# THE TOICE

SUPERANNUATED TEACHERS OF SASKATCHEWAN — SASKATOON CHAPTER

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## President's Message



As the President of the Saskatoon Chapter, it is my pleasure to address our members. In the past year, we have celebrated the 50th anniversary of the establishment of the Provincial Superannuated Teachers of Saskatchewan

Lyle Markowski, President (STS). We observed how the organization grew and developed over that time. We now look forward to the future, with the expectation of future growth and development for the benefit of superannuated teachers.

It's the beginning of the 2024-2025 school year, and time for the year's activities of the Saskatoon Chapter of the STS to restart. As I write this at the beginning of July, we are still waiting for the warm, sunny summer weather to begin. While the rain is appreciated, and all the plants, trees, and grass are green, the development of the produce has been slow.

Welcome to all STS members, including new superannuates, and new Chapter members. Our Chapter Executive strives to keep you informed of activities, Chapter events, updates to our health/dental plan, socials, and outreach to members who do not access electronic information. We hope you will consider taking part in some of these events and visit former colleagues while doing so.

Visit our website, check your monthly email, or peruse this edition of the Voice for information. Some of our lunches and activities do fill up, so let the organizers know as soon as possible.

We have Executive meetings throughout the school year, usually the first Wednesday of the month. These are scheduled for 9:30-11:30 a.m. We invite interested members to join the Executive. There are 31 Executive members at present. To ease the

workload, there are generally two (2) Co-Chairs for each Committee. Please let me know if you are interested in helping out.

I would like to thank the Executive members for their work in helping serve the over 2800 members in our Chapter, and their continued support of the Provincial STS.

♣ Lyle Markowski, President STS-Saskatoon Chapter

### Hope to see you at the...



### For tickets and more information contact:

Irma Kittelson - ijkitt@sasktel.net or Judy Pidskalny - pidskalnyj@gmail.com

\*\*For payment by e-transfer, please send to: saskatoonsts2022@gmail.com. \*\*Please include your name(s) and event in the message box. Tickets paid by e-transfer will be held at the door.

## **Activities & Events**

Activities: Janet Christ@jlchrist@sasktel.net; Rod Holowaty@r.holowaty@sasktel.net



## STAR EGG TOUR

Tuesday, October 8th, 2024 2:00 p.m.

302 Quebec Ave, Saskatoon, SK

Learn about Saskatchewan based Star Egg, a food provider specializing in the grading, distribution and marketing of shell eggs in Western Canada.



Register with Janet Christ @ (306) 934-6722 or email: jlchrist@sasktel.net

## Saskatoon Chapter is hosting the 2024 STS Provincial Curling Bonspiel



November 4-6, 2024 Saskatoon, SK Sutherland CC

See STS Provincial Recreation...
www.sts.sk.ca/recreation for the Enry form...
or contact Darlene Danyliw
Email: ddanyliw03@gmail.com or

cell 306-251-0303

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STS/SENIORS' 5 Pin Bowling League

**Hunter's Eastview Bowl** 

2929 Louise St E

Who: Retired Teachers & Seniors

When: Tuesdays at 1:30 p.m.

**Begins:** Sep 3 — Dec 17, 2024

**Resumes:** Jan 7 — Apr 15, 2025

No Experience Necessary!

Contact Ace at Hunter's Eastview Bowl (306-373-4333) ... to be put on a team.



We're always walking somewhere...

Monday Mornings — 9:00 a.m.

Join our motivated walking group. Contact

Loretta Metzger at metzgerl@shaw.ca.

Walk when you are available!



## STS Fall Social

Tuesday October 15, 2024 7:00-10:00 pm

Spadina Legion - 606 Spadina Cr W

No cover charge, cash bar

STS MEMBERS, FRIENDS & FAMILY WELCOME!!



The Place for sewing and Fun!

Welcome to Fall and the beginning of another year of creating, learning, laughing and "Sew Much Fun"! For those of you new to the STS, Sew Much Fun is a lively group of members who gather a couple of times each month at Eamer Auditorium in the STF building. On these occasions, sometimes a class is taught that focuses on quilting, crafting, and sewing. On other occasions, the entire day is devoted to what you want to do on your own, surrounded by other creative folk (just bring your own equipment and supplies!). We don't have a calendar clearly defined just yet, but we are looking forward to embroidery, quilting techniques such as curves and paper piecing, and oodles of personal project time.

The first people to hear about our dates and classes are those who have asked to be on our email list. If you'd like to be included on this list, please email Kim Newlove at newlove.kim@ shaw.ca. We send out a monthly message. You are welcome to attend one, three, eight or all of our events. We're a very flexible group that abides by one rule . . . . We have no rules!! Lol!!

If you have suggestions for classes you'd like to see on our calendar, just email Kim and she will share your idea(s) with the planning team: Wanda Drew, Mary Lou Ast, Ann Atchison, Phyllis Wilson and Linda Ashley.

Back to School means Back to Sew Much Fun!! Hope to see you at some point during our crafting year!





"There are few things more precious than the gift of a warm smile and an encouraging word."

