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Meeting Notice:

The May meeting will be held at the Roswell Holiday Inn on Holcomb Bridge Rd. at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, April 19, 2004. The menu: Spinach Salad with Hot Bacon Dressing, Roasted Pork Loin with apple pear demi-glaze, Rice Pilaf, Corn O'Brian, Rolls with Butter and Apple Spice Cake. Our speaker will be Ed Ressler, Incoming President, Georgia Lions Camp for the Blind in Waycross.

President's Message:

Our International President's theme of "Innovation - The Gateway to Our Future" is exemplified in our latest project success. What started as an idea back in July exceeded everybody's expectations. The money we raised will fill a great need in our community. Many thanks to Lions Alan Bethel, Sally Poole and their committee for an outstanding job organizing and running our first ever Reverse Raffle Dinner. Everyone had a great time and I have heard nothing but good comments about the evening. Special thanks to Carole Bethel who did a lot of work on the project. Carole - when are you going to become a Lion?

Don't forget the Georgia Lions University on Saturday, May 22nd. This is a great opportunity to meet other Lions and share some ideas. Come heckle me as I teach a class about Youth Opportunities.

Also on Saturday, May 22nd is the Opening Eyes Project with Lions International, Special Olympics, Lenscrafters and Emory University. Lion Frank Toler is still looking for volunteers to work screening athletes. Several Lions and spouses have worked on this project in the past and have found it very inspiring and rewarding. Please sign up for a time slot at the meeting.

Christmas Tree Project Chairperson Needed. If you would like to chair this project this coming Christmas please see myself or President-Elect John Hathcock. The Annual Christmas Tree Sale funds a significant portion of our contributions. Many organizations are dependent on this fundraiser. Please consider committing time and energy to lead this project.

Its not too late to recruit new members for the year. Please consider asking neighbors, relatives and co-workers to join with us to make a difference in our community.

Thank you everybody for all you do. You all are living examples of "We Serve".

Lion Jeff

Resume of Last Meeting:

The last meeting was held on Monday, April 19, 2004 at the Holiday Inn, Roswell, GA.

- Pat Welden gave the invocation.
- Jim Armstrong lead the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Earl Ake lead in a song.
- President Hammen began the meeting with the following announcements:
Lions International President Tae Sup Lee's visit to Atlanta and banquet on April 20.
District 18-A Lions University hosted by the Jasper Lions Club on May 22.
- After the meal, President Hammen began the meeting with the introduction of guests.
- Tail Twister Robbie Norman livened the meeting by fining all who did not know the year when the motto "We Serve" was adopted. (Answer: 1954)
- President Hammen announced that the eyeglass collection contest winner, Crabapple Middle School, was rewarded with an ice cream social on April 19. Ice cream sandwiches were distributed to the 900 students and a Lions video will be shown in the classrooms.
- Lion John Hathcock thanked those who participated in White Cane day on April 10. John discussed the value of our donation from White Cane Day to those that the Lighthouse serves. Several members who did not participate made donations at the meeting. Total collections will be announced later.
- Lion Alan Bethel presented an update on the "Eyesight Roswell" reverse raffle planned for May 1. He announced that 60 of the \$100 tickets and 35 of the \$25 tickets have been sold. He also told of some of the valuable door prizes that have been donated. He encouraged the members to sell additional tickets in the 10 days left before the dinner.
- Lion Robby Robinson announced that the Board voted to send a check for \$100 to LCIF in memory of Lion Harold Osborn.
- Lion Troy Holman thanked those who assisted with the Christmas tree sales and announced that he was retiring from the position of chairman of the project.
- President Hammen and Lion Frank Toler presented a volunteer opportunity to assist with the "Opening Eyes" vision screening of athletes at the Special Olympics. It will be at Emory University's Woodruff PE building on Saturday, May 22. A sign-up sheet was available and members were asked to sign up to serve.
- Alan Bethel introduced our speakers, Jennifer Daniell and Laura Kazmier from the Special Olympics. Jennifer discussed the activities and sports of the Georgia Summer Games and the benefits of the Lions and other organizations to that event and its athletes. Laura presented the athlete perspective and told about her participation in the Special Olympics. They answered several questions from the members.
- Richard Noakes reminded the members of the road clean-up scheduled for Saturday at 8:30 AM.
- John Hathcock won the drawing.
- The meeting was adjourned.

