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Lions Club of Roswell Georgia

Serving Our Community Since 1952



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Treasurer – Robby Robinson

Directors: One Year – Earl Ake, Frank Toler
Directors: Two Years – Virgil Ladson, Mickey Berman
Membership – Bill Duffin, Charles Caudell
Lion Tamer – Bob Garrett
Tail Twister – Pat Welden

Meeting Notice:

The April meeting will be held at the Roswell Holiday Inn on Holcomb Bridge Rd. at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, April 15, 2002. The menu: Mixed Garden Salad, Oven Roasted Pork with Apple Herb Dressing and Hunter Sauce, Fresh Seasonal Vegetable Medley, Potatoes, Warm Dinner Rolls and Chocolate Mousse with Whip Cream and Chocolate Shavings. Our guest speaker will be a motivational speaker from The Knowledge Shop in Marietta, Georgia.



President Mikell thanks Rev. Moeller for speaking and presents him with a Roswell Lions 50th Anniversary Pin and asks him to draw the winning chip.

Message From Our President:

It is safe to say that, at this time the Officers and Directors are more focused on the 50th Anniversary observance of the Roswell Lions than the general membership. But that gives me reason to put the spotlight on the anniversary again this month. As we get closer to that time this fall, more of the history and the personalities of the club's beginnings become more visible to us. For example, the "original" application papers filed with Lions International have been returned to us for our historical scrapbook. But the more I think about the anniversary and our past history, the more I find that we need to focus strongly on the future of the Roswell Lions Club. We know that things never stay the same. You are either moving forward or you are going backward. There is not standing still. Standing still and stagnation are the same. So we plan to celebrate, but we must also plan for the future of the club.

We must plan for future growth in membership. We must plan for future growth and expansion in the outreach efforts that drive Lionism. We must plan for the expansion of the fundraising projects so there will be more money to support the worthy projects of the community. And finally, we must plan for the future so we can continue to fulfill the goal that represents the best of Lions every where..... *WE SERVE. The Prez - Gene Mikell*

Resume of Last Meeting:

President Gene Mikell began the meeting.

Lion Pat Welden led the invocation.

Lion Charles Caudell led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Lions Earl Ake and Mickey Berman led the group in singing a couple of Irish ballads.

Nominating Committee Chair Lion Phil Farias read the list of individuals nominated as Officers and Directors for the 2002-2003 year.

Lion Mickey Berman announced the locations for White Cane Day this year: Kroger-Alpharetta Highway, First Union Bank-Grimes Bridge Rd., Wal-Mart and Southern Skillet. Lion John Hathcock will Co-Chair this project.

Lion Berman encouraged all those in attendance to sign up.

Lion Frank Toler announced our new project: Adopt-A-Road (Holcomb Bridge Rd. at the Fulton/Gwinnett County line). Lions Richard Noakes and John Hathcock will Co-Chair this project.

Lion Charles Caudell announced that Lion Kyle Evens would Chair this years Spring Festival.

Lion Jeffrey Hammen reported on the success of the Miracle Worker Play and Reception

President Gene introduced our speaker Reverend John Moeller, Jr. of Ministries United for Service and Training, Inc. (MUST). This organization has provided support to "the least, the lost and the lonely" for over 30 years. Over 120 churches of 15 different denominations support this organization.

Troy Holman won the drawing and the meeting was adjourned.

The Nominating Committee:

The Nominating Committee: Lions Bill Duffin, Kyle Evens and Chair Lion Phil Farias have met and nominated individuals for the 2002-2003 year. All nominees have been contacted and have accepted. The nominees are:

President – Lion Sally Poole

Board of Directors:

1st Vice President – Lion Jeffrey Hammen

1st Year – Lion Ross Thomas

2nd Vice President – Lion Alan Bethel

1st Year – Lion William Walker

3rd Vice President – Lion Bob Garrett

2nd Year – Lion Virgil Ladson

Secretary – Lion Doris Westbrook

2nd Year – Lion Mickey Berman

Treasurer – Lion Robby Robinson

Immediate Past President – Gene Mikell

Lion Tamer – Lion John Hathcock

Tail Twister – Lion Pat Welden

Membership – Lions Bill Duffin and Troy Holman

From the International Online Newsletter:

LCIF Web site

The LCIF Web site has breaking news and feature stories about LCIF. The latest on efforts to help victims of September 11 is available by browsing <http://www.lcif.org/Lions%20Aid%20Sept%2011%20Victims.htm>. Read about a Michigan woman helped by LCIF by browsing <http://www.lcif.org/Habitat%20Michigan.htm>.

