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Editorial

Our Christmas Party this year was again well attended by over 330 fellow Lions, guests and friends. For many of the guests of that evening watching the "Face Change" show by the magician was a first time experience. The attendance by **Careflight, Australian Red Cross, St. John and Flying Doctors**, i.e. the Major Beneficiaries of the current and the past three Charity Balls was also a first experience for the Sydney Chinese Lions.

Preparatory work for the 2011 Charity Ball is well underway. We are always looking out for Major Sponsor and Sponsors for the function. We are also appealing to fellow Lions and friends for donation of Raffle Prizes. Anyone wishing to donate raffle items with a minimum market value of \$50 each please contact President Mei Cheng for collection details and acknowledgements by 15 January.

The Board recently decided that a Humanitarian Scholarship of \$2,000 cash prize shall be offered again for 2011. The project will be launched soon in the new year.

Speaking of the new year, the Chinese New Year in 2011 falls on the 3 February. In view of this, the Board has agreed to move the date of the February Members Meeting from the first Wednesday to the second

Wednesday. To add to the festivity, at dinner that evening, we will have a special treat of a barbequed suckling pig. In order not to miss out on the suckling pig cutting ceremony, fellow Lions are reminded that the February Meeting is to be held at the usual time at Zilver Restaurant on Wednesday, 9 February 2011.

As you are aware, Past International Director Barry Palmer AM, shall be the sole candidate presented at the LCI Seattle Convention in July 2011 for the position of International 2nd Vice President for 2011-2012. To assist with his campaign, there are a series of fundraisers. There'll soon be one at the Emperor's Garden Restaurant on Saturday, 12 February 2011. Further, the Chinese-based Lions Clubs in Sydney are also joining forces to organize another fundraiser for Barry at the same venue on Saturday, 14 May 2011. Fellow Lions are strongly encouraged to participate in these two functions to show our support for PID Barry Palmer, the first Australian Lion for a Lions International Vice President's position.

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A Message from Our International President

Dear Lion MEI,

At this time of year Lions around the world are preparing to celebrate a variety of holidays. These observances are as diverse as Lions themselves but like Lions, their holiday spirit has much in common. It is a spirit of love and joy.

For Lions, the opportunities for service are year-round, but somehow these opportunities come into sharper focus during this season of the year. As we celebrate with family and friends we need to be reminded of our responsibility to those less fortunate and be willing to share the joys of the holidays with others. We need to greet the New Year with enthusiasm and optimism to make our beacon of hope shine brighter.

Please refer to the information in this message on the Global Service Action Campaigns and the new **Light Keeper Award** for ways to keep the Lions beacon shining.

Meanwhile, I wish you and your family joy and peace in this holiday season and hope that, in the coming year, you and your family will continue to enjoy the satisfaction that comes from making a difference in the lives of those in need.

Best wishes,

Sid L. Scruggs III
International President



*Sydney Chinese Lions are privileged and honoured to have inducted
International President Sid Scruggs III as Associate Member on 25 October 2009*

Christmas Wishes from District Governor

WISHING YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR



District Governor John Harrison &
Wife Lion Tina Harrison

Like everyone else I am looking forward to a slowing down and a brief respite over the Christmas holiday period.

It is also a time of reflection, resolution and rededication. I will be reviewing what has been achieved by Lions in our District and looking at what I can do to assist all of us "To Serve".

I have thoroughly enjoyed attending the Zone Meetings and hearing about the various Club activities. But the greatest pleasure has come from meeting "You" the Lions of District 201N5. What a marvellous group of dedicated and enthusiastic people you are.

I have said on a number of occasions that I have been unable to come up with a description or specification for a 'Lion' or what constitutes a perfect 'Lions Club'.

We are individuals united in the bond of wanting to help others and have become cemented together with the Lions spirit.

The very successful 201N5 Convention has come and gone and a report on the Convention can be found elsewhere in this issue. Unfortunately only about 15% of our members attended and many Clubs had no delegates or representatives present at all. Most disappointing, however, was that at a most moving Remembrance Ceremony some deceased members were not honoured by a representative of their own Club being in attendance. I have mentioned at Zone Meetings and it seems clear that a failure to attend your Annual Meeting is sadly symptomatic of the inability of many Clubs to see beyond their own Club borders. It is the attitude of many long term members, suffering from Convention tiredness, that leave the running of our District to a core of dedicated Lions. Those new Lions attending the Convention were very enthusiastic and enjoyed themselves. For many it was their first opportunity to see the broader aspects of Lions, to see the work of many of our Foundations and to mingle with Lions from other Clubs.

I was honoured to attend Charter Dinners for three new Clubs - the Lions Club of Western Sydney, the Lions Club of Sydney Nepal Himalaya and the Lions Club of Nepean Valley Business. The development and growth of these Clubs is very much in the hands of their Guiding Lions and their sponsoring Lions Clubs. Please give them every encouragement and assistance that you can.

