



Lion Breezes



Happy Valentine's Day!

Thurmont Lions Club

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"Lions Helping Others -
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President's Message

Fellow Lions,

Soon our spring events will be underway so please remember help will be especially needed for our fundraisers including Bingo, Greenfest, Wag and Wine and all pit sandwich sales. Hopefully, the Easter Egg Hunt will be held in its traditional format as an actual hunt on Easter Sunday, April 17. Committee chairs need to remember to submit flyers and articles for publication in our club newsletter and locally in the Catoctin Banner and on Channel 99 to be sure the public is aware of upcoming events.

In January, we presented the Police Officer of the Year at the January 18th town meeting with Sgt. Dave Armstrong as this year's recipient. Once again, Lion Jonathan Hamrick did a fantastic job working with Chief Eyler to recognize a Thurmont officer during Law Enforcement Month. Thank you, Lion Jonathan. Lion Deb Schray delivered food and drinks (Appreciation Meals) to the Thurmont Police Station which she called "Fill the Frig", and Lion Joyce Anthony arranged the delivery of pizzas to the Town Office with the assistance of PDG Paul Cannada for Town Appreciation Day. Thank you Lion Debbie, Lion Joyce and PDG Paul.

February recognizes Scout Troop 270 (boys and girls) Scout Night on February 9th and Youth Night on February 23rd. The February 23rd meeting will also include a "Club in Crisis" meeting. Our second bingo for this Lions year will be held on Saturday, March 19th. Lion Sharon Morgan and Lion Lisa Riffle are again co-chairing this event and will soon have more information and tickets available.

Please read the attached article to this newsletter regarding our "Thurmont Lions Club in Crisis".

President Dianne

Attached is an important message to ALL Lions members. Please read and seriously think about the current and future crisis facing the club for future discussions.

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Meetings are held:
St John Lutheran Church
2nd & 4th Wednesday
monthly – Meet 6:30 pm

Joyce Anthony, Membership Chair

Helen Keller

Dear Members – I would like to recap where we are today with regard to membership. We started the year with 69 members. To date, we have lost five members, but we have inducted six new members, thus giving us a total membership of 70 members. The weather for January was cold enough to keep everyone inside where it is warm and cozy. By now everyone starts to get cabin fever. This is a great opportunity to start your drive to canvass potential members to get them out for an evening and see what the Thurmont Lions Club is all about.

This month we will be honoring our Scouts on February 9th and the winners of our Peace Poster and Essay contests at Youth Night on February 23rd. This is a perfect opportunity to try “boots on the ground” which is a most effective approach to invite a prospective new member(s) to see what the club does for the youth in our community and the community itself.

Any suggestions you may have to help the Membership committee to recruit new prospective members are welcomed. It is very critical for all members to start down the avenue to recruit members.

No club is perfect – there is always room for improvement! REMEMBER – JUST ASK!

'ROARING NEWS'

Thurmont Middle School

Advisors: Mary Lee Quealy, TMS; Lion Liz Ruppel, TLC



We have started a new LEO club this year at Thurmont Middle School. Since none of us have been a Leo before, our November meeting was spent learning about what Leos are and what they do. We discussed electing officers and went over the description of duties for each office. We also brainstormed some ideas about what we might want to do this year.

Many teachers and students participated in our December meeting. We held an election for our officers and made cards for our military stationed abroad. We implemented our idea of hosting a spirit week at TMS. For the five days before our holiday break, we had a different theme for students and teachers to dress up. It was a huge success. We had a holiday pizza party.

We decided to host a clothing drive in January, and to support the ELA Department having a food drive in February. In our January meeting, we decorated boxes for our clothing drive, placed the boxes in three locations around the school and made signs promoting the clothing drive that we hung throughout the school. We made a slideshow that our Gateway teachers will show to their classes asking students to bring in new or gently used clothing. We also typed up a message for our school secretary to put on our "Find out First" system to parents so they know about it. We are hoping for a successful clothing drive.

'ROARING NEWS'

Catoctin High School

Advisors: Trish Steele, CHS; Lion Bev Nunemaker, TLC



CHS Leo Happenings

(Contributed by Lion Dianne McLean for Lion Bev Nunemaker, TLC Advisor)

The CHS Leos held their first club meeting on September 9. The majority of the students were new to the club for this school year. There was one returning high school student and two from the middle school who transitioned into the club. Mrs. Trish Steele is once again the school advisor.

At the October meeting the following were nominated for Officer positions:

- President: Quinn Law-Knotts
- Vice President: Sophia Stout
- Secretary: Gina Lin and Diana Sandoval
- Treasurer: Helen Xia
- Public Relations – Diana Sandoval

All members and officer nominees were inducted during the December 9th meeting.

Activities completed through December 2021: Two Leos along with Mrs. Steele cleaned up the CHS Leo garden on the Trolley Trail on October 16 in the morning. Six Leos helped work the Lions Club’s food booth during Colorfest weekend. The school held a Santa’s Workshop on December 18. The Leos decided to have participants make either Styrofoam or marshmallow snowmen. Six Leos helped with both prep the day before and/or with the project on the day of the workshop. They estimated approximately 100 children made snowmen between the ages of 3 and 6 years old.

