



STS Saskatoon Chapter

SEPTEMBER 2026

The Superannuated Teachers of Saskatchewan is an organization of retired teachers who are dedicated to promoting the welfare of all superannuated teachers, and to maintaining the ties which bind them to fellow professionals. The STS Saskatoon Chapter has over 2900 members and is the largest Chapter in the organization.

We acknowledge that we are on Treaty 6 Territory and encompassing the land of the Cree, Dakota, Nakota, Saulteaux and the homeland of the Metis Nation. We are dedicated to ensuring that the spirit of Reconciliation and Treaty 6 are honoured and respected.

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Summer is winding down; harvesting is well underway. Superannuate/Retirees, it's time to check your calendars and start planning your fall activities. This email shows you

September & October activities and events but if your
check THE Voice, you can find activities into January...

Activities coming in September

Fall Golf - Texas Scramble

Brunch with the Bunch

Brunch with the Bunch
Wednesday, September 16
(Sales end September 8)

The clock is ticking and the final few days of ticket sales are counting down. Get yours now so you

don't miss the Brunch
With The Bunch! Hope to
see you there!

Purchase your Brunch tickets by
e-transfer:

saskatoonsts2022@gmail.com

Please include your name(s), email
address, and the name of the event
in the Message Box.

Ticket Confirmation: When your
eTransfer has been received and
your ticket has been secured, you
will receive a Confirmation email from Irma Kittelson. Be
sure to watch for it!





STS Saskatoon Chapter
Fall Texas Scramble
September 15, 2026
9:00 am



GREENBRYRE
GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB

\$39.75 Walking
\$59.25 w/cart

To register email:
Janet: jlchrist@sasktel.net
or call: 306-934-6722

ENTER AS AN INDIVIDUAL OR AS A TEAM. There is always room for a few more golfers. It is always a GREAT TIME!

**Register for the Fall Texas Scramble - call
Janet Christ at 306-934-6722, or email
jlchrist@sasktel.net**

**Buying tickets ...
or Registering for an activity...**

eTransfer

Pay for tickets using e-transfer; send to:
saskatoonsts2022@gmail.com

Please include **your name(s), email address,
and the name of the event** you are registering/
purchasing tickets for in the Message Box.

***** Please DO NOT send e-transfers to
Judy's or Irma's email or cell number.*****

**While the Saskatoon Chapter Walking Club has kept
walking all summer, there are always new paths to take.
Join us when available.**

Love to Walk?

Join the

Saskatoon Chapter Walking Club

Walks leave Mondays at 9:00 a.m.

Our September start point will be:

The Forestry Farm area, park behind St.
Joseph High School by the children's
playground equipment.

For more information about the Walking Club,
contact: Loretta Metzger – metzgerl@shaw.ca



Get ready for Christmas...

**Crafters sell your work
at the**

15th Annual 
STS Saskatoon Chapter
Craft Sale

**Wednesday, December 9, 2026
10:30 a.m. - Noon**

Western Development Museum

*If chosen to be a crafter you will be asked
to provide a door prize (valued at \$15-\$20)
to be awarded to a banquet guest.*

(Limited number of tables)

Deadline: September 30, 2026

Contact Phyllis at 306-380-0684 or email: filysan@shaw.ca

Sew Much Fun

September means it's back to Sew Much Fun! Welcome to Fall and another year filled with chances to create, learn, laugh, and spend time with others! For those of you new to the STS, "Sew Much Fun" is a group of lively members who gather a couple of times a month at the Eamer Auditorium in the STF Building. When we get together, sometimes we offer a sewing/crafting class, and sometimes everyone brings their own projects and materials and spends the day chatting, laughing, and problem solving for the entire day.



September 30 – Upcycled Tote Bags with Brenda Sawchuk

We hope you've been collecting your plastic food packages! If not, get started! Brenda will show us how to sew a super sturdy tote bag out of materials that would otherwise end up in our landfill or recycle bins . . .and they are so colourful and strong!!

Fee: \$25 payable at the door

October 1 – Personal Project Day

Bring your projects along and spend the day working alongside other creative minds!

Fee: \$5 payable at the door



October 13 – Sashiko with Sharon Compton

What a treat to have Sharon available to give us the time and space to learn how to do some Sashiko stitching. For those not familiar with Sashiko, it is a traditional Japanese hand-stitching technique meaning "little stabs". It uses white or coloured thread on indigo fabric. Originally created by rural farming families for functional mending, reinforcement, and insulation, it has evolved into a popular meditative and decorative art form.

The attached picture is simply a sample of what Sashiko looks like . . . it is NOT a picture of the work Sharon will guide us through.

Fee: \$25 payable at the door



If you would like to add your name to our Sew Much Fun email group list, please email Kim Newlove at newlove.kim@shaw.ca.

Another Activity for you to consider...

