



# The Tale Twister

## Cullman Lions Club

November 14, 2022

### Program

There was no program speaker tonight. However, we did have a great meal as usual; the main course was steak and BBQ pork.



Lions Raymond Williams and Andrew Manning partake at the serving line. Lion Raymond seems to be pondering which meat to take; I think the decision was a tie, so he had both – no problem.

stones. Lion Gary Murphree continues to struggle to walk, despite his therapy, but he is still showing improvement following his accident. Lion Charlie McBrayer has started chemo for pancreatic cancer; his wife told Lion Steve Murphree that Lion Charlie would welcome calls from our Lions to check up on him.

New Lion Scott Starosta introduced himself tonight. He is a Chicago native but worked in Atlanta for 20 years. He is the son-in-law of deceased Lion, Jim Rooker. Lion Scott and his wife, a Cullman native, helped care for Lion Jim in his final days. They were impressed with our community and are now retired and living in Berlin. His wife is in our Lioness Chapter and worked in the Lions Concession Stand this year. He professed to be very much looking forward to serving with us.

### Other Business

Lion President Milford Parrish announced that our start-time for serving supper, 5:30 – 5:45 PM, will continue at least until the end of 2022. Then, it will be re-evaluated for possible change. He also announced the Historical Committee members: Lions Dennis Berse (Chairman), Charlie Powell, Dewayne Wilson, Javon Daniel, and Adam Aker. And he encouraged any Lions with older photos, documents, and other Lion related memorabilia to please provide it to this committee.

Lion Jim Howard's condition has improved, and he hopes to be back with us at our meeting soon. Lion Doug Doggett is continuing treatment for kidney



Lion Milford also talked about a young man named Cash from Holly Pond and his need for a diabetic service dog. He and his family is planning to visit and speak to the club. Cash has been matched to a service dog which he hopes to obtain in the near future.



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Lion Secretary Craig Gadow reported that thank-you letter was received from “Leader Dogs for the Blind” for providing for them a donation. He also said that the Club’s Board of Directors allocated funds to Lion Fred Osborne to purchase two watches for two Lions, approaching their 50<sup>th</sup> year of membership in or Club.

1st VP Lion Chris Brooks announced Fair board election Nov 28<sup>th</sup>. This meeting will include a presentation of Fair financial information, so it will be a closed meeting. Fair Board Nominees are Lion Sam Roberts\*, Lion Barry Willingham\*, Lion Riley Smith\*, Lion Chris Robinson\*, Lion Dennis Berse\*, Lion Wendall Copeland, Lion Brad Mitchell, Lion Mike Ponder, and Lion Brian Spaeth. Incumbents are indicated by \*. See page 3 for sample ballot with photos.

Nov 28 will be a closed meeting. The annual financial review of Fair operations will be held. Fair Board election will also be held.

Lion Charlie Childers announced that the dress for the Fair Appreciation Dinner on Dec. 12th will include sweaters. The 3 winners of the 2022 Fair Queen Pageant will be with us and will provide some entertainment. They will also judge and award prizes for the most attractive & outstanding Christmas-themed sweater, as well as, the ugliest. Lion Charlie will give us the menu at the next meeting.

Membership Chairman Lion Bill Ruehl spoke our Club’s need to bring in more members. He encouraged all of us not to be shy in inviting friends and

acquaintances to visit with us at a Club meeting with hopes of bringing them aboard as new members. He also reminded us that Lions have promised to support the Club with their attendance if able. So, be here at meetings.

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> .

If you have any problem getting to the site, contact Lion Craig Gadow at 256-736-8361.

### **Upcoming Programs and Events**

November 14th: TBD. Serving time for meals will begin at 5:30PM, instead of 5:15PM.

November 21: No meeting due to Thanksgiving week.

November 28: Fair Board election and 2022 financial results. No guests.

December 12: Fair Appreciation Dinner at Stone Bridge.

### **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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## Nominees for Fair Board of Directors



(Vote for 6)

The Fair Board election will be at the Cullman Lions Club meeting on Monday night November 28th.

\*(i) = incumbent

- (i) Dennis Berse
- Wendell Copeland
- Brad Mitchell
- Mike Ponder
- (i) Sam Roberts
- (i) Chris Robinson
- (i) Riley Smith
- Brian Spaeth
- (i) Barry Willingham

