



Abbotsford District Retired Teachers'
Association
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Everyone,

As I write this, sunlight is flooding my window, bringing with it warmth and the hint of spring weather. It won't last for long as winter is still upon us, but I plan to enjoy every minute of it.

As the weather grows warmer and the numbers stabilize, we can look forward to resuming our outdoor gatherings in backyards and driveways, parks and picnic areas. And then, when the majority of us are vaccinated, yahoo! We will be able to go to parties, weddings and funerals, resuming lunches, coffees, meetings, hugging and we can start travelling again.

In the meantime, stay physically active, phone or zoom with your friends and family, try to keep your brain active with reading, crossword puzzles, sudoku, art, music, new recipes or whatever you have an interest in.

This is our 48th year as an organization. In 2023, we are looking forward to our golden anniversary and we are excited to be able to plan a year of festivities to mark the occasion. I can hardly wait!

p.s. the cartoons are compliments of Doreen Petersen, hope you enjoy them...

Ciao,

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In Memoriam



Mary Sweeney (nee Sainas)

Mary was born in Kamloops on June 18, 1926 and passed away on February 4, 2021. Mary spent many years as a TOC in our district. She will be greatly missed by her large family—7 children, 29 grandchildren, 34 great grandchildren. Her husband Ron, a longtime Abbotsford educator, passed away in 2015.



Cindy Henslow (nee Kirkpatrick) (no photo available)

Cindy was born November 17, 1957 in North Vancouver and passed away on January 14, 2021. Cindy was a long-serving educator with the district. She started her teaching career with the district in 1979, teaching at Dunach Elementary and then moving to Terry Fox Elementary in 1988 until 2012, when she retired. She will be missed.



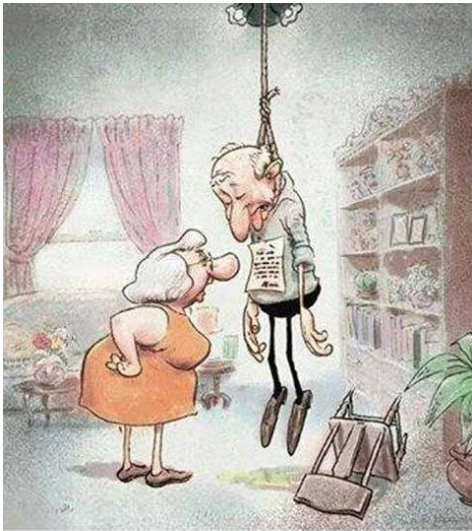
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The BC Retired Teachers' Association is celebrating its 75th Anniversary and has asked locals to submit information and photos about the events provided by the chapters such as luncheons, brunches, workshops, meetings, field trips. If anyone has anything they wish to contribute, let Gloria know.



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