

The Tale Twister

Cullman Lions Club

September 8, 2025

Program

Although we did not have a scheduled speaker, Current District LCIF Representative and PDG Mike Manley did drop by to present a special award to one of our members and to talk about LCIF's District and Club Community Impact Grants (DCG's). Lion Mike began by noting our Club's phenomenal past history of giving, not only to LCIF, but especially within our community. He said that LCIF grants can be used for a wide variety of service projects, so long as the project is humanitarian in nature. However, these grants can not fund Lion events such as Club meetings, dues, club-house renovations, fundraising events, past projects, or cash giveaways without detailed plans for how funds will be used.



Current District LCIF Representative and PDG Mike Manley Examples of potential DCG projects are books and games for a pediatric cancer hospital, clothing and food for low-income veterans, mobile sight and vision screening units, disaster relief efforts, create a park, support a local food pantry, or supplies for a local animal shelter.

Almost any humanitarian project that Lions dream up can be turned into a DCG project. He also had form so that individual Club members could donate to LCIF on a monthly basis for as little as \$5.

If a Lions Club donates any amount to LCIF, it will automatically approve half of that amount back to that Club as a grant just awaiting that Club to make a request for approval for a grant. Because of our Club's past donations to LCIF, our Club has over \$10,000 in grants that could be used upon our request to LCIF for approval. Since 1965 LCIF has sent over \$2M in DCG grants to Alabama. Right now, a trailer for disaster assistance waits in readiness to be used in the event of any disaster. Its cost was \$10,000 and was paid from a DCG grant.

We appreciated Lion PDG Manley for dropping by to make a presentation to Lion Ron Seybold and to update us on LCIF's grants.

Other Business

Tickets for the Agriplex's "Home to Harvest Dinner" on Sep.18th at the Loft are still available. Also, there are still tickets available to the "Little Pink Dress" benefit dinner at Stone Bridge on October 7th (1st come, 1st served for both of these dinners). See Lion President; also, Lion President Delane Ray read thank-you note from Agriplex for the Club's donation; he announced years of service anniversaries for the following Lions: Ory Hamton – 1 year, Quinten Poulin – 1, and Danny Ray – 1.

Lion Javon Daniel continues recovery and stabilization from heart related issues. Lion Mike Ponder was able to be with us tonight, after



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many months of recovery. He has been fighting prostate cancer and is slowly regaining strength. Lion Ron Seybold was able to join us again. Lion Ron has decided that he has gone as far as he can with earthly cancer medicine; he will go into hospice care and will place his recovery in God's hands and will. Pray for these Lions.



Lion RonSeybold (I) received two individual LCIF awards, tonight. One was a Melvin Jones Progressive 3-Diamond Award for giving over \$4,000, presented by Lion Mike Manley, PDG & current LCIF District Representative (c); another was a LCIF silver pin for giving over \$100, presented by Lion District Governor Craig Gadow (r).

Upcoming Programs and Events

<u>September 15</u>: Mr. Kelly Mitchell, Lion Brad's brother, will discuss and demonstrate an A.E.D. (Automated external defibrillator) [or a heartattack resuscitation] device.



Mr. Kelly Mitchell

<u>September 27</u>: Saturday morning from 7:00AM until Noon, Dave Bussman requested special help from Club members in getting the Lions Concession Stand cleaned and ready to serve food & snacks for Fair. With enough help, Lion Dave says we could accomplish this task within a couple of hours or less.

<u>September 29</u>: Work Night starting at 5:00PM with hot dogs and hamburgers in preparation for Fair.

October 4: Fair exhibits for Bldg. #1 (Lion workers be there at 8:00AM, with exhibits acceptance starting at 9:00AM). If you have not been advised to be at Fairground, be at City parking deck's lower street level for parade assignment at 10:00AM; parade starts at 2:00PM. All Lions should be at one of those two locations Saturday morning.

October 6: No meeting. Fair preparation still ongoing.

October 9-18: Cullman County Fair.

See Cullman Fair assignments on page 3.

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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		E	GATES		Н	PARKING			
A AG EXHIBITS		1	Scott, Tim		_	Roberts, Samuel		f	Not assigned
1 Mitchell, Brad		2	Willingham, Barry		2	White, Richard		1	Galin, Jerry
2 Murphree, Steve	+Cates		Bryant, Jeremy			Aker, Adam			Grier, James
3 Garr son, Phil ip		4	Byrd, Jeff			Clay, Claude		1	Howard, James
4 Krigbaum, George		5	Doggett, Douglas	+Ind Ex		Duke, Kelly		1	
5 Osporne, Fred		6	Earnest, Michael			Fromhold, Michael			
6 Ray, Danny		7	Gadow, Craig		7	Hogue, Vatthew	+Security		
7 Sprad In, Doug		8	Gambrill, Chad		8	Gentry, Matt			
			Gudger, Garlan			James, Patrick			
B BARN			Hamm, Mark			Lawson, Jeff	+Security		
1 Kraft, Randy		-	Horton, Jimmy			Mangum, Mike			
2 Smith, Riley			Jacobs, Woody 7			Manning, Andrew			
3 Brooks, Chris			Jackson, Quinn			McSwain, Steven			
4 Ponder, Mike		_	Johnson, Lee			Monk, Brian			
5 Ray, Delane		_	Murphree, Steve	I Ag Ex		Parrish, Mi ford			
6 Slaten, Terry	1		Peek, Rickey			Ponder, Eric	1		
o sieten, reny		-	Pfeifer, Tom ?			Ray, Joshua			
		-	Rodgers, Steve			Rainwater, Clark			
C CONCESSIONS		-	Scott, Don			Ruffner, Sam			
1 Bussman, David						Sivilli, Joseph			
	_	_	Smith, Jerry			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			
2 Gurley, Richard		_	Sumner, Dewayne		21	Spaeth, Brian			
3 Cartee, Steve	+Theater		Waldrep, Bo						
4 Crocker, Champ			Walker, Alar						
5 Hampton, Ory			Wilhite, Terry			Security			
6 Marks, Brooke		-	Williams, Raymond			Gentry, Matt	+ Parking		
7 Ode I, Frank		26	Wren, Jeffrey		2	Lawson, Jeff	+ Parking		
8 Pinyan, James									
9 Poulin, Quinten					J	INDIVIDUAL EXHIBITS			
10 Roden, Tyler	+ Office				1	Peacock, David			
11 Starosta, Scott		F	THEATER		2	Gratz, Dave			
12 Tielking, Jason		1	Robinson, Chris		3	Daniel, Javon			
13 Winderknecht, Brooke		2	Childers, Charles		4	Doggett, Jouglas	+Gates		
14 Wiggins, David		3	Carpenter, Noah			Green, Cleve			
15 Williams, Jeff		4	Boozer, Bryan		6	Horton, Mary			
		5	Cartee, Steve	+Corcess or	7	Mangum, Morris			
		6	Floyd, Chad			Perry, Howard			
D OFFICE	+Mainten		Hogeland, Ginger			Schofield, Melinda			
1 Bonner, Jerry			Twilley, Dean			Schofield, Sean			
2 Wilt, Bill						Williams, Doug			
3 Seγbold, Ronald	+ Concess					Williams, James			
4 Smith, Don		G	MAINTENANCE						
5 Starosta, Scott		1	Ruehl, Bill						
6 Thomoson, Carey			Powell, Charles						
			Wilson, Dewayne						
			Wilt, Bill	+Office					