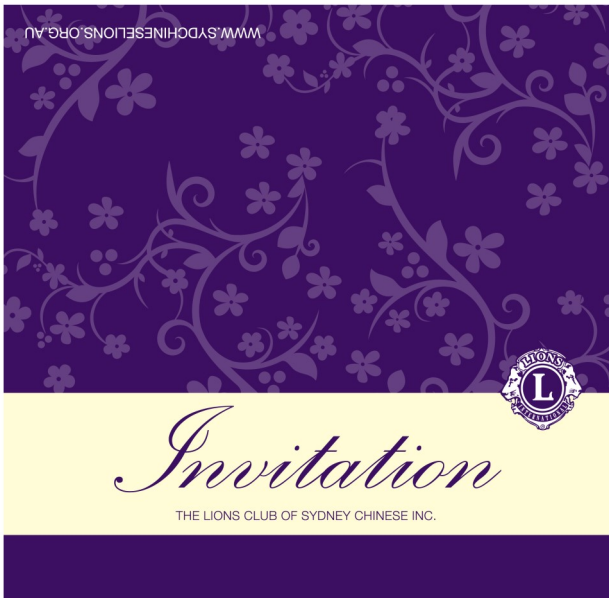
Next year will be the most exciting Lions year that we've had in recent times. The **Multiple District Convention** will be held in Launceston on 15th – 19th April, the **International Convention** will be held in Seattle on 4th – 8th July, the **First Australian, New Zealand, Indonesian Pacific Forum** will be held in Broadbeach on 9th – 11th September and the 201N5 **District Convention** will be held on Norfolk Island on 25th – 27th November.

Each of these is important in its own right. The first because it is the Australian Convention. The second because for the first time we will have an opportunity to elect an Australian, Barry Palmer, to the position of Second International Vice President. The third because this will be the first Forum held in our part of the world and Australia will be host to Delegates from the Pacific region. The fourth because it is our Convention and I understand that the Norfolk Island Conventions are memorable. Please give some thought to your attending as many of these events as possible and start planning now.

I look forward to seeing many of you in the New Year and in the words of our International President, Sid Scruggs III, thank you for being '**Loving Individuals Offering Needed Service**'.

Best Wishes

John Harrison, District Governor



You're cordially invited to ...

THE LIONS CLUB OF SYDNEY CHINESE INC.
CHARITY BALL 2011
SATURDAY, 19 MARCH 2011



MAJOR BENEFICIARY
CareFlight

The Parkside Ballroom
Sydney Convention & Exhibition Centre, Darling Harbour
6:15pm Pre-dinner drinks, 7:00 Function commences

\$168 per person / \$1,680 per table of 10
(incl. pre-dinner drinks, 3-course dinner with drinks, entertainment, live band and dancing)
Black Tie / National Costume

RSVP by Wednesday, 2 March 2011
P.O. Box K422, Haymarket Sydney NSW 2000
Enquiries: Secretary Carolyn Gan
Phone: 0432 631 807
Email: carolyn.gum@yahoo.com.au

MAJOR SPONSOR



16th

THE LIONS CLUB OF SYDNEY CHINESE INC.
CHARITY BALL 2011
SATURDAY, 19 MARCH 2011

No. 3420

The Parkside Ballroom
Sydney Convention & Exhibition Centre, Darling Harbour
6:15pm Pre-dinner drinks
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Dear Fellow Lions

Though it seems we are still only in November 2010 and a few months away from next March's charity ball, our past experience tells us that the event will fall upon us faster than we might have realised. I am glad to announce that the ball tickets are available for collection from Lion Linda Chen and members are encouraged to actively participate in the ticket sales. As all the tickets are numbered for auditing purposes, we would like to remind all the members to be accountable for the tickets they have collected. In fact, this is fairly easily achievable. All we need to take are two simple steps:

1. Actively selling the tickets you have collected;
2. Keeping **an accurate and up-to-date written record** of the receivers of your tickets and the corresponding ticket numbers

The deadline for returning any unsold tickets is the 3 March 2011. We will need a full list of sales record as well as all unsold tickets. You are strongly encouraged to submit your sales record to Lion Linda Chen as soon as you have sold all your tickets so she can keep an updated tally. Her email address is linda_bo@hotmail.com.

Our success is in our own hands. May we lift our Lions' spirits and give ourselves a full charge in another round of successful ticket sales.

