

RESOURCES & CHAPTER INFORMATION

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The Northern Alberta Huntington Disease Resource Centre (NA-HDRC)

located in Edmonton, offers the Huntington Society of Canada's Family Services Program. Sally Vincent, RSW, is available 4 days per week to assist individuals and families living with Huntington disease (HD). Educational information is also available for health professionals who support HD patients.

NORTHERN ALBERTA NEWS

A big thank you to the Community Spirit Program!

Since 2008, the Community Spirit Program has benefited many non-profit organizations across the province and has successfully increased private fundraising activity in the non-profit/voluntary organizations sector.

This year HSC was awarded a grant from the Community Spirit Program funded by the Government of Alberta in order to build strong communities and enhance the quality of life for Albertans. This grant has been directed towards the Alberta Retreat, Health-Hope-Happiness. The retreat delivers opportunities to participants and volunteers to learn new skills, and provides caregivers with a respite. Community volunteers help to plan activities, professional healthcare providers volunteer to assist with anticipated health needs, and local musicians, entertainers and massage therapists provide services often at no cost.

Edmonton Chapter News

The Edmonton Chapter meets the first Tuesday of every month at St. Joseph's Auxiliary Hospital at 7pm. Please contact Debbie Taylor for more information at (780) 456-6886.

The HD Social Support Group Upcoming Outings

- **September 2** - Symphony Under the Sky - Hawrelak Park
12:00 PM - bring your lunch
- **Citadel Theatre**
Contact Betty to reserve tickets TODAY at (780) 436-8190 or bettyv@shaw.ca.
Arrive by 12:30 PM
 - Sept. 29 - "Long Day's Journey into night"
 - Nov. 3 - "2 Pianos, 4 Hands"
 - Dec. 8 - "A Christmas Carol"
 - Feb. 2 - "Clybourne Park"
 - March 23 - "Mary Poppins"
 - April 13 - "Romeo and Juliet"
 - May 18 - "Make Mine Love"

Resource Centre News

New Location and contact for the Movement Disorder Clinic:

Movement Disorders Program

4C Kaye Edmonton Clinic
11400 University Avenue
Edmonton, AB, T6G 1Z1
Phone: 780-407-5465

NA-HDRC Services include:

- Information on HD and related community services
- Short-term counselling
- Connecting families with community services through referral and advocacy
- Educational sessions to groups of professionals

If you are in need of assistance, call Sally Vincent at (780) 434-3229.

Social Support Groups

Edmonton Area

This family based group continues to provide invaluable encouragement and social support for people in our community who are living with Huntington disease. For more information please contact Betty at (780) 436-8190.

If you have the time, volunteers are also needed to assist with group.

Camrose Area

The Camrose Chapter is available to families and individuals who may need support and information on HD. Please call for assistance.

TeamHD

Are you a fitness buff? Do you enjoy walking or running? We are looking for someone to take the lead on a new, exciting, initiative.

TeamHD is a National team of runners who participate in local running events across Canada and fundraise for HSC. We are currently recruiting runners in the Edmonton, Grande Prairie, and Camrose regions.

If you are interested, contact Devin Bonner at 1-800-998-7398 or events@huntingtonsociety.ca.

Camrose Chapter News

In June the Camrose Chapter held its 6th annual fundraising golf tournament. With the support of our sponsors and friends we were able to raise over \$55,000 towards funding research to find a cure for HD. We want to thank our many volunteers for their help, and especially the many companies who gave prizes and donations. Watch for a meeting to be announced in the fall to discuss other Chapter news.

Peace Country Chapter News

HD Awareness Day at the Teepee Creek Stampede on July 13th was a huge success. We had lots of people asking questions about HD and looking for more info and we managed to raise some coin in the process. Between the volunteer work and the 50/50 proceeds, we managed to raise a little over \$6,000 this year on HD Awareness Day. Thank you to the Teepee Creek Stampede for this opportunity to raise HD Awareness while fundraising for our cause.

Saturday, August 24th, 2013 marked our 4th Annual HD Ride 4 a Cure Trail Ride. New this year were the Friday evening activities, including the Chili Cook-off Competition / Supper hosted by the Kleskun 4-H Club at Sorkenville & Branding the Boardwalk where families left their mark for years to come!

Last year, we raised more than \$80,000 at the HD Ride!!!! All of these funds go towards finding a cure for HD and supporting HD families. The HD Ride has quickly grown to become the LARGEST single fundraising event for the Huntington Society of Canada in the ENTIRE COUNTRY! We might be small but we pack a big punch here. In 2012, the second largest fundraising event was the Toronto HD Walk & Run event where they raised \$78,000 for the cause. We beat them by a slim margin but the competition heated up in 2013.....

At the HD National Conference in Toronto in November 2012, our Chapter President Mack Erno got us into a wager with the Toronto Chapter for our 2013 events. The losing Chapter President will travel to the other's event the following year and take part. So, if we win, Tim Irwin from Toronto will travel to Teepee Creek for the HD Ride 2014 and take part in the trail ride and sadly, if we lose, Mack will have to go to Toronto and take part in the HD 10k Run. Let's show those Torontonians how we do it out here!

Stay tuned for the final fundraising totals from Toronto and Peace Country!

For more info on Peace Country Chapter activities, call Mack at (780) 897-8048 or visit www.peacecountryhd.ca.