

CELEBRATION OF THE ARTS!

I recently had the pleasure of attending the 18th Annual Edmonton Catholic Celebration of the Arts on May 2nd, and wish to publicly acknowledge the talented dancers, musicians, artists, and actors who, with the guidance, direction and encouragement of their teachers, showcased their amazing talents. I was proud to be sitting in the audience with representatives from the provincial and municipal governments, the Edmonton Public School Board, the Alberta Teachers' Association, along with the parents, families and friends of the performers. Congratulations to the many individuals who made the event so special - in particular the staff of Learning Support Services who spent a long day in rehearsal and in organizing the many schools and students into a final, flawless production. It was a stellar event and, for me personally, reinforced why I chose to be a part of this profession! ~Shannon McElroy, President

COUNCIL MEETING #08-June 5, 2007

Council meeting #08 will deal with next year's budget and the election of Executive positions and committee chairs. Included in this week's mailing is a list of the duties and responsibilities of the Executive positions available, as well as a list of committees requiring chairpeople. Please take some time to consider becoming involved in the Local. If you are interested in an Executive position, complete the Executive information sheet and fax it to the Local (454-1250).

TEACHERS' RETIREMENT MASS AND BANQUET

The Local and the District will honour retiring teachers on Friday, May 25, 2007, with a Mass at St. Agnes Church beginning at 6:30pm followed by the annual Banquet at St. Basil Cultural Centre. Individual tickets are now on sale from the Local office at a cost of \$25.00 each. A list of retiring teachers was printed on the back of last week's Intercom.

OPPORTUNITY FOR NEWLY APPOINTED ADMIN!

The Educational Leadership Academy (ELA) will be held this summer from July 8-12 at the Banff Centre in Banff, Alberta. The Academy program is directed towards aspiring leaders whose goals are to achieve and maintain effective schools through strong leadership. Keynote speaker: Dr. Joseph Murphy presenting on *Learning-Focused Leadership*. The Local will sponsor one newly appointed principal or assistant principal to attend this worthwhile professional development opportunity. If you will be a new administrator in the Fall and are interested in attending this academy, please fax your name and email address to the Local office (454-1250) before May 31. We will draw one name from the submissions. The \$990 sponsorship fee covers tuition, a resource book, materials, meals, accommodation and GST. For more information concerning the Academy, please contact your school ATA rep.

Included in this mailing: Local Executive positions, duties and responsibilities and a list of committee chairs to be elected at the June 5, 2007 CSR Meeting. (Gray) Ten copies per school. Please post and share.

Printed on the back: Reprint of letter and thank you card from Robert Twerdoclib, President of Parkland Local 10

Meetings/Events

Wednesday, May 16, 2007

PD Book Share, 4:30pm,
Room 140, Barnett House

May 19-21, 2007

Annual Representatives'
Assembly, Westin Hotel,
Edmonton

Monday, May 21, 2007

Victoria Day Holiday-
Local office closed

Friday, May 25, 2007

Teachers' Retirement Mass &
Reception. Mass at St. Agnes,
6:30pm, followed by banquet
at St. Basil Cultural Centre.
Tickets are \$25 each and may
be purchased from the Local
office: 451-1196.

Tuesday, June 5, 2007

Final Council Meeting for this
year! 6pm, Auditorium, Bar-
nett House. Sandwiches
ready at 5:30pm.

Words of Inspiration:

"And in the end, it is not the
years in your life that count-
It's the life in your years."

~ABRAHAM LINCOLN.

Website:

www.local54.teachers.ab.ca

Council Dates:

Tuesday, June 5/07

PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION:

Thursday, June 14/07