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District Governor Mike and Janet along with Lion Pat Moon of Oxford Isis Lions Club at the launch of the book "The Wine - From Vine to Bottle" which is being sold for Janet's chosen charity The Stroke Association. The book can be obtained from Lion Mike Moon whose e-mail address is mmoon32102@aol.com at £8 each plus £2 for p & p. All the illustrations in the book are the work of Lion Pat Moon whilst the author of the book is Sila Maria dos Santos from Brazil.

You've had a drink, got a tee shirt, seen a movie, now read the Book "The Wine -From Vine to Bottle"

Ayn's a Star, no matter what...

Lion Ayn Chatoo of Lions Club of Kenton has helped many a charities during her life so far. But to be helping charities raise funds by running Marathons and Cycling great distances is by no means an easy task for anyone. Lion Ayn ran in the New York Marathon 2002 to support her chosen charity "Get Kids Going", a charity for disabled children who cannot run or walk. It is a British based charity that helps disabled children and young people by providing them with personalised sports wheelchairs to get them going and are therefore able to participate in all kinds of different sports. She raised in excess of £1,400 for the charity when she ran in the New York Marathon, but due to sickness she did not manage to finish the race. She has also participated in the 10km Jubilee Race and the Half Marathon together with her friends Jane Emmerson and Viv Raggett together raising over £1,200 for the charity. She has cycled from London to Southend raising over £400 for the British Heart Foundation and London to Richmond raising over £500 for the Leukemia charity. Lion Ayn is now in training to take on the challenges of the Marathons in Paris, London and Chicago. Asked what her dream was, she responded, "To turn my dream into a reality and be in the Olympics, no matter what". From an article sent to the Ed. by Lion Ayn Chatoo

GOLF...and the Winners are...

The 2nd Inter - Club Fellowship Golf Day took place at the West Herts Golf Club, Watford on Friday 21st March 2003. It was an excellent social occasion. The food was great, the course in good condition for this time of the year and we all received very friendly service from the staff at the club. The sound of chatter and laughter at the bar confirmed that everyone had enjoyed themselves. The trophies were presented by the event organiser Lion Peter Gent. The winner of Ram Jaggi Trophy was London Chinatown (Max Lim & Adrian Ring) whilst Berkhamsted (Brian Walkinshaw & Roger Emery) and Hertford (Mike Vigurs & Bede Mullen) were awarded the the second and third trophy. The trophy for the Nearest the Pin went to St Albans (Howard Wright) and Berkhamsted (Derek Thipthorpe) managed to collect the trophy for the Longest drive. The competition will take place again next year on 19 March 2004. Lion Peter Gent

Lions Clubs International

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Motto: We Serve

Members: 1.4m+

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International HQ: Oak Brook, Illinois USA

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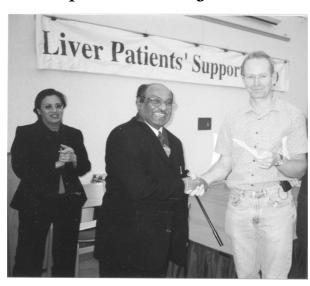
A Gift of Education for the Needy

The Lions Club of Sudbury is proud to announce that the Lions Club of Sudbury Primary School is now fully operational. 14 members from the club flew over to Kutch in Gujrat, India in February 2003 to witness the opening ceremony of the school, the funds for which were raised by the club. All the Lions were warmly received by town folks and over 200 children were there to welcome the "Builders" of their school and put on an entertaining programme for them. Lion members from the club were pleased to see the happy faces of the children and the villagers at this very worthwhile project as one of the Lion members recited one of the Lions Code of Ethics To Aid my Fellow Men by giving my Sympathy to those in Distress, my Aid to the Weak and my Substance to the **Needy** The club has no less than 60 members and have been extremely busy recently. Besides it's major project reported above, the club has donated in excess of £250 towards Library Furniture required by Barham Park Primary School in Sudbury; gave over 1,000 pens for the bingo at the Senior Citizen's Party in Harrow Leisure Centre; donates Indian Rupees 100,000 annually to disabled children of Sucheta Kriplani Shiksha Niketan in Jodhpur, Rajasthan, India; donated 10 large sacks of used clothes to be used by charity workers based in Zimbabwe via Seva International and donated funds towards the Eye Camp Programme and Hospice project of Hayes & Harlington Lions Club. Besides helping those in need, Sudbury Lions also know how to have lots of fun. They attended the 50th Charter Night of Hayes & Harlington Lions Club and found time to organise a Barn Dance, which was a superb evening with live country music, great vegetarian food which was served straight from the hot log burning stove, and there was plenty of booze for the well behaved cowboys and cowgirls (Barn Dance photo below) Lion Venilal Vaghela



