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"Committed to Serve"

# Lions Breezes

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Meetings are held at:  
St John Lutheran Church  
Meet 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday  
at 6:30 pm



### Greetings Fellow Lions

March 2025 came in "Like a Lamb" peaceful, bright and calm, BUT will it last? Will we get blown away like last week's winds? We endured pretty nasty weather this year causing to cancel our two speakers in January and February. Fortunately, we preserved them for later dates. Our club carried on our meetings with "unconventional" round table discussions (which I was most comfortable not using the podium). Members were able to express their views on many subjects; such as: the STATUS of our club, members stepping up, and the role of sponsors. All in all, we had a very profitable, comfortable and pleasant meeting.



We are in the process of preparing for next year's President 2025-2026. Participation is very much needed for vice presidents, secretary and Board members. I am asking all of you to "DIG-DEEP". Many of our members are more than qualified. I stepped OUT of my comfort zone this year, but I have learned a lot. There are so many members here to help. OUR CLUB NEEDS YOU! Remember, we are here "To Serve". As I am "COMMITTED TO SERVE".

### President Nancy Echard

*Helen Keller wrote: "Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much"*

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### Candy Bar Refresh *(Contributed by Lion Don Keeney, Jr.)*

We are making all new candy bars for the spring. We will have the usual selection of milk and dark chocolate (plain, almond, peanut, rice crispy and mint), as well as Cookies & Cream. Please let Lion Don Keeney, Jr. know if you would like any candy bars. They make great Easter basket stuffers.



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### Eyeglass Collection Report *(Contributed by Lion Ruth Heaney)*

The February calendar looked a bit "snowy" but we made it through the month! The intrepid contributors donated 67 eyeglasses, 46 eyeglass cases, 16 sunglasses and a complete hearing-aid set. There are five drop-off boxes: Mountain Gate Restaurant, Thurmont Regional Library, Med 1 Pharmacy, Goodwill and the Thurmont Senior Center.

Thank you to all who braved the cold weather and put items in one of these places!

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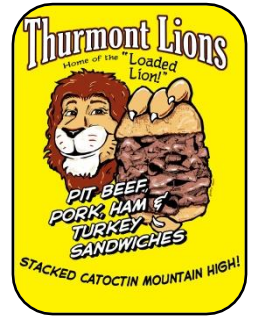
**Visitations** (Contributed by Lion Joyce Anthony)

Members – Where has the year gone! We have three months to visit the remaining clubs within and outside of the Region. Visiting other clubs is a great opportunity to meet new Lions and to learn what other clubs are doing with regard to fundraisers and service projects. It is critical that all these clubs must be visited. **AS A LION, WE COMMITTED “TO SERVE”. PLEASE, WE NEED YOUR PARTICIPATION TO FULFILL OUR COMMITMENT AS A CLUB!** Also, please invite a new member to join you so they can enjoy meeting other Lions. The visitation schedule and visitation slips are attached. Please contact Lion Joyce Anthony at [jananny@comcast.net](mailto:jananny@comcast.net) if you have any questions.

**THE CLUB NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT!** Clubs that need to be visited:

- Brunswick - Bob Johnson (Need another member to go with him)
- Glade Valley - Marci Veronie; Nancy Echard
- Mount Airy - Need two members
- Myersville - Nancy Echard (Need another member to go with her)
- Mt . Airy 4-County - Need two members
- Hagerstown - Joyce Anthony, Dianne McLean
- New Windsor - Joyce Anthony; Nancy Dankanovich
- Upper Adams, PA - Bob & Nadja Muchow

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**Pit Sandwich Sales just around the Corner** (Contributed by Lion Donald Keeney, Jr.)

