



The Tale Twister

Cullman Lions Club

June 24, 2019

Program

Our program this night was simply the installation of the Club's new officers for 2019-2020 at the Top of the Town restaurant. For the last time as President, Lion Mike Ponder called to order the Cullman Lions Club, along with the Lioness Club, and many guests. Then, as usual, before the meal, we sang a rousing song, recited the Pledge of Allegiance, and bowed our heads for the invocation.



PIP Lion Frank Moore (C) charges incoming Lion President Andrew Manning and incoming Lioness President Jennie Gurley with expectations and requirements as they assume these positions.



Past President Lion Mike Ponder symbolically passes the Club's gavel to new President Lion Andrew Manning.

Following a great meal, fit for the occasion, Lion Mike recognized guests and proceeded to give us many highlights of

our Club year. The Club provided funding to many, many deserving community charities, contributing the highest total in the Club's history, helping literally hundreds all across Cullman. Almost all was given to in-State charitable organizations; one gift was made to the "Leader Dogs for the Blind" that was out of State. Two of the largest recipients of our funding this year were Alabama Lions Sight (as usual) and the Cullman Fair Association (for new paving and other safety and access improvements). Lion Lummie Speakman, last year's recipient of our "Lion of the Year" award, presented this award for 2018-2019 to Lion Richard White. PIP Lion Frank Moore, with assistance from Lion Jerry Bonner, presented "Melvin Jones" awards to five Lions tonight; those Lions were Lions Richard Gurley, Dwayne Wilson, Bill Ruehl, Barry Willingham, and Jim Rooker. Lion Frank reminded us that these awards not only honor the recipients, but helps fund LCIF, used mainly for disaster relief around the world.



Lion Richard White (L) after presentation of Lion "Lion of the Year" award from Lion Lummie Speakman.



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Next on the agenda, President Lioness Mary Daniel told of her Club's accomplishments during the past year, which included helping our Club with its two biggest projects -- the County Fair and the Fish and Ham dinner. Thanks to their projects they were able to donate thousands of dollars to 13 separate community needs, which included several scholarships. Lionesses Judy Waldrep and Kay Harbison presented the "Lioness of the Year" award to Lioness Dean Twilly.



Past President Lioness Mary Daniel symbolically passes the Club's gavel to new President Lioness Jennie Gurley.



Lioness Dean Twilly (L) after presentation of "Lioness of the Year" award standing with Lioness Kay Harbison who helped make the presentation.

Past International President Lion Frank Moore then called out each newly elected

officer by name, reminding them of their duties and its importance to the Club, then swore them into office. PIP Lion Frank Moore did a great job. Both outgoing and incoming Presidents gave moving statements. No one got longwinded in their speeches. Everyone seemed to enjoy themselves. See new Lions Club Officers group photo on page 3. See new Lioness Club Officers group photo on page 4.

Upcoming Programs and Events

The Next Club Meeting Will Be On Monday, July 8, at 5:30 P.M.
 IN *Christ Hall at St. John's Church*
 - The Guest Speaker Will Be -
 * Head Football Coach *
Oscar Glasscock



Cullman High School
Bearcats

July 8: Cullman High School Head Football Coach Oscar Glasscock.

July 15 & 22: Program TBD.

July 29: Dr. Vicki Karolewics, Wallace State Community College President.

