



PRESIDENT'S REPORT - MARCH 2018

After our strange winter storms this year, I know that I am waiting for Spring to arrive and the snow banks to disappear. It will be nice when I see the green grass poke through on the lawn and the perennials start to emerge. Since Spring is almost here, our break for the winter months is coming to a close. Our scheduled plans for the Swift Current STS Chapter members will continue with new planned events.

In April, we have two events planned. On **Wednesday, April 11, 2018**, (date changed due to conflict in original planned date) we will have our **Annual Spring Fling**. We will again be at Wong's Kitchen Banquet Room for a delicious smorgasbord of Chinese food. The cost will remain the same as last year at \$20.00 per person. I will need to pre-order the number of meals we will need, so please register your attendance by April 6, 2018 with me, Joyce Hoffman, by phoning 306-773-2453 (leave a message) or by emailing me at jdthoffman@sasktel.net. Please park at the rear of Wong's Kitchen and enter through the rear doors.

We have a special guest at the Spring Fling, **Jean Cyca**, and she will speak about her travels to Croatia and Northern Italy. Jean will speak and show slides about "biking the Croatia Islands" and "hiking in Northern Italy". I hope to see you there to say goodbye to winter and hello to Spring, and to enjoy Jean's travel through the Croatia Islands and Northern Italy without the cost associated with actual travel.

The second event is on **April 19, 2018**. This is our yearly Chapter travel that usually was scheduled for June, but has been moved to April. Superannuates and friends will board an Excel bus to travel to Regina, to visit Government House, Stone Hall Castle and a Globe Theatre performance of the play "I and You". This is an experience of a theatre with seating surrounding the stage or in the round. The bus will leave Swift Current at 8:00 am and arrive home around 12:00 midnight. A special thank you goes to **Clara Loeppky** for the planning she did for this adventure. At the time of writing this report, there

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were still tickets available, so if you would like a ticket to this adventure, contact Clara directly at 306-773-4876 and she will be able to tell you if she still has a ticket for you to purchase. The cost of this adventure to Regina, with tickets to the above mentioned events and the bus travel is \$115.00 per person. Meals are your responsibility. I hope to see the bus full with you on it.

May 8 to 10, 2018 is the Provincial STS Annual General Meeting at the Travelodge in Saskatoon. The Swift Current delegates are: **Leon Eckert, Jeanette Eckert, Wally Derkach, Shirley Dyck, Nancy Baumann Wall, Gail Wesolowski and Pat Gatzke**. The Swift Current Chapter would like to thank you for representing the Swift Current Chapter at these meetings.

On their return, the delegates will share their sessions and experiences at the AGM with all chapter members on **Wednesday, May 16, 2018** at the Modern Family Banquet Room at 12 noon. Since we order off the menu, there is no need for pre-ordering. (Please note the change of date of this meeting). The meeting date was changed because the Provincial Mah Jongg Tournament will be taking place in Regina and we do have members that will be attending this tournament to represent us.

Also at the May 16, 2018 meeting, you will have a chance to **elect your new Swift Current Chapter Executive** for next year. All positions are open and are all one year terms. If you are interested in serving on the Executive, feel free to put your name forward by **contacting Shirley Dyck, Nomination Chairperson, at 306-773-3257**. Shirley would like to bring a full slate of officers to the meeting. Elections will take place as needed.

At this point, we don't have any meeting planned for June. If something comes up before then, it will be posted on the chapter's website. Please check the chapter's website for any updates. **The chapter's website is scchapter.ca.**

Thank you for your continued support. I hope to see you out for the upcoming events.

JoyceHoffman, President
Swift Current STS Chapter



Welcome, Superannuates, Spouses
and Friends,
to the Annual SPRING FLING
Wednesday, April 11, 2018
in the Banquet Room
at Wong's Kitchen
Fellowship: 5:00 -6:00 pm
Supper at 6:00 pm
Cost: \$20.00 each
Enjoy a delicious Chinese
smorgasbord and armchair travel
with Jean Cyca and her travels in
Croatia and N. Italy.

