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## The Roswell Roar

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### Meeting Notice:

The December, 2004 meeting of the Roswell Lions Club will be at the Roswell Holiday Inn on Holcomb Bridge Rd. at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, December 20, 2004. The menu: Romaine Lettuce with Mandarin Oranges, Toasted Almonds & Raspberry Vinaigrette; Roast Pork Loin w/apple brandy sauce; Mashed Sweet Potatoes; Broccoli Polonaise; Rolls & Butter; and Chocolate Carmel Pecan Torte for dessert. Our host, Holiday Inn, has also informed us that they will provide a complimentary glass of wine for each guest at the meeting. Our entertainment will be provided by the Jubilee Ringers from Roswell First Baptist Church.

### President's Message:

In December we reach the halfway point of this Lions year. I want to start by thanking you all for your hard work and dedication to the Christmas Tree Project. This project is on track to be a great success, due in large part to your dedication and the leadership shown by our project chair, Lion Bill Parsons. Be sure to thank Lion Bill for an outstanding job this year.

As we prepare for the second half of our Lions year, I urge all of you to consider what you can do to contribute to our club. With the bulk of our fundraisers completed next week, these last six months are where we truly serve as Lions. Whether it is providing eyeglasses to schoolchildren, recognizing the youth in our community, or assisting with the Special Olympics, our winter and spring activities are the ones that best exemplify our motto of We Serve.

As always, thank you for the service you provide to the Roswell Lions.

*Lion John*

### Resume of Last Meeting:

The last meeting was held on Monday, November 15, 2004 at the Holiday Inn, Roswell, GA.

- The invocation was given by Phil Farias.
- The Pledge was lead by Andrew Phillips.
- Lion Earl Ake led the assemblage in a song.
- President Hathcock began the meeting with the Introduction of our guests.

- Tail-twister Robbie Norman presented "A Lions Moment" and assessed fines to all who did not know that 4/16/05 is International Worldwide Induction Day.
  - President Hathcock presented Each One Reach One pins to Lion Farias, Lion Garrett and himself.
  - President Hathcock made the following announcements:
    - Remember the Each One Reach One contest.
    - A Zone Meeting will be on November 18<sup>th</sup> in Canton.
    - He then reminded and encouraged each to read the Lions Code of Ethics.
  - Lion Michael Higgins introduced the next speaker, Beverly Roberts.
  - Beverly Roberts, candidate for International Director talked about the requirements of commitment and the time and travel involved for the position. She said that she is prepared to dedicate 100% of her time to the job and possess the skills required. She asked for our support of her candidacy.
  - The following projects were discussed
    - Apple sale by Doris Westbrook and Robby Robinson. It was a successful project with a net of about \$5000 for the club. Doris also mentioned the Fly the Flag project and asked for member participation.
    - Golf Tournament by Jeff Hammen. Jeff thanked the volunteers and the committee members - Troy Holman and Pat Welden. There were 14 foursomes that played and the club netted \$3500.
    - Jeff Hammen, Youth Opportunities Chairperson for District 18-A, discussed the Ambassador of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century program. He described the participation and sponsorship requirements and the rewards, including a \$250 scholarship. Our club will sponsor a candidate who must be a High School senior in Roswell.
    - Eyesight Roswell by Alan Bethel. Alan discussed the involvement of the schools and of Lenscrafters. He announced the Reverse Raffle date of May 7, at the Holiday Inn. Tickets will be available at next months meeting.
    - Georgia Lions Lighthouse report by Kathryn Higgins. As Associate Director of the Lighthouse for our club, Kathryn reported on the Lighthouse Board Meeting. She presented the contributions and the Sight and Hearing Services report.
    - Christmas Tree project by Bill Parsons. Bill had sign-up sheets available. He discussed site issues and that help is needed to spread mulch. Lot set-up day is this Saturday at 9:00 AM
    - Peace Poster Contest by Linda Spudic. Linda thanked the judges. There are 3 posters that have been forwarded to the District contest.
  - The program of the evening was presented by Dave Forrest from Southeast Guide Dogs and Dana Gantt with her dog, Amber. She told of her fight with diabetes, her courage and the experience of receiving her dog. She encouraged donations to the guide dog program. We then met Amber. Dana was given a standing ovation.
  
  - Jack Diggs won the drawing.
  
  - The meeting was adjourned.
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## **Club and District News:**

### **Update on Christmas Tree Project**

As of Saturday, December 18, there were approximately 45 trees remaining to be sold. All were in the 7'– 8' range. A preliminary estimate was that we will have a banner year in our Christmas tree sale. Thanks to the hard work of Bill and his crew of volunteers, we should meet our contribution requirements for the year.

Don't forget that there are still trees to be sold and Bill may need additional help to provide coverage until the trees are sold. In addition, Bill will need help in breaking down the lot when the trees are gone. If you can spend a few hours at the lot next week, call Bill at 770-846-0489.

