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TASMANIA

District Governor's Thoughts.....

Hello to you all

In continuing our visits around the clubs, Lion Dawn and I have been inspired by the community work and substantial donations to the flood relief and the New Zealand Earthquake.

On our visits to the West Coast clubs, I have inducted two (2) new members into the Zeehan Club and presented a 2009-2010 Excellence Award to the Queenstown Club. Rosebery Secretary Nancy took us to see the Lions Park in a beautiful setting on the Stitt River. This was soon to be opened following the hard work of a number of dedicated members - a great community project.

The visit to Flinders Island with Zone Chairman Derek Fellows and Lion Dawn was a weekend of fellowship and hospitality to the extreme. (see photo at right)

At the Friday night dinner meeting, presented a cheque for \$1000 on behalf of the Club to the *Friends of the Patriarchs* who are reviving this wildlife sanctuary. (see below)



On the Sunday we took part in the Lions fishing competition which raised approx \$1200 for various projects.

Many thanks to President Margaret and Lion Alan Wheatley for their hospitality and accommodation.

At most Clubs I have had the pleasure of inducting new members or presenting awards. Congratulations!

Please remember the Multiple District Convention next month in Launceston. I would like our District, as the host, to have the most delegates in attendance. It will be a few years before you again have this opportunity to attend a MD Convention in your home state.

With the floods and other disasters, I want to congratulate all clubs for the way they have worked to raise money for the people affected by these disasters, yet, still manage to look after the needy at home in their own communities. The flood and earthquake appeals have not closed, so do continue to send money raised to Cabinet Secretary Erik.



Thanks to those members who attended the Leadership Training in Melbourne. I hope that you all learnt something of value so that the District can gain from your knowledge for the future.

"Hands together in Friendship & Service"

DG Ken



Riverside Lions Club

Please note our normal meeting scheduled for Monday 18th April has been cancelled as this is the same date as the final dinner for convention. Ian Main - Secretary

Don't Forget...



International President
Sid Scruggs III's
Theme for 2010-2011

OUR DISTRICT COUNT

31 Jan 2010

Clubs: 49

Membership: 1251

Status: "Established district"

28 Feb 2011

Clubs: 49

Membership: 1255

Status: "Established district"

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REGIONAL LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE WORKSHOP

My heartfelt appreciation goes to all of those who supported my application and provided me the opportunity to attend and participate in such a valuable course.

I have learned an enormous amount about Lions worldwide, gained valuable leadership skills and the confidence to assist my club, zone, region and District to grow, develop and succeed, now and well into the future.

I would also like to highly recommend the course to every member who is a part of any board of directors and aspiring, or potential club president. Learning was achieved in a friendly and relaxed environment where practical and group exercises accompanied all modules covered. The opportunity to openly discuss issues and ideas as a group was also extremely valuable.

It is my recommendation that our District continue to promote and support future Lions Leadership Institutes as they occur, regardless of their location within Australia.

I do recognize that the current Institute was focused upon Lions Members located within Tasmania & Victoria, with significantly reduced positions available to Lions from other States and Territories on this occasion, a scenario likely to be the case for Tasmanian Lions at the next Leadership Institute.

I feel that the Institute was a sound investment into my own, and Lions future.

Nigel Sheahan

1st Vice President/Lions Club of Wynyard



GIRD UP YOUR LOINS. . . er LIONS!! . . .

Recently, I did my monthly run around the optometrists and pharmacies collecting eye glasses for the Lions Recycling Program on behalf of the City of Burnie Lions Club.

So far this year, since Christmas, we have sent three large Christmas cake cartons full to Queensland for grading with an estimated two hundred (200) pairs in each carton. With four optometrists in Burnie, one of which is not a party of our recycling set up, and one with branches in Wynyard and Penguin, the numbers soon stack up. The support given to our club is very much appreciated from all concerned.

On a lighter side, I called at one collection point and a box that had come from Penguin caught my attention. Did you know that they are now making spectacles for LOINS? (see photo below). Needless to say the receptionist and the other lady folk had ribald comments to the fact that they were designed for men. . . No comment from me. . .

Then another commented that she kept a pair with a similar usage, now this comment really set the mind working, Were they for her own use or for that of her husband?

I was still laughing when I reached my last port of call but dared not to relate what had happened only minutes earlier.

Lion John C Medwin ("The Old Goat")



2011 Lions

International Peace Poster Contest

Congratulations go to Ellie of W1 District for winning the Australian segment of the above competition.

