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Good luck!

# Sydney Chinese Lions

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### President's Message THE LIONS CLUB OF SYDNEY CHINESE INC.

My fellow Lions

May I wish you and your loved ones good health, good luck and a prosperous Year of the Rat. May we be energetic and wealthy enough to carry on taking an active role in Lions pro-

jects and SERVING together as one.

On 10 Feb. a number of us took to the city streets at Chithe Pa-Year rade organised by

ney City Council. It was a

On 29 January, we welcomed two special quests from Finland-IPCC Pekka Rautakorpi and wife Eeva. They came to our Ball Promotion Press Conference and Ball Org Committee meeting. Both were impressed by what they wit-

On 4 Feb, we had our

nese New Year. At the meeting, nominations for the 2008-9 Board were received. Many positions have only 1 nominee and those nominated will be elected unopposed at our next Members meeting on 5 March. There are 5 positions, however, which have

that we are running the scholarship since we it was first launched in 2003. The scholarship is well received by NSW university students who participate actively in humanitarian work. Information on the Scholarship can be

> found on a good number of websites. cluding ours and those many NSW universities.

Our Charity Ball 2008. to be held on 1 March at the Parkside Ball-

room of the Sydney Convention and Exhibition Centre, is now fast approaching. With the support of the community, Sponsors and all of you, we can look forward to yet another successful fundraising event of our club's. For those who are interested in the Open Auction items, please check out Page 5 for a sneak preview. The Ball begins at 6:30pm. Please be there on time and enjoy this memorable party and celebration of our 13th Anniversary.

Yours in Lions Anthony



Sydney Chinese Lions and Guests at Chinese New Year Parade

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wonderful experience parading through the streets behind our Club's banner with tens of thousands of people cheering us along.

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monthly Members Meeting when we celebrated Chimore than 1 nominee. They are namely, 2nd Vice President, 3rd Vice President, 2 two-year Directors and 1 oneyear Director. Page 2 provides details of whom has been nominated for what. At the March meeting, elections will be held to fill these positions. Do come along to the meeting to vote for the candidates of your choice. Lion Greg Dunn has again kindly agreed to come and act as Returning Officer for us.

Our Humanitarian Scholarship 2008 has now been launched. A copy of the Press Release is provided on Page 3. It is now for the sixth year running



## **Notice of Elections Meeting**



### 澳洲雪梨華人獅子會

### The Lions Club of Sydney Chinese Inc.

District 201N5 of Lions International P.O. Box K422, Haymarket Sydney NSW 2000, Australia

### 5 February 2008

Notice is hereby given that the Elections Meeting of The Lions Club of Sydney Chinese Inc. will be held at Zilver Restaurant, Level 1, 477 Pitt Street (Corner of Pitt and Hay Streets), Sydney, at 7.30 pm on **Wednesday**, **5 March 2008**, to elect the following Office Bearers for the year 2008/09.

Position	Nominated Candidates		
President	Anthony Cheung (Note 1)		
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	Mei Cheng (Note 1)		
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President	Sylvia Chong, Jason Zhang		
3 <sup>rd</sup> Vice President	Jason Zhang, Simon Leung		
Membership Chairman	Tony Wong (Note 1)		
Secretary	Crystal Siu (Note 1)		
Assistant Secretary	Winci Guo (Note 1)		
Treasurer	Tim Yuen (Note 1)		
Assistant Treasurer	Jason Zhang (Note 1)		
Two (2) 2-Year Directors	Sylvia Chong, Janet Hung, Belinda Wan		
One (1) 1-Year Director (Note 2)	Simon Leung, Sylvia Chong, Rosanda Kam, Jack Lee, Carl Ku		
Tail Twister	Howard Shi (Note 1)		
Lion Tamer	Rosanda Kam (Note 1)		
Legal Advisor	Carl Ku (Note 1)		

#### Notes

Being the only person nominated, the nominee is duly elected to the position unopposed. Another 1-Year Director position is automatically taken up by the 2-Year Director from 2007-8 namely Lion Wanty Kerr.

Further nominations will not be accepted at the Elections Meeting, and only paid-up members are entitled to cast election votes.

