



# The Tale Twister

## Cullman Lions Club

August 20, 2018

### Program

Lion Richard Gurley introduced our speaker tonight, Cullman's Mayor and our fellow Lion, Woody Jacobs.



(L to R) Lion President Mike Ponder, Mayor Lion Woody Jacobs, and Lion Richard Gurley.

His Honor, the Mayor gave us, in his mind, a run-down on the top things going on across the City of Cullman, noting first that Cullman has the 2<sup>nd</sup> lowest unemployment rate in the State. This has meant that workers are getting harder to find, mentioning the Burris site with 5 different Toyota suppliers on the hunt for workers, and a new 1.1 million sq.ft. warehouse that will need employees. He began ticking off improvements to many of the city's parks: The Stiefelmeyer Park refurbishment, that our Club contributed towards; Culpepper Park upgrade; Carol Acres Park re-fit, and Eagle Park improvements with new traditional and handicapped accessible equipment (featuring "pickle-ball" which is like giant ping-pong or a tiny tennis court and a game called "4-square"). This fall the City will be working on the old City Park, transforming most of it into an "art

park"; Nesmith Park will have a splash-pad instead of a pool and other new features; Depot Park will get improvements; City Lake Park, above the High School on Eva Road, will see improvements including a new bridge on the road and walking trail around the lake and continuing up onto Forest Avenue.

The mayor said that they will be creating a "green-way" between the city center and some of our parks; these will sometimes be wide walks-ways, sometimes trails, and sometimes bike paths. He says we are going to have more "street-scapes" in more areas like we had last Christmas. Woody says Cullman has applied for grants on several streets that are considered "depressed" for new sewer and new water lines, as well as new streets & sidewalks. They have also applied for a grant to complete 4-lane work on the last 3 miles or so of Hwy 157; we should hear something on a decision for this around the 18<sup>th</sup> of December.

In order to replace sewer lines, the City will procure a specialized machine that goes into a section of old sewer line from manhole to manhole, bursts the old line, and pulls new line through without having to dig up the old lines; this is very efficient and saves much money in replacing the old lines. The City will be getting some other new equipment that is similar to a side-arm bush-hog, but more flexible to clean-up overgrown areas that have been "let-go" in the past; it also plans to utilize spray equipment to knock down insect



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pests and over-grown kudzu infested areas in city neighborhoods.

The Mayor mentioned several roads that have been paved recently including Convent Road, Beth Street, and Dorinda Street; and work is being planned fix and repave sections of Main Street. An indoor sports complex is being planned in the future, possibly in a large building that is being vacated. Over-all Mayor Jacobs was very optimistic about our City's future.

Electric Coop Members meeting on Saturday, Sep 8<sup>th</sup> at North Brook Church on Hwy 157 at 7:30AM; expect to finish by 11AM. Biscuits w/sausage & coffee will be provided.

The family of the late Lion Jim Searcy sent a thank-you note for the Club's contribution in his name for Alabama Lions Sight.

### Other Business

Page 3 of this newsletter shows a draft of Lion work assignments for the 2018 Fair, which runs Oct 4<sup>th</sup> - Oct 13<sup>th</sup>. Generally, most Lions will be working where they did last year. Chairmen of each work assignment group are listed first within each group. If you are unhappy in your assignment, talk it over with your current Chairman and with the Chairman of the group to which you wish to be assigned; Chairmen will coordinate to accommodate changes if feasible. Group chairmen are responsible for making and providing work schedules for Lions within their groups.

Lion Jim Walker has been hospitalized with kidney-failure but is recovering and is expected back in 3 weeks. Lion Mariman Pope is doing better. Lion Javon Daniel's wife is having surgery for cancer this week, and the outlook is favorable. Lion President Mike Ponder is having a hernia removed this week and will need a few days of recovery.

Lion Richard White is asking for 14 volunteers to help park cars for the Annual

### Upcoming Programs and Events



Ms. Dawn Owens  
- from -  
The \*Link\* of Cullman County

Aug 27: Ms. Dawn Owens from "The Link" of Cullman County.

Sep 3: Labor Day. No meeting.

### Tale Twister Input

If you need something special or to report a correction in the *Tale Twister*, see Lions Carey Thompson or Don Smith at the meetings. Lion Carey can be reached at 256-739-0580 (H) or 256-426-3207 (C). Lion Don can be reached at 256-737-7433 (H) or 256-426-7722 (C).



