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NEWSLETTER DECEMBER 2006



CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON
Wednesday December 13, 2006
Carriage House Inn
9030 Macleod Trail SE

Cost: \$25.00 per person, including GST and gratuities.

Confirm attendance between December 4 and December 8

Email: luncheons@calgaryretiredteachers.ca

Or

Phone one of the phone volunteers listed below.

Surnames starting with

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THE OCTOBER LUNCHEON

The Silver Springs Golf and Country Club was the setting for the fall luncheon. Approximately 100 members and guests enjoyed a roast beef dinner while viewing the beautiful fall setting at the Club. We were pleased to acknowledge out of the city members who attended: Betty Short, Chemainus BC, Ellen Vickerman, Trochu, AB and Donna Bradley from Edmonton AB. The luncheon began with Stephen brown saying grace.

During the business meeting the following announcements and reports were given:

- Pictures of events and of interest to teachers for our photo gallery can be forwarded to info@calgaryretiredteachers.ca with attn to: Erich Berndt or Ena Beunder.
- Contact erich@calgaryretiredteachers.ca to receive the CRTA Newsletter by e-mail.
- ARTA AGM was held on October 4 in Edmonton. CRTA was represented by Gordon Cumming, Paul Demers, Brad Adams, Ena Beunder, Irene Bruzga and Glen Roszel. Paul Demers was reelected treasurer of ARTA and Irene Bruzga was elected to a three year term on the Representative Committee. Ralph Levinson is on the ARTA Benefits committee.
- Delta Kappa Gamma and Wild Rose Church are holding a tea and bazaar on November 25 from 2:00 to 4:00 with proceeds going to the Scholarship fund and Servants Anonymous Society.
- A second Pension Seminar is to be held at the Coast Plaza Hotel on October 23.
- An LTD update was given by Chuck Rose. Members are urged to attend the court dates.
- Paul Demers presented the treasurer's report citing expenses and the present balance in the CRTA account. He indicated that all luncheons were subsidized last year, so there was a need to increase the luncheon fees to \$25.00.

Report submitted by Irene Bruzga.

DOOR PRIZE WINNERS

Calgary Gold Honey Products

Paul Demers 286-8338

10 Kg of Honey

Donna Parsons

Heritage House Publishing

www.heritagehouse.ca

Totem Poles and Tea

Jerry Crowdis

Unrepentant Madam

Mary Gazdarica

One Year CRTA Membership

Shirley Fraser

Johnson Insurance

Tote bag with thermos

Anna Leinwebber

Calgary Zoo

Two passes

Pat Halbauer

Lord Beaverbrook

Cosmetology Department

Sharon Terray

CRTA—Flowers

Helen Shworak

Marion Woodward

CRTA—December Luncheon

Leila Herrera

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*LET'S REMEMBER THOSE
COLLEAGUES WHO PASSED AWAY
RECENTLY*

Eileen Caswell
Sheila Ferguson
Cecil Grad
Clarence Edward Gourlay
Audrey Elaine Gunther
Michael Joseph Healy
Doug Heath
Bernice Elizabeth Stephenson-Myers
Glen W Milne
Howard Wolfe

VOLUNTEERS

Regularly we are advised of the need for volunteers. We will publish those which may be of interest of our readers.

The Canadian Diabetes Association needs volunteers to deliver presentations and staff displays regarding Type II diabetes management and prevention. Time requirement approximately 4 hours per month. For further information call Shereeda Mohammed at 266-0620 ext. 106

ESL Volunteer Opportunities.

The Tuxedo Park campus (130—28th Avenue NE) of Chinook Learning Services needs volunteer Tutors and Conversation Leaders to help out in the English as a Second Language program for adults from around the world. Time requirement once a week for one hour, or more, depending on the volunteer's schedule. Contact Liz Schweizer at 777-6330 ext.6

Puppets for Peace is looking for volunteers as well as paid puppeteers. Puppets for Peace, run by Project Ploughshares, is an award winning bully-proofing program that has been seen by more than 35 000

Elementary students and teachers in the Calgary area.. For further information about this program call Sally Hodges at 247-1653 or by e-mail puppets@ploughsharescalgary.ca. For a look at the program go to www.ploughsharescalgary.ca/puppets.

POP Tutoring Services for Retired Teachers

POP has been providing services to junior and senior high school students in math, science, social and English for 3 years. A competitive wage is paid to the tutors. For further information contact Tom MacFarlane 247-0345 or 612-4228, tom@poptutoring.com.

Research Volunteers Needed.

Older adults (55+) are needed to participate in a study on web navigation and aging. The volunteer is required to complete a medical/demographic questionnaire, test of vision and memory and navigate a website. Time commitment is 2 sessions of 90 to 20 minutes each. Payment is \$10 per hour. For further information contact Carl Hudson, University of Calgary—Administration 151. Phone 220-4951 or e-mail cehudson@ucalgary.ca. Carl Hudson is a grad student in Psychology.

THE LTD ISSUE

We want to thank all those retired teachers who have been coming our faithfully to the last four court sessions dealing with the demand for extra money from the interest portion of the fund by RSM Richter.

On November 2 Justice Mahoney expressed his desire that the issuance of the cheques for the amount of money owed to the claimants would take place before the end of the year. On November 10 The Right Honourable Justice Bryan E .Mahoney issued his judgment in the case. It was considered a fair settlement by the ATA and RSM Richter.

Current and retired teachers alike will have a little extra money to spend for Christmas this year. We hope!

CRTA EXECUTIVE 2006-2007

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MEMBERSHIPS

Many of our 2005-2006 members have confirmed their commitment to CRTA by renewing their membership for 2006-2007. If you have not yet done so return the enclosed renewal with you cheque for \$15.00 to Garry Jeffrey – see the CRTA website for details.

NEXT NEWSLETTER will be mailed out on March 29, 2007. Any information for publication, including small personal ads must be forwarded to Ena Beunder, no later than March 22, 2007

NEWSLETTER EDITOR NEEDED

This newsletter is being put together thanks to modern technology, from the Seattle, WA area. I really need an assistant, who would also be a member-at-large on the Executive, to share the responsibilities of producing a Newsletter once in a while. Contact Ena Beunder.

Retired Teachers’ Convention Get—Together

Sponsored by the Calgary Teachers’ Convention Association

The Carriage House Inn
9030 Macleod Trail S.E

Wednesday, February 14th, 2007
2 to 4 pm

2:30—Guest Speakers –Slide Presentation
Erich and Carol Berndt

**“Exploring the Wonder of “Down Under”’: Do-It-Yourself Traveling
Tip\$\$**

Complimentary coffee, tea and dessert

If you plan on attending RSVP February 5th—9th, via e-mail or telephone format, same as December Luncheon.