

KTRTA Bulletin: April 2024

We are your local branch of the BCRTA. We are a non-profit, volunteer-driven association of retired educators enjoying our "awesome years" together! We look forward to experiencing the pleasure of loving, caring, laughing, and sharing as we make meaningful social connections and learn something new at our get-togethers.

LUNCH 🍪 🌈 🌷 🛎



This month's *Lunch* will be held @12pm on Friday, April 26 at the *Hills of Peace Lutheran Church*, 695 Robson Drive. Lunch is a delicious buffet from MOON WOK restaurant. ¹

Menu:

- Spring rolls
- Sweet and sour pork
- + Fried rice
- + Chow mein
- Mixed vegetables



Edna Park will be doing a Talk and Question and Answer Program on "Safety in the Home for Seniors". This talk is sponsored by COSCO



Silent Auction items from one of the many tables on March 22nd.

**To register a lunch spot, please email us at onlineoffice.ktrta@gmail.com by Tuesday, April 23rd. You will receive an email confirming your reservation. We look forward to seeing you!

Message from the KTRT Club

Every year, we hold our traditional silent auction for raising funds for bursaries for Faculty of Education students at TRU, the Canadian Harambee Education Society, which supports the education of girls in Tanzania and Kenya, and more!

The Club's Day of Giving was a wonderful success!



You generously brought and purchased auction items. The auction brought in a handsome total of \$1406. Some of you have always been generous in writing cheques to TRU or CHES

but this year the amount received from cheques was



TRU at \$1805 and just over our best for CHES towards the cost of lunch. The total is \$4111. A few auction items and cheques were donate

Thank you for making a difference! 🐺



KTRTA members celebrating success of Silent Auction!

KTRTA AGM & KTRT CLUB AGM

Year-end meetings will be held April 26, 2024 at the Luncheon.

The Kamloops-Thompson Retired Teachers' Association AGM & the Kamloops-Thompson Retired Teachers' CLUB AGM will each have their own agenda and meeting as required by BCRTA policy.

We have nominations for 9 out of the 10 positions on our Executive that oversee the KTRTA's organization, activities and financial responsibilities. However, we are still looking for at least one person to be our Secretary. If you are interested in any of the roles on our Executive, please do not hesitate to self-nominate or gently nudge a friend to put their name forward for nomination. All positions are voluntary, but come with a load of fun working together both through emails and at lunch & learns. Pat Petley, CLUB President



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A Bit More About Our Lunch & Learns

Who? KTRTA members. We all played a role in education, so we all are connected. Members are always welcome to bring their spouse or friend.

What? It's all about getting together for lots of visiting and learning something new. The luncheon follows a few brief announcements. After lunch, we have our presentation.

Where? Various venues. This month it's at the Hills of Peace Lutheran Church Hall

When? Seven times per year (Sept., Oct, Nov., Jan., Feb., Mar., Apr.). The doors open at 11:30 a.m. for socializing, the official start is at noon, and lunch is served at 12:30 p.m. If there is a presentation, it begins at 1:00 p.m. No presentation at the silent auction in March.

Why? To have fun, build camaraderie while promoting the interests and welfare of our members.

How? RSVP is required. Email <u>onlineoffice.ktrta@gmail.com</u> to reserve your spot. When you arrive, please proceed to our KTRTA meeting room, purchase your lunch ticket, choose a seat at a table, and you are ready to mingle!

Need to Cancel Your Reservation? Please let us know before the Friday event, if possible.



Sunshine Committee

We welcome hearing about KTRTA members needing a bit of extra 'sunshine.' Please do not hesitate to let us know because Mary Ellen will send a note of good cheer on behalf of all of us to help brighten their day.

Please phone Mary Ellen Patterson at 250-372-1762 or email our onlineoffice.ktrta@gmail.com.

The BRIDGE Newsletter

We hope you enjoyed our Fall/Winter issue of THE BRIDGE newsletter.

It's available on our Kamloops Thompson webpage at BCRTA.ca.

Thanks again to all who contributed articles, poetry and photos; it is an enjoyable read!

Donna Sharpe is collecting stories, photos, and articles for the Spring/Summer 2024 issue of "The Bridge". Contributions are needed on all topics.

Ideas include local outings and activities, health, gardening, books, travel, hobbies, history, creative writing, adventures, artwork, photography and more.

Deadline by the end of July.

Submit your material to Donna Sharpe, Editor, via onlineoffice.ktrta@gmail.com.

RESOURCE LINKS:

BC Retired Teachers Association: bcrta.ca BC Teacher Pension Plan: tpp.pensionsbc.ca



Questions? Contact us at onlineoffice.ktrta@gmail.com

In Kamloops, we acknowledge that we are located, live, work and play on Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc territory, situated within the unceded ancestral lands of Secwépemc Nation. **KTRTA**

KTRTA Executive 2023-24

President - Marney Bethell

Past President - Sheila Park

Vice President - Betty Karpuk

Secretary/Membership -Troylana Manson, Noeleen **Bunney**

Treasurer - Sandy Baird

Programs - Rosemarie Stoltze, Suzanne Legault

Pensions, Benefits & Member Wellbeing - Sheila Park, **Troylana Manson**

Sunshine - Mary Ellen Patterson, Anne Brogden

THE BRIDGE Newsletter -**Donna Sharpe, Editor**