

OUTREACH

To The Superannuated Teachers
of Saskatchewan

President's Report

Maxine Stinka

The March Committee and Executive Meetings were held in Saskatoon March 6 and 7. The Budget, Finance and Audit Committee met with the auditors and were briefed on the "2018 Service Plan" from Deloitte that outlines the audit to be done for the 2017-18 fiscal year. STS financial statements indicate that the various line items on the budget of the Operating Fund are as expected. Those that are higher than budgeted are a result of the implementation and now retraction of the 6% sales tax on Benefit Plan premiums. The proposed budget for 2018-19 was approved and recommended for acceptance by the Annual General Meeting. Chapters will be invited to send two members to our annual Presidents' Day in October 2018.

The Benefits Committee examined the claims experience reports for the period ending January 2018. Claims are still higher than premiums but we do have sufficient reserves to cover the losses. However, this cannot continue. Members of the Extended Health and Dental Plan have been sent information outlining the new contract with Saskatchewan Blue Cross that will become effective July 1, 2018, as well as the reasons for the increase in premiums. Fortunately, the current coverages for the Extended Health and Dental Plans will remain the same for the

duration of the new contract. As a result of the recent announcement that the 6% sales tax on Benefit Plan premiums will be terminated retroactively, all members will be receiving a rebate of the taxes paid since August 1, 2017. We are exploring options to deliver these rebates effectively and efficiently once we receive the money from the Government of Saskatchewan.

The STS Executive finalized plans for the Annual General Meeting. There is still time to nominate those interested in running for an Executive position, as well as for submission of resolutions. STS members elected to the Executive receive payment for all expenses incurred as a result of their duties on the Executive regardless of where they reside. Resolutions received as of March 7, 2018, are printed in this issue of *Outreach* as are the names of those nominated for the Executive. Honorary Life Members were selected from a number of very well-qualified nominations. Thank you to those Chapters who submitted nominations.

Once again, we encourage you to receive *Outreach* electronically rather than in hardcopy if possible. Simply send the STS office (sts@sts.sk.ca) an email and make the request. Doing so will mean considerable savings to our organization.

Past-President Doug Haroldson attended the STF Presidents' Forum in February on our behalf and I participated in the STF conference call for Presidents of STF locals informing us of the STF Executive decision to request binding arbitration for a new teachers' contract. Our eight STF Councillors will be attending the Annual Meeting of Council April 25-28. Retirement Lifestyles Planning sessions have been held in North Battleford, Swift Current and Regina. These sessions are for those teachers contemplating retirement in the near future and are becoming more popular. We are fortunate to have the services of Karen Tzupa at most of these sessions to inform participants about Retirement Planners. Teacher locals or school boards can request one of these two-hour sessions by contacting the STS office.

The Teachers' Superannuation Commission (TSC) has sent letters to all TSC retirees to confirm their receipt of pension payments. The third and final letter will be forthcoming for those who have not responded yet and if no response to that letter is received by April 16 the pension will be held back at the Commission in the form of a cheque until written confirmation of receipt of the pension benefit is received from the pension recipient.

ACER-CART Report – Marie LeBlanc-Warick

These are the recent activities undertaken by ACER-CART:

- Preparations are under way for the ACER-CART Annual General Meeting to be held in Ottawa June 1-2, 2018. A preconference will be held March 31, 2018, covering two topics: preparation for end of life stages and the de-prescription of medications. A presentation on lobbying will take place at the Friday session of the AGM.
- A call for nominations for the election of Executive members for the 2018-19 Executive is open.
- Federal Budget 2018
 - o President Brian Kenny, in his news release of February 28, 2018, *Federal Budget 2018, Seniors, Retirement Security and Health Issues* reacted to facets of the Federal Budget 2018, including Pharmacare, the creation of an advisory council to study the gaps in Pharmacare, related health initiatives such as Residential schools and the opioid crisis, and pension security issues.
 - o *Bill Morneau's unwise decision to backtrack on pharmacare* – please see www.thestar.com/opinion/star-columnists/2018/03/01/bill-morneaus-unwise-decision-to-backtrack-on-pharmacare.html to peruse this article.
- ACER-CART continues to work with the Canadian Coalition for Retirement Security regarding Bill C-27. For the moment, it is still in first reading. There is no indication that it will find its way back to the government's order papers. It is not mentioned in the budget.
- ACER-CART continues to lobby for the protection of workers' contributions to a pension plan even in the event of a company going bankrupt.

