

In Touch

with the Swift Current Chapter of
Superannuated Teachers of Saskatchewan

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Happy New Year!

It is once again time for the "In Touch" report. I think we owe Loretta a big thank you for all the time she puts into publishing it.

The Chapter ended 2019 with our **Christmas Social**. It was great to see everyone that attended. The dinner and entertainment met with rave reviews. We also collected 42 kg of peanut butter for the food bank. Hope you all had a good holiday season.

We have some exciting activities coming up in the near future. On Thursday, **April 9th** we are hosting the Provincial STS Bridge and Cribbage at Walker Place. Ron Toles and Linda Hanlon are our Bridge experts organizing the Bridge. I am doing the Cribbage. Hope you will plan to join us for a fun day of cards. Look for more details in the "In Touch" and on the website.

Second is the **Spring Fling at Wong's** on Thursday, **April 16**. Come and enjoy a Chinese Buffet and learn about service dogs.

Please note our May meeting has been moved to June. So on Thursday, **June 4th**, we will be going to the Garden of Eden for lunch and a meeting, and then an opportunity to check out the green house and gift shop. Hope this date still works for everyone.

Also a **wine tour** is in the works for **September**. The plan is to join a bus tour that will take us to Banff, Kelowna, Nelson and Cranbrook. The cost is \$1000.00 plus GST and that covers transportation, hotels, hot springs, farmers' market and wine tour for 6 days. Please plan on joining us for this event.

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Your worth consists in what you are and not in what you have.

Also thank you to the **constitution** committee, Rosalie, Shirley and Wally. We plan to bring it forward to the membership at the June meeting. Also if anyone would like to run for executive and join in our fun planning meetings, please contact Shirley Dyck or myself. We are always looking for people to get involved.

Spring is almost here, so we will enjoy the warmer weather and all the signs of spring.

Gail Wesolowski
President of the SC Chapter;

From the Editor:

Sincere congratulations to Greg and Marcie McLean who received more accolades from the MUSIC ASSOCIATION, this time for their expertise in adjudication.

I'm pleased to announce that the **delegates** who will represent us at the Provincial Annual General Meeting on May 12th to 14th are as follows: Nancy BaumannWall, Shirley Dyck, Mel Friesen, Patti Gatzke, Idella Harder, Gail Wesolowski and Leanne White. We thank them for their time and commitment.

I was, initially, going to ask you if you did something special on February 29th to commemorate the extra day in **leap year, 2020**. However, since then, 2020 will go down in history as the year that **Covid-19** wove a path of destruction throughout our world. We can only hope and pray that we and our loved ones will survive. God bless!
Loretta

Education's purpose is to replace an empty mind with an open one.

You may not control all the events that happen to you, but you can decide not to be reduced by them.



STS / SC CHAPTER FINANCIALS for the Nov 19 to Mar 10 / 2020 Period (Mel Friesen, Treasurer)	
OPERATING ACCOUNT (Nov 19)	\$2476.42
Receipts:	
Interest (Nov/Dec/Jan/Feb)	0.42
STS Provincial Recreation Grant	500.00
Christmas Banquet Proceeds	1121.00
Total Receipts:	\$1621.42
Expenditures:	
Christmas Banquet	1410.20
"InTouch"(stamps/envelopes/copying)	228.30
Facility Deposit (STS Prov Bridge/Crib Tourn)	100.00
Chapter Award	82.31
Photocopying Membership Lists	32.09
Total Expenditures:	\$1852.90
*OPERATING ACCOUNT (March 10)	\$2244.94
MEMBER REWARDS (Nov 19)	\$12.08
Shareholder Dividend/Interest Alloc (Nov/Feg)	1.78
*MEMBER REWARDS (March 10)	\$13.86
SAVINGS ACCOUNT (Nov 19)	\$8918.12
Interest (Nov/Dec/Jan/Feb)	29.56
*SAVINGS ACCOUNT (Mar 10)	\$8947.68
*TOTAL FINANCIAL ASSETS (Mar 10)	\$11 206.48
EVENTS SUBSIDIZED BY SC CHAPTER	Amount
Christmas Banquet (Dec)	289.20