(Celebrating Teachers, Pam's Den Inc.)

Our Committee members spend time visiting and keeping in touch with fellow retirees. Usually, they visit with shut-ins in care homes or hospitals.

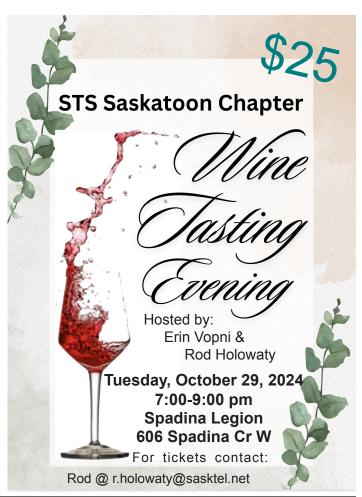
Over the last few years the visitors have come up with different ways to keep in contact with the shutin person. Our sincere thanks to these thoughtful, caring and giving members.

If you know an STS member who is shut-in and would benefit from a visit, please contact one of our Co-Chairs so arrangements can be made.

Visitation Co-Chairs:

Shirley Henderson 306-374-5388 rshenderson@sasktel.net

Carol Shanner 306-514-8415 cshanner63@shaw.ca



### From the Card Committee



Creating and sending meaningful greeting cards with thoughtful messages allows us to connect on an emotional level with members of our Chapter whether it be in times of joy, uncertainty or sadness.

Since May 2023, 194 STS members have been uplifted by receiving a card from the STS Saskatoon Chapter. Thanks to everyone who has assisted in providing information when there is a need for friendship and support.

If you would like a card sent to a STS member, we would be pleased to assist you.

From your Card Committee Co-Chairs:

Pat Orchard Gladys Somerville 306-373-9905 306-242-6668

pattymel@sasktel.net gsomer@sasktel.net

### **Telephone Committee**

"Some people 'look' for a beautiful place. Other's 'make' a place beautiful." - Hazert Inayat Khan

That's exactly what our telephoning committee attempts to do for the 15 people who don't have email addresses to keep in touch with our Chapter and look forward to our calls. These 15 members are definitely valuable members of our Chapter and need to be called.

Thank you to the Committee members for all they do. We have welcomed 90 new members to our Chapter since September 2023. This number has risen as teachers retired in June. Welcome to the STS Saskatoon Chapter. We hope you will consider attending our "Brunch With The Bunch" on Wednesday September 18, 2024 to be introduced to some of the fun activities retirement offers.

At our June year-end luncheon we recognized two Telephoning Committee members with 15 years of service—Kathy Guenther as a Captain and Lois Pyne as Co-Chair.

Our work as telephoners continues to decrease as technology increases. If you would like to be called about Chapter activities don't hesitate to call our Telephone Committee Chair:

Lois Pyne 306-978-8248

## 2025 Saskatoon Chapter Directory

Deadline for Directory requests: January 31, 2025

A **printed** copy of the 2025 Saskatoon Chapter Directory will be available to members **by request** early in 2025—see form below. \*\*Note: Digital copies are not available.

Members who have requested a directory and reside in Saskatoon will be asked to pick up their copy; date and location to be determined. Requested directories will also be available for pickup at Chapter and Special Events.

\*If you do not want your name, address, or phone number listed in the Directory, please email or mail your request to an address shown below.

I would like to receive a copy of the 2025 Saskatoon Chapter Directory.	I <i>do not</i> wish to have the following information listed in the 2025 Saskatoon Directory.				
Name					
Address					
Phone					
*Email					
Email form to: Saskatoon.STS.Directory@gmail.com	Or mail to:	Barb Alberton 730 8th Avenue N Saskatoon, SK S7K 2W9			
**Email addresses will not be published and are for contact purposes only.					

## Public Relations/Advocacy/Resolutions

A warm welcome to the STS Saskatoon Chapter is extended to all of our new and returning members. We hope that each of you is enjoying a happy and healthy summer. As we look forward to another season of activities sponsored by our local Saskatoon Chapter or the Provincial STS, we hope you will consider participating in one or many of them. Saskatoon Chapter is hosting the Provincial STS Curling at the Sutherland Curling Rink on November 4 to 6, 2024. Please come as a curler or a spectator to meet other retired teachers from across the province. For more information about these activities, please check THE Voice, your monthly emails or our Saskatoon Chapter website (www. sts-saskatoon.ca). You can also check the STS Provincial website (www.sts.sk.ca).

A reminder to all STS members of the Extended Health Plan who will be turning 65 in this next year to apply for coverage under the Saskatchewan Seniors' Drug Plan. Please submit a copy of the letter stating that you are eligible for coverage under the Saskatchewan Seniors' Drug Plan to the STS Office. Your premiums for the Extended Health Plan will be reduced at that time. The STS Group Benefit Plan is totally funded by the members of the Plan, so a

STS SASKATOON TRAVEL CLUB

Interested in travelling? Want to see and hear where some of our STS members have gone or where they are going? Check out the STS Saskatoon Travel Facebook Page... Saskatoon STS Travel Club

**REMEMBER** to check your Monthly Emails and our Facebook page for up-to-date information about ticket availability, meetings, event times and room locations for Chapter events and Activities.

