

#### **ISSUE NO. 10 - APRIL 2000**

# Greetings to Fellow Lions

## Leadership & Membership

#### New Skills

It is the time of the year when new leaders are beginning to prepare themselves for the next Lionistic Year. This is necessary to ensure we continue to have a fresh approach from the top with new ideas. "Lions *are* leaders, and to demonstrate this we need to evaluate community needs and the relevance of our efforts to meet those needs," says our International President. It is incumbent that Lions not only seek out those who have potential to lead, but also ensure they receive training at our various leadership programmes. Ours is to be held on 4 June. It is designed for our development and motivation. As Lions we will gain a clear vision for the future and the knowledge to put that vision into action. Leadership development is an on going process, one that needs to command our attention at all times. All Lion members must understand all that is expected of them as they move up the ladder of offices in Club or District.

# Welcome to Utopia

Leaders need to consider and review why Lions are leaving our Association in as large numbers as we are gaining new members.

Some reasons why they may stay:

- They *feel* appreciated.
- Their presence *does* make a difference.
- There is a *chance* of advancement.
- There is opportunity for *personal growth*.
- They receive private and public recognition.
- They feel *capable* of handling the task offered.
- There is a sense of *belonging* and *teamwork* among members.
- They recognise something *significant* is happening because the group exists.
- Their personal needs are being met.

### Free at last

Lions loose interest and leave because we hear what they want but perhaps do not listen.

## We are getting there

An excellent evening thanks to Wembley (Brent) attended by 150 Lions to welcome the Lions Club of Sudbury. Pleasure to have you with us Sudbury Lions. Welcome to new members: Eilea Tomlin, Hopward Soole, Vimal Karia, Gerard Hyde, Rajesh Gupta, Jean Hughes & Charles Worrall. Thanks sponsors.

# We at "A" have a net increase of 47 members since July '99.

### Return Visit

PV will be privileged to join you if two or more members are being inducted to enjoy the ceremony.

There are 100,000,000 children living on the streets in the world. They are treated and abused at the whim of

their masters. In Brazil they are shot as vermin. They are no different from any of our children from any of our families'. After a wash and clean clothes they are like any other children. Lion's power can provide assistance to the organisations who know the needs of these children. The rudimentary yet fundamental aim of the various organisations within the consortium for street children is to enable deprived children to progress from dependence to independence.

#### Hole in One

The place is Sandy Lodge Golf Club in Northwood and the date is Monday 22 May 2000. Lions and guests can join in a round of golf with lunch before tee-off and a superb evening meal to complete the day. Non-playing partners can join in the dinner. Lion <u>Max Mongia</u> will furnish you with full details of a great day. All monies raised are for the destitute street children.

### First Ever Treat?

We in British Isles and Ireland have children who have not been outside their homes or their of local areas. At one club Lions met a group of children who had never been to the seaside and only knew about holiday resorts and the beach from books they read. We have an opportunity to treat sick disabled or disadvantaged children for a mere £7 at Thorpe Park on Sunday 21 May. Clubs will be reimbursed part monies once final figures of sponsorship are known. Make Millennium Year a special one for our children and their careers who quite often don't get a break. Contact Lion Ron Wilkes NOW.

P.S. Lions, their friends and families welcome at the concessionary rates.

### **WE AWARD**

### **Dedicated Services**

PID Lion Bill Iannaconne presented International President's Leadership medals to

- PDG Lion Brian Yeoman
- Lion Satnam Loval
- PDG Lion Ron Wilkes

It is intended to present a Leadership Medal to Ann the wife of the late Lion Dave Barrie at Handover.

International Certificates of Appreciation were presented to:

- PCC Lion Geoff Leeder
- Lion Kumar Acharya
- Lion Alf Sanders
- Lion Ram Jaggi

Melvin Jones Fellowship was awarded to Lion Mike Hendy.

