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The Heartland Herald HARTA's Newsletter of Branch Events **The HARTA New Year's Edition**

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A Branch of ARTA



Scheduled Events to June 30th 2018:

Leduc HARTA Executive Meeting and Devices Workshop, Wednesday, February 14th, Executive Meeting 10:00 AM, Workshop after the luncheon. Venue, St. David's United Church.

Wetaskiwin Wednesday, March 14th, 11:30 AM, O'Brien's Restaurant, 4103—56 St. Wetaskiwin.

Drayton Valley Tuesday, April 17th, 11:30 AM, Luncheon at Lakeside Inn & Suites in Drayton Valley.

Leduc Tuesday, May 8th, Mini-Conference & Body Composition Clinic, 9:30 AM to 3:00 at St. David's United Church in Leduc. More details to follow.

Leduc Friday, September 7th, 2018, 10:30 AM AGM and Brunch at St. David's United Church in Leduc

Leduc Luncheon Highlights

On Wednesday, Nov. 15, Leduc held its second event of our program year. Robin Smith, Vice Chair spoke to the members in attendance about

the Alberta Retired Teachers' Charitable Foundation. The Foundation has been in operation for approximately one year. The Charitable Foundation was set up with Housing, English as a Second Language and Health Care as the areas that it can give funds to organizations with these goals. So far Parkinson Alberta, the Alzheimer's Society and the CNIB. ARTA members can now donate to the Charitable Foundation and receive a Tax Receipt.

Robin used a PowerPoint Presentation to present the above information. Thanks Robin for your presentation.

Devices Workshop & Luncheon Info

Our next luncheon will be at St. David's United Church in Leduc. HARTA's February Executive Meeting will take place from 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM followed by our February Luncheon and Devices Workshop.

Our presenters are Stan Gerber and Margaret Clark. Stan will do a presentation on a topic of managing Digital Pictures. Margaret will help individual participants with their issues re: cell-phones, tablets and other devices as well as introducing some new devices such as Fitbits, apple watches and LED light bulbs that can be controlled by your cellphone. During lunch we will be treated to the vocal stylings of Pot Luck, a group of vocalists who will sing song related to Valentine's Day. If you would like to learn more about picture management, cellphones, tablets and other electronics or need help in any of these areas, please join us February 14 at St. David's United Church in Leduc. The cost of the luncheon and workshop is \$15.00 for soup, sandwiches and

dessert. The luncheon starts at 11:30 AM.

ARTA Board Makeup

In each issue of HARTA's Newsletter, we include an article on the makeup of the ARTA organization. In this issue we will review the representation of the branches at the Board level and at the AGM. Each Branch is represented by its president at the quarterly Board of Directors'

meetings. At the AGM each Branch is allotted a certain number of voting delegates according to number of voting ARTA members in each Branch. The following is a list of the number of paid up ARTA full Members a branch must have to send the number of delegates indicated to the AGM.

25 to 64 members	President plus one
65 to 109 members	President plus two
110 to 179 members	President plus three
180 to 349 members	President plus four
350 or more	President plus five

There are 18 branches of ARTA, 17 in Alberta and 1 in B.C. The map on the opposite page indicates the location of each branch. At present the list of branches is as follows:

CARTA (Central Alberta Retired Teachers' Association) Takes in the Area Central Alberta near Red Deer

CDRTA (Camrose and District Retired Teachers' Association.) Takes in the area around Camrose and east of Camrose.

CERTA (Central East Retired Teachers' Association) Takes in the around Stettler and East of Stettler)

CRTA (Calgary Retired Teachers' Association) Takes in the city of Calgary as well as the surrounding area.

Elk Island RTA Takes in the Elk Island Region of Alberta. (Sherwood Park, Ft. Saskatchewan, County of Strathcona and point east.)

ERTA (Edmonton Retired Teacher's Association) Takes in the city of Edmonton as well as the surrounding area.

FRTA (Foothills Retired Teachers' Association) Takes in the Foothills School Division and surrounding area.

HARTA (Heartland Alberta Retired Teachers' Association) Takes in the Counties of Brazeau, Leduc and Wetaskiwin and the surrounding area.

MHADRTA (Medicine Hat and District Retired Teachers' Association) Takes in the City of Medicine Hat and the surrounding area

NEARTA (North Eastern Retired Teachers' Association) Comprises the area surrounding St. Paul, Bonnyville, Cold Lake and Lac La Biche.

NWARTA (North Western Retired Teachers' Association) Comprises the area surrounding Grande Prairie, Peace River and areas as far south as Grande Cache.

OKARTA (Okanagan Area Retired Teachers'

ARTA BRANCH ZONES.



Association) Comprises the area surrounding the Okanagan Valley in B.C. This is the only Branch of ARTA in B.C.

PARTA (Parkland Retired Teachers' Association) Comprises the area surrounding the County of Parkland.

SDRTA (Stettler and District Retired Teachers' Association) Comprises the area surrounding Stettler.

STARTA (St. Albert Retired Teachers' Association) Comprises the area surrounding A St. Albert and Sturgeon County.

SWARTA (South Western Alberta Retired Teachers' Association) Comprises the area surrounding Lethbridge as well as areas as far west as Frank and Coaldale.

WCRTA (Wolf Creek Retired Teachers' Association) Comprises the area surrounding the Wolf Creek School Division.

WRTA (Wainwright Retired Teachers' Association) Comprises the area surrounding the town of Wainwright. The original ARTA organization was founded in 1963 by the Calgary, Edmonton and Lethbridge. Currently ARTA has grown to more than 20,000 members.

Coming HARTA Events

February 14 is HARTA's Devices Workshop, where members can get help with their tablets, cellphones and computers. Cost for lunch and workshop is \$15.00. May 8 is HARTA's Mini-Conference. Our Keynote speaker will be Daniel Mulloy, Chief Executive Administrative Officer of ARTA. We will be offering the Body Composition Clinics in conjunction with the Mini-Conference. More information on our Mini-Conference will soon be available. The cost will be \$25.00 for the lunch and conference. Both events will be held in Leduc at St. David's United Church.

Member Welfare

Jan Plested is in the Leduc hospital as of the writing of this newsletter. She might enjoy a visit. If you know someone who is in poor health please let us and other members know so they can give what support is required.

ARTA supports an engaged lifestyle after retirement through member-centered services, advocacy, communication, wellness and leadership.

Membership Fees

Members who need to pay their fees can do so at HARTA Luncheons. If you renew your membership at the February or March luncheons, you can receive an extra year's membership, for just \$5.00 more or a total of \$15.00 to renew for 2018 and to August 31st, 2019. Our next HARTA event is February 14th, The Devices Workshop in Leduc.

Executive and Contact Info for the 2017-18 Program Year

Alvin Rurka: Past President & ARTA Rep

Ron Thompson: President & ARTA Rep (alternate

Elaine Merriman: Vice President Leduc

Sandy Hamilton: Vice President Drayton Valley

Ron Holmlund: Vice President Wetaskiwin

Walley Porter: ATA Liaison & ARTA Rep.

Darleen Broadbent: Treasurer

The Goals of HARTA

- To carry on social activities, enabling our members to maintain contact with their colleagues.
- To provide information to our members about the resources available through the Alberta Retired Teachers' Association (ARTA) and other sources.



Topics

- Cellphones
- Tablets
- Laptops



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HARTA **Devices Workshop** **In Leduc**

Wednesday, February 14, 2018

After lunch to 3:00 PM

(Lunch at 11:30 AM)

St. David's United Church,

4614 - 48 Street

Leduc

Cost \$15.00 for the workshop

and lunch!

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