



The Tale Twister

Cullman Lions Club

July 10, 2023

Program

Newly elected President Lion Chris Brooks presided over our meeting for the first time to begin his term as president. There was no program speaker, but the President and 1st Vice-President of our Club's Branch Club, Lions Ginger Hogeland and Stephanie Lawson were in attendance for a planning meeting with officers from our Club.



President of Cullman Lions Club, Lion Chris Brooks.



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Other Business

Cullman will host the MD-34A cabinet meeting at the Church of Christ on Saturday, July 29th at the Cullman Church of Christ. Volunteers are needed to assist in hosting.

Lion Howard Perry was diagnosed with COPD and currently has to use a walker for mobility. Lion David Goodwin has been able to return to work following treatment for cancer.

New Lion Claude Clay introduced himself to the Club. Lion Claude was sponsored by Lion Steve Cartee. Hope to recognize him with a photo in the next Tale Twister. Lion Claude is retired and from Florida, and his wife, a Cullman native, wisely convinced him to move their home to Cullman.

Lion Ron Seybold reported that the band from Alabama's School for the Blind marched in the mile long parade at the Lions International convention in Boston, Massachusetts while playing their instruments. It was awarded 1st place for its effort. Ron said that a sighted person was placed at the right flank of each row of the marching band formation and that the remainder of the band members were blind and maintained position through slight contact with the person to their right. Our Club contributed funds to help with the transportation costs in getting this band to the convention. The State then contributed to funding meals and lodging for the band during the convention.

It was announced that Lion Wendel Copeland was recently awarded a "Quilt of Valor" by the Cullman VFW in recognition of his military service. Members of the VFW Ladies Auxiliary actually made the quilt.

Lion Don Smith reported that he had audited the financial books of our Club and reported that those books are in agreement with bank records and that there were no material deficiencies. Lion President Chris Brooks reported that Cullman Fair Treasurer Lion Barry Willingham had provided financial records from the Cullman Fair



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Association and that everything was in order there, as well.

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

July 17: Speaker will be Sheriff's Department Investigator, Lion Jeff Lawson.



Lion Jeff Lawson

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



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).