Edmonton Catholic Teachers Local 54 of the Alberta Teachers' Association



Nov. 13, 2012 Issue No. 3 Local Ph: 780-451-1196 Local Fax: 780-454-1250 SPECIAL ACTIVITIES: Fireside chat with the Prez! Note date change:

► ► Wednesday, Nov. 14 7-10pm Jeffrey's Café , 9640-142 Street

NOTE: DATE CHANGE!! MEET THE LOCAL PRESIDENT- Fireside Chat with Greg Carabine

This year the Local President, Greg Carabine, will be available to members during monthly fireside chats at various locations around the city. The first of these evenings is taking place on Wednesday, November 14, at 7pm, at Jeffrey's Café, 9640-142 Street. Stop by for an informal conversation with Greg. Stay as long as you like. CASUAL!!

PD NEW TEACHER MENTORSHIP HALF DAY SESSION ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 19

The New Teacher Mentorship Program under the guidance of co-chairs, Joe Dumont and Susan Oreski, will be offering an afternoon session to the new teachers on Monday, November 19, from 1:00 – 3:30pm at St. Peter Education Centre, 7330-113 Street. The new teachers will be introduced to the District consultants and other helpful personnel located at this site. To register please email <u>jan.bossmin@ecteachers.ca</u> so that the cost of your substitute for this half day absence will be covered by the Local.

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS: BYOD (Bring your own device)

On Thursday, Nov. 29, the Edmonton Catholic Teachers' Substitute Committee, chaired by Mary Giampa, is pleased to host a meeting for substitute teachers followed by a PD session "Teaching with iPads."

Shauna MacDonald, an Instructor with the Department of English and Communications and Coordinator of the iPad Faculty Community at NAIT, will provide an interactive session introducing activities, apps, and connectivity methods that will help you to engage students, amplify curriculum, and conduct both formative and summative assessment. No prior experience is necessary, as content will be tailored to interests and abilities of participants.

BYOD: Bring your own device (one activity will require the use of an Internet-enabled device including any smartphones, tablets, and laptops.)

Please note: this session will take place in Room 213 at Barnett House, 11010-142 Street. Meeting will start at 4:15pm and IPad PD will start at 5:15pm. Please register by email to: <u>marygiampa@me.com</u>

COUNCIL REPS - NEW AND SEASONED - TAKE NOTE

Just a little reminder that there is no Council meeting during the month of November. Mark your calendars for our Council meeting at 6pm on December 18 which will be followed by a Christmas Cheer Social. You are encouraged to bring a friend for this special evening.

SOCIAL JUSTICE ACTIVITY FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER - Edmonton's Food Bank needs you!

Sandra Esposito, Social Justice Executive Liaison, and the Local's Social Justice Committee, chaired by Sue Leveille, have organized a volunteer night at the Food Bank to pack hampers and work in the warehouse. Eight to ten volunteers are needed. Please email <u>susanne.leveille@ecsd.net</u> if you would like to participate in this worthwhile cause.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES STILL NEEDED FOR ST. ELIZABETH SCHOOL

If the holiday spirit is filling your heart and you have some extra school supplies, St. Elizabeth School is in need of all types of supplies for their students. You may send whatever you have through IMC to St. Elizabeth School attention: Alessandra Valpreda-Ksiazek.

WEBSITE: www.local54.teachers.ab.ca



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