

"IN TOUCH" with the SC Chapter of the STS VOL. 34 NO. 2

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OUR PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The 2019-20 year has started out very well with good participation in the Swift Current Chapter events. On September 3rd, we had our To Heck with the Bell Breakfast with 62 members and guests present. Everyone enjoyed the breakfast and visiting with colleagues.

Also in September, we had an executive meeting to do some planning for upcoming events.

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October 24 was the Provincial Presidents' Meeting in Saskatoon. Idella Harder and I attended the meeting. There was representation from most chapters and the provincial executive at the meeting. The morning discussions were several round table topics and we each participated in 4. Some interesting ideas were presented for chapter events, increasing member participation, wellness, etc. This was followed by a presentation by the Stirling McDowell Foundation. After a delicious lunch, we had a presentation from the Saskatchewan Seniors Fitness Association. This was followed by questions and information on Provincial Recreation Events.

Be prepared to participate and/or help out in hosting Provincial Bridge in Swift Current in April. Shaunavon and Swift Current Chapters are joining together to host this event. We are still in the planning stages. A list of Provincial Recreational activities will be printed in the newsletter and website

The November meeting has been planned with a tour and tasting at Black Bridge Brewery. The good news is the event is almost full, as it is limited to 20 participants. There will be a brief meeting and lunch. This event takes place November 14 at 1:00 pm.

Plan to attend our Christmas Social at the Elmwood Golf Course Clubhouse on December 12, Social hour starts at 5:00, dinner at 6:00, followed by a brief meeting and musical entertainment. Please bring a jar of peanut butter for the food bank and if you are unable to attend, send it along with someone or drop it off at the food bank. Thanks. HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE.

I wish you a Merry Christmas and all the best in 2020.

Gail Wesolowski
President of the SC CHAPTER of STS

All the beautiful sentiments in the world weigh less than a single lovely action.

STS / SC CHAPTER FINANCIALS	
for the Aug 7 to Nov 18 / 2019 Period	
(Mel Friesen, Treasurer)	
OPERATING ACCOUNT (Aug 7)	\$3 405.49
Receipts:	
Interest (Aug/Sept/Oct)	0.39
"Heck with the Bells" Proceeds (Sept)	680.50
November Luncheon Proceeds	213.00
Total Receipts:	\$893.89
Expenditures:	
"Heck with the Bells" (Sept)	1 071.20
"InTouch" (stamps/envelopes/copying)	177.48
"Meet the Prez" Luncheon (Oct)	138.32
Photocopying Membership Lists	25.96
November Luncheon	410.00
Total Expenditures:	\$1 822.96
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Fall Events Recap

"HECK WITH THE BELL" SEPTEMBER

"Heck with the Bell" breakfast (and fun) was held on Tuesday, September 3 at the Chinook Golf Club. 62 superannuated teachers, spouses, and guests attended. A delicious brunch was served. Gail Wesolowski, our new president, welcomed everyone. Fred and Jean Herron from Saskatoon, Joyce Hoffman from Regina our provincial liaison, and Avis Chadyk and Laurel Reimche from the Okanagan B.C. chapters were our special guests. The lucky winner of our 50/50 draw was Harvey Engel. Our door prize winners were: Lee-Ann Ebel, Emily

Rempel, Cheryl Siemens, Janet Little, Jeanette Eckert, and Laurel Reimche. A very entertaining time was had by all. A choice of playing Golf or Pickle Ball was planned following the breakfast.

Patti Gatzke

A small but happy group of **golfers** enjoyed a perfect September morning for nine holes of golf. We had 'veteran' golfers as well as new faces who were part of the winners for longest putt, longest drive and closest to the pin. Hopefully next year some of our previous golfers will return for a friendly game. Thanks to all who attended! It was very enjoyable!

Cindy Glenn-Schultz

A small but enthusiastic group of 7 met at the Colonel Clifton Centre to learn about the game of **pickleball**. A fee of \$5 was charged to cover the rental cost of the facility and pickleball paddles. A brief overview was given of the game. The players started by participating in a few drills to become familiar with some of the shots used in the game. For the last 45 minutes, everyone played a game or two of pickleball and learned how to score the game.

Gwen Uher

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On Thursday, **November 14**, nineteen of us gathered in the tasting room for a brief history and tasting at Black Bridge Brewery. Unfortunately we were not able to have the tour. We started with a short meeting, then enjoyed lunch, catered by Eileen Hartman, and continued socializing. From all reports everyone enjoyed the afternoon. Door prize winners were Shirley Dyck, Dianne Knippshild and Patti Gatzke. Winner of the 50/50 was Louise Walker.

Gail Wesolowski

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The final 'fall event' will be our **CHRISTMAS Banquet** and festivities at the Elmwood Golf and Country Club on Thursday, Dec. 12. See details on Page 3. *Please remember your jar of peanut butter for the food bank*



WELCOME,

Who? Superannuates, Spouses and Friends

Why? Annual Christmas Social When? Thursday, Dec. 12, 2019 Where? At Elmwood Golf Club

Restaurant

Social Hour: 5:00 pm Dinner: 6:00 pm Cost: \$25.00

Entertainment: Jacqueline Hudec Support the SC FOODBANK-Bring a jar of peanut butter or send it with one who is attending. RSVP: Thursday, Dec. 5, 2019

RSVP: Thursday, Dec. 5, 2019 CONTACT: Gail Wesolowski at

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Happy Birthday!!

