



# *Lions Breezes*

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**A newsletter for the members, family & friends of  
the Thurmont Lions Club!**

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## **A MESSAGE FROM KING LION GEORGE**

It is my honor and privilege to serve as your President in our eightieth year. Many of you have set superb examples as my predecessors, and all of you have revealed exceptional talents, skills and dedication that set the stage for a wonderful year ahead. I promise to lead our great Club to the best of my ability. To avoid being repetitive here, I ask that you read the message I wrote to all of you the morning after our Installation:

Our meeting last night was a most meaningful event. Thank you for your confidence in selecting me to serve as your President for the coming Lions year. I am honored to serve, and I promise you my very best efforts to sustain our remarkable successes.

Unfortunately, because we were running tight on time, I had to cut back a good deal on what I wanted to say, particularly more about each of the several super Lions who are filling the other officers' roles in our Club. You have elected a top-notch Board of Directors, and I am profoundly grateful for their services. In all my years of leading organizations, I've never had a more talented, skilled and dedicated support group. One of our four VPs will be serving on each Activity and Admin Committee, with a view towards helping the Lions in charge get the help and support needed to ensure success. Others on our Board will fill key positions like membership and public relations. We are blessed.

We have an exciting year ahead, and I ask for your continued support. And, as I said last night, I ask you to continue to serve others, enjoy each other, and have fun. And, if you have any concerns or ideas as to how we can improve, please let me know.

Thank you again for your confidence and support. I look forward to a great year ahead.

We have four key goals this Lions year--

- Sustain our successes
- Get twelve new members
- Increase Foundation funding
- Charter the new LEO Club for Catoclin High School students

I trust you will make your best efforts in helping to achieve them.

Elsewhere in this edition is the matrix of who's doing what in our Club activities and admin committees. I talked to most of you about these assignments, but Secretary Joyce and I remain

flexible if changes are needed. Please let one of us know if you aren't okay with where you've been assigned or if you want to join other committees. And, most importantly, THANKS!

I congratulate Lion Mike Irons and his committee for their excellent work in producing an outstanding 2009-10 Community Calendar along with good profit to fund our scholarships. To Lion Lynn Stuart and her great A.R.T. committee, a huge pat-on-the back for pioneering this new event which will become an annual happening along the great Trolley Trail! And, thank all of you who are working our Carnival snickers stand and our food stand at the Auction Sale on July 18<sup>th</sup>.

We Thurmont Lions are "Striding in Service" for others in our community, our country, and our world. Thank you for doing that!

## **PROGRAMS**

On June 10, 2009, The Thurmont Lions Club's program was Habitat for Humanity including the Women Build Project. This was an insightful program giving us information on helping families in need have an affordable home. Kim Riddle, the Women Build Project Leader Volunteer Coordinator led the program and Lisa Wease, who is a recipient of Habitat, told us how Habitat for Humanity changed her life. (submitted by Lion Robin Keeny)

On June 24, 2009, the Thurmont Lions Club held their Installation of Officers with District Governor Robert Disinger performing the installation. Outgoing President Robin Keeny talked about the past year and the club's accomplishments, and also thanked the club and her Board of Officers and Directors. There were 2 Distinguished Service Awards, one given to Lion Larry Mundy for his many accomplishments in the club and for his generosity to the LEO Club. He also took the lead on purchasing the new equipment for the Trolley Trail and was the liaison between the club, Playground Specialists and the town of Thurmont. Another was given to Lion Gene Long for his many accomplishments this past year. Lion Gene Long spearheaded the entire fundraising effort for the "Callie Needs a Van" project and for taking the lead on construction of a ramp and lift for fellow Lion Ross DiSalvo so he could get in and out of his home. These are truly 2 dedicated Lions.

The final award given out that night was the Lion of the Year. This award went to Lion George Bolling who is also the incoming President. Lion George played a huge role in starting up the Thurmont Middle School LEO Club. When he joined the Thurmont Lions Club, he had a vision of having a LEO Club. A lot of effort and many hours went into getting the club off the ground. He started approaching the Middle School in the spring of 2008, and soon after school started back up in the fall, the formation meeting was held. And, of course, the rest is history. Lion George is dedicated to our club and is always there to lend a hand when needed. When the role of incoming President (1<sup>st</sup> Vice President) opened up, he quickly stepped up to the plate. Congratulations to our now President, Lion George Bolling.

