## **Sydney Chinese Lions Information Night**

## 9 August 2011

**An Information Dinner Meeting** was held by **Sydney Chinese** Lions on 9 **August at Zilver** Restaurant. **There were 2** purposes of the meeting. First, it was to raise awareness of Lions and the club and second, to recruit more members. 12 enthusiastic members of the club were invited. They were asked to bring a guest or two to the meeting.

Some 30 members and guests attended the meeting. 5 membership application forms were collected at the end of the evening while a few more are in the pipeline. It is planned that further Information **Dinner Meetings** be held once a month in 2011.

The authors of the 2 articles here attended their first ever Sydney Chinese Lions' function at the Information Meeting.

## 海纳百川 有容乃大 第一次与悉尼华人狮子会会员相聚

2011 年 8 月 9 号,这一个略有寒意的初春,是我第一次参加悉尼华人狮子会的聚会。时虽短暂,却为一个只身异地,怀抱梦想而独自打拼的澳洲留学生打开了一片充满希望的广阔视野,传递了一份意想不到的浓浓的温暖,。

聚会之初,我那因为陌生而产生的稍许紧张和怯懦,在狮子会成员那充满关爱的眼神中,不知不觉的 消退。虽然初次相逢,但温柔亲切的会长美姐就像妈妈一样,用久违的温暖,招呼着我,仿佛带我回 到了家。

悉尼华人狮子会前会长兼狮子会201N5区第四分域张主席用他那热情洋溢富有感染力的声音宣布聚 会的正式开始。通过张主席简短精辟又深情款款的对狮子会的介绍,让不论是如我一般初识狮子会的 学生,还是服务多年的资深会员,都被他的对狮子会的热情所围绕,被他对狮子会的深情所打动。

这一次短暂的聚会,让我明白了悉尼华人狮子会强大的真正原因,这一次深入的交流,也加深了我对 悉尼华人狮子会在悉尼社会中举足轻重的地位的认知。悉尼华人狮子会的成员,在社会不同阶层领域 如中流砥柱一般,奋斗着,带领着不同行业的进步,在狮子会也收获着,分享着他们的耕耘和梦想。 虽然在人生中的轨道不同,但是相同的是狮子会成员共同的信念:回馈社会;相同的是成员们不懈 的追求:服务社会。

通过会长和主席的介绍,与会员们的交谈,我体会到狮子会心系祖国的情真意切。在祖国大陆汶川地 震之后,悉尼华人狮子会第一时间向受灾地区捐款,用最真挚的行动表达着他们的关怀。这一种不求 回报无私付出深深的触动了我。汇聚着悉尼华人赤子之心的狮子会也汇聚着爱的力量,悉尼华人精英 们的智慧和那一份绵绵不断的无私付出的崇高精神。海纳百川,正是这一种精神才将澳洲的华人狮子 会凝聚的如此坚定,如此强大。

By Lion Olivia Luo 罗喆

## Sydney Chinese Lions Club – Information Night Lion Lesley Wang writes ...

Since established in 1995 as the first Chinese-based Lions club in Sydney area and Norfolk Island, The Lions Club of Sydney Chinese Inc now has more than 130 members. Despite this, they have plans to bring in even more members to the club.

On Tuesday, 9 August 2011, an Information Dinner Meeting was held at Zilver restaurant, Chinatown. It was a very good opportunity for Lions to meet with potential members and for invited guests to become interested in becoming a Lion. Around 30 members and guests including President Mei Cheng, Zone Chairman Dr Anthony Cheung and Vice Presidents Jason Zhang and Wendy Lin attended the meeting.

Zone Chairman Anthony hosted this special meeting which was the first of its kind ever hosted by Sydney Chinese Lions. He firstly welcomed everyone and made a brief introduction to the history and purposes of Lions Clubs International. He propounded that the Lions motto is "We Serve" and Lions are always looking for an increasing number of like services minded individuals to help serve the community. Lion Anthony also reviewed the history and major past events of Sydney Chinese Lions Club, and the key projects that the club is currently working on, for example the Annual Health Talk Day, and their very successful Charity Balls.

After attending this Information meeting, invited guests have a better understanding of who we Lions are and what we Lions do. During the meeting Membership application forms were provided to guests who were interested in joining the club.