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**Lions International** will be celebrating 100 years of service in 2017. Individual clubs were asked to submit ideas for local projects to mark the occasion. The Thorsby & District Lions Club chose to donate the large clock on the front of the Village Office to the community. On September 29, 2015 Lions members presented plaques to the Village, to be mounted on front of the Village Office to commemorate the donation. Inset: Councillor Rick Hart showing where the plaques will hang. There appear to be three Lions loitering in the main picture...

## DG Hank's Notes

Sharon and I were privileged to attend and speak to St Albert Host's 46th Charter on October 4th. On Monday, October 19, Sharon and I visited Stony Plain Lions for an official visit, and to speak to the subject of vision screening. We currently run a screening program, which we demonstrated and talked to the Club about. Stony Plain is looking to start vision screening, and invited representatives of County of Parkland Schools to attend. There is a very good chance that Parkland Schools will invite Lions to screen their students. We are also negotiating with Edmonton Public Schools to run a pilot project. If any other Clubs are interested, we

will be pleased to visit you to talk about the program, which is not only a great service project in its own right, but improves a Club's visibility in the community and provides recruitment opportunities.

I would like to commend to you the idea of "Community Engagement." In my experience, successful Clubs are visible in their communities through their projects and participation in community events. Hands on projects where we are seen to be doing things are much more effective than simply raising money and writing cheques. So, initiating a bottle or food drive with help of the local Scouts, Guides, Cadets, sports teams, will

both help your communities and get you some great exposure. You should really be asking your communities how you can best serve them, and invite people to help with your projects. And, don't forget to let people know that Lions are actively doing things and could use some help...

Our Convention is almost upon us - October 30 and 31, and I hope to see many of you there. We will socialize Friday evening - don't forget your Halloween costumes - and we have some business to conduct. We have a good lineup of speakers, both educational and motivational, as well as International Director Kembra Smith.

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## Shorts



**The Lions Club of Wainwright** provided \$3495.00 to the Battle River Lodge to purchase a new Clear View C 24 HD magnifier. It will replace the magnifier bought by our club approximately 25 years ago.

- **Allan Black**

**The Grande Prairie Lions** would like to thank FYI Doctors and Northern Alberta Eye Institute/Peace Lasik Centre for recent contributions of used eyeglasses.

- **Lynne Coulter**

## Thank You

**The Lions of Alberta Foundation** would like to thank all the volunteers who participated in our casino on August 21-22, 2015 at Yellowhead Casino Edmonton.

The funds raised from this event is well disbursed on behalf of Lions in Alberta. We support the Lions Legacy Scholarships, Bursaries for the blind, Sight Fund, Camp He Ho Ha, Lions Sight Centre-Calgary, Lions Eye Research Fund and Youth Camp.

Thanks to all Lions who support us.

Lion Tom Hodgson Past President

# Dear Club Presidents, Boards of Directors, and Lions Members

INVITATION FROM

**EDMONTON NORTHGATE LIONS CLUB**

AND

**EDMONTON SOUTHGATE LIONS CLUB**

**JOINT 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**

**(Gates Groovy Gala)**

The Lions Clubs of Edmonton Northgate and Edmonton Southgate will be celebrating their joint 50<sup>th</sup> Charter Anniversary (Gates Groovy Gala) and on behalf of the Presidents, Board of Directors and members of the clubs, are pleased to extend our invitation to join us in this auspicious occasion which will be held as follows:

**NORTHGATE LIONS SENIORS**

**RECREATION CENTRE**

**7524 – 139 AVENUE**

**EDMONTON**

**Saturday, March 19, 2016**

**6.00 p.m. Cocktails      7:00 p.m. Dinner**

**ATTIRE: Elegant Business**

**COST: \$40.00 PER PERSON**

We greatly appreciate your confirmation on or before February 17, 2016 to enable us to facilitate the dinner seating arrangements.

Email: Lion Carol Moeller – [cmmoeller@shaw.ca](mailto:cmmoeller@shaw.ca)

Or Lion Linda Burt – [lindab99@shaw.ca](mailto:lindab99@shaw.ca)

## “A Happy Tale” Colouring Book

**\$5.00**

*A Happy Tale* tells the story of Happy, a puppy on his journey to becoming a life-changing Dog Guide.

