

December Newsletter

South East Cornerstone Teachers' Association

INTEREST BASED BARGAINING

The Local Implementations and Negotiations Committee (LINC) team for the South East Cornerstone Teachers' Association will begin the training session for Interest Based Bargaining (IBB) on Jan. 11 and Jan. 12 in Carlyle. The LINC team will be joined in the training session by the members of the Board of Educations negotiating team. The training is being conducted by the team from Saskatchewan Justice. Once training has finished, the two sides will be setting dates to begin bargaining through the IBB process. The negotiations process will also be conducted by the Saskatchewan Justice squad. If there are significant developments, teachers will be notified as soon as possible. If there are any questions about the process, please contact Walter Wood, president or Brian Nicholls, LINC Chairperson.



Only three weeks until the Christmas vacation begins! Enjoy your well deserved time off.

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- **IBB**
- **Convention**
- **Help still needed**
- **Resolutions**
- **Policy Development**

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CONVENTION

When the Government of Saskatchewan created Family Day on November 24, they had no idea how many problems this would create for some teachers' associations. As a result of the new provincial holiday on February 19, the South East Cor-

nerstone Teachers' Association Convention Committee has decided to change the convention to a one day convention on February 20. The location of the convention is the Delta Hotel in Regina. The morning will feature a keynote speaker

and the afternoon will be a number of small group sessions. For more information about convention, visit the website at www.cap.estevan.sk.ca/ECs/sestc.htm

STF RESOLUTIONS

I know it is a little early to be thinking about Easter already but the deadline for submitting resolutions for Spring Council is Jan. 30, 2007. Resolutions may be submitted by any member of the STF. If any teacher, or group of teachers, would like to submit a resolution for the consideration of council, please do not hesitate to call any one of the Councillors for the South East Cornerstone Teachers' Association for assistance in drafting the resolution so that it will be accepted by the resolutions committee. The Executive of SECTA will be meeting prior to Jan. 30 to determine if any individual resolutions

will also be supported by the SECTA Executive and membership. Teachers may also consult an STF Executive Assistant for guidance. The Executive Assistant for our area is Ken Moore from the Regina office. The phone number for the Regina office is 1-800-668-6658. The phone number for the Saskatoon office is 1-800-667-7762.



STF Resolutions deadline is Jan. 30, 2007

The phone number for the SECTA office in Estevan is 636-7461

HELP STILL NEEDED

HELP! SECTA is desperately in need of people that would be willing to sit on a number of various committees. We are still looking for representatives that would be willing to sit on the following committees: Professional Development, Communications, Superannuation, Constitution, Resolutions, and Scholarship. The

original concept for each committee was to have one person from each region sit on each committee. However, there are a number of regions that do not yet have representation. Therefore, we are putting out a general call for any teacher that would be willing to serve on a committee. If you are interested, please contact you

local chairperson. If you are not sure who that is, please consult our website at www.cornerstoneteachers.ca or contact Walter at the SECTA office. The phone number for the office is 636-7461 or email me at walter.wood@cornerstonesd.ca



SECTA POLICY DEVELOPMENT

SECTA is in the process of developing its first policy manual. Since we are a blend of a number of former local associations, it would be beneficial to know what policies other local associations had before restructuring. This way, our local association can take the best practices of each local association to make an effective local association for all teachers in the Southeast. If you have a policy that was used in your formal local or you have an idea for a policy that you would like to see as part of SECTA please email your idea to Walter at either of his two email address

walter.wood@cornerstonesd.ca or walter.wood@cornerstoneteachers.ca

SECTA is looking for policies