- President Brian Kenny participated in a training session on lobbying and following the session met with members of the Canadian parliament.
- ACER-CART is continuing its support of the Canadian Medical

Association and other groups regarding senior health issues it holds dear.

- ACER-CART supported briefs concerning reviews of Pension Benefits Acts in Nova Scotia and Manitoba.

Group Benefits

Doug Haroldson

The Group Benefits Committee met on March 6. The Committee reviewed the Experience Reports for the Health and Dental Plan to January 30, 2018.

The financial status of the Health Plan and the Dental Plan to January 30, 2018, (first seven months of the third year of the contract) are as follows:

Extended Health Plan Surplus/Deficit

July	\$1,801.20
August	-\$172,631.78
September	-\$45,657.41
October	-\$115,196.53
November	-\$63,686.08
December	-\$78,504.62
January	-\$156,972.95
Total	-\$630,848.17

Dental Plan Surplus/Deficit

July	\$47,666.47
August	-\$2,371.95
September	\$2,488.43
October	-\$47,905.07
November	-\$9,478.59
December	\$28,472.85
January	-\$39,417.23
Total	-\$20,545.09

The total deficit for the first seven months of the third year of the present contract is \$651,393.26.

The projected deficit for the third year of the contract is in excess of \$1,200,000.00. The deficit will be covered by the Unappropriated Reserve Fund.

The present membership in the Health and/or Dental Plan as of March 1, 2018, is 7,579.

A negotiated agreement effective July 1, 2018, is for a term of three years with a premium increase in the first and second years. Plan Experience during the last two years clearly indicated the need for premium increases. Factors that have contributed to the deficits during the past two years of the contract are increased costs in the areas of prescription drugs and paramedical services. Increased usage and downloading of services from the provincial government have also contributed to increased costs. There are no changes in benefits in the new contract. Details of the agreement have been sent to Plan participants.

The refund of the 6% PST will be made to participants as soon as possible.

Annual General Meeting

Joyce Hoffman and Jane Isinger

The STS 45th Annual General Meeting will be held in Saskatoon at the Travelodge Hotel from Tuesday, May 8 to Thursday, May 10.

In January, AGM information was sent to Chapter Presidents. Delegates will receive their information once their names have been submitted to the STS office. This must be done

before the Delegates make hotel reservations at the Travelodge Hotel in Saskatoon. The reservations must be made no later than April 9.

Again this year, there will be a McDowell Foundation draw with wonderful prizes. Thank you to the individuals and the Chapters who have generously donated prizes.

Budget, Finance and Audit

Sunil Pandila

The Budget, Finance and Audit Committee met March 6 to review the current financial position of the STS in both the Operating and the STS Extended Health Fund. The report we reviewed for the Statement of Operations was as of January 31, 2018. We continue to maintain a good financial position in our Operating Fund showing Net Revenues to date of \$73,142.38. All expenditures in our current Operating Budget are on track even with some slight pressure in the three areas of Computer and Programming, Office Operation and Office Staff. This is due to the implementation, and now retraction, of the Benefit Plan PST collection on insurance premiums. After April 10, once the Ministry of Finance sends out information on the refunds regarding the PST retroactive to August 1, 2017, we will continue to follow through with the process of rebating the tax to members for the Extended Health and Dental Plan.

We also met with our Deloitte Audit team members, Matt Hladun and Mitch Hymers. They reviewed the process of the Audit Service Plan for this year. The data reporting for the financial position of the

Extended Health Plan, as indicated earlier, has been changed to a new format for our organization due to the new accounting framework. The Committee recommended an agreement with Deloitte for the 2017-18 Audit Plan.

