



SPECIAL ACTIVITIES:

Tuesday, November 27
Volunteer at Edmonton's Food Bank
See below for details.
10 volunteers needed.

TWO PART PRE-RETIREMENT WORKSHOP SCHEDULED-January 21 & 28, 2013

We are pleased to announce that your Local will once again host a Pre-Retirement Session! Many of you have emailed and phoned the Local to inquire about this opportunity and we now have the details for you: Richard McArdie, ATA pension consultant, will be presenting a two-part Pre-Retirement Workshop from 6-9pm in the Barnett House auditorium on Monday, January 21 (Part 1), and Monday, January 28 (Part 2). The workshop is free of charge, is sponsored by Edmonton Catholic Teachers, and is limited to 75 participants. Teachers are welcome to bring their spouses. Email to register: jan.bossmmin@ecteachers.ca Please indicate if you will be bringing your spouse to these sessions. Attendance at both sessions ensures you receive all the information you require.

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: marygiampa@me.com

SOCIAL JUSTICE ACTIVITIES

Sandra Esposito, Social Justice Executive Liaison, and the Local's Social Justice Committee, chaired by Sue Leveille, have organized the following:

Tuesday, Nov. 27: a volunteer night at the Food Bank to pack hampers and work in the warehouse. Interested? Contact susanne.levaille@ecsd.net

Tuesday, Dec. 18: support the Youth Empowerment & Support Services by bringing a Safeway Gift card to Council. This could be a staff initiative. Cards can also be sent to the Local office or to Sue Leveille at Oscar Romero HS or Sandra Esposito at Mother Margaret Mary HS.

Monday, January 14: Prepare and serve the evening snack at the Mustard Seed Church 6-9pm. If interested, contact susanne.levaille@ecsd.net

CARING FOR OUR MEMBERS

Please advise the Local office of instances of bereavement, illness or births, so that the Local can have a Mass offered, flowers or a gift sent on behalf of all teachers. Contact: jan.bossmmin@ecteachers.ca The Mass request form is on the Local website.

WE WILL PAY FOR YOUR SUB! – 100 Intervisitations still available

Members of the Catholic Teachers Local have set aside over \$20,000 to pay sub costs for Intervisitation Grants. Are you interested in a half day professional development opportunity? 100 Intervisitation Grants are still available for you to observe a colleague in another educational setting of your choice. The Local will cover the ½ day cost of your sub. To apply, please access the form on our website: www.local54.teachers.ab.ca and email the completed form to jan.bossmmin@ecteachers.ca Once received, you will be assigned a grant number. You MUST have a grant number in order to take part.

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