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## The Roswell Roar

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### Meeting Notice

The April 2006 meeting of the Roswell Lions Club will be at the Roswell Doubletree Hotel on Holcomb Bridge Rd. at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, April 17, 2005. The menu: Roast Pork Loin with Apple Herb Dressing and Hunter Sauce, Chef's Choice of Seasonal Vegetable and Lemon Cream Cake for dessert. Our program will be a discussion of the Christmas Tree Project.

### A Message from our President

April will be another busy and good month for our Club. The next Club project will be White Cane Day on April 22. Please sign up at the April meeting for the time slots you can work. The Georgia Lions Lighthouse has a state wide goal of \$175,000 for White Cane this year.

The Georgia Lions Lighthouse is the official charity at the Atlanta Air Show to be held on April 29th and 30th at Dobbins Air Base in Marietta, GA. We will work one of the concession booths on Saturday April 29. We have 7 Lions per shift, or 14 Lions for the full day, already signed up to work. This is a great way to support the Lighthouse and their efforts to raise much needed funding for their 2006 programs.

The date to review the Christmas tree project is now set for our regular meeting on April 17. The committee will make recommendations on what direction we should go with this long running fund raiser. The staffing of this project becomes more difficult each year. Our members will be asked to make choices about what we should do as a Club about the future of this project.

The 3rd annual reverse raffle will be held on May 6 and needs the support of our membership to make this a good event for our Club. This fund raiser has good potential to grow and support more of the eyesight projects in our community. Please lend your support to Phil Farias, and John Hathcock and the other committee members that are working this project.

One of our founding Club members, Clifford Vaughan, was inducted into the District 18-A Hall of Fame at the District Convention on March 17 in Marietta. This was a very nice recognition of Clifford's contributions to the Roswell Lions Club and to Lionism. Clifford's nephew, Jimmy Vaughan, accepted the award for the Vaughan family.

We have inducted two new members in the last two months. Judith Roe was inducted at our March meeting. Our February inductee, Rose-Mary Bortot will be our greeter at our future meetings. Please give a warm welcome to our new members. Thanks to each of you for promoting our Club to new potential members so that we can make a larger contribution in our community and to Lionism.

Thanks for all you do to support our Club and activities.

*Lion Alan*

# Club Business

## Resume of Last Meeting:

- The last meeting was held on Monday, March 20, 2006 at the Roswell Doubletree Hotel, Roswell, GA.
- The Invocation was given by Pat Welden.
- The Pledge was lead by Ross Thomas.
- Lion Earl Ake lead the assemblage in a song.
- Before the meal, President Bethel announced that we have installed a sign at the west entrance to The Doubletree with the Lions logo and our meeting information (see photo below). He also announced that the Tail Twister, Robbie Norman, will be selling Canine Companion raffle tickets during the meal. He then introduced our guests from the Roswell Police and Fire and Rescue Departments.
- Following the meal, President Bethel made the following announcements:
  - District 18-A Convention was in Marietta on March 17-18. Seven of our members attended. At the Hall of Fame Banquet, Lion Clifford Vaughn was inducted into the Hall of Fame.
  - The Atlanta Air Show is at Dobbins on April 29. The Lions Lighthouse is the official charity and we have been asked to staff a concessions booth for 2 shifts. A sufficient number have volunteered
  - The Georgia Lions University will be on May 13 at Reinhardt College in Waleska, GA.
  - The Special Olympics will be June 3 at Emory University. Frank Toler is the coordinator.
  - The State Convention on June 8-11 will be in Columbus, GA.
  - The International Convention will be on May 30-July 4 in Boston, MA.
  - The meeting schedule for the remainder of the year – April, Christmas Tree Project Future, May, North Fulton Charities, June, Installation of Officers. DG Randy Maynard will conduct the installation.
- A Lions Minute was presented by President Bethel on eyeglass recycling.
- Committee Reports:
  - Phil Farias discussed the Reverse Raffle which will be on May 6 and the new officer nomination progress.
  - Richard Noakes announced that Adopt-A-Road cleanup will February 25th at 8:30 AM. He also discussed the Camp for the Blind work weekends.
  - Millard Berman updated the White Cane Day plans for April 22<sup>nd</sup>.
  - Bob Garrett provided an update on Eyesight Roswell.
- President Bethel conducted a recognition ceremony of our candidates for the Lions Community Service Awards. Award winner Police Officer Mike Matthews was introduced by Police Chief Ed Williams. Award winner Fire and Rescue Officer Chris Cooper was introduced by Chief Charles Booker. President Bethel presented the award plaques and then presented each Chief with a donation check to their departments.
- President Bethel awarded Tom Phillips and Phil Farias with Each One Reach One pins.
- The new member induction of Judith Roe was conducted by Jesse Joiner. Her sponsor is Phil Farias.
- Linda Spudic introduced our speaker, Lori Cowie from Camp Kudzu.
- The drawing was won by Earl Ake.
- The meeting was adjourned.

