

'EYES'

e-newsletter

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WE ARE BACK IN ACTION!

After an absence of a year on this quarterly EYES eNewsletter, we are back in action and business again. Now that I am the new editor and LSSC Secretary for this term, I shall keep our Lions clubs in District 308-A1 updated on all LSSC Action Teams activities. It shall be updated quarterly in our LSSC website/facebook and also send to our District Cabinet Officers and all club Presidents through the District Secretariat.

The revival of this EYES eNewsletter is to reach out to our many ardent fans, supporters and well-wishers in our Lions District 308-A1. It is because many exciting new projects and happenings is expected from LSSC in the very near future. We need to communicate with YOU to keep you updated and abreast as events unfold. Most of all we need your continuous kind support to drive LSSC to scale further new heights.

Keep our two-way communication open, talk back and let us know how you feel and think should be the further developments for LSSC. Your comments and suggestions will definitely be of great inspiration and help for all of us in LSSC.

Wise men speak because they have something to say; Fools because they have to say something. -Plato



Lions SaveSight Centre
(Singapore)

狮子护眼中心

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

Chairman: Lion Dr Ho Ching Lin

Deputy Chairman: Lion Charity Wai

First Vice Chairman: PCC SG Chin

Second Vice Chairman: Lion Dr Allan Fong

Secretary: Lion James Ko

Assistant Secretary: Lion Joohn Than

Treasurer: Lion Tarren Cheng

Assistant Treasurer: Lion Eric Koh

LSSC AGM - Tuesday 3 November 2015

The Lions SaveSight Centre (Singapore) Annual General Meeting was held on Tuesday 3 November 2015 at the Medical Alumni House. As usual, it came with business transacted in accordance to the Meeting Agenda, it was over in just 30 minutes and completed with the bi-annual elections. Many thanks to the able leadership of PCC SG Chin our 1st Vice Chairman. Both our Chairman Prof Donald Tan and Deputy Chairman Dr Ho Chin Lin were both outstation respectively.

How I wished that all Lions Annual General Meeting can be held in this manner, with maturity, decorum and dignity.

LSSC Voting Ordinary Membership

To date we have a total **LSSC Voting Ordinary Membership of 59 Lions Clubs** as at 1 September 2015 or 67% of total number of 88 Lions Clubs in Singapore.

I am just wondering aloud:

Why we still have 29 other Lions Clubs who are not yet LSSC Ordinary Voting Member?

What is the commitment of our Lions Club to be a LSSC Ordinary Voting Member?

Honestly, **NOTHING!**

1. There are no mandatory membership dues
2. There are no mandatory fundraising projects
3. There are no mandatory service activities
4. There are no mandatory duty & responsibility

Everything about Lions SaveSight Centre (Singapore) is voluntary and about genuine volunteerism. No Lion member or Lions Club shall be asked to do more than what they want to do. Yes, our Lions Clubs decide what they want to do, always.

LSSC Management Board

FY January 2016 through December 2017

The following LSSC Management Board is elected/appointed:

Chairman	- Lion Dr Ho Ching Lin (Host)
Deputy Chairman	- Lion Charity Wai (Host)
1 st Vice Chairman	- PCC SG Chin (Metropolitan)
2 nd Vice Chairman	- Lion Dr Allan Fong (Host)
Secretary	- Lion James Ko (Shangri La)
Assistant Secretary	- Lion Joohn Than (Nee Soon)
Treasurer	- Lion Tarren Cheng (Nee Soon Mandarin)
Assistant Treasurer	- Lion Eric Koh (Optimus)
Director 1	- PDG Han Thien Fong (Host)
Director 2	- Lion Dora Chan (Chatsworth)
Director 3	- Lion Alice Ou (Chatsworth)
Director 4	- Lion Simon Ng (Fullerton)
Director 5	- Lion William Chua (Fullerton)
Director 6	- Lion Tan Ai Hoa (Fullerton)
Director 7	- Lion Richard Khoo (Bedok)
Director 8	- Lion Anson Ang (Bedok)
Director 9	- Lion Daniel Ong (Nee Soon Mandarin)
Director 10	- Lion Ivan Wong (Optimus)
Director 11	- Lion Lely Chin (Metropolitan)
Director 12	- Lion Jenny Tan (City)
Director 13	- Lion Kenny Tan (Beverly Hills)
Director 14	- Lion Robert Tng (Royal)
Director 15	- Lion Lily Tan (Ladyhill)
Co-opted Director 1	- Lion Stuyvesant Lim (Bukit Timah)
Co-opted Director 2	- Lion Jennifer Chew (Eunos)
Co-opted Director 3	- Lion Jimmy Ang (Fort Canning)
Co-opted Director 4	- Lion Sarah Cheng (Cherish)
Co-opted Director 5	- Lion Victor Lee (Katong Mandarin)
Co-opted Director 6	- Lion Balaji Pandurangam (Emerald)
Co-opted Director 7	- Lion Victor Yip (Goodlink)
Co-opted Director 8	- Lion Belinda Yap (Goodlink)
Co-opted Director 9	- Lion Rel Yin (Mandarin)
Co-opted Director 10	- Lion Davie Ong (Host)
Co-opted Director 11	- Lion Derek Lam (Fullerton)
Co-opted Director 12	- Lion Andy Ng (Beverly Hills)
Co-opted Director 13	- Lion Vin Tea (Venture)