Janet Hung Acting Secretary

## **Humanitarian Scholarship 2008**

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# THE SYDNEY CHINESE LIONS HUMANITARIAN SCHOLARSHIP MEDIA RELEASE

The SCHOLARSHIP OFFER

*The Sydney Chinese Lions Humanitarian Scholarship* for 2008 is now open for application. The Scholarship was first established by the Lions Club of Sydney Chinese Inc (the Club) in 2003, and its purpose is to encourage and recognize humanitarian services undertaken by university students. This year, the award is \$2,000 for one award winner.

The eligible applicant must be studying at one of the universities in Sydney, with good character, who has undertaken and/or is planning to undertake humanitarian services.

Selection is based on the nature and commendability of services rendered and/or to be rendered by the applicants. The Club has full discretion in selecting the award winner. No further correspondence will be entered into once the winner has been selected.

Applicants are required to submit a report including (1) Name and contact details including address, email address and phone number. (2) University attended, year of study, and degree program pursued. (3) Record of humanitarian services performed on a pro-bono basis. (4) Pro-bono humanitarian services planned for the next 12 months. Submissions must reach the Lions Club of Sydney Chinese Inc, P O Box 850, Chatswood NSW 2057, by 31 March 2008.

Applicants may be invited to a brief presentation of their services at a meeting of the Club. Results will be announced in May/June 2008.

For further information about the scholarship, or activities of the Club, please contact Rita Kwan (email: akwan1@bigpond.net.au) and/or visit our website at www.sydneychineselions.org.au.

# An Invitation to Sydney Chinese Lions' Charity Ball 2008



### 雪梨華人獅子會慈善餐舞會二零零八 THE LIONS CLUB OF SYDNEY CHINESE INC. CHARITY BALL 2008

Saturday, 1st March 2008

The Parkside Ballroom
Sydney Convention & Exhibition Centre, Darling Harbour
6:30pm Pre-dinner drinks
7:00pm Function commences
\$168 per person

(incl. pre-dinner drinks, 3-course dinner with drinks, entertainment, live band and dancing) Black Tie / National Costume

### RSVP

Saturday 16th February 2008 Secretary Crystal Siu Ph: 0400 228 823 Fax: (02) 9686 3031 Email: ccsiu@hotmail.com





Helping to Keep the Flying Doctors Flying



The Lions Club of Sydney Chinese Inc. Charity Ball 2008 Saturday, 1st March 2008

RSVP by 16th February 2008

Return to P.O. Box K422, Haymarket Sydney NSW 2000

Enquiries: Secretary Crystal Siu Ph: 0400 228 823 or Email: ccsiu@hotmail.com

# **Charity Ball 2008 Open Auction Prizes**

With Charity Ball 2008, we have been rather successful in securing a number of valuable items for the auctions. Below is a sneak preview of the 8 open auction items. Please check them out and bid generously at the Ball.

### Open Auction Prizes

















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- Porsche Cayman S, metallic Swarovski crystal
   + weekend use of a Porsche Boxster
- 2 x Louis XIII de Rémy Martin 700ml package
- 18 ct yellow gold pearl pendant Linneys Pearls
- 3 nights' accommodation at one of 440 worldwide hotels
- S Zilver's "Budha Jumping the Wall" banquet for 12
- 6 OMEGA 18ct yellow gold steel lady's watch
- Beijing 2008 Olympics limited edition x 2
   Sydney Hongkong business class return tickets for 2
- valid from 2/3/08 to 1/3/09

  S Louis XIII de Rémy Martin (700ml)

- 史華樂世奇保時捷水晶模型車收藏品及 週末免費享用一部保時捷Boxter型號跑車
- 路易十三700毫升特級干邑兩瓶 名貴Linneys18K黃金珍珠吊墜
- 世界豪華酒店三晚住宿 同樂軒十二位佛跳牆盛筵一席
- 亞米茄18K黃金鋼石英女裝手錶 × 2 2008北京奧運限量收藏版
- 澳航雙人悉尼-香港商務客位來回機票 有效期為2/3/2008至1/3/2009
- 路易十三700毫升特級干邑

## District Governor's Communique from DG Carol Alderson

Hi everyone,

February already, where does the time go?

This (Racing) night was a great success and provided national PR for Lions. In addition to the information bags that were handed out by Crestwood & Cambridge Park clubs to race goers.