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## Actions Taken by the Board

The Roswell Lions Board of Directors met on March 14th, 2006 with 9 Lions in attendance.

### Announcements

- Standing Rule: The meeting will adjourn at or before 8:30 PM.
- The District 18-A Convention will be in Marietta on Mar. 17-18.
- Work weekend at The Camp for the Blind, April 7-9 and 28-30 – Waycross.
- The SE Leadership Institute will be Apr 20-23 in Marianna, FL.
- Lions University on May 6. Location not yet announced.
- White Cane Day – April 22.
- The Air Show at Dobbins in Marietta – April 29.
- Special Olympics at Emory – June 3.
- The State Convention will be June 8-11 in Columbus.
- The International Convention is June 30 – July 3, 2006 in Boston.
- The USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum will be Sept 14-16 in Columbus OH.

### Committee Reports

**Membership Committee:** A membership application for Judith Roe was approved by a vote following a motion by Farias/Noakes. Sponsor is Phil Farias. A decision was made to drop Segall at the end of March after a motion by Farias/Berman.

**Nominating Committee:** Phil Farias reported that there are a few positions to be filled.

**Reverse Raffle:** Phil Farias showed the new raffle ticket tumbler. Ticket sales is the priority.

**White Cane Day:** Millard Berman – The locations are lined up and 17 have volunteered.

**Special Account:** Phil Farias presented a recommendation for expenditures. It was amended to add \$100.00 to go to RFB&D by a vote after a motion by Shuford/Berman. The plan was approved after a motion by Noakes/Welden.

Camp for the Blind Braille printer	\$2000.00
American Diabetes Assn.	\$300.00
Police Emergency Fund	\$200.00
Volunteer Fire Dept. Fund	\$200.00
Childrens Eye Care Clinic	\$500.00
The Drake House (Designated)	\$1500.00
RFB&D	\$100.00

#### **Unfinished Business:**

- Christmas Tree Project Future – A discussion will be held at a April club meeting.
- Roswell Lions sign at the Doubletree – President Bethel displayed the new sign.
- Drake House project – Richard Noakes to discuss the designation of donation with John Smith.
- District 18-A Hall of Fame Nominations – Clifford Vaughn will be inducted.
- Plaque for Ben Kushner – It is in – plans pending.
- Fire and Police recognition plaques are on order.
- The request from Roswell High to support flag football for challenged youth – nothing new.
- The Camp for the Blind braille printer need will be verified by Bethel.
- Club pictures for the District Convention being handled by Hathcock and Garrett.
- We have sufficient volunteers for the Air Show concession stand.

#### **New Business:**

- Road pick-up will be Saturday, March 25.
- SSNF program – Robinson reported that we will serve 9 people. We may provide vision screening services at a SSNF Health Fair on October.
- Richard Noakes - The Camp for the Blind is requesting donations for a new Admin Building.
- Lion of the Year and Emerging Leader vote will be in May for June presentation.
- Health Fair – Kathryn and Mike Higgins will co-chair the project.
- The April Board meeting date was changed to April 13<sup>th</sup>.
- Canine Companion raffle tickets will be available at the club meeting

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

## **Senior Services, North Fulton & Roswell Lions Partner to Improve Eyesight**

The Roswell Lions Club and Senior Services, North Fulton (SSNF) began providing eye care services for nine participants during March, 2006. The plan utilizes funds raised in the Annual Reverse Raffle sponsored by the Roswell Lions. The funds are used for the Eyesight Roswell Project. The agreement with SSNF is that they will identify members of their organization who are in need eye exams and glasses. Through an arrangement with area Eye Care Centers, the participant will receive an eye exam and a basic pair of glasses. Over half of these participant have already been to Roswell Eye Clinic.

