

WELCOME TO LADIES' CIRCLE INTERNATIONAL

HISTORY

- 1930** Ladies' Circle has its roots in England where the first Circle was founded in Bournemouth by the wives of Round Table members.
- 1936** The first English Clubs form the English National Ladies' Circle Association (GB&I).
- 1947** Ladies' Circle Sweden was founded and was followed by Ladies' Circle Denmark two years later. Good contacts were established between these three countries for many years (GB&I, Sweden and Denmark).
- 1959** Ladies' Circle International (LCI), an international young women's organisation, was established by members of the National Ladies' Circle organisations in Great Britain & Ireland, Sweden and Denmark.
- 1960** The first International Conference took place in Portsmouth (Great-Britain).
- 1994 Independence
- 2006 Memorandum



LCI MOTTO & LOGO

Our motto is "Friendship & Service"

Our logo has as a motive a compass radiating "Friendship & Service" to all parts of the world.

AIMS & OBJECTIVES

- * To promote International friendship, understanding and goodwill by encouraging members to extend their knowledge of each other and other people
- * To promote, coordinate and develop the extension of Ladies' Circle throughout the world
- * To be non-political and non-sectarian

EXPLANATION

Ladies' Circle expanded into new countries and continents. Today Ladies' Circle exists in four continents. 36 countries belong to Ladies' Circle International and we have circa 13 000 members.

SERVICE PROJECTS

Circlers' views are widened through debate, discussion and lectures on various subjects. Social Service is very important. Circles all over the world meet and work together on fund raising for service projects.

- * Locally : Every club chooses its own Service Project.
- * Nationally: A lot of countries may also have a National Service Project which is supported by all the clubs of that country.
- * Internationally: At the Annual General Meeting the "Councillors" of each country choose a project, which they should support.
- * Once elected, this charity project is supported for two consecutive years.

Project 1993-1995: Hospital Municipal de Obstetrica si Ginecologia in Brasov, Romania.

Project 1995-1997: Kuttimalal School - India

Project 1997-1999: Mother Teresa's Missionary of Charity – Kenya.

Project 1999-2001: Nepalese Medical project of the Institution Interplast Germany.

Project 2001-2003 Adoption of a paediatric ward for malnourished children at the University Teaching Hospital, Lusaka, Zambia

Project 2003-2005: Ma'Ma Rachels' children Center, Manila, Philippines.

Project 2005-2007: Nepal Highlander Orphan Children Care, Kathmandu, Nepal

Project 2007-2009: Sanitation at Rural Indian Schools, SARIS Project, India

STRUCTURE

The International Board, consisting of 5 members + a web lady, run the affairs of LCI, give guidance and help to all Circlers, and to promote Ladies' Circle throughout the world.

Every year in August or September the LCI Annual General Meeting is held in a Full Member Country. All members are most welcome.

Detailed information is available on our web page, where reports and interesting news are regularly updated.

The LCI Homepage can be found on www.ladiescircle.org.

Every year LCI gives out a directory giving details of the International and all National Boards. It also includes the LCI Rules.