District 18F 1999-2000 District Governor Jon M Winters

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#### History of District Governor Jon M. Winters, 1999 - 2000

Theme: "If it is to be it is up to ME (Membership & Extension)"

At the District Convention in Covington in March 1999, Jon M. Winters of the Hephzibah Lions Club was elected District Governor of 18-F. Lion Richard W. Brown of the Covington Lions Club was elected Vice District Governor. PCC Dr. Beverly A. Roberts served as Cabinet Secretary and Lion Charles Lamb served as Cabinet Treasurer. The regional officers were:

Region I: Region Chairman - Henry Yee, Atlanta Chinese-American

Zone 1 Chairman – Joe Malcomb, Social Circle

Zone 2 Chairman - Steve Austin, Conyers

Zone 3 Chairman - Kembra L. Smith, North Decatur

Region II: Region Chairman - James Wheeler, Louisville

Zone 1 Chairman – Robert J. Yonchak, PDG, Louisville

Zone 2 Chairman - Randy James Ellison, Twin City

Region III: Region Chairman - Frank C. Spinney, Hephzibah

Zone 1 Chairman -- Wilson Rice, Augusta Zone 2 Chairman -- Leila Nunnally, Thomson Camellia City

Region IV: Region Chairman - J. C. Coefield, Jr., Centerville

Zone 1 Chairman - Norma Demaree, Jones County

Zone 2 Chairman – David Woodburn, Dublin Zone 3 Chairman – Betti Cotton, Centerville

The year began with 48 Lions Clubs, 2 Lioness Clubs and 3 Leo Clubs in the District. The 1<sup>st</sup> Cabinet meeting was hosted by the Louisville Lions Club on July 25, 1999. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Cabinet meeting was hosted by the Madison Lions Club on November 14, 1999. The 3<sup>rd</sup> Cabinet meeting and District Convention were held in Warner Robins on March 18, 2000, with Lions Pete and Sheree LeGro of the Centerville Lions Club serving as co-chairmen. The Centerville Lions Club, with assistance from the other local clubs (Warner Robins, Warner Robins Noon and Houston Peaches), was the host club for the convention. The 4<sup>th</sup> and final cabinet meeting of the year was held in Augusta at the site of the annual State Convention, May 20 & 21, 2000.

Convention, May 20 & 21, 2000.

The 18-F Past District Governor's Association was formed at the District Convention in Warmer Robins. They established the 18-F Past District Governor's Hall of Fame to honor outstanding Lions in 18-F (both living and deceased) who

had made significant contributions to Lionism.

The Lions Year 1999 – 2000 was a great year to be a District Governor in Georgia. Lion James E. "Jim" Ervin of Albany served as our International President. The highlight of the year was October 23, 1999, when the International Board met in Atlanta at the Cobb Galleria Centre and a banquet was held that evening.

The second cabinet meeting was set for November 14 at the Madison Lions clubhouse.

Bonnie Martin of the Thomson Camellia City Lions club won second place award for outstanding secretary in the state.

Past DG Olin C Newby of the Washington Lions club, State Historian received the Lions International Leadership award at the state convention in Athens, from President Jim Erwin.

Lion William Gerald Bross, State Lion Tamer of the Thomson Lions club received the International Presidents award at the state convention from President Jim Erwin.

Members of the Peachtree Lions club of Nth Atlanta gave out the following awards for 1998-99: 100% attendance, Helen Troha, Debbie Cope, Susan Abrams, Candace Fitch, Jane Cope, Diona Krause and Mary Goldenburg; Plaques of Appreciation to Lion Helen Troha, Secretary and Lion Debbie Cope, Treasurer.

Club President Appreciation awards were given to Lion Krause, Bulletin editor; Lion Candace Fitch, Public Relations; Lion Abrams, excellent Lion worker bee and Lion Cope, hosting board meetings.

