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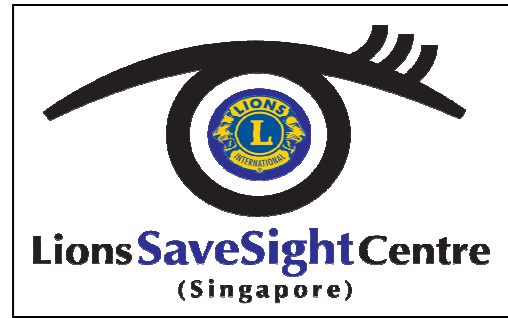
e-newsletter

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狮子护眼中心

ROS Reference Number: 2071/2008 – 1st July 2008

Chairman: Honorary Lion Professor Arthur Lim

Deputy Chairman: Honorary Lion Professor Donald Tan

Lions World Sight Day

Sunday 10 October 2010

DG Steven Seah commissioned the LIONS WORLD SIGHT DAY 2010 cum Annual Lecture.

Lions World Sight Day 2010 was marked in Singapore on Sunday 10 October 2010 at The Jelutung Community Club at Canberra and was covered and reported by Channel NewsAsia & The Straits Times. It is the collective effort of LCI District 308-A1, Singapore National Eye Centre, The Jelutung Community Club @ Canberra and Lions SaveSight Centre (Singapore) together with the Lions Clubs in Singapore. The event was graced by Minister in the Prime Minister's Office Mr Lim Boon Heng, Member of Parliament Sembawang GRC Dr Lim Wee Kiak, District Governor Steven Seah, Honorary Lion Prof Arthur Lim, Honorary Lion Prof Donald Tan, community grass-root leaders, Lion dignitaries, Lion members, SNEC staff and invited guests numbering over 300 senior citizens for eye screening and about another over 200 persons for the Annual Lecture. Professor Wong Tien Yin delivered the Annual Lecture. The Annual Lecture was very well received by the attendees and the presentation, media coverage can be downloaded from the LSSC Website: www.lssc.org.sg

EDITORIAL

For Calendar Year 2011, Lions SaveSight Centre (Singapore), we have set for ourselves 6 goals (see below) for achievement.

Goal # 1 is the **Top Priority to be secured and to complete the MOH-IPC application approval processes to be led by Lion Charity Wai, Lion Kang Oyo Cheow, PDG Han Thien Fong & 1VDG Singa Retnam.**

We are now already at the final stages of the approval process. Let us keep our fingers crossed and wait for good news. The upcoming LSSC : Extraordinary General Meeting scheduled on Tuesday 1 March 2011 at 1930 hrs at the Medical Alumni House is to approve the LSSC Constitution & By-Laws changes requested by Ministry of Health, the IPC Approving Authority.

FY2010/11 under the governorship of DG Steven Seah, Lions SaveSight Centre (Singapore) is having a good Lion year. We have come to expect FY2011/12 & FY2012/13 will be good years too for Lions SaveSight Centre (Singapore). More and better results are achievable, if we can only work a little harder. Together, we can make things happen.



STOP PRESS

1. The LSSC Management Board approved the **LSSC Ordinary Voting Membership of Lions Club of Singapore Paterson** as the 39th Lions Club with effect from 5 October 2010 and **Lions Club of Singapore Central Link** as the 40th Lions Club with effect from 2 November 2010. We look forward to more Lions Clubs to come onboard; many hands make work light.
2. The **LSSC Collar Pin** is approved for production (ready soon) and to be distributed free of charge to our LSSC members who attends the LSSC Extraordinary General Meeting on Tuesday 1 March 2011 at 1930 hrs at the Medical Alumni House.
3. The **LSSC T-Shirt** is also to be given free of charge to all attendees at the upcoming LSSC Extraordinary General Meeting on Tuesday 1 March 2011.

Lions SaveSight Centre (Singapore)

