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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, May 19, 2008

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Since this is my last newsletter message as President of the Roswell Lions Club, I wanted to thank all of you for your time, dedication, and support of the Club over the past year. I also wanted to extend my sincere appreciation to your spouses and family who have allowed you to take time away from them to serve not only our community, but to also support Lionism worldwide.

This past month, we held 2 of our major fund-raisers in support of Eyesight Roswell (Reverse Raffle) and the Georgia Lighthouse (White Cane Day). Our White Cane Day effort garnered **\$1,200** in donations for the Lighthouse, and the Reverse Raffle netted over **\$5,700** to support Eyesight Roswell.

A very heartfelt thanks to those who supported these worthy causes by selling or purchasing tickets, gathering raffle prizes, or standing in the sun or rain for 3 hours with a white cane or bucket in your hand.

As incoming President, Phil and his board of officers take over at the reins, I look forward to even greater things to come as we expand our community service focus in Roswell while still supporting Lionism both here in Georgia and Internationally.

Millard

CLUB NEWS

THANK YOU

To President Millard Berman for his organization of our White Cane collection day. And, to the Roswell Lions that turned out to make it the most successful in recent years.

To PP Phil Farias for his staging of the 2008 version of the Reverse Raffle. It was his second success in a row and will insure that funds are available for Eye Sight Roswell. And, to Fran Farias for arranging the silent auction display.

To PP Alan Bethel who started the Reverse Raffles and has been the driving force in making Eye Sight Roswell a success.

At the April meeting, PCC Mark Miller reviewed the accomplishments of the Georgia Lions Lighthouse and challenged the Roswell Lions to seek out new members to share the benefits of our club.

At the May meeting, PDG Randy Maynard, the incoming District Director of the Lighthouse will be on the program. Let's make Lion Randy welcome.

In June, DG Vanessa Stanley will make her last visit as our DG and will install our officers for 2008-2009. This will also be spouses night so mark June 16th on your calendar for this special meeting.

SUMMER ACTIVITIES

Our club does not hold regular in meetings July and August. For the last several years, we have held a BBQ in conjunction with a planning session of the Board and a steak cookout. No plans have been finalized for this year and Incoming President Farias would appreciate your input. Talk with him or any member of the Board.

SPECIAL OLYMPICS

THERE WILL BE A SIGN-UP SHEET AT THE MAY MEETING FOR THE SPECIAL OLYMPICS TO BE HELD AT EMORY UNIVERSITY ON MAY 31ST. VOLUNTEERS WILL ASSIST WITH THE VISION SCREENING OF THE SPECIAL ATHLETES. ANYONE WHO HAS WORKED IN THE PAST WILL TELL YOU THIS IS A MOST REWARDING EXPERIENCE.

THIS IS "WE SERVE" IN ACTION.

NUMBERS WORTHY OF NOTE

REVERSE RAFFLE

- \$7,400** FOR 74 \$100 TICKETS SOLD (76 LAST YEAR)
- \$1,800** FOR 18 TICKETS SOLD BY THE HOLMANS
- \$2,170** CASH DONATIONS INCLUDING **\$1,000** FROM THE BANK OF NORTH GEORGIA SECURED BY LION THOMAS AND **\$800** BY LION BETHEL.
- 89** 74 DOOR PRIZES PLUS 15 AUCTION ITEMS SECURED BY LION MEMBERS
- \$5,700** ESTIMATED INCOME (\$5,820 LAST YEAR)

WHITE CANE DAY

- 15** NUMBER OF ROSWELL LIONS THAT WORKED AT THE FOUR LOCATIONS SEVERAL WORKED TWO SHIFTS
 - 660** NUMBER OF \$1 BILLS COLLECTED
 - 800** NUMBER OF PENNIES DEPOSITED
 - \$718.29** COLLECTED AT WALMART
 - \$6,300** TOTAL DONATED TO THE LIGHTHOUSE THIS YEAR
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WHITE CANE COLLECTIONS						
LOCATION	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Kroger 92	0	226.37	164.12	0		
Kroger Crabapple	235.28	295.35	156.90	151.00		
Kroger Mansell	181.89	53.80	0	130.64		
Kroger 120	171.88	72.47	130.24	182.24		
Kroger Centennial	76.10	0	0	0		
WALMART	149.30	236.07	309.50	718.29		
Misc.	17	7.19	13.24	17.83		
Meeting Collection	290	453.75	300.00	0		
TOTAL	1,121.45	1,345.00	1,074.00	1,200.00		

USED EYEGLASSES PICK-UP SPOTS

Eye Care 9950 Jones Bridge Rd.

Roswell United Methodist Church Mimosa St.

Roswell Eye Clinic 1190 Grimes Bridge Rd.

Roswell Library 115 Norcross St.

Roswell Adult Recreation Center 830 Grimes Bridge Rd.

Furey Family Eye Care 250 East Crossville Rd. Roswell

Lasik Plus 5530 Windward Pkwy. Bldg. D Suite 420

2020 Eye Care 10945 State Bridge Rd. Suite 306

**THESE LOCATIONS WILL ALSO BE POSTED ON THE
ROSWELL LIONS CLUB WEB SITE AT roswelllions.org**

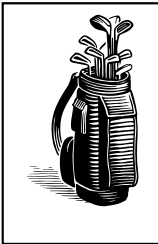
CAMPAIGN SIGHT II FIRST RECEIVES \$4 MILLION

Lions Clubs International Foundation has received the largest donation in its 40 year history. The Moorfields Eye Hospital Foundation Trust donated \$4 million to LCIF. Moorfields is located in the United Kingdom and is an international center for the treatment of eye disease and a leader in vision-care research and training. This donation will help control and eliminate preventable blindness worldwide. The funds will directly support the construction and establishment of a new facility for the Korle Bu Eye Hospital in Accra.

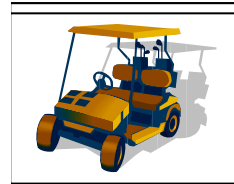
PIP Jimmy Ross said that, "This is a landmark donation for LCIF and Sight First program. The funds donated to CSFII will allow Lions to provide Sight First eye care services to a critically under-served population. We are very grateful for this partnership from an institution that shares Lions' mission to save and protect sight." PIP Ross is chairperson of LCIF. Since 1990, Lions' Sight First program has provided funding to save the sight of more than 27 million people and improved eye care for hundreds of millions of people.

To date, LCIF's Sight First program has awarded more than \$211 million for projects in 90 countries. "With more than \$150 million already raised, this donation comes at a pivotal point in reaching our challenge goal of \$200 million," says PIP Dr. Tae-Sup Lee, CSFII chairperson. He further stated that, "Lions need the rest of the world to follow Moorfields' lead in supporting Lions' CSFII effort to eliminate unnecessary blindness, which can so often and easily be prevented before it robs anyone else."

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The golf tournament has been rescheduled for Monday, October 27, 2008, at Bradshaw Farms. Contact PP Jeff Hammen for details. Also contact Lion Jeff if you can assist with the planning and staging of the tournament.



DATES TO REMEMBER

May 19 th 7:00 PM	Regular meeting at Doubletree
May 16 th -18 th	Georgia Lions Convention Marietta
May 26 th	Fly the Flag Memorial Day
May 31 st	Special Olympics Emory University
June 10 th 7:00 PM	Board Meeting PP Phil's office
June 16 th 7:00 PM	Regular Meeting at DoubleTree Spouses Night and Installation of Officers
July and August	No Regular Meetings Members will be advised of the dates and times of any Special Activities

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vancouverouthlions.com**