Service projects being considered for this spring: participate in Roar Like a Lion if the event is held, trash cleanup in town, spring cleanup of the CHS Leo Trolley Trail garden and collect summer clothing to be donated to local families in need.

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Honoring a Thurmont Lions Club Member

(Contributed by Lion Joyce Anthony)

At each meeting a member is highlighted so the club members get to know them as a person and not just a LION.



January 12, 2022 – Lion Susan Smith

Career: Worked as an Administrative Assistant; Financial Planner for Washington Gas now working for a CPA firm for 18 years.

Favorite Vacation: Annual beach vacation with the family

Family: Lion Susan has a 29 year old son, one brother and one sister

Why did you become a Lion: Wanted to help the community

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Law Enforcement Appreciation Day Service Project

(Contributed by Lion Debbie Schray)

The Thurmont Lions Club annually recognizes the Thurmont Police Department for National Law Enforcement Day. On January 14th, Lion Debbie Schray did a “Fill the Frig” event. She provided Lacroix bubble water, Deer Park water, Sargento snack breaks, cheese sticks, rice crispy treats, trail mix and an assortment of potato chips.

(Pictured L_R: Corporal Bowen, K9 Majo and Corporal Duhan) →→



Being a police officer is a service of pride and respect, and the people in this position are giving their all for the safety of its people. We thank the Thurmont policemen for the risk they take in their life to safe the people of the town.



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Service Project – Appreciation to the Town Employees

(Contributed by Lion Joyce Anthony)

During each Lions year, the Thurmont Lions Club shows their appreciation for the support of the Town of Thurmont staff and the Maintenance Department workers for their dedicated help. On January 21st, PDG Paul Cannada delivered eleven large pizzas to the Thurmont Town Office staff and employees at the Maintenance Building. Thank you for your continuous support to the club throughout many, many years.

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Police Officer of the Year

(Contributed by Lion Joyce Anthony)

On January 18th Sergeant Dave Armstrong was honored as Thurmont Lions Club “Police Officer of the Year’ at the town meeting.



Sergeant Armstrong joined the Thurmont Police Department in 2012 after retiring from the Frederick Police Department. He assumed his role as the agency’s Training Coordinator after being promoted and has developed a Time Line for all mandated training. During this past year, Sgt. Armstrong became an advocate for the skateboarding youth in the town and was instrumental in assisting them with their presentation to the

Board of Commissioners, which led to the construction of the Skate Park.



The Thurmont Lions Club recognized Sgt. Armstrong for his exemplary service to protect and improve the quality of life under his extraordinary leadership for his devotion, dedication and hard work for the Thurmont community. He was given a Certificate of Dedication, a gift certificate to a restaurant in Frederick and \$400 to be donated to a charity of his choice – the Cub Scouts.

Pictured L-R: Lion Jonathan Hamrick, Sgt. Dave Armstrong; TLC President Dianne McLean)

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VDG 2nd Service Challenge

(Contributed by Lion Joyce Anthony)

The Thurmont Lions Club participated in the District 22-W Vice District Governor’s 2nd Service Challenge ending January 22, 2022. The challenge was collecting items (wash clothes, razors, soap, toothbrushes, hand sanitizer, towels, shaving gel, shampoo, toothpaste, band aids, dental floss, mouth wash, gloves, etc.) for a charity of the club’s choosing. The Thurmont Lions club collected 1,447 items which were donated to the Maryland Patriot Guard (MPG) for veterans at Walter Reed Hospital. Lion Doug Favorite delivered the items to Ed Nettles, liaison for MPG, on Monday, January 24th. During the Third Cabinet Meeting on January 22nd, SVD Jeremy Bair announced the Thurmont Lions Club was the winner of the event and will receive \$100.



Thank you to the members of the Thurmont Lions Club and Thurmont residents who donated to this worthy challenge. A huge thank you to Lion Nancy Echard for chairing this worthy service challenge project for the club.

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VDG 3rd Service Challenge - Let's hit the ground running!!

(Contributed by Lion Joyce Anthony)

If you read the “Weekly News” distributed by CS Susan Favorite, you are aware of the VDG’s 3rd Service Challenge. The club has been very successful in supporting the VDG’s Service Challenges in the past, and we have come out on top with contributions. The final service challenge for this Lions year is focused around the Lions Global Cause of Environmental Projects.

Attached is a flyer outlining the details. It would greatly be appreciated if a Lion member would volunteer to lead the event. If you are interested, please contact President Dianne McLean.

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***Christmas Stockings for Autumn Lake Healthcare at Glade Valley –
Christmas Service Project***

(Contributed by Lion Joyce Anthony)

In December, Santa deputized special elves to fill Christmas stockings for residents at the Autumn Lake Healthcare at Glade Valley. Lions Marci Veronie, Gayle DiSalvo, Bev Nunemaker, Dianne McLean, Debbie Schray and Joyce Anthony were deputized. They scammed around town looking for treats and Christmas cards to place in 118 stockings. The stockings consisted of gloves, stockings, hand sanitizer, word find books, colored pencils, candy canes, etc. It was so much fun and rewarding to spread a little Christmas cheer to folks who have had a really tough year and can’t be with their families.