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### FAIR WORK ASSIGNMENTS for 2018 (Draft)

	Name	Assignment		Name	Assignment
1	<b>Spradlin, Doug</b>	Ag Exhibits	1	<b>Berse, Dennis</b>	Indiv Exhib & Concession
2	Hammett, George	Ag Exhibits	2	Caudle, Jerry	Individual Exhibits
3	Gurley, Richard	Ag Exhibits	3	Copeland, Wendell	Individual Exhibits
4	Krigbaum, George	Ag Exhibits	4	Eddleman, Jerry	Individual Exhibits
5	Osborne, Fred	Ag Exhibits	5	Fisher, David	Individual Exhibits
6	Pope, Mariman	Ag Exhibits	6	<b>Gratz, Dave</b>	Indiv Exhibits & Barn
7	Rooker, Jim	Ag Exhibits	7	Mangum, Morris	Individual Exhibits
8	Walker, Jim	Ag Exhibits	8	Murphree, Gary	Individual Exhibits
1	<b>Cartee, Steve</b>	Barn	9	Perry, Howard	Individual Exhibits
2	Bagwell, Kevin	Barn	10	Slaten, Terry	Individual Exhibits
3	Conway, Jay	Barn	11	Speakman, Lummie	Individual Exhibits
4	Garrison, Phillip	Barn	12	Williams, Doug	Individual Exhibits
5	<b>Gratz, Dave</b>	Barn & Indiv Exhibits	13	Williams, James	Individual Exhibits
6	<b>Murphree, Steve</b>	Barn & Gates	1	<b>McBrayer, Charles</b>	Maintenance
7	Pinkston, Charles	Barn	2	Christian, Lawrence	Maintenance
8	Sessions, Phillip	Barn	3	Powell, Charles	Maintenance
1	<b>Bussman, David</b>	Concession	4	Richards, Tony	Maintenance
2	<b>Berse, Dennis</b>	Concession & Indiv Exhib	5	Wilson, Dewayne	Maintenance
3	Boozer, Bryan	Concession	1	<b>Bonner, Jerry</b>	Office
4	Earnest, Michael	Concession	2	Boyd, Gordon	Office
5	Goodwin, David	Concession	4	Henke, Ed	Office
6	Grier, James	Concession	5	Singleton, Steve	Office
7	Harrison, Adam	Concession	6	Smith, Don	Office
8	Harbison, Bruce	Concession	7	Thompson, Carey	Office
9	Harris, Ches	Concession	8	Wilhite, Terry	Office
10	James, Patrick	Concession	1	<b>Peek, Rickey</b>	Parking
11	Pitzing, Alton	Concession	2	Aderhold, Mark	Parking
12	Odell, Frank	Concession	3	Benefield, Wesley	Parking
13	Ruehl, Bill	Concession	4	Borden, Clay	Parking
14	Speakman, Josh	Concession	5	Duke, Kelly	Parking
15	<b>Smith, Fuller</b>	Concession & Gates	6	Dvorak, Jonathan	Parking
16	Veal, Kelvin	Concession	7	Eddleman, Chad	Parking
17	Waldrep, Bo	Concession	8	Fromhold, Michael	Parking
18	Waldrep, Scott	Concession	9	Hamm, Mark	Parking
19	Williams, Jeff	Concession	10	Hogue, Matthew	Parking
20	Witcher, Jeff	Concession	11	Mangum, Mike	Parking
1	<b>Scott, Tim</b>	Gates	12	Manning, Andrew	Parking
2	Byrd, Jeff	Gates	13	Monk, Austin	Parking
3	Doggett, Douglas	Gates	14	McSwain, Steven	Parking
4	Galin, Jerry	Gates	15	Parrish, Milford	Parking
5	Gambrill, Chad	Gates	16	Ponder, Mike	Parking
6	Howard, James	Gates	17	Presto, Patrick	Parking
7	Jacobs, Woody	Gates	18	Rainwater, Clark	Parking
8	Kraft, Randy	Gates	19	Ray, Joshua	Parking
9	<b>Murphree, Steve</b>	Gates & Barn	20	Smith, Casey	Parking
10	Pfeifer, Tom	Gates	21	Smith, Cody	Parking
11	Proctor, Bobby	Gates	22	Smith, Riley	Parking
12	<b>Smith, Fuller</b>	Gates & Concession	23	White, Richard	Parking
13	Sumner, Dewayne	Gates	24	Young, Greg	Parking
14	Sinyard, Tim	Gates	1	<b>Gentry, Matt</b>	Security
15	Viverito, Philip	Gates	2	Roden, Tyler	Security
16	Walker, Alan	Gates	1	<b>Robinson, Chris</b>	Theater
17	Williams, Raymond	Gates	2	Bowden, Bobby	Theater
18	Willingham, Barry	Gates	3	Childers, Charles	Theater
19	Wren, Jeffrey	Gates	4	Daniel, Javon	Theater
			5	Floyd, Chad	Theater

**Notes:**

- 1) There are 4 Lions who are booked in more than one Assignment; those are hi-lighted in red.
- 2) There are 7 Lions who have passed or resigned since the last Fair; those names have been deleted.
- 3) All current Lions are listed in these assignments.

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