



# CORTA Connects



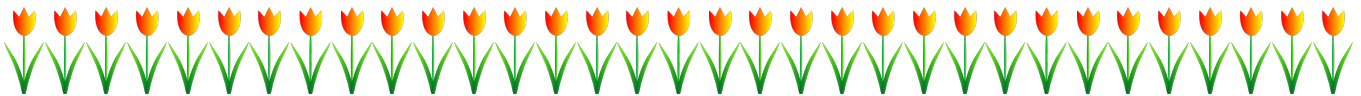
April 2026

Visit the CORTA website @ <https://corta.ca>

The school year is wrapping up in June and it seems that the year has just flown by! We invite you to join us for the final CORTA activities for 2025-2026 in the coming weeks and months ahead!

Your CORTA Exec Team met yesterday (April 27<sup>th</sup>) to plan for the final Coffee with CORTA gathering and the year-end AGM event! We hope you will be able to find the time to join us!

We continue to encourage your retired colleagues to join the BCRTA & CORTA if they aren't already members... please extend your own invitation to them. 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 educator colleagues that they can simply contact the BCRTA to sign up (Toll Free # 1-877-683-2243 or email [office@bcрта.ca](mailto:office@bcрта.ca) or click the "Join Now" button on the BCRTA website <https://bcрта.ca>. (Remember, you qualify for membership as a former COTA or COPVPA member or you can join as a retired educator who worked in another BC School District/or/Canadian province, too!). Membership in BCRTA will be \$59 and a CORTA membership is \$10.



## COFFEE with CORTA

on Friday, May 8<sup>th</sup> at 9:30-11:30 am

Deli City Back Room Bistro – enter thru' the front door

Coffee/Tea and Baked Goods - \$10

(please pay a CORTA greeter when you arrive)

Sign up so we know how much coffee to order and we can prepare enough treats (cookies & tarts) for you. Hope you'll bring a friend and join us!





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

CORTA makes an effort to add/update information on our website & Facebook page to inspire and let CORTA members know about our events, seniors' issues & opportunities for involvement in the community. Leslie Plummer will be taking on the role of "webmaster" in the coming months. Thanks, Leslie!!!! If you are a Facebook user, you can "Like" and "Follow" us by going to:

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



## CORTA AGM - Shareables & Social Time

Following our AGM there will be time to visit with colleagues. You are asked to bring a sweet or savoury treat to share with those in attendance. THERE WILL ALSO BE A 50/50 DRAW! Bring cash to get tickets in support of the Sig Ottenbreitt Retired Teachers' Bursary with COBSS.

**DATE: Monday, May 25<sup>th</sup>**

**WHEN: doors open at 11:30 am, drop off your contribution to the snack buffet in the hall – thank you!**

**WHERE: Benvoulin Heritage Park in Reid Hall (enter through the rear door near the parking lot)**

**COST: FREE (you are invited to donate directly to COBSS instead)**

**SNACKS & BEVERAGES: "Serve Yourself" some savoury bites and sweet treats**

**RSVP: [hodgsoncharlene@gmail.com](mailto:hodgsoncharlene@gmail.com) before Thursday May 21<sup>st</sup>**

## GET INVOLVED?

**NOTE: If you are interested in joining the CORTA Executive Team in 2026/2027, please contact Charlene Hodgson to discuss ([hodgsoncharlene@gmail.com](mailto:hodgsoncharlene@gmail.com)) or get in touch with Cathie, CORTA President, by calling (250) 212-2789.**

**We will be looking for a new "Sunshine Team" in the coming school year. You'll get lots of support if you are interested in taking on this role. We thank you in advance for considering a more active contribution to CORTA.**



**You can pick up a ticket from Cathie at the both of the upcoming CORTA events. It'll be a great evening of song!**

**PHOENIX RISING SINGERS PRESENT...**



# **AS LONG AS I HAVE MUSIC**

**FRIDAY, MAY 29<sup>TH</sup> @ 7 PM  
SATURDAY, MAY 30<sup>TH</sup> @ 2 PM  
SATURDAY, MAY 30<sup>TH</sup> @ 7 PM**

**BENVOULIN HERITAGE CHURCH  
2279 Benvoulin Rd, Kelowna**



**Tickets available from choir members  
or thru' the choir website:  
<https://phoenixrisingsingers.weebly.com>  
Adults = \$25 Students = \$15**

The final CORTA Connect newsletters could include your contributions...  
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[news@corta.ca](mailto:news@corta.ca) .