(Pictured L-R: Elves Lions Gayle DiSalvo, Bev Nunemaker, Marci Veronie, Debbie Schray, Dianne McLean. Lion Joyce Anthony was absent from the pictured)

PDG Paul Cannada and Lion Joyce Anthony delivered the 118 stockings to the Healthcare facility on December 20, 2021. Michael Poist, Activities Director and Cassandra Weaver LNHA, were so appreciative of the items. Lion Joyce Anthony received a telephone call from two residents thanking the club for their thoughtfulness and generosity. ***This is what it is all about!***



↑ (Pictured L-R: Michael Poist, ALNGV; Lion Joyce Anthony; PDG Paul Cannada)

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Thurmont Lions Club Welcomes New Members

(Contributed by Lion Joyce Anthony)

DPG Paul Cannada inducted two new members on January 12, 2022 into the Thurmont Lions Club – Eileen Williard, sponsor Lion Joyce Anthony and Heidi Dennie, sponsor 1st VP Lion Julie El-Taher.

Lion Eileen is originally from St. Louis, Missouri. She met her husband, Tom Williard, in the military. Since both of them were in the service, they traveled a lot and put in 28 years. Since Tom is originally from Thurmont, they have made their home in JerMae Estates for the past six years. Lion Eileen wanted to meet some new friends and give back to the community. She is grateful to be given the opportunity to help out.

Lion Heidi lives in Thurmont and works with Community Health care workers through the Asian American Center in Frederick. The Executive Director of the organization is a Lion, and she had expressed my interest in becoming a member of the Thurmont Lions Club. Lion Heidi attended a Thurmont Membership meeting and was introduced to 1st VP Julie El-Taher. She is helping with the Health Fair in the spring. Lion Heidi is very happy in becoming a member.



The club members extended a warm welcome to our new members and welcomed them into our “Lions family.” CONGRATULATIONS LIONS EILEEN AND HEIDI!

(Pictured L-R: Lions Joyce Anthony, Eileen Williard, Heidi Dennie, PDG Paul Cannada. Absent from picture 1st VP Lion Julie El-Taher)

Neighbors Helping Neighbors – Thurmont Lions Club gives to Thurmont Food Bank

(Contributed by Lion Joyce Anthony)



During the rigid January weather, Lions Doug Favorite and Don Keeney, Jr. made pork BBQ for the Thurmont Food Bank. Lions Dianne McLean and Joyce Anthony delivered 69 pints. Also, Pastor Sally was presented a check for \$1,000 from the club. She is very appreciative of the support the club has provided to the Food Bank over the years.

A huge thank you to Lions Doug Favorite and Don Keeney, Jr. for their expertise in the kitchen. Along with Lion Bob Johnson, they make the best BBQ beef.

(Pictured L-R: President Lion Dianne McLean and Lion Joyce Anthony)

Mini Barter -

(Contributed by Lion Gayle DiSalvo) Hello to all! I hope you had a wonderful holiday and are ready to get back into the routine. Mini Barter committee is ready to shout “thank you” to those that signed up to bring items to help make healthy the club’s Administrative Account. Not only does the club need volunteers to donate items/bake goods, the club needs members to bid on these wonderful items. Cents make dollars, dollars make more dollars, and the club needs your support. Not only does the club need fundraising events to support the community, the club also needs funds to support the club. Our motto is “We Serve”; this encompasses all phases of Lionism.

(Contributed by Lion Sharon Morgan)



On Saturday, March 19, 2022 the club will host their Semi-Annual CASH BINGO. If you would like to donate money toward a basket, Lions Sharon and Lisa will do the shopping for you! Just let us know what you want to spend by sending us a check, and we will take it from there. Anyone interested in creating a basket, making a dessert to be raffled or able to help with the event is welcome and appreciated. We need people to sell raffles, 50/50 tickets, additional games and specials, in addition to King

Tut and tip jars. Please contact Lion Sharon Morgan (301) 748-0159 or Lion Lisa Riffle (301) 271-9984, and we will get you signed up. The evening is sure to be a fun time while raising money for the community.

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Barter Night – What is all the excitement!

(Contributed by Lion Gayle DiSalvo)



Our annual Barter Night will be held Wednesday, March 23rd at St. John Lutheran Church. This is just as a reminder that while holiday items are being stored away, there may be a few items that need to be recycled. Spring cleaning is also near and with even more items to recycle. Thank about bringing one or two of those precious finds to Barter Night for others to enjoy. Our auctioneer, Lion Bob Meunier, would love a lot of help from the audience. You may go home with a ‘gem’ you didn’t bid on. SO, SO much fun and excitement!

Easter Egg Hunt *(Contributed by Lion Joyce Anthony)*

The Thurmont Lions Club will host our tradition annual Easter egg hunt on Easter Sunday, April 17, 2022 at the Community Park beginning 2:00 pm. There will be separate areas for the various age groups. At least a thousand eggs will be filled with candy for the children trying to scramble to get the eggs before the Easter bunny.