The Committee also reviewed the finances for the Benefit Plan. At this time we continue to have losses in our Extended Health and Dental Plan of approximately \$650,000.00.

As of March 5, STS membership was 11,336 members.

The Committee also recommended to the Executive that each Chapter be invited to send an additional representative to Presidents' Day in October 2018. A cost of about \$6000.00 for 20 additional people has been included in the proposed Operating Budget for 2018-19. The Executive approved the recommendation.

The 2018-19 proposed budget was approved by the Executive for inclusion in this edition of *Outreach* and for approval at the AGM in May. The budget calls for no changes in fees or rebates and also is a balanced budget with a small surplus.

Nominations

Doug Haroldson

Nominations for the Provincial Executive are welcome. Deadline for submission of nominations is 4:00 pm the evening of the day prior to STS Executive elections (Bylaw 3). To date, declared candidates for the STS provincial Executive are:

President:

- Sunil Pandila

Vice-President:

- Don Gabel
- Joyce Hoffman

ACER-CART:

- Marie LeBlanc-Warick

Councillors:

(five to be elected)

- Sue Amundrud
- Mike Kaminski
- Alan Laughlin
- Doreen Rathgeber
- Doug Still
- Helen Sukovieff

Members at Large:

(seven to be elected)

- Jane Isinger
- Diane Marchand
- Anna Wehrkamp

Congratulations!

The following members were selected for Honorary Life Membership 2018 and will be presented with their awards at the AGM:

Gloria Ferster

Parkland Chapter

Roger Marchand

South Central Chapter

Ralph Wardle

Melville Chapter

Superannuated Teachers of Saskatchewan Proposed Budget: July 1, 2018 – June 30, 2019

	2015-16 BUDGET	2015-16 ACTUAL	2016-17 BUDGET	2016-17 ACTUAL	2017-18 BUDGET	2017-18 7 MO ACT	2018-19 PROPOSED
INCOME							
Membership Fees	330,000.00	325,768.00	370,000.00	331,972.00	335,000.00	197,953.50	345,000.00
Admin Commission (Benefits Plan)	300,000.00	355,907.00	420,000.00	434,112.00	430,000.00	268,867.07	460,000.00
Interest Income	3,000.00	2,540.00	3,500.00	2,504.00	3,000.00	1,387.34	2,500.00
Grant Revenue		55.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00		1,500.00
Sundry	1,000.00	490.00	1,000.00	490.00	500.00		
TOTAL INCOME	634,000.00	684,760.00	796,000.00	770,578.00	770,000.00	468,207.91	809,000.00
EXPENSES							
Annual General Meeting	98,000.00	94,506.00	105,000.00	91,064.00	105,000.00		100,000.00
Amortization	10,000.00	15,083.00	15,000.00	14,228.00	15,000.00	6,491.70	15,000.00
Chapter Rebates	80,000.00	78,402.00	100,000.00	94,496.00	100,000.00	95,528.00	100,000.00
Executive and Committee Meetings	36,000.00	30,689.00	40,000.00	37,316.00	45,000.00	27,778.60	45,000.00
STS Affiliations	10,000.00	9,952.00	12,000.00	9,028.00	12,000.00	5,123.24	12,000.00
Executive Chapter Travel	12,000.00	14,056.00	13,000.00	10,718.00	13,000.00	3,889.04	13,000.00
Chapter Presidents' Meeting	12,000.00	11,481.00	14,000.00	10,664.00	14,000.00	11,480.72	20,000.00
Communications, Membership Growth, PR	56,000.00	57,345.00	56,000.00	53,754.00	60,000.00	22,943.48	60,000.00
Retirement Life Styles Planning Committee	8,000.00	5,617.00	10,000.00	1476	10,000.00	547.11	10,000.00
Support Services Planning Committee	3,000.00	1,512.00	3,000.00	179	-		-
Recreation	4,000.00	3,150.00	4,000.00	5,697.00	4,000.00	2,902.92	6,000.00
Office Staff	190,000.00	201,158.00	230,000.00	213,432.00	240,000.00	127,179.58	260,000.00
Office Operation	90,000.00	106,282.00	100,000.00	106,860.00	110,000.00	62,924.76	125,000.00
Computer and Programming	20,000.00	12,458.00	30,000.00	12,360.00	20,000.00	21,752.28	30,000.00
McDowell Foundation	2,500.00	6,500.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	3,000.00	2,000.00
Scholarships	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
Bank Service Charge	500.00	874.00	1,000.00	879.00	1,000.00	524.00	1,000.00
Gain/Loss on Disp of Assets			3,000.00	1.00	1,000.00		-
Management Fees							
TOTAL EXPENSES	634,000.00	651,065.00	740,000.00	666,152.00	755,000.00	395,065.43	802,000.00
SURPLUS (DEFICIT)		33,695.00	56,000.00		15,000.00		7,000.00

