuclear industry. She is excited about a summer internship next summer and new possibilities. Patti and Ian, an Oak Ridge High School junior, will both graduate in 2026.

\$\$ EASY FUNDRAISING \$\$

Share with family and friends, and promote from social media:

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 Nov. 14 to receive in time for Thanksgiving!
- Before Dec. 11 to receive in time for Christmas!

These are the best and largest pecans I’ve (Wendy) ever seen—and I’ve sold a lot of pecans over the years! In October, we had 3 orders from strangers, that earned \$20 - imagine what we could do if our friends and family knew that they could support our Lions Club!

EYEGGLASS RECYCLING

1,388 pairs of used eyeglasses were packaged by Lion Ron Bugos and will be shipped to Morristown for the District’s eyeglass recycling day. Thank you to Ron and everyone who helped!

SECOND SATURDAY FOOD DRIVE

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

Saturday, Nov. 9
10 a.m. to noon
350 N. Illinois Avenue

We have enough workers, but please stop by and help stock up so our neighbors can have a Thanksgiving!

Any food or financial donations are appreciated! Some special considerations for Thanksgiving include:

- Turkey gravy
- Stuffing
- Boxed pie crust
- Canned pie fillings
- Cranberry sauce
- Yams
- Canned hams or other meats

With cooler weather coming, they are also in need of canned soups and chili. Consider canned goods with pop-tops, as some people may not have a can opener.

Brysonn’s Closet also has a promotion for November only - receive a \$5 store coupon for a food donation of at least \$5.

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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