It would greatly be appreciate if Lions members would bring a bag of candy to the next few Membership meetings to be used in filling the eggs. **Please, no hard candy or candy with nuts.** You will most likely see the Easter bunny somewhere in the vicinity and possibly get a picture with him.

Please bring your children, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, neighbors, family and anyone else who are young at heart and would like to have some fun. More importantly, please bring your basket to collect your Easter eggs.

If you have any questions, please contact 1st VP Lion Julie El-Taher at 301-788-0855. HAPPY EASTER!

Heroes Ridge at Raven Rock – Signature Service Project

(Contributed by Lion Joyce Anthony)

If you have not been there, you need to take a road trip. Most of you probably know the site as Raven Rock Lutheran Camp. Today, it is known as Heroes Ridge at Raven Rock which provides a retreat for wounded and injured, as well as an ill-combat Veterans and their families.

The club members have volunteered to help with serving meals on weekends to the Veterans and their families. This is an important community service project for not only our local Veterans but also Veterans from all over the United States. Cindy McGrew who founded Operations Second Chance at Heroes Ridge and operates the facility serves the meals, does maintenance and oversees the site.

There are many ways the Lions members can get involved. They always need help with maintaining the grounds and buildings, helping with meals and providing food and volunteering with activities. Please contact Lions Lisa Riffle or Julie El-Taher if you are available to help with

serving meals on the weekend. Cindy is continuously accepting donations of single serve bags of chips, crackers, cookies, pretzels, etc. for their evening snack bar. You can bring the items to any of the club meetings. Thank you in advance for your service to our Veterans.

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Scout Night – Save the date!

(Contributed by President Dianne McLean)

Our next Membership meeting on February 9th will be Scout Night. We will present two Eagle Scout awards and the Ross Smith, Sr. award. IPP Susan Favorite will have the honor of introducing the Scout leaders. Both leaders and scouts will tell us about their individual and joint projects that have been completed and future project plans. Let's all try to attend in person or via zoom to support Troop 270 (boys and girls).

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Easter Egg Fundraiser

(Contributed by Lion Joyce Anthony)

Planning is underway for this year's Easter egg ornament. The decorative wooden eggs will sell for \$10.60 (includes tax). This year's egg will feature the sign at Camp David. If you would like to order any of the eggs, please contact Lion Doug Favorite or sign up when the order sheet is circulated at the meetings. More details will be announced later.

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New Branch Club

(Contributed by FVDG Nadja Muchow)



The New Club Development committee met on January 3, 2022. The following Lions were in attendance: Presenter PCS Lion Martin Bonura (GMT), FVDG Nadja Muchow, CS Susan Favorite, PDG Paul Cannada, Lion Don Keeney, Lion Doug Favorite, TLC President Dianne McLean, TLC Secretary Joyce Anthony and Lion Bev Nunemaker

Presentation: Developing a Branch Club or Campus Club at Mount Saint Mary's University, Emmitsburg, Maryland

- I. FVDG Nadja provided the presenter with Thurmont Lions Club background information that might impact on the club's decision to proceed with sponsoring a Branch Club.
 - A. Current issues with membership recruitment/retention
 - B. Current issues with leadership development

- II. Lion Martin reviewed New Club Development
 - A. Summarized the New Club Development workshop provided by District 22-D FVDG Daniel Elkins
 - B. Distributed New Club Development Task list
 - C. Provided examples of branch clubs developed in other Multiple Districts
 - D. Discussed the first seven action steps
 - E. Answered member questions relating to differences between Campus and Branch Club

- III. Action Plan
 - A. FVDG Nadja to contact people to provide directions on how to navigate the University in order to introduce the Branch Club concept
 1. Kraig Sheetz, Executive VP, Mt. St. Mary's University

- 2. Lori Sheetz, Coordinator of Computing Education, Mt. St. Mary's University
- 3. Stacy Hobbs, Director of Teacher Education, Mt. St. Mary's University
- B. FVDG Nadja to contact individuals by Friday, January 7, 2022
- C. FVDG Nadja to provide team with next steps per those conversions by January 8, 2022

IV. Update:

Due to school schedule and increasing numbers of COVID, discussion with above Mt. St. Mary's contacts were postponed until January 27.

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Christmas Ornament

(Contributed by Lion Albie Little)

Christmas has come and gone, so it's time for a status check on the ornament project. Unless there were any last minute sales, we sold 327 of our 350 ornaments, leaving us with 23 to sell. If you know anyone who would like an ornament, but didn't meet the deadline, please let them know. We sold 93% of our unit.



We grossed \$3,558 in sales, tax included. The ornaments cost the club \$1,542 delivered. I'll leave the sales tax calculations to those more mathematically gifted.

Now the most important part of this note! Our team was fortunate to have a co-lead of Lion Sharon Morgan. She kept our stats up to date on a spreadsheet, pursued re-orders from 2020 customers, tracked the dollars coming through the project, distributed the sold items to customers throughout and at the Mountain Gate Restaurant foyer over two nights. Lion Sharon brought in aid from fellow Lions Lisa Riffle and Joann Miller when need to make it all happen. I am truly blessed to have Lion Sharon sign up to work on this effort. THANK YOU Lions Sharon, Lisa and Joann for making this a successful effort.