Spring is almost here which means the summer's pit sandwich sale fundraisers are coming up. These are major fundraisers for the club and are usually very well attended, so we will need lots of help. The sales this year will be April 26, May 24, July 5, August 2 and August 30. The links to the signup sheets for this year are below:

- April 26: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040A45ACA828AAF85-55307030-april#/>
- May 24: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040A45ACA828AAF85-55307058-may24th#/>
- July 5: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040A45ACA828AAF85-55307059-july#/>
- August 2: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040A45ACA828AAF85-55307062-august#/>
- August 30: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040A45ACA828AAF85-55307063-august#/>

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**Now Taking Orders for the 2025 Thurmont Annual Easter Egg** (Contributed by Lion Doug Favorite)

Once again, the Thurmont Lions is selling their annual Thurmont Easter egg. This year's egg will be pastel blue with white ink, and the image will be Cunningham Falls. The eggs are painted on wooden eggs manufactured in the USA by the same company that manufactures the eggs for the White House Easter Egg Roll. Each year the egg features a different image from around Thurmont, and they are limited edition with numbers between 1 and 250. This is the seventh egg in the series. The price remains the same at \$10 plus tax (total of \$10.60). An optional extra service is offered whereby we will insert an eyelet and provide a purple ribbon so the egg can be hung like a Christmas ornament. This service is available for an extra 40 cents per egg. **Please market this item to your friends and neighbors to sell as many as possible. This is a Thurmont Lions Club fundraiser so the more we sell the more we make for the club to use to benefit our community.** To



place an order, please contact Lion Doug Favorite by calling 301-271-0558 or email him at [doug.favorite@gmail.com](mailto:doug.favorite@gmail.com).

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**Spring Cleanup at Bell Hill** (Contributed by Lion Donald Keeney, Jr.)



The annual spring cleanup at Bell Hill will be held on Saturday, April 12 beginning at 8:30 am. As in past years, we will be cleaning and setting up for the pit sandwich sales. There will be lots of light duties such as organizing supplies, wiping down tables, sweeping, stocking the drink cooler, etc. This usually takes 2-3 hours. Please stop out to help if you are available. The more help, the sooner we can get done. Remember, many hands make light work.

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**Progressive Dinner “Administrative Fundraiser”** (Contributed by Lion Debbie Schray)

Have you ever heard of a progressive dinner? This is a great way to get together for a FUN dinner party! Dinner guests move from house to house to experience a different course of the dinner. There are usually a few hosts who each prepare one course at their house. My hope is that we can have a fun Progressive Dinner as a fundraiser. Here are some of the details and ideas we have so far.

**THEME:** “Cookout to Start the Summer”

**NUMBER OF GUESTS:** We are hopeful that 25-30 Lions would purchase a \$25 ticket to participate in going to three different houses for appetizers, an entrée and dessert. All funds raised would go toward our Lions Administrative Account.



**COURSES:** We would need a few Lions working together to host our club members. The Lions who volunteer to host would be able to pick what they would like to serve. Here is an example:

Appetizer Course – Hosts Bev Nunemaker and Debbie Schray at Lion Debbie’s house. We would serve deviled eggs, antipasto skewers, beer cheese dip, pretzel bites, sausage rolls and beverages.

Entrée Course – Hamburgers, hot dogs, potato and macaroni salad and watermelon

Dessert Course – Host Joyce Anthony at her house. Make your own sundae.

The above menu is just an EXAMPLE of what could be done. If you are willing to host, the menu would be your choice with the theme of **Cookout to Start the Summer**.

Please look for a survey paper at the next few Lions club meetings. I hope that this will be something that the club will want to do and is willing to support. In the meantime, please be thinking about these questions:

1. Would you purchase a ticket?
2. Would you be willing to host at your house?
3. Would you be willing to host at someone else’s house?

Thanks in advance for any feedback you are willing to provide.

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**Membership Meeting – March 12, 2025** (Contributed by Lion Ruth Heaney)

It was anybody’s guess as to the weather in January and February. The wintry conditions made travel unsafe for both the speakers and the Lions club members. President Nancy Echard made two difficult decisions to reschedule excellent speakers arranged to talk to the Lions club in both these months. Guardian Hose Company Fire Chief Charlie Brown and Assistant Chris Kinnaird, graciously agreed to return for their presentation on March 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm. Chief Brown is a fourth generation member for the Guardian Hose Company whose commitment to his work as palpable during our conversation. Please join us on Wednesday, March 12<sup>th</sup> to support the Thurmont Lions Club and the Guardian hose Company.

