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Headline: Summer Celebrations



*LWAAAC centenarian
Robert E. Warr
(Photo by Alfonso Holston)*



*Celebrating the 90+ members
(Photo by Sherry Weaver)*



LWAAAC represents in the 4th of July parade (Photo by Alfonso Holston)

Annual Meeting

LWAAAC closed out its 2023-24 year as scheduled at the annual meeting on Wednesday, June 26. It was not an election year, so Maxine Hooker will continue as president for 2024-25 after Janet Overton stepped back for health reasons. All other elected officers and committee chairs will also maintain their roles until June 30, 2025, including the recently appointed chair of the new technology committee. Committee chairs reported on a rewarding year that ended with a positive financial statement. The year also saw the execution of numerous well-attended outings and programs, successful continuation of internal and external print communications, rewarding outside community outreach efforts, stepped up efforts to reach sick and bereaved members, an encouraging bump in membership, and the rollout of a brand-new website: lwaaac.com.

During the meeting, participants also celebrated and recognized members who have reached and passed the age of ninety. Those much-treasured members received Lifetime Membership Certificates, which grant them free annual membership going forward. They also received goodie bags adorned with the 30th anniversary logo, a special cake

was baked in their honor, and they were literally serenaded by the gathering. The most singular of the special honorees, however, was Robert E. Warr, whose 100th birthday was July 7. The members gave him a standing ovation as they sang their version of Stevie Wonder's "Happy Birthday" and signed an over-sized birthday card in his honor.

LWAAAC will resume monthly general membership meetings on Wednesday, September 4.

Independence Day

In keeping with another LWAAAC tradition, the organization was represented by several members in its contingent in the Leisure World Independence Day parade. Sporting their LWAAAC gear, members carried the logo banner as they walked and drove the parade route along with many other LW organizations, clubs, county officials, and apparatus from Montgomery Fire and Rescue Service.

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