



# The Tale Twister

## Cullman Lions Club

**December 9, 2024**

### Program

Our meeting tonight was held in Fairground's Bldg. #1 due to construction work ongoing in our usual meeting place, the Commission on Aging Bldg. We did not have a planned speaker, but we did have Col. (retired) Don Fallin back with us, and he presented our Club with a plaque commemorating our Club's support for the Cullman Veterans Hall of Fame Program. The plaque named two WWII veterans and four Viet Nam veterans who were honored by induction in this year's Veterans Hall of Fame event. Don had provided nomination forms a few weeks ago to Club members to assist in identifying new veterans for this honor; he noted that any nominations for this year's event should be turned in by July 16, 2025.



Club President Lion Chris Brooks accepts plaque from Col. Don Fallin in appreciation for the Club's support for the Cullman Veterans Hall of Fame.

### Other Business

Lion Scott Starosta reminded us about the upcoming "Wreaths Across America" project this week, honoring fallen veterans. Later this week, we did have good Lion help in receiving, storing,

and positioning the wreaths at the cemetery, as well as good attendance during this event on Saturday AM, the 14<sup>th</sup>. Several dignitaries were present, including Cullman Mayor, Lion Woody Jacobs.



A few of the many Lions at the Wreaths Across America event: (l to r) Cleve Green, Ron Seybold, Richard Gurley, ??, James Pinyan, Scott Starosta, and Cindy Pinyan.



Two new Club members were announced last week but did not get photo in last week's Tale Twister; here are pics of New Lions Sean & Melinda Schofield.

President Lion Chris Brooks read a heartwarming letter of thanks to our Club in appreciation of Lion Bill Herman Ruehl in getting new eyeglasses for her grandson, noting how comforting he was to her and her grandson.



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Lion Chris noted that Lion Bill Ruehl's wife is not doing well due to a continuing intestinal infection. Keep her in your prayers.

Lion Chris also read an invitation to the Club for members to attend the Agriplex open house on Dec. 18<sup>th</sup> at 11AM. There will be refreshments, live music, door prizes, and a presentation of the W. Kelly Mosely Environmental Award to Dr. Bill Peinhardt. RSVP at 256-397-1044 or [cullmanag@gmail.com](mailto:cullmanag@gmail.com).



Lion Gary Murphree was back with us tonight, saying that his therapy continues with improving mobility & health. (Lion Milford Parrish looks on in the background.)

### Upcoming Programs and Events

December 16: Fair appreciation dinner at Cotton Creek Venue at 5:30PM; dinner served at 6. Dress is Coat & Tie.

December 18: Open House at Agriplex at 11AM. See note, above for details.

January 6: TBA. No regular Club meetings in 2024 after December 9<sup>th</sup> meeting

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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).



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### Committee Assignments for FY 2024-2025

<b>President Chris Brooks</b>							
Committees	Chair	Co-Char	Member	Member	Member	Member	Member
Nominating	Steve Murphree	Morris Magnum	Dewayne Wilson				
Club History	Dennis Berse	Charlie Powell	Javon Daniel	Dewayne Wilson	Ron Seybold	Scott Starosta	
Explore	Jerry Bonner	David Bussman	Raymond Williams	Fred Osborne	Delane Ray	Craig Gadow	Steve Cartee
<b>1st VP Delane Ray</b>							
Committees	Chair	Co-Char	Member	Member			
Diabetes	Milford Parrish	George Krigbaum	David Peacock	Javon Daniel			
Fair Concessions	David Bussman	Richard Gurley	Judy Smith				
Finance & Community	Don Smith	Brian Spaeth	Jerry Bonner				
Fish & Ham	Carey Thompson	David Peacock	Jason Tielking				
Membership	George Krigbaum	Javon Daniel	Frank Odell				
Program	Sam Roberts	Randy Kraft	Chris Robinson				
Mop & Broom	Richard White	Dave Gratz	Chris Robinson				
Sight	Bill Ruehl	Steve Cartee					
<b>2nd VP Jeff Lawson</b>							
Committees	Chair	Co-Char					
Area Lion's Liason	Craig Gadow	Scott Starosta					
Constitution & Bylaws	Craig Gadow	Steve Murphee	Frank Odell				
House & Food	Dennis Berse	Fred Osborne					
Member Information	Charlie Powell	Dave Gratz					
Song Leader	Richard White	Chris Robinson					
Youth Leos	David Wiggins	Jeff Lawson					
<b>3rd VP David Wiggins</b>							
Committees	Chair	Co-Char					
Tail Twister	Richard Gurley	Richard White					
Fair Parade	Steve Murphee	Barry Willingham					
Branch Club Liaison	Ron Seybold	Jeff Lawson					
Publicity	Sam Roberts	Charlie Powell					
Communications & Web	Sam Roberts	Charlie Powell					
New- Member Orientation	Frank Odell	George Krigbaum	Richard Gurley	Steve Murphree	Raymond Williams	Ginger Hogeland	