NOTES:

Note 1: The proposed budget for 2018-19 is based on an annual fee of \$30.00.

Note 2: A financial statement for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018 will be prepared as soon as possible after year-end, audited, and made available to all STS Chapters. Copies of the audited financial statement for 2016-17 will also be made available to all AGM delegates at the 2018 AGM.

Note 3: The Operations Reserve Fund had a balance of \$ 398,002. as at June 30, 2017. Should a deficit be incurred for the 2018-19 fiscal year, it would be covered by monies from the Operations Reserve Fund.

ASSUMPTIONS:

1. 11,300 Members
2. Rebate to Chapters as follows: \$400.00 plus \$8.00 per member.



Don Gabel and Alan Laughlin

Darlene Danyliw and Lyle Markowski, Bonspiel Co-chairs

Upcoming Events

Recreational Activities Participation
STS Style . . .

Bowling 2018

Date: May 3-4, 2018
Host: Saskatoon Chapter
Location: Eastview Bowl
Contact: Rick Murza
Phone: 306-374-6323
Email: ramurza@shaw.ca
Contact: Stella Shulhan
Email: stellashulhan@yahoo.ca
(registration form on STS website)

Curling 2018

Date: November 5-6, 2018
Location: Callie Curling Club
Host: Regina Chapter

Fishing 2018

Date: June 12, 2018
Host: Wakaw Chapter
Location: Wakaw Lake
Contact: Don Gabel
Phone: 306-233-3055
Email: gabeldon@hotmail.com
Contact: Mel Osolinsky
Phone: 306-233-5596

Golf 2018

Date: June 4-5, 2018
Host: Carrot River Valley Chapter
Location: Melfort Golf and Country Club, Melfort
Contact: Robert Moore
Phone: 306-752-4842
Email: ramoore57@gmail.com

Golf 2019

Date: June 18-19, 2019
Host: Melville Chapter

Mah Jongg 2018

Date: May 17, 2018
Host: Regina Chapter
Location: Uplands Community Centre
20 Weekes Cres, Regina
Contact: Helen Sukovieff
Phone: 306-545-5566
Email: helens@sasktel.net
(registration form on STS website)

Mah Jongg 2019

Date: To be determined
Host: Saskatoon Chapter

Stitch 'N Quilt 2018

Date: October 23-25, 2018
Host: Saskatoon Chapter

If Chapters are interested in hosting provincial events please contact the STS office or a member of the Recreation Committee. We would also be open to any proposals for new events.

The 2017 STS Provincial Bonspiel saw 20 teams participating at Saskatoon's Sutherland Curling Club on November 6-8, 2018.

Teams were piped in by Jill Hodgkinson for the Opening Ceremonies where greetings were brought from the City by Councilor Bev Dubois and STS Executive member, Don Gabel. The day ended with a pizza supper.

Tuesday draw times were 8:00 am, 10:30 am, 1:00 pm and 3:30 pm. A banquet was served that evening at the German Cultural Centre with entertainment by *No Hurry*. Wednesday's draws were at 8:30 am and 11:00 am. Everyone played on the last day.

The top 11 teams received both a gift prize and prize money and the last nine teams received small cash prizes.