Lion Ross Smith, was presented with a pin for his efforts in bringing 2 members into our club. The pin reflects his devotion and dedication to this club for his commitment to the growth and strength of our club.



### **Our New Officers**

Missing are Lions Colleen Gillen, Wes Hamrick, and Jenny West

**Arts Revealed along the Trail (A.R.T.)** – Our first annual **ART** Festival on the Trolley Trail was held Saturday, June 27, 2009, from 11:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. along the refurbished Trolley Trail. Various forms of art was featured and performances were held in Memorial Park and included the Catoctin Promise Band, the Elower dancers, Christian Clowning, singer Tyrone Snowden, and others. Displays and activities along the Trail included paintings, jewelry, hand carved birds, a display of art by local students and students around the world, bonsai and a bonsai demonstration as well as face painting by the Thurmont Middle School LEO Club. At 4:30 p.m., a dedication of the newly installed equipment for the Trolley Trail was held. Performers along the Trail included Cecil the Cycling Clown, Frederick Keys “Keyote”, cowboys and a stray “Lion” or two. Country Ham, Hot Dogs, Chili Dogs, and Sloppy Joe Sandwiches, as well as “trail” mix, “Walking Haystacks”, desserts and drinks were available on the Trail (near Memorial Park) during the entire day. The proceeds from the food will be used to defray the cost of the event and go to the community. At noon, the Thurmont Regional Library featured “Home Comfort” (bluegrass band) on the deck at the Library in addition to other activities there. “THANK YOU” to those who helped make this event a successful one, especially Lion Lynn Stuart and her committee. This was a great opportunity to get out and enjoy the beauty of the Trail. There has been nothing but positive comments from fellow Lions,

the artists who participated, the performers, and the community. There were raffles and door prizes and everyone had a great time.

### **Float for Upcoming Firemen's Parade**

Don't forget to come out this year for the Parade to be held on Thursday, July 9. This year we will highlight our 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary. If you are willing to walk along side the float please contact Lions Gene or Shirley Long.

### **Thurmont Middle School Leos**

Congratulations to all the TMS LEOs who had a fantastic first year with many accomplishments. You would never know that this was their first year the way they just jumped right in there doing things for the community and all their help with the Thurmont Lions Events. Most recently, they came out and helped with the ART on the Trail event.

There were 6 LEOs helping that day doing numerous things including face painting, handing out balloons and candy and walking the trail as a Lion. Thank you! Lion Robin Keeny will be the LEO advisor and many things are already being planned. There will be an All You Can Eat Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser held at Rocky's in September. And plans are underway for them to have there own booth at the Colorfest. One of their focuses this year will be helping the schools in Thurmont with school supplies for the needy and possibly even more. If anyone has any ideas (fundraisers or donations) that the LEOs can do, please contact Lion Robin Keeny at 301-304-0271 or email at [RbKee3@aol.com](mailto:RbKee3@aol.com).



### **LEO Officers:**

Starting on the left (in teal sweatshirt) is Savannah Steinly - President  
Colin Wood - VP  
Pearl Umberger - Sec  
Austin Frushour - Treasurer  
Hannah Barth - Director  
Bubba Williams - PR

Hannah Ellis - Director

Missing is Courtney Scott – Director

### **CHS LEOs Forming Up.**

With hopeful signs emanating from Principal Jack Newkirk that he's found us a faculty advisor or two, Lion Wendy and husband Terry are working with their daughter Rachael, a rising CHS senior, to rally a select few of her upperclassmen (and women) to form the core of the new Club. In the fall, our sixteen rising CHS freshmen would meld into that Club along with other interested CHS students. The formal chartering is now planned for October 23<sup>rd</sup>, the night of our Club's 80<sup>th</sup> charter night celebration and the TMS LEOs' first birthday. (Submitted by George Bolling, LEOs Chairman)