Edgware Lions Help Liver Link Organisation

The Lions Club of Edgware donated £500 to the Liver Link Organisation at the Royal Free Hospital. The funds were raised holding Musical Fund Raising Evening. Seen here is Lion President Yogesh Vora presenting the cheque to the representative fromtheorganisation.



Chessington World of Adventure

A "Make it Happen" Event

Sunday 18th May 2003

For Disabled, Sick & Disadvantaged Children

£9 per person

Lion Members, Family & Friends also welcome

contact **Lion Ken Rouse**for tickets

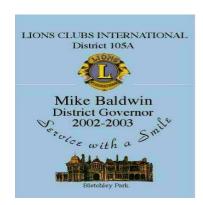
New Member Packs

There are a lot of New Lions being inducted and indeed awaiting to be inducted therefore I have obtained a supply of 'New Members Packs'
The cost will be the same but Kings Heath are unable to respond as quickly as I can Contact Louvain Allen
Membership & Extension officer on 020 8863 4626 or email

membership@lions105a.org

Stevenage Coreys Mill goes down under It was "goodays" all round in Australian Corevs Mill when Lion Beryl Jobe became associated with the club. Lion Beryl, who is in England on a 6 week teaching contract, lives in an outer suburb of Sydney, within walking distance of the beach. It is high summer there at present, so she is really feeling the effects of our climate! Her son and mother are both Lions and there are high hopes for her husband, to keep things i n the family. Her club, Gorokan-Kanwal (District 201 N3), is adjacent to an area with high unemployment and crime, and much of their time is spent on support and counselling Lion Beryl said recently "I love it in England, and in particular Coreys Mill Lions Club. You are all so dedicated and friendly". A taboo subject at meetings is cricket!

Lion Mike Sage



Lions Clubs International

District Governor's Newsletter





APRIL 2003

To all Lions Lionesses and Leos

Club Secretaries - Important Notice - PU101 For International

This is the month of reminders in order to keep the District and each club in good standing. By now each club should have received form **PU101**. This is to report new officers information to Lions Clubs International. The form asks for information on meeting days etc plus the name of Club President, Secretary, Treasurer and Membership Chairman. Please send this information to **LION KEITH TOOLEY** as soon as you have completed your election of officers. The WHITE copy is for LCI. **Lion Keith will send it to Oak Brook for you.** The YELLOW copy is marked District Governor copy. Send it to Lion Keith as well. I will receive it via Keith. Don't forget send both copies to Lion Keith Tooley. Fill in all bits of the form even if an officer has not changed.

Forms for MD

You will also receive forms from Janet at Multiple District HQ. These are for the Multiple District Directory. Again please fill these in as soon as the new club team is known. There is a limited amount of time to get the information to HQ so don't miss out. If this is not returned you will find last year's information repeated. As before send to the District Administrator Lion Keith Tooley. He will send them to HQ for you.

Club Treasurers

Please make sure all dues have been paid. District, Multiple District and International. All outstanding amounts should be cleared. Also please send your audited accounts to the District Treasurer for 2001-2002 without delay

LCIF

It is not too late. Please remember \$20 per member will give LCIF much needed support. Please aim to be a 100% contributing club.

Incoming Officers Workshop 15 June

Reported in the March Newsletter. This is a reminder. High Wycombe school for girls

District Handover 20 July

We are again holding the District Handover as a Sunday Lunch at the Oxford Belfry Milton Common Thame. Costs will be similar to last year, around £19 / £20. Last year we had over 200 members present. Lets do the same this year to see DG - Elect Lion Elliot and Eileen installed as District Governor.

