

SYDNEY CHINESE LIONS



President's Message

My Fellow Lions

At our Annual General Meeting (AGM) held on Wednesday, 5 November, the 2007-8 audited financial statements were considered and received. I wish to thank the accounting team for their great effort. As you may be aware, for the club's financial statements ending 30 June to be put together, making their passage through the Board, the auditor and the membership within the current time frame has never been an easy task. Similar to previous years, we enlisted the help of Lion Arthur, and Hon Auditor Lion Anita Cheung, their approach was prompt and professional, leading to this positive outcome. Well done!

Our Christmas Party 2008 is scheduled for Wednesday, 10 December at Zilver Restaurant. I am happy to confirm that for the sixth year running, Remy Martin has again agreed to be one

of our key sponsors. For the Christmas Party, like the past few years, we'll have plenty of fine Remy XO Cognac to sample - most of us would agree that the Remy Cognac is a major ingredient that helps ensure the Christmas spirit prevails throughout our party. Don't forget to call Secretary Crystal on 0400 228 823 to book.

I am pleased to report that within the past month, we have breezed past a few important milestones in our preparation for Charity Ball 2009. First of all, Remy Martin's Principal Sponsorship was confirmed. Second, for the third year in a row, we are grateful to receive a QANTAS Business Class Sydney-Hong Kong return ticket for two. Those of us active in community work understand that it is extremely rare to see business class air tickets being donated, let alone in this fashion. I must congratulate the Ball Committee for

doing exceptionally well in this regard. Do keep up the good efforts and we'll have yet another memorable function next March.

As Lions, we pride ourselves as an international organisation. Yes, indeed, our close ties with our Finnish twin, LC Javenpaa Ainot serve to demonstrate part of this spirit. Recently, we also received a letter from International President Al Brandel conveying good wishes to us and our Ball. Pages 4-5 have the details.

On 30 October, we were invited to the AGM of the Flying Doctors. During the event, I had the honour of introducing our Club to their members. The presentation went well. Our work and efforts at Charity Ball 2008 leading to a donation of \$57,500 was well received and greatly appreciated.

*Yours in Lions
Anthony*

THE LIONS CLUB OF SYDNEY CHINESE INC.

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- AGM 2008
- Christmas Party 2008
- Charity Ball 2009
- Letter from International President Al Brandel
- AGM of the Royal Flying Doctor

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Members and Guests at November Members Meeting

Christmas Party 2008

Let's share the Christmas and Lions spirits together!



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The Lions Club of Sydney Chinese Inc.

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*The President and Members
of the Lions Club of Sydney Chinese Inc.
Request the pleasure of your company to attend their*

Christmas Party

on Wednesday, 10 December 2008

7:00 for 7:30pm

at Zilver Restaurant (同樂軒)

Level 1, 477 Pitt Street, Sydney 2000

*\$45 per person/
\$450 for a table of 10*



RSVP

*Secretary Crystal Sin
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By 1 December 2008



Charity Ball 2009

Invitation

雪梨華人獅子會慈善餐舞會二零零九
THE LIONS CLUB OF SYDNEY CHINESE INC.
CHARITY BALL 2009



supporting
St John's Ambulance
Australia (NSW)
and its services
to the community

Saturday, 7 March 2009

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

16 February 2009
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Principal
Sponsor

REMY MARTIN
FINE CHAMPAGNE COGNAC

Major
Sponsor




The Lions Club of Sydney Chinese Inc. Charity Ball 2009
Saturday, 7 March 2009

RSVP by 16 February 2009

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

For enquiries, please contact Secretary Crystal Ph: 0400 228 823 Email: ccsiu@hotmail.com

- ☐ I/We would be delighted to accept the invitation to the Charity Ball 2009 at
Sydney Convention & Exhibition Centre, Darling Harbour,
The cost is \$168 per person or \$1680 per table of 10.
Please make your cheque payable to "The Lions Club of Sydney Chinese Inc."
Please reserve _____ places/tables. Amount enclosed \$ _____
(Reservations will be made and recorded on receipt of payment.)
- ☐ I/We are not able to attend but please find enclosed a donation of \$ _____

Charity Ball 2009

A Letter from International President Al Brandel

"Your commitment to providing quality service has given our association its distinguished reputation and is a prime example of what has made Lions Clubs International a leader in service ..."

Lions Clubs International

We do it ourselves.

