



# Lions Breezes Thurmont Lions Club

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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



Hello Lions

The end of May finds me at a beach in South Carolina that my family and I have visited nearly every year for the past thirty years. While enjoying the beach and the tradition of our annual visit, the trip does unfortunately mean that I missed our May sandwich sale and the second meeting in May that is Community/Education Night.

Many thanks to Lions Doug and Don for organizing another successful sandwich sale on May 23<sup>rd</sup>. Although the weather presented a challenge, the popularity of the pit meats is such that it was another event where we sold out of items in the early afternoon. As always, the success of the event also depends on the efforts of our members, volunteers from Scout Troop 270 and family and friends that came out to prepare, serve and clean up. Thanks to all the volunteers for the sandwich sale and yard sale.

I especially miss attending our annual Community/ Education Night. The payback from the work that goes into doing our various fundraisers is most evident on this night when we award scholarships, announce Leo of the Year for the Leo Clubs and make contributions to schools and service organizations. It is difficult not to feel a sense of pride as our service to the community is visible and expanded to include all the good works of many other groups. Thank you to Lion Susan for doing much of the organizing and to Treasurer Lion Doug for making out all those checks.

Looking ahead, we have many open slots for the sandwich sale on July 4<sup>th</sup> and so please try to find the time to support our major fundraiser events and sign up. Also check out our tables and possible open slots at the upcoming Thurmont Farmers Market on Saturday mornings, the celebration of the 200<sup>th</sup>

anniversary of Apples Church on June 6<sup>th</sup> and the American Legion's Community Day on June 27<sup>th</sup>.

Incoming President Doug Favorite has also asked us to sign up for committees for the new year starting in July; and, so please help by signing up. There are many other things to mention and so please look through the rest of the newsletter.

President Bill Reckley  
"Pride in Service"

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**Candy Bars/Cup Sales Strong** (Contributed by Lion Don Kenney, Jr.)

We sold \$575 worth of candy bars during the May 23<sup>rd</sup> sandwich sale and will be selling them at all of the upcoming Farmer's Markets in Thurmont through September 26<sup>th</sup>.

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

CONGRATULATIONS! Thank you to all that helped by making visits to Lions' clubs this year. However, if you sign up to visit a club, please plan to make that visit during the year. Again, thank you.

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**Lions Meeting at Hero's Ridge** (Contributed by Lion Don Keeney, Jr.)

We will once again have a regular club meeting at Hero's Ridge. This year, the meeting will be on July 8<sup>th</sup>, when we will have a picnic-style meal followed by the program including an update on current happenings at the facility, as well as a tour of the grounds. This is a great opportunity to see first-hand the amazing facility that supports our wounded veterans. Since the facility is located north of Sabillasville, we can carpool from St John's church if anyone would like.

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**Results of May 23<sup>rd</sup> Sandwich Sale** (Contributed by Lion Don Keeney, Jr.)

Despite the rainy and cool weather on Saturday, we still had a big crowd and sold out of all meats by around 2:30 pm. The total profit for the club was \$6,100. Thanks to everyone who came out to help in the damp, dreary conditions.

There are still a lot of open slots for the July 4<sup>th</sup> sandwich sale, especially for the lunch and afternoon shifts. Since this is a holiday, we expect a big crowd and have ordered a lot of extra meat. Please consider signing up to help if you are able:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040A45ACA828AAF85-62683894-july#/>

If available, please sign up to help with the remaining two pit sandwich sales for the year below.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040A45ACA828AAF85-62683892-august#/>  
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040A45ACA828AAF85-62683893-september#/>

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**Yard Sale Results** (Contributed by Lion Don Keeney, Jr.)

The club had an indoor yard sale in conjunction with the April 25<sup>th</sup> and May 23<sup>rd</sup> sandwich sales. The club made approximately \$1,800 profit from both of these events. The remaining inventory is now being dispersed to other churches and organizations that are holding yard sales of their own.

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**Lions Committee Sign-ups** (Contributed by Lion Doug Favorite)

Fellow Lions, The motto of Lions is "We Serve."

As we strive to serve the Thurmont community, we need folks to help on the various committees.

I would like to ask that you give serious consideration to signing up for one or more of the committees below. Most of these do not require a lot of work, and you will have the help and support of both myself and other folks on the committees.