Club News:

Former Roswell Lion Todd Chancey Relocating

Former Roswell Lion Todd Chancey is preparing to move to Apison, Tennessee where he will be the Minister of Apison United Methodist Church. Todd continued his support of our Club after his resignation by arranging for donations by Roswell UMC to our projects and by providing printing services as requested. The Roswell Lions wishes the best to Todd and his wife, Liz.

White Cane Day Final Results

Thanks to several last minute contributions, the final total for this year's White Cane Day is \$1,566.00. Although this figure is down somewhat from last year, it is a significant contribution to the Light. Thanks to all who assisted in the collection and those that contributed.

Roswell Club Lighthouse Assistance Announced

The Georgia Lighthouse announced that the Roswell Club assisted 3 people with hearing services during the month of March. We can see where our contributions are going and what they are doing.

Reverse Raffle – A Huge Success!

Alan Bethel, Chairman of the Reverse Raffle for 2004 announces that the new project netted approximately \$4,636 for "Eyesight Roswell" project. The Executive Board has recommended that the Club create a Committee to administer the money to needy individuals through several different agencies and counseling organizations throughout Roswell.

Committee Reports:

Adopt-A-Road



Lion Richard Noakes reports our next Adopt-A-Road cleanup of Holcomb Bridge Road will be in early Summer. We will meet in the Pickneyville Arts Center parking lot. Call Richard Noakes at 770-238-0148 for further info and to sign up.

Fly-The-Flag



Lion Robby Robinson reminds us that as the Summer approaches, help will be needed in distributing and flying the flags with this program. If you would be interested, contact Lion Robby Robinson or Lion Doris Westbrook.

Important Dates:

May 22, 2004 – District 18-A University hosted by the Jasper Lions (see more below).

May 22, 2004 – Special Olympics Summer Games and “Opening Eyes” Vision Screening at Emory.

June 21, 2004 - Dinner Meeting at Roswell Holiday Inn @ 7 PM. Installation of Officers. **(SPOUSES INVITED)**

July 19, 2004 (Tentative) – Annual Summer Picnic. Location TBA.

Aug 7, 2004 – 18A Cabinet Meeting. Roswell Lions Hosting at Mountain Park School.

Aug 16, 2004 (Tentative) – Annual Steak Fry. Location TBA.

Sept. 20, 2004 - Dinner Meeting at Roswell Holiday Inn @ 7 PM.

Oct 18, 2004 - Dinner Meeting at Roswell Holiday Inn @ 7 PM.

Oct 25, 2004 – Roswell Lions 4th Annual Charity Golf Tournament. Brookfield West Country Club.

Nov 15, 2004 - Dinner Meeting at Roswell Holiday Inn @ 7 PM.

Dec 20, 2004 (Tentative) – Annual Christmas Dinner Meeting at Roswell Holiday Inn @ 7 PM. **(SPOUSES INVITED)**

Upcoming Events of Special Interest:

Special Olympics Vision Screening

This years Special Olympics and Vision Screening project will be on May 22, 2004 at Emory University. Lion Frank Toler will be asking for volunteers to assist in the screening of these Special Olympians for eye problems. This is probably the best service project we do each year. The rewards will last a lifetime.

News from LCIF:

LCIF Email for April

LCIF Chairperson, Kay K. Fukushima has sent out the following email for the month:

Dear Fellow Lion:

I want to briefly talk about the “big picture.” I know that as a Lion it is not easy to stay current on what’s new in your multiple district, let alone with Lions Clubs International or LCIF. I’m sure you hear or read bits and pieces about LCIF, but it’s difficult to gain a clear and complete understanding on what LCIF is all about.

