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Meeting Notice:

The March 2005 meeting of the Roswell Lions Club will be at the Roswell Doubletree Hotel on Holcomb Bridge Rd. at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, March 21, 2005. The menu: Mixed Garden Salad, Orange and Honey Rosemary Chicken, Roasted Sweet Potato Wedges, Vegetable Medley and Cheesecake with Fruit Topping for dessert. Our program will be Sally Bethea, Executive Director of The Upper Chattahoochee River Keeper.

President's Message:

Spring is nearly here and with it comes many of our Lions activities.

White Cane Day is quickly approaching - please see myself or Millard Berman to sign up for a time to help. We will need everyone's help this year to meet our goal of raising \$2000 for the Lighthouse.

Three weeks later, we will hold our second Reverse Raffle. Lion Alan Bethel and his team have been hard at work making this event even better than last year, so please make every effort to sell tickets for this event. See his article below.

Lion John

Resume of Last Meeting:

The last meeting was held on Monday, February 21, 2005 at the Holiday Inn, Roswell, GA.

- The invocation was given by Troy Holman.
- The Pledge was lead by Chris Wong.
- Lion Earl Ake led the assemblage in a song.
- President Hathcock began the meeting with the Introduction of our guests.
- Tailtwister Robbie Norman ask each for a name, with telephone number, of a person approached to join our club. Those not answering were fined appropriately. Since the Tailtwister was not suitably attired, he was fined appropriately, with the approval of the entire club.
- President Hathcock made the following announcements:

- The District 18-A Convention will be March 18-21 in Jasper. See John for if interested. He also asked that anyone interested in attending the State and International Conventions to see him.
 - President Hathcock encouraged participation in the Each One Reach One program. Stan Shuford will submit the forms if provided with the name and address. He then presented Each One Reach One pins to Phil Farias and Stan Shuford.
- President Hathcock's remarks included a quotation from Helen Keller. He proceeded to tell of her challenge to Lions and why "We Serve".
 - Linda Spudic introduced the Peace Poster winners and guests. She presented the 3 winners with a check for \$100.00 and a certificate.
 - A new member induction was conducted by President Hathcock for Vern Belknap. He was accompanied by his sponsor, Charles Caudell. The club gave him a warm welcome.
 - The following projects were discussed:
 - Alan Bethel presented an update on the ticket sales and door prize collections for the Reverse Raffle. He introduced the Reverse Raffle committee and asked for help from the members to collect door prizes. He also provided posters announcing the event for members to distribute to business locations.
 - The White Cane Day co-chairs, Hathcock and Berman, announced that White Cane Day will be April 16 with a goal of \$2000. We will have 2 new locations and will have local high school student involvement. He explained that the funds collected on White Cane Day and the Reverse Raffle go to support the visually impaired. He discussed how the Lighthouse for the Blind and Eyesight Roswell serve the sight impaired.
 - Jeff Hammen introduced our speaker, Lauren Riddick, Young Ambassador Award Winner. He told of her accomplishment in the community, in academics, and in sports and he presented her with a \$250 scholarship. Lauren discussed research that she did at her school on diabetes and its effect on eyesight. She told of interviewing two diabetics and their symptoms, health effects, lifestyle changes and diet changes required to live with the disease.
 - Jack Diggs won the drawing.
 - The meeting was adjourned.
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Club and District News:

Reminder - June Meetings Rescheduled

Due to scheduling problem, we have changed the dates for the June 2005 meetings. The June Executive Board Meeting will be held Tuesday, June 7 at 7:00 PM.

The June Meeting will be held at 7 PM on Monday June 13 at the Doubletree Hotel, Roswell. Mark your calendars for this change.

2nd Annual Reverse Raffle and Dinner on May 7, 2005 – By Alan Bethel

The event starts at 6:30 PM at the Doubletree Hotel in Roswell on Holcomb Bridge Rd. The Grand prize will be \$2500 and two \$500 prizes & many door prizes.

We need a push on ticket sales. We sold 82 of the \$100 tickets last year with the goal for 2005 of 100 of the \$100 tickets. Please advise how your ticket efforts are going. We need the checks and ticket stubs turned in so we can obtain a count on ticket sales.

We are also beginning to collect door prizes from local businesses. We really could use some support here to secure the number of door prizes needed. We need a door prize for each of the \$100 tickets sold. You can solicit door prizes from the local businesses you patronize. This could be a restaurant, beauty salon, spa, art shop, specialty store, department or discount store, liquor store, shoe store, etc.. Usually we are able to secure a gift certificate or door prize valued at between \$25-50. Let me know what you are able to do on the door prizes. The door prizes will help to make this a nice fun evening and add value for those attending. We can also use cash support for our fund-raiser. Most of this type support we collected last year was from car dealers but we will accept cash from any business in the Roswell area to support our fund-raiser.

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 called "Eyesight Roswell". Committee members are Sally Poole, Ross Thomas, Millard Berman, Chris Wong and Joey Casada. If you would like to serve on this committee, please let me know.

Thanks for all your support of this fund raising project.

White Cane Day – April 16, 2005

Project Chairmen John Hathcock and Millard Berman, Jr. have announced the 2005 White Cane Day. We have added several new locations and will need additional people to staff the new locations.

