

Prince Albert and Area Teachers' Association

NEWSLETTER

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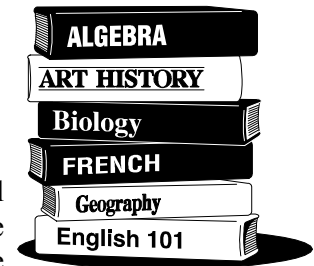
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... from the President's desk

Welcome Back!

Although our summer holiday is never long enough, I hope that you are all enjoying your return to the classroom and the daily routine of your school. The first days back are always exciting as we share our summer stories and prepare for the students to arrive.



A special welcome to the many teachers new to the profession or new to the Prince Albert and Area schools. We look forward to working with you. Be sure to ask a lot of questions. Your school staff and the teachers' association are as much a learning community as is our classroom. We hope to provide you with as many supports as you need. Good Luck!

Nominations are now open for the four councillor positions on the local executive that have not yet been filled. I hope that the list of duties for a Councillor contained with this newsletter are not too scary! Although the job is a large one, the position is an excellent professional development activity. I hope many of you will consider serving your local association in this way. We really need you.

My contact information is as follows: Carlton (am) - 922-3115 ext. 364
PAATA Phone (pm) 764-0299 (direct line)
Office (pm) 764-1571 ext. 231 (Sk. Rivers Switchboard)
PAATA Fax 764-1430

The office is located in the Sask. Rivers Education Centre at 545-11th Street East (Enter through the north door and follow the stairs up to the highest level and you will find me!) Meetings can be arranged at an alternate location if deemed necessary.

I look forward to working with and for all of you again this year!

- Andrea Gareau



Important Dates

October 1 - Sask. Rivers - Bursary Application Deadline
October 10 - P.A. Catholic - Bursary Applications Deadline
for Courses taken between October 1st -
September 30th of the past year.

Entering the Professional Community

A Conference For Beginning Teachers

Thursday & Friday

October 23 & 24, 2003

Saskatoon Inn - Saskatoon

Contact your mentor or principal for assistance applying for this conference.

Call for Nominations Honorary Members

Fax name and short resume
of contributions to
the local and/or provincial teachers'
association to

764-1430

by Tuesday, September 16th.



Call for Nominations -- Councillors

Four positions are still open for councillors for the current school year.
Please fax nomination forms to 764-1430 by noon Tuesday, September 16th.
If necessary, an election will occur on September 22nd and 23rd.

NOMINATION PAPER

I, _____, shall be a candidate for the position of
_____ at the forthcoming election.

The signatures of my nominators appear below:

1. _____ 2. _____

Date

Signature of Candidate

Telephone Directory

If you do not want your phone number or address published in the Teacher Telephone Directory, please provide this information to your staff representative

before September 20th.

Thank You!

Once again this past June we held a very successful Superannuation Banquet. Thank you to Wendy Bain and her committee from St. Michael and Arthur Pechey schools.

Your efforts were greatly appreciated!

Stirling McDowell Research Project

Congratulations to Jackie Hagel, Tsinda Coombs, Gloria Dueck, Kassia Miller and Bev Walker for obtaining a research grant for their project, "Occupation Therapy in the Classroom: Helping Students Self-Regulate."

World Teachers' Day Kicks Off Education Week 2003

October 5th is World Teachers' Day and also marks the beginning of Education Week. The theme for World Teachers' Day is "Teachers Making Their Mark" and the theme for Education Week is, "Together We Are Better". Watch for information from your staff representative regarding events planned during this time.



WHAT DOES A COUNCILLOR DO?

☺ SUPPORT TEACHERS

- Represent individual teachers as required
- Maintain liaison with provincial supports when assisting teachers
 - Assist teachers in identification of resources
- Become knowledgeable of STF bylaws, policies, benefits and practices
- Ensure appropriate procedures are maintained in times of conflict

☺ PARTICIPATE IN LOCAL ASSOCIATION ACTIVITIES

- Attend monthly representative assembly and executive meetings (First and Last Wednesday of the Month)
- Attend general association meetings (Sept, Feb/Mar, May) and other special meetings called by the executive (meetings with boards, MLA's, special meetings to discuss resolutions etc.)
- Attend association events (Honorary Members and Induction Banquet , Superannuation Banquet etc.)
- Facilitate communication between the association and your assigned schools (usually assigned 3-4 schools)
- Participate in association committees (usually assigned 1- 2 committees)

☺ PARTICIPATE IN PROVINCIAL STF ACTIVITIES

- Attend fall council (Friday & Saturday in October) and Spring Council (Tuesday evening to Friday afternoon during Easter Break)
 - Attend pre-Council workshops (2 evenings)

**Call for Nominations
Arbos Awards**

See your Staff Rep for
Nomination Forms

Nomination Deadline: October 31

General Association Meeting

Wednesday, September 17th

4:30 - Carlton Library

Agenda Items: Ratification of the PAATA Fee
Nominations Announcement - Councillors

2003 - 2004 PAATA Executive

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>School</u>
Andrea Gareau	President	Carlton Comprehensive H.S.
Randy Krammer	Vice-President	St. Francis
Judy Chan	Treasurer	St. Mary
Twyla Simola	Secretary	Spruce Home
Dominic Rivard	Catholic System Chair	St. Anne
Linda Bates	Public System Chair	Christopher Lake
Linda Bates	Councillor	Christopher Lake
Shannon Fiddler	Councillor	Red Wing
Andrea Gareau	Councillor	Carlton Comprehensive H.S.
Randy Krammer	Councillor	St. Francis
Dan McAvoy	Councillor	St. Anne
Tim Rapko	Councillor	MacDowall/W. Central
Wasyly Rybalka	Councillor	W.J. Berezowsky

*****FOUR MORE COUNCILLORS ARE NEEDED*****

CONVENTION EXECUTIVE

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>School</u>
Marilyn Young	Chairperson	Carlton Comprehensive H.S.
Sterling Swain	Treasurer	Wesmor
Pamela Booker	Secretary	Carlton Comprehensive H.S.



Do You Have Workshop Ideas For Our March Conventions?
Please fax Marilyn Young - 764-1770

New Dental Provider!

Sunlife is our new dental provider. Be sure your dentist is using the new forms. Forms are available on the S.T.F. website at www.stf.sk.ca. The benefits under the dental plan remain the same!

(Forms remain the same for optical and health benefits.)

LINC CHAIRPERSONS

<u>Name</u>	<u>System</u>	<u>School</u>
Lorrie Kozun	P.A. Catholic	St. Mary
Kim Tadei	Sask. Rivers	Princess Margaret

Advertisement

Large 3 bedroom house for rent - 232-10th Street East. 5 appliances included. Fenced. Shed. Call 764-1293 and ask for Judy.

**Do You Have An Ad You
Would Like Us To Publish?**

Fax your Ad to 764-1430 by the last Friday of the month.
Teachers Only Please!