

LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL, DISTRICT 105A DISTRICT GOVERNOR: RAM JAGGI

DG'S NEWSLETTER

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Greetings fellow Lions, Leos and Lionesses

I start this Newsletter on the sorrow note of the happenings in the USA caused by terrorist action, which we have all witnessed. On behalf of District 105A, I want to express our sympathies to all those who have suffered from the horrific events. An appeal has already been launched by LCIF to help those victims who are suffering hardship. I hope you and your club will give generously.

CLUB VISITS

My club visits, which I am thoroughly enjoying, are going in full swing; it is a pleasant experience to meet different Lions in different venues and different atmosphere. I feel proud to see the work all the Lions are doing for their local and International community. I thank you for the wonderful hospitality and fellowship extended to me. I do feel at home during these visits to different venues.

WINTER FORUM

By the time this Newsletter comes into your hands, the Winter Forum will be just two or three days away. These seminars are being organised for Lions in the District. I hope you will want to use the opportunity to learn about different Lions programmes, to share your knowledge with other fellow Lions and to acquire Leadership qualities. An experienced and professional presenter has worked very hard to make this event a big success: PCC Viresh Paul has in my opinion set the day's programme in a very professional manner. Your presence in good numbers is very essential. You will not only help yourself but you will give encouragement to the presenters. If your club has not booked, there is still time. E mail PCC Viresh Paul (vireshpaul@aol.com) or telephone him on 020 8427 2566.

CLUB RETENTION

A seminar on Membership Retention was organised on 2nd September at the Jarvis Hatfield for the benefit of Club Membership Officers. The Lions who attended this found it very useful and informative. These seminars are being organised for the benefit of members and I would urge you not to miss these sorts of opportunities in the future. My thanks to Club Development Officer, PCC Lion Viresh and his team of presenters for organising this event in a professional way

I regret to inform you that we have lost 42 members in our District in just three months. We have to arrest this decline and think positive. I hope the Strategies for Retention presented at the seminar will be used in our clubs to retain members that we end up losing every year.

NEW MEMBERS

I extend a very warm welcome to the following new members in our family:

Jill Chisholm - (Bedford) Robert Chisholm - (Bedford) Pamele Nower - (High Wycombe) Carol Smith - (St Albans) Heather Eva - (Teddington)

VIDEOS LIGHT THE PATH

A video of the International Programme, "Light the Path" is available from International Club Supplies Department, Oakbrook at 00 1 630 571 5466.

INTER CLUB GOLF COMPETITION

The District 105A Golf day will take place on 22nd March 2002 at the West Herts Golf Club, Cassiobury Park, Watford. This is social/fellowship event and there will be a District Revolving Trophy. For details contact Lion Peter Gent on 01442 864472.

PRESIDENTS/SECRETARIES

In spite of reminders from Zone Chairmen and myself, there are still certain clubs in the District who are behind in sending their Activity and Membership Reports and even paying their Dues. It is very time consuming chasing clubs. I urge that all reports should be sent by the due date. Try to gain points for the Club Efficiency Competition. The names of clubs that are more than two months behind will be published in the Newsletter. Avoid the embarrassment.

GET WELL SOON

I wish a quick recovery to District Welfare Officer (Region 4,5,6,7) Lion Eric Bright who has been admitted to hospital in Hemel Hampsted for a knee operation.

CABINET MEETINGS

Lions who want to attend the District Cabinet meeting as observers are welcome with the prior intimation to the Sergeant at Arms or me.

THE NEW CLUB

The name of the new club formed on 30th August is South Herts-Moor Park and not West Herts Moor Park as printed in the last News Letter. Please wait for the date for Charter Presentation.