Secretary Lloyd Britt of the Centerville Lions club installed the officers of the Centerville Lioness club. They were Barbara Kirby, President; Michael Britt, Vice President; Judy Britt, Secretary/treasurer; Maria Oros, Tailtwister and Lion Morris Kirby, Lion/Lioness Liaison officer. The following anniversaries were observed during the year: Dublin Lions club 76 years; Sandersville Lions club 71 years; Sparta 71 years; Midville 55 years; Sylvania 53 years; DeKalb Central 48 years; Nth DeKalb 48 years; Fleming 48 years; Nth Decatur 47 years; Louisville 46 years; LaVista 46 years; Swainsboro 39 years; Milledgeville 24 years; East Dublin 12 years; Atlanta Chinese American Lions club 10 years; Houston Peaches 7 years and Nth Atlanta Peachtree 7 years.

The Thomson Camellia City Lions club won several 1st place state awards at the state convention in Athens, GA. On hand to receive the awards were Lions Bonnie Martin, Jack Malcom and John Malcom of the Camellia City club.

The clubs of Conyers, Dublin and Washington Lions club agreed to sponsor Leo clubs. The Washington Leo club charter night was held November 29, 1999 at the Washington clubhouse.

Lion Ken Massingale continues to do a great job with the eye recycling program for the Georgia Lions Lighthouse. For the year July 1, 1998 through June 30, 1999, 70,800 pairs of glasses were shipped to the Medical assistance program international. 2200 pairs of glasses were sent to Liberia, 800 pairs sent to Malani, 8500 pairs of glasses sent to Jamaica for the McRae Lions club, 600 pairs for mission trip to Honduras, 1250 pairs for mission trip to Uganda, 1250 pairs for mission trip to Mexico, 1250 pairs for mission trip to Venezuela, 8000 pairs for Christian groups to Albania, Macedonia, and Bosnia, 2500 pairs of sunglasses for a Honduras outreach mission, 650 pairs of glasses for

mission trip to Haita, and 2000 pairs for medical term to Conzumal, Mexico.

The district rally was held in Centerville and Warner Robins on March 17-18, 2000. International Director Darby Travers of Hebron, Meryland was the keynote speaker for the banquet. The rally was hosted by the club of Houston County. International Director, appointee Buddy Ouzts of the Winder Noon Club, introduced International Director Daily and Council Chair Dan Stuart gave the response.

DG Jon Winters was in charge of the program. Co Chairmen Pete and Sheree LeGro gave out the door prizes.

Lion Richard W Brown was elected 2000-2001 DG. Lion Brown is from the Covington club. Lion Bill Craig from the Centerville club was elected Vice DG. Lion J C Coefield of the Centerville club was elected 18F Vice President of the GA Lions Lighthouse. Lion DG Jon Winters of the Hephzibah Lions club was endorsed for Treasurer of the GA Lions Lighthouse foundation.

Lion Hank Barks of Warner Robins Lions was endorsed by the district for President of the Camp for the Blind.

Grovetown Lions gave \$2000 to LCIF, \$1000 to the Camp for the Blind, \$1000 to the Recording for the Blind & Dyslexia, \$2000 to Leader Dog and gave 558 pairs of glasses to Lighthouse.

The Nth DeKalb Lions club donated \$1200 to the Lighthouse from their White Cane day effort.

The Decatur Lions club donated \$1000 and 109 pairs of used eyeglasses to the Lighthouse and \$300 to Children's Eyecare Center.

The Louisville Lions club donated money to two local cancer patients, provided funds to help purchase a wheel chair for a local handicapped person and made a donation to the widow of a local deputy.

The Houston Peaches Lions club cleaned the D L Fountain park and donated school supplies to the Pearl Stephens Elementary school.

The Warner Robins Noon Lions donated brooms and mops to hurricane Camille victims, donated 6 hearing aids and 3200 pairs of glasses to the Lighthouse.

The Soperton club celebrated 68 years of service; Social Circle 51 years; Monroe 49 years; Augusta Garden City 46 years; Madison 45 years; Tucher 43 years; Laurel Ridge 40 years; Grovetown 36 years; Centerville 33 years and Warner Robin Noon 25 years.

The district 18F award winners were as follows: Dr Damren plaque to Beverly Roberts, Hephzibah club; Washington plaque to the Washington club; Miller plaque to the Grovetown club; Madison plaque to the Nth Decatur club; Covington plaque to the Nth Decatur club.