Next Month is Lions Recycle for Sight Month

May is Lions Recycle for Sight Month and clubs are currently in the process of planning how they will participate this year. Through the Recycle for Sight program, Lions help those in need by collecting used eyeglasses, which are then shipped to one of nine Lions eye glasses recycling centers. There the glasses are cleaned, categorized by prescription and then distributed to men, women and children in developing countries free of charge. In most developing nations, an eye exam can cost as much as one month's wages and one single doctor can serve a community consisting of hundreds of thousands of children and adults. To learn more about Recycle for Sight and how your club can get involved, browse <http://www.lionsclubs.org/English/FRecycl.html>.

Young Leaders in Service Award Reminder

Young people can apply for the new Lions Young Leaders in Service Award. To receive the award from International Headquarters, Lions must complete the *Youth Service Tracking Form*. This form indicates the completion of a young person's minimum 50 hours of community service for a Silver Award Certificate and 100 hours of community service for a Gold Award Certificate. At the same time, Lions must submit the *School/Youth Group Award Certification Form* with official signatures. For more information on this program or to request the program booklet with forms, contact executiveservices@lionsclubs.org

Committee Reports:

White Cane Day



This day is set aside each year in April to raise money for the Georgia Lions Lighthouse. This year we will participate on Saturday, April 13th. One-third of the Lighthouse budget comes from the money collected during White Cane Day activities throughout Georgia. On previous White Cane Days we have collected money at Wal-Mart, Southern Skillet Restaurant, KMart, Kroger and First Union Bank. Get with Lion John Hathcock our Project Chairman or Lion Mickey Berman our Chairman Emeritus and sign-up for a time and a location. We still have some open slots in the afternoon.

From the April 2001 newsletter: We were blessed this year with a beautiful day and collections this year totaled \$981 versus \$708 in 2000, \$800 in 1999 and \$543 in 1998. Collections by site were First Union Bank - \$111, Southern Skillet - \$142, Kroger - \$153, Kmart - \$190 and Walmart - \$385

From the May 2001 newsletter:

White Cane Day- Our Best Effort Ever



White Cane Chairman Lion Mickey Berman thanks everyone for his or her participation and challenges Congressman Isakson and Mayor Jere Wood and other honored guests and spouses to take us over \$1,000 mark. His emotional speech was quite effective as Mayor Wood raced up with his \$20 bill to get us going. Not to be out done Congressman Isakson later matched the Mayor during his remarks. Others donated an additional \$197 bringing our total for 2001 to **\$1218**. This total also included fines collected by our Tail Twister and our door prize money.



12th Annual Roswell Colors Festival of Arts



The festival is annually held on Mother's Day Weekend at the Historic Town Square. The Roswell Junior Woman's Club and Roswell Visitors Center sponsor the festival. The festival features fine arts, original crafts, children's activities, musical entertainment, performing arts and great food. Our club has annually had a booth where we have sold produce, flowers, hanging baskets, birdhouses, brooms and light bulbs. Last years hit was our own clown, Lion

Todd Chancey. Kids, big and small filled his jar with donations. Lion Kyle Evens, Project Chairman will be calling soon for volunteers to sign-up and work this weekend. We are also in need of donated items to sell at our booth. If you know of any businesses that might support our efforts please contact them on behalf of our club. Our number one seller last year was bottled water.

50th Anniversary Celebration

Lions Sally Poole and Phil Farias are co-chairing the 50th Anniversary Celebration Committee. If you would like to participate on this committee or you have any ideas you would like to share please contact either of these individuals. If you have any old pictures or club programs please share them with the committee also.

Adopt-A-Road

Lion Richard Noakes has agreed to chair this project. He will be contacting us soon about when we are going to start cleaning Holcomb Bridge Road.

Habitat for Humanity Project



At the District 18-A Convention all Lions present passed a resolution officially supporting our request for an LCIF grant. This was an important step on our way to funding this project. Many thanks to Lion Todd Chancey and District Governor Ray Moore for making this happen. *More importantly - this week we have received word from Lions International LCIF that we have been approved for our grant.* Its time to get the hammers ready!!!!!! Thanks goes to all the Lions who have helped us get to this point.

