



EDMONTON (HOST) LIONS Club Newsletter

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Central Lions Seniors Association Welcome Back BBQ

At the end of August a large number of Edmonton Host Lions Club members gathered at the Central Lions Recreation Centre to host a welcome back BBQ for the Central Lions Seniors Association. While competing against an offering of tiramisu and coffee, over 130 hot dogs and drinks were served to members of the Central Lions Seniors Association. Leftover food was donated to the Youth Emergency Shelter.

Turnout for this event by club members was great. Our thanks to **Lions Greg, Darcy, Father Jim, Al (and his wife Bea), Terry K., Shirley E., Janet, Bernie and Lois.** Also present was **Lion District Governor Lion Melodie.**



Central Lions Recreation Centre was built by the Edmonton Host Lions Club years ago and turned over to the city to maintain and run. The Central Lions Recreation Centre is a fitness centre and gymnasium publicly accessible for people of all ages during public hours. It has fitness equipment designed to

begin or restart an exercise program, a gymnasium, a badminton or pickleball court with change rooms and showers. Specialty classes on a variety of activities are also offered.



The Terra Centre Child Playground



← **Lions Harry and Larry** visit to the Terra Centre Playground build through donations from The Edmonton Host Lions Club and LCIF.

Lion Larry standing beside a sign that acknowledges Lions support of the Terra Centre.



North Saskatchewan Village Foundation AGM

NSVF (North Saskatchewan Village Foundation) AGM will be held on September 21st, 2021, at the Millie Calder Hall at Kensington Court, following supper at 6:00 p.m.

R.S.V.P. your attendance by – Friday September 17th.

Board members – contact **Lion Gerry Haythorne** (nominating chair) by calling 780-465-6922 or **Lion Marshall Kachmar** 780-425-9692 (voicemail after 3:00 p.m.)

Lion Marshall Kachmar

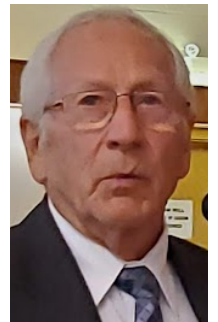


Thanksgiving Dinner

The EHLC will be hosting a Thanksgiving dinner at the Alberta Community League Centre on Thursday, October 7. Cooking of turkeys and other food preparation will take place on Wednesday evening and the morning of Thursday, Oct 7. If you would like to help out contact **Lion Janet** (<mailto:Janetandken55@yahoo.com>)

Tree Planting Rescheduled

Due to excessive smoke, the tree planting planned for the end of July was rescheduled to Saturday, September 25 from 1 to 3:30. On the plus side, instead of only being allowed to bring 10 people, our club is now allowed 30. If you are interested in taking part, contact **Lion Anthony** or **Lion Harry**.



Membership Chair Needed

Lion Harry has had to resign his position as membership chair for health reasons. **Lion Harry** has served as the club membership chair for a number of years and with the number of new members very successfully. We would like to thank **Lion Harry** for all the work he had done in this position.

If you would like to serve on the membership committee or become chair of the committee, please contact **Lion Blair**.

“You can have anything you want if you want it badly enough. You can be anything you want to be, do anything you set out to accomplish if you hold to that desire with singleness of purpose.”

– Abraham Lincoln





Tickets Available Online at
lionswineandcheese.com



From

**Edmonton Host Lions
Club Members
(780.447.4484)**

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WineandCheese.com

Bring A Bottle of Wine and \$20
Win Up To Two Cases of Wine

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of Superb Wines
Accompanied By Evening Events
A Tasting of
Gourmet Cheeses*
Win Education
Music
Quiz Contest
Prize Draws
Blind Wine Auction

Google Update

Checkout Google when you do a search for “Edmonton Host Lions Club.” Our club now has a profile with pictures. [Search Google - Edmonton Host Lions Club](#)



Dear Club President & Club LCIF Coordinator:

Congratulations! Your club has qualified to participate in Lions Clubs International Foundation’s District and Club Community Impact grant (DCG) program. Learn more about the program at lionsclubs.org/DCG.



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Based on cumulative eligible donations of US\$16,763.87 to LCIF during last Lion year, your club can now apply for a DCG of as much as US\$2,514.58 to support local humanitarian service activities. This second figure includes funds your club may have earned through previous eligible donations to LCIF. Eligible donations include those to LCIF's Empowering Service Fund and to the Area of Greatest Need. Donations to LCIF's Disaster Relief Fund, and other designated donations, do not count toward cumulative giving.

