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THE LIONS CLUB OF
SYDNEY CHINESE INC.

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- August Members Meeting
- New 2009-10 Projects Approved
- Visiting the Indo-China Elderly Hostel on 5 September
- Scholarship Finalists say Thankyou
- District Convention and Training Workshop

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Editorial

On 5 August, 40 members and guests attended our monthly Members meeting at Zilver Restaurant. At the meeting, President Mei inducted PID Barry Palmer as our Associate Member. Following that, Barry inducted Warmy Lee, Irene Li and Tommy Liu as Regular Members. A warm welcome to them all. See Pages 2-3 for more details.

At our August Board meeting, approval was given for Oliver Lwin, Dr David Zhan Wu and Jasman Pang to join us as members. Approval was also given for the Sydney Chinese Lions Humanitarian Scholarship 2010 and the Sydney Chinese Lions Teal Ribbon Fellowship 2009 (see Pages 6-7) to go ahead. Past Secretary Rita Kwan will con-

tinue to take charge of the Scholarship project while Lion Dr Danforn Lim spearheads the Teal Ribbon Fellowship initiative. Our best wishes to both of them.

A visit to the Indo-Chinese Elderly Hostel has been scheduled for 5 September. We'll be performing for the elderly and bringing them presents. Do ring VP Howard on 0402 963 366 if you wish to take part in the performance.

Thank you notes and photos from Humanitarian Scholarship Finalists are published on Pages 8-11.

Distribution of our club's monthly Bulletins is now handled by two members. Secretary Crystal does so electronically via emails

while Lion Eileen Zhang posts hardcopies to members who don't have emails. We are grateful to Crystal and Eileen for their effort and contribution.

Lion Tamer Robert attended a 3-day training workshop organized by the District. As a result, he has gained much Lions' knowledge and become a Certified Guiding Lion. See Robert's letter on Page 12.

Highlights of our attending the Scandinavian Reception at the Minneapolis Convention are given on Pages 4-5.

The District Convention will be held on 13-15 November at Bomaderry. To register, please contact Secretary Crystal soon.



Sydney Chinese Lions at Monthly Members Meeting on 5 August 2009

Members Meeting August 2009

At our monthly members meeting held on 5 August, 4 new members were inducted into our midst. President Mei inducted PID Barry Palmer as our Associate Member when she proclaimed "Barry, we are greatly honoured, welcome to Sydney Chinese Lions!" as she presented Barry with a membership certificate. Indeed, our Club is most privileged and honoured to have Barry joining us. In addition to being a Past International Director, Barry Chairs the local hosting team of the 93rd LCI International Convention which will be held in June 2010 in Sydney. He is also the endorsed candidate of Multiple District 201 for International 2nd Vice President 2011-12.

At the meeting, Barry inducted Mr Warmy Lee, Ms Irene Li and Mr Tommy Liu as our Regular Members. Warmy is a qualified architect, Irene is an investor while Tommy specialises in real estates in the North Shore area. All 3 of them are sponsored by President Mei. We bid them a warm welcome and look forward to Serving together with them.



(from left to right) 2nd VP Howard, IPP Anthony, PID Barry Palmer, President Mei, Secretary Crystal, 1st VP Jason, 3rd VP Wendy, Assistant Treasurer Jasmine

