# THE OFFICIAL MINUTES FOURTH CABINET MEETING DISTRICT 18-F SATURDAY MAY 30,1998 SAVANNAH, GEORGIA

The meeting was called to order at 8:10AM by District Governor Robert Yonchak. At the State Consumition

Pledge of Allegiance by

DGE Ann Stump

Invocation

VDGE Jon Winters

Song "Grand Old Flag" was led by Lion Richard Brown

Attachment A

D.G.Robert Yonchak introduced Karen, his wife, Lion Beverly Roberts PDG, Cabinet Secretary Lion Carolyn Irvin PDG, Cabinet Treasurer Liom Jon Winters VDGE, DGE Ann Stump, State Historian Lion Olin Newby PDG and State Lion Tamer Lion William Bross PDG.

The Past District Governors, Region Chairman and Zone Chairman were recognized by DG Robert.

Minutes were approved

Attachment B

Treasurers report was approved Attachment C

Lion Bill Sperry, Chairman talked about the excellent program Lions Quest. Then talked about the new program called "Working Towards Peace". He stated he is available to give talks just call him.

Lion Frank Spinney, President Hephzibah, talked about their flag ornament that was being held for ransom. The note stated that a contribution to LCIF would return the flag ornament. The club made a counter offer to anyone knowing the where abouts of the merchandise. The money would go to any project they would name.

## REGION REPORTS

REGION I Lion Richard Brown

Attachment D

He reported there was a plus in membership . He recognized Zone Chairman Lion Henry Lee and the Region.

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Region II No report

Region III Lion Margaret Gunter

Thomson Camellia City member Lion Jack Malcolm has received a Liver Transplant. She asked everyone to keep him and his family in your prayers. M&A's are coming in slowly. Thomson Camellia gave \$250 to a needy family, Had a BBQ Chicken fund raiser. Lincolnton sent \$625 to White Cane. Hephzibah helped an elderly woman with her home projects.

Thomson Camellia City \$1,350 White Cane, \$200 to Little League

Thomson \$2,506.26 White Cane Grovetown \$1,000 White Cane National Hills \$850 Scholarship, \$1,000 White Cane Recognized Region members

Region IV Lion Lloyd Britt Attachment E

He stated there was so much he has to report.

Membership is down and Wrightsville was placed on status Quo. Perry club has asked to surrender their charter. Jones Co. has a new member and Houston Peaches club finished a project. Centerville had a successful golf tournament. Lioness and Centerville White Cane \$700. Recognized the Region members.

Lioness Report Lioness Judy Britt
Reported 2 clubs Decatur with 28 members and
Centerville with 4 members.

Golden Chain Lion Olin Newby PDG

12 have applied for the award. New clubs have applied for State Awards.

Camp For The Blind Lion Hank Bark President Elect
Looked for goal \$35,000 raised \$39,000.

Budget increases to keep meeting the demands. Stop by
the display and meet the New Director Shannon
We are looking forward to the camp season with already
150 campers registered. Checks Louisville \$50

Georgia Lions Lighthouse John Thames

Lighthouse is alive and well. Good staff members all doing good jobs. To date we have received \$140,000 White Cane. President Jimmy Carter is doing PR for White Cane. Its to be shown at the session later. The 50th anniversary pins are available for \$3.00. The mobile eye clinic is open for inspection. It will be in South Georgia for the next six months.

Leader Dog Lion Ed Menger MD-18 Leader Dog State Rep.

He stated we have a good program. Introduced our
Leader Dog guest for the State Convention, Mrs.Gay
Smithson and her dog Sam. They are at the display if
you have any questions.

Lion Ed stated he had good and bad news our contributions are 39.4% less than last year. We have received one dog in our District F. District A is working on another dog. He asked each one to put yourself in a blind persons place without a dog. Check Louisville \$50.

Mrs.Smithson was asked to speak. She related stories about her husband Floyd. This is a family affair. They can be independent most of the time and give their family freedom along with theirs.

Lion Ed stated he is stepping down and Lion Carolyn Irvin PDG is taking his place.

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White Cane Lion William Bross PDG

He stated he hasn't received a report from the Lighthouse.