Our thanks to:

- Our Organizing Committee: Lyle Markowski, Bill Meger, Irma Kittelson, Marg Martin, Joan Hickie, Eileen Deneiko, Diane Selby, Randy Danyliw and Darlene Danyliw
- Our registration table volunteers: Eileen, Joan, Irma and Diane
- Irma for printing programs
- Diane for taking pictures
- As well as many sponsors.



A Winners – Team Flath (l-r) Tom Flath, Terry Jelinski, Jim Jelinski, Bonnie Klimek



B Winners – Team Hoehn (l-r) Ron Hoehn, Merv Tomski, Ron Adair, Maxine Stinka



C Winners – Team Bottcher (l-r) Gail Peterson, Arnold Makowsky, Ivan Peterson, Murray Bottcher

Advocacy – Helen Sukovieff

The Advocacy Committee met on March 6 and the main item discussed was the STF's "Pick a Premier" campaign which is now complete. In the last issue an increase was reported in the Saskatchewan Party's membership. It can now be reported that the increase in the NDP membership is over 5000, an increase of 70% compared to last year. It is not known how many of these new members are teachers, it

is safe to say that this campaign has put education back on the political agenda. As retired teachers, we join current teachers, in being cautiously optimistic that the difference will be noticed in classrooms.

If you're attending this year's STS AGM in May, make sure you attend Milton Block's session where he will be presenting information on Advocacy strategies.

Resolutions – Mike Kaminski

The final Disposition of Resolutions from 2017 is posted on the website for reference. All the resolutions have been reviewed, and the dispositions have been updated.

In total, the STS currently has 21 resolutions going forward to the AGM. The STS will provide some research into background information for the resolutions.

If Chapters are still drafting resolutions, they are invited to do so and submit them as soon as possible.

Resolutions Directed to STS (A)

There are three Bylaw Resolutions (A1, A2, A3) that have been submitted and these are being emailed to Chapter Presidents.

Non Bylaws

A.4 BE IT RESOLVED that the Super-annuated Teachers of Saskatchewan (STS) negotiate with Saskatchewan Blue Cross, changes to the Extended Health Benefit Plan so that paramedical services (registered massage therapist, reflexologist, chiropodist/podiatrist, physiotherapist, chiropractor, naturopath, acupuncturist, registered psychologist and registered speech therapist) remain at the \$500 maximum claim for each practitioner per person per calendar year when these services are prescribed by a physician.

The Battlefords and District Chapter

Background: This change does not reduce the amount of coverage available to members. It only places a check on the usage of the benefit.

A.5 BE IT RESOLVED that the STS request SSM to urge the Government of Saskatchewan to rescind the PST on all insurance premiums.

Saskatoon Chapter

STS Background: The Government of Saskatchewan announced on February 26, 2018, that the Saskatchewan Provincial Sales Tax (PST) exemption for life and health insurance premiums has been reinstated effective immediately and will be retroactive to August 1, 2017.

A.6 BE IT RESOLVED that the STS consider increasing the grant to local Chapters for hosting major provincial recreational activities to \$1500.00.

Saskatoon Chapter

STS Background: The current grant for hosting major provincial recreation activities (Curling, Bowling, Golf and Stitch 'N Quilt) is \$1000.00. See Guideline 2 – Chapters and Committees Hosting Recreational Events 2.4 Finances (page 29) in the STS Policy Handbook.

A.7 BE IT RESOLVED that the STS, subject to STF Bylaw 4.5.1 and STS Bylaw 6.2.7.5, lobby the provincial government to stop the collection of the PST on health insurance premiums.

Saskatoon Chapter

Background: See STS Background for Resolution A5.

A.8 BE IT RESOLVED that the STS communicate our appreciation to ACER-CART for their on-going advocacy on behalf of Canadian seniors on issues such as a National Pharmacare Plan and Bill C27.

Saskatoon Chapter

A.9 BE IT RESOLVED that the STS reduce the three premium age brackets for the STS Group Dental Plan to a single age premium.

Peter Stroh

STS Background: The STS had a very extensive discussion with Saskatchewan Blue Cross regarding the elimination of premium brackets for the STS Dental plan. Given the extent of the deficit position and

the financial impact on some Dental plan participants (well over 30%) if a change was made, it was decided to defer this matter until the next round of negotiations.

