November 2024 - General Meeting

This month's Membership meeting was held at Faith Chapel.

Dinner: 7:00 p.m. CTO: 7:30 PM

Attending: Baker, Bond, Dunn, Fabbioli, Falk, Hart, Kibler, Logue, McKenzie, Menendez A, Penaranda, Rubright E and M, Stanley, Wilt

Welcome: Guests: Amanda Vila

Program

Our program this month honored the volunteers of the Lucketts Community Food Bank, many of whom were in attendance at this meeting:

- Jennifer (President and CEO) and Kyle Waters of Loudoun Hunger provide two truckloads of food (more than 2,000 lbs.) every month and were recognized by Loudoun County as the non-profit of the year and small business of the year! Congratulations to them and to their dedication to the needs of our community!
- Representatives from Loudoun Cowbell Kitchen, which provides 300 lbs. of organic produce to the Food Pantry each month, coordinates the ordering of 50 loaves of fresh bread each month, and sponsors the annual 5k run as a fundraiser.
- Janet Lyman of Christ Church Lucketts organizes the pantry and the pickup and packing of the food each month. This group also donates fresh fruit (apples and bananas).
- Connie and Karen Falk donate 90 rolls of toilet paper, soap, and laundry pods to the Food Pantry each month.
- Other donors include the Lucketts Ruritan Club, Hunters for the Hungry, Boy Scout Troop 1910, Lucketts Girl Scouts, local farmers and neighbors, and all who contribute via the cash jar at trash.

Volunteers include 150 regulars and others, such as the Taylor family, who help with the packing of non-perishable items; Ryan, Erin, and Amanda Vila; the McClure family, and others from Village Green and Glynn Tarra.

Business Meeting

Minutes: Secretary summarized minutes from October 2024. Minutes from earlier meetings are posted on our website.

Treasurer's Report: D. Stanley reported our accounts as of October 31, 2024. We had \$19,308.08 in our Truist checking account and \$40,159.00 in our new Truist Money Market account, for a total of \$59,467.08 in these accounts. We had \$182,592.27 in our Vanguard Scholarship Fund, \$120,531.27 in our Vanguard General Fund, and \$22,231.74 in our Vanguard Opportunity Fund for a total asset amount of \$325,355.28 in these accounts. Assets in the Boy Scout Troop 1910 account are \$19,437.80, for total assets of \$404,260.16. Don reported that we are making a good start on our new budget with trash and donations.

Grants Committee

We gave \$1,350 to Tuscarora High School Band to cover fees and uniforms for performances.

Boy Scout Report - D. Fabbioli

Doug reported that the troop participated in the national program's Scouting for Food drive and in an astronomy program event at Sky Meadows. The troop will conduct its annual outing at Small Island, their home base, and will invite younger scouts for recruitment to the troop.

Report on Collettsville, NC - M. Dunn

Mike reported that our \$7,500 donation to the Collettsville Ruritan Club for hurricane relief was not needed for food, but was needed to rebuild a local park and playground destroyed by the storm. The club was extremely grateful for our donation and will send us progress reports on the rebuilding project.

Environment Committee Report – P. Logue

Pat reported that Barbara Scott needs to step away from the club for a while. Accordingly, we need someone to take over the Environment Committee and to assume the Chairmanship. Please consider volunteering for this important position.

<u>New Business – M. Dunn</u>

Mike reported an update from club member and attorney B. McClain that the resident on Limestone School Road at Lost Corner is still selling well water illegally. Our club may want to make additional effort to push for enforcement of the zoning laws. The LEX system is one way to advocate or to file a complaint at the county level. We can also send a letter of concern from the club to Supervisor Kerschner who can then report complaints to the appropriate county officials and departments and request action.

Pledge of Allegiance was said, and the meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Submitted by Elizabeth Penaranda, Secretary

November 2024 – Board of Directors' Meeting Minutes

Present: Dunn, Kibler, Logue, Rubright, Ruth (on phone), Roques, Stanley, Penaranda

Secretary's Report

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Treasurers Report

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<u>Awards Dinner and Holiday Party -- D. Stanley</u> and M. Dunn

Don reported that 21 members have signed up for the Awards Dinner on December 10th. We plan to invite Graham Overman and Pearl Underwood from National, Zone Chairman Aaron Gilman, District Chairman Sarah Kelly, Supervisor Caleb Kirschner, photographer Sharie Knauer, and Holly Heider Chappel (as Citizen of the Year).

<u>Nominating Committee Report – P. Logue</u>

Pat stated the priority to find someone to take over the Vice President role and to serve on the Board next year. She asked whether any of the current directors would take an officer position on the Board. Discussion included whether we could or would reduce the BOD membership by one and how to increase member participation at BOD meetings. The final determination of BOD membership for 2025 is Pres.-M Dunn; Vice Pres.-P. Logue; Sec-L. Penaranda; Treas.-D. Stanley; Directors: E. Rubright (1 more year in term), W. Kibler (2 more years), D. Roques (2 more years). The issue is that the BOD includes a past president or a potential VP, so if P. Logue serves as VP, we may ask a previous past president (P. Hart?) to serve on the board. M. Dunn moved to accept the current slate of officers as submitted by the Nominating Committee. Motion passed.

<u>Update on Lucketts Girl Scout Troop – D.</u> <u>Roques</u>

Dan reported our club's offer of help to the troop, of which there are apparently various levels. Christine Fleming, the troop leader, will speak to the leadership organization to determine any level of involvement by our club.

<u>Report on Boy Scouts – P. Logue</u>

P. Logue reported that the troop leaders are recruiting new members through the local Cub Scouts, which are based in Leesburg. She noted that any Cub Scout troop established in Lucketts would require new chartering. She also stated that we need to network beyond LES to recruit members to the Boy Scout troop.

Environment Committee Report- P. Logue

P. Logue will represent this committee temporarily, until we can identify and select another committee chair. She will check the committee budget for funds for the SEAS award for the coming year.

Miscellaneous

- The upcoming LN&N Fall issue features an article on Craig Bond and his involvement with a veterans group that rehabs helicopters to bring them to events where the veterans educate students and interested people about the Vietnam war. The group also honors veterans and helps them to feel positive about their war experiences, since many were not received positively when they returned. Pat recommended that our club make a donation to the Liberty Warbirds for helo rehab; the Board agreed to donate \$250 to the organization.
- Pat is working with Peter G. and K. Price to automate the trash schedule.

Adjourned 7:30 pm