



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 PRESIDENT ROBIN

Lions, as I sit here pondering all the past events, I can't help but think how proud I feel to be a part of such a great organization. Each one of you gives your all, whether it is your time, talent or both. Your eagerness to serve is extraordinary. Just recently as Lion Larry was putting together the order for the Trolley Trail Equipment, we found out that the information for the signs was needed sooner than we thought. Well let me tell you, Lions Susan, Paul, George and Larry got together and with only one meeting and a few emails, had the information for the signs ready. They wanted to include a sketch of the Trolley Trail and within days, Lion Carol had the sketch complete. A little team work and the job was done. A fellow Lion once said **“if you want something done, give it to a busy person”**. Change that a little to say **“if you want something done, give it to a Lion”**. The new equipment and signs will be a great addition to the Trail thanks to these busy Lions.

Recently the Thurmont Regional Library put up a display case as you walk into the Library. Lion Paul scheduled the case for our use in March, September and October. Lions Lynn and Francis quickly put together some items from our display case at Cozy and took them over to the Library. If you go to the Library, take a look at the case. The use of the case in September and October will give us an opportunity to put together a display for our 80th anniversary. This is going to be an exciting year for the Thurmont Lions Club and I am looking forward to it. Plans are already underway for our 80th Charter celebration.

Our Spring and Summer events and activities are being planned now. If there is an event or activity that you would like to help with, please contact the committee chair for that event. Also, from time to time, check your event and activity list to see if there is anything coming up that needs to be planned. If there is something that you are unsure of or have questions about, just ask. Fellow Lions are just a phone call away.

Do you know an Everyday Hero? You won't have to look far if you just look around at your fellow Lions. If you can identify a "Lion Everyday Hero", forward a write-up, telling why you feel this Lion should be honored, to the District 22-W Newsletter Editor at LionBillStrauss@msn.com or mail it to Lion Bill Strauss at 1825 Francis Scott Key Highway, Keymar, MD 21757.

When I sat down to write this I thought to myself, I'm not going to have anything to say. I was wrong! Sometimes I have to stop myself from rambling on and on. That's because there is so much to say about this club and the members, but I will say goodbye for now. And as we as a Club continue to grow - Remember, **WE** all make up the Thurmont Lions Club.

“Alone we can do so little, Together we can do so much” Helen Keller

HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY



PROGRAMS

Mayor Martin Burns visited our club on February 11, 2009. This has become an annual visit from our Mayor and it gave us a chance to find out first hand what is going on in our town and what changes may be coming. The evening proved to be very informative and it also gave us the opportunity to ask the mayor questions regarding the future of our town.



On February 25, 2009, we held our Boy Scout Night for Troop 270. This is an annual event and it gives us an opportunity to find out what Troop 270 has been doing the past year and to acknowledge recipients of the Ross Smith, Sr., Scout Award and the Eagle Scout of the Year. Boy Scout Garrett Miller was awarded the Ross Smith, Sr., award given for his many accomplishments. Lion Ross Smith, Jr., was on hand to present the award. Garrett's name will be added to the continuing plaque to hang at the Cozy in the display case. The Eagle Scout award went to Boy Scout Brad Wiles who was unable to attend that night. The Thurmont Lions has sponsored the Thurmont Boy Scout Troop 270 since 1932. The accomplishments of these young men make us proud to be their sponsor.

On March 11, 2009, Jason Polansky will be our guest speaker. Jason is well known in our community and is looking forward to being with us that night.

BARTER NIGHT



Going Once! Going Twice! Sold to that Lion in the Front! On March 25, 2009, we will have our annual Barter Night. Please remember that this year's proceeds from Barter Night will be set aside for our 80th Year Charter Celebration. Maybe you have some gifts leftover from the holidays, or items that have been put away in your closet that have never been used. Baked goods are also good items that sell well. Bring as many items as you can. This is always a fun night and don't be surprised if Lion Bob has a few surprises up his sleeve. We may also have visitors from other clubs that night. This is fun night and one that many look forward to.

NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION

New Member Orientation has been scheduled for Wednesday, March 4th – 6:30 pm at Lion Jenny's shop at her home. If you are a new Lion member and have not attended a new member orientation, please plan to attend. This is also open to any member and is a good opportunity to learn more about Lionism as well as our Thurmont Lions Club.

REMEMBER VISITATIONS

Time is running out! Please remember to do your visitation. If you need a visitation slip or visitation schedule, see Secretary Joyce, or Lion Dulcie. We can't wait until Spring to get these done. Remember you will need to make a reservation with the club you will be visiting.



LIONS COMMUNITY BIRTHDAY CALENDAR

The Lions Community Birthday Calendar Sales Lists were distributed at our regular meeting February 11th. Sales People, please remember it is VERY IMPORTANT that you make ALL Phone Contacts on your list. Your phone calls will confirm their listings, for any updates of additions or changes as well as the number of calendars to purchase. Making phone contacts now will eliminate delivery disputes and order overages.

I also encourage all Lions Members to be listed on the calendar. If you are not currently listed, please call me with your listings, 301-271-7012.

Thank you again for the success of this Lions Project, as it totally supports the Scholarship Program.
Submitted by Mike Irons, Calendar Chair

BENEFIT BREAKFAST FOR “Callie Needs a Van” FUND

Trinity United Church of Christ and the Lions of Thurmont are co-sponsoring a benefit breakfast for Callie Watkins, a little 7-year old girl who lives in Emmitsburg and is confined to a wheelchair due to Spinal Muscular Atrophy Type 2. We have also gotten help from Thrivent Financial for Lutherans. Thrivent Financial for Lutherans is the largest fraternal benefit society in the country and they pride themselves on offering “hope and help to Lutherans, their families and their communities”. Some of you will recall that they have partnered with us for a few previous benefit breakfasts and they have agreed to do so again - offering ‘matching funds’ (up to \$5,000) for the upcoming Benefit Breakfast for Callie Watkins. Obviously, this will be a welcome boost to the community-wide efforts to help this family. **If you (or someone you know will be attending the Breakfast) are a member of “Thrivent”, please notify Lions Vic, Shirley or Gene.**



We only have one more meeting prior to the Benefit Breakfast so please consider purchasing breakfast tickets for you and your family at the March 11 meeting. Walk-ins are certainly welcome at the breakfast but advance ticket sales are very helpful for planning purposes. It is the policy of our Club that even though our members work hard at food events such as this, we purchase our food just as other members of the community do. Please come out and support this special fundraiser. The breakfast will be held on Saturday, March 21 (Callie’s 8th birthday) at Trinity UCC from 6:00 am until 11:30 a.m. – HELP WILL BE NEEDED (See schedule at end of newsletter).

Please remember that all moneys and unsold Breakfast tickets should be returned to Gene, Shirley or Frank Dardanell no later than Wednesday, March 18 – they will be happy to pick up.

Scholarships:

Thurmont Lions Club announces its annual scholarship awards program to deserving and qualifying Catoctin High School graduating seniors, according to Vic Jagow, current year chairman of the scholarship committee. Three awards in the amount of \$1,000 each are made available from proceeds realized last year from the club's annual Community Birthday Calendar fund raiser. This year's calendar fund raiser is currently in process and its success is based on the business and citizens level of participation to purchase ads, calendars and individual name listings.

Scholarship applications including information are available at the Catoctin High School through the Guidance Counselor Office. Completed applications must be turn in at the school by April 17 after which a committee from the Lions Club will evaluate them. Finalists may be contacted for interviews by the committee. Awards will be presented at the Thurmont Lions Club special Education dinner meeting on May 27. Serving with Lion Vic on the committee are Lions Wes Hambrick and Glenn Rickard.

