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## The Roswell Roar

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### Meeting Notice

The next 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 19, 2007. The fare this month is Mixed Mixed Garden Green Salad, Apple Stuffed Roast Pork Loin with Sweet Potatoes, Vegetable Medley, and Cheesecake for dessert. The program will be John from Lenscrafters presenting some highlight from Mission Trips for eyesight preservation.

### Club Business

#### Resume of Last Meeting:

- The last meeting was held on Monday, February 19, 2007 at the Roswell Doubletree Hotel, Roswell, GA.
- The Invocation was a Moment of Silence.
- The Pledge was lead by Chris Wong.
- Lion Earl Ake lead the assemblage in a song.
- After the meal, President Berman recognized our guests.
- Lion Linda Spudic recognized our Peace Poster winners, Lindsay Kandel from the Cottage School and Samantha Zabroske from Queen of Angels.
- Lion John Hathcock made a brief announcement regarding the upcoming District Convention in Waleska on March 16-17.
- Lion Alan Bethel made a brief announcement about the progress with the Eyesight Roswell Project, specifically efforts to provide the Roswell Nursing Center with 10 pairs of eyeglasses/ He also announced the date of our next Reverse Raffle, May 5<sup>th</sup> at the Doubletree Hotel in Roswell.
- Lion Vince Kartley announced the next Adopt A Mile cleanup will be at the Wileo Baptist Church on Saturday, Feb 24<sup>th</sup> at 8.30am.
- Lion Milt Brand did a splendid job of taitwisting and soliciting donations from members who wanted to share personal news with the club.
- Linda Spudic won the drawing.

## **Club News**

### **Joiner's Celebrate 66<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

On February 25, 2007, Lion Jessie Joiner and his wife, Jean, celebrated their 66<sup>th</sup> Wedding anniversary. They were recognized at the Roswell United Methodist Church morning services that day.

Congratulations Jessie and Jean.

### **Adopt-A-Road Continues Under New Chairman**

Under the able direction of Lion Vince Kartley, on February 24th, Lions Ake, Brand, Farias, Wong, and Robinson policed the R/W of Wileo Rd. from SR 120 to the Cobb County line. The next Adopt-A-Road pickup is scheduled for April and Lion Vince will remind us at our April meeting.

## **Club Activities**

### **"Eyesight Roswell" Update – Alan Bethel**

**Hearing Aid Program for SSNF--** Dr Greenberg will conduct hearing screenings on April 20 for all the clients at the Warsaw Road location. The Roswell Lions Club will have a presence on April 20 during the screenings. If the client is unable to pay, or can only pay for part of the services, we will help with the charges. Our eyeglass program continues with SSNF and we recently had a new referral to Roswell Eye Clinic.

**Lenscrafters--** A follow-up eyeglass repair and vision testing mission visit with LC to the Roswell Nursing & Rehabilitation Center will be scheduled in April. Jon Beaton from LC will present our program on March 19 and discuss their mission projects around the world. A representative from Alpharetta Eye Associates will also attend.

**Roswell Nursing & Rehabilitation Center--** A program to provide eye exams and eyeglasses to Roswell Nursing residents has started. One resident has been approved for eyeglasses. Dr. Mark Dickinson now works with Roswell Nursing and has agreed to provide an eye exam and eyeglasses at \$80 for each person. His next visit to Roswell Nursing will be March 20. The eye exam and eyeglasses will be provided on site at Roswell Nursing since the residents are not able to leave the facility. The program will be reviewed to determine if more eyeglasses will be provided after the initial 10 pairs are dispensed.

**Homestretch--**We held a meeting with Nancy Coveny, Executive Director and the two family coordinators to review Eyesight Roswell with them. The program was offered to Homestretch and we would expect some activity in the near future. This will be a great resource for Homestretch to assist their residents to insure their basic needs are met. Homestretch provides temporary housing primarily for single mothers and children at this Roswell facility. They will describe our eyeglass program in one of their future newsletters.

**North Fulton Charities--** We had agreed to pay for Minerva Torres to have a consultation with an Ophthalmologist to examine a growth on one her eyes. It appears an eye drop prescription could help to alleviate the problem. Eyesight Roswell has paid for the Rx as prescribed by Roswell Eye Clinic at a cost of about \$100. We will determine the status after the prescription is used and if support is needed for a refill or further consultation on the condition. No change in this situation.

**Drake House--** We attended the first volunteer appreciation dinner on March 8. Since the opening of the Drake House, 29 families and 53 children have been served. Two new families will be moving into the Drake House in the next week. We received many thank you's from the Drake House for our Eyesight Roswell program.

**Roswell City Schools--**We are working with Jennifer Bui at Elkins Point MS on a student that has very poor eyesight in one eye. Alpharetta Eye Associates is working to secure an appointment with a specialist for a full examination of the problem eye where she can only see hand motion. We may be able to help with the cost of the exam to determine what treatment is available for this 14 year old girl.