Club DCG funds achieved in a given fiscal year are available, upon approval of a DCG grant application, for as many as 15 years. If you decide to apply for a DCG this year, LCIF recommends consulting your immediate past club president during the application process.

Questions regarding donations or DCG fund balances can be directed to LCIF Donor Services at donorassistance@lionsclubs.org. Clubs choosing to transfer some of or their entire DCG balances to their districts should also email donorassistance@lionsclubs.org.

Questions regarding DCG applications and grant information should be emailed to LCIFdistrictandclub@lionsclubs.org. View DCG frequently asked questions [here](#).

Once again, congratulations, and thank you for your club's financial support, which enables Lions in your club – and worldwide – to magnify their service impact.

Sincerely,

Lions Clubs International Foundation

Act as if what you do makes a difference. It does.
----- William James

CLERC UPDATE

As many Lions Clubs are aware, CLERC has continued operations throughout the Covid pandemic. It certainly has changed the way that we do business. We have for the last 18 months literally wiped our way out the door with PPE as we leave.

Eyeglass processing has been virtually done by a skeleton crew of 7 or 8 with plenty of safe distancing space in the warehouse. Gratitude to all Lions across Canada as CLERC recently put its 6 Millionth pair of glasses on a face and have supplied vision glasses to 103 different countries.

Glasses have continued to flood in from Lions Clubs and optometrists from across Canada. What finished product has been shipped, has been put in SeaCans and then is shipped to its destination country.

In June we shipped 70,000 pairs to Ghana, Sierra Leone and the Ivory Coast. It cleaned out most of the product in CLERC's 40' storage container.

Recently 20 members of the Calgary Filipino Lions Club came in and volunteered. It was our first full group of volunteers in 18 months. Next up, Calgary Westwinds Lions are in on Saturday August 28.





CLERC will be opening the warehouse up to any clubs to come and volunteer for Eyeglass Work Parties. At this point in our Covid recovery, CLERC will provide coffee and tea, and BBQ'd burgers for lunch only. Clubs are encouraged to bring in dessert. Pop and water are available for \$1.

Operational Changes: The CLERC Executive welcomed Lion Dave Leshchyshyn and Lion Glenn Robertson to the board at our recent AGM.

DISTRICT C-1 CENTRALIZED EYEGLASS DROP OFF LOCATION:
Lions Village of Greater Edmonton Society via **Lion Greg Holmes** has agreed to accept unprocessed eyeglasses from C-1 Clubs as a central drop off point. CLERC will be doing a Sorting Clinic that all C-1 Lions Clubs can attend at Lions Village Riverside in the fall and we will notify C-1 Clubs of the impending date.

ADDRESS: Lions Village Riverside, 204 Hadow Close NW, Edmonton. AB. Phone 780-447-4484

For scheduling and more information please contact James Lee CLERC Chair at jamio@telus.net (403)-852-2407

There is only one corner of the universe you can be certain of improving, and that's your own self.
----- Aldous Huxley

Our Newest Club Member

Lion Sadia Kanwal - My name is Sadia Kanwal. I'm a mom of two children aged 21 and 15. We moved to Canada in 2006, lived for about 4 months in Mississauga, Ontario, and to Alberta in the start of 2007. My Education from Pakistan is equivalent to a four years Bachelor of Arts with a focus in History and one year post secondary undergraduate studies in Education in Canada.

I got a Childcare Level 3 (Child Development Supervisor) Certificate from Alberta as an assessment of my previous education and operated a day home registered with North Edmonton Family Day Homes Agency for about 4 years. Then I had to quit it due to some health reasons but I thought to change my career and completed an undergraduate level psychology course from Athabasca University in 2015, and Career Ethics and Standards Course from Career Professionals of Canada.



Despite my health problems, I continued to keep learning through various workshops and volunteering occasionally. I helped seniors as a tutor and mentor for basic English language, computer skills at Shama Center; as a mentor for new immigrants at EISA for New Neighbour Mentorship (still registered), and registered as a tutor at Center for Family Literacy.



I have a passion to help people in need and helped and guided many friends informally in getting information about the resources in social, legal, financial, medical related issues and even transporting a few seniors to offices and markets as needed. I feel so good when I bring a smile to someone's face no matter what culture they belong to. I'm a multicultural person and respect everyone.

I haven't stopped learning since I wish to keep improving myself in skills and education. My health is manageable now and I am setting goals to educate myself more in order to get a better job according to my interests and barriers that I don't consider myself to keep them as obstacles to work as well as helping people whatever way I could. I like to be resilient. I have overcome so many struggles in life.