If you know anyone who would like an ornament, please have them contact Lion Sharon or myself.

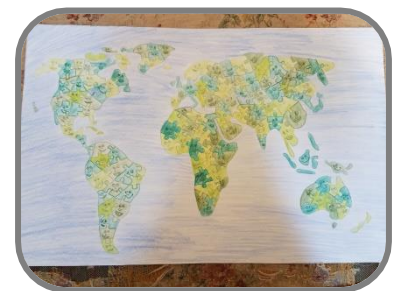
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Peace Poster Contest

(Contributed by Lion Julie Eiseman)

The Thurmont Lions Club participated in the International Lions Club's Peace Poster contest receiving posters from Mother Seton School and Thurmont Middle School.

Lion Julie Eiseman contacted Ms. Myers at Mother Seton School in Emmitsburg and Ms. Strenko, Thurmont Middle School and the lady in charge of home-schooled children. Students from both Mother Seton and Thurmont Middle schools participated, but no home-schooled children participated. A total of nine posters addressing the theme "We Are all Connected" were received by November 1, judged by our panel of three Lions Club members and a winning poster was selected.



The winning poster was prepared by Peyton Faller, Mother Seton School. Peyton's quote about peace was "we are all a piece of our world and when we are all connected, we complete a peaceful world". Since Peyton was the local winner for the Thurmont Lions Club, she received a large sketch book and colored pencils to encourage their art and all

participants received small sketch books for encouragement. The teachers received a thank you token gift from the club. Peyton will be recognized during our Youth Night celebration.

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Who will be the Thurmont Volunteer of the Year for 2022?

(Contributed by Lion Mark Long)

The Thurmont Lions Club is now accepting nominations for the 2022 Volunteer of the Year. Nominate an individual(s) who is making a difference in the lives of others – working with children in the schools, helping at the food bank, a member of a service organization or church, a special neighbor who is always there to help whenever needed, etc. There are many individuals eligible for this honor. Please nominate those deserving individuals for the goodwill and volunteer services they give to help their community. The volunteer service work must be done in the area of **zip code 21788**.

Forms are available online at www.thurmontlionsclub.com or by contacting Lion Mark Long at Mark.Long999@gmail.com. **Nomination forms are due no later than April 5, 2022.** Send your completed nomination form to Thurmont Lions Club, ATTN: Lion Mark Long, P.O. Box 306, Thurmont, MD 21788 or email to Mark.Long999@gmail.com. Thurmont Lions Club members are eligible to be nominated with the stipulation the **MAJORITY** (95 percent) of the volunteer services considered for the award must be performed outside of related Lions Club community service, e.g. church, school, community, another organization, etc.

The Volunteer of the Year will be recognized and receive their award at the Thurmont Town meeting on April 19, 2022.

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Mobile Screening Unit

(Contributed by Lion Joyce Anthony)

In December 2021, the Lions of District 22-W held its first-of-a-kind fundraiser which generated more than \$2,100 for the first mobile screening unit in conjunction with the Roy Rogers restaurant. On December 8th, the Thurmont Lions Club participated in supporting the fundraiser held at the Roy Rogers restaurant in Thurmont. A large thank you to PDG Paul Cannada and President Dianne McLean for volunteering during a 3-hour timeframe which was open to the public.



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Literacy

(Contributed by Lion Evelyn Zimmerman)

Literacy is probably the single-most important part of education. Literacy involves using reading, writing, speaking, listening and viewing to gain more knowledge. This year, the Thurmont Lions Club took a different approach in supporting literacy in the Thurmont Primary and Thurmont Elementary schools due to the cost of books and COVID.



Our Literacy Committee consisting of Lions Joyce Anthony, Julie Eiseman and Evelyn Zimmerman (Chair) worked with the literacy specialists at the schools to provide books for the students. We decided to donate \$300 to each of the two schools. The funds will be used to purchase books for the library so that all the students can have the opportunity to read them.

The schools were extremely appreciative for the continuing Lions support toward literacy.

Visitations

(Contributed by Lion Joyce Anthony)

Smile – It gives a warm and welcoming invite! Attached is an updated Visitation schedule for 2021-2022. Please note there have been changes made in the location and meeting dates at various clubs. Various clubs are meeting virtual, so this will give you an opportunity to perform a visitation in your pajamas.

Please invite a new member to accompany you in person or virtually when you do your visitation so they can learn about other clubs in the District. If you perform a virtual visitation, please ask the secretary to send you an email indicating the visitation.

I would like to thank you for signing up to make a visitation(s) to support the President and the Thurmont Lions Club.

Eyeglass Recycling Update

(Contributed by Lion Dianne McLean, Chair, Eyeglass Collection)

We are halfway through this Lions year and have collected an additional 210 eyeglasses and 2 hearing aids since last September. This brings our total so far for eyeglasses to 503 and 4 hearing aids. As noted in the past, despite COVID, Thurmont residents continue to be generous with recycling eyeglasses.

