

Media Release

Lions Club of Sydney Chinese 10th Anniversary Charity Ball

The Lions Club of Sydney Chinese will hold their 10th Anniversary Charity Ball on Saturday, 5 March 2005 at the Ballroom, Sydney Convention and Exhibition Centre, Darling Harbour. Net proceeds of this function will be in aid of the Sir David Martin Foundation. The donation will help their programs such as the Creative Youth Initiatives and the Triple Care Farm, to reach the homeless youths and help them return to the community.

Chartered in April 1995, the Lions Club of Sydney Chinese Inc is the first Chinese-based club in Australia, the Lions Club motto 'WE SERVE' is the basis of every club member. During the past 9 years, the Club has raised over \$100,000 in aid of various charity organisations such as Westmead Children Hospital; Concord Repatriation Hospital and the Children's Mobility (Hart Walker) Foundation; the Fred Hollows Foundation (\$28,000 in 2001); the Giant Step program (\$10,000 in 2002); the Elderly Australian Chinese Homes (2003) and the Concord Hospital Burns Unit (2004). The Club is also mindful of encouraging young adults to participate in humanitarian services; hence, it established the 'Lions Club of Sydney Chinese Humanitarian Scholarship' program.

Clearly all these achievements would not be possible without the strong leadership and support of the past and present presidents of the club together with its members' hard work and dedication. Furthermore, the club has enjoyed support from political leaders, the Consulate General of PRC and the Chinese media, fellow lions, sponsors and the community at large to make it possible. The Lions Club of Sydney Chinese would like to thank them for their continued support in this event.

This event has been made possible by the generous support of the **Sydney Convention Centre** who donated the use of its Ballroom free of charge. Other sponsors who have donated prizes for auction and raffle on the night include **Remy Martin, Qantas Airways, Royal Jewellery, HSBC Bank Australia Limited and Eversun Holidays.**

The Charity Ball Organising Committee include Mr King Fong OAM (Chair), Club President Dr Anthony Cheung, Ms Polly Chan (Stage Manager), Mr Robert Chu (Treasurer), Ms Eleanor Wu, Ms Sylvia Chong, Ms Patricia Du, Ms Barbara Chang, Ms Selina Fung, and Ms Norma Ingram.

The Lions Club of Sydney Chinese 10th Anniversary Charity Ball will be held on Saturday, 5 March at the Sydney Convention Centre, Darling Harbour. Dinner tickets are \$138 per person or \$1,380 for a table of 10. We seek the

enthusiastic participation of the community and please contact our president Dr Anthony Cheung via email sydneychineselions@yahoo.com or on 0414 330 887 for enquiries and/or tickets and sponsorship details.