MD Convention - Ennis 3, 4 May

We look forward to seeing as many as possible in Ireland

Where there is hatred, Let me bring true Love

Welcome New Members

Welcome to the following new Lions. It's good to have you join us:

Stephen Bartlett Bedford
Bruce Ruggles Berkhamsted

Margo Davis Bletchley Milton Keynes

Brian Turberville Harpenden

John McDonnell MP
David Bernstein
Mae Bernstein
John Lee
Tai Lau
Hayes & Harlington
High Wycombe
London Chinatown
London Chinatown
London Chinatown
London Chinatown
London Chinatown

Ivan Fovargue Royston

Christine Ryan
Alistair Joel
Lorraine Joel
Pam Moody
Mary Hatton
Staines & Ashford
Staines & Ashford
Staines & Ashford
Uxbridge & Hillingdon

Chessington World of Adventure 18 May

I am delighted that we are again able to take disadvantaged young people to Chessington World of Adventure. The costs £9 and all details and booking is in the hands of Lion Ken Rouse. Please see how many people you are able to bring and have a great day.

Hadley Wood / Chipping Barnet BR Day

Friday 21 March saw over 200 Lions from our District at 18 train stations in London from 7.00am to 700pm. It was a superb project excellently executed by the two clubs. In addition some 38 Clubs from within the District lent a hand. Over £5.000 was collected on the day for Barnet Eye Hospital. Mission Control was at the practice of Kish Soneji and was staffed by Bipin Dattani. He did forget himself once and announced "Apollo Houston we have a problem" and then remembered he was not on his way to the moon. So many people took part that all I can say as District Governor is "Thank You" especially to Hadley Wood. Well Done. And yes I did visit every station as promised.

Janet's Charity

Many thanks for donations so far. We have reached £6,000. Please keep helping.

International Convention Denver 2003

I have been asked by MD HQ to ask that anyone who is travelling independently to Denver to let HQ know. Janet will then add them to the mailing list to make sure they receive appropriate documents. Anyone travelling through JTA will receive the documents automatically.

Obituary

I am very sorry to have to report the deaths of Lion Inderjit Sehmi of Ealing Lions Club, Lion Sandy Wright of Berkhamsted Lions Club and former Lion John Sexton of Great Missenden & Prestwood Lions club. They will all be sadly missed.

Our thoughts are with you

Could I send our thoughts to Lion Godfrey Merwanji of Redbridge Lions, Lion Cliff Gilby of Bletchley Milton Keynes Lions, and Lion Valerie Green of Bedford Lions. All are going through difficult times. You are in our thoughts.

Young Ambassador of 21st Century / Peace Poster

Now is the time to start thinking about both these District projects for 2003-2004. Young Ambassador of 21st Century is the revamped Youth Award Project. There will be an obligation for the young person to give a short talk, otherwise the project is much the same. However a move into Europe also beckons. So please start the process now.

Membership

I think we are about +30 at the moment. This is excellent please please keep it up. Well done everyone and I have not badgered you once about membership. It shows what trust can do. Also our retention at the end of December was a loss of 3.5% the second lowest in the whole Multiple District. Again Well done and thanks.

Membership Reports

Sadly some clubs are still not sending in their membership reports on time. <u>Membership</u> not Activity. You must know who you are. Please get them in on time. Not sending them in simply causes extra work for others.

Change of contact details

Lion Kishore Pattni, District LCIF Officer. Please send all correspondence to 52 Station Road, North Harrow, Middlesex HA2 7SE. Telephone and Fax numbers now 020 8863 9241.

DG's Diary	
May 1 - 7 May 10 May 11 May 13 May 16 May 17 May 18 May 18	Ennis - MD105 Convention Wembley (Brent) CA Cabinet - Blakemore Hotel Wallingford & Didcot OV London Hendon CA London Hornsey CA Chessington World of Adventure Wantage & Grove CA
May 21 May 23 May 31	Teddington OV Zone E Social Ampthill District CA