### **Fundraiser for DG Robert Disinger - District 22-W**

1st prize, hand carved Lions walking stick; 2nd prize, basket of cheer; 3rd prize, \$50.00. Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. Drawing to be held on August 8, 2009, at the Change of Banner. Winners do not need to be present to win. Contact Lion Joyce for tickets. (submitted by Secretary Joyce Anthony)

### **Super Summertime Sandwich Sales**

Plan to help at these popular summer-time events. Magnets with the dates are available now. Ask Lions Doug or Don for more details! A sign-up sheet will be circulated at the meetings. To volunteer your time, you may also contact Lions Doug or Don or Lion Lloyd Berry. Shifts will run 10am-1pm, 1pm-4pm or 2:30pm-4:30pm.

June Pit Beef Sales Disappointing. During our June 13 Pit beef fundraiser, we sold 360 sandwiches which resulted in a profit of \$765. While this is still a good profit, sales were way off from last year's 500+ sandwiches and \$1500 profit. Several attempts are being made to boost sales at the remaining pit beef sales this year including greater advertising. Members are encouraged to spread the word about these fundraisers. Also note that we have had the Antietam Dairy ice cream truck at the pit beef events to sell hand dipped ice cream. The club receives 15% profit from any sales they make, and most will attest that the ice cream is quite tasty!

Carnival is Approaching. Once again this year we will have a stand at the carnival to sell our famous Southern Fried Snickers. Many thanks to the Guardian Hose Company for allowing us to set up at their carnival. We will have two shifts per evening, Monday through Saturday. The first shift is 6-9 pm, and the second is 8:45-close. We are currently in most need of help on the second shift. If you are available to help, PLEASE let Lions Doug or Don or Lion Lloyd Berry know.

## **HUMOROUS TALES**

Recent Interesting Newspaper Headlines:

Police Begin Campaign to Run Down Jaywalkers  
Miners Refuse to Work after Death  
Juvenile Court to Try Shooting Defendant  
War Dims Hope for Peace  
Cold Wave Linked to Temperatures  
Enfield ( London ) Couple Slain; Police Suspect Homicide  
Red Tape Holds Up New Bridges  
Man Struck By Lightning: Faces Battery Charge  
New Study of Obesity Looks for Larger Test Group  
Astronaut Takes Blame for Gas in Spacecraft  
Kids Make Nutritious Snacks  
Hospitals are Sued by 7 Foot Doctors  
(submitted by our Tail Twister – Lion Don Keeney)

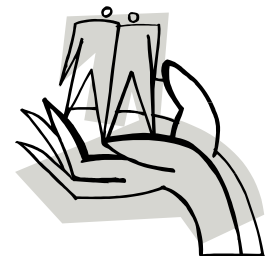
## **Important Notes & REMINDERS**

- **IF YOU HAVE EMAIL ACCESS BUT ARE RECEIVING THIS NEWSLETTER VIA REGULAR MAIL, YOU COULD SAVE OUR CLUB MONEY** with the cost of postage, we need to limit “mailed” copies to those who do NOT have email. Please contact Lion Robin at 301-304-0271 or [RbKee3@aol.com](mailto:RbKee3@aol.com) to provide your email address.
- If you have unwanted eyeglasses or hearing aids, please bring them to any meeting and give to Lion Dulcie OR place in the collection boxes that are located in Goodwill Industries and outside Dr. John Hagemann’s office.
- If you need an updated copy of the Committees for 2009-2010, Visitation Schedule, or Club Roster, contact Secretary Joyce.
- If you are interested in purchasing Lions apparel, contact Secretary Joyce
- Be sure to check out our Club Website – Check it out at “thurmontlionsclub.com”
- **PLEASE remember to call Lion Wes Hamrick if you will not be attending a meeting and do not want to be charged for that meal. Also it is very important to let Lion Wes know when you have a guest attending the meeting – we need to provide an accurate count to Cozy on the Monday morning the week of our meeting. Please call Lion Wes Hamrick the Sunday before the meeting at 301-271-9195.**
- **PLEASE submit all articles for the next newsletter ASAP but no later than the last meeting of the month or by the 25<sup>th</sup> of the month to Lion Robin Keeny at [RbKee3@aol.com](mailto:RbKee3@aol.com).**

