

# STS REGINA CHAPTER ANNUAL NEWSLETTER AUGUST 2025

#### WELCOME FROM CHAPTER PRESIDENT JOYCE HOFFMAN

Both the Regina STS Chapter Executive and I would like to welcome all "new" 2025 Superannuates and all returning Superannuates to another wonderful year of planned Assemblies, zoom meetings and social events. All activities are planned for your interest, learning and for the enjoyment of all our retired community members.

Robert Mitchell, who most of you know as Bob, was honoured this year with the Award of Merit from the Regina Chapter for organizing and running the Stu Reiley Golf Tournament, for many years. Bob was awarded this honour at the May Assembly. Congratulations Bob!!!

There are several individuals who work behind the scenes to make STS Regina Chapter function smoothly. This includes all individuals who have volunteered to work as a chairperson, a member as part of the Executive or as members on various committees. Thank you for all the work you do. You are important to the Chapter running smoothly.

A special thank you goes to the Regina Public School Board for allowing us to use their facilities and especially Alma Tholl, who does the scheduling for this to occur. Her work is appreciated in making this happen for us.

All Assemblies are held in the Ron Mitchell Room of the Regina Public School Board Office at 1600-4th Avenue. There are several parking spots located at the rear of the building with direct access to the Ron Mitchell Room through the rear door.

A few parking spaces are available for those with mobility issues at the front of the building as well.

For information about Regina Chapter events, please refer to our website, stsreginachapter.com A monthly newsletter is usually sent if there are changes to the scheduled events, but a check at the website is convenient to do as well. While there, check on upcoming events, Assemblies and the Provincial Executive notes.

The first Regina Chapter event is the Annual Out to Lunch With the Bunch on August 27th at the Atlas Hotel Banquet Room. There is an elevator for easy access to the banquet room. Parking is available surrounding the hotel and at the rear of the building. With guest Square Dancers, as entertainment, at this event, it will make you feel like tapping your foot and you'll even have a chance to try it out. Information regarding the sale of tickets and the names of individuals selling them are also found in this issue. We hope to see you all there!

Joyce Hoffman

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#### **OUT TO LUNCH WITH THE BUNCH: WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 27**

When: August 27, 2025 from 11:30 am – 2:00 pm

Where: Atlas Hotel 4177 Albert Street (downstairs)

Cost: Regina Chapter members (and one guest) \$15.00 per person

Non-Chapter members \$30.00 per person

Tickets must be purchased by Wednesday, August 20, 2025. NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AFTER THIS DATE.

Contact: Purchases made by cheque or exact cash

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Debbie (306) 529 - 4123 (Central)

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Helen (306) 541 – 5743 (etransfers only helens@sasktel.net)

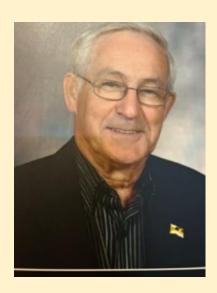
PLEASE CONTACT THE INDIVIDUAL PRIOR TO PICKING UP TICKETS OR TRANSFERRING MONEY.

Parking is available at both the front and back of the hotel. There is an elevator for easy access to the banquet room. The entertainment for the event will be dancers from the Regina Square Dance Club.

#### **CELEBRATING 2000 SUPERANNUATES**

For many years, our Chapter has recognized members who are marking 25 years as superannuates. On October 27 we will recognize members who retired in 2000 and are marking a quarter century of retirement from the profession. Letters of invitation were sent in early August to 75 members who are noted as having retired in 2000. If you did not receive such a letter, please contact Chapter President, Joyce Hoffman at (306) 741-5161 or by email: jdthoffman@sasktel.net. If you are uncertain about the year of your retirement, please contact the STS office at (306) 373-3879. If it is possible that you retired from another jurisdiction outside Regina and have moved here, so please contact Joyce, and we will include you in recognition. Certificates will be mailed to those members who are unable to attend in person.

