



# Abbotsford District Retired Teachers' Association

October, 2020



It's that time of year again! Here's how to donate to our bursary fund:



## Using Canada Post:

Donors send cheques directly to VanCity payable to "VanCity Community Foundation/R.R. Smith" The address is: #409-312 Main Street, Vancouver, B.C. V6A 2T2.

The memo line should read, "**Friends of Abbotsford District Retired Teachers' Association**". Your tax receipt will be issued and sent as soon as possible to your cheque address.

Right away, send an email to Erin (our treasurer) [erinmquast@gmail.com](mailto:erinmquast@gmail.com) and let her know the amount of your donation so that we can have an idea of how much money is being collected. or

## Using your computer, it's very easy, just follow these steps:



Go online to [www.vancitycommunityfoundation.ca](http://www.vancitycommunityfoundation.ca)  
At the top of the page, press "FUNDS".  
In the search button, type R.R. Smith. Press Search.  
At the top of the page: "Together, more becomes possible—

Donate now.” Press button.

Choose your donation amount.

Billing address-make this gift on behalf of an organization. Tick box.

Type in: **Friends of the Abbotsford District Retired Teachers’ Association.**

Put in your information.

Do the credit card information

Donate now.

You will receive your tax receipt immediately.

**Forward your tax receipt to Erin or send her an email letting her know the amount of your donation so that we have a general idea of how much money we have for our 2021 Bursary.**



Thank you so much for your generosity. Your gift is gratefully appreciated, especially by the students in our community! The Vancity Community Foundation and the R.R. Smith Foundation (part of the BCRTA) are providing us this service absolutely free, so that **100%** of our donation goes to the students.

Warning: If you do not put **Friends of the Abbotsford District Retired Teachers’ Association** on the cheque or online, the money will go into a general revenue pot and we will not be able to use it for our bursary!

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at [gloriaadam@shaw.ca](mailto:gloriaadam@shaw.ca) or 604-854-6194. This is our first year with this new system, so we will definitely have to work out any problems.



## The ATU Building

The ATU Building has been sold! The union is in the process of buying another building, but the subjects are still in place. They are able to rent the ATU Building until February, but they are hoping they can start to move in the new building once the subjects are all off, hopefully in December. We will receive more information as time goes on. I will keep you posted!

## In Memoriam

We have lost three of our colleagues in September. Please let me know if I have missed anyone.



### **Kathleen lone Cooper**

**May 28, 1929-September 13, 2020**

Kay started teaching at Peardonville Elementary School in Abbotsford and soon became Principal there. She was later Principal at Barrowtown Elementary on Sumas Prairie, until her retirement in 1993.



### **Mary Reimer**

**September 17, 1923 – September 18, 2020**

Mary was a teacher and taught in many schools in School District 34. During her time teaching for SD34, she took leave-of-absences and taught in St Lucia, Columbia, as well as Montreal. She had an adventurist spirit about her. She retired from teaching in 1987.



**Edith Schendel**

**July 18, 1918-September 18, 2020.**

In 1958, Edith started her teaching career in Abbotsford and lived here until her death this year. She last taught at Abbotsford Junior, retiring in 1978.

## ADRTA Executive

A few members of the ADRTA executive members (who were available!) were able to meet for a coffee party outside at Gloria's house in September.

We were able to talk about various issues and agreed that we would continue to suspend our activities (boohoo) until it is safe to do so.

We do feel it is still important to stay in touch with each other during this Covid year, so we will continue to send out a newsletter periodically. Don't hesitate to let us know if you need information or if you have any news you would like to share. Either phone me (Gloria) at 604-854-6194 or email [gloriaadam@shaw.ca](mailto:gloriaadam@shaw.ca).



Janice, Leona and Erin



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