Have a safe and happy Thanksgiving!

"Courtesies of a small, trivial character are the ones which strike deepest in the grateful and appreciating heart." - Henry Clay







Pictured with members of the Montegut, Louisiana Lions Club are Donalsonville Loins Club members Eloise Taylor and Mitch Blanks, pictured above left in purple shirts. Americus Lions Club member George Laurin is pictured far right

Lions Club delivers second wave of supplies to Hurricane victims

In our community's darkest days following Hurricane Michael, car, van and truck loads of much needed supplies began to pour in from countless strangers. Our community survived and began to rebuild our new normal lives thanks in a large part to those selfless acts of compassion.

Over the past few months the Donalsonville Lions Club organized a relief effort to allow Seminole County residents to become some of the countless strangers and send packages of hope and supplies to those in Louisiana who were tragically affected by Hurricane Ida.

The local Lions Club, under the leadership of Lions Eloise Taylor and Mitchell Blanks, coordinated phase one of a needed supply drive back in September. In phase one, the Donalsonville Lions Club focused on the collection of cleaning supplies, personal items, food, and disposable diapers, and all items collected were delivered to the Houma, Louisiana Lions Club for distribution to a grateful community.

Additional items were still needed, so the Lions Club began phase two of collecting supplies in October. Residents of the storm ravaged area of Louisiana were in dire need of cleaning supplies, school supplies and new clothing. Infant and kids clothes were really needed, as were socks, underwear, towels, linens, and pillows. New clothing items were requested because of the lack of ability to wash and sanitize items due to COVID-19.

Seminole County residents stepped up to the plate again and the donations poured in by the box full. The Americus Loins Club and Dania Beach Lions Club also participated in the supply drive and Americus Lion George Laurin delivered items collected in his community to Donalsonville.

Last week Lions Taylor and Blanks, along with Jordan Blanks, headed west and delivered a truckload of the collected items to grateful recipients of the Montegut Lions Club for distribution to residents in need in the Montegut, Louisiana community.

The Donalsonville Lions Club thanks

Piggly Wiggly and SunSouth for helping to collect and load the items, and everyone who made a donation, and all involved in this effort practicing the Lions Club motto of "We Serve."





Jordan Blanks, left, and Lion Mitch Blanks, right, stand with members of the Montegut, Louisiana Lions Club