LCIF Lion Beverly Roberts PDG

We have had a good year. Several clubs have completed there donations and are ready to name a Melvin Jones. She stated next year Lion Margaret Gunter will be taking over as Chairman. Lion Bob Brown, North DeKalb club, received a Melvin Jones. He stated he was dedicating it to his father Lion Robert Brown, Sr.

### E.L.M. Lion Bill Craig

What is E.- extension qetting more clubs and there are 5 possibles. Think about family clubs.

What is L- Leadership learned USA/ Canada forum good leadership seminar. Being held in Lexington, Ky. and the General Chairman is PID John Pearson you can ask him if you have any questions. 1999 it will be in Birmingham, Ala.

Membership- adding to existing clubs.

DGE Ann Stump her year is coming together. She thanked those who have accepted positions. She state she has a few more and if anyone is interested please see her.

Please get the PU 101 in so your club can be listed in the State Directory.

Orientation School will be June 6.1998 in Covington, Ga.; at the First United Methodist Church. It will start at 10 AM. There will be a catered lunch for \$5.00. If you are planning to attend please make your reservations with Lion Richard Brown.

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1st Cabinet Meeting will be on July 26th in Washington, Ga. A song was led by Lion Richard Brown and dedicated to DGE Ann Stump "She'll Be Comin Around the Mountain" the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 AM to be continued on Sunday morning at 7:30 AM.

Banners present were Thomson Camellia City, Houston Peaches, North Atlanta Peachtree, Centerville, Hephzibah, Covington and Centerville Lionesss clubs.

# THE OFFICIAL MINUTES (con'td) FOURTH CABINET MEETING DISTRICT 18-F SUNDAY MAY 30,1998 SAVANNAH, GEORGIA

Meeting called to order at 8:10AM by DG Robert Yonchak at the state
Song "America The Beautiful" led by Lion Richard Brown

I.D. Ed Gear was introduced and given a great Lion Roar.

He presented Lion Ken Massingale and Lion Ed Menger with a Presidential certificate for their continued hard work for others through Lionism.

There is progress with Lions International with internet and E-Mail. You can find all publications available plus other information.

Look at your communities and partner their needs. One person can make a difference. I.D. Gear told a story about a nurse who found out the fire company needed a piece of equipment. It is used to remove smoke which cost \$75,000. She raised enough money for 2 pieces of equipment.

He recognized Lion Pete and Sheree LeGro for their work on the Ga. intenet. He presented them with one of his banner.

I 2VP Jim Ervin thanked DG Robert for his good work. He commented on the smiles on the faces of the members. He recalled about Lion Gene Linday encouraging him to look into Lionism. Encouraged him to become District Governor. He recognized Lion Joseph Molony PDG for his work with the State Newpaper. We need to be sure that the World knows about Lions in the New Year 2000.

 $\,$  D.G. Robert presented certificates, towels and medallions to the Cabinet members.

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He gave certificates, towels and medallions to the Region and Zone chairman for their service and dedication.

Certificates to Centerville and Decatur Lioness for their dedication and support of projects.

D.G. Robert presented the District Governors Award to Hephzibah Lions Club

Millen Plaque Grovetown Lions CLub

Augusta Dr. Damren Plaque - LIon Beverly Roberts PDG for 100% Secretary

Washington Plaque - Washington Club
Madison Plaque - Social Circle Lions Club
Clyde Rayburn Memorial - Centerville Lioness Club
District Rally

Small Club North Atlanta Peachtree Lions Club Medium Club North DeKalb Lions Club

### REGION CHAIRMAN CONTEST

Region I Covington Lion Club

Region II Louisville Lion Club

Region III Centerville Lion Club

100% Pooldent President

Hephzibah Lion Frank Spinney

Centerville Lion Joe Green

100% Secretary

Hephzibah Lion Beverly Ro

Centerville Lion Lloyd Britt

DG Robert recognized several for their dedication and hardwork to the association.

Lion Joe Molony PDG for the newspaper
Lion Ann Stump DGE for her dedication and work
during this past year as VDG.

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DG Robert called Lion Olin Newby PDG to present the Golden Chain Awards.