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Laughter is the sun that drives winter from the human face.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT of the SC Chapter
Nov. 11, 2017 – Mar. 12, 2018
Rosalie Flynn. Treasurer**

**Chequing Account
4992.62**

DEPOSITS

Nov. Meeting Buffet	317.00
Christmas Social Buffet	825.00
Deposit for Bus Trip to Regina	3105.00
Interest (Nov, Dec, Jan, Feb)	.62
TOTAL DEPOSITS	4247.62
	9240.24

EXPENDITURES

J. Hoffman Nov gift card & prizes	51.43
Houston Pizza –Nov buffet and rental	428.05
Globe Theatre Tickets	2040.57
Stone Hall Castle Tour Tickets	630.00
Trophy Towne- Chapter Award	86.45
Pr. Spirit Chamber Singers honorarium	200.00
J. Hoffman - Xmas Social Door prizes	36.00
L. Eckert - Wrapping paper and card	3.61
Elmwood - Xmas Buffet & Gratuities	900.00
Stamps/envelopes Spring "In Touch"	140.54
Photocopying Winter "In Touch"	33.00
L Romankewicz – Sympathy Cards	7.00
R. Flynn- Office Software	287.49

TOTAL EXPENDITURES	4844.14
	4396.10

**Member Rewards Account Balance Nov.11
7.44**

RECEIPTS

Credit Shareholder	.53
Shareholder Cash	.19
	8.16

**HIGH INTEREST SAVING ACCT Nov.11
4153.92**

Interest (Nov, Dec, Jan. Feb)	10.76
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**HIGH INTEREST ACCT. BALANCE
4164.68**

Chapter subsidized the following Chapter events:

**Nov meeting 39.79; Christmas Social 75.00
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The influence of teachers extends beyond the classroom, well into the future. It is they who shape and enrich the minds of the young, who touch their hearts and souls. It is they who shape a nation's future.

We make a living by what we get. We make a life by what we give.

Happy Birthday!

Joan Kalmakoff	03 Mar
Emily Rempel	05 Mar
Vic Klippenstein	08 Mar
Pat Barbier	10 Mar
Idella Harder	10 Mar
Ralph Jacobsen	10 Mar
Sally Knelsen	11 Mar
Peggy Koethler	16 Mar
Ray Scheirer	16 Mar
Audrey Yee	16 Mar
Hal Liick	18 Mar
Theresa Brost	19 Mar
Betty Campbell	19 Mar
Lynn Thomas	20 Mar
Carol Ann Ebel	25 Mar
Doreen Roh	26 Mar
John Wasylowisch	26 Mar
Georgie Schryver	28 Mar
Bonnie Perree	31 Mar
Lottie Siemens	31 Mar
Jim Spencer	01 Apr
Linda Hanlon	02 Apr
Dave Hannah	02 Apr
Gloria Jensen	02 Apr
Greg Smith	06 Apr
Arlene Peltier	07 Apr
Ray Bunnell	08 Apr
Dorothy Anning	09 Apr
Nancy Lake	11 Apr
Karen Reimer	12 Apr
Karen Osborn	13 Apr
Faye Shaw	14 Apr
Loretta Romankewicz	20 Apr
Jim Roberts	25 Apr
Bill Shumay	25 Apr
Sharon Veer	30 Apr
Donna Stinson	01 May
Ron Meyers	05 May
Karen Voisin	07 May
Louise Walker	07 May
Kathleen Jacob	08 May
Robert Litowski	10 May
Phil Hall	13 May
Josephine Charlebois	14 May
Gloria Rissling	14 May
Kristine Snow	14 May
Jean Bue	15 May
Al Giesbrecht	01 May
Shirley Murchie	20 May
Dennis Fox	23 May
Maureen Robinson	23 May

Don Sommerfeld	25 May
Keith Ahrens	27 May
Arnold Frederickson	28 May
Joanne Heeg-Williams	28 May
Marilyn Wirsche	29 May

When everything seems to be going against you, remember that the airplane takes off against the wind, not with it.

