

Thurmont Lions Club
Membership Meeting Minutes
March 13, 2024

The Thurmont Lions Club Membership meeting was held on March 13, 2024 at St. John Lutheran Church in Thurmont, MD. The meeting was called to order by President Susan Favorite at 6:30 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance led by: Lion Jared Suit
Song led by: Lion Marilyn Bowers
Invocation by: Lion Gayle DiSalvo

Signup Sheets: Pit Sandwich Sales – Lion Don Keeney, Jr.

Dinner was served to all.

Since today was Lion Don Keeney's birthday, he was honored with birthday wishes.

This was the joint meeting with the Emmitsburg Lions Club (ELC). Those in attendance from ELC were: President Dianne Walbreaker, Jared Suit, Mark Zurgable, Dale Shields, John Sanders, Marilyn Bowers and her husband. President Dianne Walbreaker gave a few remarks about upcoming events for the Emmitsburg Lions Club.

Program: Mayor John Kinnaird – John Kinnaird gave a slide show and talked about his trip to Scotland and England earlier in the year. He showed slides of places they visited and explained how the various places were part of his life growing up in Scotland.

Video - Lions Marci Veronie and Julie El-Taher made a video whereby they interviewed PDG Paul Cannada, Lion Bob Meunier and Lion Dianne Walbrecker. They were asked questions such as:

- What does “We Serve” mean to you?
- What is the best thing about being a Lion?
- What is your favorite activity or event?
- Why should someone join the Lions?
- How long have you been a member, and why did you become a member?
- How has the culture changed since you became a member?
- What has being a Lion done for you personally?

Presentation of Award by DG Jeremy Bair – DG Jeremy Bair presented the District Governor's Medal of Commendation to Lion Nancy Echard.

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

Table Announcements:

- Lion Sharon Morgan thanked everyone for helping with the bingo.
- Lion Lis Ruppel announced there would be a game night at Thurmont Middle School on March 19th from 5:00 - 7:00 pm and everyone was invited.
- Mayor John Kinnaird stated the town is working on this year's budget.
- Lion Don Keeney, Jr. announced there were candy bars for sale.
- Lion Gayle DiSalvo reported she would be filling Easter eggs with candy on March 23rd at 10:30 am at her house. Everyone was welcomed to come and help.
- Lion Nancy Dankanich announced 60 snack bags were filled with healthy snacks and delivered to the Thurmont Primary School.

50/50 – The 50/50 was won by Lion Albie Little (\$32).

Tickets were drawn for three door prizes presented by DG Jeremy Bair. The winners were:

Lion Mary Ethel Rickard – Scarf

Lion Bill Reckley – IPP Brian Sheehan Penguin

Lion Tom Ruppel –IP Dr. Patti Hill’s Banner

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Joyce Anthony

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Secretary