Ellie's quote on the poster is - *"Inside the frame in my picture is my vision of peace – a world without war and conflict – living in harmony."*



Above: Winner - Ellie (W1) from North Beach



Above: Adrian's excellent poster was the T1 Winner

To see the international winner please turn to page 8.



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**VERY REASONABLE
RATES**

New Lions



Name	Sponsor	Club
Peter Parsell	Raymond McColl	George Town
Keith Moylan		Port Sorell
David Cassey	Sandra Medwin	Queenstown
Sarina Olding	Ian Enniss	Spring Bay
James Riley	Gregory Amos	West Tamar
Trisha Stapleton	Gregory Amos	West Tamar
Angela Anderson	Brian Willcox	Wynyard
Reay Anderson	Brian Willcox	Wynyard
Keith Mifsud	Mathew Scott	Zeehan
Emmerton Starsha	Kristie Keating	Zeehan
Christine Amos	Barbara Hill	Glamorgan
Frank Wolf	Rob Harper	Ulverstone

Tasmanian Lions Autism Assistance Dogs

One of Rocky Cape's challenges in the year ahead is to provide Daniel with his autism assistance dog.

The target is \$30,000 and we would like to take this opportunity to thank the Lions Clubs of Port Sorell, Emu Bay, Latrobe, Wynyard, Forth Valley, Ulverstone and Zeehan for their support.

We have a long way to go to reach the target and we would encourage more Tasmanian Lions to help Daniel (below).

In the mean time we have initiated a sausage sizzle at the monthly Sunday Market at Rocky Cape with any funds raised to go to Daniel's cause and collection tins have been placed at various venues.

We now have on board the Burnie branch of a national company. The launching of the promotion will take place next month. Watch this space.

Recently, Bunnings have generously provided us with a marquee. Other possibilities are being explored with our approaches to local businesses.

Pictured above is President Anne accepting the marquee from Kay of Bunnings.

Pam Prior
Chairperson TLAAD



Nothing New for any Club

You read interesting things in other Lions clubs newsletters from far and wide. Take the newsletter from the "Mother Club of Lionism," the Central Lions Club of Chicago for instance. They were chartered in 1917.

In their November newsletter it was noted: "We had 11 members and 5 guests join us for our October Regular meeting at Salerno's Restaurant on Tuesday..." Nothing special in that you might say. But in a club of around forty (40) members, they are having the same problem getting members to (dinner) meetings – maybe just like your club or even mine! One comes to the conclusion that Lions clubs worldwide have a common problem. Just how do you get members to attend (dinner) meetings? Eleven (11) of their members only, turn up, They have no Membership Chairman at the moment, and vacancies on the board.

Further, even the "Mother" Club of Lions Clubs International is no different to any other Lions Club. We all have to work hard to gain members, work equally as hard to retain them by putting their skills to work and keeping them interested. One local Lions club member commented recently: "I look at our current President who thanks each and every member who in anyway participates at the dinner meetings, then thanks all who took the time to attend. This to me is a refreshing approach from what was the norm".

Someone once wrote:

"There's a difference between interest and commitment. When you're interested in doing something, you do it only when circumstance permit. When you're committed to something, you accept no excuses, only results."
(Unknown)

"A service club is only as strong as its members' willingness to serve."



Washington, USA. Lions from around the world will come together from Monday, July 4, 2011 through Friday, July 8, 2011, to enjoy this exciting four-day event filled with fellowship, learning and fun.

2011 International Convention

More than 12,000 Lions attended our 2010 convention in Australia. And now, we're looking forward to our 94th annual International Convention in Seattle,



HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY!

It's the day that Irish men and women all over the world celebrate the fact that St Patrick brought Christianity to Ireland. But strangely enough the first St Patrick's Day was not celebrated in Ireland.

St. Patrick, the patron saint of Ireland, is one of Christianity's most widely known figures. But for all his celebrity, his life remains somewhat of a mystery. Many of the stories traditionally associated with St. Patrick, including the famous account of his banishing all the snakes from Ireland, are false, the products of hundreds of years of exaggerated storytelling.

St. Patrick's Day is celebrated on March 17, his religious feast day and the anniversary of his death in the fifth century. The Irish have observed this day as a religious holiday for thousands of years. On St. Patrick's Day, which falls during the Christian season of Lent, Irish families would traditionally attend church in the morning and celebrate in the afternoon. Lenten prohibitions against the consumption of meat were waived and people would dance, drink, and feast - on the traditional meal of Irish bacon and cabbage.

