



EDMONTON (HOST) LIONS Club Newsletter

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Challenge Made! Challenge Met!



This last month has been an incredibly busy and challenging month for the Edmonton Host Lions Club members. They served at four BBQs within a one-week period! Terra BBQ on Aug 20th, Central Lions Open House

BBQ on Aug 24th, Kensington Court BBQ on Aug 26th and Eyeglass Sorting & New Member Recruit BBQ on Aug 27th! During this same week, almost 40 extras were needed for filming scenes for Lion Patti's presidential videos. EHLC members also found time to remember and celebrate a long-time Lion who passed away.

Members of the Edmonton Host Lions Club proved they were up for the challenge. They hit the bases running and met and fulfilled every commitment. The true character of our members shone through.



Lion Patti's Presidential Video

A team of 10 people from Illinois arrived in Edmonton to film a video in anticipation of **Lion Patti** becoming International President next year. Over the course of the week, they filmed in several locations in Edmonton aided by club members, members of other clubs, and friends and relatives. Some days were long with 7:15 AM starts and some were hot, others a bit damp. Throughout it all, everyone hit their mark. Our thanks to **Lions Carole H. and Blair** for coordinating everything with the video crew.



←- **Lions Kulwinder and Patti** act out a scene they filmed helping others write resumes and obtain jobs.



Pictured at the right are two wonderful extras who helped out, **Lions Mickey [R] and Claude (L)** of the St. Albert Host Lions Club



Pictured here are two of the video crew with **Lion Patti (Center)**. Both **Lion Kristopher (L) and Lion Carole (R)** are members of the Windy City Lions Club in Chicago.←-



Lion Santa's Summer Gig



Lion Santa was a hit when he appeared in a parade in Dauphin Man. for the Canadian National Ukrainian Festival (above left). In the second picture (above right) the Dauphin Lions Club sponsored a pancake breakfast. **Lion Santa** is pictured here with the Lions cooking crew in his secret identity of **Lion John Rudyk**.

Thanks For All The Socks!



Many thanks to [Sock Rocket!!](#) For the third year, they have made a very generous donation of 400 pairs of socks to the Edmonton Host Lions Club! These socks, along with toiletry items, are used to make up Lions Personal Care Kits which are given out regularly to those in need in the inner city.



Accommodations Needed for Ukrainian Refugees

With the war in Ukraine, refugees who are fleeing the conflict are going to be needing a place to stay as they come to Canada. The Canadian Ukrainian Congress is coordinating efforts to help house those refugees.

If you have a spare room and/or bed that you would be willing to offer, please contact **Lion Marshall Kachmar** at 780-425-9696 (work) or 780-724-4351 (cell) or via email at info@uocc-stjohn.ca. Marshall will take your contact and other information and pass it on to the Canadian Congress.



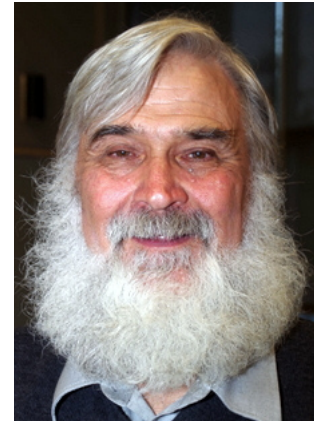
Club Dues Are Due

Club Dues have been set for the year.

July 1, 2022, is the date 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 treasurer John (Santa) Rudyk:

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



or via Zeffy by clicking on the link below.

[Pay EHLC Dues 2022/2023](#)

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

Note: a donation to Zeffy is not required.

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

email: jrsr@chukchi.ca Phone: 780-686-4438



[Donate to LCIF for the Ukraine Refugees and Displaced Persons](#)

GIFT LIONISM TO A FRIEND , GIFT A FRIEND TO LIONISM

Casino Volunteers Needed

The Edmonton Host Lions Club is scheduled for a casino November 13 & 14, 2022 at the Century Casino. Contact [Lion Larry](#) for more information.



To the world you may be one person, but to one person, you may be the world - Dr. Suess



Terra Center BBQ



MLA Rakhi Pancholi, Edmonton-Whitemud (4th from right) with (LtoR) Lions Emille, Harry, Anthony, 3 students, Mahek, Kayla, and Bria, Rakhi, Lions Donna, Jock, and Bernie. Not in the photo - Lions Carol C. , Ray, Janet, Wendy, Lois, Carole H, Patti, and friends Rick Letouneau, and Eugene Gruzin. Congratulations to Lion Harry for his leadership in organizing this.

Central Lions BBQ



Members of the EHLC turned out to feed hungry seniors at the Central Lions Senior Association Open House on Wednesday morning, August 24.

The attendance at this event far exceeded everyone's expectations. In the past, our club has served 150 to 200 hot dogs at this event. On this day, our club served over 700 hot dogs, countless bags of chips, and a variety of drinks.



Under the leadership of organizer **Lion President Emille**, the team dug in and adapted to make sure as many people were fed as possible. Congratulations **Lions Ray, Harry, Donna, Wendy, Janet, Robin, Carole H,** and grill master Duane on a job well done.

Food Bank Donation

Lion Ray reported that over 75 kg of food were donated to the Edmonton Food Bank collected during the Central Lions Seniors Association Open House.



