

President's Message

What a great summer! I hope that you all had a chance to enjoy family gatherings, walks on the beach, frequent visits to your favourite ice cream establishment and just putting up your feet because you deserve it.

I am coming up to my third year of retirement and my calendar has never been busier. So, to those individuals starting this new way of life, and new to retirement, don't worry, you won't be bored. Give it six months and you'll be amazed at how you could fill a calendar so fast. For all those experienced retirees welcome back and enjoy your year.

The Elgin RTO executive has been busy planning a variety of activities for you this year. We hope that you will participate and enjoy them. If you have an idea for an event, please tell the executive team and we will do our best to organize such an event. Check out the fall schedule for a number of exciting activities outlined in our newsletter.

To kick off the year we will have our "Forget the Bell" breakfast on September 6, 2011. As we saunter in to the hall at 9:00 and sit down to a scrumptious breakfast at the St. Thomas Senior Centre I'm sure we will be thinking of our colleagues who will be facing their classes and setting the rules. Some of you might shed a tear but many of us will have a smile on our faces as a year of adventure and relaxation is now ahead of us.

If you know of any retired teacher/or educational workers that are not members of RTO/ERO, invite them to one our activities, we'd love to meet them.

If you would like to get involved at the executive level we would be very happy to talk to you. New ideas are always needed! We are in need of a 2nd vice-president (doesn't mean you have to be president), telephone coordinator and newsletter editor. Our district is only as strong as our executive. We need your help! If you are interested please contact me at 519-775-2633..

Well, we are off to another exciting and activity filled year. I look forward to seeing you at the breakfast in the fall!

Cheers

Rosemary