



STS Saskatoon Chapter

OCTOBER 2024

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 2800 members and is the largest chapter in the organization.



OCTOBER THANKS

Farewell summer and welcome autumn. October is the perfect month to use one's senses to absorb the changes...the change of colors to shades of orange, yellow, red and brown. The crunch of the leaves during a fall walk and the crisp temperatures in the morning. And one cannot overlook the stunning aurora borealis that have adorned the night time skies.

As the days are getting shorter in October it's time to make the best of each day by taking in some of the fall activities. We would like to invite each of you to consider getting actively involved by attending any planned activities of interest, coming out to banquets, or joining the executive.

All aboard!!!

Please peruse the email and focus on the information that is pertinent for you.

Please take time to visit:

The **STS Website** at <http://www.sts-saskatoon.ca> [CLICK HERE](#) It 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 [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](#)

For Future Reference:

Buying a Ticket for an Event -

Here are your options!

Payment by cash, cheque or e-transfer using *saskatoonsts2022@gmail.com* are accepted.

Please do not send e-transfers directly to Judy's or Irma's cell number or email.

In the Message box, please include your name(s) and the name of the event you are purchasing tickets for.

**Payment by
Cheque?**

**If paying by cheque,
make it payable to**



Superannuated Teachers of SK Saskatoon Chapter

and mail it to Irma or
Judy (please contact
one of them for their
mailing address).

Meet the STS Saskatoon Chapter Executive 2024-2025

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

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. If joining the STS Saskatoon Chapter Executive is something you would enjoy being a part of, **please reach out to any member of the Executive or contact Lyle Markowski, President, at 306-371-2761 or email lylemark@sasktel.net.**

2025 Saskatoon Chapter Directory

- Make Your Request Today

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.**

<input type="checkbox"/> I would like to receive a copy of the 2025 Saskatoon Chapter Directory.	<input type="checkbox"/> 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.	

Keep us informed:

If your address, email address or phone number changes, please be sure to contact the STS Office at 306-373-3879 or email sts@sts.sk.ca when notifying people of the change.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION and PLANNING

STS Fall Social is just around the corner...

Hope to see you there!



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!!

**UPDATE: The STS Christmas Banquet tickets
are now**

SOLD OUT as of October 15.

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October 13,
Nearly **SOLD OUT**
A waiting list will
be created

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*Christmas
Banquet*

Saskatoon Chapter

Wednesday, December 11, 2024

10:30 a.m. Craft Sale & Social
12:15 p.m. Buffet Meal
Western Development Museum

\$20 Name on reverse for door prizes
Scent free, please.

**LAST CALL for Provincial Bonspiel
Teams...October 18th.**

Register now!

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 Entry form...

or contact Darlene Danyliw

Email: ddanyliw03@gmail.com or

cell 306-251-0303

STS Travel Group — Meeting

*Travel is the only thing that costs you
money but makes you richer!*

Monday, October 21, 2024

1:30 – 3:00 pm

Eamer Auditorium

STF Building

What we'll be talking about...

- 3 Photo Book Companies to save your pics
- Black Friday travel info
- April 2025 — Women's Hiking opportunity
- July 2025 — Passion Play in Drumheller

Join our Facebook page... Saskatoon STS Travel Club

Wine Tasting Evening

Come on Out for an Evening of Sipping and Socializing!

\$25

STS Saskatoon Chapter



*Wine
Tasting
Evening*

Hosted by:

Erin Vopni &
Rod Holowaty

Tuesday, October 29, 2024

7:00-9:00 pm

Spadina Legion

606 Spadina Cr W

For tickets contact:

Rod @ r.holowaty@sasktel.net



SASKATOON CHAPTER MEETINGS

Nov. 20 - Murray Wall, STS Exec. Director
1:30 pm & Anna Shewchuk (Blue Cross)

STS Health & Dental Benefit Program.

