

History of the Austell Lions Club
Year 1999-2000



It was a pleasure to serve as President of the Austell Lions Club for year 1999-2000. Lion Joe Reynolds, South Cobb Lions Club, installed the new officers for the year.

Club had a cook-out at Legion Field in Austell on August 9, 1999. This cook-out took the place of our regular meeting, and each member paid \$8.00, this money went toward buying aprons for our members.

Club donated \$300.00 to help buy a police dog for the Austell Police Department. We plan to have someone from the Police Department come talk about the dog and to be presented with the check.

President and secretary attended the Cabinet Meeting August 8, 1999 at South Cobb Community Center.

Club gave \$60.00 toward the Jim Ervin dinner. President and secretary attended this dinner at the Galleria in Marietta, Georgia. International President gave the four partnerships that he wanted carried out during the year.

Club participated in the Vision Screening Test at the North Georgia Fair on September 23, 1999. This event is sponsored by the East Cobb Lions Club. Eight members worked at this screening having screened 208 eyes.

Club had a booth at the Labor Day Festival in Austell. We sold Lemonade Slush and rode in the parade.

President and secretary attended the November 6, 1999 second Cabinet Meeting at Milton High School in Alpharetta, Georgia.

Mother's Finest catered the first Zone Meeting on November 1, 1999. Club was well represented.

For World Service Day several members went to Brian Nursing Center and served punch and cookies to the patients on October 12, 1999.

Our annual Steak Supper was a big success. We served approximately 425 people. Irvin Terrell won the prize for selling the most tickets. This event is held at Legion Field in Austell every year around the second week in October.

The Austell Police Department annual Halloween Carnival is always a big event for children and adults as well. Club gave \$50.00 to the Police Department to help with their expenses.

Other donations were \$50.00 given to the Austell Methodist Church for use of their facilities. Gave CAMP (Community Action Mission Program) \$100.00 to help support their program in supporting the needy families in the area.

District Governor Paul Johnson paid his official visit to our Club on November 8, 1999. His theme was "Vision in Action". Our visitors were Lion Charlene Warren, Lion Bob Woomer, and Lion Bob Crump. Lion Paul's program was very informative to our new members as well as the other club members.

Christmas Party was held at Presbyterian Village on December 10, 1999. We had good attendance, the food was delicious and the entertainment was very good. This was a group known as the "Good Timers". The group was composed of two ladies and four men. They sung many old favorite songs and played several musical instruments.

We welcomed three new members at our January 10, 2000 meeting. They were Mayor Joe Jerkins, Police Chief Bob Starrett and Fire Chief Tim Williams. Our guest speaker was Lion Haynes Townsend of the Dalton Lions Club. He gave a very interesting talk on the Lighthouse.

Winter Lighthouse Meeting February 19-20, 2000 was held at the Holiday Inn in Forsyth, Georgia. President and secretary was in attendance.

Club attended the second Zone Meeting hosted by the West Cobb Lions Club at the Sirloin Junction Restaurant. Our Club was also well represented at West Cobb Lions Club 35th Anniversary on March 6, 2000.

On March 13, 2000 Lion Lester Dean, West Cobb Lions Club, presented a program on LCIF. Lion Dean is our representative from District 18-A.

President and secretary attended District Convention in Dalton, Georgia on March 25, 2000.

For White Cane Day Club had a Pancake Breakfast on April 22, 2000.

The third Cabinet Meeting was hosted by the Austell Lions Club at the Austell Methodist Church on April 24, 2000. Lion Jim Taylor, Sr. catered the meal. All Clubs were in attendance and Lion Bob Woomer gave a good report on Lionism.

President and secretary attended the State Convention in Augusta, Ga. on May 19, 2000.

Club welcomed four new members to our Club. They were Jim and Cathy Taylor, Jr. and Jim and Betty Jane Taylor, Sr. Lion Lester Dean did the installation service.

Club donated \$250.00 to the Blind and Low Vision of North Georgia. Deidra Crumbic, who is blind, presented a program on Blind Vision. Club gave \$200.00 to help in the transportation cost to send a blind friend to Rochester, Michigan to get a Seeing Eye Dog. He was in Rochester for three weeks, but is at home now and getting acquainted with his Dog named "Sonny".

Lion Bob Woomer installed our new officers for year 2000-2001.

Austell Lions Club was
Chartered January 1955.

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