On Wednesday, May 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm Christopher Gwinn, Chief of Interpretation and Education at Gettysburg National Military Park, has agreed to reschedule his engagement. Mr. Gwinn is an accomplished National park Service employee. His presentation will focus on the “aftermath of the Gettysburg battle, the role of the people of Gettysburg during and after the fighting and the context behind the Gettysburg address. Please come and hear an expert from the National Park Service and support the club.



*Christopher Gwinn*

**BOTH ORGANIZATIONS “SERVE”.**

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**Youth Night** (Contributed by President Nancy Echard)

Youth Night was a success! Family members were there to support their children. Our essay winner was Adalyn Eaves who read her essay. We celebrated the Thurmont Middle School Leo of the Year Zipporah Facey. We also introduced the Sabillasville Environmental School (SES) Leo’s in training. It is hoped the SES Leo’s will be chartered this year. We also re-dedicated the Thurmont Middle School (TMS) Leo Charter for another year. Special thanks to all who participated in Making our Club Great (MOCG).

(Contributed by Lion Joyce Anthony)

The Youth Night celebration was held on February 26<sup>th</sup> at St. John Lutheran Church. This was an amazing evening for our youth.



**Pictured L-R: Lion Larry Steinly; Adalyn Eaves; President Nancy Echard)**

**Essay Contest** - Lion Larry Steinly hosted the American Heritage, Preservation & Patriotism contest. There were 12 essay entries from three schools. Adalyn Eaves, Thurmont Elementary School, was this year’s winner. All the students received a certificate. Adalyn received a certificate and a monetary check. She had the support of her entire family (parents and grandparents) who attended her celebration. Thank you Lion Larry for another excellent essay contest.

**Leo of the Year** - The Leo of the Year for the Thurmont Middle School Leo Club was Zipporah Facey. Ms. Debbie Wivell highlighted the many activities and outstanding performances Zipporah



excelled in this year. Zipporah has an awesome work ethic and quiet confident in any task she is involved, brings a positive attitude to class, a model student, a leader in the Student Voices “No Place for Hate” school wide initiatives, polite, respectful and does whatever is asked. Zipporah was accompanied by her parents, Rachel and Daniel Facey; her brother Joshua and her sister Abilgail. In addition, two of her fellow Leo members Rona Zheng (President) and Monserrat Canelio attended. She received a certificate and a monetary check. Thank you to Lions Lis Ruppel and Corey Hodges-Chisholm for chairing the TMS LEO’s.

*Thurmont Middle School/ Lions/Leo Advisors:  
(Pictured L-R: TMS Leo Advisors Lions Lis Ruppel and Corey Hodges-Chisholm; Zipporah Fancy, TMS Leo Advisor Debbie Wivell),*

***Sabillasville Environmental School (SES) Upcoming Leo Club***

Barbara Doney, Math and Reading Intervention Specialist is coordinating with PDG Nadja Muchow in getting the SES Leo Club chartered this year. They have established a framework, identified potential Leos, held and hosted an informational meeting and have completed the required paper work. A few eighth grade SES Leo’s along with their teacher Kate Best attended the meeting enlightening everyone about all the activities and projects they have been doing. Even though they have not yet been chartered, they are blazing a trail which is moving very fast.



*(Pictured L-R: Barbara Doney, three Leo members; Kate Best)*

***Re-dedicating the Thurmont Middle School Leo Charter***

PDG Paul Cannada rededicated the Thurmont Middle School Leo Charter for another year of service. The Leo objective is to provide the youth of the world with an opportunity for development and contribution, individually and collectively, as responsible members of the local, national and international communities. PDG Paul Cannada honored Lion George Bolling as the driving force to get these and other Leo clubs started in District 22-W. Also PDG Paul “congratulated and wished them a Happy Anniversary – you have a proud past to celebrate and an exciting future to plan”.



