

Junaluskans General Meeting
Harrell Center auditorium
September 4, 2024

Jan Lemasters called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Caring & Sharing: Hilda Ryan reported cards were sent to the families of Jacob Martinson and Pat Sheets.

Opening prayer was offered by Mark Shulz.

Guest Speakers: Linda Carlson and Melba Hanson gave a report on the “prayer requests ministry”, citing Philippians 4:6 as their key scripture. The ministry was taken over by Paul Davenport and uses as its location the International Prayer room at Lambuth. Prayer boxes are located at Lambuth, the Terrace lobby, outside the library, and in the chapel. Prayer cards are placed at the boxes and all requests are kept confidential. The cards contain an email address for a prayer line and people do respond. The yearly National Day of Prayer is the first Thursday in May.

John Wells then gave a brief update on Lake gifting, reporting that it is a complicated endeavor and there are 3 levels of giving: Associates, Friends of the Lake Circle, and the Lake Junaluska Society.

June Birthdays, Anniversaries and New Residents: Larry Roberts recognized those with birthdays and/or anniversaries in the months of June and July, and a new resident, Joan Rhodes.

Chairperson Reports:

Travel Committee: The trip to Nantahala is September 6. Details may be found in the LV&N.

Fellowship groups: Remember that Fellowship groups begin in September, and there is still room for anyone who wants to join a group. Contact Grace Gattis.

Art at the Lake: The goal is more art classes. Join in the Christmas Card 4x6 expo at Lambuth. A ukelele retreat is scheduled for March 27-30.

New Business:

- ◆ Hymn sing at the Biblical Gardens (weather permitting) September 17, 6:30 – 7:30. Bring your own chair.
- ◆ Soup potluck supper, October 15th, at noon, at the York Dining Commons.
- ◆ Vespers, October 8, at the chapel.
- ◆ Christmas decorations go up the week of November 11, with over 50 venues. Steve Crites and Harold Lein are co-leading that activity.

Old Business:

- CD titled “Peace for My Soul” being given away by Hilda Ryan. Pick up yours after the meeting.

Ken Howle: Update on the Lake Junaluska Community

Scheduled events/activities:

- Always check the LV&N and Junaluska Weekly for a list of events.
- The traffic light at the main entrance will be installed later this year. DOT is shooting for a November completion date. An overwalk is being considered, but no timeline yet.
- A \$290,000 grant has been received for the construction of 6 pickleball courts at LJA. Construction will begin after Labor Day and continue for 8 weeks.
- Bathroom renovations are to be done at the Harrell Center at a cost of \$100,000, hopefully in January.
- This year's Junaluska Award was given to Ed & Judy LaFontaine.
- N. Lakeshore Drive resurfacing to be done September 9 – 12.
- DOT bridge project is continuing
- Water rationing will not be needed at LJA
- Divers explored gates at the dam and determined a trash gate is needed at the top.
- There will be no lake drawdown in 2025.
- The landscape budget has nearly doubled as a result of charitable giving.

The meeting was dismissed at 11:03 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Steve Berwager, recording secretary