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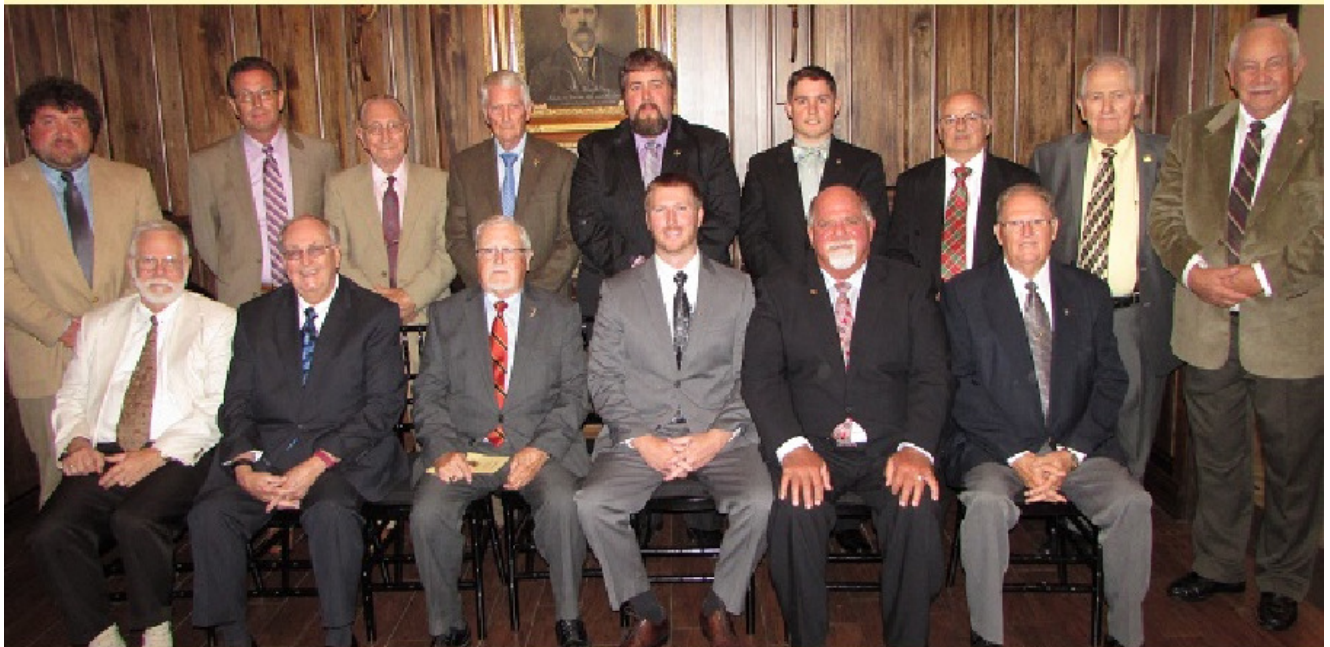


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New Cullman Lions Club Officers

2019 - 2020 Board of Directors



[L-R] Seated: Lion Don Smith, Secretary; Lion Javon Daniel, 1st Vice President; Lion Jerry Bonner, Treasurer; Lion Andrew Manning, President; Lion Mike Ponder, Immediate Past President; Lion Milford Parrish, 3rd Vice President <-> Standing: Lion Cody Smith, Director; Lion David Bussman, Tail Twister; Lion Dave Gratz, Lion Tamer; Lion Fred Osborne, Director; Lion Casey Smith, Director; Lion Tim Sinyard, Director; Lion Philip Viverito, Membership Committee; Lion Lummie Speakman, Membership Committee Vice Chair; Lion George Krigbaum, Membership Committee Chair. Not in photo: Lion Austin Monk, 2nd Vice President.



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New Cullman Lionesses Club Officers and 2019 – 2020 Board of Directors



(L-R) Seated: Lioness Mary Daniel, Immediate Past President; Lioness Sue Spradlin, Treasurer; Lioness Jennie Gurley, President; Lioness Heather Rabending, 1st V.P.; Lioness Dean Twilley, 2nd V.P.; Lioness Kay Walker, Tail Twister. <> Standing: Lioness Judy Waldrep, Membership Committee Vice Chair; Lioness Judy Mangum, Director; Lioness Mary Ann Caudle, Director; Lioness Sammie Danford, Director. Not in photo: Lioness Kimberly Drake, Lioness Tamer; Lioness Cynthia Tubbs, Secretary; Lioness Judy Smith, Membership Committee Chair; Lioness Linda Smith, Membership Committee; Lioness Sara Beth Willoughby, 3rd V.P.

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