



THE LION'S ROAR

Edmonds Lions Club
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WE SERVE

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HOLIDAY FOOD BASKETS

Wearing Santa hats and Edmonds Lions vests, Vern Woods and Jim Forgey delivered Holiday food baskets to two low income families.

“Both families were extremely appreciative, especially the children,” said Vern. “The families had their children come out and help bring the items in from the car. The smiles on the kids’ faces were priceless.”

Vern’s smile in this picture reflects the Club’s joy about the annual project, and doesn’t Jim look like he is saying “Ho, ho, ho!”

On behalf of the Holiday Basket committee chaired by Deanne Bilsborough, Vern extends his thanks to all who helped “from donating food to finding the families and making sure they would be home when we arrive. Awesome way to end up the year.”

One of the children needed eyeglasses, and Sight Chair Jim was just the person to make that happen.



Lions Vern Woods and Jim Forgey prepare to deliver holiday food baskets to needy families.



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Coming Events

Regular Meeting

Monday, January 9, 6:30 pm

Swedish/Edmonds Hospital Cafeteria

Program: Deanne Bilsborough, Annual Foundation Report

Board Meeting

Monday, January 16, 6:30 pm

Swedish/Edmonds Hospital Cafeteria

Regular Meeting

Monday, January 23, Dinner 6 pm, Meeting 6:30 pm

Swedish/Edmonds Hospital Cafeteria

Program: Food Bank check presentation

Red Cross Disaster Preparedness program

Busy B Annual Dinner Auction

Save the Date: Saturday, April 15, 2017

Lake City Community Center

Four Things

Four things a man must learn to do

If he would make his record true:

To think without confusion clearly;

To love his fellow man sincerely;

To act from honest motives purely;

To trust in God and Heaven securely.

—Henry Van Dyke

CLUB NEWS

Annual Foundation Report

January 9, 2017. Edmonds Lion Deanne Bilsborough, financial consultant with Edward Jones, will give her annual report to the Club regarding the health of the Edmonds Lions Foundation funds. Foundation trustees are Charles Brady, Jim Forgey, and Bobby Mills.

Food Bank Donation

January 23, 2017. Allison Cook, director of the Edmonds Food Bank, will be present to receive a check for funds raised by the Edmonds Lions Club during this year's Food Bank Raffle fundraiser.

Disaster Preparedness

Also at the January 23rd meeting, a representative from the American Red Cross will give a presentation about disaster preparedness. Similar presentations made to some of the Edmonds businesses have received excellent feedback.

The evening will begin at 6:00 with a dinner, food provided by Romeo's and paid for by those Lions partaking. The meeting is scheduled to begin at 6:30.

**Happy January Birthday to
Jim, Phil, & Vern**

A Worthy Resolution for the New Year: College Park Pantry/Backpack Program

For the last year, the Edmonds Lions Club has made a modest monthly donation to help College Place Elementary School stock its Pantry/Backpack program with food and hygiene items greatly needed by homeless students and their families.

The Club's support of the program began a year ago when the School's student body president, a 6th grader and grandson of an Edmonds Lions Club member, gave a presentation to the Club about the great needs of students who are homeless.

A recent update by Lion Carol Robinson, Club liaison with the School, highlighted the continuing needs of the program and encouraged donations of specific items in addition to the monthly check.

Here is a list of hygiene items needed: detergent, dish soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, bar soap, sanitary pads, toilet paper, deodorant. A complete list that includes food items is in the December 2016 *Lion's Roar*.

Wouldn't it be fun to give the Pantry a big bag full of toothbrushes, toothpaste, and hand soap to start the new year!

Will each of us consider making a New Year's Resolution to bring items to our meetings and give them to Lion Vern, liaison during Carol's winter absence, for delivery to the school?



Tom Snyder, Bill Baker, Judy Baker, Penny Sadis, Bobby Mills (leaning back between Judy and Penny), Paul Luczyk, Sue Charles, Charles Brady, Vern Woods, Pat Luczyk and Claudia Mills (behind Ed), Ed Soper, Carol Robinson, Georgia Snyder. Photo: Carolyn Meyer



Annual Christmas Dinner

December 12, 2016.
Edmonds Lions gathered at Romeo's for the Club's annual Christmas dinner. The food was excellent; the room sparkled with seasonal decorations. Sue Charles and Bill Baker teamed up as auctioneers to raise funds for the Club's administration account.