Please sign up at the link below:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040A45ACA828AAF85-62525162-202627>

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**Upcoming Programs** (Contributed by Lion Doug Favorite)

Our first meeting in June will be on June 10<sup>th</sup> and will feature our annual Scouting Night at the Scout Building. The Scouts will do a presentation about their year's activities, and then we have several awards that we will present to the Scout troop.

Our second meeting on June 24<sup>th</sup> will include the annual Installation of Officers for Lions year 2026-2027.

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**Meetings Moving Back to Mountain Gate** (Contributed by Lion Doug Fvomite)

Starting on July 1, we will be moving our meetings back to Mountain Gate Restaurant. If you want to eat on the evening of our meetings, you should arrive by 6:00 pm. Anyone eating in the Lions Club seating area will be limited to the buffet ONLY. There will no longer be an option to get a "drink only" or to "order off the menu". You will get group pricing as long as you follow the above requirements.

If you want to order off the menu, you can eat on your own separately in the restaurant and then join the Lions meeting in the designated meeting space afterward; but, you will not get group pricing. Everyone will be handling their own bills individually and directly with the

wait staff that evening. The price of the buffet will be \$24.73 per person. The Lions Club will no longer be serving as an intermediary for handling meal payments.

Meetings will start promptly at 6:30 pm. Anyone not wishing to eat can arrive closer to the meeting start time of 6:30 pm.

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**200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration at Apples Church** (Contributed by Lion Don Keeney, Jr.)

Apples Church will be hosting a 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary community celebration on Saturday, June 6<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 am until 3:00 pm. The club will be doing a food trailer selling hot dogs, sloppy joes, chili dogs, sodas and BBQ pork sandwiches. We will have a signup sheet for help going out shortly.

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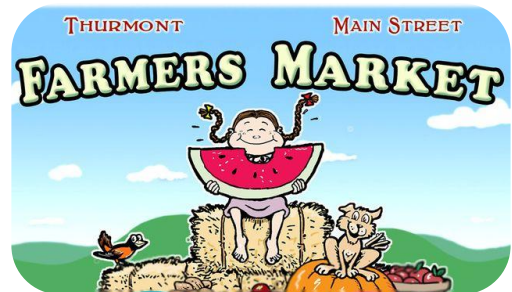
**275<sup>th</sup> Town of Thurmont Celebration** (Contributed by Lion Don Keeney, Jr.)

The town will be holding a community picnic on Sunday, September 27<sup>th</sup> from 1-5 pm. We will be selling food in one of the pavilions. There will be a signup sheet for help as we get closer to the event.

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**Farmer's Market** (Contributed by Lion Don Keeney, Jr.)

Thanks to everyone who has signed up so far for the Farmer's Market sales table. However, there are still a few slots left on the following dates: July 25, August 8, August 22, September 12, September 19 and September 26. The club needs members to staff an information and sales table on Saturdays (May 23-September 26) from 8:30-noon at the Farmer's Market in Thurmont Community Park. This involves setting up a small table and selling candy bars, shirts, raffle tickets, etc. Also, this will be an opportunity to showcase the Lions club and possibly getting potential new members. Below is the signup sheet if you are able to help with this club project.



<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040A45ACA828AAF85-63102955-farmers#/>

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**Thurmont Tee Shirts** (Contributed by President Bill Reckley)



We have expanded our Thurmont shirts designed by local artist John Nickerson (Gnarly Artly) from the hunter green sweatshirts to include two colors of tee shirts (light pink and sand). The sweatshirts are being sold for \$30 while the tee shirts are \$20. We will be selling the shirts along with chocolates at our sandwich sales, farmers market and other events.

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**Eyeglass Collection Report** (Contributed by Lion Sandy Duley)

We continue to receive a large supply of eyeglasses. In May 2026, we collected 110 pairs of eyeglasses, 14 pairs of sunglasses and 53 eyeglass cases. There are five drop-off boxes: Mountain Gate Restaurant, Thurmont Regional Library, Med 1 Pharmacy, Goodwill and the Thurmont Senior Center. There is also a collection box at the Lewistown United Methodist Church. A huge thank you to all who contribute to this worthy cause.

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**Juneteenth Celebration** (Contributed by Lion Julie El-Taher/Joyce Anthony)

On Thursday, June 19<sup>th</sup> people will be coming together at the Catocin Furnace to commemorate the 160<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Juneteenth. Events will begin at 3:00 pm and include a hike exploring the history of slavery in the area, a procession to the African American cemetery overlook and unveiling of an immersive 3D virtual reality of the enslaved quarters and more.