Eyeglass Sorting BBQ



Despite an overcast and rainy day, almost 20 non-Lions attended the Eyeglass Sorting BBQ in Emily Murphy Park. **Lion Greg** explained the sorting method in detail which made the event more exciting as everyone was then fully aware of the process and the service Lions provide in the donation of eyeglasses to developing countries. Our members chatted with the guests, emphasizing the benefits of volunteering and of being a Lion.

After the sorting, everyone shared a typical Lion gourmet meal of hot dogs, hamburgers, chips and soda. **IVP Lion Patti** gave a well-received

presentation on Lionism. Dana S., a past beneficiary of the Terra Centre program that Lions have supported for years, also told the crowd how the program there has changed her life for the better.

Lion Safiya and her helpers are to be commended for organizing a great event. This is **Lion Safiya's** first project she has organized for the club. She accomplished everything calmly and efficiently and despite being at the end of a long Lions week, everyone was delighted. Kudos to **Lion Safiya!**



September Terra Center BBQ Volunteers Needed

Volunteers will also be needed to cook for a Terra Centre BBQ on September 10. If you can help out at what should be another easy project, contact harryand@telus.net - **Lion Harry**

In Memoriam - Alan Bissonnette



Alan Bissonnette passed away on August 4th. Alan was a good friend and a fellow Lion. He was also a mentor to many in our club.

For many years Alan was a Board member and Chairman of Lions Villages of Greater Edmonton Society. An EHLC project, Lions Villages eventually expanded to become three lease-for-life villages located in Castledowns, Raitown, and Riverside, and provides a total of 268 self-contained units for seniors.

Lion Alan was the happiest when he got to drive a bus full of seniors either shopping or on a trip excursion. He truly enjoyed the interaction with all his passengers.

Alan may be gone, but his memory lives on in all those whose lives he touched and made better.

Lion Patti Hill for International President

Lion Harry is off and going early in the campaign to make **Lion Dr. Patti Hill** president of Lions International.

We are hoping that our own **Lion Patti** will be elected next June and lead the 1.4 million Lions members forward in the Lions goal of serving.



Laugh as much as you breathe and love as long as you live.
- Andrea Levy



Donate to the EHLC

Make a non-tax deductible donation to the Edmonton Host Lions Club at
[Donate To EHLC](#)



Our Thanks for The Following Donations



Robin Sample \$50.00

Lion Ray \$50.00

Donna Ma \$100.00

Lion Carole Henson \$100.00

Lion Benaron \$400.00

Lion Emille \$35.00

Lion Suny \$35.00

Lion Stan \$130.00

Dr. Daved \$200.00

Executive Positions Still Open

Recording Secretary:

Second Vice President:

Membership:

Lion Tamer:



Lions Personal Care Kit Donations

If anyone has a donation they would like to contribute, please contact me so that we can make arrangements for pick up.

Lion Janet

Phone/text: 780-292-0872

Email: janetandken55@yahoo.com

Some of the contents vary seasonally and we usually use small or hotel sized toiletries including, but not limited to these items:

Small or hotel size shampoo
Soap or body wash
Face masks
Disposable razors
Lotion

Emery boards
Facecloths
Men's socks
Ladies socks
Sandwich bags

Lip balm
Toothpaste
Toothbrush
Tissue
Gloves or mittens
Gallon size ziploc bags

All donations are very much appreciated! -Lion Janet



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



Lion Harry - I wonder if my dog only brings the ball back to me because he thinks I like throwing it?

Lion Blair - If liar's pants really did catch on fire watching the news would be a lot more fun.



Lion Jock - The car's weakest part is the nut holding the wheel.



Lion Donna - Turns out you can buy a birthday cake and eat it all yourself. Nobody checks.

Lion Bernie - My husband and I promised to never go to sleep angry. We've been awake since Thursday.

Lion Selwyne - My wife wants a divorce. She didn't say it in those words but she asked me to hang curtains so same thing.



Lion Janet - Sunday would be a way better day if Monday wasn't around the corner.

Lion Michael - Just found the worst page in the entire dictionary. What I saw was disgraceful, disgusting, dishonest and disingenuous.

Lion Jessica - Just for fun I replaced the cat litter with 100 packages of pop rocks.

Lion Greg - I just posted a selfie. People told me to get well soon.



Lion Marshall - I told my wife she should embrace her mistakes. She gave me a hug.

Lion Carol C. - Every morning I get up and make instant coffee and I drink it so I have the energy to make real coffee.

Lion Patti - My husband didn't notice my new haircut. In unrelated news, who wants a brand new set of golf clubs for \$20?





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.



←- In 2016 **Lion Larry** was awarded a Judge Brian Stevenson Fellowship by then President **Lion Rachel**.



**Terra
Center
Volunteer
BBQ Crew
in 2018**



“When life knocks you down, roll over and look at the stars.” - Charles M. Schultz



Lion Patti 1st International Vice President

Lions Clubs International

Dr. Patti Hill was elected to serve as International 1st Vice President for the International Association of Lions Clubs in 2022. Follow this page to learn more. [Dr. Patti Hill 2nd International Vice President](#)



← First International Vice President Dr. Patti Hill and Lion Janet cooking at the Terra Centre BBQ in Coronation Park.

Updated- Club Membership List

Lion Larry has 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 President Emille (or any board member). [Link to Club Members Page](#)

Receipts Available

Tax receipts are available for all donations to the Lions of Canada Fund for LCIF. It should be noted our own Lion Patti is the secretary for the Lions of Canada Fund for LCIF ([Incorporation Information](#)). For more information or to make a donation you can click on [LIONS OF CANADA FUND for LCIF](#).





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:

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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