Saving Sight

**“Changing Lives.
One Pair of Eyeglasses at a Time.”**

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LERC Director Bert Caoili, District B, on iCARE Mission to Jamaica

The “iCARE” program is a project of Great Shape! Inc., and has been going on for 8 years now. The program provides free eye care, surgical, and nursing services for the people of Jamaica.

The 2016 iCARE mission was held October 17-21 at the Emmanuel Baptist Church located in Port Maria, in the district of St. Mary. Steven Stern from Seattle is the Program Director. I am very fortunate to be part of this program since 2011, representing the Seattle Bituin Lions Club and LERC.

The 39 volunteers from the US and Canada included 6 optometrists, 2 registered nurses, and 17 opticians. During this timeframe, we served 1550 young and elderly Jamaicans! Their smiles and words of gratitude make all our efforts very heartwarming!

NWLERC has been a part of the success of iCARE, supplying many used prescription eyeglasses, readers, and sunglasses. Thank you, NWLERC!

LERC Now Accepts Cell Phones for Recycling

**Used cell phones may be deposited in the
Lions Recycle for Sight collection boxes
placed throughout the community.**



Recycle your old eyeglasses, hearing aids, and cell phones!

Check the Edmonds Lions Club website for a list of locations in the Edmonds area that have collection boxes for used glasses and hearing aids.

www.edmondslions.org/glasses-and-hearing-aid-collection-boxes.html

January Flag Day



"Never, never be afraid to do what's right, especially if the well-being of a person or animal is at stake. Society's punishments are small compared to the wounds we inflict on our soul when we look the other way."

*Martin Luther King, Jr. (1929-1968):
Minister, Civil Rights Activist*

Martin Luther King Jr. was the chief spokesman for nonviolent activism in the Civil Rights Movement that successfully protested racial discrimination in federal and state laws. A campaign to honor a federal holiday in King's honor began soon after his assassination in 1968. President Reagan signed the holiday into law in 1983; it was first observed three years later. Initially some states resisted observing the holiday. It was officially observed in all 50 states in 2000.

Flag Days - 2017

January 16	Martin Luther King Day
February 20	Presidents' Day
May 29	Memorial Day
June 14	Flag Day
July 4	Independence Day
September 4	Labor Day
October 9	Columbus Day
November 7	General Election Day
November 11	Veterans Day



Contact Bobby Mills or Tom Snyder to sign up for posting the flags in the morning and/or taking them down late afternoon.

Club Information

Officers 2016-2017

Brian Evans.....President
 Bill BakerVice President
 Charles Brady..... Secretary
 Tom Snyder Treasurer
 Membership Chair..... Jim Forgey

Directors

1 Year	2 Year
Judy Baker	Claudia Mills
Carol Robinson	Ed Soper

Meetings

Edmonds Lions Club meets the 2nd and 4th Mondays, 6:30 pm, at Swedish/Edmonds Hospital

No meetings in July and August.
No meeting the 4th Monday of December.

Board of Directors meets the 3rd Monday every month except December at Swedish/Edmonds Hospital. All members are

Committee Chairs 2016-2017

Bulletin Editor Carolyn Meyer
 Christmas Dinner.....Bobby Mills
 County Fair Corn Booth..... Tom Snyder
 Flag ProjectBobby Mills/Tom Snyder
 Food Bank Raffle.....Jim Forgey/Vern Woods
 Food Pantry Liaison..... Carol Robinson
 Hearing.....Carolyn Meyer
 Holiday Baskets.....Deanne Bilsborough
 Macy's Thanksgiving Parade..... Tom Snyder
 Scholarships.....Carol Robinson
 Sierra Park.....Ed Soper
 Sight.....Judy & Jim Forgey
 Sunshine.....Claudia Mills
 Taste of Edmonds.....Vern Woods
 Website..... Carolyn Meyer
 White Cane Days.....(Vacant)

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Lions International: <http://www.lionsclubs.org>

Facebook

<http://www.facebook.com/EdmondsLions>



Monday Morning Lions

The Monday morning Lions fellowship group meets every Monday morning from 10 - 11.

Location: Waterfront Cafe, 300 Admiralty Way, under Arnie's near the fishing dock.

All are welcome!!

