



Georgetown Evening Lions Club
Minutes – June 9, 2009

Georgetown Evening Attendees
Lion JL Akridge
Lion Phillip Buie
Lion Bill Glenn
Lion Frank Kinald
Lion Maureen Kinald
Lion Bob Martin
Lion Gerald Pohlmeier
Lion Debra Seamans
Lion Weldon Wade
Lion Martha Woodley
Lion Randy Woodley

Guests
Karen Wilson, Ride on Center for Kids Joan Schroeder, Horses for Heroes

Call to Order - Lion Frank Kinald
Pledge of Allegiance – Lion Gerald Pohlmeier
Prayer – Lion Bob Martin

Speaker Presentation –
Karen Wilson

- 17 horses and 3 mini horses. Older horses that are donated. Students pay 40% of riding fee. Ages 2-82 ride. Cerebral Palsy, strokes, cancer. GISD students from life skill classes every Tuesday morning – classroom and riding. 9 students from juvenile justice center. Work with horses and ride. 10 full time staff and 6 part time staff. One speech pathologist and 2 physical therapists. Therapeutic riding trained instructors as well. Most sessions are individual, but do have some evening classes.
- Took 3 students to Special Olympics and part of Star of Texas Rodeo – 10 students and 13 horses went. Currently in last session of fiscal year. July – June. Summer will have a variety of day camps. Sibling camp for those who normally come with special needs. Has a granddaughter that rides at ROCK.
- Over 21 club for those over 21. Camp session this Summer as there are no activities for those with needs. Located on the Inner Loop. Donated by Barbara and George Brightwell. 21 acres with a covered ring and facility is totally paid for. 60% of income from individuals. 40% from corporate giving (HEB, Seton Hospitals).
- Talked about possibility of partnering with ROCK and Texas Lions Camp. Lion Maureen Kinald suggested groups work together. Lion Bob Martin to explore possibility of linking web sites.

Joan Schroeder

- Discussed “Horses for Heroes” program. Helps disabled individual overcome balance problems that can come from even minor hand/leg injuries. Initially, worked with veterans with amputations. Since then, the program has largely assisted veterans with post-traumatic stress syndrome. The horses work to help these individuals because they can sense when someone is doing well (much better than people can do). Horses also are not judgmental, and they don’t talk back! Found during the pilot program in San Antonio that they needed to train military Horse Volunteers to assist veterans, as the veterans better understood each other.
- Volunteers come out weekly. They just dedicated a special trail for veterans; the trail is outside of the ROCK parameters, and is especially decorated with flags.
- ROCK receives referrals from the VA Counseling Services, VA Hospital, direct referrals from the “Warriors in Transition” program. ROCK has some funding to provide service hours.
- The challenge is to locate veterans in need of services, as many of the younger vets are not individually seeking services.
- Recommended that ROCK reach out to KVET radio station to see if they would be interested in getting information out to the community, since issues and services to veterans is a major focus of their company.
- ROCK is making some special provisions for women veterans, as some of them are not comfortable with riding with men.
- Now, more veterans are surviving injuries that previously would have caused their death. The long-term impact of these once life threatening injuries are not well understood.
- ROCK needs include ongoing need for funds for services, volunteers to help riders, families, and others. Volunteer hours are flexible, and service can be varied in nature.

Tailtwister – Lion Phillip Buie

- Word of the day – “grig” – lighter or light-hearted person or a grasshopper, young eel
- Donald Duck born 1934 and Lion Phillip Buie shared some Rodney Dangerfield humor
- The group did roaring dollars
- Raised \$46

Announcements – Mail

- Lions Camp thanking us for sponsoring golf hole.
- Letter from Project Graduation for graduating students
- Lion Frank Kinald received email from Regional lead from Big Brothers/Sisters program about joint programs. Lion Frank to respond that Club is working other local projects.
- Chamber of Commerce – Adopt a Unit t-shirts. Purchase t-shirt and \$10 goes to organizations that help soldiers returning. Club asked to consider in future.
- Coffee with the Mayor from 10am-noon at City Hall. 2 times/month. Lion Frank Kinald to send out more information.

Approval of Previous Minutes – Motion to accept – Lion JL Akridge, Second – Lion Debra Seamans, Approved

Treasurer’s Report – Report presented by Lion Randy Woodley. Motion to accept – Lion Maureen Kinald, Second – Lion Bill Glenn, Approved

Old Business

- Blood drive - Lion Gerald Pohlmeier reported there were 8 donations and asking Club to consider doing on 8 week cycle.
- Fish City Grill fund raiser held. Awaiting total from restaurant. Lion Frank Kinald reported that \$78 dollars was raised from donations. Potential for another camper.

New Business

- Motion to do BlueGrass Gospel show – Lion Randy Woodley, Second – Lion Martha Woodley, Approved. Lion Bob Martin to lead committee with Lion Randy Woodley as Treasurer. Team to plan show (was October last year).
- Club discussion regarding donation of \$1000 from charitable fund. Motion to provide \$200 each to 1) The Caring Place, 2) ROCK, 3) Texas Lions Camp, 4) District 2S-3 eye screen equipment purchase and 5) LCIF.
- Lion Bob Martin reminded Club members that program schedule for 2009-2010 is published on the Club web site.
- Request that Lion Bob Martin secure attendance commit for next meeting in advance. Lion JL Akridge requested all officers prioritize attendance.

Attendance Drawing – \$35 pot. Won by Lion Martha Woodley – let it ride!
Lion Weldon Wade won the drawing for a candle.

Motion to Adjourn – Lion Bill Glenn, Second – Lion Randy Woodley, approved

Closing – Lion JL Akridge

Next Club Meeting –

Tuesday, June 23, 2009 – Officer Installation (Lion JL Akridge)
Tuesday, July 14, 2009 – Lion Maureen Kinald (District Governor visit)
Tuesday, July 28, 2009 – Lion Randy Woodley

Georgetown Evening Lions - attendance 2008-2009

Name	present		absent		attended alternate meeting																								
	13-May	27-May	10-Jun	24-Jun	8-Jul	22-Jul	12-Aug	26-Aug	9-Sep	23-Sep	14-Oct	28-Oct	11-Nov	25-Nov	9-Dec	23-Dec	13-Jan	27-Jan	10-Feb	24-Feb	10-Mar	24-Mar	14-Apr	28-Apr	12-May	26-May	9-Jun	23-Jun	
Akridge, Lion JL																													
Anthony, Barbara																													
Buie, Lion Phillip																													
Case, Lion Chip																													
Glenn, Lion Bill																													
Jackson, Lion Allen																													
Kinald, Lion Frank																													
Kinald, Lion Maureen																													
Kinald, Lion Kristin																													
Magness, Lion Tommy																													
Martin, Lion Bob																													
May, Lion Dean																													
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