A.10 BE IT RESOLVED that the STS investigate the extension of membership in the STS Benefit Plan to all retiring employees of school divisions who are covered by a group medical plan.

Peter Stroh

A.11 BE IT RESOLVED that the STS investigate annual and per service deductibles for the STS Benefit Plan.

Peter Stroh

A.12 BE IT RESOLVED that the STS investigate the establishment of an enhanced second STS Benefit Plan.

Peter Stroh

Background: The STF Plan has a higher level of benefits than the STS Plan.

Retiring teachers have had a career on the STF Plan, have come to expect that level of coverage, and would be able to continue with a similar level of coverage at additional premium costs. Current members would also be able to join the Enhanced Plan.

A.13 BE IT RESOLVED that the STS reimburse the Benefit Plan premium PST rebate directly and individually to members in cash or in the form of a reduction to their premium.

Peter Stroh

STS Background: PST rebates will be made to all STS Benefit participants as soon as possible.

A.14 BE IT RESOLVED that in the next round of negotiations with Saskatchewan Blue Cross regarding the extended Health Plan that the STS Executive investigate reducing the experience brackets from three to two.

Wakaw Chapter

A.15 BE IT RESOLVED that the formula for calculating Delegates for the AGM be amended as follows.

1-30 members two Delegates to AGM.

31-60 members three Delegates to AGM.

61-120 members four Delegates to AGM.

The process after the initial 30 members would be an extra Delegate for every 60. This would come into effect for AGM 2019.

Wakaw Chapter

STS Background: The formula to determine the number of Delegates to the STS Annual General Meeting is determined each year by the STS Executive. The current formula provides two Delegates for the first sixty paid members or portion thereof and one Delegate for each additional sixty paid members or portion thereof. The formula should provide for between 200 and 210 Delegates. The current formula provides for the maximum number of Delegates and may require an adjustment for the 2019 AGM.

A.16 BE IT RESOLVED that the STS urge the STF to lobby the provincial government to rescind changes made to the Education Act in 2017 that restrict public input to education governance at the local level.

Unity Chapter

A.17 BE IT RESOLVED that the STS, subject to STF Bylaw 4.5.1 and STS Bylaw 6.2.7.5, lobby the provincial government to exempt health insurance premiums from the PST.

Peter Stroh

STS Background: The last provincial budget imposed the 6% PST on all insurance premiums in Saskatchewan including, health, life, primary residential, personal use automobile, recreation property, recreation vehicles, business and commercial vehicles, business and commercial property, agricultural machinery and property, and crop insurance.

A.18 BE IT RESOLVED that the STS, subject to STF Bylaw 4.5.1 and STS Bylaw 6.2.7.5, lobby the provincial government to exempt life insurance premiums from the PST.

Peter Stroh

STS Background: The last provincial budget imposed the 6% PST on all insurance premiums in Saskatchewan including, health, life, primary residential, personal use automobile, recreation property, recreation vehicles, business and commercial vehicles, business and commercial property, agricultural machinery and property, and crop insurance.

Resolutions Directed to STF (B)

B.1 BE IT RESOLVED that the STS request the STF to amend STF Policy Bylaw 4.5 Local Associations to add “4.5.2 Notwithstanding 4.5.1, the STS Local Association may make representation for matters not related to collective bargaining, STF policy, or K-12 education.”

Peter Stroh

Background: Section 4.5.1 reads, “No local association shall make representation to the provincial government or any member, branch or agency thereof without the explicit approval of the Executive of the Federation.”

Resolutions Directed to ACER-CART (C)

There have been no resolutions received to date.

Resolutions Directed to the Government (D)

D.1 BE IT RESOLVED that the STS, subject to STF Bylaw 4.5.1 and STS Bylaw 6.2.7.5, lobby the provincial government to exempt primary residential insurance premiums from the PST.

