

## “Calling All Substitute (Guest) Teachers!”

*“Those who have taught many people to do what is right, will shine like the stars forever.”  
(Daniel 12:3 TEV\*)*

### JANUARY NEWSLETTER, 2011

To: Substitute (Guest) Teachers - Calgary Separate School District  
From: Calgary Separate Local #55 Substitute (Guest) Teachers' Committee

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## COMING UP

### 1. Calgary Teacher's Convention – February 17-18, 2011

- A. **Convention Booklets** – are your “ticket” to all sessions. A number of these are available at the Local #55 ATA office (address above). The booklet is also online, through the [www.cctca.com](http://www.cctca.com) website.
- B. **Substitute Teachers' Group Convention Luncheon** –
  - a. **Time & Place:** Thursday, February 17; 12 – 1:30 pm  
Calgary Chamber of Commerce, 517 Centre St. (off 6<sup>th</sup> Ave. SW)
  - b. **Subsidy:** Local #55 Substitute Teacher Committee will cover 50% of the cost of \$20.00 for the first 10 paid registrants for the luncheon.
  - c. **To Register and Pay:** Make your cheque or money order payable to:  
**Calgary Public Teachers #38, and mail to Suite 212, 3016 – 5<sup>th</sup> Ave. NE, Calgary AB T2A 6K4**  
When you pay, identify yourself as a teacher from Local #55, so that you can be reimbursed \$10.00 after convention.

### 2. Smartboard Sessions for Guest Teachers – Spring, 2011

Date and place of the next set of Beginner and Intermediate Sessions is yet to be determined, and will be announced in our March newsletter, or sooner, via e-mail.

## WHAT'S NEW?

### 1. Our New Guest Teacher Banner

We are very pleased and proud to announce that we now have a Guest Teacher banner, beautifully crafted by Faye Muscoby, who has produced most of our school banners over the years. You may see it anytime at the Local 55 Office, and it will also be on display at the ATA Local #55 booth at Calgary Teachers' Convention. It's central feature is the Daniel 12:3 scripture verse written on a scroll – against the backdrop of a deep blue night sky full of stars. On the lower right are traditional symbols of learning – a lit candle, resting on several books.

**2. Our Newsletter - now online**

All previous newsletters (produced and e-mailed in 2010) —as well all future newsletters are now available through the ATA Local 55 website, [www.ataloc55.ab.ca](http://www.ataloc55.ab.ca)

**3. SmartFind Express Replaces SEMS – February 22, 2011**

**Two training sessions for Guest Teachers**

The present SEMS system will soon be replaced by a new, updated system – SmartFind Express. If all goes as scheduled, it should be up and running February 22, 2011.

***Our school district is offering two training sessions to assist us in using the new system.***

**Location:** St. Leo Centre – Main Gym – 6220 Lakeview Drive SW

**Dates/Times:** Wednesday, February 9, 2011 – 11:00 a.m.

**OR**

Friday, February 11, 2011 – 2:00 p.m.

**To book, contact:** Anna Sangregorio at [anna.sangregorio@cssd.ab.ca](mailto:anna.sangregorio@cssd.ab.ca)  
or by phone at 403.500.2566

**4. SEMS now requires your 10-digit phone number**

Since Calgary now has a second area code, you must now include your own area code in your phone number. You can do this by including it in your profile on WebCentre, If you do not have access to a computer at present, phone the Sub Desk and they will do it for you.

## LOOKING BACK

### Socials for Guest Teachers – A Survey/Questionnaire

Guest Teachers have relatively few opportunities to meet and socialize throughout the school year, and that is why we introduced both a Christmas (December) and a year-end (June) social several years ago.

However, because there are so many social and other Christmas-related events in December, our committee was considering replacing the Christmas Social with one in late January (starting January 2012).

***Please indicate your preference on the Survey/Questionnaire attached to this newsletter and send it back to the ATA office by clicking on [www.pgs@ataloc55.ab.ca](mailto:www.pgs@ataloc55.ab.ca).***

## NEED INFORMATION OR ASSISTANCE?

Remember, **if you need any assistance or have any concerns or questions** related to substitute (guest) teaching, don't hesitate to **contact Stephen Jones, Executive Assistant**, Calgary Separate Local #55, either **by phone, 403-265-2678**, or e-mail [ea@ataloc55.ab.ca](mailto:ea@ataloc55.ab.ca). Your concern or issue will be put on the agenda for the next monthly meeting of the Committee.

**WE WISH YOU ALL A SUCCESSFUL AND REWARDING 2011!**

*Helen Rennie (Chair), Carmen Katulka, Heidi Follis  
Johnnie DesRochers, Lois Facca, Steven Navratil*

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Date: January 31, 2011

To: Guest Teachers (Substitutes)  
Calgary Separate School Board

From: Calgary Separate Local #55 Substitute (Guest) Teachers' Committee

Re: **SOCIALS FOR GUEST TEACHERS - SURVEY / QUESTIONNAIRE**

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## **SOCIALS FOR GUEST TEACHERS - SURVEY / QUESTIONNAIRE**

Please indicate your preference by typing an "X" beside the social of your choice.

When completed, click "Reply" (or "Send"?) to send it back to the Committee.

- 1. Christmas Social – in December
- 2. New Year Social – in mid- or late January.
- 3. Year-End Social – in June
- 4. Other? – Please type in your suggestion(s) below