Eyeglasses are once again being dropped off at the Lincoln School in Frederick for further sorting after being shut down for over a year. My garage no longer looks like a used eyeglass warehouse.

If you are asked about the eyeglass collection, please remind donors that only intact prescription eyeglasses are accepted. They will take non-prescription sunglasses and eyeglass cases. Broken frames, missing lenses, or lenses without frames are not accepted. You may continue to bring used eyeglasses to club meetings or drop them off at any of the boxes in town: outside Med One Pharmacy, Good Will or the box in the lobby window at Mountain Gate.

Annual Christmas Party

(Contributed by Lion Joyce Anthony)

Approximately 60 members and guests assembled at Carriage House on December 11th for the Thurmont Lions Club annual Christmas party. Lion Bev Nunemaker organized a magnificent and elaborate “over the top” party with the help of her elves. Numerous door prizes were won and everyone went home with a gift. A Christmas trivia game was played (it is amazing how much the members did not know about Christmas) and a toss the ring game was enjoyed by several members who felt daring. Christmas carols were sung until the arrival of an unexpected visitor. Of course, our PDG Paul Cannada welcomed the guest with a huge HUG!

Several members and guests expressed how much they enjoyed the party and it was one of the best Christmas parties ever. Everyone and I mean everyone, had a fun, festive and an amazing good time. Gloves, hats, scarves, socks, etc. were collected for the Thurmont Food Bank. Lions Don and Jan Ely delivered the items to the Thurmont Food Bank. Please see pictures at the end of the newsletter.

Lions Day with the United Nations

(Contributed by Lion Joyce Anthony)

Lions Day with the United Nations and Lions Clubs International will celebrate 76 years of partnership with the United Nations during Lions Day with the UN. The annual Lions day will be held March 11 at the UN Headquarters in New York. By visiting the UN you can connect

with UN representatives, Lions, Leos and other leaders in service; learn how Lions Clubs International and the UN work together with a shared theme of “Protecting our future: The Health of our Children”; and discovering new and innovative ways to serve and support future service leaders. If you have not attended the Lions Day with the United Nations, you have missed a very inspirational event.

We Serve and We Care

(Contributed by Lion Bev Nunemaker)

If you learn about an illness or tragic happening affecting one of our LION Club members or families, please contact a member of the TLC Sunshine Committee with the information - Committee Chair Lion Bev Nunemaker –240-446-2219 at bnevermore11@gmail.com; Lion Julie El-Taher – 301-788-0855 at jules6998@comcast.net; Lion Gayle DiSalvo – 301-271-5355 at gaylerad46@gmail.com or Lion Sandie Duley at 301-788-7542. Caring and concern for our fellow members is a very important part of our life together as Lions.

Prayer for our TLC Members, friends and family who are in need of prayer and support during their illness and recovery:

Heavenly Father, giver of life and health; comfort and relieve thy sick servants and give thy power of healing of those who minister to their needs, for whom our payers are offered may be strengthened in their weakness and have confidence in thy loving care; thru Jesus Chris our Lord. AMEN!

Those with Acute Needs for our prayers:

- Holly Irons – Daughter-in-law of Lion Mike Irons – Holly was discharged from Shock Trauma where she was being treated for a blood clot in her brain. She is home dealing with significant pain, on blood thinner and pain meds. Prayers are powerful and much needed.

Those requiring continued prayers and support:

- Lions Joann Cannada, Jan Ely, Ross Smith, Jr., Mary Michael Rickard, Bob Meunier, PCC Bob Muchow, Joyce Anthony

Sympathy thoughts and prayers:

You hold time within your hands, and see it all, from beginning to end. Please keep and carry these precious people in their sadness and loss. Cover them with your great wings of love; give their weary hearts rest and their minds sound sleep. Lord, lift their eyes so that they may catch a glimpse of eternity, and be comforted by the promise of heaven. We ask this in the precious name of Jesus. Amen

Prayer for TLC Family and their members who are serving our country:

Almighty God, Lord of Hosts, we call out to you as the One who is sovereign over all. Watch over and protect our nation’s military members and their families. Sustain them with your everlasting arms. As they serve around the world, we ask that you guard their families and loved ones back home. In Jesus name we pray. AMEN!

We pray for:

Josh and Adam Long (Army) - Grandsons of Lion Bill Long
Ethan Wienholt (Marines) – Grandson of Lion Hank Schlitzer
Alex El-Taher (Navy) – Son of Lions David and Julie El-Taher
Jordon Volciak (Army) – Grandson of Lion Gayle DiSalvo



If there are other family members serving in the armed forces, please let Lion Bev know so that they too can be added to our prayer list.

CONGRATULATIONS!!!

Prayer for TLC Members Celebrating Birthdays and Wedding Anniversaries this month:

Dear God, today I bring my loved one before you on their birthday and wedding anniversary and pray your blessings and guidance over their life. Thank you for leading them and guiding them in life. Help them to know how loved and cherished they are. Bless and protect them in the years ahead. May they know your peace and strength when they wake and you comfort them and rest when they lay down to sleep. May their future be filled with hope. AMEN!