BEGINNER BRIDGE LESSONS

**10 Beginner Bridge lessons
will be offered**

Wednesday Evenings 6:30 - 8:45

Starting September 9, 2026

**Cost will be \$100 and includes your
Saskatoon Bridge Club membership**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO
REGISTER CONTACT CLAIRE**

cookcl@gmail.com

306 716 7537 (text or call)



   
October Events

Join us for a
GREAT EXPERIENCE!

STS Saskatoon Chapter

GREAT WESTERN
BREWERY TOUR

 *Tuesday,*
OCTOBER 20TH, 2026

 **2:00 PM**

 *Limit:*
30 PEOPLE



DISCOVER. LEARN. TASTE. ENJOY.
Great beer starts with a great story.

**Register for the Great West Brewery Tour call
Rod Holowaty at 306-381-6016 , or email
r.holowaty@sasktel.net.**

STS Fall Social
featuring Pat Mitchell
ONE FINE DAY
Women of the Sixties:
A Musical Journey



Wednesday, October 21, 2026
7:00-9:30 pm
Spadina Legion - 606 Spadina Cr W
No cover charge, cash bar
**STS MEMBERS, FRIENDS
& FAMILY WELCOME!!**

STS Saskatoon Executive

The **STS Saskatoon Chapter Executive** is an active group of superannuated teachers, who work on a variety of sub-committees to plan, organize and share information for the members of the STS Saskatoon Chapter.

2026-2027 STS Saskatoon Chapter Executive



Back Row: Randy Danyliw, Diane Selby, Tom German, Peter Stroh, Lyle Markowski
Row 2: Margaret Martin, Freda Robinson, Barbara Alberton, Brenda Croft, Pat Orchard, Gladys Somerville, Zonia Krushelniski, Karen Cymbalisty, Janet Christ, Judy Pidskalny, Linda Ashley
Front Row: Irma Kittleson, Darlene Danyliw, Kaye Wolfater, Lyn Carduner, Bonnie Semenoff, Janet Lowndes, Phyllis Wilson, Shirley Henderson, Rod Holowaty, Jane Isinger, Loretta Metzger
Missing: Carol Shanner

Two new members have joined the 2026-2027 STS Saskatoon Chapter Executive: Hospitality—Lyn Carduner & Archives—Brenda Croft.

Jane Isinger and Bonnie Semenoff are on the 2026-2027 STS Provincial Executive.



College of Education Centennial Anniversary

In 2027, the College of Education will mark its 100th anniversary through celebration, engagement, and storytelling.

College of Education Alumni Story Submissions

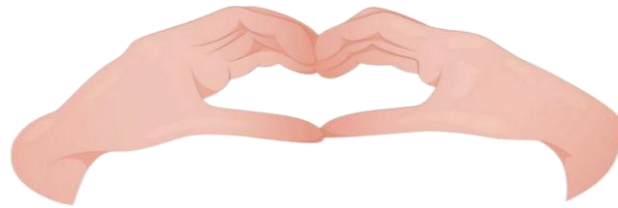
As we celebrate 100 years of the College of Education, we invite you to share a reflection, memory, or story from your time as a student or throughout your career in education. Please share a meaningful moment from your studies, an experience that shaped your teaching, or a personal or professional update you would like to share with the College community.

Share your stories, memories, career milestones, achievements, and life updates since you graduated (300word limit) on the submission website:

<https://education.usask.ca/centennial/alumni-storysubmissions.php>

STS Explore Local

Another travel opportunity...*STS Explore Local* is a "private" Facebook Group open to members of Superannuated Teachers of Saskatchewan. We find activities and then members get together for short trips throughout Saskatchewan. Members should be prepared to help plan trips, provide ideas and actively engage in all aspects to the best of their ability. It is set up so any member can get an idea for a trip and post it on this Facebook page. People can then get together and organize a trip. Last summer many went to the Bruno Cherry Festival; another time a group attended the play, Stag 'n Doe in Rosthern. Over this festive season, Christmas markets have been featured. Note to be a member, you must be given "permission" to be part of the group. **Open your Facebook page..**then search for **STS Explore Local**.



CHAPTER OUTREACH

Visits and phone calls can be a source of support, comfort, and a way to stay connected with others...

If you know of anyone who is a member of the Saskatoon Chapter of the Superannuated Teachers and is hospitalized or considered a shutin, please contact **Carol Shanner** at cshanner63@shaw.ca or **306-514-8415**.

We have a wonderful team of retired teachers who are willing to make contact with a phone call or a personal visit.

KEEP YOUR INFORMATION CURRENT!

If you change your address, email address or phone number, please contact the **STS Provincial Office** at **306-373-3879** or email sts@sts.sk.ca.



We have TWO (2) Health Plan Opportunities

Please review the information below on the Health Spending Account (HSA) and the Extended Health Plan. Please contact the STS Office at 306-373-3879 if you have any questions about either plan.

