



OVERHEARD IN THE FALL!



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Words from the President

How quickly the summer comes and soon it is over! I do hope that you all had some fun in the sun!!

Your board remained active this summer: approving the Auditors' report, preparing a new budget, and looking into some preliminary conference planning. We have come up with a great look for the national Conference, many **THANKS** go out to Ryan Gordon who put together our ideas and created 'Our Look'. We are excited to show all of you at the upcoming November 5th meeting but if your curiosity can't wait till then check out on the [CHHA-Ed](#) and [national websites](#). We have also been revamping our Edmonton website so look this fall for its new look as well!

Sadly three of our valuable members have passed away this summer: *Vi Tomlinson* who was a long time member of our senior group, *Patricia Moilliet* who was to be our new speech reading teacher and *Dr. Michael Rodda*, long time advocate for the Deaf and hard of hearing. Each has touched our hearts and our organization and they will be missed. We sincerely thank the families and those who donated to Vi's and Patricia's memorial bequest to CHHA-Edmonton. This is something for us all to think about. Let the work of the organization continue through your memorial bequest.

With sadness there is also JOY within our membership. Congratulations to board members Ryan Gordon on his marriage to Merrina, July 7th and to Jeff Resnick's new addition to his family, a daughter Maren Rae, on August 24th!!

In this newsletter be sure to look for [ASL class updates](#), [committee updates](#), [CHHA-Ed Events](#), "[Did you know....](#)" tidbits, and other exciting news. Please remember to send information to the office with things you would like in the newsletter!! We will be welcoming some new 'volunteer editors' for the newsletter in this fall and they await your ideas.

We look forward to seeing you **November 5th at 7:00 pm at West Edmonton Mall - Fantasyland Hotel** conference centre in room 16 for the next conference planning and general meeting! This will help us to get in the spirit of planning!!





Committee Reports

Hearing Aid Assistance Fund (HAAF)

Prepared by Susanne Martin
Committee Chair

We're still busy collecting, returning and EARNING!!! Since May we've collected bottles in the amount of \$500.45. Those who have contributed include *Brian Hicks* (non-member) and members *Marilyn & Doug Kingdon*, *Leslie Colby*, *Gerda Alexander* and family, *Megan Cameron*, *Sandra German*, *Cindy and Doug Gordon*, and myself (*Frances Tallon*). Non-member organizations that keep me happily hopping to the refund depot are: **The Old Strathcona Antique Mall** and **The Family Centre**. These organizations contribute their collections of refundable containers for the simple service of having them picked up. If you know of any other organizations that would be willing to donate their refundable containers, please contact us. We would be happy to talk to them and set up a pick-up schedule!

Please remember, the fundraising for this committee is ongoing, so plan long term. Make your pledge to donate refundable bottles and cans, collect coins in a jar, or check your bank balance to see if there's room for a donation of cash. There are many people out there who cannot afford hearing aids and become isolated and forgotten. Since May we have received two inquiries about subsidies, one of which was resolved by using other resources. The other is pending completion of the appropriate application forms.

In May we distributed letters to all the Hearing Aid Practitioners inviting them to donate to this worthy cause. I'm pleased to say that both **Living Sounds** and **Anderson Hearing** have provided donations to the *Hearing Aid Assistance Fund* in the way of monetary contributions. This is an example of companies who care about the people they serve!

Much thanks to all contributors!!

Note: *The Hearing Aid Assistance Fund information and Application Form is available for viewing and downloading on the CHHA-Ed Website at www.chha-ed.com.*

Where are your PENNIES going?

Donate your pennies to CHHA-Ed and they will go to the
HEARING AID ASSISTANCE FUND

Assistance to those needing hearing aids and can't afford them.

Contact CHHA-Ed at 780.428.6622 or email: chha-ed@shaw.ca for pickup
or drop off



Scholarship Fund

Prepared by: Gerda Alexander
Committee Chair

"The CHHA-Edmonton Scholarship Committee is pleased to announce that **Amy LaForge** is the recipient of the *NAIT Captioning and Court Reporting Program Scholarship 2012*. Amy was present with a certificate and complimentary CHHA-Ed membership by Marilyn Kingdon on September 10, 2012 at the General Meeting in Room 16 of the Fantasyland Hotel conference centre West Edmonton Mall.

The *Academic Scholarship* was not awarded this year because applicants did not meet stipulated criteria for the scholarship."

Congratulations Amy!"