**LOCATION: Lakewood Civic Centre,
Multi Purpose Room**

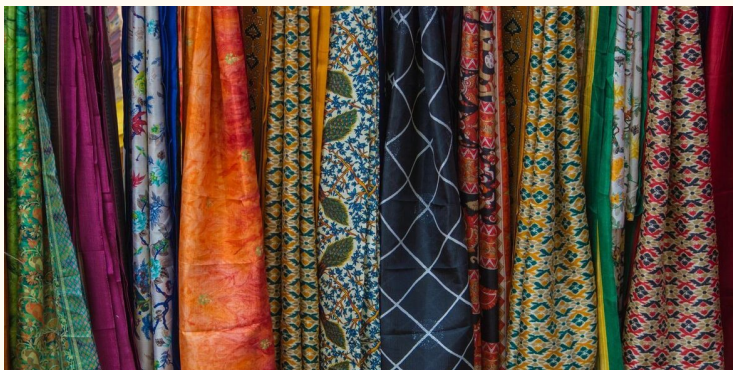
Feb. 19 - Fraud -
members of the SPS
Location TBA

March 19 - U of S, Dean of Education
Dr. Julia Paulson
Location TBA

**The November 20th meeting is open to ALL Chapter
Members**

Executive Director, Murray Wall from the STF will be our guest speaker.
He will provide highlights and changes to our Health Plan. Anna Shewchuk,
from Blue Cross, will also be in attendance to answer questions.

Sew Much Fun Has Begun!!!



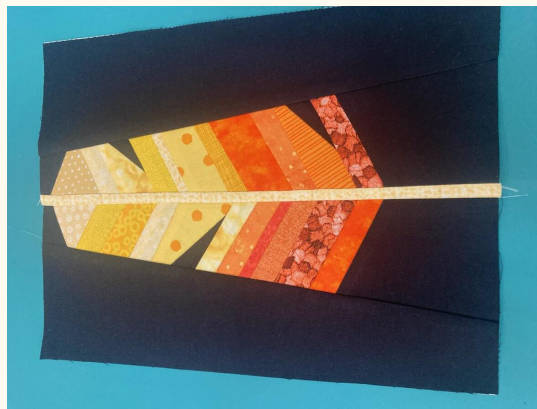
Fall is already up and running with Sew Much Fun! We hope you'll be joining us for some of these creative, fun days . . .

Please register for both the classes and for personal projects by emailing Wanda Drew at wandaldrew@gmail.com

We do our best to reserve lots of space for personal project work during our instructional days! (\$5 payable at the door)

-Our days begin at 9:00 and we need to be out of the room by 4:00 (kind of like school!)

-Bring your own lunch or join those that choose to head out to a restaurant



October 30 - Paper Piecing with Doreen

Doreen DeGooijer will lead a quilting class using the paper piecing technique. This class will be ideal for those new to paper piecing or for those wanting to polish up their skills. Feathers and trees and fun, oh my!

Fee - \$25.00 payable at the door



Sorry! The Christmas tree just won't flip upright!

November 12 - Personal Project Day

Time to get working on all those Christmas projects!! Come along for the day and create with other like-minded crafter and sewers.

Fee - \$5 payable at the door



November 21 - Mushroom Collage on Canvas Frame with Trudi

Trudi Scrapper has designed an introductory collage class just for us! Bring your scraps (you know you have plenty!!) and learn how to collage with Trudi.

Fee - \$25 payable at the door for the class

Fee - \$5 payable at the door for personal project crafters/sewers

December 13 - Friday the 13th no less!!

- Personal Project Day

Last chance to gather with the group before Christmas and get those personal projects completed!!

Fee - \$5 payable at the door

January - date to be determined . . .project to be determined

February - date to be determined . . .we are planning to have a “curves and quilting” class with Dorothy Thomson if the dates work out (fingers crossed!)

Lastly . . .This is the annual reminder that if you wish to have your name removed from this mailing list, please reply to this message and let Kim know. Thanks.

That’s about it for now! Enjoy this last blast of second summer weather we’re having! See you soon at a Sew Much Fun day :)

*Your Sew Much Fun Planning Team,
Linda Ashley
Mary Lou Ast
Ann Atchison*

*Wanda Drew
Kim Newlove
Phyllis Wilson*



CALLING ALL SINGERS

A little falalalala to get into the spirit of the festive season.

This is a short commitment to enjoy singing some Christmas songs, which we will perform at the Christmas Banquet at the WDM on December 11.

Our rehearsals are scheduled for December 6, 9 and 10 from 3:15 to 5pm at Eamer Auditorium at the STF Building. Even if you can't make all the rehearsals, the music will be quick to learn.

Please contact Lis Baldo at 306-717-9548 or ehbaldo@gmail.com.

A HUGE THANK YOU to Brian Unverricht, who will conduct and Bonnie Semenoff will accompany.

