

# Sept. 27, 2007 Issue No. 4

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#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

New Teachers Welcoming Thursday, November 1, 2007 7pm, Barnett House Auditorium

# **Health Spending Account RECEIPTS DUE OCTOBER 30**

Just a reminder that if you have receipts for medical expenses from this past school year, which are not fully covered by ASEBP and that qualify for reimbursement through your Health Spending Account, the deadline for submission is October 30, 2007. ~Gerry

### TRUSTEE ELECTION INFORMATION

On September 17, 2007 I attended nomination day at City Hall for the upcoming civic election. Eleven candidates filed for positions on the Catholic School Board. Enclosed in this mail out are responses to a series of questions put to Edmonton Catholic School trustee candidates. Three candidates, Engel (ward I), Arcilla (ward 4) and Pelech (ward 6), were acclaimed and did not respond. Please read the responses carefully as these documents are very insightful. On October 15 vote as you please but please vote!! ~Shannon

## 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, health benefits 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.

## NEW TEACHERS WELCOMING CEREMONY—Thursday, Nov. 1, 2007

The New Teachers Welcoming Ceremony has been scheduled for Thursday, November I, 2007. This evening will provide an official welcome to graduates who are new to the profession and experienced teachers who are new to the province of Alberta. Invitations to this special evening will be sent out at the beginning of October.

# **JUST THE FAX, FOLKS!**

Please re-send through IMC, Grant-in-Aid applications and requests for substitutes to attend Specialist Council Conferences. The Local office has had difficulty with its FAX machine and we do not want to miss anyone who may have faxed a request. The deadline for the draw has been extended to October 5 (World Teachers' Day).

#### WORDS OF INSPIRATION

"A smile costs less than electricity and gives more light." ~ scottish proverb

Included in this mailing: I. Responses to the Local's Trustee Questionnaire... (white)...I for every 2

members per site... for more copies, please visit our website: <u>www.local54.teachers.ab.ca</u>>Political Advocacy

2. World Teachers' Day Poster.... One per school site

Printed on reverse side: Copy of letter from Marc Barylo, Director, Development & Community

Relations, Sign of Hope

## **Meetings and Events**

Thursday, Sept. 27, 2007
Trustee Election Forum
7:30pm
JJ Bowlen Jr HS
6110 - 144 Avenue

**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 TEACHERS' DAY

Friday, Oct. 5, 2007

Draws for Specialist Council Conferences Subs and PD Grants in Aid. Successful applicants will be notified through IMC.

Monday, Oct. 8, 2007 THANKSGIVING - HOLIDAY

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### **Council Dates:**

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