



Lions Club of Roswell Georgia
Serving Our Community Since 1952



2000-2001 Officers

President – Gene Mikell
First Vice President – Bill Arnold
Second Vice President – Todd Chancey
Third Vice President – Sally Poole
Immediate Past President – Phil Farias
Membership – Dick Swartz

Directors: Two Years -- Earl Ake, Frank Toler
Directors: One Year – Jerry Bramblett, Linda Spudic
Lion Tamer – Jeffrey Hammen
Tail Twister – Pat Welden
Secretary – Doris Westbrook
Treasurer – Robby Robinson

Meeting Notice:

The May meeting will be held at the Roswell Holiday Inn on Holcomb Bridge Rd. at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, May 21, 2001. The menu: Mixed Garden Greens, Chicken Cordon Bleu with Parmesan Sauce, Bouqueteire of Fresh Vegetables, Rice Pilaf, Fresh Baked Dinner Rolls and Peach Cobbler.

A Message From The President:



The good news is the Roswell Lions just keep on roaring. We just completed the Roswell festival and it was one of the best. Our location at the festival was the best. The resources we had to sell goods were excellent and the volunteers all worked eagerly to make it happen. The report from Robbie is that we made about \$1,700.00. Thanks to Kyle Evens and Charles Caudell for their leadership. A special thanks to the wives who volunteered and or allowed their Lion (husbands) to work at the festival. The good news is we are almost \$2,000 ahead of the goal we set for fund raising this year. That is the result of so many of you pitching in to "make it happen". The good news is we are nearing the end of the 49th year of Lionism in Roswell. The great news is next year we celebrate our 50th birthday. HOW ABOUT IT!!! Are you ready????? Join with me and set at least! one more goal for your participation next year in the Roswell Lions Club.....bring in one new member for the club. During our 50th birthday celebration we can reach

a membership of 100, **IF YOU WILL MAKE THAT COMMITMENT.** Please give me a written note that simply says, "I WILL" and sign it. Do that at the May or June meeting. That will really be "good news" if you will. *The Prez-Gene Mikell*

The 2001-2002 Officers:

Nomination Committee Chair Lion Phil Farias presented the following nominees to the membership and they were accepted by voting. Our 2001-2002 Officers and Directors are:

President – Lion Gene Mikell
1st Vice President – Lion Todd Chancey
2nd Vice President – Lion Sally Poole
3rd Vice President – Lion Jeffrey Hammen
Secretary – Lion Doris Westbrook
Treasurer – Lion Robby Robinson
Lion Tamer – Lion Bob Garrett
Membership – Lion Charles Caudell and Lion Bill Duffin

Board of Directors:
1st Year – Lion Virgil Ladson
1st Year – Lion Mickey Berman
2nd Year – Lion Frank Toler
2nd Year – Earl Ake
Immediate Past President – Phil Farias
Tail Twister – Lion Pat Welden

From the International Online Newsletter:

May is *Lions Recycle for Sight* Month

Each May Lions throughout North America collect used eyeglasses, as well as prescription and non-prescription sunglasses. The collected eyeglasses are shipped to one of nine official Lions Eyeglass Recycling Centers, where they are distributed for Lions-sponsored or other service groups' missions. Is your club ready to participate in this nationwide effort?

Clubs: Do you have a collection box for eyeglasses in your local Wal*Mart store?

Wal*Mart has teamed up with Ross Products, the makers of Clear Eyes eye drops, to promote Lions Clubs International's eyeglasses collection program. Clubs are encouraged to place Lions *Recycle for Sight* boxes or other collection receptacles in Wal*Mart stores. For more information, contact your SightFirst Chairman. The chairman has received materials about this unique opportunity!

New--Lions Learning Center

A new e-learning program has been added to Lions Clubs International's Web site! From the home page, simply click on "Lions Learning Center," then click on "Take a Course" to begin e-learning. No registration is required. Each course combines PowerPoint slides with streaming audio and video of the Lion instructor. Course #1, "All About Lions," covers Lions history, membership and service programs, structure, protocol, badges and LCIF. The instructional material is designed to meet the needs of new Lions who require orientation and mature Lions who desire to hold club or district office.

Course #1, with instructor Past International Director Mick Barrus, was posted on the English Lions Learning Center section on April 1, 2001. The Spanish Lions Learning Center and Course #1 with instructor Past International Director Rodolfo Alfredo Marinelli, will be posted on May 1, 2001. Look for more languages and courses later this year.

2001 Online Convention Coming

The 2001 Online Convention will be posted on LCI's Web site on June 1. Visit the 2001 Online Convention for a preview of convention activities. Then from July 2-6, the section will be updated daily with a message from Lions Clubs International President Behar, photographs from convention activities, speech excerpts and more. (This site will be posted in all official languages, except Chinese, Japanese and Korean.)

Sight Quiz Question from last month

In what country was the first known cataract surgery performed (sometime around the year 500 B.C.)?

Answer: India.