### **Eyesight Roswell Committee Meets With Local Schools**

Lion Alan Bethel, Chairman, and members of Eyesight Roswell committee held their third meeting with the Roswell schools on November 24. There were seven school social workers in attendance, including one from Sandy Springs and one from the Alpharetta schools. The Eyesight Roswell program is restricted to the elementary schools in Roswell at this time. The social workers were very receptive and excited about the program. The project has assisted seven students to date and the number should increase dramatically as the program gets into full swing. The committee members that attended the meeting were Linda Spudic, Patsy Shuford, Earl Ake, Jeff Hammen, Robby Robinson and Lewis Mason. Further meetings with the social workers are scheduled in January. The next Reverse Raffle and Dinner scheduled for May 7, 2005 (see below) will continue to fund this vital club project.

## **Lighthouse Needs**

*The Georgia Lighthouse is still in need of donations – especially during this time of year. Please consider making a donation in memory or honor of someone this year at Christmas. – Editor*

The Georgia Lighthouse has requested that we help them accumulate glasses and hearing aides. In addition, the newest request is for cell phones that are no longer being used as they can be a source of income for the Lighthouse. If you have a cell phone, glasses or hearing aids that you are no longer using, bring them to the meeting on Monday night. Our new representative to the Lighthouse, Kathryn Higgins, will get them to the right place.

The Lighthouse has also reported that donations are down significantly and are requesting additional help so they can continue to provide the services they have been providing for many years. If you can contribute to this effort see Kathryn for ways to help.

## **2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Reverse Raffle and Dinner Scheduled**

Alan Bethel, Chairman, has announced that the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Reverse Raffle and Dinner will be held May 7, 2005 starting at 6:30 PM at the Doubletree Hotel (formerly Holiday Inn in Roswell) on Holcomb Bridge Rd. The Grand prize will be \$2500 and two second prizes of \$500 each. In addition, there will be many door prizes. Salmon and chicken entrees are available along with refreshments. This year's event will be on a grander scale than the inaugural Dinner and Reverse Raffle last year. Tickets and fact sheets will be available for pickup at our Monday, December 20 meeting. Each person will be given four \$100 tickets and two \$25 companion tickets to sell for this project, along with drink tickets. "Couple" members will be given six \$100 tickets and three \$25 companion tickets to sell for this project, along with drink tickets. The total number of tickets will be limited to 200.

This project raised about \$5,000 in 2004 and the new funds raised will permit the Roswell Lions Club to support our new community project. The new community project is named "Eyesight Roswell" (see story above) with the funds raised from the reverse raffle to be used to provide eye exams, purchase eyeglasses and other eyesight programs for the underprivileged in our schools and community.

For further information call Alan Bethel at 770-643-1506.

## **Special "Shoe Fund" Donation at December Meeting**

Lion Robby has had the following appeal:

At our December meeting, we will continue the tradition of collecting a special donation for North Fulton Community Charities. We call this the Shoe Fund because in the beginning, it was used to purchase shoes for children. The use by NFCC may have changed, but we know it will be go to provide assistance to needy families during the holidays. Last year, we collected \$402. Let's do better this year. Please make out your checks to the Roswell Lions Club so we can combine all the donations and track the total amount through our accounts.

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## **Committee Reports:**

### **Adopt-A-Road**



Lion Richard Noakes wants to thank those that helped with the clean ups this year. The next clean up will be in January due to the Christmas Tree Project. Call Richard Noakes at 770-238-0148 for further info and to sign up.

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



Lion Robby Robinson reminds us that as the Winter chill sets in, 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.

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### **Christmas Tree Lot**



The Christmas Tree Lot will be finishing up this month. Please call Bill if you can help out these last few days and for the take down when the sale is concluded.

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## **Important Dates:**



**Jan 17, 2005** - Dinner Meeting at Roswell Doubletree Hotel @ 7 PM. Speaker – Hatcher Hurd, Editor of The Alpharetta-Roswell Revue & News

**Feb 21, 2005** – Dinner Meeting at Roswell Doubletree Hotel @ 7PM. Peace Poster Recognition, Linda Spudic & Lions Ambassadors for the 21st Century, Jeff Hammen.

**March 21, 2005** - Dinner Meeting at Roswell Doubletree Hotel @ 7PM. (Tentatively) Sally Bethea, Executive Director of The Upper Chattahoochee River Keeper

**April 18, 2005** - Dinner Meeting at Roswell Doubletree Hotel @ 7PM. Ray Grimball, General Manager of Lenscrafters--North Point Mall.

**May 7, 2005** – 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Reverse Raffle to benefit Eyesight Roswell at the Roswell Doubletree Hotel.

**May 14, 2005** – Lions Day at the Chattanooga Lookout's Game.

**May 16, 2005** - Dinner Meeting at Roswell Doubletree Hotel @ 7PM.

**June 20, 2005** - Dinner Meeting at Roswell Doubletree Hotel @ 7PM. Installation of Officers for 2005-2006.

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**Pictures from the November 2004 Meeting:**



Tail-twister Robby Norman accosts Treasurer Robby Robinson and Lion Doris Westbrook to answer his question.



President John Hathcock awards Each One Reach One pins to Lions Phil Farias and Bob Garrett.



Apple Project Co-Chairs Robby Robinson and Doris Westbrook give sales figures for the 2004 Apple Sale.



Christmas Tree Chair Bill Parsons updates the membership. On what has been happening at the Christmas tree lot.



Eyesight Roswell Chair, Alan Bethel updated the club on the latest meetings with Roswell School counselors.



Dana Gant and her dog, Amber, presented an inspiring Message on Southeast Guide Dogs.