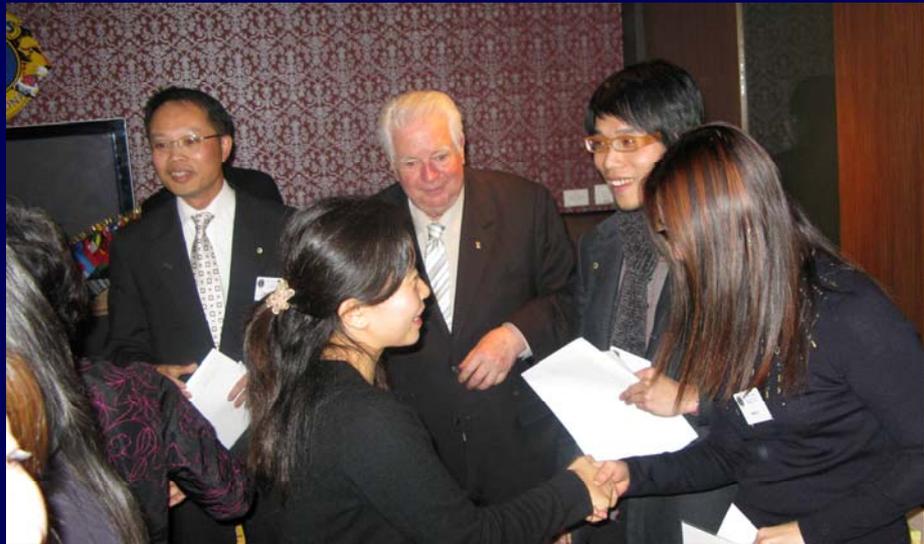
Welcoming our New Members & Guests



**PID Barry Palmer
inducting
Tommy Liu,
Warmy Lee and
Irene Li
as Regular Members**



**VP Wendy
helping New Inductees
with Lapel Pins**



Sydney Chinese Lions Welcoming New Members



Sydney Chinese Lions and Guests at August 2009 Members Meeting

At the Scandinavian Reception - 92nd LCI International Convention

In July, three Delegates from Sydney Chinese Lions - President Mei, IPP Anthony and VP Wendy attended the 92nd LCI International Convention in Minneapolis, USA.

At the Convention, they were invited to many parties and receptions. On 8 July, they attended the Scandinavian Reception and met up with many Scandinavian Lions friends. They received a particularly warm welcome from PID Tapani Rahko, DG Vesa Rauttu, Lions Lady Terttu Sihvola-Rauttu and VDG Helena Rahko of LC Järvenpää Ainot, their Finnish Twin Club. They were presented with souvenirs and had a great time!



Sydney
Chinese
Lions with
Finnish Lions
Friends at
Scandinavian
Reception

Our Finnish Connection



Sydney Chinese Lions
with PID Tapani Rahko
and VDG Helena Rahko of
Lions Club of
Jäavenpää Ainot



The Souvenirs
presented to
Sydney
Chinese Lions



The Lions Club of Sydney Chinese Teal Ribbon Fellowship Scheme 2009

Lions' Object:

To provide a forum for the open discussion of all matters of public interest

*To partner with individuals and organizations to improve our community
and to help those **We Serve***

Introduction

The Lions Club of Sydney Chinese Teal Ribbon Fellowship Scheme is offered with a view to supporting mainland public health/medical professionals to further their professional development or research in Sydney Australia for the diseases of ovarian cancer, uterine cancer, cervical cancer, food allergies, sexual assault, substance abuse, polycystic ovarian syndrome, pain and distress disorder (includes PTSD), obsessive and compulsive disorder, dissociative identity disorder, Tourette syndrome and fragile X syndrome.



Objectives

The objectives are to facilitate experience sharing between the mainland and local workers, to enhance technical exchange on diseases management and prevention, and to encourage collaboration and networking.

Eligibility Criteria

1. The applicant must be a citizen of the People's Republic of China.
2. The applicant should have been practising medicine or public health or involved in related work in China for more than 3 years.
3. The applicant should have at least one year's experience in a related field in China and would continue to work in this field after the fellowship programme.
4. The applicant must be involved in community-based care and prevention work in China. Subject to sufficient justification, at most 2 applicants can apply in collaboration with each other to carry out the same training programme for two weeks in Sydney.
5. The applicant should be responsible for planning or implementation of the training programme to be applied for under this scheme. In case there are two applicants, then the applicants should preferably be from different fields of work. Preference will be given to front-line workers in the community.

Award

The maximum award for one applicant is AUD\$1,000 and AUD\$500 each for two applicants from the same training programme.

