

Thurmont Lions Club Membership Meeting Minutes
July 14, 2021
President Dianne McLean

The Thurmont Lions Club Membership meeting was held on July 14, 2021, at St. John Lutheran Church in Thurmont, MD. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by President Dianne McLean.

Pledge of Allegiance led by: Lion Marci Veronie
Song led by: Lion Albie Little
Invocation by: Lion Joyce Anthony

Members:

Guests: Grace Smith, SVDG Jeremy Bair, DG Charles Croft

Sign Up Sheets: Pit Sandwich Sale on August 7th and Visitation Schedule for the 2021-2022 Lions Year

Getting to Know You: Lion Ross Smith

Family: Lion Ross has two sons

Career: Owned and operated the Hillside Turkey Farm – one of five turkey farms in Maryland

Favorite vacation: Numerous, to mention a few: Russia, Ireland, England, Scotland, China, Australia (traveled the world)

Bucket List: Nothing

Why did you become a Lion? My dad, Ross Smith, Sr. was a Lion

Program: DG Charles Croft's Official Visit to the Thurmont Lions Club
Cabinet Secretary Lion Susan Favorite introduced DG Charlie Croft presenting some personal information and his history as a Lion. He joined LaVale Lions Club in 1982 giving him 39 years as a Lion.

DG Charlie's theme for this year is "Lions Helping Others – A Celebration of Service". He stated everything we do starts with what is necessary. We do what is possible and when we finish our service we find that we have completed what we thought was impossible.

DG Charlie's four goals are: Membership Growth; Leadership; Activity Reporting; and, Supporting LCIF. His vision to accomplish this year is an increase in net membership growth by 10 and utilizing many action plans. Also, he would like to see stronger leadership support for new leaders. DG Charlie emphasized you are "never, never too old for additional training". He also emphasized logging into MyLion for new ideas for service projects and to report activities being performed by the club (fundraising and service projects).

There were three Service Challenge Projects last year. DG Charlie reported the FVDG Nadja Muchow and SVDG Jeremy Bair will be announcing two service challenge projects for this year.

DG Charlie Croft proposed questions to the members to think about: What does your club mean to you and your community; what are our weaknesses and what do we need to do to go forward?

DG Charlie concluded the program with a quote from St. Francis "Start with what is necessary. Then do what is possible. Then suddenly, you are doing the impossible."

President Dianne McLean presented DG Charlie a McCutcheon's fruit basket as a thank you gift.

Secretary Announcements: Lion Joyce Anthony received thank you notes from several recipients for the donation they received during Community Night: PDG Barbara Brimigion – Hearing Awareness, Thurmont Skate Park Committee, Cuddle Cat Rescue, Community Foundation of Frederick County for Make a difference in Thurmont, Frederick Health Hospice, Thurmont Regional Library, Operation Second Chance, H&F Trolley Trail Association and Frederick County Animal Control and Pet Adoption Center for the bandanas made during the Roar Like A Lion event.

Table Announcements:

- Lion Marci is taking orders for a lightweight jacket with a zippered front, pockets and hoodie. She needs your order by next week.
- Lion Gayle thanked everyone for their cards and prayers during the illness of her brother.
- PDG Paul reported the club has donated to LCIF this past year over \$21,000.
- Lion Sharon reported the bingo date has been changed from November 6 to November 20 due to priorities associated with the Guardian Hose Company
- SVDG Jeremy Bair will be showing a Lions video at the 1st Cabinet meeting.

Tail Twister Lion Don told his usual funny stories which were enjoyed by all and proceeded to collect fines from the members.

President's Announcements

- All calls and emails related to Sunshine Committee functions need to be referred to Lion Bev Nunemaker
- Recognized July birthdays
- Suggested members look at the upcoming events listed on the bottom of the agenda

The 50/50 (\$47.50) was won by Lion Nancy Echard

Meeting was adjourned by President Dianne McLean at 7:25 pm.

Joyce Anthony
Lion Joyce Anthony
Secretary