*PDG Paul Cannada↑*



*(Pictured L-R: Leo Zipporah Fancy; TMS Leo advisors Lions Lis Ruppel and Corey Hodges-Chisholm)*

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**VDG 3<sup>rd</sup> Service Challenge** (Contributed by Lion Joyce Anthony) The VDG 3<sup>rd</sup> Service Challenge is for the period January 11, 2025 to March 29, 2025. The focus of this challenge is to assist those impacted by Hurricane Helene in Pensacola, North Carolina through the construction of two small food pantries.

You can help by donating PERSONALLY toward the construction of the pantries through the District 22W Foundation. The Thurmont Lions Club Board of Directors voted to donate \$200 to support the service challenge.

Thank you for your support as “We Serve” to make a difference in the lives of others. Please see the attached document for more details.

**Region III Leader Dog Banquet** (Contributed by Lion Joyce Anthony)

The Region III Leader Dog Banquet will be hosted by the Libertytown/Unionville Lions Club on Wednesday, April 9, 2025 at 6:00 pm. It will be held at the Libertytown Volunteer Fire Department Hall. The speaker will be Joey Johnson and his Leader Dog Tucker.



*Joey Johnson and his Leader Dog Tucker*

We hope to see some Thurmont Lions Club members at the banquet supporting the Leader Dog program. NOTE: The club will NOT have a Membership meeting due to the Leader Dog Banquet.

**Thurmont Business Expo** (Contributed by Lion Joyce Anthony)

It's the 21<sup>st</sup> annual Thurmont Business Expo! The event will be held on April 26, 2025 at the Thurmont Complex Center from 10:00 am until 2:00 pm. The theme this year will be “Western”.



The club will have a table decorated with the theme. Everyone is invited to stop by the table. There will be items for sell and information about the club to let the public know what the Thurmont Lions are doing. Hopefully, this will be a good avenue to attract new prospective members. Please invite your friends, family and neighbors,

**Barter Night** (Contributed by Lion David Crum)

Gather your goodies now! The Thurmont Lions Club Barter Night will take place at the March 26<sup>th</sup> meeting at St. John Lutheran Church. This is the club's only fundraiser to subsidize the Administrative Account which supports the operation of the club. With that said, this is your chance to bring something to the meeting you would like auction off to the highest bidder. This could be anything you would like from a delicious baked item to a nice homemade decorative item. The possibilities are endless. Smiles are cheap, welcomed and helps everyone to have a fun time. Homemade items such as food are a big seller. Hope to see you on March 26<sup>th</sup> with a big smile and some nice barter items.



**Roar like a Lion** (Contributed by Lion Dianne McLean)

Thurmont Lions Club participated in the Roar like a Lion District-wide day of service event on February 1<sup>st</sup> at the Urbana Library in conjunction with the New Market and Chewsville Lions Clubs. The library has two levels with the children’s library on the main floor. The New Market Leo Club set up their activities at this location. Thurmont along with New Market and Chewsville set up in a room on the lower level. Thurmont had a table for children to do finger or straw painting and a table for fringing fleece scarves. There were also three other activity tables between New Market and Chewsville. A membership table was placed in both rooms and attended by Lions from TLC and New Market.

Posters were placed at the main entrance and at the lower level entrance announcing the RLAL event. Participation by the public was nominal. It was noted by DG Susan Cox and PCC Brian Cox that there was not much participation at the other locations they had visited so far that day.

TLC completed 17 fringed fleece scarves which were donated to the Frederick Rescue Mission. We were told the scarves would probably be taken by the end of that day since the store would be open that afternoon.

My suggestion to TLC is to consider not participating in RLAL in the future since our members are not willing to help with the event, and there is not public transportation as well (if the event is held at a distant library location for the club). There was good local advertising for RLAL at the Urbana Library, however, there were possibly less than 30 people who passed through the event.