SC CHAPTER'S CHRISTMAS "DO" **REVISITED**

On December 12th 2019, forty seven members and spouses attended our STS CHRISTMAS BANQUET at Elmwood Golf Clubhouse. The atmosphere of decorations, twinkling lights, sparkling outfits, and lively conversations contributed to a wonderful evening. President Gail Wesolowski welcomed everyone and shared information on the STS. Recognition of the gift of \$40,000 to Great Plains College by our own Loretta Romankewicz and her husband, Alfred was acknowledged. A delicious supper of chicken and ribs, followed by a variety of desserts, made by a few of our members, was enjoyed by all. Leon Eckert gave an introduction and comprehensive

career/history of Harold Little, the recipient of our Award of Distinction for 2019.

Our 50/50 winner, Pearl Richert, took home a nice total. Door prizes of the live plant decorations were won by Karen Osborn, Leanne White, Allan Sigurdson, Gwen Uher, Idella Harder, Leon Eckert, Clara Loeppky and Patti Gatzke. Entertainment was provided by Jacqueline Hudec. She shared many of the songs off her CD's as well as familiar Christmas melodies. A special Thank You to all that brought peanut butter to support the S C food bank. 43 jars were collected that evening.

Patti Gatzke

NOMINATION REPORT by Shirley Dyck

At the June Meeting we will be electing our Executive and Committee Chairs for the 2020-21 term. The term of office is for one year but we are fortunate to have members who will hold office for more than one year. Every year we call for nominations for all positions on the Executive and Standing Committees, but seem to have difficulty filling all positions. We need your help! If you would like to serve on the Executive or know of someone who would, please contact Gail Wesolowski or me.

THE PRESENT EXECUTIVE:

President:	Gail Wesolowski
Vice-President:	Idella Harder
Secretary:	Nancy Baumann Wall
Treasurer:	Mel Friesen
"In Touch" Editor:	Loretta Romankewicz
Communications:	Rosalie Flynn
Activities Co-Chairs:	Patti Gatzke, Cindy Glenn Schultz
Well-Being:	Loretta Romankewicz
Award Of Distinction:	Leon Eckert, Shirley Dyck, Loretta Romankewicz
Nominations:	Shirley Dyck
Website	Jim Spencer Rosalie Flynn



WELCOME

SUPERANNUATES, SPOUSES AND FRIENDS

TO WONGS' KITCHEN BANQUET ROOM

Thursday, April 16, 2020

SOCIAL HOUR: 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. (CASH BAR)

CHINESE BUFFET: 6:30 p.m.

COST PER PERSON: \$20/person

GUEST SPEAKER: Topic: Service Dogs

RSVP TO: Gail Wesolowski

Phone - 306 773 2112 or text 306 750-7223

Email gailwesolowski@hotmail.com

RSVP DATE: Monday, April 13th, 2020

NOTE: Please park at the Rear of Wong's and enter through the rear basement doors.

OUR SINCERE SYMPATHY:

to family and friends on the death of MAUREEN ROBINSON;

to Colleen Carleton and her family and friends on the death of her husband, BRUCE and her Mom, EVELYN Woynarowich;

to Ed Siemens and his family and friends on the passing of his wife, HELEN.

to family and friends on the passing of Josephine CHARLEBOIS. God bless and comfort all of you.

We extend heart-felt get well wishes to those who are suffering with health issues at home or in the hospital. May you have a speedy and complete recovery so you are able to enjoy spring and the summer that follows.

Congratulations to **HAROLD LITTLE**, the recipient of the Swift Current Chapter's 2019 Award of Distinction. Since his retirement, Harold regularly attends Chapter events and is an avid volunteer in the town of Cabri. (I'm sorry, Harold, your picture refused to copy here.)

If you have an apple and I have an apple and we exchange these apples then you and I will still each have one apple. But if you have an idea and I have an idea and we exchange these ideas, then each of us will have two ideas.

Happy Birthday!