Along the way, we meet his littermates, each learning the different skills they need to assist their future handlers.

*A Happy Tale* is also a colouring book, providing a fun and interactive way to learn more about the important work of Dog Guides. The 16-page book was printed thanks to a wonderful donation made by the foster families of Future Dog Guides, and was written and illustrated by long-time puppy raiser Lynn Yamazaki.

[http://dogguides.com/giftshop/index.php?main\\_page=product\\_info&products\\_id=94](http://dogguides.com/giftshop/index.php?main_page=product_info&products_id=94)



**On October 16, 2015 Lions Dave and Suzanne Leshchyshyn of the Sylvan Lake and District Lions Club** took the opportunity to do a club visitation while on vacation in Bridgetown, Barbados. We spent the evening with the Lions Club of St. Michael, Bridgetown. They had 24 members present and 4 prospective new members (seated) and we were welcomed with open arms. It was very interesting to learn and share the different club activities and involvement. We enjoyed the fellowship afterwards over a light lunch and refreshments. Lion Dave and Suzanne highly recommend to you to take the opportunity to do a club visitation while on vacation in other parts of the province, country and world. -

- **Suzanne Leshchyshyn**

## Did you know...?

- Approximately 5% of all the funds collected in our **CANTABS Project** in Northern Alberta (in supports of Alberta Diabetes services), comes from coins dropped into cantab collection bins? If your clubs have cantabs to submit, please contact Lion Al at [cantabs@shaw.ca](mailto:cantabs@shaw.ca)
- **LOAF** provides matching funds for clubs offering the **Lions Legacy Scholarships** for students. More than 20 students were recipients of the Lions Legacy Scholarship in the past academic year? Visit <http://loaf.mdclions.org/SCHOLARSHIP.html>



## LOAF = Lions of Alberta Foundation

*For more information, contact your LOAF Directors:*

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**Margaret Young**

**Marvin Latimer**  
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**Jim Taylor**  
**Donna Wozney**

## District C-1 Calendar

### 2015

10	27	PID Patti Hill Fundraiser	Edmonton	Bob Hiew <a href="mailto:bhiew@telus.net">bhiew@telus.net</a>
10	28	DG Hank to Hinton		
10	29	MD C Council	Sylvan Lake	CST Tim Haight <a href="mailto:cst.tim@mvpinc.ca">cst.tim@mvpinc.ca</a>
10	30-31	District C-1 Convention	Sylvan Lake	Lion Fred Schmaltz <a href="mailto:fjschmaltz@shaw.ca">fjschmaltz@shaw.ca</a>
11	1	District C-1 Cabinet	Sylvan Lake	DG Hank <a href="mailto:hankh@telus.net">hankh@telus.net</a>
11	3-15	DG Hank out of country	Japan/Bali/S Korea	
11	17	DG Hank to St Albert Host Youth Night		
11	24	Peace Poster judging	St Albert	PDG Claude Carignan <a href="mailto:carignan@shaw.ca">carignan@shaw.ca</a>
12	9	DG Hank to Edmonton Northgate Christmas		

### 2016

1	26	DG Hank to Devon multi Club dinner		Carol Moeller <a href="mailto:cmmoeller@shaw.ca">cmmoeller@shaw.ca</a>
3	19	Northgate & Southgate 50th Charter		PDG Claude Carignan <a href="mailto:carignan@shaw.ca">carignan@shaw.ca</a>
5	13-14	MD C Convention	St Albert	Lions International <a href="http://lionsclubs.org">lionsclubs.org</a>
6	24-26	International Convention	Fukuoku, Japan	

### 2017

6-30	7-4	International Convention (100 years of Lionism)	Chicago	Lions International <a href="http://lionsclubs.org">lionsclubs.org</a>
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**DG Hank is not scheduling Official Visits this year** - the large number of Clubs and our vast area make this impractical. However, if you invite us, one of the District Governor Team will come to your meeting or celebration. We are planning enhanced zone meetings - more information to come.