

History of FRTA

In September 2001, a group of retired teachers from the area endorsed the idea of creating a local Branch of the Alberta Retired Teachers' Association.

A follow-up meeting with Gerry Smith, Executive Director of ARTA (Alberta Retired Teachers' Association) in January 2002 resulted in a group vote to form this new Branch, thus the formal beginning of the Foothills Retired Teachers' Association (FRTA).

Annually, we elect FRTA executive officers at our AGM. The executive meets three or more times each year to manage the affairs of FRTA, and generally, to meet our Objectives. We encourage all members to provide ideas and assist us in meeting these objectives.



Executive Officers 2021-2022

President: Carole Malmberg

Vice-President: Joyce Loucks

Secretary: Lorrie Morales

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2021-2022

A Branch of the Alberta Retired Teachers' Association



A year ago...2020
Beat the Bell Breakfast



Membership

FRTA membership *is free* to retiring teachers in the first year of their retirement. Membership keeps communication lines open with colleagues and with our provincial counterparts who advocate for us. Of significance are the excellent benefits for group health care through ARTA sponsored extended health care.

Members are invited to the variety of activities throughout the year, and are kept informed of issues that may affect them as retired educators.

Voting members are retired teachers who receive a pension from the Alberta Teachers' Retirement Fund. We have no geographic boundaries.

Associate members include retired school employees other than teachers, retired teachers from other provinces, and the spouse or partner of a deceased member.

Did You Know...

- ❖ FRTA members continue to participate in a variety of wellness activities and challenges supported by ARTA
- ❖ That if you are 85 years old or older and have been a member in good standing for at least 5 years that you can apply for a FRTA life membership?
- ❖ FRTA has a website: artabranches.net/foothills/

Save the Date

September 7, 2021
No Bells Brunch

(Highwood Golf and Country Club, High River)

November 25, 2021
Christmas Banquet

(Venue to be Announced)

May 12, 2022
Social & Annual General Meeting

(TBD)

Due to COVID restrictions and mandates, we will continually assess and adjust yearly events.



2020 General Meeting via Zoom

Our FRTA Objectives

- ❖ To promote good fellowship among retired educators.
- ❖ To maintain contact with all members.
- ❖ To encourage the participation of new retirees.
- ❖ To promote contact with other retired educators in the area.
- ❖ To assist in protecting the welfare of retired educators.
- ❖ To maintain liaison with ARTA.
- ❖ To encourage members to support the activities of ARTA.
- ❖ To make FRTA a highly regarded organization in the community.



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