

# Vanceburg Lions Club

By Bill Tom Stone



The Vanceburg Lions Club held its regular meeting on Thursday, April 4, at the Fellowship Hall of the First Baptist Church, president Lion Roger Brown called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with Lion Kenny Ruckel leading in the pledge of allegiance to the United States flag and Lion Chris McGlone giving a prayer. The president welcomed Karl Ackland to our meeting as a guest. The club then recessed for a meal and a time of fellowship.

The meeting reconvened for regular business with the president recognizing Lion Bill Tom Stone to give the members an update on the Lions softball tournament that will be held on July 20, at the Lewis County High School softball complex. The tournament will be named "Bases Loaded for Diabetes Relief." Lion Bill Tom reported that chairman

Lucas was in Tennessee with the high school girls' softball team and that we still have 3 teams that have committed in each age group so far. The committee will be contacting local businesses soon for sponsorships for the tournament and hopes to have more at the next meeting.

President Brown then recognized Lions Nate Stone and Bill Tom Stone for an update on the golf scramble. They reported that they had been working with Laurel Oaks Golf Course in Maysville to finalize the details. They hope that Chairman Sammy Holder will be able to report back at the April 18, meeting.

Secretary Mike Edington and Cary Cagle reported on the nominating committee and passed around a list of the proposed officers and committees. Lions Walter Browning and Bill Tom Stone complimented the

committee on doing a great job. Chairman Cagle said that they will present the slate at the next meeting and President Brown said he hopes to have the vote at the first meeting in May.

The president then recognized Lion Mike Edington who gave an update on our scholarship application process. The new applications have been taken to the high school and we hope to have the applicants back in early May for the committee to review and choose the scholarship recipients.

President Brown then reminded everyone that there is going to be a zone meeting hosted by our club on May 16, at the Black Oak Volunteer Fire Department and encouraged as many members that can make it to attend.

There being no other business the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be on April 18.

# Ruminations

By Al Owens

## Getting Ready

From our news headlines we had best be getting ready for the Lord to come soon.

Antisemitism is currently in the news every day, and it is especially prominent on the campuses of some of our major universities.

Much of the world burns with anti-Israel sentiment and that is a rather unusual phenomenon, but that very thing is foretold in biblical prophecy.

"Behold, the day of the LORD cometh, and thy spoil shall be divided in the midst of thee. For I will gather all nations against Jerusalem to battle; and the city shall be taken, and the houses rifled, and the women ravished; and half of the city shall go forth into captivity, and the residue of the people shall not be cut off from the city. Then shall the LORD go forth, and

fight against those nations, as when He fought in the day of battle. And His feet shall stand that day upon the mount of Olives, which is before Jerusalem on the east..." (Zechariah 14:1-4)

The key phrases of this text are, "...I will gather all nations against Jerusalem to battle," and "...His feet shall stand that day upon the mount of Olives, which is before Jerusalem in the east..."

From the circumstances now developing on the world stage that scenario seems likely indeed. As a matter of fact, the Lord could very well be setting the stage for the world's final act. Many events point that direction.

First, on May 15, 1948, a nation that was destroyed by the Romans in 70 AD resurfaced as a nation reborn. That nation is Israel. And that's the only time in world history that has happened. Since then, the Jews are returning, or more specifically, being regathered from all over the world, returning to their God-given homeland. That regathering to Israel is mentioned repeatedly in the books of the prophets.

Second, in the Olivet Discourse, Jesus said that in the last days earthquakes would occur in divers or various places, and they are occurring at an alarming rate worldwide.

Third, in that same message the Lord mentioned pestilences and wars, nation rising against nation and kingdom against kingdom. The swine flu, legionnaires disease and Covid-19 are examples of the pestilences, and two major wars are now being waged, those being between Russia and Ukraine and between Israel and Hamas.

