



The Tale Twister

Cullman Lions Club

October 27, 2025

Program

We did not have a scheduled speaker but did conduct a good bit of business. Tail Twister Lion Richard White very slightly raised the appreciation level for his jokes.

Other Business

Lion Javon Daniel continues recovery and stabilization from heart related issues. Lion Mike Ponder continues his cancer fight. Lion Craig Gadow reported that he had visited Lion Ron Seybold; Lion Craig said that Lion Ron's condition has continued to deteriorate as he continues in hospice care. Pray for these Lions.

Lion President Delane Ray had a correction to his announcement last week that Lion Fred Osborne had achieved 56 years of service to our Club. Lion Delane said that Lion Fred presented evidence that he had actually served 57 years. Lion President read a thank-you note from the Margret Jean Jones Center, thanking the Club for its "Senior Day" hospitality at the Fair; a special thanks in the note went to Lions Charlie Childers and Tim Scott, who went "above and beyond" for it organization.

Lion Sean Schofield talked to us about the Club's motto of "We Serve." In particular he mentioned visiting the Sight Van which has a visit last week, saying that it was an awesome experience to see just this one aspect of how our Club continues to make an impact on our community, rather than just writing checks. Then he mentioned another opportunity to serve that is near and dear to his heart and recounted the presentation that The Link organization

recently made about feeding the hungry. He actively supports its food-pantry, which makes food available to the those who may not be able to purchase it on their own. He noted that our Club has made numerous donations in this regard, as well as some of our members helping serve weekly hot meals on occasion. He asked for volunteers to assist in movement of food at The Link facility this Thursday afternoon to make needed room to accommodate a current lack of storage space. He also said that volunteers would be appreciated to serve at the pantry every Tuesday and Thursday from 9AM to around 4PM. Lion Sean also expressed concern about the current Government shutdown, impacting The Link's food supply. He offered available pledge cards for The Link to make individual donations, outside what the Club may do for this worthy organization.



Lion Sean Schofield discusses service opportunities as Lion President Delane Ray smiles approvingly.



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Lion Milford spoke for Lion George Krigbaum, who is chairman of the Club's Diabetes Committee. The Committee is in the process of getting supplies together and preparing emergency diabetic supply kits together for delivery to all our City and County schools. He asked for volunteers, particularly those with trucks, to help out tomorrow morning in preparing and delivering these kits, starting around 8AM. This effort is very much appreciated. Lion Milford said that before we began offering our assistance, the school nurses often were just begging and borrowing and paying out of their own pockets to have these supplies available.

Lion Frank Odell reminded new Lions of a "Roundtable Discussion" at Freddy Day's place tonight.

Lion President Ray called upon Fair Association Vice President, Lion Chris Robinson to suspend our Club meeting and to call a meeting of the Cullman County Fair Association to conduct Fair business. After doing so, he called upon Lion Steve Cartee, Chair of the Fair Association Election Committee, who announced that the Fair Association would conduct an election for its Board of Directors (BOD). Eleven BOD members (all Lions) are elected for a two-year term, with approximately half the BOD positions completing their terms each year. Lion Steve's committee will develop a ballot of BOD candidates for this election. He asked for nominations from the floor and asked for any Lions who were interested in serving on BOD to contact him or the other Election Committee member, Lion Jerry Bonner. No nominations were made from the floor. BOD members whose terms are ending are Lions Charlie Childers, Randy Kraft, Steve Murphree, Tim

Scott, and Carey Thompson. Lion Steve said that he plans to announce candidates for the BOD positions on Nov. 10th and conduct the election on Nov. 17th. Following Lion Steve's announcement, a motion was made to adjourn the Fair Association meeting. This motion was seconded and was unanimously approved by voice vote.



Lion Steve Cartee, sporting his Indiana Jones hat (but no whip), explains the upcoming Fair Association election as Cullman Fair Association Vice-President Chris Robinson listens intently, or else he's just daydreaming as usual.

Upcoming Programs and Events

October 27: 34A District Governor, our own Lion Craig Gadow, will be our speaker.

December 1: Fair Appreciation Dinner. More details pending.

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 256-426-3207 (C). Lion Don can be reached at 256-737-7433 (H) or 256-426-7722 C.