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Al Brandel
INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT

March 7, 2009

Sydney Chinese Inc. Lions Club
Australia

Dear Sydney Chinese Inc. Lions Club:

Congratulations on the occasion of your club's 14th Anniversary and Charity Ball!

Anniversaries offer the opportunity to reflect upon where we have been and where we are going. Since your club's induction, the Lions in your club have worked together to improve the lives of individuals in your community and around the world. Your commitment to providing quality service has given our association its distinguished reputation and is a prime example of what has made Lions Clubs International a leader in service.

As we celebrate our achievements, we will continue to look toward the future for opportunities to improve and expand our projects of service. Through your members' efforts and drive, you are now able to celebrate your shared success through service with one another. I am sure that you will continue to encourage membership growth and retention and to develop leadership skills. These steps will ensure that you will have quality club members who are ready to carry on the Lions tradition of miracles through service.

Again, congratulations on your anniversary.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Al Brandel".

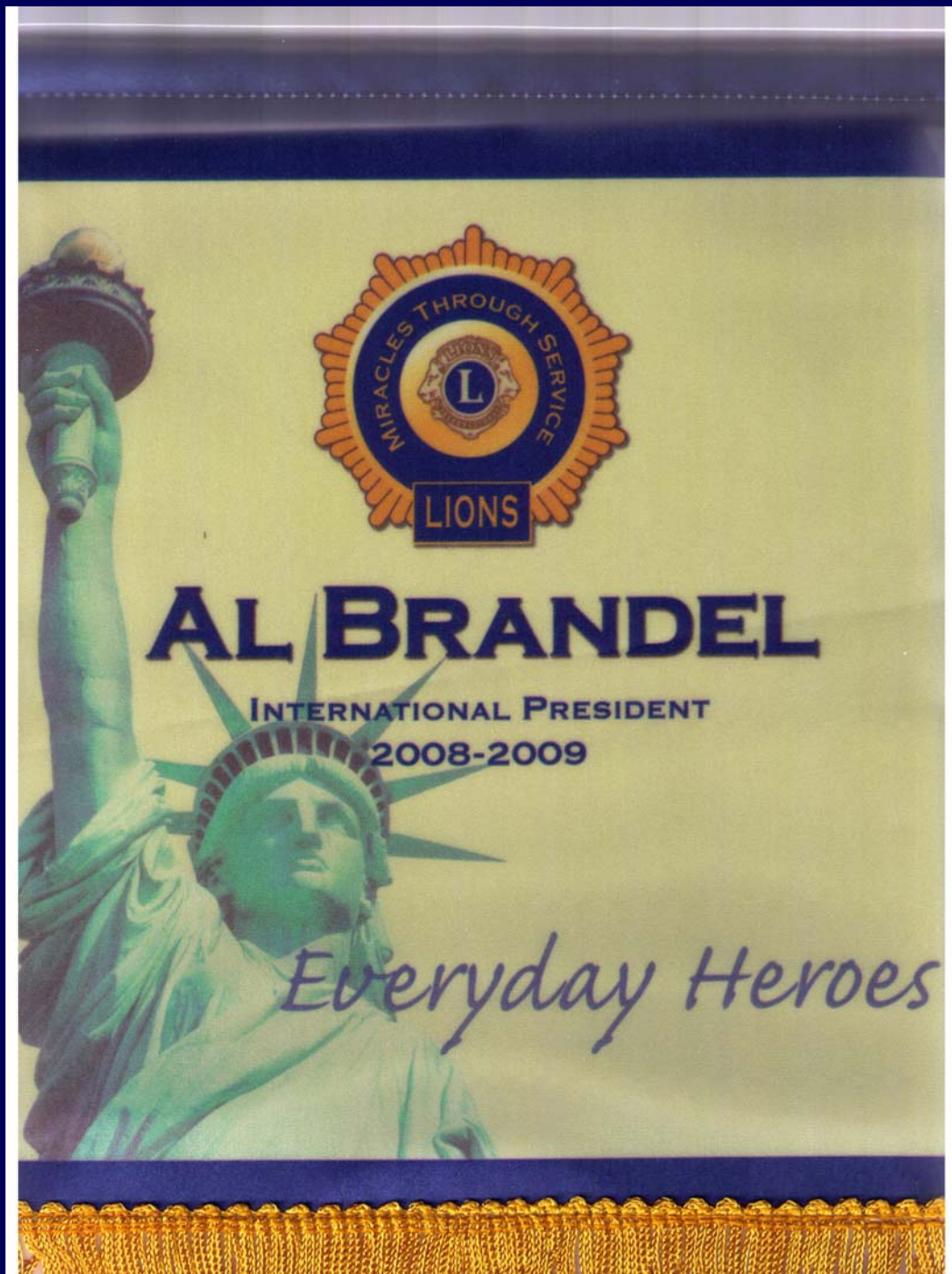
Al Brandel



www.lionsclubs.org

IP Al Brandel's Bannerette

Miracles Through Service - "Everyday Heroes"