Christmas Social 2017

The annual Christmas Banquet of the Swift Current Chapter of STS was held December 14, 2017 at the Elmwood Golf Clubhouse Restaurant with 34 members and guests attending.

President Joyce Hoffman welcomed everyone. After a moment of silence to remember the ones who are no longer with us we enjoyed a delicious roast beef dinner.

Leon Eckert and Shirley Dyck presented Joyce Hoffman with the Swift Current Chapter of the STS Service Award to recognize her years of serving as our President.

Joyce gave an update on our field trip coming up in April as well as the Mah Jongg games that are being played at the library. Mah Jongg will continue in the New Year but it will be open to the public.

The Prairie Spirit Chamber singers did a fabulous job of entertaining us with their Christmas music.

Door prizes were won by Diane Knippschild, Joan Williamson, Carole Siebert, Leon Eckert and Walter Schellenberg.

Nancy Baumann Wall, Secretary

Family faces are magic mirrors. Looking at people who belong to us, we see the past, present, and future.

Our sincere sympathy is extended to Charlotte Friesen on the passing of her father; to Dianne Miller on the death of her mother; to family and friends on the passing of Eileen Yake, Brian Whiteside, Marie Spate, Marg Sillerud, Ken Lusk, and Diane Chartrand. God bless and comfort you.

Heartfelt Get Well wishes to those with health challenges at home or in the hospital. Enjoy Spring!

Sports and Recreation Report March 2018

The 2017-18 year has been a wonderful and amazing year!

We started the year with learning how to play Mah Jongg from the Regina Chapter in August at Houston's Restaurant, next, a golf tournament in September at the 'To Heck with the Bell' Breakfast, then an annual Chapter outing to Regina in April, and finally, a Games Day to be announced for June.

Mah Jongg is played every Wednesday morning from 10:00-12:00 am, at the RC Dahl Center. The Library provides space for the teachers to gather and play. Everyone is welcome to come out and play till the end of April. At that time we will stop for the year as the time gets busy with other activities.

The Provincial Mah Jongg Tournament will be held on May 17th, in Regina. Registration forms can be found on the Regina Chapter's website as well as the STS website.

The Golf Tournament again will be held in September the same time as the 'To Heck with the Bell' Breakfast in September.

Our yearly outing this year will be held on April 19, 2018. We will travel to Regina for the day to see Government House, Stone Hall Castle, a bit of shopping at the Southland Mall, supper at Tony Roma's and see a Globe Theatre Production. We still have a few spaces available. Please look on the SCChapter website for more information.

We are in the process of planning a Games Day for our final activity for the year. Please watch the website for more information. We encourage everyone to come and join us.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for your support over the past year. It is always good when our colleagues come out and support the activities that are planned for the Chapter.

Respectfully submitted by
Clara Loeppky
Sports and Recreational Director

We now have **333 members** in the Swift Current Chapter of Superannuated Teachers of Saskatchewan.

Yes, there are **several tickets left** for the SC Chapter Outing to Regina on April 19th, 2018. Contact Clara Loeppky at 306-773-4876 and be a part of this exciting day.

Remember the change of date for the May Meeting. It is May 16th, 2018.

"Only if you appreciate geometry"

A public school teacher was arrested today at John F. Kennedy International airport as he attempted to board a flight while in possession of a ruler, a protractor, a compass, a slide-rule and a calculator.

At a morning press conference, the Attorney General said he believes the man is a member of the notorious Al-Gebra movement.

He did not identify the man, who has been charged by the FBI with carrying weapons of math instruction.

'Al-Gebra is a problem for us', the Attorney General said. "They derive solutions by means and extremes, and sometimes go off on tangents in search of absolute values. They use secret code names like "X" and "Y" and refer to themselves as "unknowns" but we have determined that they belong to a common denominator of the axis of medieval with coordinates in every country.'

As the Greek philosopher Isosceles used to say, "There are 3 sides to every triangle." ----- (profound indeed)

When asked to comment on the arrest, the President said, "If God had wanted us to have better weapons of math instruction, he would have given us more fingers and toes."