Important Dates to put on your Calendar

March 4	New Member Orientaion
March 13	Lions Day with United Nations
March 15	Fundraiser for VDG Robert Disinger
March 21	Benefit Breakfast - Callie Van
March 24	Tri-State Meeting - Lovettsville, Virginia
March 29	Fourth Cabinet Meeting
April 22	Region III, Leader Dog Event, New Midway Volunteer Fire Company
May 17-20	Multiple District 22 - 87th Annual Convention, Dover, Delaware
July 6-10	2009 International Convention, Minneapolis/St. Paul
Sept. 24-26	33rd Annual USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum, Memphis, Tennessee

THURMONT BUSINESS EXPO

The Thurmont Business Expo will be held on March 27th, at the Catoctin High School, mark your calendars for the Thurmont Business Expo and come out to meet and greet local businesses and see what they have to offer. The Thurmont Lions Club committee, Lion's Bev Frushour, Carol Hutson, Joyce Anthony, Dulcie Biser and Dianne McLean will be on hand that night to answer any questions the visitors to the expo may have regarding joining the Lions Club and our endeavors of serving the community. So roundup your little ones and join us for a western theme this year, featuring pictures of Lions in action all corralled in one location.

THURMONT MIDDLE SCHOOL LEO CLUB

The LEO Club activity during the February meeting was creating valentines for the seniors who frequent the Thurmont Senior Center. The cards were large with cheerful messages from the LEOs. This month the LEOs started a unique, new fund raiser—selling Bon Ton \$10.00 off coupons for \$5.00 each. Thanks lots to the several of you Lions who purchased these coupons, which, at this writing, have raised at least \$300. At this month's meeting, on the 4th, we've got four special visitors speaking to the LEOs. Fred Mullins (a prospective Lion) and Gene Doynon from JerMae asked for the opportunity to describe how their collections and donations to the Thurmont Food Bank are distributed and helpful to the needy and to thank the LEOs for their extraordinary success in these collections. And, Lions Shirley and Gene Long are going to tell the LEOs the story of the Callie's Van campaign, including the special breakfast on the 21st where the LEOs will be helping. We are also starting our planning for spring activities, including helping clean up the Trolley Trail, electing officers for next year, and transitioning the eighth grade LEOs into the new Catoctin High LEO Club....George Bolling, LEO advisor.



STARTING A CATOCTIN HIGH SCHOOL LEO CLUB

We are continuing our work towards forming and chartering another LEO club, this one at Catoctin High School. Creating such a club facilitates greatly transition of our sixteen TMS eight-graders into the CHS club. Thanks again to Lion Wendy Candela and her husband Terry for the work they're now doing to get this new club up and running. We hope to report success in the near future....George Bolling, LEO advisor.

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 Lions Doug (Doug.Favorite@gmail.com) or President Robin (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 2008-2009, 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 to President Robin Keeny to RbKee3@aol.com.**
- **Please Note that President Robin Keeny has a new phone number: 301-304-0271**

NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

Nominations for the Club's 2009-10 officers were presented to the Executive Board at the February meeting and to the full membership at the recent membership meeting on February 25th. The Club election of 2009-10 officers will be held at the next membership meeting on the March 11th. The membership will have an opportunity to nominate candidates for each office at that time.

Committee assignments are being developed this month, so please let me hear from you if you have a desire to lead or serve on a particular committee or committees...Thanks...George Bolling, Chairman. (301) 898-7119, ghbolling@comcast.net

Thurmont Lions Club **2009-10 Nominating Committee Report**

President **	George Bolling		
Immediate Past President	Robin Keeny		
1st Vice President	Och Ochoa	Lion Tamer	Larry Mundy
2nd Vice President	Ross Smith	Tail Twister	Don Keeny
3rd Vice President	Tim Stuart	Membership Chair	Susan Favorite
4th Vice President*	Colleen Gillen	1 Year Director	Jenny West
Secretary**	Joyce Anthony	1 Year Director	Albie Little
Assistant Secretary*	Diane McLean	2 Year Director	Shirley Long
Treasurer**	Doug Favorite	2 Year Director	Paul Cannada
Dues Treasurer	Wes Hamrick		
Public Relations Chair*	Carol Hutson		

*Denotes new position

**Denotes nominees for TLC Foundation officer

Nominating Committee are Robin Keeny, Och Ochoa, Paul Cannada and George Bolling.

Benefit Breakfast - Work Schedule

If you need to change your schedule or have not yet signed up, contact Lion Frank Dardanell.

