

**Lion President Joyce Anthony  
Thurmont Lions Club  
Membership Meeting  
January 8, 2020**

The Thurmont Lions Club meeting was held on Wednesday January 8, 2020 at the Mountain Gate Restaurant in Thurmont, MD. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by President Joyce Anthony. The meeting began with the Pledge to the Flag by Lion Gayle DiSalvo, "America" by Lion Albie Little, and the Invocation was given by Lion Glenn Rickard.

**Members in Attendance – 39**

**Guests – 3**

**Welcome Guests** – President Joyce Anthony welcomed Lions Barbara and Tony Barry of the Damascus Lions Club and Grace Smith, wife of Lion Ross.

**President's Announcements – President Joyce Anthony**

- President Joyce thanked Lion Marci Veronie for her work with the Coat Drive.
- President Joyce thanked Lions Doug Favorite and Don Keeney for holding their Extravaganza house tours.
- President Joyce presented a membership retention key award to Lion Bob Johnson.
- The next Bingo will be held on March 28<sup>th</sup>. Please be ready to help.
- We need someone to take over apparel ordering from Lion Kim Grimm.

**Sign-up Sheets –**

- Lion Dianne McLean asked members to sign up to help facilitate the Roar Like a Lion Day at the Thurmont Library on January 26<sup>th</sup>. Projects include 1<sup>st</sup> responder and homeless bags, valentines for veterans and nursing home residents, and Linus blankets.

**Dinner Served.**

**2020 TLCF Budget Vote – Lion Doug Favorite**

- Lion Doug explained the budget. Lion Nadja Muchow made a motion to accept the budget. IPP Julie El Taher seconded. The budget was passed.

**Program – *Legacy of Hillside Turkey Farm presented by Lion Ross Smith***

The Hillside Turkey Farm began when Lion Ross's mother hatched 2 turkey eggs given to her by a neighbor. His parents decided to start a wholesale business with Lion Beth Watson's parents selling cattle with turkeys on the side. In the 1970s, Lion Ross and his wife, Grace, took over the business. They added processing of the turkeys to increase profits. Chickens were soon added to the product line so that the sales would be coming in over the whole year. His son, Brian took over the business in 1989. He added smoked products and other inventory. Web sales were also introduced. They now sell 50-75,000 birds a year. Hillside Turkey Farms is a generous donor to the TLC. They donate all of the meat for our sandwich sales, help to cook the meat, and give gift certificates for the Bingos.

### **Secretary Announcements – Secretary Dianne McLean**

- We received a thank-you from LVRF for donating \$324 from our tip jars.
- We received a thank-you note from Operation Second Chance for our donation.
- We received a thank-you note from the Thurmont Ministerium for our donation to the Food Bank. As a side note, we are behind on our goal of \$828 for the Food Bank this year.

### **Vice President's Announcements –**

- 2<sup>nd</sup> VP George Bolling reminded everyone that District Governor Evan Gillett will visit us at the next meeting.
- 1<sup>st</sup> VP Susan Favorite asked the Education Night Committee to stay after the meeting.

### **Table Announcements –**

- Lion Carie Stafford is making items to send to Australia to help the wildlife wounded in the fires. She needs sheets made of 100% cotton flannel. Please contact her if you can help.
- Lion Nadja Muchow announced that the District Cabinet meeting is Saturday, January 11<sup>th</sup> from 12-3 at the Mountain Gate Restaurant.
- Lion Gayle DiSalvo reminded everyone to start looking in your attic for Barter Night in March.
- Lion Doug Favorite thanked everyone for coming to the Extravaganza House Tours. The first one, raising funds for Operation Second Chance and the Maryland Patriot Guard, had more than 80 visitors who gave \$1730 to the causes. The second Tour had 117 visitors. \$2100 was split between LICF and the screening van plus additional funds totaling \$59 were received. He also thanked Lion Susan Favorite for helping with the desserts.

### **Mini-barter**

\$25 was raised

### **50/50 Drawing –**

\$42 and was won by Lion Don Keeney, who donated it to the administrative account.

### **Benediction – Lion Glenn Rickard**

Adjournment was at 8:25 PM by President Joyce Anthony.

Respectfully submitted by  
Assistant Secretary Allison Hazen