Well, I’m happy to tell you that there is a fairly simple and quick way to gain a thorough understanding of LCIF. In doing so, you gain a better appreciation of the wonderful service of Lions such as yourself. After all, LCIF is not just another good cause. The foundation is an extension of yourself. It’s Lions helping Lions serve others

LCIF’s beautiful 2002-2003 Annual Report, just released, will help you fully realize the good done by our foundation and increase your pride in being a Lion. The annual report summarizes LCIF’s vast and wide-ranging service: restoring and preserving sight, countering disability, alleviating disaster, nurturing youth and promoting health. The amount of good done by our foundation—by Lions working together—is awe-inspiring.

You can [download](#) the annual report. (This is a large file, so you may have to be patient!) Or you can read a [news story](#) on our Web site concisely presenting the highlights of the report. Please avail yourself of this opportunity to truly understand and treasure LCIF and to fully appreciate how magnificent the service of Lions is.

I also want to briefly update you about Lions-Quest. Our life-skills program for youth continues to receive high praise and a strong level of interest from the four corners of the globe. Strong support from Lions of the Czech Republic in partnership with the U.S. State Department has seen the program grow from one country to a regional strategy. The Lions of Colombia have begun to process of translating the *Skills for Growing* grade school curriculum into Spanish. Please visit the Lions-Quest website for an updated [2004 Catalog](#) to order materials for the school year.

LCIF welcomes your unrestricted donations—and your restricted donations as well. LCIF sometimes sets up special accounts to accept gifts restricted for use for an area struck by a particular disaster. An earthquake in Morocco is a recent example. Contact [LCIF](#) for further details.

In closing, I thank you for your continued support of LCIF. Lions continue to generously fund LCIF and carry out its projects. LCIF is a wonderful testament to the value of Lionism.

Sincerely,

Kay Fukushima, Chairperson

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From the District 18A Newsletter:



2nd Annual

Georgia Lions

University

Hosted by Districts 18-A and 18-D

May 22, 2004

Jasper First Baptist Church

9:30 til 4:00

Officers and Members of Georgia's Lions Clubs are invited to attend the second annual Georgia Lions University, May 22, 2004 at the Jasper

First Baptist Church. This program packed day will give Lions the opportunity to develop their leadership skills and gain greater understanding of our Lions organization. **The event is FREE!** The instructors are some of Georgia's most experienced Lions Leaders. If you have questions, or ideas to make Georgia's Lions Club better, this is the place to be!

Course Offered:

Program Ideas for Club Meetings

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Member Orientation

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Directions:

From the South: Take I-575 north (it becomes GA 515). At the Second traffic light, turn right on GA 53. The church is at the second traffic light.

From the East: From the Gainesville area, take Georgia 53 through Tate. GA 53 is Church Street in Jasper, and the church will be on the left as you approach downtown Jasper.

For more information contact: Mark Miller, 1 S Main St, Jasper, GA 30143

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A special lunch buffet will be available for \$6.99 per person (Fried Chicken, Popcorn Shrimp, drink, etc). The new Georgia Lions Club Handbook for District 18-A will be on sale for \$10 per copy.

Pictures from the May 2004 Meeting:



Tom Phillips, Chris Wong and Millard Berman wait somewhat Patiently for their meal.



President Jeff and Troy Holman discuss Lionism with prospective Lion Joey Cuseda.



Special Olympian Laura Kazmier told us what the Special Olympics meant to her.



Special Olympics Coordinator Jennifer Daniell told us how We could help with the eye testing for the Special Olympics.

Pictures from the Reverse Raffle – Photos by Stan Shuford:



Raffle Chairman Alan Bethel enlists "drawing from Lion Giriraj Rao.



AND THE BIG WINNER IS:
Robby Robinson! CONGRATULATIONS!