Small club raily awarded to Warner Robins Houston Peaches club.

Medium club rally awarded to the Hephzibah club.

Large club rally awarded to the Thomson club.

The Clyde Rayburn awardee, the Centerville club.

#### OFFICIAL MINUTES OF CABINET MEETING

The Cabinet Meeting, District 18-F, Lions of Georgia, Lions Clubs International, was held on November 14, 1999, at the Madison Lions Club House, Madison, Georgia. The meeting was called to order at 2:45 p.m. by District Governor Jon M. Winters, who acted as chairman.

Governor Winters welcomed everyone to the second cabinet meeting of this Lions Year, and he thanked the Madison Lions Club for hosting the meeting. We were led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of our Country by Vice District Governor Richard Brown and in prayer by Tom Rippy, District Leadership Development Chairman. Vice District Governor Brown led us in singing "My Country Tis of Thee."

The motion was made by Gerald Foreman and seconded by PDG Coke Geddings that the minutes of the last cabinet meeting be approved as printed. The motion carried. The motion was made by Gerald Foreman and seconded by PDG Bill Bross that the Treasurer's Report be approved as printed. The motion carried.

Region I Chairman Henry Yee, Region II Chairman James Wheeler, Region III Chairman Frank Spinney, and Region IV Chairman J. C. Coefield, Jr., presented their reports which included activities of the clubs in their regions, membership numbers, prospects for new Lions Clubs and new Leo Clubs, and attendance at the Forum and the International Family banquet and other recent events.

White Cane Chairman J. C. Coefield reported that he has made several talks to clubs about White Cane Day and is willing to go to do more.

Vice President to the Georgia Lions Camp for the Blind Jim Veal reported that the Camp had a record year with the number of campers this summer. There were 201 applications with 181 actually attending. There were 57 first timers. He reported that June 11-August 5 will be the camping season in 2000, and July 29 will be Lions Day at the Camp next year. He stated that the Camp housed 40 evacuees from Hurricane Floyd, that Winter Fest for adult campers will be held January 21-24, and that the first annual Family Fun Weekend will be held on March 31-April 1. Lion Veal stated that \$3850 has been contributed so far this year by District 18-F. The Camp will soon have a mascot and the contest deadline for naming the mascot is December 15, 1999. He encouraged every club to send in their Associate Directors' names so that the clubs will receive the information from the Camp, and he requested that he be called upon to give programs. The collections of checks for the camp today totaled \$2100.00 Governor Winters recognized the President of the Camp for the Blind Hank Barks and Doy Barks, the Secretary for the Camp.

Vice President to the Georgia Lions Lighthouse Bill Worrell requested that all clubs appoint an Associate Director to the Lighthouse, for these Associate Directors are the ones who will receive the information from the Lighthouse. Lion Worrell reported that during the first quarter, District 18-F contributed a record amount of money to the Lighthouse. He reported that the Lighthouse no longer has the mobile eye care van because it was cost prohibitive. He reminded us that the Lighthouse belongs to everyone in Georgia and that all of us need to work toward making contributions. Collections of checks for the Lighthouse today totaled \$2450.00.

Past District Governor Coke Geddings reported that District 18-F led the state in contributions to Leader Dogs last year. He stated that the budget for the coming year for Leader Dogs is a little over \$6 million, and that it takes \$17,000 to put a leader dog in the hands of a blind person. He requested that blind persons be located and helped to receive a leader dog. Checks collected totaled \$2100.

Recording for the Blind and Dyslexic Chairman Margaret Gunter reported that she has the name and phone number of Bill Pass, who will be able to give an excellent program on the Recording for the Blind. She suggested that the school principals, vice principals, and special education coordinators be invited when the club has the program. Checks collected today totaled \$600.00.

Diabetes Awareness Chairman Rhenda Davis reported that November is Diabetes Awareness month and that she has given several programs to clubs and is available for more.

Governor Winters announced that our District Convention will be held on March 17-18, 2000, in Centerville. More information will be coming out in the District News Bulletin.