#### 2025 REGINA CHAPTER AWARD OF MERIT RECIPIENT



**Robert Mitchell** 

After Bob's 35-year career with Regina Public Schools as both a teacher (Haultain and Balfour) and administrator (Balfour, Sheldon-Williams, Martin, Campbell and Robert Usher), he continued working in the field of teaching. He developed and taught courses for the Saskatchewan Safety Council and then for the Department of Highways, SaskTel, SGI and private industries in Saskatchewan and Alberta. Another program he developed and taught is teen car rodeos, he inspected work zones for the Department of Highways, wrote the current Lift Truck Manual and taught classes qualifying workers to be instructors.

Upon final retirement Bob began golfing with the STS Golf Tournament for which Stuart Reiley was the organizer. In 2011 Bob offered to help Stu with the organizing of the tournament. In 2014, after Jean Reiley's death, Stu asked Bob to take over the whole operation. When Stuart died in 2016 Bob named the annual tournament the Stu Reiley Memorial STS Golf Tournament. Bob said it was a real honor and pleasure working alongside Stu and an honor and privilege to carry the tradition on in Stu's name. After Covid Bob resurrected the game and was very fortunate to have Ron Reinhart take over in 2023. He stated it was a pleasure and a joy to have been able to meet with such a great group of retired teachers and to work with the executives of the STS, who were always so amenable and easy to deal with when it came to the golf tournament.

To show appreciation for the work Bob Mitchell has done for the STS, Regina Chapter, in planning and organizing the annual golf tournament as well as the support provided to Stu Reiley, the Chapter has awarded Bob with an Award of Merit. Congratulations Bob Mitchell.

#### **REGINA CHAPTER 2025 – 2026 CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Date	Day	Event	Location
August 27	Wed.	Out To Lunch With The Bunch	Atlas Hotel
			4177 Albert street
September 18	Thurs.	Assembly	Ron Mitchell Room
			Board Office *
October 27	Mon.	25 Year Celebration	Ron Mitchell Room
			Board Office *
November 24	Mon.	Assembly	Ron Mitchell Room
			Board Office *
December 8	Mon.	Christmas Banquet	Atlas Hotel
			4177 Albert street
February 23	Mon.	Lunch Provided/	Ron Mitchell Room
-		Assembly	Board Office *
March 23	Mon.	Assembly	Ron Mitchell Room
			Board Office *
April 13	Mon.	Regina Chapter Reads	Ron Mitchell Room
			Board Office *
April 21	Tues.	Chapter AGM	Ron Mitchell Room
			Board Office *
May 12 - 14	Tues.	Provincial AGM	Dakota Dunes
	Weds.		Whitecap Reserve
	Thurs.		

<sup>\*</sup>For location information please check the President's message on page one. Additional information about these or any other events such as presenters/entertainers will be provided by email through the communication chair and posted at stsreginachapter.com

#### CHAPTER OUTREACH

If you know any members who are ill, hospitalized, convalescing from surgery, grieving, celebrating a major milestone, being recognized in the community –please contact Outreach Coordinator, Myrna Switzer at (306) 352-3982 or email myrnaswitzer@hotmail.com. This past year, Myrna sent out 78 cards. It's another meaningful way for us to support and connect with each other.

#### **2025-2026 DIARIES**

The 2025 - 26 STS Diaries are expected to arrive shortly. If they arrive in time, we will have them available at Out To Lunch with the Bunch on August 27. If you are unable to attend the event, and want a copy, please contact President Joyce Hoffman by phone/text: (306) 741 – 5161, or by email: jdthoffman@sasktel.net. We can mail you a copy or make arrangements for you to pick up your copy. There is a limited supply so please get in touch as soon as possible as we expect most of the copies will be gone after August 27.