2nd year

7th year

Lion Frank Spinney

Lion Beverly Roberts

Lion Otis Martin
Lion Mitchell McGraw
Lion Tim Williams
Lion Richard Brown
Lion Joseph Molony PDG
Lion Bill H. Worrell

1st year went to

Lion Pete LeGro Lion Sheree LeGro Lion Joe Green

Lion Henry Lee

Lion Hank Barks presented certificates to the Lions clubs with various contributions to the Lions Camp for the Blind. Lion Hank introduced Lion Jim Veal who will be the 1998-2000 VP to the Camp

DG.Robert Thanked his wife for her support. He thanked the District for allowing him the opportunity and experience to serve as District Governor.

He told a story about participation and commitment. It was a conversation between a chicken and pig. The chicken said"I give eggs every morning". The pig stated "That is only participation. I give ham for breakfast that is commitment."

DG Robert then turned the meeting over to DGE Ann Stump. She called on VDGE Jon Winters and he said he was looking forward to working with Ann and pledged his assistance.

DGE Ann then thanked DG Robert for his devotion and many hours of work through the year 1997 - 1998.

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She then presented him with a gift from the District a nice pull suitcase. Lion Ann commended Karen Yonchak for her unselfish support to Lion Robert and the District. Karen was presented a gift from the District a beautiful porcelain figure of dove and orchid. Both Lion Robert and Karen thanked the District.

Announcement Covington Lions Club will host the 1999 District Convention the same date as this year. Georgia Lions Lighthouse will celebrate its 50th anniversay on April 3,1999.

Lion Bill Craig then did some Tail Twisting. Following that door prizes were distributed. The meeting closed at  $10:10\ AM$ 

Banner present

Hephzibah, Thomson Camellia City, Centerville Lions, Centerville Lioness, North Atlanta Peachtree, Houston Peachess and Covington As it Was Related to Me

# on the Club's M & A Reports. .

Atlanta Chinese American Lions Club hosted zone meeting on September 24.

Augusta Forest Hills Lions Club purchased 2 pairs of eye glasses and donated \$75 to the Diabetes Foundation.

Augusta Garden City Lions Club served two persons meals on wheels two days a week.

Conyers Lions Club collected 107 pairs of glasses and 64 lenses for the Lighthouse and had a community project to teach children how to construct and paint bird houses.

Covington Lions Club provided 5 eye exams and 5 pairs of glasses for needy folks.

Decatur Lions Club collected and turned in 273 pairs of used eyeglasses and 7 hearing aids to the Lighthouse, paid of an annual subscription to the Atlanta Constitution for the mountain View Nursing home, and worked 10 man hours at the Lighthouse office.

Decatur Lioness Club spent 157 hours in community service and purchased magazines and toilet articles for mountain View Personal Care Home for World Service Day.

Dekalb Lions Club turned in 236 pairs of used eye glasses, 26 lens, and 4 hearing aids to the Lighthouse; and they performed 58 hours of volunteer service.

Dublin Lions Club had two articles in the local newspaper, donated two drop boxes to the Laurens County Library, and donated \$1000 to a needy family for the construction of a handicap ramp for their children.

Hephzibah Lions Club had 8 articles in the local newspapers about their Fishing Rodeo and Pancake Breakfast, and they gave \$50 toward the purchase of a low vision aid for a needy person.

Houston Peaches Lions Club cleaned the D. L. Fountain park, visited the residents at the Dogwood Senior Village, purchased eyeglasses for three needy people, donated school supplies to a local school with a high percentage of at-risk students, and donated \$100 to help a family whose infant daughter was having surgery at Emory University in Atlanta.

Jones County Lions Club cooked a meal for the family of a deceased member, took local handicapped woman shopping, paid for the frames of a man's eyeglasses to be replaced, appeared on TV with a live interview and had several articles on the fair in the local paper, had ad about the fair on the local TV station, admitted four children from the Academy for the Blind and four special education children to the fair free of charge and fed them, and had a coloring contest for children with free fair tickets given.