Our sincere thanks to International President Al Brandel for his very encouraging letter and this lovely bannerette.

Sydney Chinese Lions

Flying High with the Flying Doctors

The medical cabinet - the “nerve centre” of its life-saving capability

Following a very successful Charity Ball held in March 2008 at the Parkside Ballroom, Sydney Convention and Exhibition Centre, Sydney Chinese Lions donated a sum of \$57,500 to the Royal Flying Doctor Service of Australia, South Eastern Section (RDFS) on 30 May 2008.

Unlike St John (NSW) who spent the club's \$41,000 donation in 2007 on purchasing a brand new ambulance, RDFS chose to invest the donation on a new medical cabinet. The cabinet, dubbed the “nerve centre” of its life-saving capability, has been fitted on board RDFS' latest aircraft - the Beechcraft King Air B200C VH-MVW. The aircraft was named *RDFS Friends* on 17 July 2008 at a ceremony officiated by the Hon Nicola Roxon, MP, Minister for Health and Ageing.

RDFS Friends has undergone world-first modifications, using a modular fitout, to become the most advanced 'flying intensive care unit' operating in Australia. The medical cabinet donated by Sydney Chinese Lions constitutes an integral module of this fitout.

Since making the donation in May, Sydney Chinese Lions have been invited to RDFS' 80th Anniversary Open Day and AGM 2008. During these events, due acknowledgements and praises were showered on the Lions club, its members and supporters.



Club President Anthony with President John Gall of RDFS at AGM of the Flying Doctors

Fly, Lions, Fly ...



*President Anthony
with RFDS Friends
at RFDS base -
Bankstown Airport*



*Medical Cabinet fitted
on board RFD Friends
with plague
giving credit to
The Lions Club of
Sydney Chinese Inc.*

Letter of Appreciation

from the Royal Flying Doctor Service

"Your ongoing support and commitment ... means a great deal to us."



ROYAL FLYING DOCTOR SERVICE

OF AUSTRALIA
1928 - 2008

ABN 86 000 032 422

JOINT PATRONS:

Her Excellency
Prof Marie Bashir AC
Gov of NSW and
Sir Nicholas Shehadie AC O

Dr Anthony Cheung
Lions Club of Sydney Chinese Inc.
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HAYMARKET NSW 2000

5 November 2008

Dear *Anthony*

It was a delight meeting you at the AGM last week. I'm so pleased you were able to attend and present on behalf of the Lions Club of Sydney Chinese. I was very interested to learn more about your organisation and the wonderful work you do for the community. Thank you once again for making the 2008 Charity Ball possible and for helping to keep the Flying Doctor flying!

The AGM is also a great way for us to fill you in on the many exciting things we've been doing throughout our 80th anniversary year. It also gives us the opportunity to preview for you some of our plans for the year ahead.

Your ongoing support and commitment to the Flying Doctor means a great deal to us. Thank you for the genuine interest you take in our work.

With kind regards

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Clyde'.

Clyde Thomson GM
Executive Director

Thank you for your support.



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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 202 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 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 \$300,000 to a number of charities including the Royal Flying Doctor Service of Australia, 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 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
Zilver Anniversary Dinner Friends of Zilver	Zilver Restaurant After 5	Saturday, 30 November 2008	\$55 per person
Christmas Party 2008 Sydney Chinese Lions	Zilver Restaurant After 5	Wednesday 10 December 2008	\$45 per person/ \$450 for a table of 10
Charity Ball 2009 Sydney Chinese Lions	Parkside Ballroom, Sydney Convention & Exhibition Centre, Darling Harbour Black Tie	Saturday 7 March 2009 6:30 pm pre dinner drinks; 7:00 pm function commences	\$168 per person/ \$1,680 for a table of 10

For bookings please contact:
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