District Fund Raiser Chairman PDG Bill Bross stated that all tickets have been distributed and requested that he be given a list of ticket numbers given to the clubs. He asked the Region and Zone Chairmen help him sell tickets for the deluxe vest that will be given away today. Governor Winters encouraged everyone to sell the Bessie Bingo tickets so that we can support our different charities.

Hearing, Speech Action & Working with the Deaf 18-F Chairman Ken Gordon reported that the hearing impaired are in as much need of our help as are the visually impaired. He encouraged members to make an effort to collect used hearing aids fo rthe Lighthouse, and he stated that he is available fo programs.

Georgia Lions All State Band District Chairman Debbie Cope stated that she has given several talks to clubs in our District and has several more planned. She reported that LCIF Chairman Charles Cope, District Membership Chairman Susan Abrams, and Debbie Cope refer to themselves as the "traveling road show" and will be glad to visit your club. She reported that the letters have gone out to the school bands and they are preparing for the trip to Hawaii in 2000

In the absence of the Chairman (who was ill), Debbie Cope presented his report. All Melvin Jones Fellows were asked to stand and be recognized. She reported that Lions Clubs International Foundation is the charitable arm of the International Association of Lions Clubs and that donations are accepted in any amount and are used for projects worldwide. She stated that some of the LCIF emergency assistance grants have gone recently to the victims of earthquake in Turkey, floods in Asia, and Hurricane Floyd. She requested that everyone answer the call from Past International President K.J. requesting that you consider making a personal donation to L.C.I.F. If you can donate at least \$20, LCIF will send you the 1999-2000 LCIF Contributing Member pin for your vest or lapel. She also explained the Melvin Jones Fellowship award. Lion Cope said that Lion Charles is available to make presentations to your Club. Call him!

Lion Rhenda Davis, Secretary, Washington Lions Club, invited everyone to the Charter Night on November 29 for the Washington Leo Club at 7:30 p.m. The meal should be about \$6.

Lion Gene Carpenter, Secretary, Conyers Lions Club, reported that the Charter Night for the Memorial Middle School Leo Club will beat 7:00 p.m. on January 17, 2000, at the Holiday Inn. The meal should be about \$8.

Governor Jon Winters reported that Lion Pete LeGro, District Leo Chairman, has made many talks to clubs and has planned many more. Governor Winters expressed his pleasure that there are three new Leo Clubs and that three more are in the works.

District Membership/Retention Chairman Susan Abrams reported that District 18-F is up by 20 members. She stated that she is willing to travel to give talks with the Road Show.

New Member Orientation Committee Chairman PDG Jim Tate stated that each club should have new member orientations in their clubs. He reported that this committee will have an orientation program at the District Convention in March. Everyone was encouraged to send their new members to the Rally for the program.

State Awards/Order of the Golden Chain Chairman PDG Olin Newby encourage everyone to work on completing the Order of the Golden Chain requirements. One requirement is to bring in a new member; and if everyone did this, the membership goal would be reached. Lion Newby stated that the 53 state awards is another aspect of Lionism that a lot of clubs enjoy. Now is the time to begin preparing the applications for these awards. He reported that the Children's Eye Care Committee needs \$20,000 from each District to satisfy a commitment that the Lions made to the Lions Children's Eye Care Center.

Governor Winters reported that the winner of the television set has been found and that the television has been delivered to Lion Charles Schockly of Tucker.

District Nominations and Elections Chairman Helen Troha reported that she has received a nomination for J. C. Coefield for Vice President for the Lighthouse for the new term. PDG Olin Newby reported that he has made the decision to run for President of the Georgia Lions Lighthouse Foundation and that the Washington Lions Club has given their endorsement and pledged their support. The motion was made by Gerald Foreman and seconded by J. C. Coefield that the members of District 18-F unanimously endorse Olin Newby for President of the Georgia Lions Lighthouse. The motion carried.

