



The Tale Twister

Cullman Lions Club

Feb 3, 2020

Program

Lion George Krigbaum introduced our speaker, Ms. Hayley Lamberth, the Regional Business Director for Hospice of North Alabama. Ms. Lamberth began her career with hospice arena at the age of 16 and has worked professionally in the hospice business for the past eight and a half years. She is highly educated and experienced in hospice care, training and mentoring hospice representatives across the U.S., while amassing numerous awards and other related recognition.



(L to R) Lion President Andrew Manning, Ms. Hayley Lamberth, and Lion George Krigbaum.

Ms. Lamberth explained that her organization covers 30 counties in Alabama including Birmingham and mostly counties northward. She emphasized that although many people immediately think about impending death, whenever the word “hospice” is mentioned in a conversation, this should not be the only thought. Hayley says that once they understand how hospice works, they also

realize that dignity, hope, being with your family, and being at home, will also come to mind. Also, most folks don't realize that free hospice care is a benefit that people are entitled to if they have private medical insurance or Medicare or Medicaid.

Although nearly everyone is entitled to hospice care, you have to qualify, based on a doctor's assessment that you are not likely to live more than another 6 months. Sometimes a patient will live considerably longer than that, and sometimes the patient will recover sufficiently to come-off hospice care. After qualifying, a team of healthcare professionals will come to a patient's home to provide health care needs, unless care requirements dictate more intense care, only available at a hospital. But skilled nurses can give medicine by injection or by IV given right in the home; therapists can come as prescribed. If desired a patient can continue to see their own primary care physician. Ms. Lamberth said that hospice becomes like a new 911 as the first call to be made for your medical care, 24-7; when requested, someone from your assigned hospice team will come out to your home and help manage your symptoms and manage any pain you may be suffering; there is a hospice physician, on-call, to help with getting prescriptions or whatever is needed. You can still go to the hospital if necessary, and your team can help manage that, also. Hayley stated that the most important goal and mission of her company is to assure the comfort of the patient. This care also includes chaplain and bereavement care for both the family



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and the patient's emotional and social needs. The in-home care allows a family to rely on the hospice team to totally care for the patient for up to 5-consecutive days of respite to the family for a needed break. This hospice also has volunteers that can shop for you or just visit to play cards with the patient or whatever. There are just many more things that hospice can provide to make the patient and his or her family more comfortable towards the end of life. We should all look further to get the whole picture on options. It has been consistently shown that patients with hospice care live longer than those who do not, all else being similar.

Ms. Lamberth explained that there are both profit & non-profit hospice companies. Her's is a for-profit, but, as such, the profit is rolled back into a foundation that uses the funds more patient care. Hospices do have differences that you should ask about. However, the work they all do is special, and much appreciated by patients and their families. I just hope that in my final days, hospice is there to make things easier for me and my loved ones.

Other Business

Lions Jerry Caudle and Ed Henke continue with health challenges. Lion Samuel Tucker is recovering from kidney stone issues.

Lion Charlie Childers announced that he is planning a trip to the Smokey Mountains for all interested motorcyclists in the Lions Club. This trip is planned to begin on Thursday, April 30th, with a return 4 days later, on Sunday. He says the route will go

through Maggie Valley, the Dragon Tail, and places like that. Lion Charlie said to contact him if you are interested, and that he could be flexible on the dates.

Lion Don Smith takes in ticket sales money, and Lion Steve Cartee continues Fish & Ham ticket distribution (See Lion Steve if you need more tickets). See page 3 of this newsletter for Lion assignments.



Lion Don Smith takes in money from ticket sales, while Lion Steve Cartee signs out more tickets to our Lions to sell.

Upcoming Programs and Events

February 10: TBD

February 17: Empty Bowls Dinner at the 1st Methodist Church. No Club meeting.

February 24: Fellowship & final Fish & Ham updates.

February 29: Ham & Fish Dinner.

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.



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V2 - Cullman Lions Club 2020 Fish and Ham Dinner Committee Assignments

Note: 2nd draft (distributed by email January 31, 2020)

Project Managers Odell, Frank - Project Manager Thompson, Carey - Co-Project Mgr David Bussman - Co-Project Mgr	E. Hush Puppy Cook Scott, Tim - Chairman Willingham, Barry - Co-Chair Parrish, Milford Plizing, Alton Ponder, Mike Sessions, Phillip	H. Publicity Team Beres, Dennis 2 - Chairman Stradlin, Doug 2 - Co-Chair Cartee, Steve 2 Harbison, Bruce 2 Peek, Rickey 2 Powell, Charles 2	I. Dining Rm & Clean Up Bomer, Jerry - Chairman Curtley, Richard - Co-Chair Caudle, Jerry Daniel, Javon Doggett, Douglas Galn, Jerry Henke, Ed Waldrep, Bo White, Richard Williams, Doug Williams, James
A. Cooking Mgmt Willingham, Barry - Chairman Murphree, Steve - Co-Chair	F. Fish Fry Prep Bussman, David - Chairman Smith, Riley - Co-Chair Mangum, Morris Presto, Patrick Ray, Delane Stuyard, Tim Smith, Wade	I. Take-Out/Drive Thru Powell, Charles - Chairman Childers, Charles - Co-Chair Aderhold, Mark*	M. Hush Puppy Mix Eddleman, Chad - Chairman Sheakman, Josh - Co-Chair Viverto, Philip Witcher, Jeff
B. Serving Team Stradlin, Doug - Chairman Grier, James - Co-Chair Bagwell, Kevin Boyd, Gordon Copeland, Wendell McSwain, Steven Williams, Jeff Wil, Bill LEOs	G. Fish Cooking Murphree, Steve - Chairman Williams, Raymond - Co-Chair Eddleman, Jerry Floyd, Chad Harrison, Adam Manning, Andrew McBrayer, Charles Rainwater, Clark Smith, Casey	J. Drink Committee Osborne, Fred - Chairman Ruehl, Bill - Co-Chair Peek, Rickey Smith, Fuller*	N. Accounting/Ticket Sales Smith, Don - Chairman Cartee, Steve - Co-Chair Murphree, Gary Rooker, Jim Howard, James
C. Fish Thaw/Slaw Prep Kraft, Randy - Chairman Thompson, Carey - Co-Chair Brooks, Chris Byrd, Jeff Hogue, Matthew Ray, Joshua Smith, Cody	Lions who are MAL Haimm, Mark Jacobs, Woody Pinkston, Charles Pope, Mariman Richards, Tony Roden, Tyler Smith, Fuller (Drink Committee) Sumner, Dewayne Vsal, Kelvin Wilhite, Terry	K. Fish and Hush Puppy Trans Perry, Howard - Chairman Mangum, Mike - Co-Chair Burke, Jim Dvorak, Jonathan* James, Patrick Walker, Alan Wilson, Dewayne Wren, Jeffrey	O. Mop and Broom Sales Gratz, Dave - Chairman Harbison, Bruce - Co-Chair Krihbaum, George Sheakman, Lummie
D. Ham and Baked Potatoes Berse, Dennis - Chairman Pfeifer, Tom - Co-Chair Bagwell, Kevin Howell, Tom Proctor, Bobby Tucker, Samuel			

NOTES: Publicity Team is double booked.
* Indicates MAL Status
Green indicates food prep team.
Orange indicates service team.

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