YEAR 2011 GOALS

For Year 2011, let us together focus on the road ahead with

1. **Top Priority to secure and complete the MOH-IPC application approval processes to be led by Lion Charity Wai, Lion Kang Oyo Cheow, PDG Han Thien Fong & 1VDG Singa Retnam**
2. **A Next Priority is to organize fundraising projects:**
 - a. **A Fund Raising Project to be led by Lion Dora Chan & PDG Charlie Chan**
 - b. **Another Musical Concert or Film Premiere to be led by Lion Raymond Tan, Lion Leslie Yong, PDG Henry Tan & 2VDG Irene Tan**
 - c. **A further Walkathon or Golf to be led by Lion Peter Lim, Lion Lim Sin Tat, Lion Peter Chua, Lion Robert Liew, Lion John Lim, Lion Richard See, Lion Donna Ng & Lion Seet Hwee Hong**
3. **The Lions World Sight Day 2011 cum Annual Lecture to be led by Lion Peter Heng, Lion Simon Goh, Lion Sharon Yip, Lion Grace Sim, Lion Tan Ai Hoa, Lion Lely Chin & Mdm Ho Shin Hiong**
4. **A launch of a nation-wide Project: Lions Recycle for Sight (recycle eyeglasses) to be led by Lion Lion Chia Giok Pin, Chan Hiok Hong, Lion Lee Keng Hong, Lion Eileen Cheak, Lion Simon Goh, Lion Sharon Yip, Leo Shurlene Toh, Leo Eugene Yeo, Leo Jones Ho, Leo Jeremy Pay & PDG Han Thien Fong**

5. An establishment of A Panel of Patrons (possible dignitaries like SM Goh Chok Tong, Minister Dr Vivian Balakrishnan, Minister Khaw Boon Wan, MP Dr Lim Wee Kiak and/or MP Dr Lam Pin Min) to be initiated by Prof Arthur Lim, Prof Donald Tan, Lion Charity Wai, Lion Dr Edmund Wong, Lion Dr Ho Ching Lin & PCC SG Chin
6. A launch of a series of promotional informative educational brochures and leaflets to be led by Lion Chan Hiok Hong, Mdm Ho Shin Hiong, Lion Dr Edmund Wong, Lion Dr Ho Ching Lin, Lion Charity Wai, Lion Kang Oyo Cheow & PDG Han Thien Fong

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The LSSC Goal # 5 is to have a launch of a nation-wide

Project: Lions Recycle for Sight (recycle eyeglasses)

to be led by Lion Lion Chia Giok Pin, Chan Hiok Hong, Lion Lee Keng Hong, Lion Eileen Cheak, Lion Simon Goh, Lion Sharon Yip, Leo Shurlene Toh, Leo Eugene Yeo, Leo Jones Ho, Leo Jeremy Pay & PDG Han Thien Fong

The LSSC Organizing Committee led by Lion Chia Giok Pin met recently, drew up and confirmed the Plan of Action and duties & responsibilities assignments. The project is now well on its way forward. Down the road, we shall be able to relay relevant information for better appreciation by all and participation by all Lions & Leo Clubs. The essence is we would like to encourage everyone to come onboard. Yes, let us, Lions & Leos work together to make things happen in the true Lions Spirit, **WE SERVE!**

Lions SaveSight Centre (Singapore)

Project: Lions Recycle for Sight

- **Organizing Committee:**

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District Chairperson for Sight Preservation, Awareness & Action

Any other persons (Polytechnic Officers, Optometrists, Leos, other Lions and any interested parties)

- **Budgeting, Funding & Sponsorship** (Chia Giok Pin & Han Thien Fong)
- **Designing and Production of the Eyeglasses Collection Boxes** (Chan Hiok Hong & Han Thien Fong)
- **Designing and Production of the Eyeglasses Collection Community Publicity Posters** (Chan Hiok Hong & Han Thien Fong)

- **Eyeglasses Collection Centres** (Ophthalmologists Clinics, Optical Shops, Schools & Community Centres)
(Lee Keng Hong, Simon Goh, Sharon Yip & Chan Hiok Hong)
 - **Participating Lions Clubs & Leo Clubs** (Eileen Cheak, Simon Goh, Sharon Yip, Shurlene Toh & Jeremy Pay)
 - **Eyeglasses Storage Coordination** (Lee Keng Hong & Chan Hiok Hong)
 - **Eyeglasses Processing, Grading & Packaging** (Polytechnics & Optometrists)
(Lee Keng Hong, Eugene Yeo, Jones Ho & Chan Hiok Hong)
 - **Publicity, Promotion & Public Relations** (Chia Giok Pin & Lee Keng Hong)
 - **LSSC Website:** www.lssc.org.sg - Recycle for Sight (Chan Hiok Hong & Han Thien Fong)
 - **LSSC Thank You Appreciation:**
Excellence in Effort Awards & Certificates of Appreciation (Chia Giok Pin & Han Thien Fong)
 - **Lions & Leo Clubs Liaison Coordinators** (Eileen Cheak, Simon Goh, Sharon Yip, Shurlene Toh & Jeremy Pay)
 - **Eyeglasses Collection Centres Liaison Coordinators**
(Lee Keng Hong, Simon Goh, Sharon Yip & Chan Hiok Hong)
 - **Eyeglasses Processing, Grading, Packaging & Storage Coordinators**
(Lee Keng Hong, Eugene Yeo, Jones Ho & Chan Hiok Hong)
 - **Overseas Mission Liaison Coordinators** (Chia Giok Pin, Lee Keng Hong & Chan Hiok Hong)
 - **LCI Liaison Coordinator** (LCI Website: www.lionsclubs.org - Recycle for Sight) (Han Thien Fong)
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- **Countries for possible Overseas Missions - Cambodia / China / Indonesia / Laos / Malaysia / Myanmar / Nepal / Philippines / Sri Lanka / Thailand / Vietnam**
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- **Singapore Lions Clubs involved in past Gift of Sight Projects &/or Overseas Missions:**
LCS Amber / Bedok / Central Link / Compassvale / Emerald / Metropolitan / Neesoon / Neesoon Mandarin / Royal