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**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](mailto:bnevermore11@gmail.com); Lion Gayle DiSalvo at 240-446-5204 at [gaylerad46@gmail.com](mailto:gaylerad46@gmail.com); Lion Julie El-Taher at 301-788-0855 or [jules6998@icloud.com](mailto:jules6998@icloud.com); or Lion Susan Favorite at 240-409-1747 or [skfavorite@comcast.net](mailto:skfavorite@comcast.net). 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:**

*May you be wrapped up in God’s love? Found deep in his everlasting wings. Carried and kept, safe and cherished. We come before you today in need of your healing hand. In you all things are possible. Hold our hearts within yours and renew our minds, bodies and souls. We are lost, but we are singing. You gave us life and you also gave us the gift of infinite joy. Give us the strength to move forward on the path you’ve laid out for us. Guide us toward better health, and give us the wisdom to identify those you’ve placed around us to help us get better. In your name we pray. AMEN*

*Congratulations to Lion Hank and Joan Schlitzer on their new home. They added an in-law addition onto their daughter’s home which will give them the support and help needed. Their new address is 8801 Links Bridge Road, Thurmont, MD 21788.*

**Those with Acute Needs for our prayers:**

- Lions Jan Ely; Hank Schlitzer; PCC Bob Muchow; Baby Jacob, grandson of Lions Alex and Nancy Dankonich who will be having surgery on March 19; Mrs. Tammy Dutrow

**Those requiring continued prayers and support:**

- Lions Joann Cannada, Ross Smith, Jr., PDG Paul Cannada

**Sympathy Thoughts and Prayers:**

*You hold time within your hands, and see it all, from beginning to end. Please keep and carry these special 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:**

*Lord, help us to always remember that there are men and women far from their families and the comforts of home today – missing hugs and kisses birthday parties and baseball games. We pray for their safe return to their country and their families. They are US soldiers: brothers, sisters, sons, daughters, parents, neighbors, friends and many others, we have never met. But, they risk their lives daily for our freedom; our hearts are filled with gratitude for all who have served our country in the past and today. Surround them with your angels, protect them in your mercy and cover them with your grace. AMEN*

**We pray for:**

- Alex El-Taher (Navy) – Son of Lions David and Julie El-Taher
- Nick El-Taher (Air Force) – 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 Nunemaker 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, we thank you for the gift of life. We praise you for the blessing of friends, and we ask that you would surround them with your love on their birthday and anniversary. Grant them wisdom and strength for the years ahead, and may they always know your presence in their lives. AMEN*

*Happy Birthday Lions*

*Happy Wedding Anniversary*

**March Birthday**

- 5 – Gayle DiSalvo
- 8 – Heather Seidt
- 13 – Don Keeney, Jr.
- 14 – Heidi Dennie
- 15 – Alex Dankanich
- 24 – Nancy Dankanich
- 25 – Allison Hazen
- 26 – Sheri Kuhn



**March Wedding Anniversaries**

- 2 – Don & Jan Ely
- 31 – Sean & Jenfer Young



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## 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 –*

**March** – Lion Donald Keeney, Jr. – 24 years; Lions Bev Nunemaker and Jonathan Hamrick – 12 years

### Congratulations Lions!

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#### Important Notes and Reminders

Lions Club Social Media:

- Website – Lion Doug Favorite at [doug.favorite@gmail.com](mailto:doug.favorite@gmail.com) or Maxine Troxell at [mtroxell@verizon.net](mailto:mtroxell@verizon.net)
- Facebook – Lion Marci Veronie at [mveronie@avemco.com](mailto:mveronie@avemco.com)
- Lion Portal – Lion Joyce Anthony at [jananny@comcast.net](mailto:jananny@comcast.net)
- SMS - Don Keeney, Jr. at [donkeeneyjr@gmail.com](mailto:donkeeneyjr@gmail.com)

- If you need an updated copy of the Committees for 2024-2025, please contact Secretary Lion Joyce Anthony
- If you need a Visitation Schedule, please contact Lion Joyce Anthony
- If you are interested in purchasing Lions apparel, please contact Lion Joyce Anthony
- If you have unwanted eyeglasses or hearing aids, please bring them to any meeting for Lions Bill & Ruth Heaney OR place them in the collection boxes located at Goodwill Industries outside Dr. John Hagemann's office, Thurmont Regional Library, Senior Center or Mountain Gate Restaurant
- TLC Directory – Please contact Lion Joyce Anthony

