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Meeting Notice:

The October meeting will be held at the Roswell Holiday Inn on Holcomb Bridge Rd. at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, October 20, 2003. The menu: Tossed Green Salad, Orange Honey Rosemary Chicken, Potato Wedges, Green Beans, Bread with butter and Cheesecake with strawberry Topping. Our speaker will be John Feight from the Foundation for Hospital Art.

President's Message:

I want to thank everyone for all of the hard work. There are lots of activities going on. Some you may not know about. Fly the Flag just raised and lowered the American Flags for Columbus Day. The Apple Sale is going full speed ahead. Our club made its return to the Roswell Youth Day Parade this past Saturday and our Eye Glass Recycling Contest at the local Middle Schools came to a close on World Sight Day. Elkins Pointe Middle School collecting 89 pairs of glasses to Crabapple Middle School collecting 114 pairs. The Peace Poster Contest is in full swing at The Cottage School, Queen of Angels Catholic School, Crabapple and Elkins Pointe Middle Schools. We cleaned up Holcomb Bridge Road again as part of Adopt-A-Road and tested Foe Killer Creek as part of Adopt-A-Stream. The Roswell Lions are making a difference in our community. There is a lot to do. If you are not involved in something, pick your spot.

Just around the corner will be our Annual Charity Christmas Tree Sale. Lion Troy Holman, Project Chairperson has been meeting with his project committee. We will have a heated trailer this year on the site. Troy will have a sign up sheet on Monday night at the meeting. Please sign up for as many spots as you can. This is our largest fundraiser for the year and we need everyone's support to make it a success.

Please complete your "How Do We Rate Questionnaire?" and turn it in to me after the October meeting. I will have copies available on the table. Your input and feedback is important to the success of our club.

Lion Jeff

Resume of Last Meeting:

The last meeting was held on Monday, September 22, 2003 at the Holiday Inn, Roswell, GA.

Lion Pat Welden gave the invocation.

Lion Robert Joe lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Lion Earl Ake lead in the singing of AMERICA.

Guests were introduced at each table and they included Bryan & Diana Reinhold, Brenda McGuire, Rosanna Bassett, Al Hopper, Ron Huffman and Zone Chairman Amos Cash, Alpharetta Lions.

Lion Virgil Ladson was presented with the Annual Melvin Jones Award for his long service to the Roswell Lions Club.

Lion Phil Farias presented the 2003-2004 Special Budget totaling \$14,000.

President Jeff Hammen reported that the Fall Golf Tournament was a success and that the final figures will be available soon. The estimate is that we were near the \$3,000 mark this year. He also announced that the Golf Tournament next year will be on May 10, 2004 at Brookfield West.

President Jeff Hammen also ask for a vote to accept the Bylaws/Constitution template that is recommended by Lions International with the understanding that we would modify it with our needs as time goes on. The measure passed.

Lion Linda Spudic, Peace Poster Chairperson, reported that the Peace Poster Contest is in full swing and going well at The Cottage School, Queen of Angels Catholic School, Crabapple and Elkins Pointe Middle Schools. Assistance will be needed for judging the contest in early November. See Linda at the next meeting for further details.

Lion Linda also discussed the Young Leaders in Service Awards that rewards young people for getting involved in community service activities.

Lion Doris Westbrook discussed the Apple Sale. She has ask each Roswell Lion to buy (or sell) at least two boxes of apples. If you buy two, eat one and give the other away. That way you will have a definite sale next year. Our goal for this year is \$5,000.

Lion Richard Noakes, Adopt-a-Road Chairperson, announced that the next pickup would be the following Saturday and ask for volunteers.

Lion Larry Zacharchuk, Eyeglass Collection Chairperson, reported that we collected over 1,200 pairs of glasses last year. We started with over 200 so far this year. His goal is 3,000 this year.

Zone Chairman Amos Cash installed our newest member Bryan Reinhold as his wife, Dianna, stood beside him. He was sponsored by Lion Pat Welden.

Al Hopper, AMVET Post 319, presented our program on the new Roswell Veterans Park that will be named after the late Raymond Bassett. Mr. Bassett's widow was with us for the meeting. The architect for the new Park, Mr. Ron Huffman was also present.

Lion Pat Welden won the drawing and donated the money to the new Park.

The meeting was adjourned.

Club News:

Twenty Five Recognized For Perfect Attendance during 2002-2003

The following Lions were awarded pins for Perfect Attendance for the 2002-2003 year:

Earl Ake, Jim Armstrong, Alan Bethel, Jack Diggs, Phil Farias, Bob Fulton, Bob Garrett, Larry Gross, Jeffrey Hammen, John Hathcock, Troy Holman, Robert Joe, Virgil Ladson, Lewis Mason, Gene Mikell, William Parsons, Sally Poole, Robby Robinson, Stan Shuford, Ross Thomas, Frank Toler, William Walker, Pat Welden, Doris Westbrook and Larry Zacharchuk

4th Annual Charity Golf Tournament Date Announced

President Jeff Hammen announced that the 4th Annual Charity Golf Tournament will be May 10, 2004. This move to the Spring will allow us to have more involvement from area golfers that are inundated during the Fall with Charity Tournaments. Lions Jeff Hammen, Troy Holman and Pat Welden did a great job of getting our 3rd Annual Tournament together this year.