## **WE CARE**

**Please keep the following in your thoughts and prayers:**

- Lion Jo Ann Cannada – recent surgery
- Debbie Irons – recent surgery
- Lion Ross DiSalvo – recent stay in hospital; currently at College View Home Care for recovery and physical therapy
- DG Susan Timmons – continuing to deal with multiple myeloma
- Lion John Brown’s Wife Betty Brown – Ongoing Health Issues
- Lion Rosemary – Recovering from a Heart Transplant in Philadelphia  
– Address for Lion Rosemary is: Ms. Rosemary McDermott



Care of Mr. James McDermott  
1025 Dunvegan Road  
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- Lion Carrie Mae Gumm – Ongoing health issues
- Little Callie Watkins, recent bout with pneumonia and other complications
- Lion Bill Blakeslee – Ongoing Health Issues
- Lion Linda Bitner – recent surgery
- Lion Jenny West – recent death of nephew, Wes Pennington - Cards can be sent to Larry/Jenny at 1060 Ramsey Point Road, Monticello, KY 42633
- Lion Robin Keeny – Neice just gave birth to child with Spina Bifida

**YOU WILL GET A WEALTH OF INFORMATION BY READING THE DISTRICT  
22W NEWSLETTER EACH MONTH AS WELL AS FINDING OUT ABOUT  
UPCOMING EVENTS So please take the time to read it**

### Change of Banner

The Change of Banner will be held August 8, 2009 at the New Midway Fire Hall. The social will begin at 6:00 pm, and dinner will be served at 6:45 pm. The cost is \$16.00 person. The menu is fried chicken, roast beef, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, corn, dressing, coleslaw, applesauce, iced tea, coffee and dessert. Entertainment will be Steve Flynn singing songs of Frank Sinatra. Please RSVP to Secretary Joyce Anthony no later than July 23rd if you plan to attend.

### 2009 Thurmont Lions Club Calendar & Schedule of Events

July 6-10, 2009, International Convention, Minneapolis/St. Paul  
July 6-11 Snickers Booth at the Fireman's Carnival  
July 8, 2009, Regular Meeting, Program TBA  
July 9, 2009, Firemen's Parade – Thurmont Lions Club Float  
July 22, 2009, THERE WILL NOT BE A MEETING ON THIS NIGHT  
July 23, 2009, Joint Meeting With Emmitsburg, @ Carriage House Restaurant in Emmitsburg  
August 8, 2009, Change of Banner, New Midway Fire Hall  
Sept. 24-26, 2009, 33rd Annual USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum, Memphis, Tennessee

### NEW Fundraiser Coming this Fall:

Over the past few years the Fall Fish Fry has made only very modest returns, so the Food based fundraising co-chairs have been working with the Board of Directors to overhaul this event. Beginning this year we will be having a **Fall Foods Festival** in place of the Fish Fry on, Saturday, October 17, 2009, 10:00am to 3:00pm, at Bell Hill Farm. Flyers will be available soon and will be posted at all our events beginning in May.

Please plan now to help with this new fundraiser! Your assistance in advertising and helping at the event are important to make it a success. We have scheduled it for this date because it is the Saturday after Colorfest, which is also the weekend prior to Make a Difference Day. We scheduled it to take advantage of the tourist traffic taking in the Fall foliage but local attendance is important too!

We hope to have the assistance of the Leos and alter the set-up of the typical Bell Hill fundraisers to provide a more festival-like atmosphere. More details will be provided as they become available.

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## **RANCH TLC HO DOWN**

Annual Picnic

August 26, 2009, 6 PM

Thurmont Community Park

Bring a dish and meat will be supplied by The Thurmont Lions Club

Members & Guest \$5.00

Age 6 & under free

Members billed/let Wes know if you cannot attend

**Contribute brown bag with a surprise for the Silent  
Auction**

Games, Fun and Prizes for all ages

Western attire preferred

Please RSVP by Aug 19, 2009 to [spwindsor@aol.com](mailto:spwindsor@aol.com) or  
Sharon Windsor 301-271-3432

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