Joan Kalmakoff	03 Mar
Emily Rempel	05 Mar
Pat Barbier	10 Mar
Idella Harder	10 Mar
Sally Knelsen	11 Mar
Peggy Koethler	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
Nancy Lake	11 Apr
Karen Reimer	12 Apr
Faye Shaw	14 Apr
Bill Albrecht	20 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
Lydia Gropp	06 May
Karen Voisin	07 May
Louise Walker	07 May
Kathleen Jacob	08 May
Robert Litowski	10 May
Phil Hall	12 May
Carol Siebert	13 May
Gloria Rissling	14 May
Kristine Snow	14 May
Jean Bue	15 May
Al Giesbrecht	15 May
ennis Fox	23 May
Don Sommerfeld	25 May
Keith Ahrens	27 May
Arnold Frederickson	28 May
Joanne Heeg-Williams	28 May
Marilyn Wirsche	29 May

RSVP by April 13th for "Spring Fling" at Wong's Kitchen on April 16th.

RSVP by May 28th for Chapter's AGM Meeting & Lunch on June 4th at Garden of Eden Greenhouse in Blumenort.

AN EVENTFUL SPRING FOR THE SC CHAPTER

EVENT #1 (CANCELLED)

The 2020 STS Provincial Bridge & Cribbage Tournament

Co-Hosts: Swift Current and Shaunavon Chapters

Date: April 9, 2020

Location: Walker Place (2150 Walker Place, SC)

Cost: \$20/player (includes lunch)

Registration: 9 am

Tournament PLAY: 10 am

(Singles are welcome to enter; the hosts will arrange a card partner for you)

DEADLINE TO RSVP: Thursday, MARCH 26, 2020

CONTACT for BRIDGE: RON TOLES

(rtoles@sasktel.net or text 306-774-6814;

CONTACT for CRIBBAGE: GAIL WESOLOWSKI

(gailwesolowski@hotmail.com; text(306-750-7223)

EVENT #2

The ANNUAL SPRING FLING

Date: April 16, 2020

Location: Wong's Kitchen Banquet Room

Cost: \$20.00 /person

Social Hour: 5:30-6:30 pm (Cash Bar)

Chinese Buffet: 6:30 pm

GUEST SPEAKER'S TOPIC: Service Dogs

Contact: Gail Wesolowski 306-773-2112;

text 306-750-7223; gailwesolowski@hotmail.com

DEADLINE TO RSVP: MONDAY, APRIL 13, 2020

(Please park at the rear of Wong's and enter through the basement doors.)

EVENT #3 (Note change of date)

The CHAPTER'S Annual General Meeting & Lunch

Date: THURSDAY, JUNE 4, 2020

Location: Garden of Eden Greenhouse,
Blumenort, SK

Cost: \$15.00 (Covers lunch catered by
Penny Wall of Custom Country
Meats)

Agenda: Chapter Meeting, then time to
check out the Greenhouse and Gift
Shop.

Transportation: Car Pool; Leave at noon from SW
corner of the I Plex parking lot.

RSVP TO: Idella Harder 306 741 8494

Email - lihard@sasktel.net by May 28.

*Solutions are not found by pointing fingers; they are
reached by extending hands.*

EVENT #4

FALL EVENT (Replacing the JUNE Outing)

Wine Tour offered by "Getaway Tours" Sept 23 -29, 2020

Tour Company: Getaway Vacations

(www.getawayvacations.ca) Ph. 1-403-550-3143 or

1- 800- 494-7579

Tour Name: "OKANAGAN SPLENDOR"

Tour Package: Includes 7 days

Departs: September 23 Returns: September 29

- 1 night in Banff, 3 nights in Kelowna, 1
night in Nelson, 1 night in Cranbrook

- FUN FILLED DAYS INCLUDE: Banff
Springs Hot Pool, Ainsworth Hot
Springs, Winery Tours, Farmer's
Market

- NOTE: If there are 20 or more people
from Swift Current going on this trip,
the bus will leave from Swift Current.
If not, the bus tour will start from
Medicine Hat Alberta.

Cost: Double 989.00 plus GST

Single 1399.00 plus GST

BOOKING DEPOSIT: \$500./person paid by
credit card, cheque or electronic transfer to
Getaway Vacations (contact information is
above)

Gail (Chapter President) would like to know
how many Chapter Members & friends are
going on this tour. Please contact her after you
book. (306-750-7223) or email
gailwesolowski@hotmail.com

Everyone is welcome!

*The past is a place of reference, not a place of
residence.*

*Easy is instant gratification. Hard is a lifetime of
satisfaction."*