Marilyn Kingdon (right side)
representative of the Scholarship
committee making the presentation to
Amy LaForge (Left)



CHHA-Ed Beginner Level ASL Classes

There continues to be a demand for ASL classes. Since the beginning of June we have been able to complete two Level 'A' ASL classes with the last one being completed on September 22, 2012. There is a continued interest being expressed through emails and phone calls from those interested in taking a class. The next adult ASL classes will be offered in late October finishing in December.

We have a number of youth interested in taking an ASL class and will be offering one in the early 2013.

Be sure to check our website at www.chha-ed.com for dates and times that will be posted early in October. If interested in taking ASL classes please contact the CHHA-Ed office at 780.428.6622 or email at chha-ed@shaw.ca.

Urgently Need "YOU"

**Volunteers are required for next fundraiser at the Baccarat
Casino for the evening shift and the counting room
November 18th and 19th**



CHHA-Ed Events

St Albert's 12th Annual Roy Financial Mayor's Walk for Charity

CHHA-Ed walkers had another successful walk on Saturday June 16th at the *Roy Financial Mayor's Walk for Charity* in St. Albert. CHHA-Ed was able to raise **\$3,912.25** that will be used for the *Hearing Aid Assistance Fund* and hosting the *2013 CHHA National Conference* in May 2013. Congratulations and thanks go out to all our fundraisers and volunteers. Kevin Bittorf CHHA-Ed's top fundraiser raising \$1,222.25, Suanne Martin a close second raising \$1,130.00 and Gerda Alexander, Leslie Colby, Frances Tallon, Cindy Gordon, Gwyneth Stewart, Lori Orkusz, Janet Belma all raised funds making 2012 a success once again. We also want to thank our volunteers who assisted with the walk Joanne Mankow, Norman Gressel and Ryan Gordon.

All our walkers and volunteers were treated to the pancake breakfast by CHHA-Ed.



Just look at all the smiling faces of CHHA-Ed's energetic walkers getting ready to enjoy a Pancake Breakfast after completing a sunny 5 Km walk for the HAAF.

New Members

A **special welcome** to Arlene Perez, Angela Bastone, Vanessa Van, David Mayor and Edith Greene our newest members.

CHHA-Ed is yours
You are what make this Association vibrant and vital for all persons who are Hard of Hearing in Edmonton and the surrounding Areas

You are very important to CHHA-Ed!!!

Is it time for you to renew your membership?
"Have you renewed your Membership?"

Contact CHHA-Ed at 780.428.6622 or email chha-ed@shaw.ca



Community Connections

Your Third Ear Classes

Presenter is Cindy Gordon

Bridges Support Services is offering four sessions of *Your Third Ear* classes at the Family Centre and the Lion Centre.

FAMILY CENTRE room 2 at 9912 -106 Street Edmonton, Alberta

September 26 – 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

October 24 – 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

November 28 – 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Call CHHA-Ed to book/register

LIONS CENTRE at 11113 – 113 Street Edmonton, Alberta

November 1 – 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Must call 780.496.7369 to book/register

Alberta **Emergency AlertGovernment of Alberta**

Public Safety is everyone's responsibility!

Disaster can occur anywhere, at anytime. It is your responsibility to ensure you are prepared if a disaster occurs. Alberta Emergency Alerts are issued to assist you—providing you with critical information about an immediate disaster, where it is occurring and what action you need to take.

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Alberta Supports

On December 15, 2010 the Alberta government officially announced the Alberta Supports website and contact centre. Albertans can access information on more than 30 social based assistance programs and more than 100 services by visiting a single website or calling just one phone number.

The Alberta Supports website is online at www.albertasupports.ca, and the contact centre toll-free number is 1.877.644.9992. In Edmonton call 780.644.9992.

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ZeniPower Batteries - A10, A312, A13, A675

Packages of 6 - \$3.00 and Boxes of 10 packages - \$30.00

Contact CHHA-Ed at 780.428.6622 or email chha-ed@shaw.ca to order

DID YOU KNOW.....?

Facebook

Keep watching as we are now in the process of getting the work done to get it up and going. If there is something that you feel should be on Facebook or the website contact the office, as we would love to hear from you!!!

*****CHHA –Ed Office hours are:**

Monday & Wednesday 12:30 – 5:00 P.M.
and Thursday 9:30 A.M. – 3:30P.M. ***

**Office will be closed October 3rd and
4th/2012**

CHHA-Ed's Newsletter is **always** looking for your **tidbits, pictures, articles** and information that you feel will be of interest to fellow members. Please forward a copy along with the source using chha-ed@shaw.ca.

