



CORTA Connects



March 2026

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Happy Spring!!!! We can't wait to see you again in April – COFFEE with CORTA is coming up on the 2nd Friday next month. For a cost of \$10 – you will have access to a bottomless coffee (or tea) and a tray of sweet treats. Details about this event are below!

Recently, CORTA members enjoyed a tasty luncheon at Benvoulin Heritage Church – Reid Hall. We received lots of positive feedback about serving a “lighter lunch”... this time we chose the sandwich and soup option and it was delicious! To wrap up the school year, your Exec Team is preparing for the following:

- The May 25th CORTA AGM – perhaps it will be a bit different? We are considering “potluck appies” contributed by CORTA members in attendance instead of a luncheon. We are working out the details and will let you know more very soon! You don't have to RSVP yet!
- The CORTA Member Survey is now closed - we will publish the survey results in May. We thank the 80 members who took the time to share your opinions and ideas. The CORTA Exec Team will be reviewing the results at our next meeting and we will prepare a summary to share with you.
- The CORTA Exec Team will meet two more times before the summer Break- April 27th & June 1st.

COFFEE with CORTA



DATE: Friday, April 10th

TIME: 9:30ish-11 am

PLACE: Deli City Backroom Bistro
(1889 Springfield Rd, Kelowna)

COST: \$10 (pay the CORTA greeters when you arrive)

* price includes a bottomless cup of coffee/tea (self-serve) and a full tray of yummy goodies to enjoy!

RSVP: president@corta.ca by
Wednesday, April 8th @ noon! Hope to see you there!





Remaining 2026 Activities

Executive Meetings:

April 27th- BCRTA Super Zone Mtg (AM)
-Cathie, Charlene & Jeannette attend
via Zoom
April 27th- Exec Team Mtg (PM)
June 1st- Exec Team Mtg (PM)

CORTA General Meeting/Events:

April 10th @ 9:30(ish) am (Coffee)
May 8th @ 9:30(ish) am (Coffee)
May 25th – AGM @ 11:30 am

Details about these meetings and activities are provided in newsletters and on the CORTA website. Contact information for Cathie (President) –

president@corta.ca

We also have an email address for the CORTA Exec – it is news@corta.ca

FACEBOOK & CORTA WEBSITE (<https://corta.ca>)

We are continually updating the available information on our website & Facebook page to inspire and keep CORTA members informed about our events, seniors' issues & opportunities for involvement in the community. If you are a Facebook user, you can "Like" and "Follow" us by going to:

<https://www.facebook.com/centralokanagan>

GET INVOLVED?

If you are interested in a position on the CORTA Executive in 2026-2027, please contact Charlene Hodgson to discuss options (hodgsoncharlene@gmail.com)

We already know we need a new secretary (we have been limping along using an "AI" summary tool on Zoom (which is not as good as a human). Other positions may be available, too. We thank you in advance for considering a more active role in CORTA.

ELECTIONS HAPPEN AT THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING WHICH WILL BE COMING UP ON MONDAY, MAY 27TH. MORE INFO ABOUT THIS EVENT WILL BE IN THE APRIL EDITION OF CORTA CONNECTS.



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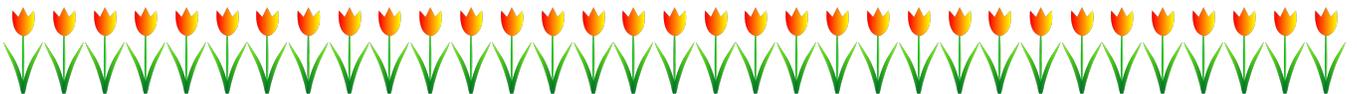




MEMBERSHIP

Please continue to encourage new members to join our organization... if they are not already members, please invite your retired educator friends to join CORTA/BCRTA (you MUST choose to belong to both CORTA & BCRTA). The cost to you in your second and subsequent years will be around \$60 (the membership fee will increase by the cost of living each year)

Once a member is signed up for a membership in BCRTA/CORTA – their first year will be free! No matter when they retired, tell your colleagues that they can simply contact the BCRTA to sign up (Toll Free # 1-877-683-2243 or email office@bcрта.ca or click the “Join Now” button on the BCRTA website and fill in the online form. Information can also be found about the advantages of joining BCRTA on their website <https://bcрта.ca>. (Remember, you will qualify for membership as a former COTA or former COPVPA member or you can join as a retired educator who worked in another BC School District/or/Canadian province, too!).



LAST WORDS...



If you know of a CORTA member who is celebrating an important occasion or is struggling and in need of some cheering up, please send a message to us through the executive email address and we will pass it on to Karen, our sunshine gal, who will reach out with a message of support.

Contact:

news@corta.ca

