In Touch

Fall & Winter 2025-2026

Karen Osborn Editor

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Join us for coffee on
Thursdays at 9:30 at
Chinook Golf course during
their seasonal hours and at
Spring Gardens when
Chinook is not open.

In Touch Presidents Report August 2025

Submitted by Gail Wesolowski SC Chapter President

Executive 2025-26

Past President - Shirley Dyck

President- Gail Wesolowski

Vice President-Idella Harder

Secretary- Teresa Gibbens

Treasurer- Gwen Uher

Activities- Cindy Glen-Shultz –Golf, Avis Chudyk and Pat Palmer – Meeting Reports

In Touch Editor- Karen Osborn

Web site - Jim Spencer

Communications - Lorne Uher

Constitution- Wally Derkach, Connie More

Chapter Aware- Shirley Dyck, Eileen Hartman

We need more executive members for the following jobs

- activities person to plan June windup
- constitution committee
- chapter awardcommittee

All executive positions are available, if you are interested contact an executive member.

It is important to keep our Chapter strong and active to support the Provincial STS Executive. They are the people who work tirelessly for us, so we can have our Blue Cross Benefit Plan and look after the funds for the plan and to keep the organizing running smoothly. Hopefully, some of you will step up and lend a hand.

Hope everyone is enjoying their summer holiday. Welcome to our new superannuates who are starting a new chapter of their lives.

Spring Fling was our last major event and was an amazing event, Gwen, Jim and Eileen planned a Filipino Night. The band and appetizers were great and everyone that went enjoyed the evening.

In May, 6 delegates and 2 life members, Wally and Shirley, attended the AGM at Dakota Dunes. Each delegate has written a report of the happenings while we were there. None of us could leave the social event early, as Wally and Shirley stayed till the end. Our chapter AGM was held in May at Casey's Restaurant. It had been decided we would have a free lunch for those that attended. Yearly reports were reviewed and elections held. The only change on executive is Avis and Pat are on the events committee. We do need members to step forward and take a position.

The beginning of June, a blanket ceremony was presented at Great Plains College. Several of our group attended and it was an activity to give a visual representation of how the First Nations land was taken away. It was very well done.

Now let's move ahead to the upcoming year

Upcoming Events 2025-26

Wednesday, September 3 - To Hell with the Bell Breakfast at 9:00 at Chinook Golf Course 15.00

Golf to follow at 10:30- regular golf fees

Possibly a tour of the Research Station at 11:00

(if this doesn't work out will reschedule for November)

Please RVSP by August 30 to Gail at 306-750-7223 or wesolowskigail91@gmail.com Golf to Cindy at 306-587-2526 or cglenschultz@gmail.com

Friday. September 26- Truth and Reconciliation Event- we are a sponsor of the event-Market Square or Kiwanis Park 11:30-1:30

Zoey Roy will be the presenter-Right the Story, she works in the area of ADHD and mental health

Wednesday, October 1 – Celebration of the Older Person Day- lunch at Elmwood Golf Course. Join us for lunch

Thursday, October 9- Meet the President- Sue Amundrud- at Guang Dong Palace in Gull Lake at 1:00. Pay individually

Movie to follow

Thursday, November 13- Games Day at Swift Current Legion at 5:00 for appetizers then games or a tour of Research Station. More detail to follow

Thursday, December 11- Christmas Social at Riverview Village Estates in the Great Room, starting at 5:00 pm

Pay 25.00 and bring a donation for the food bank like peanut

butter, canned meat or dry food items

April - Spring Fling. Date and details to follow

May 12,13 and 14 -Provincial AGM at Dakota Dunes

6 delegates can attend; let me know if you are interested

Thursday, May 21- Chapter AGM at Casey's Restaurant at 1:00

June- Wind up activity

Take note of all the upcoming events and mark them on your calendar.

Enjoy the end of summer and see you all on September 3.

STS Provincial AGM May 11,12,13/2025

Nominations

Executive

President - Sue Amundrud

Vice-President - Terri Mitchell

ACER-CART- Helen Sukovieff

Councillors - Martin Berg, Haguette Kitchen, Devona Putland, Owen Sebastian (our chapter liaison), Anna Wehrkamp, Doug Still (Past President)

Members-at-Large- Chris Atkinson, Joyce Hoffman, Gail Huber, Jane Isinger, Beverly Magul, Sunil Pandila, Sonja Susat

Resolutions

Wednesday morning we spent time discussing the resolutions to prepare for voting at the AGM.

Resolutions passed

STS fees will remain the same 30.00

Chapter rebate is 1000.00 plus 8.00 per member.

Bylaw and non-bylaw resolutions were passed to clean up some of the wording

Resolution to encourage car pooling

Resolutions on benefit plan-

Health Spending Account 200.00 per plan holder to be used by June 30, 2026

Investigate increases in eye lenses and checkups and hearing aids

Increase the amount for counsellors and psychologists to 1500.00

STS Contacts

Provincial website

Provincial number - 306-373-3879

Provincial email - sts@sts.sk.ca

Blue Cross - 1-800-667-6853

Blue cross website - sk.bluecross.ca

Chapter Website scchapter.ca (use google)

Contacts- Lorne- gwenlorne@yourlink.ca —if you are a new superannuate or not receiving chapter emails contact him.

Gail Wesolowski - gail91@gmail.com or 308-750-7223

Dakota Dunes Casino and Resort - AGM

Report Submitted by Constance More

New venue for this year, in the town of Whitecap on the Dakota First Nation, 30 kms south of Saskatoon. Get there by Highway 4 through Clearwater and the Gardiner Dam or through Morse and the Riverhurst Ferry.