The first St. Patrick's Day parade took place not in Ireland, but in the United States. Irish soldiers serving in the English military marched through New York City on March 17, 1762. Along with their music, the parade helped the soldiers to reconnect with their Irish roots, as well as fellow Irishmen serving in the English army.



Lions Clubs International
FOUNDATION

Like me, I'm sure that you have been following the news reports of the devastating earthquake in Christchurch, New Zealand. Much of the city is still without water and sewerage systems and aftershocks continue. Thousands have been left homeless as a result of the destruction.

Right now Margit and I are on our way to New Zealand to meet with Lions and view their current relief efforts. We will also meet with the mayor and Red Cross to discuss future plans.

I continue to be impressed by their commitment to helping their neighbours, despite many being affected themselves. At an emergency meeting of the Earthquake Committee last night, there was one Lion who had damage to his house, his place of work was closed, he had no power, water or sewerage connections, yet was still attending a Lions meeting to see how he could assist the citizens of Christchurch. This exemplifies Lions' "We Serve" motto. Lions have been providing assistance since the devastating earthquake February 22, and **LCIF is providing US\$110,000** to help Lions in providing relief to their communities.

In the past week Lions services include:

- Delivering 500 portable toilets to Doctors Surgery's, Nurse Maud Assn. and households in eastern suburbs
- Going door to door in the suburbs with the Red Cross to find those who need assistance
- Providing grocery and fuel vouchers to families in need as well as food, bedding and water
- Volunteering at welfare centres in Christchurch and Timaru
- Raising \$34,000 during a weekend fundraiser
- Distributing meals through a food caravan in Christchurch
- Lions from neighbouring areas travelling to Christchurch to assist in relief projects, such as door-to-door outreach, delivering food and helping with clean-up
- Lions in neighbouring towns are organizing dinners for displaced families and housing for Lions in need
- Staffing two daily shifts to assist at the national Red Cross coordination office in Wellington
- Delivering a 40,000 litre tanker of fresh water to the suburbs of Christchurch
- Providing weekend breaks to families to escape from the city for two days

★ **Christchurch**

You know well that Lions Clubs greatest asset is our volunteers-you and 1.35 million Lions around the world. Wherever there is a need, there is a Lions club nearby, ready to respond with their hearts and hands. In the case of disasters, we are the first to offer help, and the last to leave.

Lions, I ask for your help in making the hope for a brighter tomorrow a reality for the people of New Zealand. The most effective and immediate way to help is through a **designated donation to LCIF** for New Zealand relief through your District Treasurer.

From New Zealand to Haiti to Pakistan, Lions and our foundation are rebuilding homes and lives. Lions are building bridges of compassion with our hearts and hands, in New Zealand and all around the world.

With my cordial regards, **Eberhard J. Wirfs**
Chairperson, Lions Clubs International Foundation



YOUTH EXCHANGE

It is time for clubs to consider hosting a youth from overseas. We are expecting 140 young people to visit Australia between July 9th to 20th August (approximately). These students need at least two host families; they usually stay with a family for one (1) to three (3) weeks.

Students will be arriving from:

- * EUROPE 60
- * ASIA PACIFIC 30
- * AMERICA 20
- * SCANDINAVIA 20
- * OTHERS 10



If you have a preference for a country, I would like to suggest that you contact me ASAP and we can commence negotiations.

Last year we hosted four students, many thanks to the following clubs, Westbury, Ulverstone, Smithton/Circular Head and Penguin. It would be great to see some clubs down south involved in the programme this year.

Youth Exchange embodies the Lions Clubs Purpose:

To create and foster a spirit of understanding among the peoples of the world.

Wendy BRADY

District Chairman T1 (wendon.12@bigpond.com)



THIS MONTH IN HISTORY...