Friends and family are welcome at all Chapter Events. There is <u>no</u> admission charge. Tickets for Banquets can be purchased from either: Irma: 306-934-0881 or ijkitt@sasktel.net Judy: 306-955-0026 or pidskalnyj@gmail.com

All STS Events and Meetings are Scent Free!

considered approach to your use of the Plan is necessary to keep premiums as low as possible.

A reminder that STS members have 60 days after retirement or leaving a spouse's group plan to join the STS Group Benefit Plan without providing medical evidence of good health. If you have any questions about your STS membership or the STS Group Benefits Plan (Extended Health or Dental Plan) or the Out of Province Travel Benefit that is a part of the STS Extended Health Plan please call the STS Office at (306) 373-3879 or send an e-mail to sts@sts. sk.ca.

Saskatchewan provincial and municipal elections will be held in October and November, 2024. Please ask any candidates you can about issues that affect us as retired persons both provincially and locally. Most importantly make sure that you vote in both of these elections!

As we begin 2024-2025 we also think ahead regarding resolutions that members may want to submit to the Saskatoon Chapter and, if passed, to the STS Provincial Executive for consideration at the 2025 AGM. Please submit any ideas for resolutions to either Randy Danyliw or Margaret Martin. We will assist with the wording if needed.

Randy Danyliw (<u>randydanyliw@shaw.ca</u>) Margaret Martin (<u>bill.marg@sasktel.net</u>)





Pay by cash, cheque or e-transfer

using saskatoonsts2022@gmail. com. When using e-transfer, please include your name(s) and the name of the event you are purchasing tickets for in the Message box. \*\*Please do not send e-transfers directly to Judy's or Irma's cell number or email.



Celebrating 25 Years: Honoring a Legacy of Experience

## Like to sing? Join the STS Christmas Carollers



If you'd like to sing outside the shower, the STS Christmas Carollers may be of interest to you. For more details, text or call Lis at (306) 717-9548.

### STS CHAPTER EVENT

November 20, 2024 Location: TBA 1:30 pm

MURRAY WALL
STS Executive Director



Murray, our STS Executive Director will provide highlights and changes to our STS Health Plan. A representative from Blue Cross will also be there to answer questions.



## STS Artists & Crafters

## Sell your work at the Christmas Banquet...

Wednesday, December 11, 2024 10:30 a.m. - Noon

Western Development Museum

Cost to you:
One door prize valued \$20-\$25
and your banquet ticket

(Limited number of tables)

Contact Irma at 306-934-0881 or email: ijkitt@sasktel.net

Deadline: September 21, 2024

Your 2024-2025 STS Saskatoon Chapter Executive



Back Row: Loretta Metzger, Rod Holowaty, Randy Danyliw, Diane Selby, Tom German, Margaret Martin Middle Row: Darlene Danyliw, Jane Isinger, Corinne Morton, Carol Shanner, Zonia Krushelniski, Shirley Henderson, Freda Robinson, Gladys Somerville, Pat Orchard, Janet Lowndes, Donna McTavish, Peter Stroh Front Row: Phyllis Wilson, Irma Kittelson, Kaye Wolfater, Eileen Deneiko, Lyle Markowski, Stella Shulhan, Bonnie Semenoff, Linda Ashley, Janet Christ. Missing: Barbara Alberton, Judy Pidskalny, Lois Pyne

### 2024-2025 STS Chapter Meeting & Event Dates

Note: Dates/Venues are tentative!

**Executive Meetings** take place at 9:30 a.m. on the first Wednesday of each month with the exception of November & January (2nd Wednesday). Chapter Events are usually held in Eamer Auditorium.

### September 2024

Sep 4 - Executive Meeting

Sep 10 - Fall Texas Scramble

Greenbryre Golf & Country Club

Sep 18 - Brunch with the Bunch - WDM

### October 2024

Oct 2 - Executive Meeting

Oct 8 - Star Egg Tour

Oct 15 - Fall Social-Spadina Legion

Oct 29 - Wine Tasting-Spadina Legion

### November 2024

Nov 4 - 6 - Provincial STS Curling

Nov 13 - Executive Meeting

Nov 20 - Chapter Event - Your STS Health Plan

### December 2024

Dec 4 - Executive Meeting

Dec 11 - Christmas Banquet & Craft Show

### January 2025

Jan 8 - Executive Meeting

### February 2025

Feb 5 - Executive Meeting

Feb 19 - Chapter Event

#### March 2025

Mar 5 - Executive Meeting

Mar 19 - Chapter Event

### April 2025

Apr 2 - Executive Meeting



Your Editor: Darlene Danyliw

Deadlines for submissions to The Voice:

Winter Issue – November 30, 2024 Spring Issue – March 31, 2025

Fall Issue - June 30, 2025

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The STS Website has all the details...
and pictures too.
https://sts-saskatoon.ca

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