My congratulations also go to recipients of Certificates of Appreciation:

- Lion Gurdial Singh Phull
- Lion Geoff Brown
- Lion Paul Anstice
- Lion Peter Gent
- Lion Margaret Rouse
- Lion Neville Osmond

### Thanks Guv

Do not forget to acknowledge your Presidents contribution by applying for 100% Presidents Award. Lion

Secretary should complete the form, obtain the signature of RC & forward to me for signature and return.

#### **WE REWARD**

Congratulations to winners of competitions and trophies.

- The Medic-Alert Henry Popper Trophy- Ruislip.
- Medic-Alert Bannerettes Amersham & Chesham, Tring & Wallingford Dist.
- District Competition Shield Bedford Harpur.
- Travelling Lions Trophy Chipping Barnet
- Youth Exchange Trophy London Hendon.
- District Peace Poster Trophy Hemel Hempstead.
- LCIF trophy Greenford Willow Tree.
- Newsletter Award London Hendon
- Lions Scrap Book Trophy Witney.
- Cramped Hand Award Lion Mike Hendy
- New Web-site Trophy Ruislip
- First Timers to Convention Lion Bharat Mistry.

Well done to everyone.

"Let me win; but if I cannot win, let me be brave in the attempt"

#### **IMPORTANT BITS & PIECES**

### Who's Who

Please complete form PU101 and return all copies to Lion Mike Hendy with the lavender form Include your email /fax.

### **Tomorrow's Officers**

Incoming Officers Workshop includes Presidents, Secretaries and Treasurers to be held on Sunday 4 June at Heathrow Park Hotel. All lions welcome.

### Sorry Can't make yours

Ranjena and I have accepted all invitations for Charter Nights on first come first served basis. We regret we are unable to attend all Charters. Thanks to those Clubs we have attended. Your generosity in inviting us to join your celebrations and then making us feel totally at home is much appreciated. Love being with fellow Lions and partners.

### Your savings help out

LCIF major catastrophe grant of US\$200,000 approved for Orissa Appeal to build 5 schools, 70 houses and an orphanage.

### Cook Books

Ranjena thanks all those who have bought or sold the cook- books, MS Stars or contributed to MS Appeal. Please send cheques to the District Treasurer. Every MS leaflet contains a Lions badge and an endorsement "Lions of D105A support MS".

## Millennium Presidents

Presidents who have not have received my personal **towards new horizons** pin or friendship banner for club regalia please advise for instant despatch.

#### Lions star on TV

Invitation to Lions as part of the audience on the Jonathan Dimbleby Programme. Contact Rebecca Dillon on 0207 261 3784.

### All Change

Bell House Hotel offers excellent cuisine plus the privilege of witnessing Lion Mike Hendy being sworn in as DG. Sgt -at-Arms Lion John Smith on 01276 857681 knows all.

### Life Line

One in three people in Britain have a medical condition that could put them at serious risk in an emergency. MedicAlert is working with Lions to save lives. Medic Alert week 3 -8 May. Contact Lion Luke Adams for information on bracelets.

### e-twinning

Lion Satnam Loyal will assist if you wish to have a twin club on the net. The aim is to have inter-action and could perhaps be a platform for a wide exchange of ideas club - to - club.

#### **PV's EXCURSIONS**

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MAY

3rd Aylesbury (O/V)

6th Staines and Ashford (C/A)

8th Ldn. Chinatown - induction of members

13th Edgware (C/A)

14th Cabinet at Belfrey Hotel, Oxford

17th Biggleswade (O/V)

20th London Hornsey (C/A)

21st Thorpe Park

22nd Lions Golf Day at Northwood

27th Golders Green (C/A)
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### SO SAD

We are very sad to announce the demise of the following Lions:

John Higginbottom of High Wycome: Richard Pinks of Beaconsfield: Pam Adams of Wallingford District.

All of them will be sadly missed. We extend deepest sympathy to their families and the thoughts of all Lions are with them. May they Rest in Peace.