

EDMONTON (HOST) LIONS Club Newsletter

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400 Socks Donated!



Like Christmas in February! Lion Blair sent a request for a sock donation for our Lions Personal Care Kits to a company called Sock Rocket located in Calgary. A week later our club received a donation of two very large boxes of socks containing 400 pairs of men's black crew socks! For every pair of socks Sock Rocket sells, they donate three pairs. A huge shout out to Sock Rocket for their very generous donation of socks and Lion Blair for obtaining them! If anyone is looking for a nice gift idea, check out their website at sockrocket.ca or on Facebook. - Lion Janet



Lions Janet, Jim, Carol, Donna and Bernie (L to R) open the cases of socks sent by Sock Rocket and prepared to add them to Lions Care Kits for those in need.

"It's only after you've stepped outside your comfort zone that you begin to change, grow, and transform." — Roy T. Bennett





*****GLOBALMEDIC

A huge shout out to Procter & Gamble Canada, GlobalMedic (globalmedic.ca), Alanna Marchese and Michelle Teepell for their very generous and large donation of 200 hygiene kits!! Also to WestJet Cargo who shipped them to us at no cost.

For the past several months, the Edmonton Host Lions Club has been purchasing, assembling and distributing hygiene items in their "Lions Personal Care Kits" to vulnerable people at an inner city food bank.



A request for donated products was sent to Procter & Gamble Canada who forwarded it on to GlobalMedic, a charitable

organization, who assembled and shipped the products to us from Toronto to Edmonton. The Edmonton Host Lions Club is very grateful to have received this donation of 200 ready-made hygiene kits! - Lion Janet



Dare to Live!



Lion President Fr. Jim Holland was honoured at a ceremony at Edmonton City Hall on Monday, February 22 for his over 20 years work with indigenous people. In their recognition of him, they noted **Lion President Jim's** beliefs in inclusiveness and that people are the church. Edmonton City Council thanked **Lion President Jim** for his dedication to empathy for all people noting his motto over the years has been "Dare to Live."



Lions Legacy Scholarship

At the January 21, 2021 meeting, the club voted to offer two \$500.00 Lions Legacy Scholarships for this fall. **Lions Blair, Linda and John** are already on board. Anyone interested in helping out should contact **Lion Blair**.

Lions District Newsletter

Anyone interested in receiving our Lions District Newsletter contact Lion Jim at jmclulow@shaw.ca.





Site Manager Wanted!

Lions Village Kensington Court is looking for a new site manager. They must have good handyman as well as good people skills. Contact **Lion Clint** for more information.

The Hunt is On!

The hunt is on for the next club president and treasurer. If you are interested in either position contact **Lion Jim or Lion Clint** for an idea of what each job entails and the wonderful perks that come with the job.

Charter and Enrolment Fees Waived

Lion Harry reported that Lions International has waved charter and enrolment fees for all new members until June 2021.

"Success is not how high you have climbed, but how you make a positive difference to the world." — Roy T. Bennett

Grande Prairie Convention

The Grande Prairie Lions Convention will be held April 30 to May 1. It will be a hybrid (online and in person) if it is safe to travel.

LCIC Convention In Montreal

The LCIC Convention In Montreal will be virtual. That means any Lion around the world can attend. Enrolment fees will be \$50.00 for early bird registration and \$75.00 for regular registration. Due to the convention being digital, the dates may be adjusted slightly.

LCIF Report

Lion Greg reported that we are close to finishing our commitment to becoming a model club. As a club and individuals, we have donated \$32, 886.85 U.S. For the fiscal year end individual donations total \$10,094.00 US. While the club has currently donated \$2,000 US for two Melvins Jones Fellowships, they are not currently counted in our total.

In the last Lionistic year we donated \$12,024.34 US. Because we have donated more than \$5,000 to LCIF, we can apply for a grant of up to 15% of that amount from LCIF for a project.

At the February 4 club meeting, **Lion Greg**, seconded by **Lion Blair** moved that we apply for a District Impact Grant to fund the Lions Care Kits. It was carried unanimously.







Tax Receipts Available

Tax receipts are available for all donations to the Lions Canada Fund for LCIF. It should be noted our own **Lion Patti** is the secretary for the Lions of Canada Fund (<u>Incorporation Information</u>). For more information you can click on <u>LIONS OF CANADA FUND</u>. To make a donation you can go to <u>Lions of Canada Fund Donations</u>.

Disaster Relief

Recently LCIF put your donations to work by putting \$300,000 US to work on disaster relief in Lebanon.

Lions of Canada Website

Lion Patti reported that the Lions of Canada website is now live at <u>lionscanada.ca</u>. It has lots of formation. Club members are asked to give their feedback on how to improve the website (Forward comments to Lion Patti). Club members are asked to visit the site as many times as possible to move it up on Google's search ranking. The official launch party for the site will take place on March 17, St. Patrick's Day and coincide with the Lions of Canada St. Patrick's Day Party. The link to the party is coming soon and everyone is invited.