The Thurmont Lions Club has been asked to provide refreshments (baked goods such as brownies, cookies and ice tea), and Troop 270 will be reading the names during the remembrance service. Please contact Lion Julie El-Taher at [jules6998@icloud.com](mailto:jules6998@icloud.com) or 301-788-0855 if you are able to provide refreshments.

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**Thurmont Community Parade** - (Contributed by Lion Debbie Schray)

The 2026 Firemen’s carnival is back to its original week that was for so many years! This year’s carnival will be held July 6-11. The parade will still be on Thursday night, July 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm. Mark your calendars and save the date to participate in this wonderful event. It is such a privilege to represent the Thurmont Lions Club by riding on the float or walking along the parade route. The theme for our float is *250 Years of American Freedom* which celebrates the 250<sup>th</sup> signing of the Declaration of Independence.



I am honored to be selected to chair this worthy community outreach and help our club gain more recognition. We already have done a LOT of planning. The club will be passing out RED, WHITE and BLUE necklaces (120), three different kinds of bracelets (644) and small American flags (150) (which we will hand to people along the parade route). So, in all, we have ordered over 900 items! Plus, we have all the decorations for the float ordered. It is going to be GREAT!

I will need the help of a few Lions to make this successful.

**ACTION ITEMS FOR LIONS TO CONSIDER**

1. Start thinking about collecting candy to pass out (Easter sales)
2. A co-chairperson to help oversee the implementation of our plan. (I might move on or before July 9<sup>th</sup>)

Feel free to contact me to let me know if you are interested in helping. Thank you!

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**Community/Education Night** *t Contributed by Lion Joyce Anthony)*

On May 27, the Thurmont Lions Club hosted their annual Community/Education Night. This special evening is when organizations receive funds to further their goals all of which have something in common; making our community a better place. The celebration is the culmination of the Lions club fundraising projects including the famous sandwich sales, marketing delicious homemade chocolate candy bars/cups, the Christmas Extravaganza and many others.

**Scholarships** – FVP Doug Favorite presented the scholarships to aspiring and determined CHS students launching their careers in various colleges:

- Jared Turner, Brigham Young University
- Benjamin Harbaugh, West Virginia University
- Payton Evans, Alabama University
- Michael LeGare, FCC (nursing program)



(Pictured L-R: FVP Doug Favorite; Jared Turner, Benjamin Harbaugh, Payton Evans Not Pictured: Michael LeGare receiving the 4<sup>th</sup> year Vic Jagow scholarship)

**Lion and Junior Lion Awards** – Lion Sharon Morgan presented awards to the selfless students who spread positivity through their community performing numerous volunteer hours in many arenas. The Thurmont Lions Club honors:

- Oliver Baker, Lion Award
- Patrick Kelley and Eleanor Satterlee, Jr. Lion Award



Pictures L-R: Lions Sharon Morgan; Oliver Baker, (Catoctin High School); Patrick Kelley and Eleanor Satterlee, (Thurmont Middle School).

**Leos of the Year** - Lion Barry Burch presented the Leo of the Year awards. The award is available to Leo Club members who are in good standing, meets membership age requirements, has all the required endorsements and is not a previous recipient of the award.

- CHS Leo of the Year, Rona Zheng
- SES Leo of the Year, Justin Anderson

(Pictured L-R: Lion Barry Burch; CHS Leo Advisor; Rona Zheng, SES Leo Advisor; Justin Anderson) →→



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**School Presentations** - Lion Lisa Riffle presented donations to the principals or their designee to help with programs or purchase of items necessary for the school. Donations were presented to Catoctin High, Thurmont Middle, Thurmont Elementary, Thurmont Primary, Lewistown Elementary, Mother Seton and Sabillasville Environmental Schools.



