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UPCOMING EVENTS:

June 14, 7pm, President's Reception for those members involved with Local committees and Council. Please R.S.V.P. by June 6

ACTION FOR TEACHERS RE: EDUCATION FUNDING

Now is the ideal time to contact your Premier and your MLA regarding the sorry state of education funding in Alberta. You can write a letter, send an email, visit them, or phone them, but at least contact them and give them your opinion. On the backside of this Intercom is an excellent article from Tuesday's Edmonton Journal which all teachers should read.

With respect to the Minister of Education's Task Force on the Unfunded Liability, the ATA has rejected participation because it is viewed as a stall tactic. Therefore, since the Association is the voice of all teachers in Alberta, if you are approached to sit on the Task Force, "JUST SAY NO!" ~Shannon McElroy, President

PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION - June 14, 2007

This year's President's reception will take place on Thursday, June 14, 2007, beginning with cocktails at 7pm in the cafeteria at Barnett House. The deadline for responding to this event has been extended to Wednesday, June 6. We would appreciate a call to the Local if you plan on attending so that we have enough refreshments for the enjoyment of all. This event is an evening of appreciation for all past presidents of the Local and for those involved with Local and Association activities and committees, including the schools mailing reps and Council representatives.

JUNE COUNCIL MEETING-Guest speaker: D. Theobald, **Executive Assistant, ATA, Government**

At Tuesday's Council meeting Dennis Theobald (ATA) will speak on education funding. The agenda for this CSR meeting will also include the presentation of next year's budget and the election of Executive positions and committee chairs. Please take some time to consider becoming involved in the Local. If you are interested in an Executive position, complete the Executive information sheet sent out to schools on May 10 and fax it to the Local (454-1250).

LAST CALL FOR GRANT IN AID REIMBURSEMENT

A friendly reminder: To ensure your grant in aid for 2006-2007 is eligible for reimbursement from the Local, you must send your Grant In Aid form with proof of attendance at your approved conference along with your expenses before Friday, June 8. The financial year at the Local now closes on June 30. Grants received after June 8 cannot be processed.

Words of Inspiration

"We are all of us stars and we all deserve to twinkle." ~ MARILYN MONROE

Included in this mailing: Printed on the back:

Council agenda for meeting #08, June 5, 2007 & Education Funding poster Reprint of editorial by Graham Thomson appearing in May 29, 2007 Edmonton Journal: Liepert playing chicken above his weight

Meetings/Events

Friday, June 1, 2007 Application deadline for the Bernie Lemay Junior High School Technology Scholar-

Tuesday, June 5, 2007 Final Council Meeting for this year! 6pm, Auditorium, Barnett House. Sandwiches ready at 5:30pm.

Tuesday, June 12, 2007 Final Executive Meeting for this year! 4:30pm, Room 406. Barnett House

Thursday, June 14, 2007 President's Reception, 7pm, Cafeteria, Barnett House

Friday, June 29, 2007 Local office closes for summer holidays. We reopen at 8:30am on Monday, August 27, 2007. Happy Summer!

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Council Dates:

Tuesday, June 5/07 PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION:

Thursday, June 14/07