Eyesight Roswell has already partnered with North Fulton Family Charities and with area Middle Schools to provide eye care for those in need. To date, over 20 individuals have benefited from this project. It is anticipated that the number of individuals will more than double over the next year.

The program is chaired by Patsy Shuford and Bob Garrett. Members of the committee are – Earle Ake, Jeff Hammen, Lewis Mason, Linda Spudic and Alan Bethel.

## **Christmas Tree Committee**

A Christmas Tree committee will bring their report to the next meeting. Please be present to discuss this important facet of our club.

## **Volunteer Hours**

Stan Shuford is tracking the volunteer hours provided to the community by our Lions Club members. This tracking is being done for the Quality Club program. A volunteer form is available on the web site or you can pass the information to Stan in a way convenient for you.

## **Committee Reports**

### **Fly-The-Flag**



Lion Robby Robinson reminds us that additional help is needed in distributing and flying the flags with this program. If you would be interested, contact Lion Robby Robinson or Lion Doris Westbrook. The next Fly the Flag Event will be Memorial Day on May 29.

## Adopt-A-Road



Lion Richard Noakes will be looking for volunteers for the new location at Willeo Road west of Coleman Road. Call him at 770-238-0148 for further info and to sign up. Be sure to support this project at least once this year! Next clean up is scheduled for February 26 at 8.30am.

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## Important Dates

### *April is White Cane Month*



**April 22, 2006** – White Cane Month! Roswell Lions White Cane Day TBA.

**April 17, 2006** – Dinner Meeting at Roswell Doubletree Hotel at 7PM. Program: Christmas Tree Project

**May 6, 2006** – Third Annual Reverse Raffle – Roswell Doubletree Hotel

**May 15, 2006** – Dinner Meeting at Roswell Doubletree Hotel at 7PM. Program: North Fulton Charities.

**June 3, 2006** – Special Olympics Eye Testing, Emory University

**June 19, 2006** – Dinner Meeting at Roswell Doubletree Hotel at 7PM. Officer Installation for 2006-2007.

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**Peace Poster Winners –February 2006**



**And the Winners are...** (l-r) McKensy Scogin, Cottage School; Angela Kovynev, Elkins Pointe MS; Parrish Turner, Crabapple MS; Clayton Hilyard, Queen of Angels School display their winnings.

**New Member February 2006**



**Roswell's New Lion:** Lions Jessie Joiner and Alan Bethel welcome Rosemary Bortot with her sponsor, Lion Francis Parsons.

**Officer of the Year Awards – March 2006**

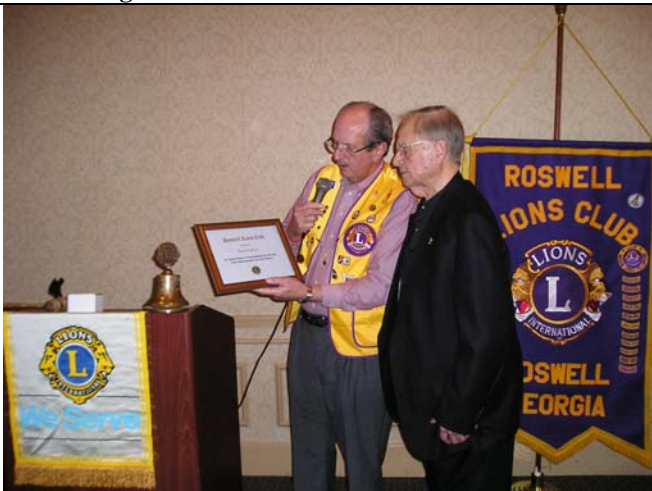


**Police Officer of the Year:** Officer Mike Matthews (right) was recognized for his service at the Roswell Police Department and also his service in Iraq through the Army Reserve. His Chief, Ed Williams and Lion President Alan Bethel presented the award.



**Fire & Rescue Officer of the Year:** Officer Chris Cooper (center) was recognized by his Chief, Charles Booker (right), as the Officer of the Year. Lions President Alan Bethel presented the award.

**March Meeting - 2006**



**Special Recognition:** Lion Bob Fulton was recognized for all the special work he has done with the Star House.



**March New Member:** Lion Jessie Joiner looks on as sponsor, Lion Phil Farias, pins a new Lion Pen on Lion Judith Roe.