I would like to thank the following clubs who had faith and supported this venture: Balgowlah, Blacktown City, Cambridge Park, Carlingford Dundas, Castle Hill, City of Hurstville, City of Ryde, Crestwood, French's Forest, Hawkesbury Bells Line, Hills Rural, Hornsby, Hurstville St George, Kogarah, Kyle Bay, Maroubra, North Rocks, NSW Parliamentary, Penrith, Pittwater, Richmond, St Ives, St Mary's, Sydney Inc, Sydney Markets, Sydney North West, Sydney Waratah, West Pennant Hills, Yagoona, Lugarno and Bankstown for without your support this night would not have been possible.

Thanks must also go to those who also sponsored a race: SS & PHC, Richmond Club (Diabetes Kids Camp), Burwood (ALDAF) and Arrowfield Stud.

Thank you to all of those who attended and further supported our goal of raising funds for the Cystic Fibrosis Clinic at Westmead Children's Hospital.

The Camel Cup was unfortunately cancelled due to extreme weather conditions on the night.

The other camel riders were to be Paulini (The Young Divas), Frank Coletta (Channel 10), Alex Cullen (Channel 7) and jockey Hugh Bowman. This night has the potential to be one of our Districts major annual events.

On Friday 4th January I visited the Nuclear Reactor at Menai with the 2007 State winners of our Youth of the Year. Menai club hosted these students as the NSW winner, Chelsea Burgess, had been sponsored by them.

The knowledge and professionalism displayed by these students never ceases to amaze me. Please support our new entrants in Youth of the Year by attending the District judging on 29 March at the State Finals on 12 April, details can be found on our website.

On the 15th January it was my pleasure to attend a New Year Charity luncheon



**District Governor Carol Alderson** 

hosted by Sydney Inner West at the Marigold Restaurant. This midday affair was for elderly Asian residents of nursing homes with 300 in attendance.

They were entertained by dancers and singers with some of the guests making their way to the dance floor which they thoroughly enjoyed by the smiles on their faces.

The Chinese God of Good Fortune was also there to wish them all a Happy New Year. The eldest lady there on the day was 108 years old! What a lovely way to give some joy to our elderly community. Well done to Patrick Chok and his club.

Congratulations to our Cabinet Secretary Beryl Payne who was awarded Citi-

zen of the Year. Mayor Bart Bassett of Hawkesbury Council presented her with the award. There were 18 Lions present to see her accept the award which went to a very deserving lady.

Beryl is active not only active in Lions but contributes much support to her local community both through involvement in other organisations and personally. She has been contributing to her local community for most of her life and well deserves this recognition. Look out for Beryl's profile in the Sydney News. Well done Beryl!

Congratulations to Bede Long who was chosen with Russ Connolly (C2) to become our International Extension Consultants for MD201.

Both Bede and Russ will be attending training in San Francisco this month to further develop their skills, motivation techniques and knowledge to assist Lions nationally to grow our membership be able to continue to expand our service to others.

In January our District officially formed our newest club, The Lions Club of Sydney Central. The event was attended by many of the new members and the Zone and Region Chairman from Region 2 and representatives from Sydney Waratah club who are the proud sponsor club.

Congratulations and welcome to our new charter members and Charter President Brenda Chan. Charter night details will be circulated when they are confirmed and it would be great to see as many Lions as possible there to welcome our new club and it's members.

On Australia Day it was my pleasure to attend the Australia Chinese Community Commemoration Service at Darling Harbour. This service was to pay tribute to the deceased and acknowledge the currently serving Australian Chinese service personnel.

The day was attended by Tom Cheong (President Australian Chinese ex- Ser-

# District Governor's Communique (continued)

vices National Reunion), Don Rowe (President RSL of Australia), the Honourable Henry Tsang, community groups and representatives from Sydney Chinese, Sydney Pacific, Sydney Inner West, Sydney North West, City of Sydney, Sydney Waratah, Sydney Central and Helen Sham-Ho from NSW Parliamentary.

Our Lions banners were surrounding the speakers and flowers were place around the monument.

Congratulations also to Cambridge Park Lions who have officially twinned with the Lions Club of Wellawatta West in Sri Lanka. This association was first initiated after the Tsunami and since then they have forwarded money direct to this club to help with schooling and housing needs for the community.

Congratulations N5 District and thanks to Mint Chairman Anthony Cheung. We not only exceeded last years Lion Mint sales with an overall increase of 35 Cartons for the year, but also reached set target. We sold 4793 cartons in the Multiple District this year which unfortunately is down by 42 Cartons, so we have a number of Districts not even making their last year sales figures. District top sales Banner Patch's will be forwarded to Cabinet Secretary for presentation at District Changeover.