The applicant(s), if successful, must bear all the expenses arising from this scheme, including travelling expenses to and out of Sydney, fees for boarding & lodgings, traffic and other related expenses in Sydney. It is also strongly advised that travel and medical insurance should be taken out to cover medical expenses that might be incurred during his/her stay in Sydney.

Programme Content and Evaluation

The applicant must state in detail the training or research programme which he/she proposes to be implemented or collaborated in Sydney. The vetting committee will examine his/her proposals in-depth and provide logistics support from time to time as appropriate. The successful applicant may be deployed to be on attachment in health care organizations in Sydney or involved in field work, community based projects, research, or a combination of these.

Assessment would be conducted throughout the training period. Besides, during his/her two weeks' stay in Sydney, the successful applicant must hold two seminars on the chosen condition/research/programme implementation and/or evaluation of patient care and prevention work in their locality; etc. One seminar is designed for professionals in the field while the other one is for the general public. In addition, he/she should submit a preliminary written report before departure from Sydney.

How to Apply for The Teal Ribbon Fellowship Scheme

Upon completion of the programme and satisfactory performance, he/she will be awarded an attendance certificate for the "Lions Club of Sydney Chinese Teal Ribbon Fellowship Scheme". The Certificate for Lions Club of Sydney Chinese Teal Ribbon Fellow will be issued and mailed to the successful applicant at his/her place of work upon receipt of the final report or signed Memorandum of Cooperation or Memorandum of Understanding with local institution which should be handed in within 3 months of completion of the fellowship. Grant award will only be offered upon satisfactory completion of fellowship.

Further, should there be two applicants from the same project, the 2 applications would be examined by the vetting committee together. Successful applicants have to carry out the study at the same time in Sydney. The pair is required to hold the 2 seminars and to hand in 1 final report only.

Application

1. An eligible applicant should submit an application which includes :
 - i. Name (both Chinese and English).
 - ii. Contact address and numbers (telephone, fax, and email).
 - iii. Name of current working organization and rank.
 - iv. Qualifications and experience.
 - v. Tenure for academic exchange abroad, if any.
 - vi. A description of his/her own aspirations and the professional goals.
 - vii. Details of the patient care or prevention programmes he/she has participated in China.
 - viii. A description of the proposed training programme including the main themes, activities, its relevance to the mainland situation, duration, and any special arrangement needed. If a research project is to be conducted, the methods and expected output should be included.
 - ix. Date of arrival and departure from Sydney.
 - x. Name of the staff from the same organization/department who have participated any activities organised by the Lions Club of Sydney Chinese and the date of previous arrival in Sydney.
2. Each applicant should submit one application. In case there are two applicants in the same programme proposal, the two application forms must be submitted at the same time.



There should be two letters of reference for each applicant. The completed applications should be submitted to Lions Club of Sydney Chinese at :

Lion Dr Danforn Lim
Lions Club of Sydney Chinese Teal Ribbon Fellowship Scheme
PO BOX 3159, Liverpool, NSW 2170
AUSTRALIA

Deadline for application and acceptance

The deadline of the current round of application is set at 28th September, 2009. Successful applicants would be informed by mail, and/or email by 18 October 2009. Unsuccessful applicants will not be notified separately.

Special Remarks

1. Successful applicants must arrive at Sydney in between Nov 2009 to Jan 2010 to proceed with the training programme under the scheme. They must also apply to the appropriate authorities to obtain a visa to Sydney. If the successful applicant could not arrive in Sydney by 15 Jan 2010, the award would be automatically cancelled.
2. Except being a Fellowship awarding organization, Lions Club of Sydney Chinese assumes no liability whatsoever during the candidate's stay in Australia
3. Invitation letter(s) for Visa application should be issued by a correspondence organization in Australia. The Lions Club of Sydney Chinese shall not issue such letters.
4. If the successful applicant leave earlier before the completion of the whole study, he/she will not be offered the grant award; his/her senior and/or referees shall be informed.
5. The successful applicant must acknowledge the "Lions Club of Sydney Chinese Teal Ribbon Fellowship Scheme" for any MOU/MOC signed with Australian organization(s) and for any publications or research work projects resulting completely or partly from the Fellowship Scheme.

