



The Tale Twister

Cullman Lions Club

January 31, 2022

Program

There was no program tonight. Lion Javon Daniel welcomed us to the first meeting of the New Year. Lion Richard Gurley also filled in as Tail Twister and did come up with an adequate bit of humor. Lion President reminded us tonight that the Fish & Ham Dinner has become a traditional community event, and it is the second most important fund-raising event for the Club. And that it is still going to happen, despite Covid, if at all possible. Lion Javon went on to explain why he decided to cancel most of January's meetings this year; it, basically, boiled down to this period apparently had been the high-point of Covid infections across Cullman and the fact that so many of our members are in a very vulnerable position to this disease.

Lion Carey Thompson talked about the Fish and Ham Dinner committee assignments, there are no changes, as yet, from the last issue of the Tale Twister. Besides reminding all Lions to get their tickets, he expressed the need for at least one person from each committee to be on hand for cleanup, immediately after the event.

Lion Charlie Childers talked about changes to the fair pageant. The State's Miss Alabama organization had contacted the Club and invited the winner of our Miss Cullman Fair Pageant be a candidate in the Miss Alabama Pageant. Following a vote by the Fair Board, the winner of both last year's Fair pageant, Miss Abby Sosa, and the winner of the 2022 pageant will likely be contestants in the Miss Alabama Pageant if all goes according to plan. The Fair Association agreed to pay for expected expenses for Fair participants in the Miss Alabama pageant. Lion Charlie also reminded us of dates for the 2022 Fair: The fair parade is Oct 1st, and the Fair, itself, is from Oct 6th to Oct 15th.

Other Business

Lions Don Smith and Steve Cartee were out front tonight as Lions signed for their share of Fish and Ham tickets to sell.



Lions Don Smith and Steve Cartee are in charge of Fish & Ham ticket sales again this year. Lion Fred Osborne is first in line to get his batch from Lion Don.



Lion Charlie Childers with exciting news about our Miss Cullman County Fair Pageant.

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Lion President Javon Daniel handed out awards for years of service – Lions Riley Smith (25 years), Tom Pfeifer (15 years), and Don Smith (10 years).



Great & faithful Lions, one & all: (L to R) Lions Riley Smith, Tom Pfeifer, Don Smith, and Javon Daniel.

Lion Secretary Craig Gadow read minutes from the Club's latest minutes:

Lion President Javon Daniel signed the contract for the sale of the Smith Lake property after successful negotiations led by Lion Raymond Williams. The closing for this sale is expected to be finalized this week. The sale contract meets requirements agreed to by vote of the Club several months ago.

The Club received a thank you note from the Cullman Agriplex for its financial support with particular note of thanks to Lion Steve Murphree for his work and coordination with our Club in its behalf.

In mid-January the Club's Board of Directors (BOD) responded to an emergency funding request from Lions Sight with a substantial check (same amount as we provided last year).

The BOD had a meeting immediately prior to tonight's meeting to fill the vacant 3rd Vice-President's slot due to Lion Tim Sinyard moving to Birmingham. Lion Chris Brooks was appointed to fill Lion Tim's position as 3rd Vice-President.

Lion Treasurer Jerry Bonner said dues statements are ready. Make sure you pick them up next week at the sign-in table if you did not get them tonight, so extra expense will not be incurred to mail them out.

Upcoming Programs and Events

February 7: Program TBD. Regular meeting at Commission on Aging building.

March 5: Fish & Ham Dinner. Keep this date, a Saturday, open to help.

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).