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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, November 20, 2006. The menu: Mixed Garden Salad, Roast Turkey with Cornbread Dressing & Gravy, Sweet Potatoes, Fresh Green Beans and Pumpkin Pie with Whipped Cream. The program will be from Ed Ressler, Lions Camp for the Blind and Vice District Governor Vanessa Stanley will induct seven new members (see story below).

Club Business

Resume of Last Meeting:

- The last meeting was held on Monday, October 16, 2006 at the Roswell Doubletree Hotel, Roswell, GA.
- The Invocation was given by Pat Welden.
- The Pledge was lead by Millard Berman, Jr.
- Lion Earl Ake lead the assemblage in a song.
- After the meal, President Noakes requested the introduction of guests.
- Lion Linda Spudic announced the Peace Poster Contest and circulated a sign-up sheet for judging. There are currently 2 schools participating.
- Lion Bill Parsons discussed the Christmas Tree Sale plans. Members should be prepared to sign up to work the lot. The sign-up sheet will be available next meeting. The trees are expected to be better and lighter than previous years.
- Lion Doris Westbrook announced that the Apple Sale resulted in fewer sold boxes than last year. She encouraged members to plan for next year and increase sales. Profits should be about \$4100.
- Lion Jeff Hammen reported that the 6th Annual Lions Golf Outing was a success. We had great weather and 57 golfers were there. He thanked the volunteers and Troy Holman for their work. He also thanked the sponsors and donors. He plans to repeat the Crooked Creek outing next year.
- Lion Alan Bethel presented a "Lion Moment" by giving a detailed report on Eyesight Roswell activities and projects. A hearing aid program is in the works and additional eyeglass providers have been added. The Mission Statement for Eyesight Roswell Is: "To provide sight and hearing care assistance to qualified and needy individuals in our community of Roswell, that otherwise could not secure proper medical service through private and public programs. Create and foster a spirit of understanding among our Roswell neighbors, that through community involvement and action, we serve and care."
- Our guest speaker was John Smith III, executive director of The Drake House.
- President Noakes encouraged the members to invite prospective new members to our club meetings.
- Lion Robby Robinson won the drawing.
- The meeting was adjourned.

Club Activities

Eyesight Roswell Update – Alan Bethel

Below is the latest update on Eyesight Roswell, effective November 14, and also summarizes the actions taken at the committee meeting held on November 9.

Roswell City Schools Eyeglass Program--We are seeing a big increase in the demand for glasses from the Roswell City Schools. Part of the increase is related to a Red Cross program that provided eye exams and eyeglasses to the Roswell School system no longer being offered. The school social workers were advised we would fill this void. We have processed 22 new requests for eyeglasses from the Roswell school system in the last 2-3 month period. A meeting with the twelve Fulton County social workers will be held at Roswell HS on November 17 to review the Eyesight Roswell program and obtain feedback on how the program is working and how to improve the process.

Hearing Aid Program for SSNF-- A meeting was held with Judy Squires and Colleen Davis at SSNF on November 9 to kick off the hearing aid program. SSNF has two candidates for the program. A meeting was also held with Mindy Posey at the SSNF on Warsaw Rd on November 14 to review the program directly with that location. Dr. Herbert Greenberg will work with the Roswell Lions Club on the hearing aid program in conjunction with the Georgia Lions Lighthouse Foundation. The clients will pay if they are able to cover the costs of the application and Audiologist charges. If the client is unable to pay all or part of the services, we will help with the charges.

Health Fair at SSNF--The Health Fair at SSNF will be held in February with the specific date to be set. Lenscrafters will partner with us on the Health Fair. Eye testing will done with the scope of the testing to be defined with Lenscrafters.

Georgia Lions Lighthouse Foundation--The committee has decided to purchase one Titmus Eye Screener for the Lighthouse, at \$400, that can be used to check eye acuity to determine if a person should see a doctor for further testing. Robby will send the check for \$400 to the Lighthouse. The Lighthouse will use the Titmus Eye Screening equipment to conduct testing at the Good Samaritan facility in downtown Atlanta once a month and will be looking for Clubs to staff the screening. The equipment will also be loaned to Lion Clubs for use in their communities.

Lenscrafters--On December 5, LC will host 35 kids from Forsyth County to provide eye exams and glasses as a part of their "Home Town Day" program. We have been asked to participate and provide gifts and/or food for the event. "The Home Town Day" will be held at Lenscrafters in Alpharetta. The Forsyth County Lions Club and Alpharetta Lions Club will be involved in the LC event.

An eyeglass repair visit was made to SSNF, Warsaw Road on November 14 with personnel from Lenscrafters to adjust and repair eyeglasses of clients from SSNF. They also tested SSNF clients for vision problems. There were 22 SSNF clients that participated. This service is provided at no charge and was very well received by the clients and the SSNF site manager. We were present and assisted on the repair and testing visit.

North Fulton Charities--A meeting was held on October 26 with Barbara Duffy, Exec Director and Karen Quinn, Case Manager, at NFC to further this program with those in need within Roswell at NFC. An introduction was made to a young mother who had been provided eyeglasses and she was most appreciative. Her two children were also provided eyeglasses. Karen will co-ordinate our program at NFC.

