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MANY HAPPY RETURNS TO YOU ALL!

**YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS AND FEEDBACK ARE ALWAYS WELCOME.**

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**LION CHRIS HEYSEN** was our guest speaker on 24 October and presented us with an intriguing overview of life in the Middle East. Chris has worked there in all of the countries, mainly involved in Agriculture and Trade, with four years in Cairo and four years in Dubai, before returning to Australia. His fascinating PowerPoint presentation demonstrated the contrasts that exist and the massive building program that is under way, with Dubai now the fastest growing city in the world. There is six months of fabulous weather, followed by four months of summer- 50o.C and 80% humidity! (Pic.- Lyn and Chris Heysen with Club President John Hillman)

**FROM THE BOARD-** The new Club Polo shirts are available for those who have ordered them at \$25 each. Any Lion or Lions lady who would like one, should advise Secretary Alan with the size required. The Christmas Dinner will be at Mount Osmond Golf Club on Wednesday 28 November with the DG and his Lady in attendance and renowned harpist, Emma Horwood, playing background music from time of arrival- 6.30pm, with pre-dinner drinks provided. Remember the President's BBQ will take place at Eastwood Community Centre on Wednesday 9 January. Bookmart sales for the five months ended October are up by \$3,752 on last year. Short notice from the Council concerning the building repairs has caused the complete close down of our operations and it now appears that this will be protracted. The additional mobile ladder has now been ordered. 2<sup>nd</sup>. VP Bob Wildy is pleased that some members have cooperated and removed their Christmas Cakes from the shed, thus relieving the critical space problem and allowing for the storage of an overflow of books. The official handover of the new outreach vehicle took place at Mary Potter Hospice on 25 October with a number of Lions and our Art Show sponsors, from Printak, in attendance. Paintings have been donated by Jan Penglase and Paul Holland for a raffle for the next Art Show.



**THE NEW "OUTREACH" VEHICLE-** was officially presented to Mary Potter on 25 October. This was made possible with the proceeds of our last Art Show and our provision of \$17,000 to the Mary Potter Foundation for this purpose. The Toyota Corolla, will provide transport for an MPH medical officer to visit clients who have chosen to spend their last days at home. (Photo- The new car, Elizabeth Clare, MPF, Art Show Chairman, Danny Watson, left and Lions Club of Glenside President, John Hillman)

**CHRISTMAS VISITATIONS** to people who are alone during the festive season has been a tradition of our Club. Lion Bruce Cook needs more volunteers for this service and it is proposed to visit aged care facility residents on Christmas Eve and lonely people on Christmas morning. Bruce will appreciate any help you can give to deliver cake and fruit on either day. Usual starting time on Christmas morning is 9.30am, finishing at about 11.30am, then for a little "Christmas cheer" with Ros and Terry Yuen. Please call Bruce on 8379 5749 as soon as possible if you can help.

**PRESIDENT JOHN AND 1<sup>st</sup>. VP, DANNY WATSON met with Ron Walton from the Lions Club of Kenilworth, UK, at the "Bookmart" recently for an exchange of bannerettes. The new President of the GHS Leo Club is Callum Deakin (our Club Scholarship recipient) with Laurie Fingerhut, Treasurer, and Gregory White, Secretary. The new year 11 Scholarship winner will be announced shortly.**

## DIARY DATES-

**28 November-** is our Christmas Dinner meeting at the Mt. Osmond Golf Club, 6.30 for 7pm. This is a partner's night as usual and the DG and his lady will be our guests. Dress is lounge suit. Fantastic harpist and vocalist, Emma Horwood (a member of the highly regarded musical group, "Eve") will provide some beautiful music and a few songs until 8.30pm.

**19 December** will be the Eastwood Community Centre Christmas Party from 5.30pm. for which invitations will be forwarded shortly. The usual barbecue and salads will be provided but BYO drinks. Music will be by "Jimmy and The Silks" (most of the group being lawyers).

**9 January-** will be the traditional President's barbecue, to be held on the above date at the Eastwood Community Centre, commencing at 6.30pm.

**23 January-** will be our first guest speaker meeting for 2008, to be held at "Guilianas". Remember to advise Lion Don of numbers and that partners are always very welcome.



## THE PROGRESSIVE DINNER -

was an absolutely fabulous night which was enjoyed by all. Pleasant weather, beautiful food and the hard work of our hosts made it such a pleasant and enjoyable evening. Firstly, Philippa and Alan Hook started the ball rolling with a fine selection of specialty soups. Then on to Carol and Bruce Spangler's where we were all able to be comfortably seated for perfectly cooked roasts and accompanying delicious salads. Finally (if you must) very indulgent sweets were enjoyed with gusto at the home of Barbara and Danny Watson, topped off with one of Danny's "stickies" if so inclined. On behalf of the 32 participants, we must sincerely thank our super hosts and those who provided salads and sweets.

(Pic. From top left- Paul and Erica Turner, Joe Fraterman, John Hillman and Bob Wildy. Below- Sue Scroop, centre, with Barbara and Danny Watson)

**A PRAYER- "Dear Lord, I pray for Wisdom to understand my man; Love to forgive him; and Patience for his moods; Because Lord, if I pray for strength, I'll beat him to death. And I don't know how to crochet. Amen!"**



## OUR FABULOUS VOLUNTEERS-

Meet Bobbie, another of our Friday front desk sales volunteers. She was also talked into the role by dear Peter Lardner. She is Vice-president of the St. Georges Branch of Red Cross, has two sons and two lovely grandchildren. Bobbie loves walking and the outdoors.

## SHORT STOPS-

It is great to see our travelling **Lions and partners safely** back again after very memorable holiday trips overseas. Friends, family and grand children living off-shore are a great magnet for many of us. **Ann and Dennis Mattschoss** are most enthusiastic about their stop in **St. Petersburg** and say that a minimum of three days is needed to see just the main treasures- **The Hermitage, Catherine's Palace and Peterhof**. An example of the **grandeur and opulence** of a past era is in the **100 kilograms of gold** alone, used for decorations in **Catherine's Palace**. **Marble sculptures, paintings and furnishings** by the masters of the day are complimented by the **architectural structures, statues and water features** that abound in the surrounding **palace grounds**. A fifteen hour coach trip from their ship to **Berlin**, showed the restored impressive architecture with **East Berlin** now a very modern city. Some remnants of the **Berlin Wall** and other historical features have been preserved. **Copenhagen, Stockholm and Brugge** were special in their own individual way. **Ann and Dennis** say that it was all well worth doing.

**Meredith and John Hillman** on their **Canada** trip visited the famous **Butchart Gardens on Vancouver Island**. They then travelled by coach to **Kamloops, Jasper, Lake Louise and Banff** with the return journey by train in the **gold leaf carriage** providing panoramic views and **delicious cuisine**. They then sailed through the inside passage to **Juneau, Saskatchewan and Skagway** with its breathtaking wilderness. **Glacier Bay** with **seals on ice flows** and fabulous shopping, especially for diamonds and gold, were memorable. A flight then to **Toronto**, coach to **Ottawa, Quebec** and train back to **Montreal** with highlights being **Niagara Falls, the history particularly of Quebec, the scenery and 36 kilometres** of underground shopping in **Montreal**.