- **March 1, 1975:** COLOUR TV officially began in Australia.
- **March 2, 1965:** THE SOUND OF MUSIC movie premiered in New York.
- **March 3, 1911:** PALMERSTON in the Northern Territory was renamed DARWIN in honour of Charles Darwin.
- **March 5, 1854:** ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY was established in Australia.
- **March 8, 1828:** AUST. STAMPS were issued for the first time.
- **March 15, 1877:** AUST. (a combined Victoria/ NSW side) and ENGLAND played in their first Test match at the MCG. The Aussies won by 45 runs.
- **March 20, 1973:** The VOTING AGE was lowered in Australia from 21 to 18.
- **March 21, 1966:** THE BEATLES played at the Cavern Club for the first time.
- **March 24, 1927:** The AUSTRALIAN PARLIAMENT sat in Melbourne for the final time before moving to Canberra.
- **March 25, 1954:** COLOUR TELEVISION sets produced by RCA began selling in America for around \$1000 each!!!
- **March 31, 1928:** AUSTRALIAN GRAND PRIX was held for the first time at Cowes, Philip Island.



THE Lions 59th MULTIPLE DISTRICT 201 CONVENTION

Launceston Convention

"Have a Devil of a time"

15th April 2011 to 19th April 2011

Fellow Lions,

You still have time to take the opportunity to register and the chance to attend an MD Convention for little cost. I am sure you will find it enjoyable and with the programme arranged you will obtain a lot from it. So please consider as we need you to show that Lionism is alive and well in their District.

If you are unable to attend some business sessions then make up a party from your Club and attend the Banquet Cabaret on the Monday evening. Everything has been done to make this a "WOW" of a evening and I'm sure you will have an enjoyable time.

Also on the Saturday 16th we are having a March through the Streets of Launceston and we invite as many of your Members to come along dressed in their shirts/Jumpers to show support for work of Lionism throughout the Multiple District. Also on this day as Keynote Speaker Father Chris Riley (Youth off the Streets) speaking at 1/45pm at the Albert Hall. These are just a few things that are available to you throughout the Convention. It is a real experience to attend a Convention of this size. So please make an effort to come you will be made most welcome.

Also on the Saturday the District Governor Ken is holding his get together at the Launceston Football Club and all Lions, Lionesses, Leos and their partners are most welcome to attend. Please advise Cab Sec Annette Ogilvie if would like to come. Hope to see you there.

Finally, I would ask that you consider our recent request to your Club to make a donation to Father Chris Riley so that at the conclusion of his address on behalf of the Lions of Tasmania a donation for his continuing work in his project "Youth off the Streets" a presentation can be made. I know you will assist us in the request.

Look forward to seeing you all in "Lonnie" and when you leave us after the Convention you can say - **"I HAD A DEVIL OF A TIME!"**

Regards Peter Burke - Convention Secretary

P.S. Any Lion requiring a REGISTRATION FORM please contact me on 63272575 and I'll forward you one.



TASMANIAN LIONS FOUNDATION

During the past month the TLF donated \$2500 to the Queensland Flood Relief.

During this month, I will be writing to all Clubs on facilities available through the Foundation, along with a Grant application and TLF Fellow application.

We invite all Clubs at some future date to take advantage and use the Foundation services. If you have no immediate use for the needs of the Foundation, perhaps at the close of the Lions year your club may have some surplus funds. then please consider us so that we can continue to assist Clubs help make life a little easier for those less fortunate than ourselves.

Keep up the good work in your communities.

Peter Burke
Secretary



Memos from the Cabinet Treasurer

Dear Club Treasurers

We are now in the third month of the second semi annual dues period and nearly all clubs have paid both their District and International dues.

However, we do seem to have a small problem with International dues.

This is what happens when the club treasurer pays their club's International dues:

- 1) I receive the cheque and record the details on an spreadsheet banking slip;
- 2) The money collected is banked weekly with Westpac Bank here in Kingston;
- 3) A copy of the banking slip is emailed to Maggie Deng in USA same day;
- 4) Maggie acknowledge receipt the following day as the accounts are credited;
- 5) Any amounts credited by the 28th of the month will feature in the next months account invoices.

So if you pay your dues promptly, before the last week in the month, you avoid the annoying little amounts that are due to exchange fluctuations. And even better, you are not inclined to make duplicate payments!

Keep smiling
Lion Erik

Fellow Lions



One to ponder...
"If a fine is a tax for doing wrong...
is a tax a fine for doing well?"

News in Brief...

Huon Lions raised \$894 with a two (2) day BBQ at Huon Mitre-10 for flood relief. Well done to everyone involved!

DA END ISS NIGH!

Ole is the pastor of the local Norwegian Lutheran Church and Pastor Sven is the minister of the Swedish Covenant Church across the road.

One day they are seen pounding a sign into the ground, which said:

DA END ISS NEAR!
TURN YERSELF AROUND NOW
BAFOR IT ISS TOO LATE!

