

Winder Noon Lions Club

Winder, GA

December 2021



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CLUB COMMITMENT

As we celebrate the Christmas season, I hope everyone is taking time to count their blessings, & pass on a blessing to someone else. One blessing that I always say “thanks” for is Winder Noon Lions Club.

Through it I have come to know The Most Wonderful People. If you would like to continue this tradition of bringing together all kinds of different folks & getting to know them & their unique talents better, we need to bring them together in our club.

This brings me to the point of this editorial:

We have a wonderful club with a rich history and excellent programs. But, if we don't make it a point to attend and tell others about our club and invite them to attend, we will be as “dust in the wind”.

So, make it a point over the holidays to start a list of friends, neighbors, family, community leaders & speakers we've had for programs to invite.

Sure, they might say they're not interested, but then again they might

say, “Sure, I'd like to see what you're all about. I would like to get more involved in the community”. You'll never know until you ask.



**Joann's
JibbeJabber**

**Remember that we will only have one meeting
in December, 12/8.**

As we celebrate the holiday season, I pray that we will find ways to share the blessings we have been given. Please consider shopping for toys to contribute to the fire department toy drive, or make a monetary donation. You can bring these items to our December meeting or get them to Joan Mathews at the fire station downtown.

When you are going about your holiday shopping and other preparations, please slow down and really see the people around you. Take time to look in their eyes and listen to what they are saying. Share the love of our Savior—The True Giver of Christmas.

I wish you and yours love, laughter and blessings beyond measure this Christmas ... may you feel the presence of Christ as you celebrate.

Please feel free to share your ideas about how we can best live out our purpose.

Where there's a need, there's a Lion™

We are Lions ... We Serve

Joann Smith, president



UPCOMING EVENTS

Dec.10-12—Lions Christmas Camp, Waycross
May 13—15, 2022: Lions State Convention, Dublin
Jun. 24-28, 2022—Lions International Convention—Montreal, Quebec

OFFICERS 2021-2022

President: Joann Smith
1st VP: Pat Whitehouse 2nd VP: Calvin Haney
Secretary: David Martin Treasurer: Dottie Reynolds
2-Year Directors: Loyd McHargue Caroline thompson
Chaplain: Gwen Hill Lion Tamer: Toni Boldin
Tail Twisters: Carel Thompson & Ray Mattison
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Home Club of PID Buddy Ouzts (deceased), PDG Donald Hardigree (deceased)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- ☆ MEMBERSHIP—Continue to ask friends, neighbors & family to join us. Call Lion Sheila with ideas.
- ☆ SUNSHINE—Make sure to call Donna Goman whenever anyone is sick or in the hospital.
- ☆ PROGRAMS—Call Joann Smith, Pat Whitehouse or Calvin Haney with program suggestions.
- ☆ RECYCLING—Bring your plastic grocery bags to be repurposed into homeless mats.
- ☆ NEWSLETTER—Send your suggestions to Gwen Hill on or before first of each month.

LIONS WORLDWIDE

LIONS GIVE SUPPLIES & SMILES TO CHILDREN IN NEED:

Growing up without parents is hard enough. But it's even worse when an orphanage is not able to provide everything children need to be happy and healthy. Despite loving and nurturing caretakers, in less fortunate areas, there just isn't enough to go around. Compelled to serve youth, Lions take action. In Korea, Lions used a District & Club Community Impact grant from Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF) to personally deliver simple but much-needed supplies to children living at an orphanage in Vietnam. At Mái Ấm Từ Tâm Orphanage, the luxury of shoes—much less sports equipment—is unaffordable. “The children aren't able to be children and play,” says Hyun-Jun Lee, president of Han Seo

Lions Club in Korea. “The shoes they receive through donations are old, but must be kept for long-term use.” The limitations the children lived with had Lions concerned. Knowing the kids did not have proper shoes to protect their feet, or games to let their little imaginations run wild made them want to create a plan. The Lions decided to raise money and apply for an LCIF grant that would enable them to make a difference in the lives of these children. With the spirit of service, 15

Lions from Han Seo Lions Club packaged loads of goods and began their journey. They left from Incheon, Korea and traveled more than 2,000 miles to Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam, bringing new shoes, sports equipment, school supplies, kitchen utensils, and food to 95 children. The children were delighted. They can now play sports like soccer, basketball, volleyball, and badminton.