Regards

Howard Shi
2nd Vice President
Chairman, Charity Ball 2011 Organizing Committee



A Message from Ball Chairman Howard

亲爱的狮子会友们：

虽然现下只是 2010 年 11 月，离明年三月份的慈善晚会还有好几个月，但根据以往的经验，时间会过得很快，晚会很快就会面临着我们。我很高兴地告诉大家，晚会的票已经印好了，可以从 Linda Chen 狮友处领取，希望所有的会友们都积极地参与到票务的销售中。出于税务审计的原因，所有的门票都是有编号的，所以我们给大家一个友情提示：负责管理好你所领取的门票。其实，这很容易做到：

- 第一：积极销售你所领取的门票；
- 第二：**及时准确地登记**领取门票人的资料以及相对应的门票号码

不能售出的门票，请于明年三月三号归还。到时请提供未售门票以及已售门票的清单。我们恳切建议您在卖完了您领取的所有门票后，向 Linda Chen 狮友作第一时间报告，这样也方便她和会方随时有一个最新的销售记录。她的电子邮箱地址是：linda_bo@hotmail.com。

望大家齐心协力，共创辉煌。

谢谢大家。

Howard Shi
2nd Vice President
Chairman, Charity Ball 2011 Organizing Committee

An Open Letter to Australian Lions in Support of Dr WK Tam for International President

My Fellow Australian Lions

As you may be aware, at the Lions Clubs International Seattle Convention to be held on 4-8 July 2011, we will have the opportunity of **electing International 1st Vice President Dr. W.K. TAM as International President for the 2011-2012 Lions Year**. Dr. Tam will be the sole candidate presented to the Convention for the position. When he is elected, he will become the first Chinese person to hold such an esteemed office in the 94 years' history of Lions.

Dr. Tam is highly qualified for the position. At the international level, prior to becoming the current **International 1st Vice President**, in 2008-9, he served as **International 2nd Vice President** and in 2003-5, he served as **International Director**. He was appointed by 7 International Presidents to serve on the International Board as **Board Appointee 7 times**. Dr. Tam also served as Member on Executive Committee of the International Board in 2004-5. Further details of Dr. Tam can be found in the attached leaflet.

As an Australian Lion with Chinese background, I for one, support Dr. Tam's candidacy and strive to help out in his election campaign. **I am hoping to put together a team of Australian Lions to attend the Seattle Convention, with a view to supporting Dr. Tam and being part of this very rare and unique historical process.** When we are there, we will also have the opportunity of voting PID Barry Palmer to the position of International 2nd Vice President.

For this purpose, I am writing to you **to urge you to register for and attend the Seattle Convention, joining me and my team of Tam supporters from Australasia.**

When we are there, apart from the regular Conventional activities, we could also take part in some or all of the following events:

taking an active involvement in support of Tam during the Parade on 5 July

attending the opening session on 6 July

taking part in the demonstration on 7 July morning and reception party in the evening

voting for Dr. Tam and PID Barry Palmer on 8 July in the morning and attending the Victory party in the evening.

The Convention Registration Fee is USD100 if you register by the end of December 2010. Then it'll go up to USD150 after that and USD200 after 31 March 2011. So registering early actually saves you a few dollars. I also attach a copy of the Convention Registration Form for your reference.

If you wish to join me and my team of Tam supporters, please give me a call on **0414 330 887** or email me at tonycmcheung@hotmail.com.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!



Lion Dr. Anthony Cheung JP
Coordinator
Campaign Committee For
Dr. Tam for International President 2011-12



**94th Annual Lions Clubs International Convention
July 4 – 8, 2011 • Seattle, Washington, USA
Convention Registration and Hotel Reservation Form**

Deadlines

- **May 1, 2011:** Deadline for advance registration and hotel reservation. Registrations after this date will be processed in Seattle.
- **May 1, 2011:** Deadline to receive a refund for a registration cancellation. • **May 27, 2011:** Deadline to receive a refund for a hotel room cancellation.

REGISTRANT INFORMATION *Please type or print name as it appears on passport/photo ID.*

First Name _____ Last Name _____ Badge/Call Name _____
 Address _____ City _____ State/Province _____
 Postal Code _____ Country _____
 Daytime Phone _____ Fax _____ E-mail _____

Lion: Club No. _____ **Membership No.** _____ District _____ Title _____ Leo Lioness

SPOUSE/COMPANION: First Name _____ Last Name _____ Badge/Call Name _____

Lion: Club No. _____ **Membership No.** _____ District _____ Title _____ Lioness Guest

CHILD: First Name _____ Last Name _____ Age _____
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PACKAGE A: *Includes convention registration for each registrant listed above plus one (1) hotel room serviced by shuttle buses during convention.*

Before December 31: Reservation in delegation hotel
 After December 31: I prefer my delegation hotel
 Prefer hotel based on: room rate of _____ location near convention center

Arrival date _____ Departure date _____ Number of Guests in Room: _____ Number of Beds Needed 1 2

Special Requirements: Non-smoking Wheelchair Accessible Other _____

• The Hotel deposit is US\$200 for a standard room and US\$350 for a suite. The hotel deposit is not the rate but reserves the room. Your deposit will be credited to your hotel bill at checkout.