Friday, March 20 – 8:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. (unless otherwise noted)

George Bolling	Bob Meunier	Jim Spahr (8:30-9:30)	Vic Jagow (8:30-10)
Paul Cannada	Larry Mundy	Lynn Stuart (8:30-9:30)	
Shirley Long	Gene Long	Tim Stuart (8:30-9:30)	
Robin Keeny	Albie Little	Sharon Windsor (10:00-11:30)	

Saturday, March 21

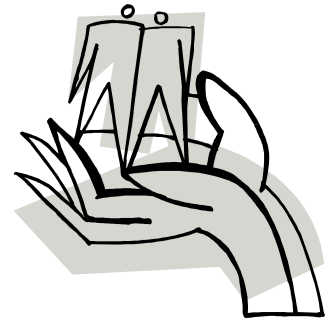
Joyce Anthony (4:30-12:00)	George Bolling (5:30-10:00)	Lloyd Berry (5:30-10)
Wendy Candela (9:00-12:00)	Jo Ann Cannada (8:00-10:00)	Paul Cannada (7:30-10)
Frank Dardanell (4:30-12:00)	Nancy Dutterer (6:00-12:00)	Charlie Frey (5:00-10)
Bev Frushour (6:00-10:00)	Terry Frushour (6:00-10:00)	Colleen Gillen (9:00-12)
Wes Hamrick (7:30-10:00)	Carol Hutson (9:00-12:00)	Vic Jagow (9:00-10:30)
Robin Keeny (hours???)	Bill Long (6:00-10:00)	Bud Long (6:30-10:30)
Gene Long (4:30-6:30)	Shirley Long (4:30-12:00)	Diane McLean (9:00-12)
Bob Meunier (6:00-12:00)	Sam Miller (???)	Larry Mundy (4:30-12)
Och Ochoa (hours???)	Deb Schray (9:00-12:00)	Joel Weiss (hours???)
Jenny West (7:30-10:00)	Sharon Windsor (8:30-11:00)	

LEOs – 2 per shift plus extras for clean-up

WE CARE

Please keep the following in your thoughts and prayers:

- DG Susan Timmons – continuing to deal with multiple myeloma
- Lion John Brown's Wife Betty Brown – Ongoing Health Issues
- Lion Rosemary – Heart problems and waiting for Heart Transplant in Philadelphia – Address for Lion Rosemary is:
Ms. Rosemary McDermott
Care of Mr. James McDermott
1025 Dunvegan Road
West Chester, PA 19382
- Lion Carrie Mae Gumm – Ongoing health issues
- Little Callie Watkins, a 7-year old girl who lives in Emmitsburg and is confined to a wheelchair due to Spinal Muscular Atrophy Type 2. (A benefit breakfast has been scheduled for March 21, 2009)
- Lion Lynn Stuart – Ongoing Health Issues



Update on Lion Rosemary

Lion Rosemary remains in the Philadelphia area awaiting a heart transplant. She is staying with family members, is on special medications and being monitored closely until an acceptable heart is located. In mid-February, a donor heart arrived but the cardiologist found a defect – so she is back to waiting again. In a recent note, Rosemary said, “I can’t wait for my ‘second chance’ at life and to see everyone again.” Please keep Lion Rosemary in your prayers.

NOTE: As soon as you are aware of a concern within our Lions’ family, please contact Lion President Robin at 301-304-0271 or someone on our Sunshine Committee immediately so that we can respond appropriately on behalf of the Club.