A Thank You Note from our Humanitarian Scholarship Winner

To All at the Sydney Chinese Lions Club,

I would like to extend my sincere thanks and appreciation for the generous humanitarian scholarship and for your warm and open hospitality to both my father, Peter, and myself. I was overwhelmed to be awarded this money and it has gone straight in my organisation - United Future Foundation. \$2000 is enough to provide the children with vital necessities such as textbooks and stationery, school shoes and uniforms. I would love to keep in touch about our work and progress at UFF and also to hear about the fantastic initiatives

of the Chinese Lions! You are doing amazing fundraising work, especially with the ball! Your generosity of time & resources is evident and you should be very proud of all you have achieved.

Once again, I thank you so much for hosting us to 2 beautiful dinners, for welcoming us openly into your Club & above all for the huge donation you offered to me. It will go far in Uganda!

All my love,

Annabelle Chauncy

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A Thank You Note from Ms Annabelle Chauncy Winner of Sydney Chinese Lions Humanitarian Scholarship 2009

To All at the Sydney Chinese Lions Club,

I would like to extend my sincere thanks and appreciation for the generous humanitarian scholarship and for your warm and open hospitality to both my father, Peter and myself. I was overwhelmed to be awarded this money and it has gone straight in my organisation - United Future Foundation. \$2,000 is enough to provide the children with vital necessities such as textbooks and stationery, school shoes and uniforms! I would love to keep in touch about our work and progress at UFF and also to hear about the fantastic initiatives of the Chinese Lions! You are doing amazing fundraising work, especially with the ball. Your generosity of time and resources is evident and you should be very proud of all you have achieved.

Once again, I thank you so much for hosting us to 2 beautiful dinners, for welcoming us openly into your Club and above all for the donation you offered to me. It will go far in Uganda!

All my love,
Annabelle Chauncy



A *Thank You* Letter from our Humanitarian Scholarship Runner-up

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04 June 2009

Dear President and Members of the Lions Club of Sydney Chinese Inc,

I wish to thank you for your wonderful support and recognition. The Sydney Chinese Lions Humanitarian Scholarship is a wonderful program that recognises the humanitarian endeavours of young students who have committed to humanitarian assistance.

I, like the other Humanitarian Scholarship finalists, were so very proud to have been selected by the judging committee. The Lion's Club members whom I had the pleasure of meeting were all very warm and made me feel most welcome at your dinners.

Annabelle and Adam are excellent humanitarians and students and I am very humbled to have been associated with them.

The \$1,000 prize that I was awarded last night provides me with not only the capacity to concentrate on my academic pursuits in my endeavour to become an even more effective member of the international humanitarian community, but it also assists me with the ability to respond to any new humanitarian emergency that may arise in the future.

I thank you all once again for the encouragement and recognition that you have so kindly provided.

Sincerely,



Dominic Bowen



**A Thank You Letter from Mr Dominic Bowen
Runner-up of Sydney Chinese Lions Humanitarian Scholarship 2009**

A Thank You Note from our Humanitarian Scholarship Runner-up

22/6/09

Dear Arthur and Rita,

" I just wanted to express my sincere gratitude for the passion and dedication you have shown towards young volunteers with your Lions Humanitarian Scholarship. I am very honoured to be a recipient this year of the scholarship. "

The work I do overseas and in Sydney would not be possible without the dedication and support of those around me. The scholarship itself makes it so much easier for me to dedicate as much time as possible to the work that I love.

