

On Becoming the Edmonton Retired Teachers' Association

In the late fifties, the retired teachers of Edmonton informally organized and held meetings to address concerns over low pensions, medical insurance needs and hospital care. By November 14, 1960 The Retired Teachers' of Edmonton was formalized under the leadership of President Larue Smith, Vice President J. Gordon Sinclair, and Secretary Lillian G. Parnell. The name was changed to Edmonton Retired Teachers' Association in 1963 after the creation of the Alberta Retired Teachers' Association.

Executive Meeting Dates

Executive meetings have been scheduled for:

May 9, 2007

August 22, 2007

at:

Barnett House
11010-142 Street

All members of ERTA are invited to attend our executive meetings

Website

<http://edmontonrta.org>

Executive Members 2006-2007

President:

Joy de Mello

Past President:

Esther Oaks

1st Vice President:

Vi Oko

2nd Vice President

Pat Semeniuk

Treasurer:

Bernie Lemay

Membership:

Maurine Maslen

Secretaries:

Sherry Capowski

Mary Rymar Viana

Members at Large:

Esther Hardy

Joan Harrison

Joyce Lukasewich

Keith Middleton

Lil Shelby

Vivian Spence

Gilles Verret

Branch Benefits Reps:

Ed Friss

Mary Zolner

Branch Pension Rep:

Mary Rymar Viana

Edmonton Seniors' One Voice:

Gilles Verret

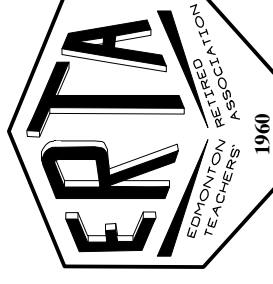
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The Purpose of the Retired Teachers' Association

The Edmonton Retired Teachers' Association (ERTA):

- provides opportunities for retired teachers renew and maintain association with friends and colleagues.
- promotes communication among its members through quarterly newsletters
- provides telephone reminders of events
- supports several scholarship and endowment programs that provide financial assistance to university students working toward a degree in Education.

Retired teachers are impacted by changing federal and provincial government policies. Fiscal policy can positively or negatively affect the financial, health and social benefits enjoyed by retired teachers. ERTA, with its provincial counterpart, the Alberta Retired Teachers' Association (ATRA), closely monitor policy changes and provides a means for retirees to voice their concerns on matters that affect their welfare. ERTA works in close association with ATRA to affect positive changes for retired teachers in the following areas:

- pensions
- income taxes
- property taxes
- benefits programs that provides extended health care, dental care, and long term care.

In addition, ERTA has negotiated group plans for:

- emergency medical coverage when travelling out-of-province
- home insurance
- automobile insurance
- life insurance

ERTA Membership Requirements

Membership in ERTA is open to any teacher in the Edmonton area who has contributed to the Alberta Teacher's Retirement Fund. Special consideration is extended to retirees who do not precisely fit the above requirement. The annual membership fee is \$15.00. Membership entitles retirees to receive the ERTA newsletter published in September, November, March and June. The newsletter provides up-to-date information regarding the following topics:

- ERTA social activities
- ARTA's group benefits programs
- volunteer opportunities
- work opportunities
- news about other seniors' programs
- information about activities taking place in the Edmonton area.

The newsletter is mailed just prior to each of the four luncheon meetings held in September, December, March and June of each year. The luncheons are a great opportunity for retirees to meet with friends and former colleagues. A guest speaker or some form of entertainment is arranged for each luncheon.

Note: First year of membership is complimentary for new retirees.

Luncheon Dates

St. Basil's Cultural Centre,
100819-71 Avenue

March 14, 2007

June 6, 2007

September 19, 2007

Faculty Club Brunches

April 21, 2007

September?, 2007

For information:

joydemello@edmontonrta.org

ERTA Membership Application

Name: _____

Address: _____

Postal Code _____

Telephone: _____

E-mail Address: _____

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Send \$15.00 by cheque to: Maurine Maslen, Assistant Treasurer

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