

PLEASE WELCOME KATHY MAC ISAAC

The Local warmly welcomes Kathy MacIsaac, the new Executive Director of the Edmonton Catholic Teachers Local. Kathy began work on Monday, November 24 and will officially support the Local beginning January 5, 2009. Gerry McHugh is at the Local office in a mentorship role looking forward to his last day serving the members which is Friday, December 19. Happy retirement, Mr. McHugh!

EPC REQUIRES ONE MORE REPRESENTATIVE

The Economic Policy Committee needs a counsellor/resource facilitator representative. Interested teachers are asked to email Chair, Patti Clancy-Novosel: bn1987@telus.net or Gerry McHugh: gmchugh@telusplanet.net. The next meeting is scheduled for Wed., December 3, at 4:30pm, at Barnett House.

TWO SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS BEING HONOURED AT COUNCIL

Two of the Local's scholarship recipients will be presented their scholarship cheques, gifts from the Local and certificates at the December 2 Council Meeting of School Representatives. Evhen Dytyniak (Bishop Greschuk Scholarship) and Kayleen Schnellback (Donna Swiniarski Scholarship) will be honoured at the beginning of Council. Presentations to the other four scholarship recipients will be made at the January 20 Council meeting.

NOTE TO COUNCIL REPS: Dec. 2 Council mtg. will begin at 5pm.

Our Local does not schedule Council during the month of November. We would like to remind all Council reps to mark your calendars and plan to join us for the December 2 Council meeting followed by a Christmas Cheer Social. Each rep is encouraged to bring a staff member to this annual event.

PRE RETIREMENT WORKSHOP - 54 registered! Two part session.

Pension Consultant, Heather Johnson, will be facilitating a Pre Retirement Workshop in January for interested teaching staff. The two sessions will include dinner and will run from 6-9pm on Monday, January 12, and Monday, January 19. Those 40 teachers who previously emailed their interest to the Local will have guaranteed seats. This workshop is free of charge, sponsored by the Local, and is limited to 75. Anyone else who is interested is asked to email Jan to register: jbossmmin@telusplanet.net

WORDS OF INSPIRATION

"Don't bother just to be better than your contemporaries or predecessors.
Try to be better than yourself."

~WILLIAM FAULKNER

Included in this mailing: Nothing
Printed on reverse side: Draft Agenda for Council Meeting #03-**START TIME 5PM**

Meetings and Events

Tuesday, Dec. 2, 2008

Council Meeting #03 will begin at 5pm. Bring a friend to join us for Christmas Cheer immediately following Council.

Wednesday, Dec. 3, 2008

EPC Meeting, 4:30pm, Room 302, Barnett House

Thursday, Dec. 4, 2008

Substitute Meeting, 7pm, St. James School, 7814-83 St. Limited to 25; registration required by phoning the Local 780-451-1196.

Tuesday, Dec. 9, 2008

Executive Mtg. #04, 4:30pm, Room 406, Barnett House

Thursday, Dec. 11, 2008

Final Intercom before Christmas Break.

Dec. 22 - January 2, 2009

Local office closed for the Christmas holidays!

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Council Dates:

Tuesday, January 20/09

Tuesday, Feb. 24/09

Tuesday, March 17/09

Tuesday, April 21/09

Tuesday, June 2/09