

Lion President Joyce Anthony
Thurmont Lions Club – Youth Night
February 12, 2020

The Thurmont Lions Club's meeting was held on Wednesday February 12, 2020 at Mountain Gate Restaurant in Thurmont, Md. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President Joyce Anthony. The meeting began with the Presentation of Colors by Scout Troop 270, Pledge to the Flag by Senior Patrol Leader, Alex Keefer, "America" by IPP Julie El-Taher, and the Invocation was given by Scout Tanner Seiss.

Members in Attendance – 41

Guests – 23

Welcome Guests

President Joyce welcomed Scout Master Julie Bostian, scouts and their families, Lions Gary Burdette and Peter Gallo from Monocacy Lions Club, and Julie Eiseman, guest of Lion Lisa Riffle.

President's Announcements

- President Joyce noted February 11 was Lion Glenn Rickard's 95th Birthday.
- Lion George Bolling recently moved to Frederick. Lion George added he has downsized in order to move into the Lodge at Homewood, and he intends to remain an active member of TLC.
- Board members were reminded there will be a brief meeting after the regular meeting this evening.
- During halftime at the CHS basketball game on March 19, the CHS football team will be presented with their Championship banner. The cost of a ticket to the basketball game is \$6-8; the game starts at 7p.m.

Sign up Sheets –

- Lion Don Keeney needs help in the kitchen during the Bingo; help at Green Fest at the Thurmont Library on April 4 with the food trailer (2 shifts) and to provide baked goods plus someone to sell the fundraiser Easter Eggs during this event; and help is needed to sell the fundraiser Easter Eggs at the United Methodist church for another spring event on April 4. The image on the egg this year is the Roddy Road Bridge. The cost is \$10.60 (includes tax) and can be made into an ornament if you wish
- Lion Don Keeney has a sign up for the Spring Fling on March 14 at the Complex Event Center to sell the fundraiser Easter Eggs.
- IPP Julie El-Taher is looking for help on February 22 at the Thurmont Library with the children's rock painting event.
- Lion Sharon Morgan had 2 sign ups for the March 28 Bingo: one for helping on the floor during the event; the other to either make a raffle basket or donate funds towards a raffle basket.
- Lion Lisa Riffle had a sign up for a Benefit Breakfast for Luke Bradley on March 21 at United Church of Christ. This event is a fundraiser to help the family with medical bills.
- Lion Dianne reported the Town is looking for volunteers to plant seedling trees at the Event Complex on two weekends in March. The sign up sheet is for at least 2-3 members for each date to help with the planting.

Dinner Served.

Presentation of Scrapbook

Lion Melanie Keating, Scrapbook Chair, presented IPP Julie with her scrapbook from her year as President.

Program – Scout Night

Lion Ross Smith introduced Troop 270 Committee Chair, Julie Bostian. Ms. Bostian told the membership that they now have a girls unit in the troop. This is a separate group under the one troop organization with a total of 10 girls at present. Lion Carie Stafford also works with Troop 270 and has stepped up as Scout Master for the girls group. The groups are designated as “A” for girls and “B” for boys. Both groups follow the same program and the girls will rise in rank the same as the boys do now. Ms. Bostian then introduced Assistant Scout Master, Brian Seiss.

Mr. Seiss noted scouts Alex Keefer and Annalisa Russell will give updates on their group’s activities. Alex reported Scout Keegan Coolidge made Eagle Scout rank last August, and there are three others presently preparing for the same rank of Eagle Scout. Other activities included a trip to a camp in North Carolina, in October they helped with parking at Colorfest, held a Halloween party for cub scouts who came in costume, and also helped with Halloween in the Park. In December, they helped with carriage rides during Christmas in Thurmont; and they have activities planned for 2020.

Scout Annalisa noted she is new to the troop and, over this past year, has improved her outdoor skills including how to build a fire, and she is also working on her organizational skills. As a member of the troop she has gained confidence and come out of her shell.

Lion Ross Smith presented a \$50 check from the Thurmont Lions Club Foundation to Eagle Scout Keegan Coolidge, a 2019 CHS graduate. Lion Ross also presented the *Ross Smith Award* of \$250 to Scout Alex Keefer.

Julie Bostian reported Troop 270 sold all of their 105 Christmas trees and 50 wreaths.

Secretary Announcements – Secretary Dianne McLean

- Troop 270 will be holding an Eagle Scout Court of Honor for Keegan Coolidge on March 1 at 2p.m. at the Thurmont American Legion.
- The reservation form for the Leader Dog Banquet on April 1 at New Market can be found in the Weekly News. Members should consider attending.
- There will be a Community Tree Planting event at the Ambulance Event Complex on two weekends in March: Mar 21 and Mar 28 from 8a.m to 12 Noon. This is for planting seedling trees and the Town is looking for volunteers. President Joyce feels this would be a good service project. There were questions concerning how big the trees are and if each person is responsible for digging the hole to plant the tree. Lion Dianne will follow up with Vickie Grinder for more information.

VP Announcements

- 1st VP Susan reminded members to look over the committee assignment sheets as there have been a number of new projects added. She encouraged everyone to consider trying something new this year.
- 2nd VP George reminded everyone that the next meeting is Youth Night.
- 3rd VP Marci reported she has taken over as the “fashion consultant” for Lions wear and has a new catalog of merchandise. She requests anyone wanting merchandise to let her know what you want and she will price it out.

Table Announcements

- IPP Julie reminded everyone of the Rocky's fundraiser on March 19. The club will receive 10% of the profits for the day which will then be donated to LCIF.
- Lion Don Keeney noted there are Sandwich Sale magnets at the head table, and we will be holding seven sales this year including back to back days on July 3 and 4. New this year – the proceeds from the sale of pink lemonade will be donated in October to Gateway to the Cure.
- Lion Bob Johnson has U.S. flag for sale for \$5 each – size is 3x5. The 300 flags for sale were donated to another club which in turn has given them to the Mobile Screening Van to help raise funds.
- Lion Sharon has Bingo tickets for anyone who wishes to buy and/or sell tickets.
- President Joyce noted Lion Bob Johnson did a great job with the New Member Orientation held on February 11 which was attended by Lion Susan Smith.
- Lion Bev Nunemaker for the Sunshine committee reported she visited Lions Jan and Don Ely, and she visited Lion Glenn Rickard on his birthday. Lion Wes's wife, Kim, is recovering from surgery she had on February 11. She also noted she and Habib visited a day care center which went very well. Habib has his good and bad days.

Mini Barter

Cherry pie: \$26 to Lion Bill Reckley; 10 Red Velvet cupcakes: \$15 to Lion Beth Watson; 2 Red Velvet cupcakes: \$10 to Lion Tim Stuart; "world's smallest vacuum cleaner": \$5 to Lion Tom Ruppel

50/50 Drawing – won by Lion Ross Smith who donated to Troop 270
Take was \$47

Adjournment was at 7:57p.m. by President Joyce Anthony

Respectfully submitted by
Secretary Dianne McLean