Forecast of Demand for Eyeglasses--A forecast has been compiled for the next twelve months with a breakdown as follows:

Drake House--12 pair--Cost of \$960
Roswell City Schools--60 pair--Cost of \$2100
North Fulton Charities--12 pair--Cost of \$960
Senior Services of No. Fulton--15 pair--Cost \$1200
Other in Roswell--6 pair--Cost of \$480
Testing Equipment for Lighthouse--Cost \$400
Homestretch--Cost to be defined
Scholarship to Camp for Blind--Cost to be defined

The forecast and numbers will be updated as we go forward. The total cost of the outlined programs is \$6100.

Please advise if you have ideas or suggestions. It is the goal of the committee to keep our membership informed on the status and progress of this very important Roswell Lions program.

APPLE SALE REPORT

Thanks to all of the Lions for their sales and help with the unloading. We still have a few collections to come in, and the final number should be around \$4,000. Some of the sales leaders were Lion Bob Garrett, Lions Troy & Eleanor Holman, Lion Ross Thomas, and Lion Lewis Mason.

We also need to thank Mary Coley for her help every year, and Mercier Orchards for the apples they provide. We sold most of the extra apples from the Orchards and the remaining boxes were delivered to North Fulton Community Charities.

Seven New Members to be Inducted

Seven new members were approved for induction at the November meeting. The new members and their sponsors are:

Gary Combs sponsored by Frances Parsons
Donna Combs sponsored by Frances Parsons
Ron Young sponsored by Phil Farias
Diane French sponsored by Troy Holman
Timothy Dunn sponsored by Alan Bethel
Elizabeth Dunn sponsored by Alan Bethel
Folly Teko-Ahatefou sponsored by Robby Robinson

Please plan to meet and encourage each of our new members. They will be inducted by Vice District Governor Vanessa Stanley.

Our Sympathy

Our thoughts a prayers go out to Charlie Caudell and his family in the loss of his wife, Jean. We will all miss her Charlie.

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.

Adopt-A-Road



Lion President Richard Noakes has announced that the Adopt-a-Road Project has concluded for the year. The next pickup will be January 20, 2007 at 8:30 AM. Call him at 770-238-0148 for further info and to sign up. Thanks to all who supported the project this year!



Apple Sale – Fall 2006 – Lions Doris Westbrook and Robby Robinson will be bringing the results of the Apple Sale to Monday's meeting. It looks like we had a successful sale!

Christmas Tree Lot



The Christmas Tree Lot will get started in November. Over the next few weeks, the finishing touches will be put on this important money raising project. We, as a club voted to support this project. It is really a rewarding experience. Sign up as much as you can when the sign up sheet is started.

Important Dates



Nov. 25, 2006 – Christmas Tree Lot Opens

Dec. 18, 2006 - Dinner Meeting at Roswell Doubletree Hotel at 7PM. Program: TBA

Jan. 15, 2007 - Dinner Meeting at Roswell Doubletree Hotel at 7PM. Program: TBA

Feb. 19, 2007 - Dinner Meeting at Roswell Doubletree Hotel at 7PM. Program: TBA

Mar. 19, 2007 - Dinner Meeting at Roswell Doubletree Hotel at 7PM. Program: TBA

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

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

Jun. 18, 2007 - Dinner Meeting at Roswell Doubletree Hotel at 7PM. Program: TBA

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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.

October Meeting 2006



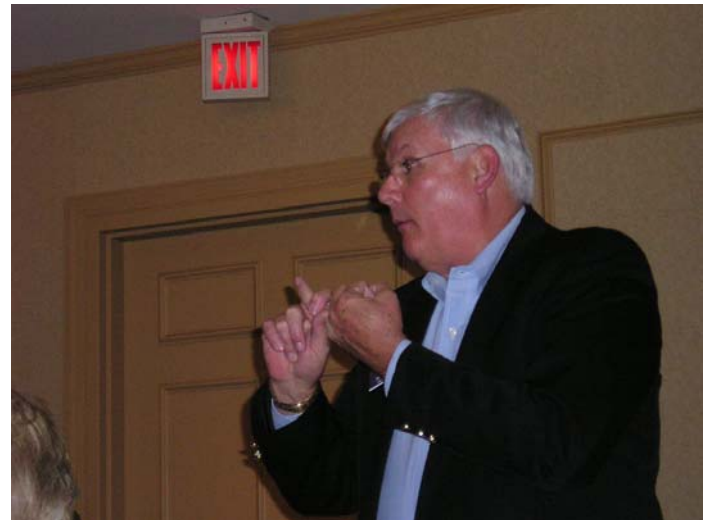
"Now if I was running for Governor..." - Earl Ake discusses old fashioned Politics with Chris Wong.



Lions Tom & Linda Spudic and guests enjoy some lively discussions before the meeting started.



Here are your responsibilities!: Phil Farias discusses the Lions Club to future member Ron Young.



John Smith III, Director, presented our program on the Drake House.



Doris Westbrook gave preliminary sales figures for the Apple Sale.



Bill Parsons kicks off the Christmas Tree Project with an update and a request for support from everyone.