

History of Lions of GA – 1990-2000i

Lionism of the 1990's started with a 'long' Lion past District Governor, C. L. 'Chuck' Wilson of the White County Lions club serving as Chairman of the Council.

District Governors serving with him were Charles E. McDaniels 18E; Ben B. Poole, Conyers Bononza, Jonesboro club; Wayne O'Neal 18A, Jasper club; M. C. Stowe, Toccoa club; Terry Foreman, Dougherty Lions club; Robert H. Bovee 18B, Port City club and Council Advisor, Lonnie V. Roberts, Hazlehurst club; Olin Newby of the Washington club was the Historian and William D. Bross was State Lion Tamer. Linda Selby served as Office Secretary.

It should be noted that Lion Olin Newby served as State Historian for the entire decade of the 1990's as did William D. Bross serve as State Lion Tamer. Linda Selby served as State Office Secretary during the decade of the 1990's.

During the nineties, the Lions of Georgia saw many accomplishments which will be mentioned later in the Historical Information presented.

The Lions of GA saw a decline in membership but with great anticipation the projects would be carried out to serve the people of GA. With the local projects that clubs carry out, the continued expansion of the GA Lions Lighthouse Foundation, The Camp for the Blind, The Children's Eye Care Center at Sinory University, as well as other outstanding projects as Recording for the Blind, Leader Dog and others.

The decade of the nineties saw the Lions of GA endorsing Lion Jim Erwin of the Albany club to be a candidate for 3rd Vice President of Lions International. Lion Jim was elected 3rd Vice President at the Lions International Convention in July 12 at Montreal, Canada.

Serving on the Advisory Committee were PID Myers Barister, PID John Pearce, PID George Crumbley, PID Don Schmidt. District coordinators were PDG Bill Manner, District A; PDG Stan Bazemore, District B; District Governor Clark Lamb, District C; Bobby Reynolds, District D; PDG Charles McDaniel, District E and District Governor Bill Shurling, District F.

The 1995 Council Vice District Governor Joe Reynolds, Roy Godwin, Herbert Hughes, Jim Porter, Don Morris and Beverly Roberts. Everyone was overjoyed that Lion Erwin was elected 3rd Vice President.

The nineties saw the moving of the State Office from Milledgeville to Eatonton near Linda Selby's home. This was done in 1991.

Also the end of the nineties saw the election of Lion Jim Erwin as International President in San Diego, California on July 2, 1999. His theme was "A new Century of Service and Action".

As you can see in the following pages, the Lions of Georgia have been busy promoting Lionism and Serving their fellow man.