Source: "Amazing Trivia Facts Calendar," Workman Publishing

Fundraisers:

Fly-the-Flag



Don't forget this important fundraiser. We are asking each Lion to solicit businesses in Roswell to participate in this worthwhile program. If you feel more comfortable approaching a neighbor we would welcome their participation also. If you do not know a business or neighbor that wants to participate we ask that you commit to proudly display the American Flag in front of your home. If you have questions please contact Lion Tom Philips at 770.475.9416 or email atphill@bellsouth.net

White Cane Day- Our Best Effort Ever



White Cane Chairman Lion Mickey Berman thanks everyone for his or her participation and challenges Congressman Isakson and Mayor Jere Wood and other honored guests and spouses to take us over \$1,000 mark. His emotional speech was quite effective as Mayor Wood raced up with his \$20 bill to get us going. Not to be out done Congressman Isakson later matched the Mayor during his remarks. Others donated an additional \$197 bringing our total for 2001 to **\$1218**. This total also included fines collected by our Tail Twister and our door prize money.



11th Annual Roswell Colors Festival of Arts



You could not have ordered better weather than we had this Mother's Day weekend. The festival had record attendance and because of that we had record sales and contributions. This year we sold flats of flowers, hanging baskets, cantaloupes, corn, vidalia onions and ice cold water. For the second year in a row, our clown Lion Todd Chancey was a hit with the kids. His donation jar almost hit \$500 this year. Event Chairman Charlie Caudell thanks all those Lion and spouses that participated and made this fundraiser a success. Many thanks to Kroger and Publix for donating the produce.

See all the pictures in the June Newsletter.



Roswell Lions Mall - Shop Our Mall and Save Money

Father's Day will be here before you know it. Enjoy the convenience and savings of shopping our on-line mall. You will have access to special offers and discounts from dozens of well-known retailers and, best of all, every purchase you make will help support our club and Lions Clubs International programming at no expense to you.



Golf Tournament October 2001



The club is exploring the possibility of hosting a charity golf tournament this year in October. We have received quotes from several golf clubs and \$70 per golfer is the best rate (greens fee, cart, range balls and lunch). If you are member of a club and/or you know someone and you can beat this rate, please contact Lion Jeffrey Hammen immediately. We need to have a signed contract by our June board meeting to put together a quality golf fundraiser in October. Tentative date, Monday October 22nd.

Community Service:

Recycle for Sight



Chairman Lion Larry Zacharchuk reports that Roswell United Methodist Church recently donated 238 pairs of glasses.

Total donations for the 2000-2001 year are:

Glasses: 1,192

Pairs of lenses: 358

Frames: 62

Hearing Aids: 6

Total # eyeglass cases: 988

Do you know where our collection boxes are located? Ask Larry at the May meeting.

Important Dates:



May 18-20 – Spring Country Music and Rhododendron Festival sponsored by the Towns County Lions Club. More info at: <http://www.georgia-mountain-fair.com/rhodie.html>

May 21 – Dinner meeting at Roswell Holiday Inn @ 7pm.

May 25-27 – Spring Country Music and Rhododendron Festival sponsored by the Towns County Lions Club. More info at: <http://www.georgia-mountain-fair.com/rhodie.html>

May 31 – June 2– **Georgia Lions State Convention – Jekyll Island, GA.**

June 18 – Dinner meeting at Roswell Holiday Inn @ 7pm. [*Spouses Night*] and Installation of 2001-2002 Officers and Board Members.

July ? – Annual Barbecue. Location and time to be determined.

August ? – Annual Steak Fry. Location and time to be determined.

September 17 – Dinner meeting at Roswell Holiday Inn @ 7pm. [*Spouses Night*]

October 6 – *Tenative* Rivers Alive – Foe Killer Creek Cleanup.

October 22 – *Tenative* First Annual Roswell Lions Charity Golf Tournament.

Walking Wounded:



Lion Art Ringler is undergoing chemotherapy.

Lion Robbie Norman is home nursing an injury.

Members on the Move:



Lion Dick and Kay Swartz' new address:

5331 Clover Drive

Elyria, Ohio 44035

Phone: 440.934.7158

Important Notice: Lion Robby Robinson, our treasurer will be out of town from May 23rd until June 14th. In his absence, please contact Lions Gene Mikell or Doris Westbrook

Thought of the Day:

“If you haven’t any charity in your heart, you have the worst kind of heart trouble.”

Bob Hope

Pictures from White Cane Day:



White Cane Day Chairman Mickey Berman.



Lions Bob Fulton and Jim Armstrong at Walmart .



Lions Robbie Norman and Virgil Ladson at Kroger.



Lions Alan Bethel and Jerry Bramblett at Southern Skillet.



Lions Robby Robinson and James Good at First Union.



Lions Earl Ake and President Gene Mikell at Kmart.

Many thanks to the businesses that supported the Roswell Lions and the Georgia Lighthouse on White Cane Day: Southern Skillet, First Union Bank, Wal*Mart, Kroger and KMART.

Pictures from April Meeting:



Farewell and Best Wishes to Lion Dick and Kay Swartz on their move to Ohio.



Lions, spouses and guests line up to shake everyone's hand.



Lions Pat Welden, Tom Philips and Jack Diggs.



Lions Robby Robinson and Larry Zacharchuk.



Roswell Council Members: David Tolleson, Sally White and Paula Winiski.



Congressman Johnny Isakson, Lion President Gene Mikell and Roswell Mayor Jere Wood.

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