



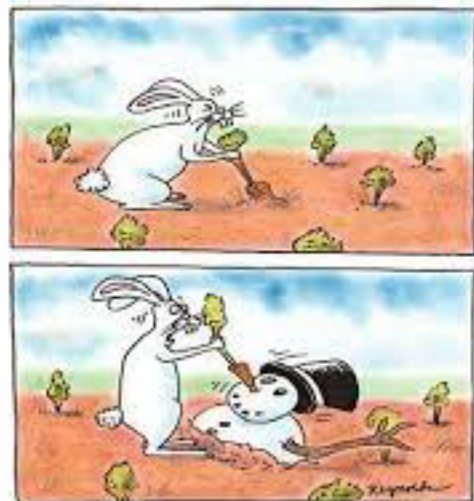
Abbotsford District Retired
Teachers' Association
Newsletter
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Everyone,

Isn't it great that the warmer weather is here and we can get outside to enjoy various activities such as bike riding, gardening, hiking and even spend time on restaurant patios?

We have a couple of events planned for the next two months. We are going on a field trip to VanDusen Gardens in Vancouver. There are just a few spots available on the bus. Book your seat as soon as possible with Leona Oren (leonataffy@gmail.com). Our association is paying for the driver and bus insurance so there will be no cost to members. You just will have to pay for admission and lunch. Check out the information later in the newsletter.

In June, we have our 50th Anniversary luncheon planned at the Sandman Inn. We will have a silent auction to raise money for our bursary fund. Sign up now for this fun event. Details below!



On April 20th, Janice Brost and I attended the Fraser Valley Zone meeting in Langley. It was the first in-person meeting we have had since Covid. It was really nice to meet the other representatives of our Zone. Some highlights:

The BCRTA Goals:

1. Aging in place (having seniors stay in their homes for as long as possible!)
2. National pharmacare program
3. Advocating for more emergency room physicians, general practice doctors for all areas of the province

More:

- The BCRTA is still investigating self funded health insurance to have it for our members, replacing Green Shield or parts of GS. They will not provide travel insurance, keeping it with MEDOC.
- The BCRTA is looking for people to join provincial committees, if you are interested, there is an application form on the BCRTA website.
- There will be an Increase in fees to \$52.00 per member for a year, of which our association will receive \$10. That increase will happen this September.

Please feel free to contact me if you have some ideas, concerns or questions.

Wishing you all a healthy and happy
May,
Gloria
Prez
gloriaadam@shaw.ca



GAME TIME!

A very successful **Games Time** was held on April 11th at the ATU building. We played a variety of games and there were refreshments available, plus door prizes. It was so much fun that we are planning another games afternoon in the fall!

Here are some photos of the event:



GAMES





In Loving Memory

Doreen May Young

December 13, 1932-March 17, 2023

Doreen was president of the BC Primary Teachers' Association and served on the Primary Program Steering Committee for the province. During her 42 year career, Doreen

taught in Alberta, BC, Scotland, Ontario and Manitoba. After she retired, she continued to take leadership roles with the BC Retired Teachers' Association. She will be missed!



Field trip to VanDusen Gardens

May 17, 2023

9:45 am: meeting at St. Ann's parking lot.
Bus will leave Vancouver for home at 3 p. m.
Arrival in Abby at approximately 4:30 p. m.



Bus and driver paid for by the ADRTA.

You are responsible for admission (\$8.60 for over 65 and \$12.30 for under 65) and lunch either at Shaughnessy's or the Truffles café on site.

If you would like to come, just let **Leona Oren** know (leonataffy@gmail.com) by **May 10, 2023**. Seating is limited as the bus is filling





up quickly, so don't delay!

The ADRTA is turning 50!

We are having an anniversary party to celebrate!

The luncheon is to be held on June 13, 2023 at the Sandman Inn (32720 Simon Avenue) in Abbotsford from 11:30-2 p. m. Please let Gloria (gloriaadam@shaw.ca or 604-854-6194) know if you would like to attend by **June 6th**.

We will have a silent auction, door prizes and memories collected over the last 50 years. This luncheon is being subsidized by the ADRTA and cost to you is **\$25.00!**

It's been 50 wonderful years of fellowship, fun and learning opportunities—let's hope we have 50 more! See you there!

