

MARCH 2022



## ALBERTA RETIRED TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER



### ARTA Office Reopening Spring 2022

As part of the Government of Alberta's gradual easing of public health measures, the province's work-from-home mandate was lifted on March 1, 2022. Since this news was shared, ARTA has been creating an office reopening plan that would allow us to safely welcome members, partners, and staff back into our building.

Beginning in April, ARTA staff will begin to return to the office, and members will be able to start booking appointments to visit beginning May 1, 2022. The booking calendar for members to make appointments will become available on [arta.net](http://arta.net) and [myarta.net](http://myarta.net) during the month of April.

As we take these first steps back to our normal routines, please remember that COVID-19 is not entirely behind us. You should stay home if you feel ill, for the continued safety of staff and other members.



### 2022 Photo Contest

We are pleased to announce ARTA's tenth annual photo contest! Photos can be submitted for one, or more, of four categories. All ARTA members (regular or affiliate) are eligible to enter.

The categories for 2022 are:

- **Travel**
- **Nature**
- **Making It**
- **Ten**

You can find the official contest rules, descriptions of the four categories, and entry form by clicking the button below.

Grab your camera and start snapping. The closing deadline for entries is 4:00 p.m., May 31, 2022.

**CONTEST RULES &  
ENTRY FORM**



CELEBRATING  
**30**  
YEARS

## PICTURE PERFECT GREECE, AT YOUR LEISURE

*Island Hopping in the Cyclades*

from **\$1975\*** p.p.

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With the world on sale, and travel restrictions loosening, now is the perfect time to start dreaming about travel! Whether you want to visit a far-flung bucket list destination or discover a different side of a familiar favourite place, you can save up to 20%\* now when you book a tour for January through April 2023. Plus, book confidently knowing that when you add Collette's Travel Protection Plan, you can get a full money back refund† if you need to cancel — up to 24 hours before departure.\*\*

### Use Offer Code: LETSGO22

For reservations, call 1-855-694-8687

Or contact your Travel Professional.

\*Mention you're an ARTA member for savings.

### Sale Ends April 8th

*\*Offer valid on new retail bookings only made 02/21/2022 - 04/08/2022 for travel 1/1/2023 - 04/30/2023. Offer code LETSGO22 must be used at time of booking for savings. Offers can expire earlier due to space or inventory availability. Space is on a first come, first served basis. Offers are not valid on group or existing bookings. Offers are combinable with member benefits only and are not combinable with any other offers. Discount level and availability varies by destination and month of travel. Other restrictions may apply. †If you choose to cancel your tour, a refund will be issued in the original form of payment, minus the cost of the Travel Protection Plan. Other restrictions may apply. \*\*Visit [gocollette.com/travelprotection](https://gocollette.com/travelprotection) for full details of insurance policy and benefits.*



## Golf Registration OPEN!

Join us for the Charity Golf Classic hosted by the Alberta Retired Teachers Charitable Foundation.

**June 16, 2022**

**Ponoka Community Golf Club**

**3519 46 Street**

**Ponoka, Alberta**

The golf tournament features a different format this year from year's prior — visit the event webpage for more information.

**REGISTER TODAY**



## Which Benefit Plan is Right for Me?

ARTA offers a wide variety of health benefit plans to its members, allowing everyone to find the plan that best fits their lifestyle. We've prepared some sample case studies as an example of these variables to match with our available benefit plan offerings.

**READ CASE STUDIES**



# Escape starts here

**Enter for your chance to WIN \$5,000 in CASH  
or 1 of 2 secondary prizes of \$1,500!**



**Enter  
Now**



**Trip Merchant** provides **ARTA members** with a variety of travel options with exclusive travel savings and additional benefits, such as their Loyalty Program and Trip Contests. Trip Merchant gives you more!

With travel back on the rise, Trip Merchant has partnered with the **Isla Chiquita Glamping Hotel** in Costa Rica – the first, and only island hotel in the country. There are many reasons to travel to the incredibly diverse destination of Costa Rica, but now you have another reason...to enjoy a unique Glamping Experience on Isla Chiquita.

