

May 7, 2009 Issue No. 29 Local: 780-451-1196 Fax: 780-454-1250

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Support "Healthy Minds. Bright Futures" Campaign. Wear a green t-shirt to school on Thursday, May 7!

DISTRICT BUDGET COMMITTEE REPORT

Included in this week's mailing is a District Budget Committee Report submitted by Local Past President, Shannon McElroy. Please note (as stated in the report)... "The President of the Alberta Teachers' Association, the Minister of Education, and the President of the Alberta School Boards Association have agreed to meet to study the implications of the revision to the Alberta Average Weekly Earnings (AAWE) in order to honor the 2007, provincially negotiated, collective agreement."

TEACHERS ON TEMPORARY CONTRACTS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE SUBSTITUTE MEETING BEING HELD ON TUESDAY, MAY 12

The Local's Substitute Committee, chaired by Dolores Gillett, is holding a meeting on Tuesday, May 12, 2009, at 7pm, in Room 140 at Barnett House. Sandra Marcellus, Executive Assistant, Teacher Welfare, will be presenting the process for applying for El benefits. All teachers currently on temporary contracts are invited to this informational session. Please phone the Local office to register: 780-451-1196.

TEACHERS' RETIREMENT MASS AND DINNER

On Friday, May 29, 2009 the teachers' retirement Mass will be celebrated at St. Agnes Church at 6:30pm and will be followed by dinner and presentations at St. Basil Cultural Centre. To date, the Local has received 61 names of retirees to be honoured. Tickets are now on sale to the public at a cost of \$25 each.

LOCAL REQUIRES 3 MORE REPS FOR GETCA

Our Local is required to provide 8 representatives to assist in organizing the 2010 teachers' convention. We currently have 5 representatives who have agreed to sit on this committee. Dinner is provided for all Monday night meetings. Please call the Local office to volunteer for these positions and be part of the planning committee for next year's convention. Thank you to the following teachers who have agreed to remain as committee members: **Erlene Monteith** (St. Gerard), **Marlene Forest-Wallace** (Louis St. Laurent HS), **Robert Tait** (St. Elizabeth Seton), **Rhonda Nixon** (St. Teresa) and **Patricia Magliocco** (ECS Substitute).

HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS

Application forms for the 6 Local scholarships were sent out to all high school counsellors in the April 23 mailing. These scholarships are available to children of active or retired teachers of the Edmonton Catholic School District. If you have a child who is a grade 12 student in an Edmonton Catholic high school, the application forms <u>must</u> be obtained from the high school counsellor. If your child attends a high school outside of Edmonton Catholic, please phone the Local office for an application to be sent to you. Deadline for submissions is September 11, 2009.

WORDS TO CHEER

"I never go to garage sales - I already have a garage." ~ J.D. BOATWOOD

Included in this mailing: District Budget Committee Report ...(turquoise) ... one per teacher **Printed on the back**: Updated list of 2009 retiring teachers

Meetings and Events

May 4 - May 10, 2009 Canadian Mental Health Week

Thursday, May 7, 2009 Support "Healthy Minds Bright Futures" campaign. Please wear a green t-shirt to school today.

Tuesday, May 12, 2009 Substitute Mtg., 7pm, Room 140, Barnett House Topic: Applying for El

Wed., May 13, 2009 School Opening Mass Committee Mtg., 4:30pm, Room 402, Barnett House

Friday, May 15, 2009 Draw for Local sponsorship to the Educational Leadership Academy, July 12-16, Banff Centre

May 16 - 18, 2009 Annual Representatives' Assembly, Westin Hotel, Edmonton, Alberta

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Council Dates: Tuesday, June 2/09 President's Reception: Thursday, June 11/09



Congratulations to the following teachers who have indicated they are retiring and have given permission to have their names published in the Intercom. Many of these teachers will be honoured at the May 29, 2009 Liturgy at St. Agnes Church and Dinner at St. Basil Cultural Centre. Tickets for this event are now available from the Local office at a cost of \$25 each. Please phone Jan: 780-451-1196

Marcia Albrecht (Austin O'Brien HS) *Carole Alonso-Turner (St. Mark) Renee Anderson (St. Pius X) *Maria Branco-Hays (Religious Education Services) Antonina (Toni) Budd (Archbishop MacDonald HS) Gladys Buzzeo (St. Augustine) Lauraine Charest (Grandin) Frances Chiswell (Frère Antoine) John Chu (Holy Family) *Maire Conaty (Mary Hanley) Don Delaney (Learning Support Services) Ken Donnelly (St. Kevin) Gilbert Joseph Leon Dumont (J.J. Bowlen Jr HS) Paul Gagne (Catholic Education Services) Anthony Green (Austin O'Brien HS) Judith Horban (J.J. Bowlen Jr HS) *Marjolaine Hughes (St. Stanislaus) Theresa (Terri) Horsfall (St. Brendan) Carol Ann Jaap Klass (St. Joseph HS) Carolyn Jordan (Blessed Kateri) Danny Kinal (Mary Hanley) Susan Ludwig (Learning Support Services)

Jaye MacFadyen (Bishop Savaryn) Allan Maisonneuve (Louis St. Laurent HS) Helen Matsuba (School Operation Services) Bette Anne Maydonik (St. Paul) Ralphina McLeod (Learning Support Services) Claudette Nadon (Blessed Kateri) Harold Neth (Holy Trinity HS) Jacqueline Pelkie (St. Lucy) Joanne Ritcey-Devaney (Leadership Services) Flora Rizzuto (St. Boniface) Linda Roffey (St. Bernadette) Laura Rousell (Austin O'Brien HS) Vincenzo Russo (Holy Trinity HS) Elizabeth A (Betty) Stewart (Our Lady of Victories) Charles Stuart (St. Teresa) *Jacqueline M. Villeneuve (École Ste-Jeanne-d'Arc) Kevin (Ken) Whelan (H.E. Beriault Jr HS) Barbara Wiszt (Blessed Kateri) William Yukes (St. Edmund)

*Denotes names added since Intercom 27 (April 23, 2009)