

**Briefing Notes of Regular Meeting of  
PARKLAND AREA RETIRED TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION (PARTA)  
November 14, 2023**

**Statement of Welcome – No Business Meeting Today:**

President, Iona Robertson, welcomed those in attendance and acknowledged meeting on Treaty 6 and 8 First Nations' land. She welcomed members and guest speakers, Darrold Quartly and David Fielhaber, representatives from the Stony Plain Historical Museum and Vince Gobeil, Family Services Manager for Valuecremations.

**President's Report:**

The President gave a brief report on the activities attended since our last PARTA meeting:

- ARTA committee meetings were held for executive members.
- Oct. 18 - A virtual ARTA Orientation was held for board members, new and old.
- Nov. 1 - The President attended the virtual ATA Local 10 Monthly Meeting.
- The President shared news from the Superintendent, Shauna Boyce's report to the ATA Local 10 meeting on November 1, 2023 outlining some of the issues with which the Board/Administration are dealing.

**Future meetings include:**

- Nov. 21-22 - ARTA Board of Directors' Meeting
- Dec. 12 - PARTA meeting at which the Broxton Park School Choir will sing.

**Announcements:**

The following dates and events are reserved for our upcoming meetings:

- December 12, 2023 - Ecole Broxton Park School Choir to entertain.
- January 9, 2024 - New Years' Breakfast catered by PK Catering.
- February 13, 2024 - Representative from Hearing Life Spruce Grove.
- March 12, 2024
- April 9, 2024
- May 14, 2024 (Spring Breakfast)
- June 11, 2024 (AGM)

**Presentations:**

Darrold Quartly and David Fielhaber, representatives from the Stony Plain Historical Museum, spoke about the history, current happenings and future plans for the Museum, now in its 31st year of operation and well recognized for its leadership role in helping to set up new museums.

Vince Gobeil, Family Services Manager for Valuecremations shared information on the topic of "Planning and Consideration for End-of-Life". He provided practical information regarding the advantages of advanced planning and final arrangements.