

# The Roswell Roar

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## Meet Your Fellow Lions

Editor's Note: This is a new feature of the Roswell Roar. Even though this editor has been a member of the Roswell Lions for many years (~15 years), I still don't know many of you well. We only meet once a month, and unless I'm sitting with you at the meeting, we rarely chat. So, each month the Roswell Roar will now feature a new Lion or two. We'll start with our newest members.



## Meet Virginia Robinson

Virginia has been involved in the Lions Club since the 70's when Robby (she calls him Ronald) joined a club in Panama City, FL and she was a member of the auxiliary. She loves what the Lions stand for. Virginia was born in Vicksburg, MI and graduated from Duke University with a Bachelor's and got her Master's at Auburn. She taught high school and middle school math for 22 years. Currently, she spends a good deal of her time as a volunteer member of the Assistance League of Atlanta, which helps men, women and children in the area. She is also a member of PEO, which provides scholarships, grants and loans to women seeking to further their education. Virginia volunteered for the 1996 Olympics and has sung in church choirs for many years.

## Meet Jonathan Crooks



Jonathan has been involved in community service for more than 30 years and was drawn to the Lions Club as a way to extend his volunteer experience. He was attracted to our history, camaraderie and commitment to membership. Jonathan is a single dad with 3 beautiful children, 2 daughters 16 and 1 son 13. Jonathan has worked for 25 years in the telecommunications field as a sales director and now as a consultant with his own company currently with Lego Corporation and is Director of Special Events for State Senator John Albers of Roswell. Jonathan is an Elder for Roswell Presbyterian Church, a member of the Board of Directors for Roswell Historical Society, and much more. He once played soccer at a semi-professional level. His family roots go back to a great-great grandfather who served in Abe Lincoln's House of Representatives and is a direct descendent of George Mason, father of the Bill of Rights. He loves to hike, bike and golf, and is an avid supporter of the arts.

Our club is fortunate to have added such wonderful people to its ranks.



We Serve

"Life's most persistent and urgent question is, 'What are you doing for others.'"

*MLK, Jr.*

## January Meeting

### PEACE POSTER WINNERS RECOGNIZED

Recognizing our annual Peace Poster Contest winners has become a February tradition. At our past meeting we honored our winner from The Cottage School, Kyrie Dumphy, and from Queen of Angels, Samantha Hentz. Each student received a \$100 check from the club. Samantha's poster went on to win the district competition and also received a \$50 check from District 18-A. We especially are grateful to the teachers who have encouraged their students' participation each year: Phil Parker (The Cottage School) and Nancy Herlihy (QOA). The pictures below include images of the winning posters.



Artist: Samantha Hentz - Queen of Angels School



Samantha with teacher Nancy Herlihy



Artist: Kyrie Dumphy - The Cottage School



Teacher Phil Parker shares Kyrie's poster

### OUR CITY'S HISTORY SHARED

One of our most recent members, Jonathan Crooks, is passionate about our city's history and shared some of that passion and Roswell history with us at the January meeting.

Interested in reading more about Roswell's history? Here are a few websites for further reading:

- [Bulloch Hall - Roswell History](#)
- [Historic Roswell Visitor's Bureau](#)
- [Roswell Historic Society](#)
- [Roswell Ghost Tour](#)

**Next meeting: Monday, February 21, 2011**

**7 PM at the Holiday Inn.**

Be there or be left out of the fun!



## Global Service Campaign

International President Sid Scruggs' Global Service Campaign includes Protecting Our Environment. Your club is considering an environmental project for March. Keep Roswell Beautiful has a Big Creek Beautification Day scheduled for March 5<sup>th</sup> from 9 AM to 12 noon. For more information you can click [here](#). Let's organize a group and support this event.

## Roswell Lions Calendar Now Online

Want to make sure that you don't miss any events or double book? Lion President Jeff has placed our event calendar online. Link [here](#) to check it out.

## Friend Our Club on Facebook

Another way to keep up to date on our club's activities is through Facebook. Many people around the state are checking on what we're up to this way. Why not you?

## Bring a New Lion & Meet a New Lion

February is a great month to bring a prospective member to our meeting. PDG Vanessa Stanley will be our speaker.

## February is Diabetes Awareness Month

This month's meeting will feature PDG Vanessa Stanley as our speaker. Vanessa is also the State Diabetes Chair and will be talking with us about diabetes. Many thanks to Carole Bethel, our Diabetes Chair, for her help.

Did you know? The World Health Organization estimates that 246 million people worldwide have diabetes, a global epidemic that is expected to affect 380 million by 2025. People with diabetes are at risk of losing sight due to diabetic retinopathy. Approximately two percent of all people who have had diabetes for 15 years become blind, while about 10 percent develop a severe visual impairment. (from Lions International Diabetes Awareness [site](#))

## Walking Wounded

Jack Diggs is recovering from 4 surgeries on his legs. He'd really like to hear from you. Give him a call.

Robert Joe is getting around and recovering from his heart surgery.



### Survey Results

Thank you to everyone who returned completed surveys. Lion President Jeff will share the results with the club.

### Coming Soon! Alive After Five

Our club will have a presence at this year's Alive at Five. Alive After 5 takes place on the third Thursday of each month from April to October, 2011. The party starts at 5pm and usually wraps up about 9pm. We will have a table to share who we are and what we do. Want to help? It will be a great chance to spread the word. And not trees to tie up!



March 11-12: District 18-A Convention

April 1: Golf Outing

April 16: Roswell Day of Hope

April 23: White Cane Day

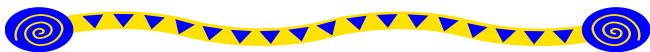
May 7: Reverse Raffle

May 21: Lions University @ 1<sup>st</sup> Baptist

June 10-12: State Convention

## Meeting Reminders

- Guest speaker PDG Vanessa Stanley
- Orientation Follow-Up 6:00 PM (Been a Lion for several years? Come learn something new or ask questions.)
- Speakers needed for April & May. Any ideas? Call Tim Dunn.



### Lion Birthdays in February

2/16 Jeff Pearson  
2/18 Zuhar Rende  
2/21 Lewis Mason

Happy birthday to you all!



How is our club a...

“a beacon of hope?”

[International President Sid Scruggs' theme]

## Reverse Raffle Update – Save the Date!

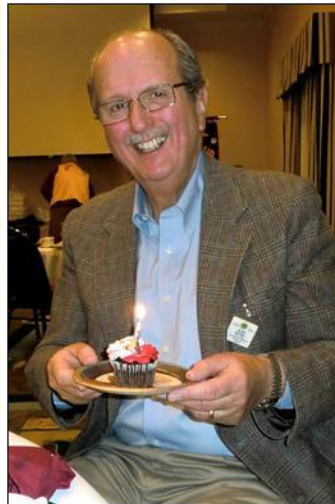
It's not too early to start thinking about the Reverse Raffle, scheduled for Saturday, May 7, at the Holiday Inn. Tim Dunn, our valiant chairman, mailed tickets out the end of January. Start getting your table of guests together and thinking about raffle gift donations. Remember that partner tickets can only be sold with a full ticket. Start selling now and reminding friends to save the date.



**Adopt-a-Road Really Cleans Up**



**Brooms & Mops are G-O-N-E!**



**Birthday Boys**