

MEETINGS:

NIGHT MEETING

WHEN: Wednesday March 27, 7 pm

WHERE: **Salvation Army London Citadel** (555 Springbank Drive – the corner of Springbank Drive and Wonderland Road)

DAY MEETING

WHEN: Thursday March 28, 10 am

WHERE: **Eastern Star Temple** (800 Fanshawe Park Road East, London)

At our March meetings we will have a presentation from the Red Scarf

February attendance: Night - 22 with 3 new members & Day - 28

NEXT CLUBHOUSE DROP IN DAYS:

Please note that there is ongoing construction around the area of the clubhouse. Be prepared to detour.

Thursday March 14th - 12:00 noon - 3:00 p.m. - Hosts are Fran Schreindler and Marianne Marshall

volunteersignup.org/KQC3F -> Please click on the web link (or copy it into your web browser) to go to the sign up sheet.

Please ensure to sign up via the link to show us your intention to drop in, to sign up, just follow the instructions on the page. It only takes a few seconds to do.

Upcoming Dates:

- Tuesday April 9th 10 am - 1 pm <https://volunteersignup.org/KYH4W>
- Thursday May 16th 10 am - 1 pm
- Saturday June 8th 10 am - 1 pm

FYI - there are spare crochet hooks available at the clubhouse. If you are in need of a new size of hook, please reach out and we can likely supply it to you.

YARN DRIVE

The yarn drive reader to reader post has provided much yarn wealth. We have received over 58 donations from all over the city. There is much sorting to be done at the clubhouse. Thank you to all our drivers and sorters for the extra time and effort given with this yarn drive. A very big thank you to London Yarns who posted our request on their website which has yielded some donations for us. This was a surprise to us and

we are very thankful they were so kind to help us out in this initiative, without us asking.

2ND ANNUAL FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN *Keeping Our Community Warm* has continued to grow. This month's donations totaled \$405, with \$153.60 being donations in kind. Totalling donations of **\$13,408**.

SALE ITEMS FOR PURCHASE

If you are interested in purchasing any of our sale items, throughout the year, please contact Sian Roberts and one of the fundraising committee members will bring the item to a meeting for you. Alternatively, if you want to browse all the items at the Clubhouse, please use the online sign-up sheet to book time at one of the monthly drop-ins at Waterloo Street. Sale items available include, but are not limited to, toys/dolls, hats, mitts, slippers, scarves, tea cozies, dishcloths, dish or face scrubbies. Please contact Sian Roberts if you need more details sian.roberts154@gmail.com

BLANKETS COLLECTED LAST MONTH:

At our last meetings we had the following # of blankets turned in:

Full: 77

Lap: 80

Baby: 9

Donated 30 lap blankets to Inviva and 15 full with 22 lap to London Cares.

FEBRUARY WORKSHOP A SUCCESS

Thank you to our 'experts' for showing our members the open corner to corner pattern. At the evening meeting our new members benefited from the lesson and it was a great introduction to other members at the meeting. Collaborative ideas like these, we want to hear more input of what you would like to see at upcoming meetings. So please reach out by email or phone and give us your ideas.

SILENT AUCTION BLANKETS

London Central Lions Club - upcoming event on April 27th

Colour The Night Gold for YOU (Youth Opportunities Unlimited) - Approximately 3,600 youth between the ages of 16 - 30 access YOU's support system each year. YOU's mission is to support youth to build skills, confidence and independence to reach their potential.



OPEN BOARD POSITION: TREASURER

This position as Accountant and Treasurer does not require an accounting degree; the books are simple and done in an Excel spreadsheet. This position is responsible for all cash receipts and disbursements, reconciling the bank monthly, preparing monthly and annual financial statements, preparing an annual budget for approval by the Board, preparing the annual Registered Charity Information Return T3010 and filing the bi-annual Application for GST/HST Public Service Bodies' Rebate and GST Self-Government Refund (Forms GST66E and RC7066 SCH E) and preparing all Income Tax Receipts for donations received. Also responsible for preparing the official file of Annual Blanket Distribution for the Charity Return.

Board meetings are always open to 'visitors'; feel free to ask about the next board meeting to come out to audit the meeting and receive an insight into what is involved and how the board collaborates on upcoming events, changes and overall discussion.

DONATION RE-PURPOSED

We recently received a large donation of baby carseat covers. We have in the past been able to donate these to agencies, however there was no need at this time, so we were resourceful and made them into lap blankets by adding to them.

THANK YOU NOTES

via email from Andre Breau - I adopted two cats this Family Day weekend from The Catty Shack and wanted to thank you for the lovely crocheted blankets that were provided for the cats.

It was nice because they were able to take home something with their scents they were accustomed to.

It meant alot. Thanks again. Keep up the great work.

If you have any further questions or concerns please contact Lynne

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