North Fulton Charities 20th Anniversary Celebration

North Fulton Community Charities has invited our club to their 20th Anniversary Celebration on Sunday, October 19, 2003 from 1-4 p.m. at 89 Grove Way, Roswell, GA. The NFCC Warm Coat Drive starts on October 20-25. Donations may be dropped off the week of October 20th at Alpharetta United Methodist Church, Mt. Pisgah United Methodist Church or Roswell Presbyterian Church. Last year, NFCC distributed over 2,000 coats on Warm Coat Day. Further information can be gotten from Lion Robby Robinson.

Roswell Lions Attend First Zone Meeting for 2003-2004

Lions Jeff Hammen, Doris Westbrook and Bob Garrett attended the Zone Meeting held on September 18, 2003 at Nantucket Sandwich Shop in Alpharetta. Zone Chairman Amos Cash was the moderator and the program was on MERL training presented by PDG John Keeter.

From the International Online eNewsletter:

Sight Night October 31

Volunteers are asked to collect used eyeglasses as they trick-or-treat this Halloween. For free materials and information on how to get started with your Sight Night collection of used eyeglasses, visit www.sightnight.org <<http://www.sightnight.org>>. Lions Clubs International sponsors Sight Night in partnership with LensCrafters Foundation and LensCrafters. It is a spooktakular time, so organize your volunteers (Lions, Leos, Scouts and other volunteers) to collect! If your group already organizes an event around Halloween, consider how to promote eyeglass collection by creating a large pumpkin eyeglass collection receptacle or develop your own unique twist. Read more tips to get started <http://www.sightnight.org/get_involved.html>.

LCIF News

Share Your Vision Results

Lions Clubs International, in conjunction with Video Placement Worldwide, makes available videos and educational material to schools and community groups. One program, entitled Share Your Vision, encourages students to collect and recycle eyeglasses and provides everything that they need for a successful program. Included in the material that is provided free of charge is the video "New Glasses, New Life," teachers guide, poster, list of Lions Eyeglass Recycling Centers and classroom exercises. Each year, LCI gives a cash award to the high school, middle school and elementary school that collects the most glasses. Winners for the 2002-2003 year are Gilroy High School (California, USA) 545 pairs, Lakeland Copper Beach Middle School (New York, USA) 300 pairs and Brown Elementary School (Texas, USA) 285 pairs. A total of 5,069 eyeglasses were reported as collected through this year's program. Share this information with your area teachers/schools that may be interested in participating (<http://www.vpw.com/partner/lionsclub/>).

Committee Reports:

Adopt-A-Road



Lion Richard Noakes reports our next Adopt-A-Road cleanup of Holcomb Bridge Road will be in January, 2004. The exact date will be announced later.

Fly-The-Flag



Lion Robby Robinson reminds us that as the Fall approaches, help will be needed on in helping out with this program. If you would be interested, contact Lion Robby Robinson or Lion Doris Westbrook.



Apple Sale – Fall 2003 – Lions Doris Westbrook and Robby Robinson have the reported that the apples will be a week late. Not a problem for those that really know how to pick apples. We have sold a really good number of Apples this year. Help will be needed to unload them next Wednesday afternoon. See Robby or Doris to volunteer an hour or so to get them ready to distribute.

Christmas Tree Lot



The Christmas Tree Lot will get started in November. See the calendar below and sign up early for the best times. The sign up sheet will be at the next meeting and through the next few meetings.

Important Dates:



October 20, 2003 – Dinner meeting at Roswell Holiday Inn @ 7pm. Our speaker will be John Feight from the Foundation for Hospital Art.

November 20, 2003 – Dinner meeting at Roswell Holiday Inn @ 7pm. Our speaker will be DG Earl Culberson.

This is an official DG visit.

November 22, 2003 – Set up the Christmas Tree Lot – Volunteers Needed.

November 24-25, 2003 – Christmas Trees Delivered. Volunteers needed.

November 28, 2003 – Christmas Tree lot open for business. Volunteers needed until Christmas. Sign up at the next meeting.

December 15, 2003 – Christmas Dinner meeting at Roswell Holiday Inn @ 7pm. We will have the quartet **One Accord** as our entertainment. **[Spouses Invited]**

January 19, 2004 – Dinner Meeting at Roswell Holiday Inn @ 7 PM.

February 16, 2004 – Dinner Meeting at Roswell Holiday Inn @ 7 PM.

May 10, 2004 – Roswell Lions 4rd Annual Charity Golf Tournament. Brookfield West Country Club.


Thought of the Day:

"Here is not merely a nation but a teeming nation of nations" -- Walt Whitman

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Pictures from the September Meeting by Lion Bob Garrett:



Lions Pat Weldon introduces new member Bryan Reinhold and his wife Diana (potential member).



Lions Troy Holman and guest, Brenda McGuire. ready to enjoy the meal.



Lion Robby Robinson collects dues from (L-R) Lions Robert Joe, Richard Noakes and Frank Toler.



IPP Sally Poole presents the 2002-2003 Melvin Jones award to Lion Virgil Ladson for his many years of distinguished service.



President Jeff reviews the Veterans Park Plan with (from Left) Ron Huffman, Architect, Rosanna Basset and Al Hopper.



Zone Chair Amos Cash inducts new member Bryan Reinhold as President Jeff, Diana Reinhold and Lion Pat Welden look on.