Fourth, the great falling away from the faith is evident across the planet and especially in the USA. Paul wrote, "Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first..." (II Thessalonians 2:3) And again, "Now the Spirit speaketh expressly (distinctly), that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith..." (I Timothy 4:1) That great apostasy is upon us. Percentage wise fewer people go to church in our country than ever before, and anti-God attitudes are increasing at an unprecedented rate as atheism and Communism grow and flourish in the USA.

These factors and many others shout to us that Jesus is coming soon. That means as God gets the world set for that great event, we should get ready for it, too. How? Simply by turning to Christ in repentance and faith and receiving Him as Lord and Savior.

## Poetry from our readers

### Heaven

By Patty S. Toller  
 Within these earthly struggles  
 Only dimly can I see  
 The many gifts my Father gives  
 And keeps in store for me  
 Meeting the Light I've walked with  
 Through gates swung open wide  
 Tears gone forever  
 Death close by their side  
 Do I deserve this ecstatic joy?  
 No value in my hands  
 Bought with the blood of Jesus  
 I'll enter sinless land.

### There All The Time

By Patty S. Toller  
 I felt so all alone  
 When on my knees in prayer  
 Empty stillness all around  
 Words I could not share  
 No one to bear my burdens  
 Or to comfort me  
 No one to hear my broken cry  
 Or answer frantic pleas  
 Then in the quiet I heard a voice  
 Say, "Put me to the test,  
 There's comfort for your every hurt  
 I've never failed you yet."

## Sleep Outfitters is having a Derby Hat contest in May

### Herald Report

Sleep Outfitters is having a Derby Hat contest. May 1-May 5.

Contestants bring/wear your hat into the store and we will take a picture of you in your hat.

All entries will be judged on Monday, May 6 at 1:30 p.m. by Mason County Exec. Judge Owen McNeill.

Anyone who comes in for the contest will get a small

prize. The winner will receive a Tempur Cloud Pillow (value at \$80)

and a Gift Certificate to Bradley's Boutique for \$20. Total prize value \$100.

To qualify we ask that you Like our FB page and Share with 3 friends.

Sleep Outfitters is located in the Walmart Shopping center behind Applebee's, next to Penn Station. Phone: 606-864-0055.

# Tollesboro Lions Club

By Craig Stanfield



## Tollesboro Lions Club 2024 Scholarship Recipients Chosen

The Tollesboro Lions Club met Monday, April 22, at 7:00 p.m. at their Clubhouse on the grounds of the Tollesboro Fairgrounds for their regularly scheduled meeting. However, this was no regular meeting. This meeting members met to celebrate the 70th anniversary of the club's founding!

During the business portion of the meeting, the Scholarship Committee - which met earlier in the evening - presented their recommendations to the Club for Scholarships from the applications received.

The Committee had received 17 scholarship applications from local 2024 graduates intending to further their education. The Scholarship Committee had met to select and make recom-

mendations to the Club about graduates to receive scholarship assistance to further their education. The Club had approved the offering of up to three recipients the sum of \$500 each to further their studies; however they deadlocked on 4 deserving individuals (all 17 applicants were deserving, and the Club would have loved to present all of them with funds to further their education, but only has a limited amount of money to present to area youth). In the end, four individuals were selected, as a member of the Club offered to donate an amount sufficient to cover the fourth recipient.

The 2024 Tollesboro Lions Club scholarship recipients were Hannah Miller, Makenna Scott, Amirah Qassis, and Molly Lewis. Makenna Scott will also receive the Larry Tucker Memorial Scholarship, selected

individually by the Scholarship provider.

## Tollesboro Lions Club Members Work On Fairgrounds

Several members of the Tollesboro Lions Club met at the Fairgrounds on a pretty sunny day to pour and prepare a concrete pad for placement of newly purchased bleachers to be placed on the grounds at the site of the Mud Slings/Demolition Derby Track. The guys made short order of the job. Present at the jobsite were Alan Henderson, Denny Hornback, Daymond Thomas, Charles Kendall, and Lee Thomas. Six photos were provided during the project by Lion Lee Thomas showing the members present; however the ONLY one in all the photos working was Alan Henderson! But at least he had an audience! But I can't say much. They didn't even call me to come up....