**Please submit all articles for the monthly newsletter no later than the last meeting of the month or by the 25<sup>th</sup> of the month, whichever comes first, to Lion Joyce Anthony at [jananny@comcast.net](mailto:jananny@comcast.net)**

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#### Important "March" Dates (Wacky, Special and Holidays)

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|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1 – National Pig Day                  | 14 – National Potato Chip Day       |
| 1 – Peanut Butter Lovers Day          | 17 – St. Patrick's Day              |
| 1 – World Compliment Day              | 20 – Earth Day                      |
| 3 – Caregiver Application Day         | 20 – International Day of Happiness |
| 3 – National Anthem Day               | 20 – First Day of Spring            |
| 4 – Fat Tuesday                       | 25 – Maryland Day                   |
| 5 – Ash Wednesday                     | 29 – World Piano Day                |
| 6 – National Dentist Day              | 30 – National Doctor's Day          |
| 8 – Employee's Appreciation Day       |                                     |
| 8 – World Day of Prayer               |                                     |
| 8 – National Women's Day              |                                     |
| 9 – Daylight Savings Time begins      |                                     |
| 10 - International Day of Awesomeness |                                     |



Month: Irish American Heritage; Peanut Month; Red Cross; Women's History; Endometriosis Awareness

## *Lion Breezes*

*Lion Joyce Anthony, Newsletter Editor*

*Remember – "It is better to give than to receive"*



*"May the road rise to meet you. May the wind be always at your back" – Irish Blessing*

*"It is one of those March days when the sun shines hot and the wind blows cold; when it is summer in the light and winter in the shade" – Charles Dickens*

*"Sunshine and spring bring out the best in everyone" – Kenny Chesney*

*"Daylight Savings Time- Only the government would believe that you could cut a foot off the top of a blanket, sew it to the bottom and have a longer blanket"*

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**Thurmont Lions Club Calendar of Events 2024-2025**

Please provide corrections/additions promptly to Lion Joyce – Updated March 2025

**ALL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS WILL BE HELD AT ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH BEGINNING 6:30 PM  
UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED**

### **July 2024**

- July 6 – Pit Sandwich Sale, Bell Hill
- July 10 – Membership Meeting – Program: DG Official Visit
- July 15 – Board Meeting, Kountry Kitchen, 6:30 pm
- July 20 – Change of Banner – Myersville, VFD
- July 24 – Membership Meeting – Dr. Raymond Eliger
- July 31 – Mobile Screen Van Fundraiser – Roy Rogers Restaurant (5-8 pm)

### **August 2024**

- August 3 – Pit Sandwich Sale, Bell Hill
- August 6 – National Night Out (Police Dept)
- August 14 – Membership Meeting – Speaker Kristie Kidd (Oasis – Senior Living Advisor)
- August 17 – 1<sup>st</sup> Cabinet Meeting – LaVale – 10:00 am
- August 19 - Board Meeting, Kountry Kitchen, 6:30 pm
- August 26 – 1<sup>st</sup> Region III Zone Meeting – Burr Artz Library beginning 6:30 pm (Hosted by Fusion Lions Club)
- August 28 – Annual Picnic – Ole Mink Farm Campground beginning 6:00 pm
- August 30 – Fundraiser - Roy Rogers for Wreaths across America (5-8 pm)
- August 31 – Pit Sandwich Sale – Bell Hill

### **September 2024**

- September 5-7 – USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum, Louisville, Kentucky
- September 6-8 – Community Show – Membership Table
- September 11 – 9/11 Memorial Celebration
- September 12 - Membership Meeting – Speaker Joe with service dog, Anita (Hero Dogs)
- September 18 – Board Meeting – Kountry Kitchen, 6:30 pm
- September 25 – Membership Meeting – Speaker Chip Jewell, National Fallen Firefighters Memorial
- September 28 – Pit Sandwich Sale – Bell Hill
- September 28 – Tour de Catocin (Postponed)

