



# LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 105BS

## District Governor 2010-2011

### Lion Tony Gadsby



#### WELSH LIONS UNITED NATIONS DAY

The annual Welsh Lions United Nations Day, which alternates between Districts 105W and 105BS was this year hosted by the Lions Club of Wrexham Maelor. It took place at the Glyndwr University in Wrexham on Sunday 20 February. Glyndwr is Wales' newest University and is named after the Welsh patriot Owain Glyndwr who was born near Wrexham in about 1355 and who with his name somewhat anglicised to Owen Glendower appears in Shakespeare's Henry IV Part 1.

The meeting was attended by over 60 people from both Districts. Other guests included the Mayor and Mayoress of Wrexham Cllr and Mrs James Kelly and the District 105BS (also Multiple District) Peace Poster winner Sunita Punpanya and her mother. Sunita was sponsored by Wrexham Maelor Lions club.

After a bi-lingual welcome from two of the Wrexham Lions, it was over to John Charles, Multiple District International Relations Officer who acted as Master of Ceremonies for the meeting and introduced the speakers.

The first speaker was the Welsh Assembly Member for Wrexham Mrs Lesley Griffiths AM, who is currently the Deputy Minister for Science, Innovation and Skills in the Welsh Assembly Government. She spoke of the work of the Assembly, its links with other governments and international organisations and of its outward looking nature.

She was followed by Lord Roberts of Llandudno. Roger Roberts was originally a Methodist Minister and for many years the Superintendent Minister at Llandudno. A former President of the Welsh Liberal Democrats, he now speaks for them on International and Welsh Affairs in the House of Lords. Lord Roberts spoke about his work in the House of Lords and also of his involvement in charitable work with the welfare of immigrants to this country.

He was followed by the Chairman of the Council of Governors Lion Jacquie Prebble, who spoke of the 66 years old special relationship between Lions Clubs International and the humanitarian work of the United Nations and how this has developed over the past 66 years. After which the District Governor of 105BS Lion Tony Gadsby gave the closing address and thanked the speakers.

The meeting was followed by refreshments and there were displays provided by District 105BS LCIF Officer Ron Kenworthy, relating to the Peace Poster competition and the work of agencies which Lions support such as Water Aid, UNICEF UK and LCIF.



From left to right

DG Colin Duncan - District 105W  
Cllr Jim Kelly - Mayor of Wrexham  
Lord Roger Roberts of Llandudno  
Council Chairman Jacquie Prebble MD105  
Lesley Griffiths - Assembly Member for  
Wrexham  
DG Tony  
MD Officer John Charles MD 105 International  
Relations Officer