Peter Stroh

Background: The last provincial budget imposed the 6% PST on all insurance premiums in Saskatchewan including, health, life, primary residential, private use automobile, recreation property, recreation vehicles, business and commercial vehicles, business and commercial property, agricultural machinery and property, and crop insurance.

D.2 BE IT RESOLVED that the STS, subject to STF Bylaw 4.5.1 and STS Bylaw 6.2.7.5, lobby the provincial government to exempt personal use automobile insurance premiums from the PST.

Peter Stroh

Background: The last provincial budget imposed the 6% PST on all insurance premiums in Saskatchewan including, health, life, primary residential, personal use automobile, recreation property, recreation vehicles, business and commercial vehicles, business and commercial property, agricultural machinery and property, and crop insurance.

STS 2018 Golf Registration

Monday and Tuesday, June 4-5, 2018
Melfort Golf and Country Club, Melfort
All entrants must pre-register by May 21, 2018

Name: _____

Address: _____

Postal Code: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Categories:

- Women Senior Women (70+)
- Men Senior Men (70+)

Usual 18 hole score _____ or
Handicap _____

Monday, 1 pm – shotgun scramble
Wednesday, 8 am – medal play

Registration fee:

- \$145 Two days of green fees, (36 holes) including cart, Monday banquet AND Tuesday lunch \$ _____
 - \$80 Monday scramble, including cart AND Monday banquet \$ _____
 - \$20 Extra supper ticket \$ _____
 - \$15 Extra Tuesday lunch ticket \$ _____
- TOTAL = \$ _____**

Make cheques payable to STS Golf – 2018.

Mail to Karen Hiebert:
Box 109, Gronlid, SK S0E 0W0
Email: karenhiebert@yahoo.com

For further information contact:

Robert Moore
Phone: 306-752- 4842
Email: ramoore57@gmail.com

Accommodations:

Canalta306-752-4242
stay includes a deluxe continental breakfast
Carra Valla Inn.....306-752-2828

From The Editor's Desk Robert Wuschenny

What seemed like a relatively snow-free winter, changed rapidly at the beginning of the first full week of March. The good news, however, is that Spring is just around the corner, at least officially.

This issue of *Outreach* contains much important information. In particular, I draw your attention to the resolutions that have been submitted for consideration at the upcoming AGM in May and to the proposed 2018 -19 budget as well as to the upcoming recreation events.

STS Executive 2017-18

President/Councillor	Maxine Stinka, Assiniboine Chapter
Past-President/Councillor:	Doug Haroldson, Maple Creek-Medicine Hat
Vice-President/Councillor:	Sunil Pandila, Moose Jaw Chapter
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Joyce Hoffman	Swift Current Chapter
Mike Kaminski	Assiniboine Chapter
Alan Laughlin	The Battlefords and District Chapter
Helen Sukovieff	Regina Chapter
Members-At-Large:	
Sue Amundrud	Carrot River Valley (Melfort & District Chapter)
Jane Isinger	Saskatoon Chapter
Doreen Rathgeber	Yorkton Chapter
Doug Still	Regina Chapter
Anna Wehrkamp	Carrot River Valley (Melfort & District) Chapter

STS Office Reminders

- Saskatchewan residents who are 65 years or older can apply for the Saskatchewan Seniors' Drug Plan. If you are approved by the Seniors' Drug Plan, you will receive a confirmation letter from the Ministry of Health. STS Group Benefits Planholders who are eligible for the Saskatchewan Seniors' Drug Plan may be eligible for a reduced premium by providing the STS office with a copy of the Seniors' Drug Plan confirmation letter.

For information on the Saskatchewan Seniors' Drug Plan, please speak with your pharmacist or contact the Seniors' Drug Plan office at 1-800-667-7581. If you live in Regina please call 306-787-3317.

- For any changes to your address and/or Group Benefits coverage, please contact the STS office directly at 306-373-3879 or sts@sts.sk.ca.
- If you are on a temporary contract and wish to suspend your STS Group Benefits, please contact the STS office.
- Please make sure that you are using the correct email address for the STS: sts@sts.sk.ca.



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Please email the STS Office if you wish to receive notification when it is posted on the website instead of receiving a hard copy.

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