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Who knows all the members?... Ralf Mantzel



This year the new Head of Membership Committee is **Ralf Alexander Mantzel**.

Lion Ralf joined the Club 2.5 years ago.

He was a member of Membership Committee for the last year and in 2009 the new KLC President BJ Curtis asked him to become the head of the committee.

Ralf has a degree in Electrical engineering and Telecommunication from Hochschule Regensburg University of Applied Sciences. He is a highly-skilled PMI certified Project Manager (PMP) in Telecommunications. Lion Ralf has been working in the industry for over 10 years, of which he has already spent over 8 years in Ukraine working as a Project Manager in Alcatel-Lucent.

Lion Ralf is a devoted member of the Club who believes in KLC motto "We Serve" and adheres to it in the support he provides to the Kyiv Lions Club.

Help us to save lives

Last month a few Lions have launched the initiative to renovate Paediatric Department of Neurosurgery Institute of the Academy of Medical Sciences of Ukraine.

In 2008 KLC helped the department by sharing with an Italian-based humanitarian association Soleterre the cost of Sonoca 300, Ultrasonic Aspirator, Soring GMBH – a machine that enables complex brain surgery and reduces post-operative complications. The machine has helped to carry out over 100 operations in nine months.



Recently Lions Alexander Sikorsky, Neil Campbell, Marjon Cals, John Dakin and Ralf Mantzel visited the hospital to find out how the equipment was used and maintained. They noticed that although the machine was used as intended the pediatric department is facing other problems, one of which was the state of the rooms, in which children normally recuperate. The conditions of rooms and bathrooms are highly unsanitary which puts children at risk of catching infections at the hospital.

The Lions felt that it is unacceptable to let the patients stay in these conditions. The Lions, joined by Lion Dave Young, took the initiative and decided to start renovating the rooms themselves. The works are already underway and three Saturdays – 16 May, 23 May and 6 June – are booked for all those who want to support this service project. If you are interested in serving, please contact Neil Campbell (neil.free@btinternet.com), with a cc: to Dave Young (dave.young@i-network-s.com) and let them know which day(s) you can serve.

We encourage every member to join the initiative and help saving children's lives.

Upcoming publication in Natali magazine

 One of our Media Partners, Natali Magazine, prepared two articles about projects supported by Kyiv Lions Club. Natali magazine have more than lived up to their support for KLC and charity in Ukraine with nine pages of the June issue devoted to 'Children's Embassy' located in the village Piski supported by Lioness Clara Bodin and Casa de los Ninos after-school house in Nivki. Following journalist's visits the editorial team decided to put together two feature articles in the magazine.

These two pieces in a national magazine will fulfil one of the KLC objectives to promote charity in Ukraine and raise awareness of the issues in the Ukrainian society.

5th Annual Kozak Night

On June 27, 2009 the Kyiv Lions Club will be holding its 5th Annual Kozak Night, a celebration of Ivana Kupala!

Kozak Night is KLC's annual midsummer fundraiser.

The theme of the night is a celebration of Ukrainian culture. This year, we will be highlighting the traditions of Ivana Kupala.

The evening will start at 19.00, with entertainment by a mix of traditional Ukrainian dance and music, and prominent Ukrainian stars.

In addition to the entertainment, there will be a sumptuous formal sit down dinner for our guests from the Ukrainian and international communities, including diplomats, celebrities, and businessmen.

The ticket price is \$150. We will also raise money through auction and raffle during the event.

For further details contact Ken Nachbar: 8 050 382 2880.

Reserve your tickets at:
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