LIONS MESSAGE BOARD

- Deadline for submitting entries for Peace Poster Competion is 15 November to District Officer Lion Eric Amaria.
- World Sight Day is 11 October 2001. I am glad that clubs have shown interest and are organising events to promote this.
- October is Breast Cancer Awareness month.
- November is LCIF Contributing Month. I will urge clubs to contribute \$20 per member to qualify for 100% contributing club. An individual can also contribute independently.
- 11th November is Lord Mayor's Show parade. Interested Lions should contact Lion Ken Rouse, District Officer for Special Projects.

CLUB WEB SITE

Has your club thought of going on the web? It is very good PR tool. Please promote your club and let others know how well you are doing!

AYLESBURY

I must congratulate the members of Aylesbury club on the Award received by Lion Paul Bootle from the Mayor of Aylesbury for services rendered to the community in Aylesbury. Also, on behalf of the District, best wishes and good luck to Lion Jo Messenger on her trip to Himalayas where she will walk blindfolded on 11th October, the World Sight Day.

OBITUARY

It is with the deepest regret that I have to record the passing on to higher service of Lion Fred Tarling on 14th September in the evening. He was a sincere and honest worker and a great Lion. We will miss him.

DIRECTORY CHANGES

London (Host) Lions Club

New Venue: The Cricketers Club of London, 71 Blandford Street, London W1H 3AL Meetings 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month (except August); Social 2nd Wednesday (12.45 for 1.00 pm)Business 4th Wednesday (6.00 pm) President: G.J. (Joe) Hyde, 5 Balfour Place, London WIY 5RG, Bus Tel 020 8780-2878, Email: gjh@evansdodd.co.uk Secretary: Nordia Clarke, Flat 33C, Lockbridge Court, Elmfield Way, London W9 3TU, Tel 020 7266-3002, Email: iriedia@hotmail.com Treasurer: Nigel A. Hall, 3 Madison Court, 202A West Hall, Putney, London SW15 3JA, Bus Tel 020 7581-3232 x251, Email: nhall@rcgp.org.uk

Edgware Lions Club

President: Nirmal Shah, 175 The Mall, Kenton, Harrow, Middx. HA39TH. Tel: 020 8206 0930 Fax: 020 8930 5401 nirmal176@hotmail.com Secretary: Arvind Hirani, 45 Methun Road, Edgware Middx. HA8 6EU Tel: 020 8366 4331(W), 020 8621 0419 email: ashok.vagad@virgin.net Meetings: 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, Venue: Lasan Restaurant, Alexandra Avenue, Middx. HA2 95G Tel: 020 8429 2058

Lions Club of Stanmore

New Secretary: Lion Josephine Joshi (Jiten), 72 Grove Crescent, Kingsbury London NW9 OLR. Tel:020 8200 4032 Fax: 020 8205 2673 Mobile: 07930 22 9317 Email: JoshiCo@aol.com

Bedford Lions Club:

Venue: The Lincoln Arms, Goldington Green, Goldington Road, Bedford.

Bicester Lions now meet twice a month, on the second and fourth Wednesdays. Other things stay the same, i.e. 8:00 p.m. start, at Rodney House, Bicester.

Uxbridge and Hillingdon Lions Club

Correct address of President Meg Wynne-Mayfield: 48 Roseville Road Hayes Middlesex UB3 40X

DG'S DIARY-OCTOBER 2001

- 01 Newport Pagnel O/V
- 02 Banbury O/V
- 03 Beaconsfield O/V
- 04 Berkhamsted O/V
- 05 Region Chairmen Meeting
- 06 Hemel Hampstead C/A
- 07 Winter Forum
- 08 Hitchin O/V
- 09 Amersham O/V
- 10 Hayes & Harlington O/V
- 11 Wantage & Grove O/V
- 12 London Tottenham O/V
- 14 Cabinet Meeting
- 15 Redbridge O/V
- 16 MK Bletchley O/V
- 17 Milton Keynes SS O/V
- 18 Convention Meeting
- 20 Berkhamsted C/A
- 21 Leo MD Meeting
- 22 Wanstead & Woodford O/V
- 23 Harpenden O/V
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