So, what are in store for

Lions SaveSight Centre (Singapore)

in the next 24 months?

First, we shall finalize and confirm a **LSSC Work Plan FY2016/2017** to help us stay focus and to have a clear direction where we are heading.

1. The LSSC Management Board FY2016/2017 has formed 10 Project Action Teams to strengthen and expand the existing ongoing LSSC projects. They are as follows:
 - a. Annual Lecture & Appreciation Dinner 2016 – led by Lion Robert Tng
 - b. LWSD 2016 – led by Lion James Ko
 - c. LRS-GOS – led by Lion Eric Koh
 - d. Eye Care Talk – led by Lion Jenny Tan
 - e. LSSC IPC – led by Lion Davie Ong
 - f. LSSC Bus – led by Lion Richard Khoo
 - g. Lions Vision Care Centre – led by Lion Davie Ong
 - h. LSSC IT & Media – led by Lion Ivan Wong
 - i. Lions Souvenir Gifts – led by Lion Lely Chin
 - j. LCI-LSSC-SNEC International Convention 2020 – led by Lion Charity Wai
2. The LSSC Board has also co-opted 13 Co-opted Board Directors to provide their specialty and expertise to complement and supplement the newly elected board members.
3. Many hands make work light, LSSC is looking for more Lion members who have the ability, specialty, expertise and who are willing to come on board to make a difference.
4. LSSC are all ears for any interesting and exciting ideas, suggestions, comments and feedback – please feel free and welcome to speak to us. **LSSC needs more volunteers to come forward to share the load.**

Just give a call to {James Ko – (65) 98269115} or an email to (james.ko.2288@gmail.com)
Thank you very much

Any possibility LSSC can start a LSSC Lions Eye Bank?

Yes, if more of you come on board to chip in!



What is an Eye Bank?

An eye bank's professional staff performs valuable functions that support sight-saving procedures by retrieving and storing healthy eye tissue for corneal transplants and research. Eye banks recover, evaluate, store and distribute human eye tissue for vision restoration, research and education. Eye surgeons rely on eye banks to supply them with tissue for sight-saving procedures.

A Lions Eye Bank is a not-for-profit organization that:

- Operates within established Lions Clubs International Board Policy for the program
- Is sponsored by a Lions club, district or multiple district
- Has an established working relationship with a medical facility
- Complies with government medical and education standards
- May coordinate Lions' financial assistance for sight-saving corneal transplant surgery

Establish a New Lions Eye Bank

Here are some general guidelines for forming a new Lions eye bank:

- Determine interest and support of a new Lions eye bank from the established medical community, e.g. a hospital or university school of medicine's department of ophthalmology
- Determine support of your district or multiple district
- Follow Board Policy for the Lions Clubs International Eye Bank Program
- Determine a budget for the ongoing operation of a Lions eye bank
- Contact the [Legal Division](#) at Lions Clubs International for authorization to use the Lions name and/or emblem
- Elect a board of directors from among Lions in good standing
- See the [list of Lions Eye Banks](#) to locate specific eye banks who have offered to serve as mentors.