Accommodations in the hotel provided comfortable beds and bedding in rooms with huge windows. All rooms had great walk-in showers with rainhead and handheld shower heads and bench seating. No carpeting in rooms presented a very clean environment. Though spartan in decor the rooms were modern and comfortable but for the pillows - two boulders and a sack of rocks. They want you in the Casino, not in the room.

Food was exceptional in both the restaurants and convention facility. There is an upscale restaurant near the front lobby (away from the casino), a 'sports' bar on one end of the casino, a deli and a Tim Hortons in the casino proper. Service staff were very helpful. Dietary considerations were accommodated reasonably in the sport bar and excellently in the convention facility.

Recreational opportunities include an 18 hole golf course wrapping around the back of the resort through the old Dunden firing range, making for interesting terrain; 6.3 kms of the TransCanada trail following the edge of the golf course and accessible from the parking lot with a wide, groomed trail for easy hiking; a rooftop pool and hottub beside a well appointed fitness centre.

Other amenities include several outdoor dining and lounging areas and a satellite Wetaskawin gift shop carrying a wide variety of products of indigenous theme, design or creation.

Interest Session: Older Adults and Fraud

Report Submitted by Teresa Gibbens

Chanda Hetzel (RCMP) gave an informative session on types of fraud, how to avoid becoming a victim, and what to do if you fall victim to fraud. Chanda explained that Mass Marketing Fraud is a very organized, structured business designed to steal one's identity and/or finances. Fraudsters obtain a person's full name, date of birth, social insurance number, and/or trust. Specific types of fraud covered in this session included: grandparent scams, emergency scams, internet scams, identity crimes, investment scams, prize scams, and romance scams. Two handouts were distributed: 1) RCMP Seniors' Guidebook to Safety and Security; 2) Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre: Seniors 2022 Fraud Prevention Toolkit.

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2025 Superannuates

Connie Allemand- Shaunavon
Neal Boutin- Gull Lake
Sandra Davis- Shaunavon
Donna Dillman- Prelate
Joanne Fournier- Ponteix
Marnie Kay- Swift Current
Aaron Kohlman- Swift Current
Jayne Nicholson- Swift Current
Ken Slade- Tompkins
Debbie Thomas –Cabri
Lenni Zanidean- Swift Current

Chapter Account Balances SC Chapter STS 2025-03-01 to 2025-07-31

Account	Starting Balance	Debit	Credit	Ending Balance
Assets				
Chequing	\$3,040.24	\$2,596.56	\$3,636.38	\$2,00.42
Member Rewards	\$28.33	\$.82	\$0.00	\$29.15
Savings	\$12,058.52	\$38.39	\$0.00	\$12,096.91
Total Assets	\$15,127.09	\$2,635.77	\$3,636.38	\$14,126.48

Income		
Dividends	\$0.32	
Interest Income	\$39.45	
STS Funding	\$796.00	
Ticket Revenue	\$1,800.00	
Total Income	\$2,635.77	

Expenses		
Member Programming	\$2,787.38	
Travel Expenses	\$849.00	
Total Expenses	\$3,636.38	

Fall & Winter Birthdays

Cam Lock	01	Sept
Bob Daintree	02	Sept
Beryl Robinson	02	Sept
Diane Sired	04	Sept
Carson Robinson	05	Sept
Marie Sommerfeld	08	Sept
Penny Edwards	18	Sept
Joyce Engen	20	Sept
Margaret Fehr	20	Sept
Darlene Patterson	21	Sept
Mary Wedhorn	24	Sept
Greg Brososky	25	Sept
Harry Wiebe	28	Sept
Margaret Heese	03	Oct
Cheryl Cocks	04	Oct
Jill Cavanagh	05	Oct
Lee-Ann Ebel	08	Oct
Rick Lake	08	Oct
Patti Gatzke	09	Oct
Ivan Jeske	14	Oct
Verna Lynn Knipfel	16	Oct
Harvey Engel	19	Oct
Jake Knelsen	23	Oct
Carole Tallon	26	Oct
Brian O'Hara	29	Oct
Donna Ford	31	Oct
Gwen Uher	01	Nov
Maryann Klymyshyn	02	Nov
Ruth Sapinsky	02	Nov
Vivian Sedgwick	03	Nov
Vince Rempel	07	Nov
Dave Harrison	80	Nov
Camille Hannah	09	Nov
Eric Olesen	10	Nov
Irene Frederickson	12	Nov
Phoebe Bunnel l	19	Nov
Jean Scott	20	Nov

Sandra Hill	28	Nov
Lorne Uher	28	Nov
Shirley Stevenson	01	Dec
Shirley Dyck	04	Dec
Clint Schryver	06	Dec
Bruce Waldie	09	Dec
Myrna Hayes	11	Dec
Joan Williamson	13	Dec
Marion Engel	15	Dec
Jacob Block	18	Dec
Marcia Huber	20	Dec
Pat Brososky	21	Dec
Torine Torwalt Downey	21	Dec
Dawn Rogowski	23	Dec
Leon Eckert	24	Dec
Arlene Mason	24	Dec
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David Franz	26	Dec
Wally Derkach	02	Jan
Jeanette Eckert	09	Jan
Edgar Siemens	10	Jan
Alice Baker	11	Jan
Brian Dunn	11	Jan
Peggy Melhoff	14	Jan
Jean Allen	16	Jan
Harold Little	19	Jan
Kathy Wasylowisch	23	Jan
Walter Pearson	27	Jan
Sharon Pollock	04	Feb
LynnNiessen	80	Feb
Colin King	80	Feb
Vickie Woods	15	Feb
Cindy Glenn-Schultz	16	Feb
Pat Betthel	17	Feb
Vivian Dunn	17	Feb
Allen Blanke	18	Feb
Dianne Fox	23	Feb