Website Changes and Additions

The website for the Edmonton Host Lions Club has made the following changes and additions:

https://www.edmontonhostlions.com/

https://www.edmontonhostlions.com/copy-of-history https://www.edmontonhostlions.com/what-we-do

https://www.edmontonhostlions.com/scholarships

https://www.edmontonhostlions.com/scholarshipwinners

https://www.edmontonhostlions.com/orderofcanada



Submitting Hours

Remember to submit the hours on Lions related activities you worked each month to **Lion Janet or Lion Shirley**. **Lion Janet** will compile them and send them to Lions International. In submitting hours, the following information is helpful for them to know:

- The activity you participated in
- Number of hours you volunteered
- The number of volunteers at the event
- If possible, the amount of funds /raised or donated
- If possible, the number of people served and/or outcome of the event
- The location of event and date and time of the event

Note: Administrative hours also count as volunteer hours NSVF, LVGES, LCOEF attendance at those meetings count as time volunteered and can be recorded.







SERVICE HOURS REPORTED



Lion Janet reports that these are the total of service hours that she has recorded for our club since the New Year.

January 2020 - 305 hours February 2020 - 613 hours May 2020 - 369 hours July 2020 - 554 hours September 2020 - 484 hours November - 472 hours January - 632 hours

March 2020 - 256 hours April 2020 - 112 hours June 2020 - 517 hours August 2020 - 454 hours October 2020 - 746 hours December 2020 - 496



Eyeglass Collection

One of Lions Clubs International Service pillars is VISION.



Would all EHLC members keep collecting eyeglasses? Please **advise Lion Harry** of the Company(s) being served, a contact name(s) and number(s) if available. Thank you.

Lion Harry Anderson harryand@telus.net

Lion Greg Holmes liongholmes@hotmail.com

"The man who moves a mountain begins by carrying away small stones." — Confucius

Club Membership List

Rather than publishing a membership booklet each year, those who wish to access the list of club members will soon be able to do so on a password protected page on our club website. Not only will this save on printing costs, but it will allow the club membership to be kept up to date in a timely fashion. The password can be obtained from **Lion Secretary Terry** or **Lion President Jim**. <u>Link to Club Members Page</u>

"Do what is right, not what is easy nor what is popular."

- Roy T. Bennett





TRUTH, RUMOURS & FAKE NEWS!



In this time when people are talking so much about fake news we thought we would take the time to clear up some of the rumours and stories that have circulated about EHLC members. We have put together some of our own lies, half-truths and out and out whoppers.



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Lion Darcy - I used to eat a lot of natural foods until I learned that most people die of natural causes.

Lion Bernie - I have a terrible memory unless we're discussing something my husband did wrong.

Lion Ben - I see people my age mountain climbing, I feel good when I can get one leg through my underwear without losing my balance.

Lion Marshall - Welcome to the age where you have no idea what you did to cause the pain you're feeling.





Lion Lois -My knight in shining armour wields a vacuum, broom and a mop.

Lion Gordon H. - Since when did bacon packages become single servings...asking for a friend.

Lion Terry - My husband and I have never considered divorce... murder sometimes, but never divorce.

Lion Bill Wyatt - Never buy flowers from a monk. Only you can prevent florist friars

Lion Prashant - When you wake up and see the coffee is made it means six more weeks of marriage.



Lion Walter - I've now reached the age when digesting Mexican food and having a heart attack is now interchangeable.

Lion Shafik - Not sure if my wife didn't hear me say I was coming down with a cold or if she is ignoring me. Guess I'd better mention it another 67 times.

Lion Diane Ellerback - An archeologist is the best husband a woman can have. The older she gets, the more interested he is in her.

Lion Blair - I don't mind getting older, but my body is taking it badly.

Lion Rachel - To the man who invented zero, thanks for nothing.

Lion Patti - How is it that we put man on the moon before we figured out it would be a good idea to put wheels on luggage?





Lion Patti 3rd International Vice President Lions Clubs International



Dr. Patti Hill was elected to serve as International 3rd Vice President for the International Association of Lions Clubs on July 9th, 2019. Follow this page to learn more. Dr. Patti Hill 3rd International Vice President

From 2017

Members of the Edmonton Host Lions Club traveled to St. Michael to help the Andrew Lions celebrate their 70 years as a Lions Club.



PID Dr. Patti Hill with Former Premier Lion Ed Stelmach, and Lion President Dave Diduck.

PID Dr. Patti Hill was the guest speaker for the evening. She presented a Judge Brian Stevenson Fellowship to Lion Ed Stelmach, past Premier of the Province of Alberta.



Harry's Corner From the Archives

Lion Harry has dug down in the Host Lions Archives and has come up with an interesting item or two from the past of the Edmonton Host Lions Club.



Lions Christmas Party 2019









Check It Out -> Club Links

EHLC Photo Album

Links of Note:

Our Club Website at:

Edmonton Host Lions Club Website

Our Club Instagram: EHLC Instagram

Lions Village of Greater Edmonton Society Website at:

http://lionsvillage.com/

Our Club Facebook Page at: EHLC Facebook Page

"Do not fear failure but rather fear not trying."

— Roy T. Bennett

The Five Pillars of Lionism
Diabetes - Vision - Hunger Environment - Childhood
Cancer