Birthdays

- 1 - David El-Taher
- 9 - Bill Long, Jr.
- 10 - Russ Delauter
- 20 - Stephanie Steinly

Wedding Anniversaries



Celebrating our Lion Members

The Thurmont Lions Club has proudly served our community and surrounding areas since 1929. The Thurmont Lions Club is a group of community-minded men and women who have come together to enjoy each other's company, hear interesting programs and raise funds for important local or vision and community related causes. We are succeeding because we have embraced all those committed to building a brighter future for our community and ourselves. We celebrate the following Lions on their anniversary and years of service in our club and service to the Thurmont community –

February: Lion Russ Delauter - 52 years; Lion Bill Long, Jr. - 31 years; Lions Doug Favorite, Ed Gills - 26 years; FVDG Nadja Muchow - 25 years; Lions Mary Michael Rickard, Curtis Green - 10 years; Lion Allison Hazen - 5 years; Lion Julie Eiseman - 2 years

Congratulations Lions!

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Important Notes and Reminders

Lions Club Social Media:

- Website – Lion Doug Favorite at doug.favorite@gmail.com
 - Facebook – Lion Evelyn Zimmerman at evelynzim2@gmail.com
 - MyLion – Lion Joyce Anthony at jananny@comcast.net
 - Don Keeney, Jr. at donkeeneyjr@gmail.com

- If you need an updated copy of the Committees for 2021-2022, please contact Secretary Joyce
- If you need a Visitation Schedule, please contact Secretary Lion Joyce

- If you are interested in purchasing Lions apparel, please contact President Dianne McLean
- If you have unwanted eyeglasses or hearing aids, please bring them to any meeting for Lion Dianne OR place them in the collection boxes located at Goodwill Industries, outside Dr. John Hagemann's office, Thurmont Regional Library or Mountain Gate Restaurant

Please submit all articles for the monthly newsletter no later than the last meeting of the month or by the 25th of the month, whichever comes first, to Lion Joyce Anthony at jananny@comcast.net

Important "February" Dates (Holidays, Special and Wacky Days)

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| Feb 1 – Chinese New year | Feb 8 – Boy Scout Day |
| Feb 1 – National Freedom Day | Feb 11 – Make a Friend Day |
| Feb 1 – No Politics Day | Feb 12 – Abraham Lincoln's Birthday |
| Feb 2 – Ground Hog Day | Feb 13 – Superbowl Sunday |
| Feb 4 – Thank a Mailman Day | Feb 14 – Valentine's Day |
| Feb 4 – Winter Olympics Begin | Feb 15 – International Childhood Cancer Day |
| Feb 4 – World Cancer Day | Feb 15 – Susan B. Anthony Day |
| Feb 5 – National Weatherman's Day | Feb 15 – Singles Awareness Day |
| | Feb 20 – Love your Pet Day |
| | Feb 21 – President's Day |



Lion Breezes



Joyce Anthony
Newsletter Editor

- "I am only one, but I am one. I cannot do everything, but I can do something. And I will not let what I cannot do interfere with what I can do" - Edward Everett Hale.
- "Never bend your head. Always hold it high. Look the world straight in the eye" - Helen Keller
- "Live your life and forget your age" - Unknown
- "If you think Friday the 13th is scary, try going a day without coffee" -

Moment For You - One of the best gifts in life can be yours today!

Two words can direct happiness your way! Sure, hope and determination work wonders too - but the real force that sets success in motion is you believing in you, achieving what you set your mind to happens when you know exactly what to do: keep telling yourself you can and will. That is what really makes dreams come true!

Thurmont Lions Club Calendar of Events 2021-2022

Please provide corrections/additions promptly to Lion Joyce Anthony – Updated February 2022

July 2021

- July 3 – Pit Sandwich Sale, Bell Hill
- July 14 – Regular Meeting – Program: DGE Official Visit
- July 19 – Board Meeting, Kountry Kitchen, 6:00 pm
- July 24 – Change of Banner, Myersville Fire Dept.
- July 28 – Membership Meeting, Community Park – (Program: FC 4-H Therapeutic Riding Club)

August 2021

- August 3 – National Night Out (Police Dept)
- August 7 – Pit Sandwich Sale
- August 11 – Membership Meeting, 6:30 pm

(Program: Frederick Health Hospital's Plans for the Future)

August 12-13 – 100th Anniversary Celebration of Multiple District 22
August 14 – First Cabinet Meeting (Held in Region I)
August 16 – Board Meeting, Kountry Kitchen, 6:00 pm
August 25 – Membership Meeting, Club Picnic, Ole Mink Farm
August 25 – Region III Zone Meeting – Middletown Lions Club – 6:30 pm

September 2021

September 4 – Pit Sandwich Sale, Bell Hill
September 8 – Membership Meeting, St. John's Lutheran Church, 6:30 pm (Program: Make a Wish Found.)
September 13 - Board Meeting – Kountry Kitchen, 6:00 pm
September 18 – Pit Sandwich Sale, Bell Hill
September 22 – Membership Meeting, St. John's Lutheran Church, 6:30 pm
(Program: SVDG Jeremy Bair on Membership)