## **October 2023**

October 1 – Cabinet Display  
October 5 – District 22-W Social, Clarion, Frederick  
October 9 – Membership Meeting - NO MEETING  
October 10 – Joint Meeting with Emmitsburg – Carriage House  
October 11-12 – Colorfest  
October 16 – Board Meeting, Kountry Kitchen, 6:30 pm  
October 23 – Membership Meeting – No Meeting due to Charter Night  
October 26 – Halloween Movie Night – Community Park  
October 30 – Charter Night

## **November 2024**

November 3 – Daylight Savings Time ends  
November 7 – Fundraiser at Kountry Kitchen (5-8 pm) for Wreaths across America  
November 9 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Cabinet Meeting – Region III hosted by Hagerstown Lions Club – American Legion  
November 9 – Bingo – Guardian Hose Company Activities Building  
November 13 - Membership Meeting –Leo Night  
November 13 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Zone Meeting – Hosted by Middletown Lions Club  
November 20 – Board Meeting – Kountry Kitchen, 6:30 pm  
November 23 – LVRF Rally at Wilmer  
November 23 – Bake Sale – Mountain Gate Restaurant – (9:00 am – 2:00 pm)  
November 27 – No meeting (Thanksgiving Eve)

## **December 2024**

December 14 – TLC Christmas Party  
December 14 – Wreaths across America  
December 18 - Board Meeting, Kountry Kitchen, 6:30 pm  
December 25 – Christmas Day  
December 25 – No Membership Meeting  
December 31 – New Year's Eve

## **January 2025**

January 1 - New Year's Day  
January 8 – Membership Meeting – Speaker John Kinnaird – State of Thurmont  
January 11 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Cabinet Meeting, Region III  
January 13 – Melvin Jones Birthday  
January 15 – Board Meeting, Kountry Kitchen, 6:30 pm  
January 21 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Zone Meeting – Hosted by Liberytown/Unionville Lions Club  
January 22 – Membership Meeting – Speaker Charlie Brown, Fire Chief and Assistant Chief Chris Kinnaird,  
Guardian Hose Co.

## **February 2025**

February 1 – Roar like a Lion  
February 12 – Membership Meeting – Speaker Christopher Gwinn, Chief of  
Interpretation and Education, Gettysburg National Park  
February 19 – Board Meeting, Kountry Kitchen, 6:30 pm  
February 26 – Membership Meeting - Program: Youth Night

## **March 2025**

March 9 – Daylight Saving Time Starts  
March 12 - Membership Meeting – Guardian Hose Company  
(Charlie Brown/Chris Kinnaird)



March 19 – Board Meeting, Kountry Kitchen, 6:30 pm  
March 26 – Membership Meeting – Barter Night  
March 29 – 4<sup>th</sup> Cabinet Meeting – Terra Rubba

### **April 2025**

April 9– Membership Meeting – NO MEETING  
April 9 – Leader Dog Banquet – Region III – Libertytown Volunteer  
Fire Department Hall  
April 16 – Board Meeting, Kountry Kitchen, 6:30 pm  
April 20 – Easter Sunday  
April 23 – Membership Meeting – Visiting Angeles

### **May 2025**

May 1-4 – Multiple District 22-W Convention, The WISP  
May 14– Membership Meeting – Program: Community/Education Night  
May 21 – Board Meeting, Kountry Kitchen, 6:30 pm  
May 28 – Membership Meeting – Christopher Gwinn

### **June 2025**

June 1 – Helen Keller Day  
June 11 – Membership Meeting – Program: Scout Night  
June 18 – Board Meeting, Kountry Kitchen, 6:30 pm  
June 19 - Juneteenth  
June 25 – Membership Meeting – Installation of Officers, Membership Celebration

### **2025 Pit Sandwich Sale Dates**

April 26, 2025  
May 24, 2025  
July 5, 2025  
August 2, 2025  
August 30, 2025

July 19 – Change of Banner

September 18-20 – US/Canada Lions Leadership Forum

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