#### ADVOCACY PLANS 2025-2026

\*Dates are dependent upon the availability of the presenter or the room: speaker/tour to be confirmed

The ADVOCACY COMMITTEE has organized six learning opportunities for STS members and guests to help fulfill the STS Regina Chapter Aim to encourage superannuates to maintain an active interest in community and public affairs: three noon Zooms online with captions (see link below), three in-person attendance. Details (including the link if needed) will be published prior to events in the emailed announcements, on FaceBook at

https://www.facebook.com/groups/230225157314283 and on the Website stsreginachapter.com; you may also email stsreginaadvocacy@gmail.com for more information.

#### \* PROPOSED TOPIC OR EVENT

**September:** Noon Zoom - Recycling and Waste Diversion City of Regina (Waste Diversion Officer)

October: Tour - Regina Water Treatment Plant at Buffalo Pound Lake and FEE required

**November:** Viewing the Video: Singing Back the Buffalo by Tasha Hubbard

**February:** Noon Zoom - Miller School Group, Prisma Colour (Nicole Anderson)

March: Noon Zoom - The Lake Diefenbaker Irrigation Project (Bob Halliday)

April 13 Assembly Regina Chapter READS for Reconciliation Three book reviews and one guest

speaker

## Annual Stu Reiley Memorial Golf Thursday, September 4, 9:30 am Shotgun start

Green Acres Golf Course

\$60.00 per golfer includes 9 holes, lunch and commemorative gift

Enter as teams, pairs or individuals

Retired teacher / spouses and friends' welcome.

Non-competitive format.

Please register by August 22nd

Registration entries contact Ron Reinhart

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#### 2025 - 26 CHAPTER EXECUTIVE

**President** Joyce Hoffman

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Vice-President Don Gabel

Past President Doug Still

**Secretary** Chris Atkinson

Treasurer Helen Sukovieff

Members At Large Lorna Brierley

Geri Skilnick

**Heather Pontius** 

Provincial Executive Joyce Hoffman

Chris Atkinson

Doug Still

Helen Sukovieff

**Committee Chairs** 

**Advocacy** Shirley Humphries

**Communications** Vacant

**Program** Joyce Hoffman

Helen Sukovieff

**Recreation** Vacant

**Resolutions** Don Gabel

Social Assembly Food Sandy Nasewich

**Specialized Roles** 

**Archivist** Adeline Wuschenny

Membership David Cawood

Outreach Myrna Switzer

Photographer Jim Slough

Social Media Moderator Greg Lawrence

Tour Coordinator Linda Galenzoski

Webmaster David Statt

#### Travel

Plans have been made to travel to Vietnam, Cambodia, Thailand from January 7-25, 2025. We have 14 signed up and the maximum is 16. We are using G Adventures Tours, and they will also arrange air travel for us. The package costs \$3059.00 plus airfare. Email Linda (Igalenzoski@accesscomm.ca) if you are interested in joining the group. I am proposing travel to Egypt in the fall of 2026 and Australia/New Zealand in February 2027. If these two places are of interest to you, please contact me at: Igalenzoski@accesscomm.ca.

#### **Social Events**

The committee has decided on the following events for our STS members and their guests. Please add them to your calendar and we hope you can join us for some socializing and fun.

1. **Corn hole** - Wednesday, September 17, 1-3:30 pm at 2363 2nd Avenue in Regina. The cost is \$10.00/person.

#### **Tentative Activities and Dates:**

- 2. **Graveyard Tour** October (tba) from 3pm to 5pm. The tour takes place at the cemetery on Broad and 4th Avenue, followed by appetizers at Bushwacker's Brew Pub. Cost is \$5.00. Bring a friend.
- 3. **Dinner and Dance** February 2026. Cost \$20.00/person. If you enjoy music from the 60's, 70's and 80's, bring a friend to sing along with the music and dance all night!
- 4. **Puzzle-making contest and games afternoon** March, 1:30-4:00 pm at Regina Public Schools, 1600 4th Avenue. Prizes will be awarded for the contest winners and door prizes for everyone who attends.

### Regina Chapter Reads 2025