After unloading the supplies, the Lions played games with the children before enjoying some barbeque for lunch.

***Whenever a Lions club gets together, problems get smaller, & communities get better.
That's because we help where help is needed.***

Where there's a need, there's a Lion!



RESUME OF PAST MEETINGS

Nov. 10—Winder Fire Department Toy Drive

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Dec. 8—Christmas Celebration & Peace Poster Awards

Jan. 26—VDG Steve Helwig Program

WNL IN PICTURES

And the Peace Poster Contest Winners Are:

County Wide Winners

1. Cameron Duron-Nabor (Haymon Morris)
2. Abby Chestnut (Bethlehem Christian)
3. Allison Yang (Russell)

Honorable Mention

1. Anahi Duran (Westside)
2. Sydney Shadrick (Bear Creek)

Congratulations to all the students and teachers!

Pictures to be posted in next month's newsletter!

WNL ACTIVITIES IN NOVEMBER

- ◇ 2 members assisted with an outdoor food distribution that fed 315 families, 1000 people; a club member administers this;
 - ◇ Members collected plastic bags to make mats for homeless individuals;
 - ◇ Collected 47 pairs of glasses for recycling;
 - ◇ Assisted 3 county residents with vision screenings & glasses at a cost of \$360
- ◇ 4 members worked at the American Red Cross blood drive, helping with sign-in's & canteen;
 - ◇ Donated \$100 to the Adult Literacy Center;
 - ◇ Judged 177 Peace Poster entries from 5 Barrow Co. middle schools;
 - ◇ Donated \$450 to the Boys & girls club of Winder-Barrow.

SEE A NEED—PERFORM A DEED!



PDG Trudy's husband, John, trying to convince Santa that he's been good this year!

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Peace Poster Merit Award Winner
2020-2021
 Ya Wen Cao
 11 years old
 China

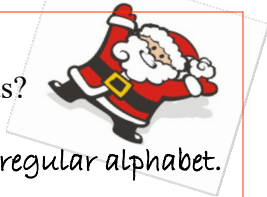


Meetings:
2nd & 4th Wednesday of each month. 12:00 Noon
 The Wimberly Center, 167 MLK, Jr. Drive, Winder, GA 30680



Humor about Members:

Lion Joan asked Lion Matt “what do you call people who are afraid of Santa Claus?
 Matt told her they were claustrophobic!



Lion David asked Lion Dottie what was the difference between the Christmas alphabet and the regular alphabet.
 Dottie explained that the Christmas alphabet has Noel.

Lions Caroline asked Lion Sheila, “What happens when you quit believing in Santa Claus?”
 Lion Sheila told her you start getting clothes for Christmas!

Lion Ray asked Lion Derek, “Why is Christmas so weird”? Derek told him that it’s the only time of year you sit in front of a dead tree in your living room eating candy & snacks out of your socks.

Lion Gwen’s Burning Questions:

1. Why should you look forward to being stressed?
2. Who is never hungry at Christmas?
3. What goes “oh oh oh”?
4. What’s red & white & black all over?

- Answers:**
1. Because it’s desserts spelled backwards.
 2. The turkey because he is always stuffed.
 3. Santa walking backwards.
 4. Santa covered with chimney soot.

“Our hearts grow tender with childhood memories and love of kindred, and we are better throughout the year for having, in spirit, become a child again at Christmastime.”
 Laura Ingalls Wilder



December Birthday:
Dec. 29—Nelson McGinnis
Don’t see your birthday here?
Call the editor with the info!