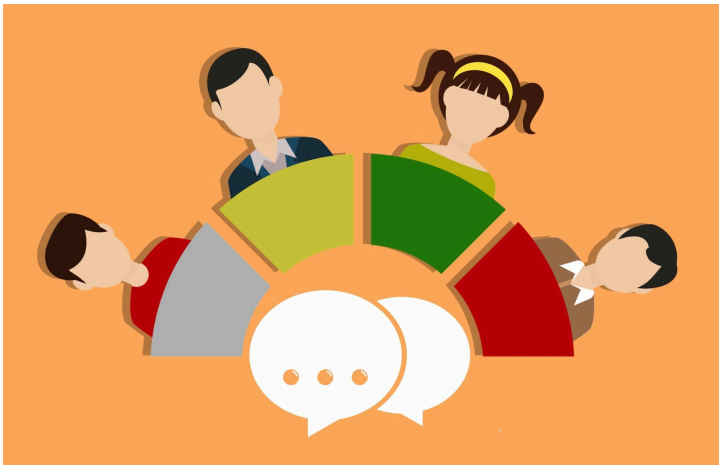
ARAS Weekly Newsletter

Association of Retired Academic Staff

October 26th, 2026

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING



The Annual General Meeting of ARAS is planned for **Wednesday October 28th** at **1.00 pm** via Zoom. Please put the date on your calendar. This is an opportunity to keep informed of ARAS activities

and plans for the future. We need you to attend so that **we can have a quorum** and conduct business.

The Zoom coordinates for the AGM are:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81257956370?pwd=EbjzO9JdvoaQlt0cWhxqPm2iqpJK83.1

Meeting ID: 812 5795 6370

Passcode: 181585

If you have any problem accessing the meeting, please call Bev at (780) 966-7942

Agenda for the 2026 AGM

Minutes of the 2025 AGM

WALKING GROUP



The meeting place for the 1:30 **Tuesday, October 27** walk is the Fort Edmonton parking lot (turn north at the lights just east of Quesnell Bridge on Fox Drive). The walk is the Fort Edmonton Footbridge Loop -Wolf Willow Ravine one (see the link below). There are different options and walkers can choose which route they prefer after crossing the footbridge. All are welcome. Ken Roy (kroy@ualberta.ca) & Linda Ogilvie (linda.ogilvie@ualberta.ca).

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1hMfSaOzKtZZFF55Qp8u_7ftLYp7Nu4Vu?usp=sharing

DINING OUT



For our October gathering Peggy has booked Happy and Olive on **Tuesday October 27** (please note the change in the day) at 6:30 pm. The restaurant is located at 9640 142 St.NW. We have enjoyed

this restaurant in the past and Peggy hopes we will do so this time as well. Parking is free and in the lot right in front. Please let Peggy know if you plan to come by **Sunday, October 25** at peggyallegretto@gmail.com

CURRENT AFFAIRS SALON

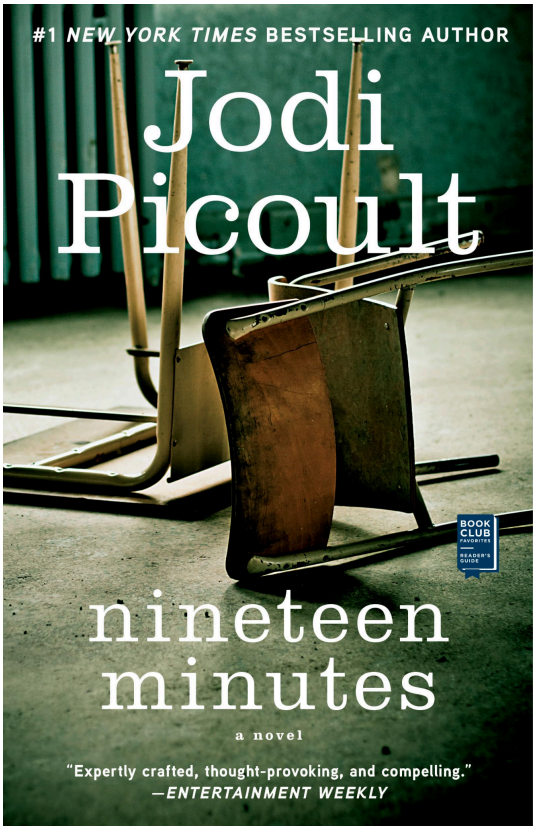


The next Current Affairs Salon (CAS) will be in-person and will take place on **Thursday, November 5** from 2.00 - 3:30 pm in Room 6-40B University Terrace (Note the slight change in location from

the previous newsletter). The topic will be: "The Alberta Referendum: what's next?" Please note that University Terrace is locked but there will be someone to meet you at the door when you arrive. This link will take you to an opinion piece in the Globe and Mai

John Turley globe and mail

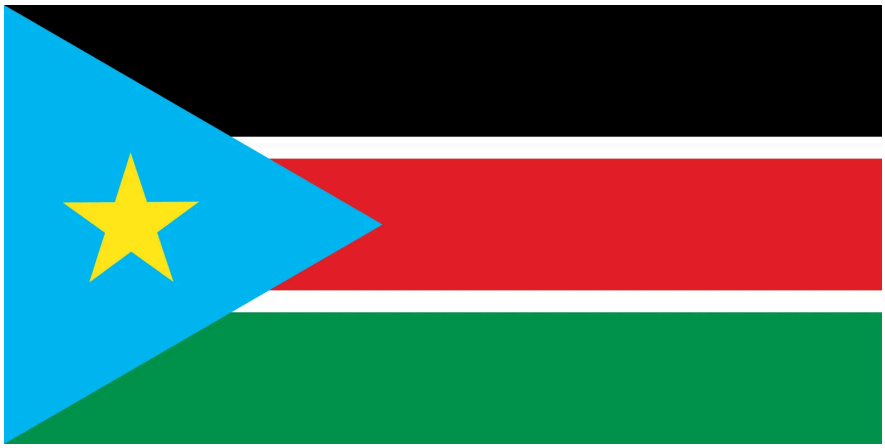
BOOK CLUB



The next meeting of the Book Club takes place on **Wednesday, November 18th** at 2:30 pm in Room 1-46 of University Terrace (8303 112 Street). The discussion of *Nineteen Minutes* by *Jodi Picoult*, will be led by David Cooper . Members may participate either in-person or online. Beverley 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 . Please note that University Terrace is locked but there will be someone to meet you at the door when you arrive.

TRAVEL GROUP



The next presentation will be by Dr.Stan Houston on **Thursday, November 26**, at 2:30 PM. The topic will be **South Sudan: Not a Club Med**. It will be held in room 1-38 in University Terrace.

CURAC

(College and University Retiree Associations of Canada)

Discounts for CURAC Members,

As a member of the CURAC, our members can take advantage of the offers negotiated with their affinity partners. These services include discounts on insurance (car, home, travel, and extended health insurance) , health (eye glasses, hearing aids), and travel (guided tours, cruises, solo travel, etc.).

In addition to affinity sponsors providing financial support for the annual national conferences, when you purchase services from most of them, both CURAC and MURA receive small commissions.

View complete information about these savings available to you!

Topic of Interest

Here is some information about ‘local’ book festivals this fall to our ARAS members.

St Albert - STARFest (St. Albert Readers Festival) **Oct 16-29**, https://www.starfest.ca/

Please note that if you are planning to park under the University Terrace building you may now need the HONK app.

OFFICE ASSISTANT

Damdini will be in the office Mondays from 2-5 pm.

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