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**Lion Organizations** – 2VP Maxine Troxell presented donations to various Lion organizations: Camp Merrick Maintenance Fund, Diabetes Awareness, Hearing

Camperships, District 22-W Mobile Screening Van, Leo Clubs at Catoctin High, Thurmont Middle and Sabillasville Environmental Schools, Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF), Lions Saving Kids Sight Foundation, Lions Vision Research Foundation, Inc. & Low Vision Endowment Fund and Lions Youth Foundation. →→→



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**Community Organizations** – The Thurmont Lions Club members spend countless hours making pit sandwiches, selling Christmas ornaments, chocolate candy bars, working a food booth at Colorfest and numerous other fundraisers. We feel we can make a huge impact in the local community; therefore, 3VP Marci Veronie presented donations to the following partners: Catoctin Furnace Historical Society, Catoctin FFA, CHS Safe & Sane 2026, Guardian Hose Company, Children of Incarcerated Parents, Hospice of Frederick County, Jelly Bean Cat Rescue, Main Street Thurmont, MD27 Envirothon, Patty Hurwitz Breast Cancer Fund, Make a Difference in Thurmont Fund, Seton Center, Inc., Sleep in Heavenly Peace, Thurmont Addiction Committee, Thurmont Ambulance Company, Thurmont Food Bank, Thurmont



Historical Society,  
Thurmont Parks &  
Recreation Committee,  
Thurmont Regional  
Library and Thurmont  
Senior Center, Inc.

**Veterans Organizations** – Lion Don Keeney, Jr. presented donations to 1LT Bob Seidel Wounded Soldier Fund, Hero Dogs, Inc. Maryland Patriot Guard, Operation Second Chance and Thurmont Gold Star Monument.

A reception was held in the Fellowship Hall after the program.



Together we will **CONTINUE** to make a difference as we remain **“COMMITTED TO SERVE”**.



**Melvin Jones Fellowship Award** (Contributed by Lion Joyce Anthony)

On May 12<sup>th</sup> President Bill Reckley visited Lion Bev Nunemaker in Gettysburg Hospital to present her with a Melvin Jones Fellowship Award she has earned over the years by being a dedicated Lion. Lion Bev is a patient at Gettysburg Hospital with a terminal illness. Lions Marci Veronie, Nadja Muchow and Joyce Anthony were there to help her celebrate this magnificent moment and provide her with support and congratulations.

**National Night Out** (Contributed by Lion Joyce Anthony)

The club has received information regarding the Thurmont Police Department’s National Night Out event on Tuesday, August 4, 2026 from 6:00-7:30 pm. They are inviting the Thurmont Lions Club to participate again this year. This is a great opportunity to showcase the club and hopefully obtain some prospective new members. Additional details will be provided at a later date.



**TLC Stand-Up Banner** (Contributed by Lion Joyce Anthony)

Lion Marci Veronie donated a table top stand-up banner to the club to use for presentations, at fundraisers and club activities to reflect the Thurmont Lions Club.

Thank you Lion Marci for donating the banner and your support as a Lion.

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**Change of Banner** (Contributed by Lion Joyce Anthony)

**Please mark your calendar!** The Change of Banner will be held on July 18<sup>th</sup> at the Terra Rubra Lions Club. Additional information to follow in the District 22-W Uproar Weekly.



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# Roaring Leos

*Thurmont Middle School Leo Club  
Catoctin High School Leo Club  
Sabillasville Environmental School Leo Club  
"Leadership, Experience, Opportunity"*

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**Catoctin High School Leo Club** – Club Advisor: Lion Barry Burch

**Thurmont Middle School Leo Club** – Club Advisor: Lions Lis Ruppel and Corey Hodges-Chisholm

**Sabillasville Environmental School** – Lion Nadja Muchow

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(Contributed by Lion Joyce Anthony)

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 Joyce Anthony, 301-606-7873 or [jananny@comcast.net](mailto:jananny@comcast.net); Lion Gayle DiSalvo, 240-446-5204 or [gaylerad46@gmail.com](mailto:gaylerad46@gmail.com) or Lion Julie El-Taher, 301-788-0855 or [jules6998@icloud.com](mailto:jules6998@icloud.com). 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*

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

- Lion Bev Nunemaker is in Genesis Healthcare, Gettysburg, PA

**Those requiring continued prayers and support:**

- Lions Joann Cannada, Ross Smith, Jr., and 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 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:** *Heavenly Father, thank you that you defend your people with your mighty hand. Please hear my prayer as I lift up our military and veterans before you now. They work tirelessly to defend our country. Bless and protect them Lord and use their work for the good of our nation and your glory. May they know your presence with them at this time. May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with them always. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, AMEN.*

**We pray for:**

- Ethan Wienholt (Marines) – Grandson of former 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 Joyce Anthony know so that they too can be added to our prayer list.