As a car speeds past them, the driver leans out his window and yells, "Leave people alone, you Skandihoovian religious nuts!"

From the curve they heard screeching tires and a big splash.

Shakin' his head, Rev. Ole says, "Dat's da terd one dis mornin'."

"Yaa," Pastor Sven agrees, then asks, "Do ya tink maybe da sign should yust say, 'Bridge Out?'"

Lion Ross Paine

Just a reminder that the State Government dollar for dollar contribution for the Queensland Flood Appeal terminates as of COB March 31st.

If you want your club contributions included it need to reach me by March 30th. By the way, as of today the 201T1 clubs contribution to the QLD flood alone, is just a couple of hundred dollars under the \$100,000 mark. WELL DONE TO ALL.

Also, if you want to contribute to the Tasmanian Flood appeal, other than the Kentish appeal, please identify this clearly on your cheque.



OATH OF OFFICE

When a member has been elected into a leadership position within a club, the oath of office is a statement which formally inducts them into their new position.

Although oaths are more generally and widely used by government organisations, it is also an important ceremony in which clubs and associations show respect and regard for their individual club and its duties.

Most clubs have their own structured oath that outlines the role, responsibilities and commitment that is required for the position, in which they have been duly elected and is held annually in a formal setting in front of other family members and peers.

The oath is usually conducted by a member within the club who holds a higher position and is also held in high esteem or a guest from another club or cabinet member. *The reading of the oath is extracting a promise or pledge from the member to serve in their newly elected position with the utmost integrity and honesty, whilst ensuring that all decisions are in the clubs best interest.*

It is usually regarded as an honour to be elected into a position of authority and to be given the task of leading the club and its members successfully for the duration of the term. The most common held positions in a club are President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary. In small clubs these positions are often unpaid roles held by members who hold down paying careers which usually means that family time is sacrificed and some days will stretch into the long hours of the night.

It can also be a thankless job with other non positioned members at times taking their fellow members for granted and becoming lax in their time in volunteering

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SPRING BAY DISTRICT CONVENTION 2011 March Update

There are 15 rooms and 5 cabins left at the East Coaster.

There's also a caravan park there.
5 rooms only at Blue Waters
8 rooms with shared bathroom at Spring Bay Hotel

There are a couple of B&Bs still vacant at this stage.

I may have to check out Sorell & Swansea in the near future.

I think we are going to have about 1250 at Convention, so DO NOT delay booking for this important event.

Phone Robyn Desmond on 62573416 for further details or information.

"IF YOU CAN MAKE IT - WE'LL MAKE YOU WELCOME"



ZONE CHAIRMAN - TOUGH GIG!

(But someone has to do it!)

We thought Lions may not be aware of the numerous duties of a Zone Chairman when on a visit with the DG. Those tasks are as follows:

- Catch fish,
- Feed wallabies,
- Deliver mail,
- Set craypots and last, but not least,
- Eat the crayfish.

Knowing the old adage that “a picture is worth a thousand words” - we give you the following pics:



FOR EVEN MORE

PROOF SEE FRONT PAGE!



DONATIONS, APPRECIATION & AWARDS ALL PART OF 50TH CELEBRATIONS

On Saturday 12 February 2011, Launceston Windmill Hill Lions Club celebrated their 50th Charter Anniversary Dinner with a celebratory meal at the Mercure Launceston. Over eighty (80) Lions and guests from around the District attended the dinner with the highlight being the presentation of two cheques of \$5,000 each to Launceston City Mission and the St Giles Society.

Every attendee received a commemorative engraved wine glass and the placemats listed the Charter members along with the present members. Special 50th Anniversary pins were also struck, which are still available for purchase from the club for \$5.00 each. **If you wish to purchase a pin please contact the Club.**

Awards were presented during the evening – a Melvin Jones Fellowship was presented to Lion Derryl Hill and a Helen Keller Fellowship was also presented to Lion Murray Scales. Both Lions were delighted and overjoyed to receive their justly deserved awards.

Other awards were presented to the 50th Charter Anniversary committee – Lions Derryl Hill, Murray Scales, Paul Cox, Murray Avery and Linda Dilworth, for their excellent organisation of the event. The late Lion Bruce Ockerby was also a member of the committee.

As president I wish to thank the hard working committee and all those present who all helped make our 50th such a memorable event

Byron Dilworth

President - Lions Club of Launceston Windmill Hill Inc.



Take the Test...