ALPTC (Australian Lions Pin Trading Club have produced a set of three pins to raise awareness and funds for Campaign Sight First II. The set of 3 pins (red, white & blue) are available from District for \$10.00 for the set. The will be delivered to us early this month so to ensure you do not miss out please forward payment to Cab Sec Beryl with your request.

On Thursday 17th I was privileged to attend the Robert Burns night hosted by the City of Ryde. This night is a celebration of the life of Robert Burns (1759-1796) who was a Scottish poet and lyricist who is regarded as a pioneer of the Romantic Movement who

became a cultural icon.

Burns night, effectively a second national day, is celebrated on 25th January with Burns suppers around the world. On this night we were treated to bag pipe music, Scottish dancing and the traditional piping in of the haggis which was served to each guest.

Worldwide Induction Day 19th April 2008. A planning guide for this can be located at www.lionsclubs.org, other programs, membership programs and select Worldwide Induction Day.

If your club will be inducting new members during the month of April, please let me know the number by Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February so that we can arrange to receive commemorative certificates for these new members.

A message from NSW Ambulance Service: We all carry our mobile phones with names & numbers stored in its memory but nobody, other than if we were to be involved in an accident or were taken ill, the people attending us would have our mobile phone but wouldn't know who to call.

Yes, there are hundreds of numbers stored but which one is the contact person in case of an emergency? Hence this 'ICE' (In Case of Emergency) Campaign. It is a method of contact during emergency situations. As cell phones are carried by the majority of the population, all you need to do is store the number of a contact person or persons who should be contacted during emergency under the name 'ICE' (In Case Of Emergency).

The idea was thought up by a paramedic who found that when he went to the scenes of accidents, there were always mobile phones with patients, but they didn't know which number to call. He therefore thought that it would be a good idea if there was a nationally recognized name for this purpose.

In an emergency situation, Emergency Service personnel and hospital Staff would be able to quickly contact the right person by simply dialling the number you have stored as 'ICE'. For more than one contact name simply enter ICE1, ICE2 and ICE3 etc.

I will be visiting Norfolk Island from 3-8 February where it will also be my pleasure to award a 20 year Chevron to Hazel Martin who has been associated with Lions for over 40 years.

I also have requested and received a personal letter from our International President to present to Hazel who will be turning 99 years young in June.

Just another friendly reminder that all dues, both District and International must be paid on time.

We currently have 4 clubs who have been put on suspension by International for nonpayment. If you are one of these clubs and have made payment, thank you, if you have still not made payment, please ask your Secretary and Treasurer to check mail and accounts and contact our Cabinet Treasurer Jean-Claude Legrand urgently to discuss payment options.

Effective July 1, 2007, clubs with past due balances beyond 150 days could cause the club to be placed on automatic suspension and automatic cancellation within 90 days.

Our District Changeover will be held on Friday 18 July at North Ryde RSL. Please make this date clearly in your diary and club calendar and consider making this your "club dinner" for the month of July. Minimum formalities, good food and music to either listen or dance to. Further details will be supplied shortly.

It's Valentines Day on Thursday 14th so don't forget to get that special someone something nice and say "I love you"

Carol Alderson
District Governor

## **Photos of the Month**





**At February Members Meeting** 





**At Chinese New Year Parade** 

Meeting IPCC Pekka Rautakorpi from Finland



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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 200 countries and geographical areas all over the world. In District 201N5, which covers the Sydney area and Norfolk Island, there are some 80 Clubs with around 1,800 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 thirteen 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 raised and donated over two hundred thousand dollars to a number of charities including St John Ambulance, 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 had 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
Charity Ball 2008 Sydney Chinese Lions	Parkside Ballroom Sydney Convention & Exhibition Centre Formal/National Costume	Saturday 1 March 2008 6:30 pre-dinner drinks; 7:00 function com- mences	\$168 per person/ \$1680 for a table of 10
March Members Meeting & Elections for 2008-9 Board of Directors	Zilver Restaurant  After 5	Wednesday 5 March 2008 7:00 for 7:30 pm	\$30 per person for dinner
April Members Meeting	Cancelled, meeting resumes on 7 May		

For bookings please contact:

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