2009 Thurmont Lions Club Calendar & Schedule of Events

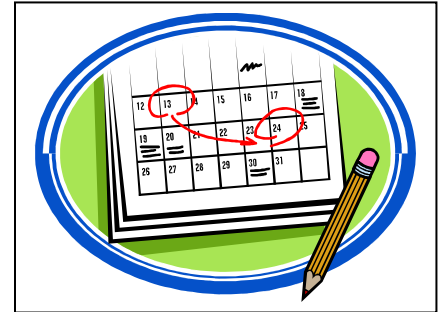
- January 14, 2009, Regular Meeting, Game Night at Cozy
- January 28, 2009, Regular Meeting, Program Speaker Emily Kilby from Partners In Care (Mtg cancelled)
- January 30, 2009, Basket Bingo at Guardian Hose Activity Building
- February 6-8, 2009, MD 22 Basic Leadership Institute in Emmitsburg, MD (This was cancelled due to lack of participation)
- February 11, 2009, Regular Meeting, Program Mayor Martin Burns
- February 25, 2009, Regular Meeting, Program Scout Night
- March 11, 2009, Regular Meeting, Program Jason Polansky
- March 21, 2009, Benefit Breakfast for Callie Watkins held at Trinity UCC
- March 25, 2009, Regular Meeting, Barter Night
- March 27, 2009, Thurmont EDC Business Expo 2009 held at Catoctin High School
- April 8, 2009, Regular Meeting, Program Speaker Emily Kilby from Partners in Care
- April 22, 2009, Regular Meeting, Leader Dog Banquet at New Midway (in place of regular meeting)
- April 25, 2009, Spring Fish Fry, Bell Hill
- May 13, 2009, Regular Meeting, Community Night
- May 17-20, 2009, MD 22 Convention in Dover, Delaware
- May 23, 2009, Super Summertime Sandwich Series, Bell Hill
- May 27, 2009, Regular Meeting, Education Night
- June 10, 2009, Regular Meeting, Installation of Officers
- June 13, 2009, Super Summertime Sandwich Series, Bell Hill
- June 24, 2009, Regular Meeting, Program TBA



MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THESE UPCOMING EVENTS

Middletown Lions Club's 78th Charter Night - March 23, 2009, held at Post #9, 409 W. Green Street, Middletown. Social hour 6:00 pm, dinner 6:30 pm. Cost \$12.00 per person. Pay at the door. Please let Secretary Joyce know no later than March 11 if you plan to attend.

4th District 22-W Cabinet Meeting - Sunday, March 29, 2009. Honorary Committee will meet at 12:00 pm. Lunch will be served at 1:00 pm with the Cabinet Meeting immediately following. Cost is \$18 per person. Make check payable to District 22-W. Please let Secretary Joyce know no later than March 10 if you plan to attend.



Deer Park Lions Club 36th Charter Anniversary - March 26, 2009 at the New Windsor Fire Station, 101 High Street, New Windsor, Md. Social time is 6:30 pm, dinner at 7:00 pm. Cost is \$24.00 per person. Make checks payable to Deer Park Lions Club. Please let Secretary Joyce know no later than March 7 if you plan to attend.

Multiple District 22 Convention - Pre-registration for the Multiple District 22 Convention is due **no later than March 31, 2009**. Delegates and alternates must be registered. I will have available at the February 11 meeting information on the convention. (Submitted by Joyce Anthony)

Campaign Fundraiser for VDG Robert Disinger - A campaign fundraiser for VDG Bob Disinger will be held March 15, 2009, 1-4 pm, at the Yellow Springs Lions Hall, Frederick, Md. The event is sponsored by the Mt. Airy Lions Club. Menu is fried chicken and baked ham, garden salad, cole slaw, mixed vegetables, rolls, butter, beverage and dessert. The cost is \$13.50 per person. Please let me know if you plan to attend no later than March 1, 2009. I will need a check payable to Mt. Airy Lions Club with your registration. A silent auction and 50-50 will be held. (Submitted by Joyce Anthony)

Terra Rubra Lions Club Charter Anniversary - Terra Rubra Lions Club will hold their Charter Night at Cozy Restaurant on April 6. Notify Secretary Joyce if you wish to attend.

Coming Next Month ***The Annual Community Easter Egg Hunt*** ***Sponsored by the Thurmont Lions Club***



Lions International Pres: Albert Brandel
 District Gov. 22W: Susan Timmons (Longmeadow Lions Club)
 Vice District Gov. 22W: Robert Disinger (Mt. Airy Lions Club)
 Cabinet Secretary 22W: Elizabeth Eitemiller (Freedom District Club)
 Cabinet Treasurer 22W: Paul Leatherman (Hagerstown Club)
 Region III Chair: Debbie Fisher (Middletown Lions Club)
 Zone I Chair: Paul Cannada (Thurmont Lions Club)

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