Golf Outing September 30, 2002



Its time to start planning the 2nd Annual Charity Golf Outing. We will be meeting on a regular basis for breakfast at Southern Skillet. Our first meeting will be on April 26th at 7:00 a.m. If you are interested in assisting with this project contact Lions Pat Welden or Jeffrey Hammen. We need to begin recruiting golfers (individuals and foursomes) and sponsors. We would like to see each Lion organize a foursome or find a hole sponsor. This year's tournament will be in honor of Lion Clifford Vaughan - our only living charter member and will benefit our project fund.

Actions Taken By the Club:

The following actions were taken by the Club in March 2002:
Contributed \$100 to North Fulton Community Charities.
Agreed to participate in the Adopt-A-Road program.

Important Dates:



April 7, 2002 – Daylight Savings Time begins. *Check the batteries in your smoke detectors.*

April 13, 2002 – **White Cane Day.**

April 15, 2002 – Dinner meeting at Roswell Holiday Inn @ 7pm.

April 20, 2002 – Habitat North Fulton's 2nd Annual "Walk on Home" 5K Walk/Run @ 8am. Rain or shine.

April 30, 2002 – Deadline to apply to District 18-A Chairman for Golden Chain Award.

May 11 - 12, 2002 – **Roswell Colors Festival of Arts**-Roswell Square, GA.

May 20, 2002 – Dinner meeting at Roswell Holiday Inn @ 7pm.

May 24 - 26, 2002 – **81st Lions State Convention**-Athens, GA.

June 17, 2002 – Dinner meeting at Roswell Holiday Inn @ 7pm. Installation of Officers. *Spouses are invited.*

August 12, 2002 – Sandy Springs Lions 2nd Annual Charity Golf Tournament at Cobblestone Golf Ackworth, GA. *Cost \$300 per foursome.*

September 30, 2002 – Our 2nd Annual Charity Golf Tournament at Trophy Club of Atlanta.

Walking Wounded:



Lion Charles Caudell continues his treatment for prostate cancer.

Thought of the Day:

Did you know that royalties from Irving Berlin's "God Bless America" go to the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts. To date over 7 million dollars has been collected and donated. *GuidePosts - April 2002*

Time to update our email list. If you have an email address let us know. Email roswelllions@aol.com

New Membership Directories are available and will be on the Lion Tamer table at the meeting. Grab one if you need one.

Newsletter Editor



My last newsletter will be published on April 2003. One year from now. If you are interested in taking over this responsibility please call or email Sally Poole or myself.

District 18-A News:

District 18-A hosted its convention at Red Top Mountain State Park. The host club was the Marietta Lions Club. The keynote speaker was International Director Larry "Doc" Hahn. Also in attendance was Past International President Jim Ervin.

One of the most interesting speakers at the convention was Lion Richard Brauer, District Governor 17K5 in Kansas. Lion Richard was there to represent Leader Dogs. Lion Richard is also blind. He has been blind since thirteen years of age and he is now forty years old. He talked about how confined he was with his walking cane and how much of a burden he was on his family. He then told us how his dog opened up a whole new world for him. Lion Richard was then able to complete college and has had a very successful career in business. I don't believe there was a dry eye in room.

District 18-A passed a resolution during the convention approving the Roswell Lions' Lions Club International Foundation grant for our Habitat for Humanity project. The next step is for Lions International to approve the grant.

New District Governor and Vice District Governor Elected.

John Keeter from the Hapeville Lions is our District Governor Elect.

Earl Culberson from the Adairsville Lions is our Vice District Governor Elect.

Roswell Lion Jeffrey Hammen was awarded an International President's Certificate of Achievement for his service to the district. According to Ray Moore, DG, "One of my goals was to have every club in the district on the web. Lion Jeff completed this effort before I returned from the International Convention".

Upcoming Events:

Lions Day with the Lookouts. April 27, 2002 at 5:30 p.m. Chattanooga Lookouts vs. Western Tennessee. Tickets are \$20 each. District Governor Ray Moore will throw out the first pitch. Jasper Lion Leslie Miller will sing the National Anthem. Mail checks to Chickamauga Lions Club, P.O. Box 805, Chickamauga, GA 30707.

March 2002 Meeting - Pictures by Lion Bob Garrett:



Lion Larry Zacharchuk is wearing green.



Tail twister Pat Welden - It will cost you if your not wearing green.



Rev. John R. Moeller, Jr. explains MUST Ministries.



Lions Duffin, Parsons, Phillips and Caudell.



Lions Berman, Ake, Gross and Vaughan.



Lions Toler, Noakes, Westbrook, Poole and Rev. Moeller.