

Sept. 13, 2007 Issue No. 2

Local Office: 451-1196 Fax: 454-1250

UPCOMING EVENTS:

First Council Meeting for the 2007-2008 school year! 6pm in the auditorium of Barnett House, 11010-142 St Sandwiches available at 5:15pm.

MATERNITY LEAVE INFORMATION NIGHT—Wed., October 17, 2007

If you are expecting a baby, or planning to start a family soon, we invite you to register for our Local's Maternity Leave Information Night being held Wednesday, October 17, 2007 in Room 502 at Barnett House beginning at 7:00pm. Topics covered during the evening will include: the Collective Agreement, Employment Insurance, ASEBP and recent developments regarding Maternity Leaves. You and your spouse are most welcome to attend. Refreshments will be served. Please register with the Local office by calling 451-1196.

100 SUBSTITUTE DAYS:

The draw for the 100 sub days granted through the Collective Agreement 6.2(b) to attend ATA Specialist Council Conferences will take place on Friday, September 21 at noon. All recipients, and those on the waiting list, will be notified by the beginning of October. Information on the Specialist Council Conferences is available from your mailing rep. If you would like to enter your name for one of these substitute days, please fax your name, your email address, and the name of the specialist conference you will be attending to the Local office on your school's letterhead (454-1250). Please indicate the day you will require the substitute. For detailed information about each conference, please visit the ATA's website: www.teachers.ab.ca

PD GRANT APPLICATIONS:

PD Grant Applications (salmon-I per teacher) were enclosed in last week's mailing. The Local allots \$20,000.00 for PD Grants per year. A draw for the Grants-In-Aid will take place on Thursday, September 20, 2007 at noon. All applicants will be notified of their status by the beginning of October. Please note: you are only eligible for the Grant-In-Aid once every two years.

12TH ANNUAL BEGINNING TEACHERS' CONFERENCE:

The Association staff is planning the 12th annual Beginning Teachers' Conference. The conference will be held at the Fantasyland Hotel, West Edmonton Mall, Sept. 27 (eve) - 29, 2007. Registration is limited, so please apply early to avoid disappointment. There is NO registration fee. Breakfast and lunch will be provided on Friday and Saturday. Posters and information packages were sent to schools in an earlier mailing from the Association. For detailed information and registration forms, please visit the ATA website: www.teachers.ab.ca

MEMBER DIARIES:

The Local has a limited number of ATA Member's Diaries available. If a staff member wishes a Member's Diary, please inform your Local Council Representative. Orders will be placed at the Sept. 18 Council Meeting. Diaries are being offered in both English and French.

QUESTION OF THE DAY ...

"How old would you be if you didn't know how old you are?"

~SATCHELL PAGE

- Included in this mailing: I. Maternity Information Night Posters ...several per school... please post and share. Call the Local to register: 451-1196
 - 2. Sept. 18, 2007 Council Meeting Agenda (goldenrod).. one per school rep

Meetings and Events

Tuesday, Sept. 18, 2007 Council Mtg. #01, 6pm, Auditorium, Barnett House. Sandwiches available at 5:15pm

Monday, Sept. 24, 2007

PD Book Share, 4:45pm, Room 406, Barnett House

Sept. 27 (eve)-29, 2007 Beginning Teachers' Conf. Fantasyland Hotel. Visit www.teachers.ab.ca for info.

Tuesday, Oct. 2, 2007 Executive Mtg. #02, 4:30pm, Room 406, Barnett House

Friday, Oct. 5, 2007 WORLD TEACHER DAY

Monday, Oct. 8, 2007 THANKSGIVING - HOLIDAY

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Council Dates:

Tuesday, Sept. 18/07

Tuesday, Oct. 23/07

Tuesday, Dec. 11/07

Tuesday, January 22/08

Tuesday, Feb. 26/08

Tuesday, March 18/08

Tuesday, April 22/08

Tuesday, June 3/08

On behalf of the School Opening Celebration Committee, we would like to thank the following people who gave their time and shared their talents to make this year's opening the special event it was:

SCHOOL OPENING CELEBRATION	CHOIR (continued)	COORDINATOR OF	USHERS:
COMMITTEE MEMBERS:	Marino Coco	FLOWERS:	Daniel Alba
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