Lions Clubs International

Sight Programs

Prevent Blindness, Saving Sight for Millions of People Around the World

For nearly 100 years, our members have worked on projects designed to prevent blindness, restore eyesight and improve [eye health](#) and eye care for hundreds of millions of people worldwide. Lions volunteer to take part in sight projects that have:

- Saved the sight of more than 15 million children by providing [eye screenings](#), glasses and other treatments through Sight for Kids
- Established or strengthened pediatric eye care centers that have helped more than 120 million children
- Helped halt the spread of trachoma in Ethiopia by providing 10 million doses of the sight-saving drug azithromycin annually
- Prevented serious vision loss for more than 30 million people worldwide
- Improved eye care for 100 million people by training more than 650,000 eye care professionals and building 315 eye hospitals
- Distributed more than 147 million treatments for river blindness
- Provided nearly 8 million cataract surgeries
- Vaccinated 41 million children in Africa against measles – a leading cause of childhood blindness

Since 1990, Lions have raised US\$415 million through two SightFirst fundraising campaigns to help provide vision for all.

Lions Work to Improve Sight and Prevent Blindness

Through efforts such as these, Lions have gained worldwide recognition for our work to improve sight and prevent blindness. Our members around the world are also actively involved in:

- Recycling eyeglasses at [18 centers worldwide](#).
- Supporting Lions [Eye Banks](#) that provide eye tissue for sight-saving surgeries.
- Screening the vision of hundreds of thousands of people every year.
- Preventing blindness by providing treatment to those at risk of losing their vision.

In 1925, [Helen Keller challenged Lions](#) to become "knights of the blind in the crusade against darkness. **And we accepted.** Today, sight programs remain one of our defining causes.

LSSC Ordinary Voting Membership - as at 1 September 2015

Additional new LSSC Ordinary Voting Membership:

42. Lions Club of Singapore Pearl's Hill	- MBM051113 - President Seng Beng Huat FY2013/14
43. Lions Club of Singapore Venture	- MBM070114 - President Vinn Tea FY2013/14
44. Lions Club of Singapore Fullerton	- MBM070114 - President Jasmine Yap FY2013/14
45. Lions Club of Singapore Astrid	- MBM070114 - President Christine Ng FY2013/14
46. Lions Club of Singapore Bukit Merah	- MBM070114 - President Francis Woo FY2013/14
47. Lions Club of Singapore Clarke Quay	- MBM070114 - President SK Ho FY2013/14
48. Lions Club of Singapore Enterprise	- MBM070114 - President Jacob Su FY2013/14
49. Lions Club of Singapore Nassim	- MBM070114 - President M Meyyappan FY2013/14
50. Lions Club of Singapore Bayfront	- MBM070114 - President Dosmond Chew FY2013/14
51. Lions Club of Singapore Sunshine	- MBM070114 - President Antouny Tan FY2013/14
52. Lions Club of Singapore Phoenix	- MBM040314 - President Sandra Lee FY2013/14
53. Lions Club of Singapore Goodlink	- MBM020914 - President Ho Yu Xian FY2014/15
54. Lions Club of Singapore Bukit Timah	- MBM010915 - President Stuyvesant Lim FY2015/16
55. Lions Club of Singapore Optimus	- MBM010915 - President Eric Koh FY2015/16
56. Lions Club of Singapore Shaughnessy	- MBM031115 - President Shawn Chew FY2015/16
57. Lions Club of Singapore Nee Soon	- MBM050116 - President Terence Lim FY2015/16
58. Lions Club of Singapore Arcadia	- MBM050116 - President Max Chua FY2015/16
59. Lions Club of Singapore Cherish	- MBM050116 - President Sarah Cheng FY2015/16

59 over 88 Lions Clubs = **67%** are committed to LSSC and still growing!

Why is your Lions Club not yet a LSSC Ordinary Voting Member? What is holding your club back?

Do not allow undesirable Lions politics mar & affect your Lions Club cumulative earned wisdom and judgment!

Distinguish what are facts what are irresponsible gossips & hearsays.

Call Lion James Ko @ (65) 98269115 right away to clear your doubts and lack of understanding.

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This original LSSC Mascot is designed by NUS YLL medical student Ms Cheryl Tan

The rationale of adopting the LSSC mascot is to allow the public and the Lions community to relate the Centre with the Lions movement - Lions Clubs International and Lions Clubs in Singapore. In the near future, you would see this mascot as souvenirs, soft toys and other publicity materials.

Remember, when we are

TOGETHER, WE CAN MAKE THINGS HAPPEN!

Share this LSSC Newsletter EYES with our Club members, other fellow Lions & friends, so that more Lions can be informed and be up dated.

An informed Lion is a better Lion!

Go visit and be updated by our Lions Clubs International Website: www.lionsclubs.org
not once, but regularly whenever you can find the time

Additionally, Lions Clubs International Foundation too has a Website: www.lcif.org