Your HEALTH SPENDING ACCOUNT— A Priority to Use!

Your Health Spending Account runs until December 31.

STS Members - Know how to use the Extended Health Plan

The **\$500 vaccine benefit** that was authorized as of July 1, 2024 for members of the STS Extended Health Plan is **per person - \$500 for you and \$500 for your spouse if you are paying premiums for a couple** – and it is an annual amount, **so you have \$500 each**. Just a reminder that the plan will cover 80% of the vaccine cost and you will pay the other 20%. **If you have any questions about the STS Extended Health Plan, please contact the STS Office at 306-373-3879.**

HEALTH SPENDING ACCOUNT (HSA)

All STS Group Benefit Plan members (Primary Plan Holders) that enrolled in the Plan prior to January 1, 2025 have a Health Spending Account--\$200 if you have "Single" coverage, \$400 if you have "Couple" coverage, and \$460 if you have "Family" coverage. This amount must be utilized before December 31, 2026. These allocations may be used by anyone covered by the Plan Holder and used for any health expenses allowed by Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) which are not included in, or completely covered by, the STS Extended Health and Dental Plan.

What if I didn't use my HSA in 2025? Health Spending Account funds remaining after the first year (2025) will be carried into the next calendar year to be utilized between January 1, 2026, and December 31, 2026.

Should you not have medical expenses, it is possible to use the HSA for reimbursement of premiums paid. If you wish to go that route, please contact the STS office (306-373-3879 or sts@sts.sk.ca). The office will provide a statement of premiums which would then be submitted to Saskatchewan Blue Cross. You do not need to wait until the annual premium statement is mailed out in January.

If you have any questions about your HSA coverage or the STS Group Benefit Plans (Extended Health and/or Dental), please contact the STS Office by email sts@sts.sk.ca or by telephone 306-373-3879.

STAY IN THE KNOW! Find a wealth of information something for everyone! Please peruse through the various links and opportunities for information that is pertinent for you.

Please take time to visit:

The **STS Saskatoon Chapter Website** at <http://www.sts-saskatoon.ca> [CLICK HERE](#) is a quick way to check out planned activities, acquire forms, become more familiar with membership benefits, and read **The Voice**.

The Fall issue of The Voice is available to read and shows many upcoming events. [CLICK HERE](#).

Be sure to check out the **STS Saskatoon Chapter Facebook** page another fine way to stay current and in-touch with activities and announcements. [CLICK HERE](#)

Don't forget that **OUTREACH FALL Edition** [CLICK HERE](#) is the provincial publication of the Superannuated Teachers of Saskatchewan and is available online in PDF form. It is an excellent resource for current updates and provincially planned recreation activities. You can look up previous issues of OUTREACH [CLICK HERE](#)



This information is included as we continuously add new members to our contact list.

Join the Saskatoon STS Chapter by becoming an Associate Member.

Any teacher who has left the teaching profession but has not met the requirements for superannuation/retirement eligibility, **is invited to become an Associate Member of the Saskatoon Chapter of the Superannuated Teachers of Saskatchewan.** Also, we welcome superannuates from other STS Chapters to consider becoming an associate member with the Saskatoon Chapter. **An associate membership will ensure that you get up-to-date information about our many events while still maintaining contact with your 'home' chapter.** For more information [CLICK HERE](#).

Important Group Benefit Reminder

To all STS members who have *recently retired or are leaving another Group Benefit Plan* - there is a 60-day window to join the STS Group Benefits Plan — the Extended Health Plan including travel and/or the Dental Plan—*without having to provide medical evidence of good health*. It is possible to join later but you will be asked to provide medical evidence. **This same 60-day window applies to a spouse of a deceased superannuate or of a deceased active teacher, who must apply to become a member of STS and join the STS Group Benefit Plan without having to provide medical evidence of good health.**

JUST IN CASE you have missed taking time to check out lots of great information...you are just a CLICK away!

The Voice is a newsletter that is **currently published two times in the 2026-2027 year.**

To change reading **_The Voice_** to online only, or if there is a label error in your name or address, **please contact Irma Kittelson at ijkitt@sasktel.net**.

Read THE VOICE ONLINE [CLICK HERE](#)

The **STS Provincial Newsletter**, [OUTREACH](#), is also available to read online; contact the provincial office sts@sts.sk.ca to make a change to reading their newsletter.

Don't forget to follow us on FACEBOOK - STS SASKATOON CHAPTER

You can see photos of past events on [Facebook](#) or our Chapter website - <http://www.sts-saskatoon.ca> [CLICK HERE](#)

The right side of every page of our website has a contact link for contacting the Executive - messages will be forwarded to the appropriate Executive member.

On behalf of the STS Saskatoon Chapter Executive, Bonnie Semenoff and Darlene Danyliw are the Email Co-Chairs. If you wish to contact us with a question or clarification, our contact email address is info@stssaskatoon.ca.