**Fourth Annual Reverse Raffle--** Please remember the 4th annual Dinner & Reverse Raffle to be held on May 5, 2007. This fundraiser is the sole monies used to support the programs of Eyesight Roswell. You will be hearing more about this event from the Chairman, Phil Farias. We need you to pull out all the stops to support this fundraiser. Your support is needed to make this fundraiser successful.

Please advise if you have other ideas or suggestions on Eyesight Roswell. The Eyesight Roswell committee is made up of Bob Garrett and Alan Bethel, co-chairs, committee members, Earl Ake, Phil Farias, Jeff Hammen, Lewis Mason, Robby Robinson, Patsy Shuford and Linda Spudic. It is the goal of the committee to keep our membership informed on the status and progress of this very important Roswell Lions program. We are making a difference in our community as the Eyesight Roswell program is expanded to include new programs at Roswell Nursing and Homestretch. You have every reason to be proud of what your Club is doing in our community to serve those in need. Tell those outside the Club what we are doing and invite them to visit one of our future meetings.

## **District Events**

**What:** Georgia Lions University

**When:** Saturday, June 9th

**Time:** 9:00 am - 2:00pm

**Where:** Powers Ferry United Methodist Church

245 Powers Ferry Road, SE

Marietta, GA

Agenda is coming soon.

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## **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.

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



Lion Vince Kartley will announce the next Adopt-a-Road pickup at the next meeting. Call him at 770-490-9822 for further info and to sign up. Thanks to all who supported the project this year!

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## **Important Dates**



**April, 2007** – White Cane Month

**Apr. 16, 2007** - Dinner Meeting at Roswell Doubletree Hotel at 7PM. Program: TBA

**Apr. 21, 2007** – (Tentative) White Cane Day in Roswell.

**Apr. 28, 2007** – Region IV Social – Carter's Lake (Tentative)

**May 5, 2007** – Fourth Annual Reverse Raffle to benefit Eyesight Roswell Project.

**May 12, 2007** – Lions University. More to follow.

**May 21, 2007** - Dinner Meeting at Roswell Doubletree Hotel at 7PM. Program: TBA

May 26, 2007 – Special Olympics Opening Eyes Project, Emory University.

**Jun. 1-3, 2007** – Georgia Lions Convention at Callaway Gardens, Pine Mountain, GA.

**Jun. 18, 2007** - Dinner Meeting at Roswell Doubletree Hotel at 7PM. Program: Installation of New Officers.

**Jul. 2-6** – 90<sup>th</sup>. Lions International Convention, Chicago, IL.

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*Remember to save your Used Eyeglasses, Used Hearing Aids and Used Cell Phones! They can ALL be recycled to help someone in need.*



Peace Poster Contest Winner 2006-2007  
Lindsey Kandel—The Cottage School—8th Grade



Peace Poster Contest Winner 2006-2007  
Samantha Zabroske—Queen of Angels School—7th Grade

# Volunteer Opportunity



**Special Olympics**



**Lions Clubs International**



## State Summer Games

### Vision Screening of Athletes



**Date:** May 26, 2006 Saturday

**Time:** 8:00 am—12:30 pm or  
12:00—3:30 pm

**Place:** Emory University, Special Olympics Georgia Woodruff PE  
Building Racquet Ball Courts

**Atmosphere/Dress:** Casual, shorts, t-shirts, tennis shoes

On site training—volunteer jobs: vision screening, facilitating —  
no experience necessary

Parking Available in Peavine Parking deck—you can see the back of Woodruff PE building from the parking deck.

To sign up contact: Jennifer Daniell at Special Olympics (770) 414-9390 x 110 or email:  
[jennifer.daniell@specialolympicsga.org](mailto:jennifer.daniell@specialolympicsga.org) or Frank Toler [ftoler@mindspring.com](mailto:ftoler@mindspring.com) or 770  
861-0625

\***Lions Club International** has a partnership with Special Olympics North America that includes funding of eyewear given during this vision screening.

The following are programs funded by the Eyesight Roswell Project. Funding is provided ONLY from the Reverse Raffle. Please do what you can to sell tickets for this project.

## **Eyesight Roswell Programs**

**All programs are funded by the Dinner & Reverse Raffle held each year. The 2007 event will be held on May 5.**

- 1. Provide eye exams and eyeglasses to needy students in all the Roswell City Schools.**
- 2. Provides eye exams and eyeglasses to seniors in need at Senior Services of North Fulton.**
- 3. Provide eye exams and eyeglasses to children and adults at North Fulton Charities.**
- 4. Provide eye exams and eyeglasses to children at Foster Care Support Foundation.**
- 5. Provide eye exams and eyeglasses to mothers and children at the Drake House. The Drake House is a temporary housing facility in Roswell.**
- 6. New program to provide eye exams and eyeglasses to residents at Roswell Nursing & Rehabilitation Center.**
- 7. New program to provide eye exams and eyeglasses to mothers and children at Homestretch in Roswell. Homestretch is a temporary housing facility in Roswell.**