

The Tale Twister

Cullman Lions Club

January 27, 2025

Program

Our scheduled speaker from the Mary Carter Store asked us to re-schedule his presentation; a future date is TBD.



Tale Twister Lion Richard Gurley looks through his notes for an actual funny joke, as Lion Chris Brooks seems to think the odds are not looking good. Lion Richard came up short (in more ways than one).

Other Business

Lion Chris Brooks talked again this week with Lion Ron Seabold. Lion Ron said that his cancer spreading, and he is weakening. He will be making another visit to the VA hospital in Birmingham and asked for our prayers for him and family.

Our meeting had just started when Lion Steve Murphree announced that Lion Charlie Childers' wife had called to notify him that Lion Charlie had a heart attack and ended up in a Birmingham hospital. He had a clot in the widow-maker artery, but he was treated in time before serious damage to his heart and had a stent implanted. On Thursday after his treatment Lion Charlie was alert enough to send out an email, letting us know he felt in pretty good shape.

George Krigbaum announced the 1st session in the series of New Member Roundtable presentations tonight and continuing for the next few weeks. He also mentioned that the Club BOD meeting tonight would be voting on approval for Club membership of Mary Horton, Lion Jimmy Horton's wife.

Lion Carey Thompson announced that March 22 now stands as the date for the Fish and Ham Dinner. We are planning to make tickets available to Lions to sell on Feb. 10th.



Above are draft front & back photos of our tickets that we will be selling this year.

As you may recall, Lion Craig was asked to be our Lions District Cabinet Secretary last year and then asked to be 2nd Vice District Governor. At this point Lion Craig is in line to be elected as



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the District 34-A Governor in the coming year. He said he is going to Chicago soon for training for that position and was given a 66-page manual to finish before he makes that trip. He thanked the Club for our support and noted that he will be the 13th District Governor from our Club. Lion Craig then shared that the District 34-A convention is March 7-8 in Huntsville and encouraged our Club members to attend. He said voting for officers will be held on March 8, at which point Lion Craig is on track to be sworn as 34-A District Governor. He noted that our Club has a great reputation, inside and outside the State, and this convention would be a great opportunity to celebrate that. There will be a dinner and dance, so bring your special someone. More details to follow.

Lion Scott Starosta is taking orders for T-Shirts in order that new members, in particular, will have them for the Fish & Ham Dinner. Contact him if you want one. Short sleeves are \$15; long sleeves are \$17. The order will take 2 or 3 weeks to be delivered to the Club.

Lion Don Scott is looking for volunteers to go to North Carolina to rebuild homes lost to the recent hurricane there. As you may be aware, Lion Don is part of a group of volunteers that build handicap ramps in the Cullman area. He is also a Chaplin with Billy Graham Evangelistic Association and was in North Carolina recently, ministering to those who are still living in tents and are in dire straits. This Association is scheduling the rebuilding of homes for those who have lost theirs. Lion Don is considering getting a crew together from Cullman to go up there to work for about a week for this project. He said he already had 7 or 8 guys from his "ramp" team interested in going; he would like to offer any Lions, who might be interested in going, to coordinate with him. He doesn't have details yet, but the start date would be early spring.

Upcoming Programs and Events

February 3: TBD.

TBD in a few weeks: Mr. Jeff Young, Co-owner of Mary Carter Store, will speak on a piece of Cullman History.



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March 7-8: District 34-A convention in Huntsville on Pulaski Pike at Bob Harrison Wellness and Advocacy Center.

March 22: Fish and Ham Dinner.

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Tale Twister Input

If you need something special or to report a correction in the *Tale Twister*, see Lions Carey Thompson or Don Smith at the meetings. Lion Carey can be reached at 256-739-0580 (H) or 256-426-3207 (C). Lion Don can be reached at 256-737-7433 (H) or 256-426-7722 (C).



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President Chris Brooks							
Committees	Chair	Co-Char	Member	Member	Member	Member	Member
Nominating	Steve Murphree	Morris Magnum	Dewayne Wilson				
Club History	Dennis Berse	Charlie Powell	Javon Daniel	Dewayne Wilson	Ron Seybold	Scott Starosta	
Explore	Jerry Bonner	David Bussman	Raymond Williams	Fred Osborne	Delane Ray	Craig Gadow	Steve Cartee
1st VP Delane Ray							
Committees	Chair	Co-Char	Member	Member			
Diabetes	Milford Parrish	George Krigbaum	David Peacock	Javon Daniel			
Fair Concessions	David Bussman	Richard Gurley	Judy Smith				
Finance & Community	Don Smith	Brian Spaeth	Jerry Bonner				
Fish & Ham	Carey Thompson	David Peacock	Jason Tielking				
Membership	George Krigbaum	Javon Daniel	Frank Odell				
Program	Sam Roberts	Randy Kraft	Chris Robinson				
Mop & Broom	Richard White	Dave Gratz	Chris Robinson				
Sight	Bill Ruehl	Steve Cartee					
2nd VP Jeff Lawson							
Committees	Chair	Co-Char					
Area Lion's Liason	Craig Gadow	Scott Starosta					
Constitution & Bylaws	Craig Gadow	Steve Murphee	Frank Odell				
House & Food	Dennis Berse	Fred Osborne					
Member Information	Charlie Powell	Dave Gratz					
Song Leader	Richard White	Chris Robinson					
Youth Leos	David Wiggins	Jeff Lawson					
3rd VP David Wiggins							
Committees	Chair	Co-Char					
Tail Twister	Richard Gurley	Richard White					
Fair Parade	Steve Murphee	Barry Willingham					
Branch Club Liaison	Ron Seybold	Jeff Lawson					
Publicity	Sam Roberts	Charlie Powell					
Communications & Web	Sam Roberts	Charlie Powell					
New- Member Orientation	Frank Odell	George Krigbaum	Richard Gurley	Steve Murphree	Raymond Williams	Ginger Hogeland	

Committee Assignments for FY 2024-2025