This year's locations are:

Wal Mart on Mansell Road

Kroger at Crossville Road and Mansell

Kroger at the Silos (Crabapple)

Kroger on Marietty Hwy (Ga 120)

Kroger near Eves Road (2300 Holcomb Bridge)

Kroger at Holcomb Bridge and Barnwell Road (8645 Holcomb Bridge)

There will be some youth that are going to assist us with the staffing. There should be at least one Lion and, hopefully, at least one youth at each site for each shift. Lions, please participate and let these youth know what it is like to be a Lion!

Lauren Riddick, The Roswell Lions 2004-2005 Young Ambassador of the 21st Century

The Lions Young Ambassadors of the 21st Century Award program is part of the Lions Opportunities for Youth initiative. The mission of Lions Opportunities for youth is: To provide the young people of the world with opportunities for achievement, learning, contribution and service, individually and collectively, through sponsorship of activities identified as best practices in the field of youth development.

The Lions Young Ambassadors of the 21st Century Award recognizes young people for their outstanding community service involvement, leadership accomplishments, public speaking skills and scholastic achievement. The awards encourage young people to seek experience in these areas and recognize their value of their achievements.

As District 18-A Youth Opportunities Chairperson, Jeff Hammen has teamed with the 18A District Governor, Mark Miller, to roll out this new program district wide. It is expected that a number of clubs will participate this year and even more next year. The winner of the District 18-A Contest will be awarded a \$1,000 scholarship. The district contest will be held in Jasper, Georgia on Saturday, March 19th. At the local level, the Roswell Lions winner will receive a \$250 scholarship. It is hoped that we will have extend that to \$500 next year.

Lauren Riddick attends The Cottage School in Roswell as a senior. She has been accepted to Andrew College in southwest Georgia and has been awarded a softball scholarship.

Joe Digieso, Principal and Founder of The Cottage School, says Lauren is a "remarkable lady whom we are proud to have had as a student over the past three years". She has involved herself in a number of community service activities and has been honored for her positive attitude, leadership and dedication in many areas. She has been a volunteer serving such organizations as the Roswell Women's Club, Chattahoochee Nature Center, Lymphoma Society, Epilepsy Foundation, Hands On Atlanta and the YMCA Mentoring program. Below are just some of the activities in which Lauren has been involved:

Service

Collected food for North Fulton Community Charities and Union Mission; Collected yarn for premature babies at the Senior Citizen Center; Rivers Alive; and Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation.

Principal Joe goes on to say, she is indeed one of those very special students who is not only engaged in our community life as a student, but has participated in as many after school activities as her schedule would allow.

Sports

She has served as the Captain of the Basketball, Softball, Cross Country and Track & Field Teams; won numerous awards; earned awards as Most Dedicated Runner on the Cross Country and Track & Field teams, Most Dedicated Player in basketball and Most Dedicated Player on the softball team; All Atlanta Conference in basketball, softball, cross country and track & field; set school records in the 1 Mile, 1 Mile Relay and in the 800 and 800 Relay; and, has placed in the top 5 and medaled in the Foot Locker Race in North Carolina.

According to Barry McAdams, Cross Country and Track & Field Coach, she is a strong leader on this campus, exhibiting admirable skills as Captain of both the Varsity Girl's Cross Country and Track & Field Teams. She perhaps is the most dedicated female athlete to attend our school during the ten years I have taught here. Her tenacity and desire to succeed, motivate and inspire others to push beyond their normal limits during training and in competition.

Committee Reports:

Fly-The-Flag



Lion Robby Robinson reminds us that Monday, February 21 is President's Day and the first date this year that the flags will be distributed. 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.

Important Dates:

April Is White Cane Month



April 16, 2005 – White Cane Day – We will have more sites and help from our Youth Partners. Sign up at the next meeting.

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

May 7, 2005 – 2nd Annual Reverse Raffle to benefit Eyesight Roswell at the Roswell Doubletree Hotel.

May is Healthy Vision Month – See <http://www.lehp.org/> for more information.

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

May 16, 2005 - Dinner Meeting at Roswell Doubletree Hotel @ 7PM. Guest Speaker - Brad Range, Antarctic Eagle Scout. and current Student at Georgia Tech.

May 27-29, 2005 – Lions State Convention, Hapeville.

June 13, 2005 – **NOTE DATE CHANGE** - Dinner Meeting at Roswell Doubletree Hotel @ 7PM. Installation of Officers for 2005-2006.

June 27-July 1 – Lions International Convention, Hong Kong.

July 23, 2005 (Tentative) – Planning Meeting and Barbeque (Tentative)

August 20, 2005 (Tentative) – Annual Steak Fry at 4 PM. Location Royal Oak Pavillion (**SPOUSES INVITED**).

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Don't forget your used Cell Phones for Monday's Meeting!

Pictures from the February 2005 Meeting:



Pres. John Hathcock initiates new member Vern Belknap as sponsor Charlie Caudell looks on.



Tailtwister Robby Norman fines members for not be attired properly. He was later fined for the same thing by the club.



Lauren Riddick, Young Ambassador for the 21st Century Winner for our club presents a speech on Diabetes.



Jeff Hammen & John Hathcock present Lauren Riddick with the 1st Young Ambassador \$250 scholarship.



Peace Poster Winners (L-R) Mai Binn, Queen of Angels; Ally Alvarez, Cottage School; Maci Laseter, Elkins Point.



Lions Pat & Ann Welden bring recyclable glasses and cell phones for donation to the Lighthouse.