STS Walking Group - FALL into Step



The STS Walking Group faithfully walks every Monday. Whether you are a regular or a first timer, enjoy coming out for a morning walk. Pick your pace and modify the length of your walk if needed.

Date: Every Monday morning at 9:00 am

Where: Each week the group will meet at a pre-arranged location.

What: Loretta Metzger will make contact with pertinent information. Join in when available! If you are interested in walking with the motivated group, please **contact Loretta Metzger at metzgerl@shaw.ca** for further information. The STS Saskatoon Chapter Facebook page also includes weekly updates for the walking group.



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.

**For more information and to sign up for
Chapter activities, please contact: Janet
Christ, email: jlchrist@sasktel.net or call 306-
934-6722.**



Important Information for STS members

of 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 to use until the end of December, 2024 and then another \$500 each starting in January, 2025.



Visitation Outreach

An ounce of giving equals a pound of caring!

If you know of anyone who is a member of the Saskatoon Chapter of the Superannuated Teachers and is hospitalized or considered a shut-in, please contact **Carol Shanner** at cshanner63@shaw.ca or **306-514-8415** or **Shirley Henderson** at rshenderson@sasktel.net or **306-374-5388** and contact will be arranged.

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



Transportation to Chapter Events a Problem?

We have a Possible Solution

The Saskatoon Chapter would like to re-introduce a trial program to provide transportation to Daytime Chapter events.

We realize that some of our members may not drive anymore or currently have a medical condition that prohibits them from driving for a period of time. We would like to offer a taxi voucher for a return trip to a daytime Chapter Event for these members. A member is limited to one event/year and vouchers will be dispersed on a first come basis. **If you are interested in receiving a voucher, please request a copy of the application form by sending an email to STS.Saskatoon@gmail.com . You may return your application to STS.Saskatoon@gmail.com or mail to J. Pidskalny, 111 Costigan Road, Saskatoon, SK S7J 3P5.**

Please ensure that the form is submitted at least two weeks in advance to ensure enough time to receive the taxi voucher by mail. If you do not have email or require more information, please call Judy @ 306-955-0026.

EMPLOYMENT and VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Saskatoon Council on Aging (SCOA)

The Saskatoon Council on Aging (SCOA) continues to offer a number of interesting educational opportunities. It is an excellent organization that supports seniors and offers a wide variety of activities. For more information, check out scoa.ca. [CLICK HERE](#) There is also a **Coming of Age Publication** that you may wish to peruse. [[CLICK HERE](#)]

Prairie Hospice Society - Volunteer With Us

Volunteers needed.

The need in the community continues to grow, our current volunteers are providing many hours. Learn more by visiting the website:

www.prairiehospice.org [[CLICK HERE](#)], or contact:

@admin.assist@prairiehospice.org or phone 306-249-5554.

Prairie Hospice Society is a charitable, non-profit community organization working to ensure access to compassionate, community-based, end-of-life support in Saskatoon. Our goal is to enhance quality of life at the end of life, wherever people call home. We provide one-on-one companionship and non-medical support for clients and their families, raise awareness and educate the community about end-of-life care, and advocate for quality end-of-life care.

Additional STS Member Information

This information is included each month as we continuously have new members added to our contact list.

Never Miss an Event! Join the Saskatoon STS Chapter by becoming an Associate Member

If you are or know a teacher who has left the teaching profession but has not met the requirements for superannuation/retirement eligibility, **you are invited to become an Associate Member of the Saskatoon Chapter of the Superannuated Teachers of Saskatchewan**. Also, we welcome any 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](#) or contact Past President Eileen Deneiko at eileen.deneiko@sasktel.net .**

Important Group Benefit Reminder

A reminder to all STS members who have recently retired or are leaving another Group Benefit Plan of the sixty-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 sixty-day window also applies to the spouse of a deceased

superannuate or of a deceased active teacher who is then able to become a member of STS and apply to join the STS Group Benefit Plan without having to provide medical evidence of good health.

The Voice

The Voice is a newsletter that is published three times in the STS 2024-2025 year.

To submit articles for consideration of inclusion or suggestions for topics of interest to our general membership, **please contact the editor, Darlene Danyliw: stsvoiceeditor@gmail.com or 306-249-4494.**

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.** If your address has changed or will be changing, please inform Irma as soon as possible. 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 online as well.

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

For photos, find us 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 Irma Kittelson are the Email Co-Chairs. If you wish to contact us with a question or clarification, our contact email address is info@stssaskatoon.ca.

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