October 2021

October 8– Colorfest Setup
October 9-10 – Colorfest
October 9 – District 22-W Social - Clarion Inn Frederick Event
October 13 – Membership Meeting, St. John's Lutheran Church, 6:30 pm
(Program: Sleep in Heavenly Peace)
October 18 – Board Meeting, Kountry Kitchen, 6:00 pm
October 23 – Make a Difference Day
October 27 – Membership Meeting, St. John's Lutheran Church, 6:30 pm (Program: Charter Night)
October 31 – Halloween

November 2021

November 6 – District 22-W Cabinet Meeting – Held in Region II
November 7 – Daylight Savings Time ends
November 10 – Membership Meeting, St. John's Lutheran Church, 6:30 pm (Program: Operation Second Chance – Cindy McGrew & Maryland Patriot Guard – Ted Nettles)
November 13 – Second District Cabinet Meeting (Held in Region II)
November 15 – Board Meeting, Kountry Kitchen, 6:00 pm
November 15 – Postmark deadline for club's to send the winning Peace Poster to the DG
November 20 - Bingo
November 24 – No meeting (Thanksgiving Eve)
November 25 - Thanksgiving

December 2021

December 8 – Membership Meeting – Christmas Party
December 13 - Board Meeting, Kountry Kitchen, 6:00 pm
December 18 – Wreaths across America
December 22 – No Membership Meeting
December 25 – Christmas Day
December 31 – New Year's Eve

January 2022

January 1 - New Year's Day

January 12 – Membership Meeting, (Program: Sheriff Chuck Jenkins) Tentative
January 17 – Board Meeting, Kountry Kitchen, 6:00 pm
January 22 – Third District Cabinet Meeting (Held in Regional III) Hosted by Thurmont Lions Club
January 26 – Membership Meeting, St. John Lutheran Church, 6:30 pm (Program: Mayor John Kinnaird)

February 2022

February 9 – Membership Meeting, St. John Lutheran Church, 6:30 pm (Program: Scout Night)
February 14 – Board Meeting, Kountry Kitchen, 6:00 pm
February 25 – Membership Meeting, St. John Lutheran Church, 6:30 pm (Program: Youth Night)

March 2022

March 5 – Fourth District Cabinet Meeting (Held in Regional IV)
March 9 – Membership Meeting, St. John Lutheran Church, 6:30 pm
(Program: Joint meeting with Emmitsburg Lions Club – Bridgette Carlewitz)
March 14 – Board Meeting, Kountry Kitchen, 6:00 pm
March 23 – Membership Meeting, St. John Lutheran Church, 6:30 pm (Program: Barter Night)

April 2022

April 9 - Greenfest – Will have a food booth
April 13 – Membership Meeting, St. John Lutheran Church, 6:30 pm
(Program: Elizabeth Comer-Catoclin Furnace Trail Walk – Tentative)
April 15 – 18 – MD-22 Convention at Gettysburg, PA
April 17 – Easter
April 17 – Easter Egg Hunt, Community Park. 2:00 pm
April 18 – Board Meeting, Kountry Kitchen, 6:00 pm
April 19 – Volunteer of the Year to be announced at town meeting, 7:00 pm
April 21-24 – Convention at Wyndham Hotel in Gettysburg
April 27 – Membership Meeting, St. John Lutheran Church, 6:30 pm (Program: Leader Dog)?
April 30 – Pit Sandwich Sale – Bell Hill

May 2022

May 11 – Membership Meeting, St. John Lutheran Church, 6:30 pm (Program: Education Night)
May 16 – Board Meeting, Kountry Kitchen, 6:00 pm
May 25 – Membership Meeting, St. John Lutheran Church, 6:30 pm (Program: Community Night)
May 28 – Pit Sandwich Sale – Bell Hill

June 2022

June 1 – Helen Keller Day
June 8 – Membership Meeting, St. John Lutheran Church, 6:30 pm (Program: Installation of Officers)
June 13 – Board Meeting, Kountry Kitchen, 6:00 pm
June 18 – Pit Sandwich Sale – Bell Hill
June 23 – Membership Meeting, St. John Lutheran Church, 6:30 pm (Program: Turnover Meeting/Hero Dogs)
June 24-28 – International Convention, Montreal

July 2022

July 2 – Pit Sandwich Sale – Bell Hill

July 23 – Change of Banner – Myersville Volunteer Fire Company

August 2022

August 6 – Pit Sandwich Sale – Bell Hill

August 12-13 – 100th Anniversary Celebration of Multiple District 22

September 2022

September 3 – Pit Sandwich Sale – Bell Hill

September 17 – Pit Sandwich Sale – Bell Hill



Thurmont Lions Club
“WE SERVE”
Chartered: October 23, 1929





Let's Celebrate:
KINDNESS



Smiles are powerful!
Kindness is an INSPIRATION!

National Acts of Kindness Day is February 17, 2022

Carry out a random act of kindness, with no expectation of reward; one day someone might do the same for you. Love and kindness always makes a difference.

“To the world you may be one person, but to one person you may be the World”

The art of being kind is all the world needs! AMEN!

