



The Tale Twister

Cullman Lions Club

August 7, 2023
Program

No program tonight, but we did cover a good deal of other business.



Lion President Chris Brooks addressing Club on important business.

are working on treatment. Keeping Lion Howard in your payers, also.

Someone reported on Lion Doug Spradlin who has missed several meetings, saying that Lion Doug has been tied up in the sale of his produce.

Lions Club Cookout/Picnic at the Fairground will be next Monday, the 14th in lieu of regular meeting. Meal served at 6:00PM.



Other Business

Lion President Chris Brooks reported that Lion Gary Murphee is in Room 413 at Woodland recovering from pneumonia, following hospitalization for low blood pressure and low blood sugar levels. He will be there for 21 days and would be appreciative of visitors. He also read a letter from Lion Jim Greer's wife saying that he wanted to go ahead and pay his dues for the year and that he misses seeing everyone and loves the Lions. Lion Chris said to continue remembering him in our prayers. Lion Chris noted that our own Lion Craig Gadow is now officially the 2nd Vice District Governor, which means that he will likely become the 34-A District Governor in a couple of years.

Lion Charlie Powell spoke with Lion Howard Perry who is at home under doctor's care. Lion Howard says that he is having problems getting enough oxygen to his lungs, but that his doctors

Lion Chris Brooks recognized the members that attended Saturday's MD-34 Leadership Conference at Faulkner University. At this event Lion Ron Seybold was awarded the Presidential Medal, the second highest honor for Lions. Lion Scott Starosta also attended this meeting, where he learned and was struck by the fact that gun violence by youth is now the highest killer of our youth. Lion Scott noted that a program sponsored by Lions International, "Lion Quest," is having much success in reducing this problem. It integrates social and emotional learning, character education, drug and bullying prevention, and service learning to build 21st century life skills. This would be a good future program presentation to our Club. Lion



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President Brooks stated his intention to have our Club involved in support of this program in the future.

Lion Chris also said that our BOD would be voting on taking up a program that Hanceville's Lions are unable to support due to personnel shortages in their membership. That program would be to provide emergency packs for school nurses for our 14 County's schools for their diabetic children in the event of diabetic episode during a lockdown or other unforeseen circumstances. These snacks would be simple items such as bottled water, cheese crackers, or glucose tables. Such programs have saved lives in other Alabama schools.

Lion Starosta also said that the BOD would be meeting the second Monday of each month, henceforth.



Lion Secretary Scott Starosta reporting about BOD meeting.

Lion Don Smith provided the 2023 Cullman Fair Calendar and exhibits' competition schedule. This is available on the CullmanFair.org website and on Facebook. Lion Don noted that on the day the schedule was posted, the Facebook site had 31,850 visitors. Let him know if you have any questions or see something in error on that schedule. Lion Don also noted that the entrance

fee has been raised from \$7 to \$8, and that there would be no "VIP" tickets sold this year. Last year there were quite a few complaints about these tickets, which allowed patrons to be placed at the head of regular and all-in one ride ticket holders.

Our Club meetings are being recorded and can be seen live, or you may view past meetings at the following Facebook web site:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1106236123576541/?ref=share> . Call Lion Craig Gadow at 256-736-8361 if you need help getting to this site.

Upcoming Programs and Events

August 14: Lions Club Cookout/Picnic at the Fairground. This is a family event at regular Club meeting time.

August 21: Mr. Chad Whaley will speak about Citizens Academy.



Lieutenant Chad Whaley
Director of Communications
Cullman County Sheriff's Office

August 28: Speaker will be Ms. Rhonda McDavid, Executive Director SE Diabetes Education Services, Camp Seale Harris. Photo, below.



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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).

September 11: Lion Barry Willingham, Cullman's Revenue Commissioner, will speak.

September 30: Fair Parade

October 5 – 14: Cullman County Fair.

See Club Committee assignments on the next page.



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1st VP Jim Burke Committees

| Committees | Chair | Co-Chair | Members |
|---------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Diabetes | Javon Daniel | Jason Tielking | |
| Fair Concessions | David Bussman | | |
| Finance & Community | Don Smith | Jerry Bonner | |
| Fish & Ham | Carey Thompson | Frank Odell | |
| Membership | Gary Murphree | David Bussman | Dewayne Wilson |
| Program | Sam Roberts | Randy Craft | Chris Robinson |
| Mop & Broom | Richard White | Dave Gratz | |
| Sight | Bill Ruehl | Steve Cartee | |

2nd VP Delane Ray Committees

| Committees | Chair | Co-Chair | Members |
|-----------------------|-----------------|----------------|---------------|
| Area Lion's Liason | Jerry Bonner | Craig Gadow | |
| Constitution & Bylaws | Bradley Williar | Champ Crocker | |
| House & Food | Dennis Berse | Fred Osborn | David Bussman |
| Member Info | Charlie Powell | Dave Gratz | |
| Song Leader | Richard White | Chris Robinson | |
| Youth Leo's | Jeff Lawson | Sam Roberts | |

3rd VP Jeff Lawson Committees

| Committees | Chair | Co-Chair | Members |
|------------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Tail Twister | Richard White | Richard Gurley | |
| Fair Parade | Steve Murphee | Barry Willingham | |
| | Charlie Childers | | |
| Lions Branch Liaison | Dennis Burse | Ron Seybold | |
| Publicity | Sam Roberts | Charlie Powell | |
| Communication & Web | Sam Roberts | Charlie Powell | |
| New Member Orientation | Frank Odell | George Krigbaum | David Bussman |