

## Junaluskans General Meeting

In Person and via Zoom

August 4, 2021

Nancy Hood, president, called the meeting to order,

Hilda Ryan gave the Caring and Sharing report as follows:

Rev. Garland Young – Wife's Jane memorial service this weekend

Lorie Kaylor – death of husband Rev, Claude Kaylor

Alan Jackson – death of wife Jane

Jim Cooper – in hospital with complications from rotator cuff surgery

Marilyn Lawson – recovering at home from eye surgery

Boyd Holliday – back surgery

Nancy Geyer – home following rehab for hip surgery

Pat Thompson – home with rehab after hip surgery

George Thompson – home after heart procedure

John Barnes – home from hospital after fall

Martha Brown – home after tendon surgery

Larry Roberts led the group in prayer. Larry then led the group in birthday and anniversary celebrations.

Nancy Hood welcomed those joining the meeting by Zoom.

### Junaluska Moment by Bill Lowry

Theirs was an unlikely friendship. Indeed, that they even met was unlikely. One of them grew up on a farm in Tennessee and the other spent his early years in North Carolina. One was almost ten years older than the other. They actually met when the younger was sent Morristown, Tennessee so that he could go to a high school, there being none near their farming community. He needed a place to stay. He wound up in the house occupied by the other who was appointed there as a young Methodist minister. His room was not heated and on cold winter nights he would be invited to sleep in the minister's room where there was heat. Thus, they became friends. Later they went their separate ways, but they stayed in touch. The younger also became a minister. By now many of you know who these two were. The older was James Atkins and the younger, George R. Stuart. Atkins went on to, at one point, be the president of Emory and Henry College while Stuart was a student there.

Fast forward now...It is April 21, 1908. The Laymen's Missionary Conference is meeting in Chattanooga, Tennessee. The young farm boy that shared that warm bedroom is now the pastor of Centenary Methodist Church in Chattanooga. Atkins is the editor of Sunday School publications for the church and is soon to be elected bishop. He is visiting his wife's family home in Waynesville, North Carolina. Atkins remarks, "I am going to send a telegram to George Stuart suggesting that we get together on our plans for a Southern Assembly." The next day Stuart presents the resolution that ultimately results in the birth of Lake Junaluska.

That unlikely friendship between two young budding Methodist leaders became the catalyst that God used to bring this wonderful place into being. It is another part of our heritage.

Stay tuned.

The minutes of the Junaluskans Board and Junaluskans General meetings were approved at the board meeting. They can be found online at [lakejunaluska.com/community](http://lakejunaluska.com/community).

The Treasurer's Report was approved by the Board.

There will be a dinner meeting on August 17, in the back dining room at the Terrace Inn. The cost is \$15.00. Steve Berwager needs your name and the money for the count. This needs to be in by August 10. Masks will be required. Entertainment plans are up in the air, due to Covid.

Thanks to Dianna Foederer for a great job with the Lake News and Views.

Ken Howle, Executive Director, said that they are talking with the North Carolina Department of Transportation for a safe walkway between the golf course and the lake.

The Lake staff have implemented new Covid restrictions. The decision on wearing a mask is up to each individual.

The Salvation Army will be meeting here next week with eight hundred in attendance.

The nurses will be coming back to the Lake this Fall. This is a training program for those needing to upgrade their credentials.

The Festival of Wisdom and Grace is here at the present time.

There will be a public meeting with the North Carolina Department of Transportation on August 19, in the Harrell Center, from 5pm to 7pm. It is important that we provide input. The original shutdown of Highway 19 was two to three years, but after discussion with the community, the shutdown will be six to nine months. They are looking at planting trees along the golf course and Hickory Hill. Also, they are looking at a sound wall.

Frank Stith and Kathy McNeil are Chief Junaluskans for this year. This award was announced during Associates Weekend.

Mike Huber, General Manager, said the national staffing crisis has affected the Lake. He asked for volunteers to help with cleaning rooms, stripping beds, and food service. Instead of fifteen housekeepers, we have seven. If you can help, contact [mikehuber@lakejunaluska.com](mailto:mikehuber@lakejunaluska.com).

Capital projects include new boat racks. There are boat slips available. There is an annual lease agreement, and the slip comes with a cable and lock.

The pool is changing hours to just weekends and some midweek hours. This is due to staffing shortages.

The Terrace had an elevator to go down. The master cylinder wore out. It will be fixed over the next weeks. The master cylinder will also be replaced in the other elevator after the first one is fixed. The total cost is \$147,000.

The supply chain across the world has slowed due to Covid. This causing a delay in getting parts to repair broken air conditioners around the Lake.

Nancy Hood called on committee chairs for reports/announcements.

Randy Carlson asked for volunteers to assist in making red bows for Christmas decorations. If you are willing to help, contact Linda Carlson.

Judy LaFountaine thanked all who volunteered to work on the flea market. Somewhere between 174 to 181 people worked during the flea market. She also thanked the staff at the Lake. The flea market was highly successful.

Judy Starnes, Fellowship Group Coordinator, said that the groups are listed on page four of the News and Views. Groups will be the same as the last two years, due to Covid.

Diana Foederer said the Book Club would meet in the Library in the Harrel Center on August 10. She will be reviewing the book, *The Personal Librarian*.

Kit Ervin reported from The Woman's Club that the Fashion Show and Luncheon made \$2,000, for scholarships.

Jim Correll reminded the group that donations would be appreciated for Aviemore, a subsidized housing complex. The donations support a food pantry.

Margaret Amick, membership secretary, said that we now have 681 members. Thanks were expressed for all her hard work.

Nancy Hood recognized new members.

Nancy is also in charge of a book cart at Clothes to Kids. Lots of children have been getting books of their choice. She needs more books. If you have books for children, please let her know. Donations will also be appreciated.

Paul Young asked for an update on the Arts and Music Task Force at the Lake. The group will be making recommendations to the Trustees in August.

Nancy Hood adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted

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Recording Secretary