***C O N G R A T U L A T I O N S !!!***

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

*Dear God, Your word says that through wisdom our days will be many. I thank You Lord for blessing me, and I thank You for the many years that I know have been added to my life! Lord, I choose to celebrate You as my heavenly Father, as well as this birthday or anniversary, for it is because of You that I have made it this far. I adore you with all my heart, soul and mind. AMEN!*

***Happy Birthday Lions***

***June Birthdays***

- 2 – Maxine Troxell
- 5 – Don Ely
- 5 – Elisabeth Ruppel
- 8 – Marci Veronie
- 12 – Joann Cannada
- 17 – Corey Hodge-Chisholm

***Happy Wedding Anniversary***

***June Wedding Anniversaries***

- 17 – David & Erin Crum
- 28 – Jonathan & Kelli Hamrick

*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 –*

**June** – PDG Paul Cannada, Lion Gayle DiSalvo - 22 years; Lion Arthur Drager - 11 years; Lion Nancy Echard - 10 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 Susan Favorite at [skfavorite@comcast.net](mailto:skfavorite@comcast.net)
- SMS - Don Keeney, Jr. at [donkeeneyjr@gmail.com](mailto:donkeeneyjr@gmail.com)
- If you need an updated copy of the Committees for 2025-2026, 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 Marci Veronie
- If you have unwanted eyeglasses or hearing aids, please bring them to any meeting for Lions Bev Nunemaker and/or Sandy Duley OR place them in the collection boxes located at Goodwill Industries Med One Pharmacy, Thurmont Regional Library, Senior Center or Mountain Gate Restaurant
- TLC Directory – Please contact Lion Joyce Anthony

### ***Lion Breezes***

*Lion Joyce Anthony, Newsletter Editor*

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



*Newsletter Editor's Remarks – I have been your newsletter editor for 17 years or more. However, this will be my final newsletter for the Thurmont Lions Club. I have made many friends throughout the district and clubs, and I truly appreciate you reading the Thurmont Lions Club newsletter. This position has been an excellent opportunity both professionally and personally, and I want to thank you for your support. I, also, want to thank you for brightening my time, our interactions have always enriched my day and contributed to making my monthly newsletters, I hope, better. I look forward to parting on an especially high note. It has been a pleasure working with you, and I sincerely thank you for the support you have given me over the years.*

*All the best, and again, thank you.*

*Lion Joyce Anthony*

**Thurmont Lions Club Calendar of Events 2025-2026**  
**Please provide corrections/additions promptly to Lion Joyce – Updated June 2026**

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**July 2025**

- July 5 – Pit Sandwich Sale, Bell Hill
- July 9 – Membership Meeting – Program – Official Visit by DG
- July 9 – SES Leo Club Charter
- July 16 – Board Meeting, Kountry Kitchen, 6:30 pm
- July 19 – Change of Banner – Terra Rubra Lins Activities Building
- July 23 – Membership Meeting – Held at Heroes Ridge

**August 2025**

- August 2 – Pit Sandwich Sale, Bell Hill
- August 2 – MD-22 LYF Meeting
- August 5 – National Night Out (Police Dept) (6:00-7:30 pm)
- August 13 – Membership Meeting – Discuss activities and share ideas
- August 16 – 1<sup>st</sup> Cabinet Meeting – LaVale Fire Department
- August 20 - Board Meeting, Kountry Kitchen, 6:30 pm
- August 27 – Membership Meeting – Seton Center
- August 30 – Pit Sandwich Sale – Bell Hill

**September 2025**

- September 5-7 – Community Show – Membership Table
- September 11 – 9/11 Memorial Celebration
- September 10 - Membership Meeting – Thurmont Historical Society
- September 17 – Board Meeting – Kountry Kitchen, 6:30 pm
- September 18-20 – USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum / Atlantic City
- September 24 – Membership Meeting – Club Picnic at Ole Mink Farm
- September 27 – LVRF Aim for Sight

**October 2025**

- October 1-31 – Cabinet Display at Thurmont Regional Library
- October 4 – District 22-W Social, Dutch’s Daughter
- October 8 – Membership Meeting – Colorfest Setup
- October 9-12 – Colorfest
- October 15 – Board Meeting, Kountry Kitchen, 6:30 pm
- October 22 – No Meeting
- October 23 - Membership Meeting – Charter Night
- October 25 – Halloween Movie Night – Community Park