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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Second reading of a proposed ordinance amending the Lewis County budget for Fiscal Year 2024, to include unanticipated receipts from transfer in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 and increasing expenditures in the CDBG Funds, will be held on May 13, 2024, at the third floor courtroom of the Lewis County Courthouse at 3:00 p.m. A copy of the proposed ordinance with full text is available for public inspection at the office of the County Judge/Executive during normal business hours.

*Penny Lee*  
Penny Lee Treasurer

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**Lewis County Bookmobile**

WEDNESDAY, MAY 1 - **Concord** - Tollesboro Preschool 10:00-10:30; Tollesboro 10:45-11:30; Concord Community 12:00-3:30; Library 4:15-5:00.

THURSDAY, MAY 2 - **Senior Citz. and Echo Hills** - Senior Citz. 9:30-12:30; Echo Hills 12:30-1:00; Dummit Ridge 2:00-3:30; Library 4:15-5:00.

MONDAY, MAY 6 - **Quincy** - Vanceburg Head Start 9:30-10:30; Fuller Branch 11:00-12:00; Quincy Post Office 1:00-2:00; Garrison 2:30-3:30; Library 4:00-5:00.

TUESDAY, MAY 7 - **Petersville** - Indian Road 9:30-11:00; Oak Ridge Store 11:45-12:30; Community 12:30-4:15; Library 4:30-5:00.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 8 - **Office**

THURSDAY, MAY 9 - **Laurel Community** - Laurel Road 10:00-12:15; Laurel Community 12:45-3:00; Armstrong Church 3:45-4:00; Library 4:30-5:00.

MONDAY, MAY 13 - **Library** - Vanceburg Head Start 9:30-10:30; Vanceburg Nursing Home 10:30-1:00; Quincy 1:30-3:00; Library 4:00-5:00.

TUESDAY, MAY 14 - **Ribolt-Burtonville** - May Hollow 10:00-11:15; Ribolt 11:30-12:00; Burtonville Community 12:30-3:45; Library 4:15-5:00.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 15 - **Tollesboro** - Tollesboro Community 10:00-1:00; Ron's IGA 1:15-1:45; Tollesboro Community 2:00-3:45; Library 4:15-5:00.

THURSDAY, MAY 16 - **Petersville** - Salt Lick (989) 9:45-11:30; Oak Ridge Community 12:00-4:00; Library 4:30-5:00.

MONDAY, MAY 20 - **Amish Schools** - Library 8:30-10:00; Toller Hollow School 10:30-12:30; Oak Ridge School 1:00-3:00; Library 4:15-5:00.

TUESDAY, MAY 21 - **Garrison** - Skidmore Lane 10:00-11:00; Garrison Community 11:30-3:30; Library 4:00-5:00.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 22 - **Burtonville** - Toller Hollow 10:00-1:00; Happy Hollow, Epworth 1:30-3:00; Epworth Road 3:15-4:00; Library 4:30-5:00.

THURSDAY, MAY 23 - **Garrison** - Skidmore Lane 9:30-9:45; Garrison Head Start 10:00-11:00; Garrison Preschool 11:45-12:45; McDowell 2:15-3:45; Library 4:15-5:00.

TUESDAY, MAY 28 - **Senior Citz.** - Senior Citz. 9:30-12:30; Vanceburg 12:30-2:00; Chestnut Street 2:30-4:15; Library 4:30-5:00.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 29 - **Concord** - Tollesboro Preschool 10:00-10:30; Tollesboro 10:45-11:30; Concord Community 12:00-3:30; Library 4:15-5:00.

THURSDAY, MAY 30 - **Senior Citz. and Echo Hills** - Senior Citz. 9:30-12:30; Echo Hills 12:30-1:00; Dummit Ridge 2:00-3:30; Library 4:15-5:00.

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