Shirley Stevenson	Dec 01
Shirley Dyck	Dec 04
Clint Schryver	Dec 06
Dwayne Dekowny	Dec 08
Bruce Waldie	Dec 09
Etienette Binette	Dec 11
Myrna Hayes	Dec 11
Joan Williamson	Dec 13
Marion Engel	Dec 15
Jacob Block	Dec 18
Marcia Huber	Dec 20
Bill Nykolaishen	Dec 20
Pat Brososky	Dec 21
Marlene Paproski	Dec 21
Norine Torwalt Downey	Dec 21
Dawn Rogowski	Dec 23
Leon Eckert	Dec 24
Arlene Mason	Dec 24
David Franz	Dec 26

Doris Lynnes	Dec 28
Zang Mah	Jan 01
Wally Derkach	Jan 02
Jeanette Eckert	Jan 09
Corney Unger	Jan 09
Edgar Siemens	Jan 10
Brian Dunn	Jan 11
Peggy Melhoff	Jan 14
Jean Allen	Jan 16
Cindy Glenn Schultz	Jan 16
Katherine Jahnke	Jan 17
Harold Little	Jan 19
Kathy Wasylowisch	Jan 23
Walter Pearson	Jan 27
Agatha Dyck	Jan 30
Bo Ciona	Feb 01
Frances Wagner	Feb 01
Verona MacDonald	Feb 02
Sharon Pollock	Feb 04
Rosalie Flynn	Feb 05
Lawrence Kalmakoff	Feb 05
Harold Thiessen	Feb 07
Lynn Niessen	Feb 08
Colin King	Feb 08
Marj Taylor	Feb 13
Pat Betthel	Feb 17
Ron Hnatiuk	Feb. 21
Dianne Fox	Feb. 23
Vivian Dunn	Mar 03
Emily Rempel	Mar 05
Pat Barbier	Mar 10
Idella Harder	Mar 10
Ralph Jacobsen	Mar 10
Sally Knelsen	Mar 11
Peggy Koethler	Mar 16
Audrey Yee	Mar 16
Hal Liick	Mar 18
Michael Roberts	Mar 18
Theresa Brost	Mar 19
Betty Campbell	Mar 19
Carol Ann Ebel	Mar 25
Doreen Roh	Mar 26
John Wasylowisch	Mar 26
Georgie Schryver	Mar 28
Bonnie Perree	Mar 31
Lottie Siemens	Mar 31

Our SINCERE SYMPATHY to the family and friends of Bryan Tallon and to the family and friends of Vivian Sedgwick on their passing. GOD bless you and comfort you with wonderful memories of your loved one.

Hearty GET WELL WISHES to those of you who are suffering with health issues at home or in the hospital. God grant you a speedy recovery and the opportunity to enjoy a wonderful Saskatchewan winter.

WE have lost dear friends from our Chapter but, the good news is we have gained several new members. Our present total stands at 346.

The Swift Current Chapter would like to share information on how to volunteer for this upcoming Literacy event.

On Friday, December 6^{th} from 9 am - 10 am, All Saints students from K - 3 will have the opportunity to participate in a One on One Reading Event - sponsored by United Way. Each participating student will read to a volunteer for 1 hour. United Way will be providing all literature for this event and each student will then take home the book from that day.

We are looking for volunteers who would be willing to listen for that hour and assist the student if they need help sounding out the words. If this sparks your interest, please fill out the registration link below:

https://www.unitedwayregina.ca/comm/SinglePage RegEvent.jsp?EventKeyHex=34323030

Deadline to register is Nov 29th.

Why are we doing this event? We want to continue to build on the success from our literacy program we launched this past Summer:

This past summer - United Way partnered with Holy Trinity School Division, Chinook School Division and Knight Automotive Group to launch two pilot literacy camps – Summer Success Camps. We had tremendous success with the 30 students who participated in the 10 day camps. Check out our highlight video from this summer - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2ifw1x2bBPI

All volunteers must submit a completed criminal record check or copy of Safe Places Certification.

If you have any questions pertaining to the event, please contact:

Stacey Schwartz
Literacy Coordinator/Community Engagement
United Way – Swift Current Rep
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306-750-8829

"Books are the quietest and most constant of friends; they are the most accessible and wisest of counselors, and the most patient of teachers."

The things you do for yourself are gone when you are gone, but the things you do for others remain as your legacy.

FYI: Here are upcoming provincial recreation events:

Bridge and Cribbage April 9, 2020 Swift Current Art Workshop April 16-17, 2020 Lloydminster MahJong May 20, 2020 Meadow Lake Golf June 10-11, 2020 Melville Bowling (Regina) Spring of 2020 Stitch and Quilt (Wakaw) October 2020

Please take note that Swift Current and Shaunavon Chapters are hosting BRIDGE and CRIBBAGE on APRIL 9TH. Please plan to participate and or help. (Please add this date and event to your YEAR AT A Glance.

If you want to touch the past, touch a rock. If you want to touch the present, touch a flower. If you want to touch the future, touch a life."

Charles Dickens said, "Have a heart that never hardens, and a temper that never tires, and a touch that never hurts."

Justice will not be served until those who are unaffected are as outraged as those who are."

Chapters are encouraged to submit articles for Spotlight on Superannuates and Superannuates Make a Difference.

Members are encouraged to receive *Outreach* electronically.

Happy New Year!

May 2020 give you a year of health, wealth, loving friendships, and a wonderful 365 days to make new and happy memories of a peaceful and pleasant life.

Your executive:

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