PACKAGE B: NO ROOM REQUIRED *(Registration only for each person listed above.)*

OPTIONAL TICKETED EVENTS *I/we plan to attend the following event(s): (Must be registered to attend)*

EVENT	DATE/TIME	FEE	QUANTITY	AMOUNT DUE
Membership Key Award Ice Cream Social (Key holders only)	July 5/ 14:30-16:30	US \$20	_____	\$ _____
Melvin Jones Fellow Luncheon	July 6/ 13:00-15:00	US \$60	_____	\$ _____
Global Youth Music Competition	July 6/ TBD	US \$20	_____	\$ _____
District Governor/Past District Governor Banquet	July 7/ 18:30-21:30	US \$100	_____	\$ _____

Meal Preference: None Vegetarian Indian Vegetarian Diabetic Gluten Free

PAYMENT: Full payment is required with this form. • US currency only. Checks and money orders must be drawn on US banks.

- Only Visa and MasterCard accepted. • Contact LCI for wire transfer instructions.

REGISTRATION FEES

	Adult	Child (17 and under)
Early (before 31/Dec/2010)	US\$100	US\$10
Regular (1/January through 31/March/2011)	US\$130	US\$10
Late (1/April/2011 – onsite)	US\$150	US\$10

Package A:

Registrations: US\$ _____
 Ticketed Events: US\$ _____
 Hotel Deposit: US\$ 200.00
 Total Due: US\$ _____

OR

Package B:

Registrations: US\$ _____
 Ticketed Events: US\$ _____
 Total Due: US\$ _____

- Check Bank transfer/deposit (copy must be attached to this form) Visa MasterCard

Your name as it appears on the card _____ Credit card **must** be in the name of the registrant.

Card Number _____ Exp. Date _____ Security code (3 digits) _____

Signature _____

Mail form and payment to: Lions Clubs International Attn: Convention Division • 300 West 22nd Street • Oak Brook, IL 60523-8842 USA

Credit Card and Bank Transfer Payments can be faxed to: (1-630) 571-1689 (If you fax, please do not mail original)

Questions? email us: registration@lionsclubs.org

- Allow 4 weeks for processing and mail delivery of your confirmation.

Please note: Lions Clubs International will be documenting the international convention for promotional purposes. Your participation may be filmed or photographed at this event. Your registration is your consent for use of these images by Lions Clubs International.

Christmas Party 2010



8 DECEMBER 2010

- Venue: Zilver Restaurant
- Guest of Honor: DG Elect Stephen Coleman
- Number of Guests Attending: 333
- Lions from: Sydney Chinese, Sydney Pacific, Sydney Inner West, Western Sydney, Baulkham Hills, Crestwood, Epping, Ryde
- Charities Attending: Australian Red Cross (NSW), CareFlight, Flying Doctors, St John (NSW)
- Lions Quest Gold Award Winner: 1st VP Jason Zhang
- Special Appearance: Santa Claus, Magician Thomas
- Sponsors: Remy Martin, Honey World Travel, Zilver Restaurant
- Auction Winning Bidder: Dr Anthony Yeung
- Master of Ceremonies: 2nd VP Howard Shi
- Soloist: Ms Michele Wong
- Fun Index: all time high





The Lions Club of Sydney Chinese Inc.

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We Serve

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 206 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 1,750 members. Amongst these, there are around 6 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 Mei Cheng, Hon. 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 \$400,000 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. In 2009, they set up the Inaugural Sydney Chinese Lions Teal Ribbon Scholars Scheme to promote and facilitate experience sharing between medical doctors and medical personnel of the People's Republic of China and Australia.

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

Upcoming Events

Function	Venue/ Dress Code	Date & Time	Cost per person
January Members Meeting Sydney Chinese Lions	Zilver Restaurant After 5	Wednesday 5 January 2011 7:00 for 7:30pm	\$30 for dinner
Australia Day 2011 Australian Chinese Community Commemoration Australian Chinese Community Commemoration Organizing Committee	The Australian Chinese Ex-Services Monument Club uniform	Wednesday 26 January 2011 10:30am	Free of charge
February Members Meeting Sydney Chinese Lions	Zilver Restaurant After 5	Wednesday 9 February 2011 7:00 for 7:30pm	\$30 for dinner
Charity Ball 2011 Sydney Chinese Lions	Parkside Ballroom Sydney Convention & Exhibition Centre, Darling Harbour Formal/National costume	Saturday 19 March 2011 6:15pm Pre-dinner drinks; 7:00pm function commences	Dinner: \$168 per person/ \$1,680 for a table of 10