Below is a small test that lists the eight vital points that are the characteristics of a quality Lion member.

Try ticking them off to establish your level -

1. Ability to meet the obligation of being a Lion,
2. Integrity,
3. Willingness to devote time to Lions services,
4. Commitment to serve,
5. Socially acceptable demeanour,
6. Willingness to be a team player,
7. Compatibility with the Club culture,
8. Empathy for fellow human beings.

How did you score out of eight?

STAMPS!

STAMPS!



Many thanks for your continued support and I am sure the recipients are most grateful to you for your time and efforts. It is a simple project little time required buy yourselves only the time of find suitable outlets to collect stamps for you.

They can be sent to me direct at:
11 Camina Court, Riverside 7250, or care of the Launceston Riverside Lions Club.

We will do the trimming etc. if you do not have the patience or the time!
Please keep up the good work.

Until next month
Peter Burke - Riverside LC



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and meeting club commitments. In some rare cases, clubs have actually collapsed due to lack of commitment from members and the entire board resigning because of it!

To ensure the success of a club, it doesn't entirely fall on the shoulders of the President, Treasurer and Secretary; contrary to popular belief, they are there to steer the club in the right direction, make decisions on the clubs behalf and be the face of the club for outside world, **but it is all members of a club who must ensure their success and prosperity, as we all gave an oath to do that when we joined!**



Thought for the Month...
"Growing old is compulsory - growing up is optional!" - Bob Monkhouse



Australia - New Zealand Indonesia - Pacific Region

A REFRESHING VOYAGE INTO TOMORROW
GOLD COAST, AUSTRALIA 9 - 11 SEPTEMBER 2011

**Boy from India Wins
2011 Lions
International Peace
Poster Contest**

Lions Clubs International is pleased to announce that Raj Phairembam, an 11-year-old boy from Moirang, Manipur, India, created this year's grand prize winning poster in the Lions International Peace Poster Contest.

Judges chose his poster for its artistic merit and portrayal of the theme, "Vision of Peace" (*below*).



Time is running out and the chances of winning three (3) nights accommodation at the forum are diminishing. As indicated last month, two (2) Early Bird Prizes had been won and by now the third will have been drawn.

Register by 31 March will give you 3 chances, by 30 April 2 chances and finally by 31 May 1 chance.

Early registration can be an advantage!

Keep up to date with Forum news on www.lionsanzipacificforum.com .

PDG John Gillham
ANZI PACIFIC
201T District Chairman

Don't forget...

JAPAN Disaster Assistance

I am sure you are all equally shocked with the news of the earthquake and tsunami in Japan. I could have never imagined that I would be traveling home from Christchurch, where I witnessed devastation, only to now experience the extraordinary dimension of this disaster.

Lions, we respond immediately, alongside our fellow Lions of Japan. Within hours of the disaster, Lions Clubs International Foundation committed over US\$1.25 million, or 100 million Japanese Yen, for immediate relief for Japan. This includes a major catastrophe grant, six emergency grants and designated donations from Lions worldwide. We have also established a designated fund for Lions to directly support this disaster.

But, I appeal to you - we need to do more. You know firsthand that in the case of disasters, we Lions are committed for as long as it takes. "We Serve" does not stop at a community or country border but extends to every corner where there is need. Our hands are building bridges for a better tomorrow.

Lions, I ask for your help in making the hope for a brighter tomorrow for those who so urgently need from us. The most immediate way to give hope is through a designated donation to LCIF.

Your financial support of Your Foundation for earthquake and tsunami relief is critical the meeting the immediate and long term needs of the most vulnerable families. Please consider supporting LCIF for this initiative and being a part of building that bridge of hope for those who are suffering. Visit www.lcif.org/donate to make your donation today.

Eberhard J. Wirfs - Chairperson, Lions Clubs International Foundation

During this year's international level of judging at the Loyola University Museum of Art in Chicago, many judges expressed how honored they were to take on this task - and how difficult it was to narrow down the posters from so many wonderful images.

PLEASE MAKE ALL DONATIONS TO THIS DISASTER APPEAL TO CABINET TREASURER ERIK!



District Newsletter 201T1 - Deadline for next issue is: **APR 10th**

*Copy for the newsletter is required
on or before the tenth (10th) of the month of publication.*

It is preferred that articles be typed and submitted for publication by e-mail or otherwise by CD.

Please forward (where possible) photos and newspaper cuttings with your article.

Scanned images should be of high quality (300dpi).