**Enter to WIN a 4-Night Island Getaway in beautiful Costa Rica! Plus, receive a \$500 CAD Travel Credit.**

The 18 premium tents at Isla Chiquita Glamping Hotel are interspersed in a tiered layout, providing a sense of privacy and seclusion. Designed to offer both rustic charm and modern convenience, each tent includes an en-suite bathroom with local, organic products, deluxe bedding, cooling ceiling fans, and a spacious private lounging deck with remarkable ocean or tropical forest views.

For your chance to win this Costa Rica Contest, click [HERE](#) to learn more about this unique property, and click [HERE](#) to enter the contest. Expires May 31, 2022! **\*Password to enter: ARTATM18**

**2022 Group Departures (Canada to International)** click below buttons to view itinerary

*Haida Gwaii, BC: Sept. 11-18*

*Discover Scotland: Aug. 15-24*

*Discover Croatia: Aug. 25-Sept. 4*

*The Best of NFLD: Aug. 23-Sept. 3*

*Explore Southern Africa: Nov. 4-19*

*St. Lawrence River Cruise: May 22-June 3*

Discover Scotland can be combined with Discover Croatia.

Group Departures in 2023 Include: Costa Rica, Ecuador (& the Galapagos), Iceland, Tanzania, Tahiti/Bora Bora, and more...

For more travel opportunities, visit your Trip Merchant travel site today (Password for Access: **ARTATM18**) and sign up to the travel newsletter. To contact Trip Merchant directly you can email them at [info@tripmerchant.com](mailto:info@tripmerchant.com) or call 1-800-481-9739 ext. 0.

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CANADIAN ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED TEACHERS**



The ACER-CART Canadian Photo Gallery is online!  
Join other cross-Canada members in celebrating the beauty of Canada. Enjoy what's been submitted, and learn how to participate yourself by visiting [acer-cart.org](http://acer-cart.org).



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## Turning the Driving Corner

The Wellness Committee at ARTA is committed to providing our members with information on staying well in retirement.

This month's article focuses on driving.

Each month a committee member will provide our members with useful information on emotional, spiritual, intellectual, physical, financial, or social wellness. You can find the blog posts on [arta.net](http://arta.net) under the WELLNESS tab.

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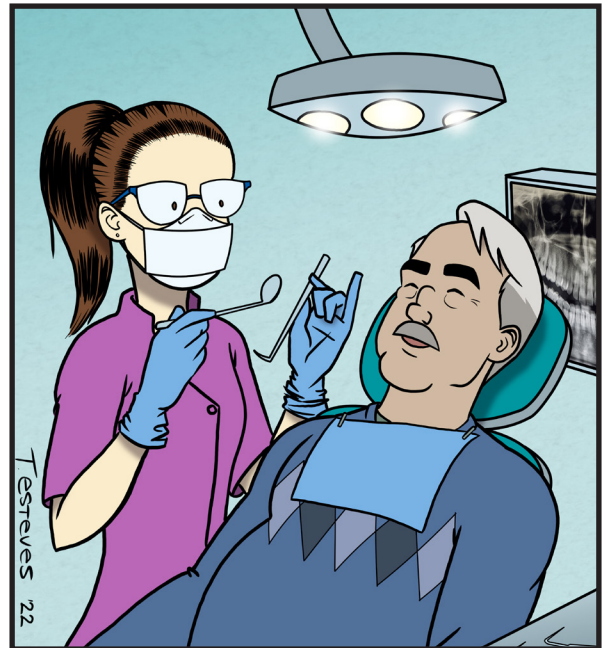
## Around the Next Corner

Do you ever wonder what might be waiting for you around the next corner? We're looking around corners of all kinds in the Spring issue of *news&views*, now available on our website and on Joomag.

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## ARTAficial Flavours



*Yes, I've been flossing! You can't believe everything you see in there.*



### BOGO HEARING AIDS 50% OFF

For a limited time, ARTA members and their families can save 50% on a second hearing aid when they buy their first advanced or premium hearing aid at any HearingLife network clinic!

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