**November 2025**

- November 12 - Membership Meeting – Frederick Country 4-H Therapeutic Riding Club
- November 15 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Cabinet Meeting – Hancock Community Center
- November 19 – Board Meeting – Kountry Kitchen, 6:30 pm
- November 19 – LVRF Vision Rally at Wilmer
- November 22 – Bake Sale – Mountain Gate Restaurant – (9:00 am – 2:00 pm)
- November 26 – No meeting (Thanksgiving Eve)

**December 2025**

- December 10 – TLC Christmas Party

December 13 – Wreaths across America  
December 17 - Board Meeting, Kountry Kitchen, 6:30 pm  
December 24 – No Membership Meeting – Christmas Eve  
December 25 – Christmas Day  
December 31 – New Year’s Eve

### **January 2026**

January 1 - New Year’s Day  
January 10 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Cabinet Meeting – New Windsor Fire Department  
January 13 – Melvin Jones Birthday  
January 14 – Membership Meeting – Packages for Pediatric Cancer patients  
January 21 – Board Meeting, Kountry Kitchen, 6:30 pm  
January 28 – Membership Meeting – Mayor John Kinnaird

### **February 2026**

February 11 – Membership Meeting – Meal provided by Doug, Don, Susan (Debbie trivial/games)  
February 18 – Board Meeting, Kountry Kitchen, 6:30 pm  
February 25 – Membership Meeting - Program: Youth Night - Speaker: Mayor John Kinnaird

### **March 2026**

March 11 - Membership Meeting – NO MEETING  
March 12 – Joint Meeting with Emmitsburg at Carriage House  
March 18 – Board Meeting, Kountry Kitchen, 6:30 pm  
March 21 – 4<sup>th</sup> Cabinet Meeting – Terra Rubba Lions Club  
March 22 – Bingo – Guardian Hose Company  
March 25 – Membership Meeting – Barter Night

### **April 2026**

April 5 – Easter  
April 5 – Easter Egg Hunt – Thurmont Community Park, 2:00 pm  
April 8– Membership Meeting – Shiara Jackson, Executive Director of Advocates for Homeless Families  
April 15 – Board Meeting, Kountry Kitchen, 6:30 pm  
April 22 – Membership Meeting – Christopher Gwinn, Chief of Interpretation and Education for the Gettysburg National Military Park  
April 25 – Pit Sandwich Sale  
April 25 – Thurmont Business Expo  
April 29 – Leader Dog Banquet – Region III - Middletown

### **May 2026**

May 13 – Membership Meeting – Program: Police Chief David Armstrong  
May 14-17 – MD-22 Convention, Ashore Hotel, Ocean City  
May 15 - Main Street Wine Stroll  
May 20 – Board Meeting, Kountry Kitchen, 6:30 pm  
May 23 – Pit Sandwich Sale  
May 23 – Yard Sate – Bell Hill  
May 27 – Membership Meeting – Program: Community/Education Night  
May 30 – Farmer’s Market - Thurmont Community Park – 9:00-Noon

### **June 2026**

June 1 – Helen Keller Day  
June 6 – 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Apples Church – 11:00 am – 3:00 pm  
June 6 – Farmer’s Market – Thurmont Community Park – 9:00 – Noon

June 10 – Membership Meeting – Scout Night  
 June 13 - Farmer's Market - Thurmont Community Park – 9:00-Noon  
 June 17 – Board Meeting, Kountry Kitchen, 6:30 pm  
 June 20 – Farmer's Market – Thurmont Community Park, 9:00-Noon  
 June 24 – Membership Meeting – Installation of Officers, Membership Celebration  
 June 27 – American Legion Community Day  
 June 27 – Farmer's Market – Thurmont Community Park, 9:00-Noon



**July 3-7 – LCI Convention, Hong Kong**  
**July 4 – Pit Sandwich Sale**  
**July 18 – Change of Banner, Terra Rubra Lions Club**  
**August 1 – Pit Sandwich Sale**  
**September 5 – Pit Sandwich Sale**  
**September 27 – 275<sup>th</sup> Town of Thurmont Celebration – 1:00 am - 5:00 pm**  
**November 15 – TLC Bingo**

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***Happy Father's Day to the young and senior dads***