I like to have fun with my children and friends by hanging out, watching a movie and playing board games. My hobbies are sketching, painting and crafting, baking, etc. I have multiple skills and abilities like embroidery, drafting, stitching, content writing, researching, baking, etc; and wish to utilize them whenever I get time. I would love to be a member at Edmonton Host Lions Club since it's my passion.

Updated- Club Membership List

Lion Larry has taken over and updated our club membership booklet. He has done a fantastic job. Copies can be downloaded from the club membership page. The password can be obtained from **Lion Secretary Terry** or **Lion President Blair (or any board member)**. [Link to Club Members Page](#)



Start where you are. Use what you have. Do what you can. -----Arthur Ashe

Donations Needed

Ihuman Youth Society posted a list on Facebook on August 23, of items requested for donation in preparation for fall and winter. Since this is one of the locations for the expansion of our Lions Personal Care Kits, it would be really helpful if anyone would like to donate any of the smaller items on the list that we can add to our kits.

-Baby to adult sizes glove, toques, scarfs and winter wear

-Diapers sizes 4-5 and pull up's sizes 4-5, wipes

- Underwear & socks size adult s-xl

-Jackets and Winter coats size adult s-xl

-Toiletries of all types, shampoo, soap, toothpaste, brushes, combs., deodorant,

-Season appropriate clothing sizes adult s-xl

-laundry soap, towels

-All food items with some exceptions, snacks, easy carrying items.

-Blankets

-Backpacks

-Take out containers, paper plates, cutlery, napkins





Two Lions Legacy Scholarships of \$500.00 each will be awarded to students who:

- Live in Lions Multiple District C (Alberta) and attend one of the following Edmonton high schools: Eastglen, Queen Elizabeth, Amiskwaciy Academy, St. Joseph Catholic High School, and Austin O'Brien Catholic High School.
- Have or will have graduated from Grade 12 at the time of presentation and have acceptance at a post-secondary institution of one or more years of study leading to a certificate or degree
- Those who have received the Lions Legacy Scholarship in the past will not qualify for future grants from the Lions of Alberta Legacy Scholarship
- Demonstrate a commitment to humanitarian causes and exhibit the Lions' service-oriented philosophy by actively volunteering in their communities;
 - be recognized as an individual of honesty and integrity; and,
 - display a commitment to his/her community through service work for youth groups, senior citizens, or non-profit organizations.

The deadline for applications for this year is September 15, 2021.

**“Don't be pushed around by the fears in your mind.
Be led by the dreams in your heart.”**
— Roy T. Bennett, The Light in the Heart

Club Dues

Club membership dues are due. Edmonton Host Club members can pay the \$125.00 yearly membership via two methods. By cheque payable to the Edmonton Host Lions Club mailed to our incoming treasurer **Lion John (Santa) Rudyk**:

John Rudyk
16112 86 Ave NW
Edmonton, Alberta
T5R 4C7



or via Square by clicking on the link below.

[Pay EHLC 2021 Dues](#)

Square accepts Visa, Mastercard, American Express and debit cards.

If you have any questions you can contact Lion John at:

email: jrsr@chukchi.ca

Phone: 780-686-4438



Tech Support Assistance Needed

Technical support is needed to connect St. John's computer to Zoom for our inperson club meetings. If you are able to help, contact **Lion Greg**.



USA/CANADA
LEO LEADERSHIP FOUNDATION
PRESENTS

**LEO CLUB
ADVISOR
CONCLAVE**
PART 1 OF 4

DATE | **TIME**
OCT. 23, 2021 | 12PM-2PM EST

Calling all Leo Club Advisors & Faculty Advisors from Constitutional Area 1 & 2 to participate in a series of comprehensive discussions/ workshops on the Leo Club Program and youth leadership development.

REGISTER TODAY AT
<http://advisorconclave.leosforum.org>

VIA ZOOM

EHLC Board News



At the last Board meeting the motion by **Lion Emille** to donate \$1,000 to CLERC was amended to a \$2,000 donation. The motion to approve the donation will take place at the September 2 club meeting.



“You’ve got to get up every morning with determination if you’re going to go to bed with satisfaction.”
– George Lorimer

In Person Club Meetings Resume

We have gone to in-person meetings again in the **Solarium at St. John's Cultural Center**. We will be doing a combination of in-person / Zoom meetings following AHS guidelines.

- Our meetings will remain being held on the first and third Thursdays of the month.
- The meetings on the **first Thursday of the month** will be a lunch meeting
- The meetings on the **third Thursday of the month** will be at 6.