Governor Winters announced that the towels are for sale after the meeting for \$6 each. He requested that the used eyeglasses be left at the Madison Lions Clubhouse and that PDG Ken Massingale will pick them up next week. He reported that PDG Gene Sanders, who was 102, has passed away and that a memorial service was held for him. Governor Winters stated that the deadline for the Peace Poster contest kit is December 1 and that the posters must be submitted to him for judging by January 10, 2000.

Vice District Governor Richard Brown encouraged the clubs to call him and the district chairmen for programs.

District Tail Twister Bill Craig was active and brought in \$46 to be distributed among the Lighthouse, Camp for the Blind, and Leader Dog.

Governor Winters reported that there is a state committee looking into the possibilities for redistricting. This committee is charged by the Council of Governors to study the issue and bring suggestions and recommendations back to the Council. The Council will decide on the course of action to be taken. He stated that redistricting is not a "done deal." He stated that in the ELM seminar, we will be able to see that the problem can be solved by extending Lionism in

new areas, by training our leaders to be better leaders, increasing our membership, and retaining our current members. We can avoid redistricting and transitional status by bringing our membership back up to over 1250 members. There were questions and answers about the aspects of transitional status of a district.

The raffle for a Lions vest was won by Bill Worrell and brought in \$60 for the District Governor's discretionary fund. Governor Winters again thanked the members of the Madison Lions Club for hosting the meeting today.

The benediction was given by District Governor Jon Winters, and the meeting was adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Beverly A. Roberts, PCC Cabinet Secretary District 18-F

## **ATTENDANCE**

Atlanta Chinese American Lions Club Henry Yee

Atlanta Peachtree Lions Club Helen Troha, President Debbie Cope, Secretary Susan Abrams

Augusta Lions Club Gerald Foreman Wilson Rice

Centerville Lions Club Mel Redmond, President Betti Cotton, Membership Chair Bill Craig

Conyers Lions Club
Jim Howell, President
John Martin, First Vice President
Gene Carpenter, Secretary

Covington Lions Club Richard Brown Janet Brown Tom Rippy Frank Jensen

Fleming Lions Club
Effie Newman, President
Jimmy Newman, Treasurer

Grovetown Lions Club
Dela Silvas, Secretary
Ester Dunn, Tail Twister
David Silvas

Harlem Lions Club John Cason, President Andrew Smolley, Secretary Robert Knight, Treasurer Hephzibah Lions Club
Billy Carroll, President
Frank Spinney, First Vice President
Jon Winters, Second Vice President
Beverly Roberts, Secretary
Neya Spinney
Bubba Spinney

Jones County Lions Club
Grady Tyler, President
Norma Demaree, Secretary
Clayton Kitchens
Irene Kitchens
Jesse Demaree

Laurel Ridge Lions Club Ray Rowell, President Bill Worrell, Secretary Charlie Freeman, Treasurer

Louisville Lions Club John Lewis, President James Wheeler

Madison Lions Club Bob Wilbanks, President Bill Adair, Secretary Mary Adair Jan Wilbanks

Milledgeville Lions Club
Paul May, President
Jim Veal, First Vice President
Jim Tate, Third Vice President
Ed Menger, Treasurer
Wade Hodges, Director

National Hills Lions Club William M. Gore Ken Gordon Coke Geddings, Treasurer Charles Lamb

North Decatur Lions Club

Larry Landry, President Kembra Smith, Vice President

North Dekalb Lions Club

Rachel Smelley, Secretary Martha Lallaw, Treasurer Carl Smelley, Director Bill Fallaw Ann Stump Harold Stump

Thomson Lions Club Bill Bross

Thomson Camellia City

Jane Painter, President
Edna Verner, Third Vice President
Bonnie Martin, Secretary
Mattie Peebles, Treasurer
Margie Morris, Membership Chair
Patricia Ware, Director
Leila Nunnley

Warner Robins Houston Peaches Doy Barks

Warner Robins Noon Lions Club Earl Bogardus, President Tommy Eilers, Secretary Hank Barks Earl Brogums Joe Molony Washington Lions Club Olin Newby, First Vice President Rhenda Davis, Secretary Margaret Gunter, Director

Visitors

Carolyn Craig