

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

# DG'S NEWSLETTER

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Greetings fellow Lions, Lionesses and Leos

## WINTER FORUM - WHAT A BIG SUCCESS!

As I have said before, these seminars are organised for the Lions of our District and are catered for all of you, whether you are a new member or an experienced Lion.

It is sad to state that two weeks before the Winter Forum, the response was so very poor that the organisers must have wondered if it was even worth going to the trouble of organising such events. But Lion Viresh, our Leadership Chairman, and his team of presenters were preparing themselves to give the best show ever as they wanted to offer something new and different.

A week before the seminar, names started coming in – as usual "last minute dot com" – and the final number attending this year's Winter Forum exceeded 160!

The feed back has been very encouraging and I have had very positive comments during my visits to the clubs and of course on telephone. Those who attended the seminar are requested to share the new ideas with other fellow Lions in their clubs.

My sincere thanks to the Chairman, PCC Viresh Paul and his team of MD Membership Chairman Lion George Bennett, "The Lion" Magazine Editor Margaret Kimberley, PCC Geof Leeder, IPDG Mike Hendy, PDG Parveen Verma for membership retention, VDG Mike Baldwin on Youth Award, Elliot Shubert on Presentation Skills, Darshan Sundram on Diabetes, Neel Shah on E-mail, Erech Amaria and Mukesh Palan on Peace Poster/Health & Saftey and Doug Nower on spectacle collection. I will say, a job well done and on behalf of our District, I appreciate all your efforts.

We also had the opportunity to hear of the plans for the Leo Multiple District convention in 2002 and meet and hear the three candidates, Lions Max Mongia, Kishore Pattni and Elliot Shubert, for the position of Vice District Governor and Lion Mike Baldwin for District Governor, District 105A, for the year 2002-2003. I wish them good luck.

### **GOAL SETTING**

Presidents are reminded to work hard to succeed in achieving their goals. If you have not set one, please do it now. Goal setting is a very powerful technique to get good results. Please remember, people who set goals for themselves, do better than those who do not. "A person without a goal is like a ship without a rudder". Success is not a destination, it is a journey.

## PRESIDENTS, ZONE CHAIRMEN, REGION CHAIRMEN

It has been noticed that at certain Lions Official functions, certain Officers do not wear their chain of office. It is my wish to raise the standards of Lions and we can only do this if we can work together. We have to look respectable all the times.

You must feel proud of your position within Lions and help to encourage others to take on these positions so that we can go forward and be recognised for what we are and what we do. Please wear your badges and collars with pride.

#### SENIOR CITIZEN PARTY

Senior Citizens Jubilee Celebration party will be held on 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2002 at Harrow Leisure Centre, Harrow, Middx. We will arrange to accommodate 1,000 guests and all clubs are requested to book their numbers as soon as possible as allocation will be on a first come first served basis. Further details ere available from PDG Lion Parveen Verma and District Special Projects Officer Lion Ken Rouse.

#### PEACE POSTER DEADLINE

A Peace Poster Contest Kit was sent to all clubs some time ago. Only a few clubs have sent me notice of participation. The last date to send the entries to me is 15<sup>th</sup> November 2001. One winning entry will be submitted to Council Chairman by 1<sup>st</sup> December for Multiple District judging. Club Presidents are reminded that they have to act fast to meet the date.

### **CHEQUES TO INTERNATIONAL**

Please do not send your cheques direct to Lions Clubs International as they will be sent back to Barclays, Hull for banking. This will cause delay in receipt of payment. Send your cheques to District Treasurer.

### **DIABETES AWARENESS MONTH**

November is Lions Diabetes Awareness Month. District Officer Lion Darshan Sundram will be delighted to attend your Clubs and Zone meetings to tell you more on this. Please invite her.

# BECOME AN LCIF CONTRIBUTING MEMBER

November is also LCIF Contributing Member Month. Please plan to become a 100% Contributing Member club. Plan to donate \$20 (£15) to your Foundation and you will receive a beautiful contributing pin. Why not contact District LCIF officer PDG Lion Rati Shah for further details.

#### LIONS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

The next Emerging Lions Leadership Institute for Europe will be offered in Munich, Germany on 14<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> March 2002. This institute is for Lions in good standing with five years or less of membership who have not yet attained the position of club president. Charter club presidents (who have not served as Presidents before) are also eligible. Qualified Lions may write to me for the application form which should be completed and returned to me at the latest by 8<sup>th</sup> January, 2002.

#### **NEW MEMBERS**

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

Jim Marshall (Newport Pagnell & Olney)

Denis Tunks (Buckingham)

Dick Reed (Carterton)

Pauline Reed (Carterton)

Sukhdev Sambhi (Hounslow)

Indu Malhotra (Stanmore)

Indy Malhotra (Stanmore)

Soon Ling Choong (London Covent Garden)

Grace Ooi (London Covent Garden)

Bryan Atkin (Berkhamstead)

Keith Puleston (Berkhamstead)

#### **THANKS**

I thank all club secretaries for co-operating with our District Administration officer, Lion Keith Tooley in sending their Membership reports in time. Please keep this up for the future and continue sending these reports by the end of the month to reach by 3<sup>rd</sup> of the following month. Also don't forget to send the activity report. Lion Keith will be too pleased to assist you, should you require any assistance.

#### **DIWALI**

The Festivities season has started. A number of members in our District will be celebrating the festival of lights, Diwali, on 14<sup>th</sup> November. Shashi joins me in extending our best wishes to all. Those

who celebrate Diwali will light candles on this night and Light the Path for peace, prosperity and happiness.

### **OBITUARY**

It is with deep regret that I have to record the death of

- Lion Alan Cull on 14<sup>th</sup> October 2001. He was a very enthusiastic member of Stony Stratford since 1979.
- Lion David Robinson of Winslow on 13 October.
- Lion Mukund Patel of my own club, London-Finchley, on 24 October. Mukund was a past President and we worked together for many years. Despite his long illness he continued supporting Lionism.

On behalf of the District, I send our sympathy and condolence to their families.

#### **MESSAGE IN A BOTTLE**

The launch of the above project in Bedfordshire on 18<sup>th</sup> October was highly successful. My thanks to Lion President Alistair Robertson of Bedford Harpur for organising the event. Also, efforts of Lion President Mike Lock of Bedford are highly appreciated. Three Counties Radio did the live broadcast from Beadlow Manor, where the event was held. Our VDG Mike Baldwin, Zone Chairman Tony Davies, Lion Alistair and his other support group members were given a live spot on radio, which they used to publicise Lionism and advertise their forthcoming programmes.

DG'S DIARY NOVEMBER 2001		
01 Charity Banquet (London First)		
02	Biggleswade & Sandy	C/A
03	Postponed	C/A C/A
03	Sheperton & Sunbury	C/A
05	Oxford IsIs	O/V
06	Stevenage	O/V
07	Shefford	O/V O/V
08	Hounslow	O/V O/V
08	Enfield	C/A
10	Lord Mayor Show	C/A
10	3	C/A
12	Stevenage Coreys Mill	O/V
13	Letchworth Garden City	O/V O/V
14	High Wycombe	O/V O/V
16	Abingdon	O/V C/A
17	Redbridge Oxford	C/A C/A
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19	Ampthill	O/V
20	Bedford Harpur	O/V
21	Royston	O/V
24	Swiss Cottage	C/A
25	Youth Award Final	G/4
25	Wallingford	C/A
26	Harrow & Pinner	C/A
27	London West	O/V
28	Feltham	O/V
29	Senior Citizen Committee	
30	Stanmore Dinner/Dance	