**St. Paul and Elk Point District Lions Club's
50th Charter Dinner**

Celebrate over a half century of serving our Communities

WE SERVE

Featuring our
Honoured Guest and
Keynote Speaker

Dr. Patti Hill
International 2nd
Vice President

Friday October 15, 2021
Elk Point Allied Arts Center
5:00 PM Cocktails
Followed by Dinner, Ceremony
and Comedian *Jebb Fink*

- Each in-person meeting will feature a meal. Zoom participants are on their own for food.
- While there has been an increase in costs, meals will remain at **\$15.00 per person.**

Our thanks to **Lion Marshall** for his work on pricing.

Submitting Hours



Remember to submit the hours on Lions related activities you worked each month to **Lion Shirley**. **Lion Anthony** 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 Anthony reports that these are the total of service hours that he has recorded for our club since the New Year.

January - 632 hours

March - 634

May - 615

July TBA

February - 857

April - 669

June 713

Intention without action is meaningless. Inspiration comes through action, which is why the word “action” is so inspirational.

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



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stories that have circulated about EHLC members. We have put together some of our own lies, half-truths and out and out whoppers.



Lion Emiliano - I wish I could just drop my body off at the gym and go pick it up after the workout.

Lion Benaron - If ignorance is bliss, there should be more happy people.

Lion Carole Henson - My husband just threw away bubble wrap without popping it. Just like that. I'm married to a psychopath....



Lion Linda - I just cleared out some space in my freezer sounds more productive than I just polished off a pint of ice cream.

Lion Larry - My wife will be coming home today. I haven't cleaned or done the dishes in a week. Now she'll see I can't live without her. I'm so romantic!



Lion John Goulet - If you've never dug an 8 year old phone out of the junk drawer to look back at a text message so you could win an argument, you've never been married.

Lion Darcy - It's amazing how much exercise and extra fries sound alike.

Lion Greg - Some people are such treasures, you just want to bury them.



Lion Patti 2nd International Vice President Lions Clubs International

Dr. Patti Hill was elected to serve as International 2nd Vice President for the International Association of Lions Clubs in 2021. Follow this page to learn more. [Dr. Patti Hill 2nd International Vice President](#)



Check It Out!

LIONS INTERNATIONAL

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PID Phil Nathan MBE
Lion Rishi Oberoi
1st VDG Mukes...

PMJF LION L. J. TAWARI
DISTRICT GOVERNOR

MJF LION MUKESH TANEJA
1ST VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR

MJF LION A. K. SHARMA
2ND VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR

Lions Clubs International
District 3231 A2
2021-22

GUEST
DR. PATTI HILL
INTERNATIONAL 2ND VICE PRESIDENT

WELCOME BY
MJF LION MUKESH TANEJA
1ST VICE DISTRICT GOVERNOR

ROAR WITH RISHI

SPECIAL INVITEES
PID BRUCE BECK
USA
PID PHIL NATHAN
IN

ROAR OF THE WEEK
LION CHETAN MEHTA

WEDNESDAY
25th AUGUST 2021

Lions Ki Kahani, Unki Apni Zubani !
FACEBOOK LIVE ★ 8 PM ★ INDIA TIME
Stories of Exemplary Community Service by Lions towards Nation Building
LIONS IMAGE BUILDING PROJECT by LIONS CLUB OF CHEMBUR
in collaboration with LIONS CLUB OF MANKHURD
DISTRICT 3231 A2
A RUPESH MEHTA INITIATIVE !
TECHNICAL SUPPORT TEAM: DIGITAL QWIRKIES
POWER OF SERVICE

Lion Patti appeared as a guest speaker at Lions Club International District 3231 A2 Convention in August.

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.



← Lion Lois cooks up a storm in 2017.



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Lion Benaron cleans up after one of the many many meals the EHLC has served at Sacred Heart Church in the past.

**“People do not decide to become extraordinary.
They decide to accomplish extraordinary things.”
– Edmund Hillary**



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 ([Incorporation Information](#)). For more information you can click on [LIONS OF CANADA FUND](#). To make a donation you can go to [Lions of Canada Fund Donations](#).



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

Check It Out -> Club Links



[EHLC Photo Album](#)

Links of Note:

Our Club Website at:
[Edmonton Host Lions Club Website](#)

Our Club Facebook Page at:
[EHLC Facebook Page](#)



Our Club Instagram:
[EHLC Instagram](#)

Lions of Canada Website
lionscanada.ca.

Lions Village of Greater Edmonton
Society Website at:
<http://lionsvillage.com/>

The Five Pillars of Lionism

Diabetes - Vision - Hunger - Environment - Childhood Cancer