Design for the Eyeglasses Collection Boxes

LSSC Logo

Lions SaveSight Centre
(Singapore)

Another Lions Clubs Project

LIONS RECYCLE FOR SIGHT

(Picture)

Donate your used eyeglasses here
Free for you - Priceless for them
Your Used Eyeglasses Can Help Someone See Better

For more information, please visit the LSSC Website Address: www.lssc.org.sg

When the box is full please contact our

Coordinator's Name at Telephone Number: xxxxxxxx or email: xxxxxxxxxxxx

Be a Volunteer - Join the Lions or Leo Clubs - We Care We Serve

Box Sponsor: Lions Club Name

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The legendary

HELEN KELLER:

Born in Tuscumbia, Alabama, USA, in 1880, Helen Keller developed a fever at 18 months of age that left her blind and deaf.

With the help of an exceptional teacher, Anne Mansfield Sullivan of the Perkins School for the Blind, Keller learned sign language and braille. A few years later, she learned to speak. As an adult she became a tireless advocate for people with disabilities. And in 1925, Keller attended the Lions Clubs International Convention and challenged Lions to become "knights of the blind in the crusade against darkness."

The Lions accepted Keller's challenge and our work ever since has included [sight programs](#) aimed at preventable blindness.

Helen Keller Day

In 1971, the Board of Directors of Lions Clubs International declared that June 1 would be remembered as Helen Keller Day. Lions around the world implement sight-related service projects on Helen Keller Day.

The following speech was delivered by Helen Keller at the

1925 International Convention

Cedar Point, Ohio, USA

June 30, 1925

Dear Lions and Ladies:

I suppose you have heard the legend that represents opportunity as a capricious lady, who knocks at every door but once, and if the door isn't opened quickly, she passes on, never to return. And that is as it should be. Lovely, desirable ladies won't wait. You have to go out and grab 'em.

I am your opportunity. I am knocking at your door. I want to be adopted. The legend doesn't say what you are to do when several beautiful opportunities present themselves at the same door. I guess you have to choose the one you love best. I hope you will adopt me. I am the youngest here, and what I offer you is full of splendid opportunities for service.

The American Foundation for the Blind is only four years old. It grew out of the imperative needs of the blind, and was called into existence by the sightless themselves. It is national and international in scope and in importance. It represents the best and most enlightened thought on our subject that has been reached so far. Its object is to make the lives of the blind more worthwhile everywhere by increasing their economic value and giving them the joy of normal activity.

Try to imagine how you would feel if you were suddenly stricken blind today. Picture yourself stumbling and groping at noonday as in the night; your work, your independence, gone. In that dark world wouldn't you be glad if a friend took you by the hand and said, "Come with me and I will teach you how to do some of the things you used to do when you could see?" That is just the kind of friend the American Foundation is going to be to all the blind in this country if seeing people will give it the support it must have.

You have heard how through a little word dropped from the fingers of another, a ray of light from another soul touched the darkness of my mind and I found myself, found the world, found God. It is because my teacher learned about me and broke through the dark, silent imprisonment which held me that I am able to work for myself and for others. It is the caring we want more than money. The gift without the sympathy and interest of the giver is empty. If you care, if we can make the people of this great country care, the blind will indeed triumph over blindness.

The opportunity I bring to you, Lions, is this: To foster and sponsor the work of the American Foundation for the Blind. Will you not help me hasten the day when there shall be no preventable blindness; no little deaf, blind child untaught; no blind man or woman unaided? I appeal to you Lions, you who have your sight, your hearing, you who are strong and brave and kind. Will you not constitute yourselves Knights of the Blind in this crusade against darkness? I thank you.

The world is full of suffering. It is also full of overcoming.

Of all senses, **SIGHT** must be the **MOST IMPORTANT**.

Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much.

It is terrible thing **to see and have no vision.**"

- said Helen Keller