

ARAS Weekly Newsletter

Association of Retired Academic Staff



September 16th, 2024

ARAS PICNIC

It's tomorrow!

The Association of Retired Academic Staff (ARAS) invites you to join us for a picnic on **September 17th at 4-8pm at Emily Murphy Park Site #1**. The site is covered and we will be providing complimentary food and drink. The picnic provides an opportunity to meet new and familiar faces from the university community. We intend for this to be a time for fun and reflection on ARAS's various activities. **This is your last chance!**

If you plan to attend please contact us at emirhse@ualberta.ca

BOOK CLUB

The first meeting of the season of the Book Club takes place on Wednesday, **September 18th at 2:20pm** in Room 1-46 of University Terrace (8303 112 Street). The discussion of *Deacon King Kong* by James McBride will be led by David Cooper.

Members may participate either in-person or online. Beverly O'Brien (bo1@ualberta.ca) will send a Zoom link beforehand for those wishing to join virtually.

If you wish to join the group, please contact Vivien Bosley at vbosley@ualberta.ca

LUNCH WITH...



The first Lunch With...will take place on Wednesday, **September 25, at 11:30 am** in Rm 1-38 at University Terrace. The speaker will be Jeremy Spurgeon, Organist for the Edmonton Symphony Orchestra and Director of Music at All Saints' Cathedral in Edmonton. His talk is titled: "Journey of a Lifetime: How Jeremy

Spurgeon Came to Canada - and Stayed!" - The story of an organist's career in the wider world of music. Lunch will be catered by Upper Crust at a cost of \$20, payment in advance by INTERAC transfer would be appreciated, but payment at the meeting will be accepted. Paid parking will be available under University Terrace and is accessible from 112 Street by turning onto 83 Avenue and driving east until turning left into the parkade. The pay machine is located close to the elevator which will take you to the first floor. Room 1-38 is at the far east of that floor. You should be targeting an arrival time of 11:30 am with lunch to begin at around 11: 45 am and the speaker starting his presentation at around 12:15 pm. **If you plan to attend please contact us at emirhse@ualberta.ca**

DINING OUT

Peggy has made a reservation for us at Sorrentino's Century Park for 6:30 pm on **Thursday, September 26**. Parking is available in the lot in front of the restaurant which is located at 2345 111 St NW. Please let me know at peggyallegretto@gmail.com if you plan to come by Tuesday, September 24.

Looking forward to seeing you all there!

CURRENT AFFAIRS SALON

The next meeting of the Current Affairs Salon will take place at 2.00pm on **Thursday, October 3rd** via Zoom. The discussion will be led by Don Carmichael and will center on the chaos within the Liberal Party associated with the NDP breaking the supply and confidence agreement. The Zoom coordinates for this meeting are

<https://www.google.com/url?q=https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83008835534?pwd%3DaKONPxPDaAeyyCLw9KTUnzqIRf365Z.1&sa=D&source=calendar&ust=1725128127281059&usg=AOvVaw0SA43VvoZmdPDf17N6IQL9>

Meeting ID: 830 0883 5534

Passcode: qn35hU4h

UCP'S ALBERTA PENSION PLAN

This talk will be given on Oct 4, 01:30 pm by former Lethbridge Mayor David Carpenter, a chartered accountant, has served as governing fiduciary, trustee, and director of multi-billion dollar annuity and pension funds as well as manufacturing and media corporations, publicly-traded issuers and national oversight organizations. He is an honorary Colonel (retired) in the Royal Canadian Artillery and has received four commemorative medals

as well as the Senate sesquicentennial medal. He was accorded the Blackfoot name of Piita Poot-Ta (Flying Eagle).

To receive the Zoom link to this free talk, please click on:

<https://uleth.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJwsdO2hri8pHdGtzzOfq2x0uunz6RcZ3DRr#/registration>.

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