

**Junaluskans General Meeting**  
**Wilson Center**  
**September 6, 2023**

Jan Lemasters called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

**Caring & Sharing:** Hilda Ryan reporting: Cards sent to: Helen Howley, Linda Varner, Randy Carlson, Neal Tomlinson, & Mont Duncan; Reed Patton is in Smoky Mtn. Rehab

Opening prayer was offered by Gary Phillips.

**Guest Speaker:** Guest speaker, Christine Gibson: Christine gave an enlightening talk and power point presentation on the topic "Autumn Birding at Lake Junaluska". Some key facts were – there are 77 different species of birds that can be found at LJA, LJA is a haven for birds, it's best to leave the lake edge natural for nesting and food, sunflower chips are the best food for birds, and suet attracts differing species.

**Ken Howle: Update on the Lake**

- Warren Center – footer was poured for the wall being built, projected completion is April, 2024
- County Road – surfacing is completed, striping is contracted out
- Chapel Drive – infrastructure under the road is being replaced
- Endorsement was given for home security cameras
- Older adult conference to be held by Church of the Brethren
- Piano gifted – Hilda Ryan was instrumental in securing this gift
- Rosewalk - Stone barriers are being built as funding permits to safeguard the roses from walkers and dogs; Don & Pat Rankin were recognized for making a charitable contribution for one of the barriers

**Birthdays, Anniversaries and New Residents:** Larry Roberts recognized those with September birthdays, September anniversaries, and welcomed 5 newcomers to the meeting.

**Treasurer's report:** Presented by Frank Dunnewind – Balance as of July 31 is \$28,865.43. Flea market income was \$28,892 and \$11,000 has been contributed thus far for Junaluskan memberships.

**Announcements:**

*Travel Committee:* Twenty-five folks enjoyed the trip to Highlands, NC. The next scheduled hike is September 15. Watch your emails for the next planned trip this Fall.

*Vespers:* The Fall meeting is scheduled for October 10, 4 pm, in the Memorial Chapel with Bishop Charlene Kammerer as the guest speaker.

*Junaluskan dinners:* The next dinner will be held September 19, with a reception prior to the dinner hosted by the Artists in Residence for our guest entertainer, John Salaway. A soup cook-off is planned for the luncheon meeting in October and will be held in the York Dining Commons at noon.

*Fellowship Groups:* Will begin in September. If you are not a part of any group and wish to be, please contact Grace Gattis.

*Christmas decorating:* To begin November 6, with take down either the 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> week in January

*Halloween dance:* To be held October 26 under the big white tent from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. Popcorn and soda will be provided. Costumes are encouraged but not required.

*Swans:* Jackie Dingus made a request for swan team volunteers.

Respectfully submitted,  
Steve Berwager, recording secretary