I have included here some photos to complement the stories I have shared with you. They include a photo of the bags developed in partnership with a community in Manila as a livelihood program, a photo of the electric jeepney that I am designing for, a photo of me with some children of the GK Character village in rural Philippines (at the base of a volcano!), and a photo of a recent group that travelled on an education program to the Philippines in 2008. I have also included a photo of one of Manila's notorious slum areas, and the housing built by Gawad Kalinga (One of the organisation I work with). I hope that with these photos you can feel your place and contribution to this work!

Kind Regards,

Adam Long



**A Thank You Letter from Mr Adam Long
Runner-up of Sydney Chinese Lions Humanitarian Scholarship 2009**

Photographs from
Mr Adam Long



Photos sent by Mr Adam Long
Runner-up of Sydney Chinese Lions Humanitarian Scholarship 2009

A Letter from Lion Tamer Robert Chu

Dear President Mei and IPP Anthony

Many thanks for sending me to the recent new club development training program. I had great fun during the training sessions. Altogether about 29 people attended including District Governor Beryl Payne, Past District Governors, District Officers and Club Presidents.

Day One

We learnt the basics of Guiding Lions etc, with the help of role plays, videos and group discussions. Prospective new clubs within the District were also identified. During one of the training sessions, PDG Bede Long pointed out that Sydney Chinese Lions are a great success in charity fundraising and membership growth.

Day Two

Review of the Day One program - again this took the form of group discussions and interviews with group members. The focus was on techniques on how to approach new members and identifying potential new areas for business clubs. The day continued with sessions on how to become a good Certified Guiding Lion via workshops and quizzes.

Day Three

Fieldwork to the Rozelle area - led by IPDG Elvio Munzone and 1st VDG John Harrison. We were able to collect some 90 business cards by the end of the day. Hopefully in next few weeks, an information night will be arranged at the Balmain Club with a view to forming a new club in the Rozelle area.

Thanks again.
Robert Chu

**Congratulations to Lion Robert Chu
on his becoming a Certified Guiding Lion!**





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The Lions Club of Sydney Chinese Inc. is a member of Lions Clubs International, an international non profit community service organization, upholding a common motto "WE SERVE". Today, there are Lions Clubs in 205 countries and geographical areas all over the world. In District 201N5, which covers the Sydney area and Norfolk Island, there are some 75 Clubs with around 1,700 members. Amongst these, there are around 7 Chinese-based Clubs. Sydney Chinese Lions is the first of these Chinese-based Clubs chartered in April 1995.

Over the past fifteen years, under the leadership of President Dr. Anthony Cheung and other Past Presidents, in conjunction with the relentless effort of its members, and on top of all these, the generous donations and sponsorships received from the community, the Club has donated over \$350,000 to a number of charities including the Royal Flying Doctor Service of Australia, St John (NSW), the Australian Red Cross, the Sir David Martin Foundation, the Fred Hollows Foundation, Westmead and Concord Hospitals, the Children's Mobility (Hart Walker) Foundation and the Elderly Australian Chinese Homes. Thousands have reaped the benefits. The Club is also mindful of encouraging young adults to participate in humanitarian services, hence, since 2003, it has been offering its humanitarian scholarships.

Visit us at our Award Winning Website
www.sydneychineselions.org.au

Upcoming Events

Function	Venue/ Dress Code	Date & Time	Cost per person
September Members Meeting Sydney Chinese Lions	Zilver Restaurant After 5	Wednesday 2 September 2009	\$30 per person for dinner
Visiting Indo-Chinese Elderly Hostel Sydney Chinese Lions	Indo-Chinese Elderly Hostel 680A Cabramatta Road West, BONNYRIGG	Saturday 5 September 2009 10:00am	Free of Charge
Ball Organising Committee & Board Meetings Sydney Chinese Lions	Level 4 Marigold Restaurant After 5	Wednesday 16 September 2009 6:45am	\$30 per person for dinner
District Convention District 201N5	Bomaderry Bowling Club 154 Meroo Road Bomaderry	13 - 15 Novem- ber 2009	\$155 for full registra- tion & hospitality package; accommodation extra

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