Laurel Ridge Lions Club delivered 610 pounds of magazines to the Atlanta Hospital Hospitality House since July and turned over 140 pairs of glasses, 135 loose lenses, and 2 hearing aids to the Lighthouse. They made the following contributions: \$500 to the Camp for the Blind, \$500 to the Lighthouse, \$100 to Leader Dog, \$100 to the Recording for the Blind, \$200 to LCIF, and \$100 to the Lighthouse in memory for deceased friends.

LaVista Lions Club donated \$175 to the Lighthouse.

Lincolnton Lions Club purchased one eye exam and made a donation of \$52 to the Recording for the Blind and Dyslexic.

Louisville Lions Club bought 2 pairs of eye glasses and 2 hearing aids for needy people and had an article in the local newspaper.

Midville Lions Club donated \$100 to the Camp for the Blind, bought the net for the tennis courts, and sent \$200 to the Recording for the Blind and Dyslexic.

Millen Lions Club bought one pair of eye glasses for a needy person.

North Decatur Lions Club collected 27 pairs of glasses for the
Lighthouse and worked 5 hours in the Mobile Eye Clinic.

North Dekalb Lions Club contributed \$500 to the Lighthouse and \$500 to the Camp for the Blind.

Oxford Lions Club raised \$300 for Send-A-Kid to Camp and paid the utilities for the Scout Lodge. They donated \$325 to the Camp for the Blind.

Peachtree Lions Club members volunteered at the habitat for Humanity.

Rehoboth Lions Club members worked 8 hours delivering meals on wheels

Sandersville Lions Club donated \$100 to Community Concert Association and participated with another club to update a computer for a vision impaired student.

Soperton Lions Club can boast 4 new members.

Sylvania Lions Club approved 5 eye examinations and 5 pairs of eye glasses.

Tucker Lions Club donated \$500 to Leader Dogs for the Blind, \$500 to the Camp for the Blind, \$500 to the Lighthouse, \$100 to LCIF, \$250 to American Diabetes Association, and \$200 to the Recording for the Blind and Dyslexic.





## THE REGION III STEAK SUPPER

Fund Raiser for Jim Ervin

The turnout was good; and PDG Coke Geddings served as Master of Ceremonies for the evening. Council Advisor Dr. Beverly Roberts was there; this was her first outing since sustaining two broken ankles on July 15. Lions Beverly and PDG Olin Newby shared chairman duties for this event. Also in attendance was Lion Stan Bazemore, President of the Georgia Lions Camp for the Blind. Lion Stan is a former Council Chairman and a PDG from 18-B, where they've held six of these fund raisers. He was on hand to lend his expertise.

Vice District Governor Ann Stump led us in the pledge to the flag. Cabinet Treasurer Jon Winters gave the invocation. As promised, steaks with all the trimmings was on the menu. It was delicious! The Lions of Washington hosted this event, and Lion President Margaret Gunter and her crew did an outstanding job. Next time you see one of the Washington Lions, please tell them "thank you."

The evening was a casual dress affair. This was pointedly demonstrated by Lion Bill Craig, District Tail Twister, when he took a pair of rather sharp scissors and cut the tie off of Lion Coke! And Lion Bill told us he wasn't "working" that evening. He sure fooled me! You should have seen how quickly some other ties came off before they met the same fate!!

Following that delicious meal we got down to the business at hand. Lion Olin manned the squirrel cage and called out the ticket numbers as they came up. Lion Jon hung the corresponding numbered tags on a tally board, and everyone had a score card to keep. Lion Coke repeated for the crowd the number drawn. Interspersed during all of this were several jokes told by Lion Coke. Lions Bill and Stan assisted in handing out "consolation" prizes to those eliminated from contention for the \$500 grand prize.

When we got down to the final two numbers remaining, it was a race between Lion Bill Craig and Lion Terry Atkins of the Hephzibah Lions Club. Lion Terry was the grand prize winner! As this reporter understands it, Lion Terry graciously donated \$200 of her winnings to the Jim Ervin Campaign fund.

A great time! Everyone received something, but the real winner of the evening will ultimately be the Lions of Georgia. This event netted \$1852.26 for the Jim Ervin campaign. Way to go, Lions of Region III, 18-F! Let's encourage our fellow Lions in the other three regions to conduct similar fund raisers. We can meet our goal of \$10,000 for Lion Jim!

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