



District 28 Update

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The Rallies will Happen...

Unfortunately, the weather conspired to thwart our efforts to hold an Information Rally in Pembroke. I was encouraged to see a lot of press and social media coverage of the many other Districts across the province, who were able to hold their rallies. Even though our rally did not happen, it did still produce a phone call from our MPP last week. I was able to reinforce our message that we want John to stand up in the PC caucus and oppose any cuts to education. I again described potential impacts on students in our system if the proposed cuts were to happen.



I encourage you to engage family, friends and neighbours when you are talking to them about how education is a critical investment in the future of our community and province. Any reduction in funding will be deeply felt in our

local area, and have a negative impact on the students that we serve. Please refer to my email that I sent out cancelling our rally as it contains details regarding how to contact Mr. Yakabuski if you also want to remind him of your concerns about possible cuts to education. You can remind him of his commitment to support public education, and ask that he sticks to that commitment.

We didn't get to hold our local rally in February, but I think it is clear that we will be coming together to stand up and fight for what is right in the coming months. Please do not wait for a rally to speak on behalf of the students we serve.

Central Bargaining Survey

I hope you have all received the email link to the Central Bargaining Survey. If you have not received the link, you still have a few days left to register your email address with Provincial OSSTF and receive your link. (You must register by logging in to MyOSSTF via Member Login on the [Provincial Website](#). It may take a few days to receive your link after you register.) Once you have your link, it will take less than ten minutes to complete the survey. The results of the survey will allow Provincial Bargainers to prioritize items to be negotiated at the Central table. Look for local bargaining surveys in the coming months.

Staffing

Staffing season will soon be upon us. Seniority lists will soon be published and members are

encouraged to look them over for any anomalies.

Pink Shirt Day

The actions of a group of students in Nova Scotia following an incident of bullying, has created a global movement. When a grade 9 student faced homophobic taunts and threats of violence for wearing a pink shirt, David Shepherd and Travis Price acted by buying and wearing pink shirts as a sign of support. Other students at the school joined in and amplified their actions, sending a message that homophobia and bullying will not be tolerated. OSSTF members take seriously their responsibilities to address all forms of bullying and harassment in our schools and workplaces. Pink Shirt Day on February 27th 2019, and Day of Pink on April 10th, 2019 provide opportunities to take positive action to end bullying, homophobia and transphobia, while celebrating diversity

Retirement Workshops

OTIP will be holding two Retirement Workshops this spring, one in Renfrew on April 3 and one in Pembroke on April 4. (see page 2 and 3 for more information and a link for registration.) If you have never been to one of these workshops, I strongly encourage you to go!

Trinity Poil

Trinity has still not been found, I am going to include her poster in this newsletter. We will not give up.

In Solidarity! - Jeff



Walk into Retirement with a Plan



Retiring in the next five years?

Have questions about retirement benefits and finances?

OTIP, Educators and your local union invite you to attend the Walk into Retirement with a Plan workshop.

During this workshop, you'll learn about:

- Retirement benefits for life – discover why OTIP is now the leading choice for plan flexibility regarding retirement health, dental and travel benefits
- Your Pension – Let Educators help you understand your OTPP and/or OMERS
- Other sources of retirement revenue, including CPP and OAS

This complimentary workshop is open only to members and spouses. A light dinner will be served. Please note any dietary requirements at time of registration.

Date:	April 4, 2019
Time:	4:30 - 7:30
Location:	Best Western Inn and Conference Centre 1 International Drive Pembroke

Register online at: www.otip.com/events

Presented by:





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Date:	April 3, 2019
Time:	4:30 - 7:30 p.m.
Location:	Days Inn 760 Gibbons Rd. Renfrew

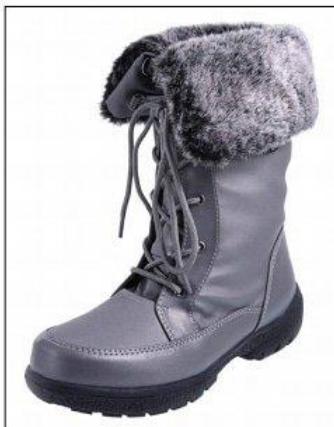
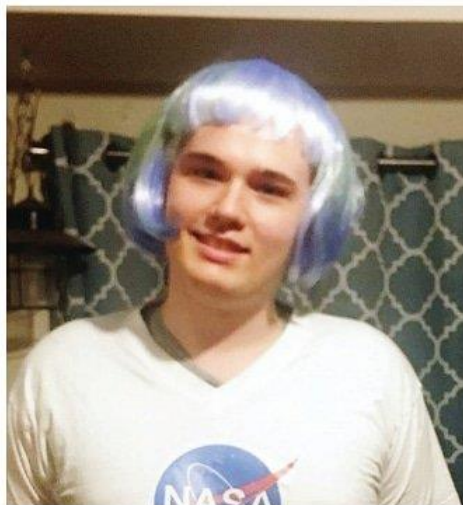
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MISSING

Trinity Poil



6'1" approx 240lbs brown hair and hazel eyes. Last seen wearing a black jacket with purple lining, a black toque with cat ears and grey boots with fur trim. Believed to have left her home on Cleve between 10pm and 4:20am Feb 12/13 2019. If you have seen her or know anything about her whereabouts, please contact the military police or provincial police. Her family is very concerned about her safety and well being.

Please call the Petawawa OPP to report at 613-735-0188 or the Petawawa Military Police at 613-687-5511 ext. 5444.

Do you know a student
who could use an extra
\$1,500 for tuition?

They could
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a bursary
from OTIP!

If you're insured with OTIP and you or one of your relatives (e.g. child, step-child, grandchild, niece, nephew, aunt, uncle, sister, brother, spouse, etc.) will be a full- or part-time post-secondary student in the upcoming academic year, enter online for the chance to win a bursary from OTIP.

Twelve bursaries of \$1,500 each are awarded annually. The deadline to enter is June 15 each year.

Visit www.otip.com/bursary
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